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FIRST LADY TOUCHED BY PLIGHT OF VIET CHILDREN — First Lady Betty Ford, talking to newsmen in a lobby of the Los Angeles Music Center, says looking at pictures of Vietnamese refugee children makes her "want to adopt them." She hasn't told the President of her feelings, she replied to a newsman's question. AP photo

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When First Lady Relaxes at Lunch

By FRANCES RUSSELL KAY,

As it turns out, President and Mrs. Gerald Ford's Palm Springs vacation isn't much of a vacation after all, it's more a change of

been barnstorming Southern California (Bakersfield to San Diego) between golf games, the First Lady, Betty Ford, who says she's get-

the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion's Great Hall, must have tired the First Lady who, when questioned later, said, "I feel fine." But she

She greeted the members (in groups of 10) during the preluncheon reception in the Founders, stopping to chat with a few, before

However, Dolores, a Ribbon member, did make the luncheon. But Vondell (Mrs. F. C.) Wilson of Encino did

Betty Ford, Music Center: Love At First Sight

STORIES By TONI MYRUP FRANK
Editor, Outlook on Living

Ford has taken a special interest in music and the arts, particularly as they affect children. Bringing music and the arts to the children of Los

she read with the same warmth and ease, Mrs. Ford said.

"Perhaps you know that most of

She congratulated members of the for "the fantastic task" they have accomplished and said.

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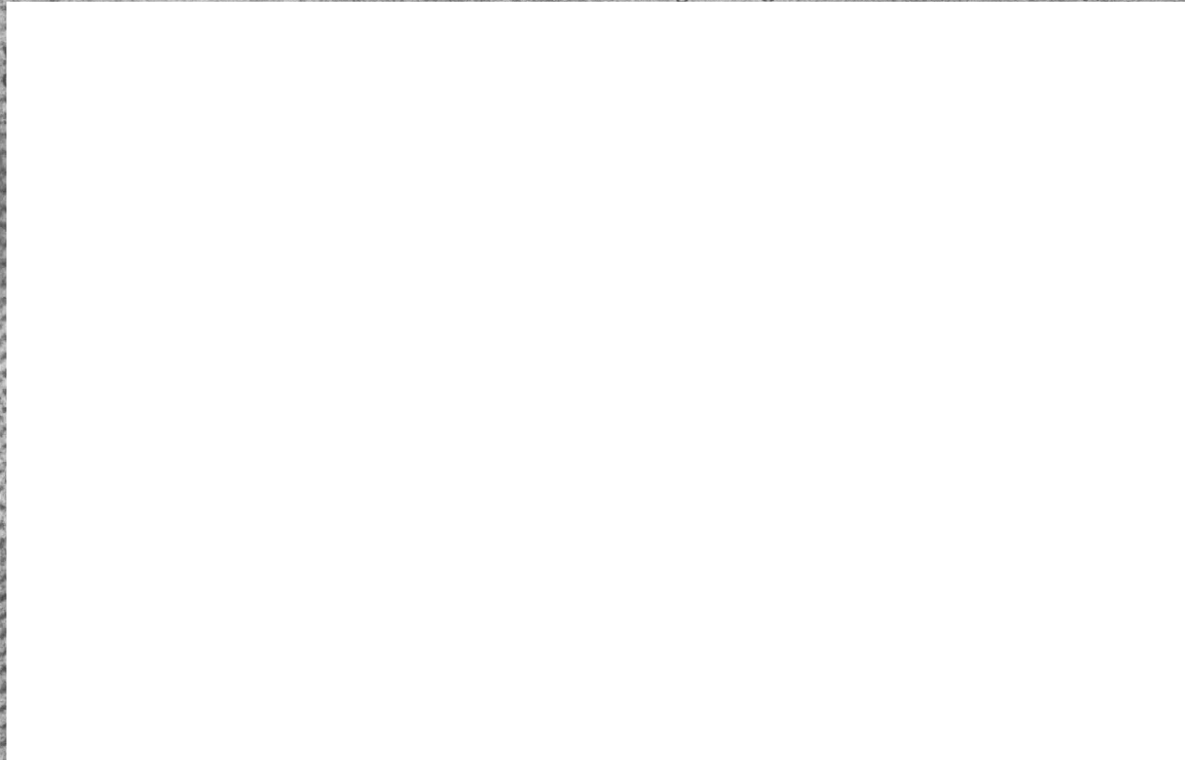
PLEDGES AID TO VIET ORPHANS

Betty Ford visits L.A.

First Lady Betty Ford, who has maintained a special interest in children throughout the years, said Wednesday in Los Angeles that she is making plans to aid the war stricken youngsters in Vietnam.

Mrs. Ford said she primarily has been resting during this vacation and feels in excellent health.

SHE WAS HONORED at the luncheon, held on the glittering second floor of the Dorothy Chandler



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supporting him.

"My husband works hard," she added. "I know

"looking forward to this event for a long time. If

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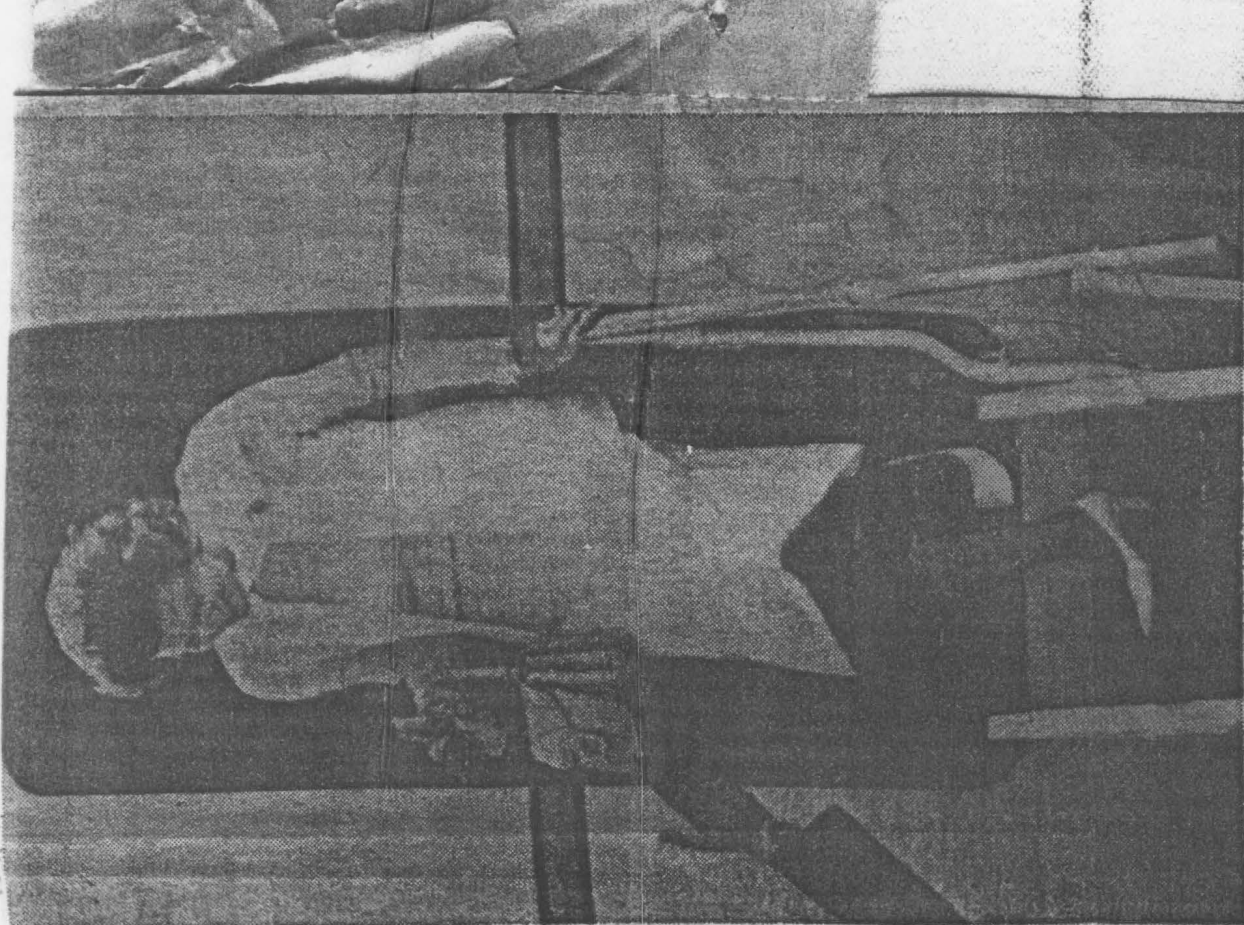
By **CAMILLA SNYDER**
Herald-Examiner Staff Writer

