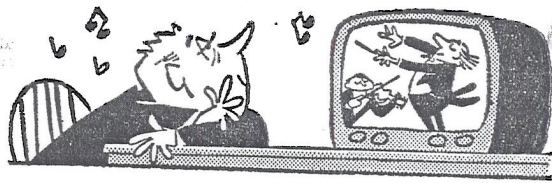


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Sound of Music--and Money

OLD GLORY waved majestically on the rear screen projection while Pat Boone stood on the podium with his wife and four gorgeous teen-age daughters singing the Star Spangled Banner flanked by Ronald Reagan, Jimmy Stewart and Alf Landon (with Sammy Davis Jr. being held in reserve) as the color guard of Army, Navy and Marines plus the



Pat Nixon

Boy and Girl Scouts of America stood at attention at the Republican National Convention.

It would be a difficult moment to top without adding the Don Cossack Choir, the Rockettes and the Anti-Defamation League of the Bnai Brith reciting the First Amendment — and restaging the whole thing in the Grand Canyon.

It is now abundantly clear that the Republicans have beaten the Democrats at their own game of show business. Even the GOP commercials for the conservative viewpoint have been skillfully composed.

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