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## Betty Ford's Yule Wish: Kiss 'n' Kin

Washington, Dec. 15 (AP) — First lady Betty Ford said today that all she wants for Christmas is "just happiness, love and having the family together." Ford commented as she led a tour of the Christmas decorations at the White House,

centered on an 18-foot Douglas fir tree in the Blue Room.

Despite a recent poll indicating political troubles ahead for President Ford, his wife said she doesn't think the President's spirits are down at all. She said things were "looking great — things are turning around. He's doing a great job as President.

... I have great confidence he will be nominated and elected."

The first lady said she was disappointed that her husband had not named a woman to the Supreme Court. "I had high hopes," she said, but added that the President "made his best judgement. ... He had all the briefs and cases."

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### FORD--CHRISTMAS

WASHINGTON (AP) -- IT WILL BE THE FOUR DAYS OF CHRISTMAS FOR FEDERAL WORKERS.

PRESIDENT FORD SIGNED AN EXECUTIVE ORDER MONDAY GIVING GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES THE FRIDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS AS A FEDERAL HOLIDAY, EXTENDING THEIR TIME OFF THROUGH THE WEEKEND.

THE WHITE HOUSE ANNOUNCED HOWEVER THAT FORD DOES NOT PLAN TO DO THE SAME FOR THE FRIDAY AFTER NEW YEARS DAY.

FORD HAD WITHHELD HIS DECISION ON GRANTING THE FRIDAY HOLIDAY -- TRADITIONAL WHEN CHRISTMAS FALLS ON THURSDAY AS IT WILL THIS YEAR -- BECAUSE OF ADDED COSTS.

THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION RECOMMENDED THE ADDITIONAL TIME OFF; THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT, CITING PREMIUM PAY RUNNING INTO MILLIONS OF DOLLARS FOR ESSENTIAL PERSONNEL WHO WOULD HAVE TO WORK ANYWAY, LOBBIED AGAINST THE EXTRA DAY.

POSTAL WORKERS, WHO GET THEIR VACATION ORDERS FROM THE POSTMASTER GENERAL AND NOT THE PRESIDENT, WILL NOT GET FRIDAY OFF. POSTMASTER GENERAL BENJAMIN F. BAILAR TURNED DOWN POSTAL HOLIDAYS FOR DEC. 26 AND JAN. 2, SAYING THE ENORMOUS ADDITIONAL SALARY COSTS COULD NOT BE BORNE AT A TIME OF AUSTERITY AIMED AT LOWERING A HUGE POSTAL DEFICIT.

FORD'S ANNOUNCEMENT CAME AS THE HOLIDAY SEASON MOVED INTO FULL SWING. ON THURSDAY, THE PRESIDENT WILL LIGHT THE NATIONAL CHRISTMAS TREE, WHICH STANDS BEHIND THE WHITE HOUSE.

FIRST LADY BETTY FORD LED A TOUR OF THE WHITE HOUSE CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS, WHICH INCLUDE AN 18-FOOT DOUGLAS FIR TREE, TRIMMED WITH 3,000 HAND-MADE ORNAMENTS AND TINY GLITTERING LIGHTS, IN THE BLUE ROOM.

THE FIRST FAMILY WILL BE TOGETHER IN VAIL, COLO., AGAIN THIS YEAR, LEAVING THE WHITE HOUSE ON DEC. 23 FOR A SIX-DAY VACATION.

LATER, THE PRESIDENT JOINED MRS. FORD AND DAUGHTER SUSAN IN THE EAST ROOM FOR THE FIRST OF THREE CHRISTMAS PARTIES THEY WILL GIVE -- THIS ONE FOR MORE THAN 1,100 WHITE HOUSE STAFF MEMBERS.

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