There were, according to Mrs. Richard Wolford, "few regrets" received in response to some 250 invitations to the

Viet refugees evoke 1st Lady's sympathy

LOS ANGELES (AP) — First Lady Betty Ford said Wednesday that pictures of Vietnamese refugee children made her "want to adopt them."

group of 400 social and civic leaders, organized by Mrs. Norman Chandler in 1968, which has raised approximately \$4 million to support the Music Center



Associated Press

Air Force sergeant offers hand to First Lady as she arrives in Los Angeles for luncheon Wednesday. Mrs. Ford returned to Palm Springs later in the day.



NEW VEEPS—Among the new vice presidents of the Blue Ribbon 400 introduced at Wednesday's meeting were, from left, Mmes. Thomas Trainer, Thornton R. Bradshaw and Charles B. Thornton.

Times photo

ON VIEW

Blue Ribbon 400 to Honor Betty Ford

BY JODY JACOBS

Times Society Editor

That's quite a coup The Amazing Blue Ribbon has come up with for its first event of the new year. For the

At Wednesday's meeting seven new officers were formally presented to honorary presidents Mrs. Norman



United Press International

Max Genet, general manager of the Mission Hills Golf Course near Palm Springs, presents President Ford with a desk set

and lifetime membership before the President played a round of golf on the course Wednesday afternoon. He shot an 86.

Ford hits best round of golf, then takes on ills of nation

By DOUG McMILLAN
Press-Enterprise Staff Writer

PALM SPRINGS — President Ford shot his best round of golf Wednesday since coming to the desert, firing an 86 at Mission

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The First Lady was there as guest of honor of the Blue Ribbon 400, a group of social and civic women who have been instru-

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Missy Chandler; Margaret Pereira; Liz Faminan; Anne Johnson; Helen Wolford; Gale Hayman; Natalie Wood; Betty Ford; Dorothy Chandler

FORD PHILOSOPHY: The Academy Awards' fans' bleachers greeted Betty Ford outside Los Angeles' Music Center Wednesday, prompting one of the Blue Ribbon 400 luncheon hostesses to remark, "It's too bad she has to see it this way." But Dorothy Chandler defended — "This is a busy place and things must go on as usual" — and led her guest of honor

but seem disturbed by questions on Vietnam. "It's a tragic situation. I've thought about adopting some of the children, but I'm afraid it wouldn't go over too well with the President. He has four now, you know, and he figures that's enough." She admitted the Palm Springs vacation had provided a good rest: "I'm not a golf freak, so I've been relaxing, which is

ON VIEW

First Lady Takes a Holiday Break

BY JODY JACOBS

Times Society Editor

First Lady Mrs. Gerald Ford breaks a 10-day vacation in Palm Springs devoted mostly to "sunning" and "relaxing"

low profile from a bungalow at nearby Thunderbird Country Club. Wilson's secretary at the Los Angeles headquarters for his Trans World insurance company has been told not to give out any information on the Fords' visit. And telephone operators at Thunderbird are screening the

Blue Ribbon 400 Honors First Lady

BY JODY JACOBS
Times Society Editor

It was originally meant to be a private event. A social afternoon and a special tribute to a "courageous and lovely lady" from some of the city's most culturally and civic-oriented women.

But when the guest of honor is the First Lady, well, then even a group as prestigious as The Amazing Blue Ribbon 400 can't have it all its own way.

And that's why Wednesday afternoon's reception and luncheon for this distinguished guest in the Music Center's



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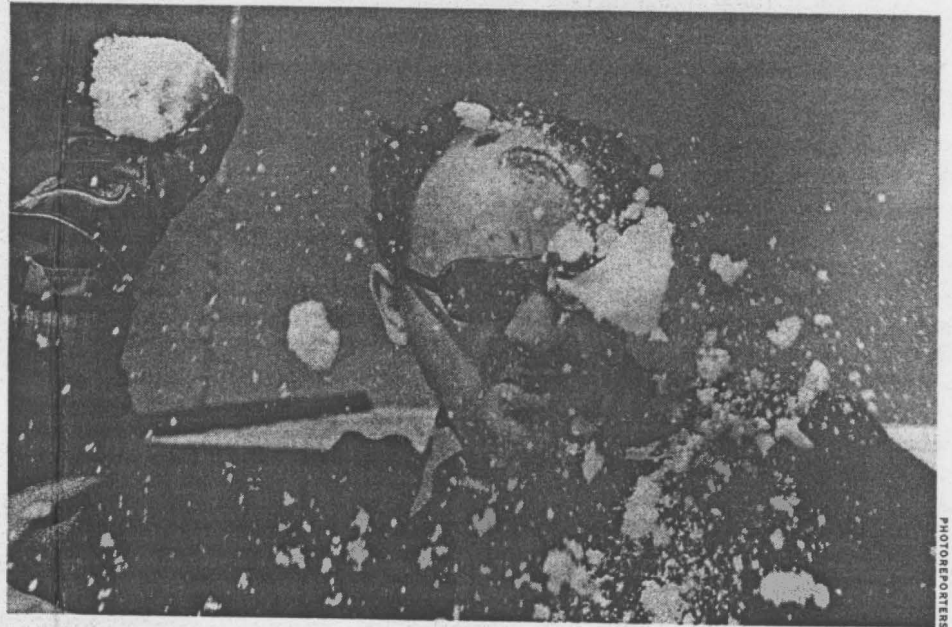


Carey as best man <

"Give all the orders you can now. It's the last day you'll be able to," was best man Hugh Carey's mandate for his eldest son Christopher before the 27-year-old assistant banquet manager at the Waldorf-Astoria married education major Bonnie Bresler Blum, 25, at a Queens ceremony. The New York governor, father of 12 and a widower, is eminently eligible himself but demurs, pleading, "I'm too busy with the state budget. I couldn't handle a family budget, too."

Jorgensen's snow fun >

Like any government leader, Danish Prime Minister Anker Jorgensen craves a close look at his nation's natural resources. Strong-armed wife Ingrid was only too happy to oblige during an Easter weekend sojourn to the Jorgensens' retreat north of Copenhagen. Smack in the middle of a snowball fight, she gave the 52-year-old Social Democrat a bull's-eye view of one product Denmark possesses in abundance.



Betty's birthday <

Cakes and champagne were Air Force One's fare as President Ford and aides returned to Washington from Palm Springs, for next day was Betty Ford's 57th birthday. The First Lady, who had journeyed to California on doctor's orders to bake out some of her winter weariness, still looked a bit gaunt and peaked. Nevertheless, she smilingly reminded her husband and her son Jack, 23, that she alone would decide how many candles would go on the cake.

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(THE FORDS' VACATION)

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- PRESIDENT FORD SAID TODAY HE AND HIS WIFE, BETTY, INTEND TO GO TO CALIFORNIA FOR THE EASTER HOLIDAYS, BUT THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THEIR FAMILY WILL BE GOING THEIR SEPARATE WAYS.

THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORD WILL SPEND THEIR VACATION FROM MARCH 29 TO APRIL 7 IN PALM SPRINGS, CALIF. THE PRESIDENT WILL MAKE SIDE TRIPS TO SAN DIEGO AND THE NAVAL PETROLEUM RESERVE AT ELK HILLS, CALIF..

FORD ALSO WILL ADDRESS THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BROADCASTERS MEETING IN LAS VEGAS, NEV., ON HIS WAY BACK TO WASHINGTON APRIL 7.

THE PRESIDENT SAID HIS CHILDREN WILL SPEND EASTER ELSEWHERE. HIS SON, MIKE, 24, AND MIKE'S WIFE, GAYLE, WILL BE IN MASSACHUSETTS WHERE MIKE IS A SEMINARY STUDENT. JACK, 22, WILL BE AT UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY; STEVE, 18, WILL BE IN WYOMING, AND SUSAN, 17, WILL BE IN WASHINGTON.

SUSAN WILL BE TAKING HER SPRING VACATION EARLIER. SHE LEAVES MARCH 20 FOR A SKIING TRIP TO VAIL, COLO.

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PALM SPRINGS, CALIF. (UPI) -- BETTY FORD, WHO HAS BEEN SUFFERING
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WEARING A NECK BRACE CONCEALED BENEATH A SCARF.

THE NATIONS FIRST LADY TOLD REPORTERS, HOWEVER, THAT SHE FEELS
WEL . "I REALLY DO," SHE SAID, "I FEEL FINE." MRS. FORD HAS BEEN
SUFFERING FROM ARTHRITIS IN THE NECK AND BACK.

PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORD ARRIVED TO SPEND A WEEK-LONG VACATION
BEGINNING WITH EASTER, HOLIDAY -- FOR WHICH MRS. FORD CHOSE NO
SP CIAL OUTFIT.

"ITS NOT IMPORTANT WHAT I WEAR," MRS. FORD COMMENTED. "EASTER
ITSELF IS WHATS IMPORTANT."

THE FORDS PLANNED TO ATTEND EASTER SERVICES AT ST. MARGARETS
EP SCOPAL CATHEDRAL, A 10-MINUTE DRIVE FROM A PRIVATE HOME IN WHICH
THEY ARE STAYING AT A COST OF \$100 A DAY.

THE RESORT-STYLED RESIDENCE, COMPLETE WITH THREE SWIMMING POOLS,
IS OWNED BY FRED WILSON, AN INSURANCE EXECUTIVE AND CLOSE FRIEND OF
THE FORDS. ITS LOCATED IN EXCLUSIVE THUNDERBIRD HEIGHTS, JUST
OUTSIDE OF PALM SPRINGS.

MRS. FORD SAID SON JACK, 27, A SENIOR AT UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY,
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VACATION LAST YEAR IN COLORADO.

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First Lady Meets Some Big Babies At Zoo



Mrs. Betty Ford feeds Connie, an 18-month-old Asian elephant donated to the

Children's Zoo by crew of the aircraft carrier Constellation. Behind Mrs. Ford is

trainer Joan Embrey and behind Connie is Charles Bieler, Zoo director.



Baby rhino seems unimpressed that he is having his back scratched by the

First Lady. Children's Zoo was last on the two-hour tour. (Story on Page A-1)

—Staff Photos by Jerry Rife



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Mrs. Betty Ford says goodbye to Loretta Lynn, a baby chimpanzee she met

during visit to San Diego Zoo. With her is trainer Jo Anne Thomas.

Busy First Lady Enjoys Zoo Visit

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By RAY KIPP

The nation's First Lady visited San Diego yesterday

and spent several hours out yesterday to visit the Zoo and spend some

ART ARENA

Asian galleries ready opening by First Lady

By **JAN JENNINGS**
TRIBUNE Art Writer

Preparation is in progress for the annual meeting and President's Reception

gree from UCLA and his master's degree from Columbia University. He holds another graduate degree, equal to a doctorate, from

Mrs. Senn to head Asian arts

Mrs. Richard E. Senn of La Jolla has been elected chairman of the Asian Arts Committee of the Fine Arts Society of San Diego.

She will serve a one-year term beginning this month.

Mrs. Senn also serves as chairman of decorations for the 50th annual meeting, reception and dinner of the Fine Arts Society. At the May 20 dinner, First Lady Betty Ford will officiate at the ribbon-cutting opening the newly installed Asian Galleries.

The Asian Arts Committee, though formally organized in 1948, was in



Mrs. Richard Senn

existence some years before.

It was established to aid the Fine Arts Gallery in the

field of Asian art, making purchases for the gallery subject to final approval of the Gallery's Art Acquisition Committee, helping to arrange exhibitions and sponsoring lectures and educational programs.



DECORATIONS FOR A FIRST LADY — Mrs. Earl Cross, Wilfred Matheson and Mrs. Donald Gaw prepared centerpieces to be used during the 50th anniversary celebration for the Fine Arts Gallery in La Jolla Tuesday when Betty Ford

appeared as a special guest. The women are members of Ikebana, San Diego chapter, and live in Poway and Rancho Bernardo.

Bill Dennis Photo.

Ikebana Decorates Tables For Mrs. Ford

Members of Ikebana International were in charge of table decorations at the 50th anniversary dinner of the Fine Arts Gallery in La Jolla Tuesday, attended by First Lady Betty Ford.

Mrs. Ford was a special guest for the event which included a ribbon-cutting ceremony opening the Asian Art Gallery.

Area residents who are members of the San Diego chapter of Ikebana are Mrs. Earl Cross and Mrs. Donald Gaw of the StoneRidge area of Poway, and Mrs. Edison Albright, Mrs. Louis George, Mrs. Fred Gray, Mrs. Gordon Pearson and

Wilfred Matheson, of Rancho Bernardo.

Mrs. Robert Storjohamm of Poway, business administrator of the gallery, said 45 members participated in the event since each of the 35 arrangements were made individually. The materials used were from the park and many of the member's gardens.

At the gallery's entrance and on the stage of the Copley Auditorium were four six-foot arrangements using King Protea and chaireuse Pin Cushions, a rare flower from Hward Asper's Green Valley Nursery in Escondido.

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Betty Ford stays busy on SD

By KATHLEEN HUNSELL
Times Staff Writer

SAN DIEGO — First Lady Betty Ford putted on sandwork and said that she was having a good time during a visit to the San Diego Zoo Tuesday.

And later in the day, she changed into an elegant, apple green evening gown and dedicated the lovely new Asian wing at the Fine Arts Gallery before attending a 600-plus dinner marking the 10th anniversary of the Fine Arts Society.

Today she spent all day participating in a personal inspection of the camp where 14,500 refugees from the war in Vietnam are waiting to be able to start an American life.

Mrs. Ford appeared to be happy and relaxed but conscious of the public during her Balboa Park day. At the zoo, she took a standard bus tour and showed a genuine interest in the animals and in the reproduction program. She was accompanied by Charles Bower, director of the Zoo; Leo Victor Krulik, chairman of the zoo board of directors; and by Joan Embury, animal trainer.

The First Lady watched the seal show and waved back to the greetings of delighted San Diego schoolchildren who also were watching the show. At the children's zoo, she held a baby chimp and a ruff lemur and patted the sandwork and Rodney, a baby white rhino who was born at the wild animal park.

She also told Mr. Embury that she had seen her several times at the Johnny Carson show and asked questions on how she works with the animals and why she selects certain ones to train.

