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Of all the screenplays in all the world...

'Play it, Sam. Play 'As Time Goes By.'"
"Here's looking at you, kid."
"We'll always have

Paris."
"This is the beginning of a beautiful friendship."

If you're a movie buff, you know these are immortal lines from the 1943 hit "Casablanca." And it's a cinch that lines like these are what propelled the screenplay to No. 1 on the list of the 101 great-

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est screenplays of all-time.

The list, which was announced last week, is the first by the Writers Guild of America. Since they're the people who write the movies, and know whereof they speak, landing in the top spot is a great honor that would have delighted the late Howard Koch of Woodstock, who co-wrote the screenplay with Julius and Philip G. Epstein. Besides winning the Oscar (which he kept on his mantel in his home, facing a brook as one entered the Ulster County village), Koch lived long enough to see his film chosen as one of the top three best movies of all-time. See **FARLEKAS** page 2B

