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February 21st, 1946

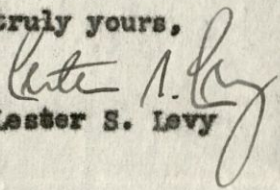
Mr. Dave Elman,
515 Madison Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Elman;

In consideration of the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), I hereby grant you an option up to 10 A.M. March 8, 1946, to purchase from me, for the sum of \$1000.00, a copy of the words and music of The Star Spangled Banner, published by Carr's Music Store, Baltimore, Md. which, according to Joseph Muller's bibliography is authenticated as a first edition.

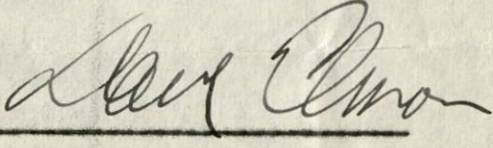
In the event you exercise your option, you may apply the aforesaid \$100.00, in reduction of the purchase price, leaving a balance due to me of \$900.00, which is to be paid in cash or by a certified bank check, on or before 10 A.M. on March 8th, 1946. In the event you fail to exercise your option you are to return to me the copy of the first edition of the Star Spangled Banner referred to above, on or before 10 A.M. March 8, 1946, and I am to retain the \$100.00, ~~the~~ in full payment of the option.

Very truly yours,

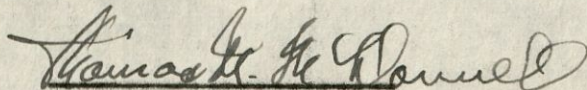

Lester S. Levy

To Lester S. Levy,

I hereby acknowledge receipt of a copy of the first edition of the Star Spangled Banner and agree to the terms and conditions recited above.


DAVE ELMAN

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DATED FEBRUARY 1946