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FIRST LADY BETTY FORD WITH HENRY GARDINER

Betty Ford stays



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FIRST LADY BETTY FORD WITH HENRY GARDINER

Betty Ford stays busy on SD tour

By KATHLYN RUSSELL
T-A Staff Writer

SAN DIEGO — First Lady Betty Ford petted an armadillo and said that she watches television during a visit to

had everyone craning necks eagerly towards the door.

When she did arrive, looking elegant and happy, Mrs. Ford made a short speech saying how pleased she was to be at the gallery. "It's a thing with

Straws in the Wind

By Eileen Jackson

Great art is enduring and it can afford the partial eclipse it got last night at the Fine Arts Gallery when First Lady Betty Ford, distinguished special guest, took the spotlight at the Fine Arts Society's glittering 50th anniversary celebration.

The First Lady was impressed (and said so) with the handsomely presented ancient arts in the Asian Galleries, which she opened during a gold-ribbon cutting ceremony.

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LAUDS FINE ARTS SOCIETY

First Lady Opens New Asian Section

By S.A. DESICK

Mrs. Betty Ford injected

join the gallery's exhibits of Renaissance, impressionist, early American and modern

Gale, Mrs. Robert L. Maw and Franklin L. Miller.

The original board of trus-



S. D. 4/9/75

First Lady To Visit For Gallery Event

First Lady Betty Ford will be in San Diego to open the Fine Arts Gallery's new Asian galleries on May 20, Mrs. Jack L. Oatman, Fine Arts Society president, announced.

"The 50th annual meeting of the Fine Arts Society of San Diego has been set for Tuesday, May 20, in order to welcome as special guest, Mrs. Betty Ford, wife of the President," Mrs. Oatman said.

The original date for the event, May 9, was changed at a meeting called following word from the White House early yesterday afternoon that Mrs. Ford would be able to be here.

Mrs. Ford will be honored at a reception and dinner following the annual business meeting to take place at 5:30 p.m. in the gallery. She will cut the ribbon, officially opening the new galleries, after dinner.

Invitations will go into the mail at the end of April, Mrs. Oatman added.

Mrs. John D. McCausland has been named chairman of the event. An Asian decor will complement the newly arranged galleries



MRS. BETTY FORD

and the exhibition of Japanese screens and costumes to be on display that evening.

Mrs. Ford celebrated her 57th birthday yesterday at a White House dinner party.

Fourteen friends were invited to the buffet dinner in the family quarters of the White House.

Wednesday, May 21, 1975

THE SAN DIEGO UNION

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Monique Meets First Lady

Stellar Gallery Event ^{S. E. U.} 5-7-75

The format is being perfected for the Fine Arts Society's tripleheader 50th anniversary meeting, member reception and dinner May 20 at which

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A Hollow Laughter

On their television screens last night, violators of the Elvis Accords

from Peking that Chinese sources consider Chiang Ching-Kuo rather pro-Moscow, in contrast to the rigid anti-Soviet stance of his late father.

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Soyuz Mission Aborted, Cosmonauts Well

Moscow--The Soviet Union announced early Monday that a Soyuz manned space shot aborted automatically soon after launching Saturday and the craft returned safely to earth.

The Tass News Agency said the two cosmonauts aboard the craft were recovered and are feeling well. (UPI)

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FROM SUNDAY PAPERS AND TV

PRESIDENT

Cooper Rollow,
Chicago Tribune

President Ford spins football
yarn on himself

Efforts are underway to get President Ford into Chicago next Aug. 1 to address the Football Writers Association of America and attend the College All-Star game. It should not be too tough a decision for the President. First, the exposure obviously would be politically expedient. Secondly, he loves football anyway. So perhaps on the first day of August, he will take the rostrum at the Bismarck Hotel, and maybe he will even start out with a little joke as he did at the 1974 Hall of Fame dinner in New York. "...there was a dinner when I was introduced by a former teammate from my old Michigan football team," Ford said that evening. "And I'll never forget that introduction. He said, 'Ladies and Gentlemen, it might interest you to know that I played football with Jerry Ford for two years--and it made a lasting impression on me. I was quarterback. Jerry Ford was the center. And you might say, it gave me a completely different view of the President.'"

NBC Network News
WTOP-TV

President Ford Greets
Orphans

NBC Network News and WTOP-TV each gave one-minute-plus stories with film of President Ford meeting a Pan Am 747 carrying 300 Vietnamese orphans at San Francisco's airport.

NBC reported that doctors said 31 of the children were almost dead, suffering from shock and dehydration. Some have chicken pox, so Mrs. Ford--left exceptionally vulnerable to children's diseases by chemotherapy treatments--was kept separated from the children.

President Ford spent five minutes aboard the plane then carried two children to a waiting ambulance (on film).

Ford Job Rating

ABC's Reasoner Report aired the results of a poll commissioned from Lieberman Research, Inc., which interviewed by telephone 600 people in 12 cities and towns about President Ford's performance.

Asked how they would rate the job President Ford is doing, 35 per cent of those polled rated it excellent or good and 61 per cent rated it fair or poor.

On the question of preference for Ford or Vice President Rockefeller, 50 per cent said they would rather have Ford as President, 20 per cent said they preferred Rockefeller and 24 per cent wanted neither.

Asked, "Are you as proud of being American as you used to be?" 43 per cent said they were as proud as ever, and 54 per cent said they were not as proud.

Asked, "Do people in this country care as much about helping each other as they used to?" 35 per cent said yes, and 62 per cent said people do not care as much as they used to.

To the question of whether people have as much energy as they used to, the response was a little more positive than that, but not much.

To the question, "How do you feel about the future of the United States," seven of 10 were optimistic and one in four was pessimistic.



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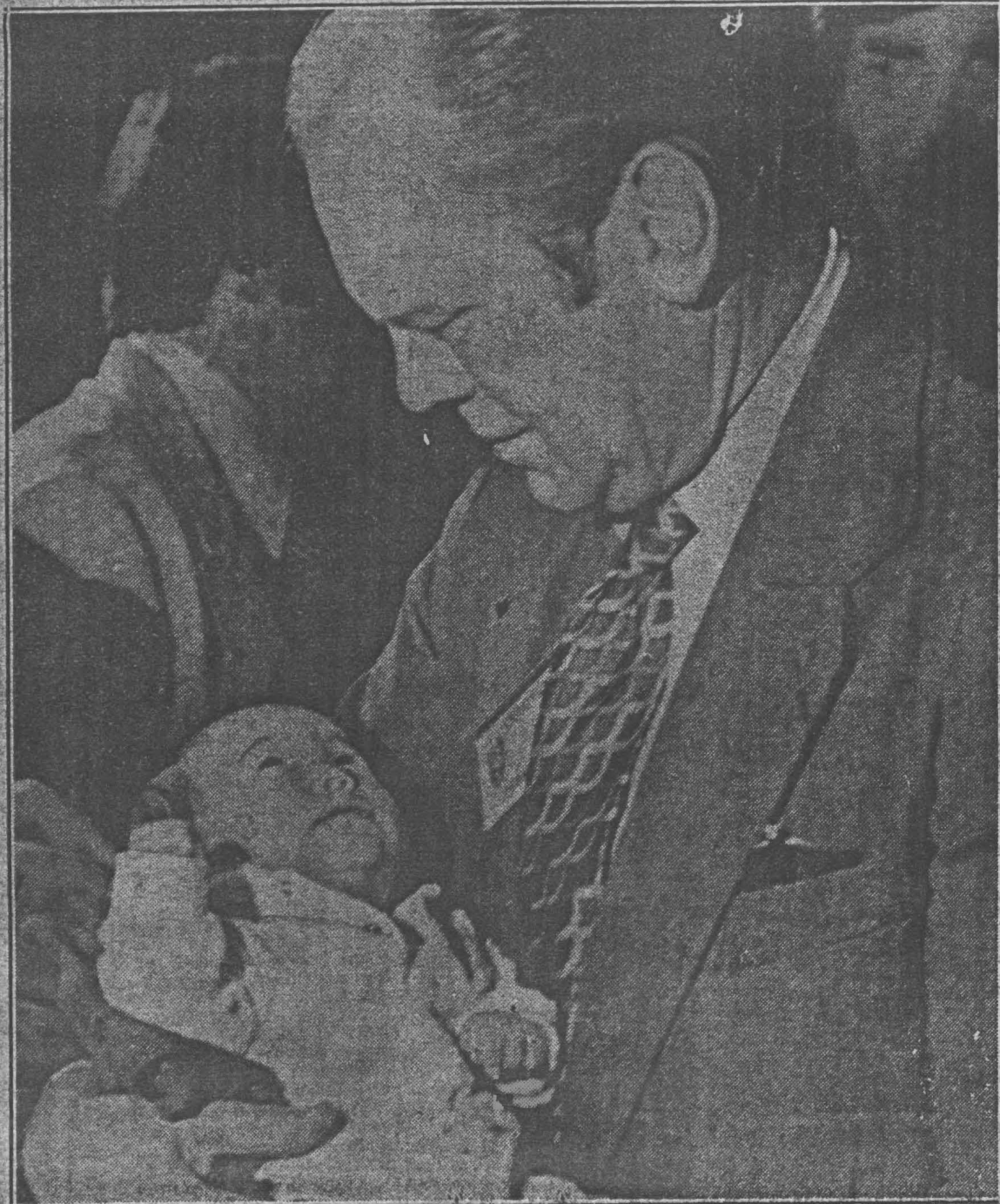
This Baby's Future Is in America's Hands

