

# Nixon Honors Goldwyn for Films

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SAN CLEMENTE, Calif., March 27—President Nixon flew by helicopter to Beverly Hills today to present the Medal of Freedom to Samuel Goldwyn and to commend him for producing exciting movies that were not dirty.

Goldwyn's movies "weren't square," the President said in presenting the medal to the 88-year-old producer.

On the contrary, Goldwyn's movies "were exciting entertainment," the President said. "They were great box office. They had all of the interest and all of the beauty of great art."

Goldwyn proved that it was possible to produce movies that were "not dull" and still were "not dirty," Mr. Nixon said. He said he noted from an NBC report last night that of

the top 30 movies produced last year, only two were rated X.

"It may be that the movie producers of today are learning what Sam Goldwyn practiced throughout his life: the making of great movies that the whole family could go to see."

Goldwyn suffered a stroke a little more than a year ago and is unable to walk. He received the medal in a wheelchair on the lawn of his palatial home atop a hill.

Goldwyn thanked the President, calling him a "a fighting President" who always "fights clean." He said Mr. Nixon was "my favorite President."

Goldwyn was born in Warsaw, Poland, in 1882 and migrated to the United States in 1896. In 1913, he organized the Jesse Lasky Feature Photoplay Co. Later, he organized

Goldwyn Pictures Corp., which he sold in 1916. It became known as Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Co., but he was never associated with MGM. He organized the Samuel Goldwyn Productions, Inc., of which he is still president.

He produced such pictures as "Wuthering Heights," "The Best Years of Our Lives" and "Porgy and Bess."

After the brief ceremony, Mr. Nixon drove back to his San Clemente home. He is expected to remain here until next Sunday.

Chairman Chet Holifield (D-Calif.) of the House Government Operations Committee also accompanied the President. They spent an hour and a half discussing the President's proposals, sent to Congress Thursday, to reorganize the Cabinet departments.





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