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UNITED STATES MARINE BAND
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Mr. Lester S. Levy

Dear Mr. Levy:

Sgt. Kuhns and I would like to express our appreciation to you and your wife for your wonderful hospitality during our Wednesday visit. Both of us enjoyed the afternoon and evening, and in spite of our worries were forgiven by our mates.

Colonel Santelmann was very impressed by the music which you so generously loaned to us for duplication. In fact, he intends to make it known to the President that you have those early copies of HAIL TO THE CHIEF. The band played an engagement yesterday at the White House, at which time your name was mentioned to Mr. Crim, Chief Usher. Colonel Santelmann told him briefly about your West Point music and suggested that an appointment be made so you could show it to the President. I think it would be possible to tell him the HAIL TO THE CHIEF story at the same time. Mr. Crim will advise the President at his earliest convenience and then I'll let you know.

I don't know whether THE BALTIMORE SUN has written a feature story about you or not, but I suggested to Mr. Neil Swanson yesterday that it would be a worthwhile feature. He had written to ask me to write a Marine Band story and I think the Italian incident would be suitable if we can follow up on the Carusi family. I don't know how complete your information is on Carusi the publisher, but I feel sure that you could add something to the story. That would give the feature a Baltimore tie-in. Now I'll just wait to hear from Mr. Swanson. This is just a warning in case he calls you.

Please thank your wife for us and we're sorry we were such awful guests. I'll have your music ready for return next week.

Sincerely yours,

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