President Ford cradles a Vietnamese orphan in his arms after he and wife, Betty, met mercy flight in San Francisco late Saturday night. A total of 313 children, including 100 survivors of Friday's plane crash, were on the plane. Another flight arrived early yesterday in Seattle. Last night, a plane with children from Vietnam touched down at Kennedy Airport.

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In South Bronx, Recession Means No Jobs, No Hope

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Children Thru The Eyes of The World...

They whimpered and they cried and they squealed. And they looked with bewilderment at the television lights and flashing light bulbs in San Francisco and Seattle. But nowhere did they hear the sounds of guns or bombs which, until this weekend, had been a part of their daily lives. This was the scene on the West Coast late Saturday and early yesterday as hundreds of Vietnamese orphans arrived in the United States to begin new lives with adoptive parents. President Ford and the first lady were on hand to welcome the babies in San Francisco. A little later, a Pan Am 747 ferried in another planeload at Seattle, continuing the biggest mercy airlift in history. They whimpered and cried. But they were safe—and free.

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Volunteers feed Vietnamese babies at the Seattle Airport following arrival of evacuation plane.



UPI Telephoto

Associated Press Wirephoto

Orphan gets his first look at his adoptive country as he is held by volunteer aboard bus in San Francisco.

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Associated Press Wirephoto
Betty Ford smiles as she watches Vietnamese baby being carried to Army bus by volunteer at San Francisco Airport.

Pain & Illness Also Ride Jets

Docs Plead for Help With Orphans

By THEO WILSON

Staff Correspondent of The News

San Francisco, April 6—An "incredible scene of deprivation and illness," with babies near death, in shock, and in pain from infected wounds suffered in Friday's Saigon plane crash, was described today by volunteer doctors treating the Vietnamese orphans arriving here by the hundreds this weekend.

In an emotional appeal for help from pediatricians and pediatric nurses, the exhausted doctors said that with hundreds of orphans landing tonight and tomorrow, "we are running out of manpower . . . our resources have been stretched to capacity. We need help."

A total of 313 children, including the 100 plane crash survivors, arrived last night on the flight met by President and Mrs. Ford. Forty-seven of the

most critically ill were taken to hospitals here.

The others were taken to the Presidio, the Army post that has converted two buildings into nurseries that are filled wall to wall with infants, some of them newborn, some ill of chicken pox, fever or pneumonia.

"There were children on the plane with infected sutures from the crash wounds and with relatively serious head injuries," said Dr. Alex Stalcup at the Presidio.

Describing the children who

were brought to the Presidio, Stalcup said, "By American standards, one half of them should be in hospitals right now. By Vietnam standards, these were the cream of the crop, the healthiest they could find to put on the plane."

"Two were in shock when they were examined at the airport. It was a difficult trip for the very small infants. The children had been traveling upward

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South Viets, on Move, Retake Coastal City

Saigon, April 6 (Combined Dispatches)—South Vietnamese troops re-occupied today the key coastal city of Nha Trang, 188 miles northeast of Saigon, in the first major move by government forces into territory lost to the Communist-led sweep last month.

Meanwhile, the United States continued to build up its 7th Fleet off Vietnam, and informed sources said that marines were prepared to land in Saigon to evacuate Americans and some Vietnamese if the capital city were attacked or refugees sparked chaos.

To the south of Saigon, at least 80 people reportedly starved to death aboard a ship carrying refugees; two American-charter refugee ships were also



President Urges Optimism

By Lou Cannon
Washington Post Staff Writer

LAS VEGAS, April 7—Pres-

called the United States' "Moral obligation" to Vietnam.

today, praising the broadcasters for their accounts of mercy flights of Vietnamese

Union and to U.S. allies in Europe. High-ranking White House

Names/Faces

'Andrews? We Have a Party Aboard'

Just 45 minutes out of Andrews Air Force Base, Air

(HEALTH)

PALM SPRINGS, CALIF. (UPI) -- BETTY FORD WHO WILL BE 57 TOMORROW SAYS HEALTH "IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IN THE WORLD."

"I DON'T MIND GETTING OLD," SHE SAID IN AN INTERVIEW WITH UPI SATURDAY, "BECAUSE THERE'S NO WAY TO AVOID IT. SO I MIGHT AS WELL ACCEPT IT."

MRS. FORD, WHO UNDERWENT BREAST CANCER SURGERY LAST FALL AND HAS SUFFERED A PAINFUL ARTHRITIC CONDITION IN HER NECK AND BACK FOR MORE THAN 10 YEARS, SAID, "I FEEL IN GOOD HEALTH AND I FEEL FORTUNATE."

FOR HER BIRTHDAY, THE PRESIDENT GAVE HER A WHITE MINK CAPELET, WHICH SHE HAS ALREADY WORN. SHE SAID HER HUSBAND "HAS AN AWFUL TIME TRYING TO THINK OF GIFTS" AND SHE HAS TOLD HIM HE DOES NOT HAVE TO BUY HER ANYTHING ELSE.

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FORDS-ORPHANS

BY HOWARD BENEDICT

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SAN FRANCISCO (AP) -- FIRST LADY BETTY FORD PUT HER ARM AROUND THE STRANGER AND ASKED WHY SHE WAS CRYING.

THE WOMAN SAID SHE WAS AFRAID THE VIETNAMESE ORPHAN SHE HAD ADOPTED WAS DEAD, BUT SHE HOPED FOR A MIRACLE, AND LATER SHE LEARNED THE CHILD WAS ON A JUMBO JET PARKED ONLY A FEW FEET AWAY.

IT HAPPENED ON A RAINY SATURDAY NIGHT WHEN PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORD FLEW HERE FROM THEIR PALM SPRINGS VACATION HOME TO GREET A CHARTER PLANE CARRYING 325 VIETNAMESE ORPHANS TO NEW LIVES IN THE UNITED STATES.

THEY CAME, THE WHITE HOUSE SAID, BECAUSE THEY ARE DEEPLY TOUCHED BY THE FLIGHT OF THE SQUIM VIETNAMESE PEOPLE AND ESPECIALLY BY THE THOUSANDS OF THE INNOCENT WAR ORPHANS.

