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Let's Try This

Pearl Bailey lured President Nixon to accompany her last night as she sang before an audience of the nation's governors at the White House.

Mr. Nixon and Miss Bailey exchanged quips as he tried to find the

right notes to accompany her. After several attempts — "Home on the Range" and "My Wild Irish Rose" — Mr. Nixon finally settled on "God Bless America," and joined Miss Bailey vocally.

"I haven't enjoyed an

evening so much in years," said Vice President Gerald Ford. "I laughed so much I cried."

California Governor Ronald Reagan took Miss Bailey aside at the end of the evening and advised her: "Keep that last piano player."