WHILE THE FORDS WAITED FOR THE SICKEST OF THE CHILDREN TO BE PLACED IN AMBULANCES AND BUSES, THE FIRST LADY APPROACHED THE CRYING WOMAN STANDING NEAR ONE OF THE BUSES.

THE WOMAN TOLD HER THE CHILD SHE HAD ADOPTED HAD BEEN A PASSENGER ON THE AIR FORCE C-54 GALAXY THAT CRASHED AFTER TAKING OFF FROM SAIGON FRIDAY, KILLING UP TO 200 PERSONS, MOST OF THEM ORPHANS.

SHE SAID SHE WAS AFRAID THE CHILD HAD DIED, BUT SHE CAME TO GREET THE CHARTER JET THIS NIGHT BECAUSE SHE HEARD THERE WERE 40 SURVIVORS OF THAT CRASH ON BOARD, SHE HOPED FOR A MIRACLE.

WITHIN AN HOUR SHE HAD IT. DOCTORS REPORTED THE BABY WAS ON THE PASSENGER LIST.

THERE WAS SHEER EXCITEMENT, BOTH ON THE PART OF THE WOMAN AND MRS. FORD, SAID THE WHITE HOUSE AIDE WHO TOLD THE STORY. IT WAS VERY, VERY TOUCHING.

WHEN THE SICKEST CHILDREN, MOST OF THEM WITH CHICKEN POX OR DIARRHEA, WERE REMOVED FROM THE PLANE, PRESIDENT FORD BOARDED AND OBSERVED AN EMOTIONAL SCENE -- NEARLY 300 CHILDREN, MOST CRYING AND SQUIRMING IN BASSINETS.

THE PRESIDENT PICKED UP A SMALL GIRL WEARING ORANGE AND YELLOW PAJAMAS AND CARRIED HER DOWN THE COVERED FRONT RAMP AND ON TO A BUS THAT WOULD WHISK HER TO A NEARBY ARMY MEDICAL CENTER.

THE PRESIDENT REBOARDED THE JET AND EMERGED MINUTES LATER WITH A TINY BOY WRAPPED IN A RED BLANKET. HE BOARDED A SECOND BUS AND SAT DOWN NEAR A FRONT SEAT, LOOKING INTO THE CHILD'S FACE AS VOLUNTEERS BROUGHT OTHER ORPHANS ABOARD.

MRS. FORD INITIALLY WAS NOT PERMITTED NEAR THE PLANE BECAUSE 13 OF THE CHILDREN HAD CHICKEN POX. WHITE HOUSE PHYSICIAN DR. WILLIAM LUKASH SAID THE CHEMOTHERAPY TREATMENT SHE IS RECEIVING AS A RESULT OF RECENT BREAST CANCER SURGERY DESTROYED HER IMMUNITY AGAINST INFECTIONS FROM CHICKEN POX VIRUS. SHE HAS NEVER HAD THE DISEASE.

First Lady takes tour of camps

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After her briefing by Graham and Nick Thorne, coordinator of the civilian agencies helping the refugees, Mrs. Ford went to the area where the volunteers have established their headquarters.

She talked to a number of the people from the agencies, then proceeded to Camp 8.

Khoy also asked her to express to President Ford the gratitude of his people for the help they have received. She told him, "I will give him that message — that is why I am here today."

U.S. Envoy Said to Welcome Airlift

From News Dispatches

SAIGON, April 6—Opposition politicians made public Sunday a letter from a top South Vietnamese government official saying that U.S. Ambassador Graham Martin had expressed the opinion that the evacuation of orphans will help shift American public opinion to

and press agency coverage and the effect will be tremendous."

A U.S. embassy spokesman, asked for comment on the letter, said Martin "has had as his overriding concern the welfare of the orphans." The spokesman said Dan and Martin met last week on the orphan airlift and that Dan



homeland was a "criminal operation."

In Stockholm, about 100 persons protested at the U.S. embassy over the orphan airlift, delivering to embassy officials a resolution describing it as "kidnaping." A Swedish adoption agency also condemned the airlift, saying

early Sunday. President Ford met one of the airplanes in San Francisco and carried a young girl onto American soil. One 4-month-old child died en route to the United States, and some 50 children were seriously ill and being treated for dehydration in San Francisco



United Press International

President Ford holds a Vietnamese infant at San Francisco airport. Story Page A15.



Associated Press Photo

MRS. FORD HELD A SPECIAL HAND AT CAMP PENDLETON

Mrs. Ford hopes visit spurs aid

WASHINGTON (AP) — First Lady Betty Ford says she hopes her visit to Vietnamese refugees at Camp Pendleton, Calif., will help inspire more American families to sponsor immigrants still waiting for new homes.

Mrs. Ford toured a tent camp at the sprawling Pacific Marine base Wednesday, bringing assurances of this country's sympathy and warm welcome to the war victims.

Standing in the center of a basketball court in a recreation area ringed by refugees, Mrs. Ford said:

"My husband, my children and I have suffered with you — what you have had to go through. And I only hope that we can give you some help and inspiration and some sunshine in your life."

Mrs. Ford came to the camp with one question to ask the officials in charge: "Why is it taking so long in processing?"

They told her Vietnamese families
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Associated Press

An American woman escorting South Vietnamese children signaling that there was room for more in the van taking them to Saigon airport yesterday for flight to the U.S.

Many Children Found Ill On Arrival From Vietnam

By DOUGLAS E. KNEELAND

Special to The New York Times

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Mrs. Ford Is Deeply Touched By Plight of Child Refugees

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES, April 3 — First Lady Betty Ford says she is so touched by the plight of Vietnamese refugee children fleeing the armies sweeping through South Vietnam that she would like to adopt them.

Mrs. Ford, in a brief news conference after a luncheon Wednesday at the Music Center, said:

"I feel as everyone does that it's tragic and there's no question in my mind that the whole world is touched by it."

The First Lady, vacationing with her husband in Palm Springs, flew to Los Angeles for the luncheon.

SHE DEFENDED the President for vacationing while large sections of South Vietnam are being overrun by the North

Vietnam army. She said it was a "working" vacation, but he "is trying to take a couple of hours off each day."

Asked if the President wasn't playing golf while Saigon, figuratively, was burning, she said:

"I happen to know my husband is working very hard on the problem."

Mrs. Ford said her reaction on seeing the pictures of the war orphans was, "I want to adopt them."

She said, "I feel these children are children that have to be given the opportunity to grow like the rest of us."

SHE ADDED, however, she had not talked to her husband about adopting a Vietnamese child.

"I don't think it would go too well," she said. Mrs. Ford had lunch with the Music Center Blue Ribbon 400 women's group, an organization of social and civic leaders who were instrumental in founding and maintaining the Los Angeles center.

Mrs. Ford returned to Palm Springs after the luncheon.

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ON VIEW

First Lady Takes a Holiday Break

BY JODY JACOBS

Times Society Editor

First Lady Mrs. Gerald Ford breaks a 10-day

low profile from a bungalow at nearby Thunderbird Country Club. Wilson's secretary at the Los Angeles headquarters for his First World insurance company has been

chairman and Mrs. James F. LeSage as decorations chairman, the decor of the Grand Hall will be enchantingly Oriental that night. So will the entertainment that will include Rosalind Chao's classical Chinese dancing and Jeff Chan with his troupe performing the Chinese ceremonial lion dance. But since this committee was founded in 1952 to further worldwide understanding, Mrs. Vittorio Farinelli, wife of Italy's consul general, has made arrangements through Italian trade commissioner Dr. Vittorio Sanguinetti's office to make sure all the wines served that evening

Los Angeles Times

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Corps in Los Angeles who are members of the committee, and their international-minded husbands.

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Correct your calendars, s'il vous plait. That Evening With Rosalind Russell takes place April 10 at the Santa Barbara Museum of Art.

Women Veterans Plan Study



WORSHIPERS — The President and Mrs. Ford after Easter services in Palm Desert. Between them are Bishop Robert Wolterstorff, left, of the Episcopal Diocese of San Diego and the Rev. John Dean Harrison.
Times photo by Joe Kennedy

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Fords Reported in Palm Springs

President Ford and the First Lady are in Palm Springs, Calif. There is news of their stay. Mrs. Ford "looks good and feels good," according to her secretary. The Fords have entertained Bob Hope, former Gov. Ronald Reagan, Eva Gabor, Frank Jameson and retired Army football coach Earl (Red) Blaik. Frank Jameson? He's married to Eva. President Ford, seated in a shopping center, signed a book, "Five Star Recipes From Friends of Mamie and Ike," while Alicy Faye and Dolores Hope were also signing copies. Miss Faye is married to Phil Harris, Dolores to Bob. The book is being sold for charity. Miss Faye threw her left arm around the President. Ford kissed Mrs. Hope. His daughter, Susan, is at the White House where she is safe. The President heads for San Francisco Friday.

—John McKelway

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(FIRST FAMILY)

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- BETTY FORD IS REGAINING STRENGTH DAILY FROM HER LATEST BOUT WITH ARTHRITIS, BUT DOCTORS STILL WANT HER TO KEEP HER SCHEDULE LIGHT.

A WHITE HOUSE AIDE TODAY QUOTED DR. WILLIAM LUKASH, THE PRESIDENT'S PHYSICIAN, AS SAYING THE FIRST LADY SHOWED "GREAT IMPROVEMENT" WEDNESDAY AND IS SPENDING MORE TIME UP AND AROUND IN THE FAMILY QUARTERS.

MANY OF MRS. FORD'S PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED FUTURE ENGAGEMENTS HAVE BEEN ELIMINATED FROM HER CALENDAR SO THAT SHE CAN FULLY RECOVER FROM THE ARTHROITIC ATTACK WHICH OCCURRED TWO WEEKS AGO.

SHE HAS SUFFERED FROM THE AILMENT IN HER BACK AND NECK FOR NEARLY 10 YEARS. DOCTORS SAY IT IS AGGRAVATED WHEN SHE BECOMES TOO ACTIVE.

IF SHE IS FEELING WELL ENOUGH, MRS. FORD WILL TAKE PART SATURDAY NIGHT IN THE INITIATION OF NEW MEMBERS INTO THE GRIDIRON CLUB AT THEIR 90TH ANNUAL DINNER AT THE STALLER HOTEL.

MEANWHILE, SUSAN FORD FLEW TO VAIL, COL., ABOARD A COMMERCIAL JET TODAY TO SPEND HER SPRING VACATION ON THE SKI SLOPES.

PRESIDENT FORD'S 17-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER WAS ACCOMPANIED BY HER CLOSE FRIEND, BARBARA MANFUCO, 18, OF CHEVY CHASE, MD., AND A SECRET SERVICE AGENT.

SUSAN PLANNED TO STAY AT VAIL UNTIL MARCH 31, THE DAY AFTER EASTER.

FORD AND HIS WIFE PLAN TO SPEND THEIR EASTER HOLIDAY IN PALM SPRINGS, CALIF.

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(FORD)

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- PRESIDENT FORD WAS WORRIED TODAY THAT CONGRESS MIGHT TAKE OFF ON A 10-DAY EASTER VACATION BEFORE IT PASSES AN INCOME TAX CUT, A SPOKESMAN SAID.

"IF THE SENATE TAKES ITS VACATION WITHOUT A TAX CUT, THE PRESIDENT WOULD FIND THAT UNBELIEVABLE," PRESS SECRETARY RON NESSEN TOLD REPORTERS. "THE PRESIDENT IS VERY, VERY CONCERNED IF THEY GO WITHOUT PASSING THE TAX CUT.

"HE FEELS PEOPLE ARE LOSING THEIR JOBS AND BUSINESSES ARE CUTTING BACK. HE JUST CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHY CONGRESS WON'T PASS A TAX CUT QUICKLY WHEN EVERYONE AGREES IT'S NEEDED."

THE HOUSE HAS PASSED A \$21.3 BILLION TAX CUT -- ABOUT \$5 BILLION MORE THAN FORD REQUESTED. BUT THE SENATE STILL IS CONSIDERING IT.

BOTH CHAMBERS ARE PREPARING TO LEAVE SOON FOR AN EASTER RECESS, THE SENATE ON MARCH 21 AND THE HOUSE ON MARCH 27.

NESSEN'S STATEMENT, ECHOING PREVIOUS WHITE HOUSE CLAIMS THAT CONGRESS IS ACTING TOO SLOWLY ON FORD'S ECONOMIC AND ENERGY PROGRAM, FOLLOWED A ONE AND ONE-HALF HOUR MEETING BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT AND HIS TOP ADVISERS TO REVIEW THE STATUS OF HIS PROPOSAL FOR A 1974 INCOME TAX RELATE.

REFERRING TO THE 10-DAY HOUSE RECESS IN EARLY FEBRUARY, NESSEN ADDED, "THEY'VE ALREADY HAD ONE AND NOW THEY ARE ABOUT TO TAKE ANOTHER."

FORD HIMSELF ANNOUNCED EARLIER IN THE DAY DURING A CEREMONY IN THE OVAL OFFICE THAT HE ALSO PLANS TO TAKE AN EASTER VACATION. HE SAID HE AND HIS WIFE, BETTY, INTEND TO GO TO PALM SPRINGS, CALIF., MARCH 29, AND RETURN APRIL 7.

BUT WHEN NESSEN WAS ADVISED BY REPORTERS THAT THE PRESIDENT HAD DISCLOSED PLANS FOR A VACATION, HE REPLIED ONLY THAT THE TRIP "HASN'T BEEN ANNOUNCED."

THE MEETING BETWEEN FORD AND HIS ADVISERS APPARENTLY HINGED ON THE POSSIBILITY OF A COMPROMISE BETWEEN THE ADMINISTRATION'S PROPOSALS AND THOSE SET FORTH BY REP. AL ULLMAN, D-ORE., CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE.

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TAX CUT (TOPS N67)

BY FRANK CORMIER

WASHINGTON (AP) -- PRESIDENT FORD MIGHT VETO A RECESSION-FIGHTING TAX CUT EXCEEDING HIS REQUEST AND FORGO AN EASTER HOLIDAY IN ORDER TO PRESS CONGRESS TO ACT QUICKLY ON A MEASURE TO HIS LIKING, HIS SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY.

PRESS SECRETARY RON NESSEN TOLD NEWSMEN FORD "MIGHT WANT TO VETO" A COMPROMISE TAX BILL BEING NEGOTIATED IN A SENATE-HOUSE CONFERENCE AND ABANDON TENTATIVE PLANS TO FLY SATURDAY TO PALM SPRINGS, CALIF., FOR A NINE-DAY VACATION.

ASKED WHY FORD WOULD REMAIN IN WASHINGTON, NESSEN SAID, "HE WANTS TO STAY HERE UNTIL A TAX BILL IS PASSED."

NESSEN SAID HE WAS UNCERTAIN ABOUT THE PARLIAMENTARY SITUATION INVOLVED IF FORD TRIED TO PRESSURE CONGRESS INTO REMAINING IN SESSION NEXT WEEK TO DEAL WITH THE TAX QUESTION.

BUT NESSEN MADE IT CLEAR FORD WOULD WANT CONGRESS TO REMAIN ON THE JOB, AND FORGO ITS OWN EASTER HOLIDAY IF HE EXERCISES HIS VETO POWERS.

WHILE SOURCES SAID DEVELOPMENTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND SOUTHEAST ASIA WERE ANOTHER FACTOR THAT COULD CAUSE FORD TO CANCEL OR DELAY HOLIDAY PLANS, NESSEN SAID THE PRESIDENT WAS RECONSIDERING HIS PLANS "PRIMARILY BECAUSE OF THE UNCERTAIN STATUS OF THE TAX CUT BILL."

HOUSE SPEAKER CARL ALBERT EXPRESSED DOUBT THAT FORD WOULD RECALL CONGRESS FROM ITS RECESS.

ALBERT SAID HE WOULD GO AHEAD WITH PLANS FOR A TRIP TO MAINLAND CHINA, SCHEDULED TO START BY THURSDAY, ON WHICH HOUSE MINORITY LEADER JOHN J. RHODES ALSO IS BOOKED.

"THIS IS A PRESIDENTIAL MISSION," ALBERT SAID. "WE ARE SORT OF LOCKED INTO IT ..."

"I WOULD BE THE HIGHEST RANKING OFFICIAL TO VISIT THERE SINCE (FORMER PRESIDENT) NIXON. I HAVE BEEN ASKED REPEATEDLY TO GO. THE STATE DEPARTMENT ASKED ME TO GO. I'M KIND OF CAUGHT."

"IF HE SHOULD CALL US INTO SESSION, I GUESS I'D COME BACK."

ASKED WHETHER THE HOUSE MIGHT POSTPONE ITS RECESS, SCHEDULED TO BEGIN AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS WEDNESDAY, IF IT APPEARED THE TAX BILL COULD BE ENACTED THURSDAY OR FRIDAY, ALBERT QUESTIONED WHETHER THE HOUSE COULD MUSTER A QUORUM.

"WE'LL HAVE A LOT OF PEOPLE ON VARIOUS CONTINENTS," ALBERT SAID.

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(FORD VACATION)

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- PRESIDENT FORD MAY CANCEL HIS EASTER VACATION IN CALIFORNIA BECAUSE OF THE PENDING TAX CUT BILL AND EVENTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND INDOCHINA, WHITE HOUSE SOURCES SAID TODAY.

THESE SOURCES NOTED FORD'S CONCERN OVER A TAX CUT BILL WHICH WAS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED LATER THIS WEEK BY A HOUSE-SENATE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE. POLITICAL SOURCES SAID FORD COULD WELL DECIDE TO VETO THE FINAL BILL IF IT GOES DRAMATICALLY BEYOND THE \$20 BILLION MARK.

OTHER SOURCES SAID FORD'S TIME WOULD BE TAKEN UP WITH THE SUDDEN CRUSH OF FOREIGN EVENTS INCLUDING THE FAILURE OF HENRY KISSINGER'S ATTEMPT TO NEGOTIATE AN ISRAELI-EGYPTIAN PEACE AGREEMENT, THE COMMUNIST ONSLAUGHT IN CAMBODIA AND SOUTH VIETNAM, LEFT-WING RUMBLINGS IN PORTUGAL AND THE ASSASSINATION OF KING FAISAL OF SAUDI ARABIA.

ALL OF THESE PRESSURES, THEY SAID, PLAY A PART IN FORD'S DECISION TO RECONSIDER HIS VACATION PLANS. WHITE HOUSE SOURCES SAID THE PRESIDENT WILL MAKE A DEFINITE DECISION TOMORROW. THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORD ORIGINALLY PLANNED TO FLY TO CALIFORNIA SATURDAY. FORD HAD PLANNED TO MIX WORK WITH REST DURING THE NINE-DAY TRIP, INCLUDING SOME PUBLIC APPEARANCES.

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PALM SPRINGS (UPI) -- PRESIDENT FORD HOSTED A SMALL PRIVATE DINNER PARTY LAST NIGHT AT HIS VACATION VILLA IN HONOR OF FORMER CALIFORNIA GOV. RONALD REAGAN AND HIS WIFE.

THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORD MET REAGAN AND HIS WIFE, NANCY, AT THE ENTRANCE OF THEIR RENTED RESIDENCE. FORD GREETED MRS. REAGAN WITH A KISS ON THE CHEEK. ASKED IF THEY WERE GOING TO TALK POLITICS, FORD LAUGHED AND SAID, "WE'RE JUST OLD FRIENDS."

MRS. FORD, WITH A BIG SMILE, CHIMED IN, "WHAT ARE POLITICS?"

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FORD

BY FRANK CORMIER

PALM SPRINGS, CALIF. (AP) -- PRESIDENT FORD HAS LET IT BE KNOWN INDIRECTLY THAT HE ATTRIBUTES HANOI'S MILITARY SUCCESSES IN SOUTH VIETNAM TO ITS VIOLATIONS OF THE PARIS ACCORD AND CONGRESS' FAILURE TO GRANT MORE AID TO SOUTH VIETNAM.

WHITE HOUSE PRESS SECRETARY RON NESSEN TOLD NEWSMEN MONDAY HE WAS STICKING CLOSE TO WORDS FORD HAD USED WITH HIM IN PRIVATE AS HE SAID:

"I KNOW HE (FORD) FEELS THE PULL BACK OF THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE FORCES TO A LINE WHICH PRESIDENT THIEU FEELS IS DEFENSIBLE WAS CAUSED BY TWO THINGS: ONE, THE VIOLATIONS OF THE PARIS ACCORD BY THE NORTH VIETNAMESE; AND SECOND, BY THE EFFECT ON THE MORAL OF THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE OF THE PROSPECT OF NO FURTHER AMERICAN AMMUNITION AND EQUIPMENT WHICH WOULD ENABLE THEM TO FIGHT FOR THEIR OWN SURVIVAL."

NESSEN'S COMMENTS CAME AFTER FORD DECLINED FOR THE THIRD STRAIGHT DAY TO RESPOND DIRECTLY TO QUESTIONS FROM NEWSMEN ABOUT THE SITUATION IN VIETNAM.

DURING AN AIRPORT STOPOVER AT BAKERSFIELD, CALIF., CBS WHITE HOUSE REPORTER PHIL JONES TRIED TO ASK HIM ABOUT VIETNAM, BUT FORD INTERRUPTED HIM WITH A LAUGH AND BEGAN JOGGING TOWARD HIS WAITING JET SOME 100 YARDS AWAY.

JONES KEPT PACE WITH FORD AND WAS ABLE TO COMPLETE HIS QUESTION, BUT THE PRESIDENT, WHO WAS GRINNING FROM EAR TO EAR AND SEEMINGLY ENJOYING THE EXERCISE, CONFINED HIMSELF TO CHALLENGING THE NETWORK CORRESPONDENT TO KEEP ABREAST OF HIM.

AFTER FORD RETURNED TO PALM SPRINGS FROM BAKERSFIELD AND AN INSPECTION TOUR OF THE ELK HILLS NAVAL PETROLEUM RESERVE, NESSEN WAS ASKED IF FORD'S TROTGING WAS AN EFFORT TO AVOID TALKING ABOUT VIETNAM.

"I WOULD NOT THINK SO," HE SAID. "I THINK YOU KNOW HIM BETTER THAN THAT."

A REPORTER THEN NOTED THAT FORD WAS NOT RESPONDING TO QUESTIONS ON THE SUBJECT WHICH "AS YOU CORRECTLY POINT OUT, HE NORMALLY DOES," AND ASKED IF IT MEANT A NEW VIETNAM POLICY STATEMENT WAS IN THE WORKS.

"I AM NOT AWARE OF ANY STATEMENT ON VIETNAM," SAID NESSEN. HE SAID FORD WILL HOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE IN SAN DIEGO AND ADDED, "I HARDLY THINK THAT IS RUNNING AWAY FROM THE ISSUE."

WHEN ASKED WHY, IN A NEWSMAN'S WORDS, "THE PRESIDENT RAN AT BAKERSFIELD AIRPORT," NESSEN REPLIED, "I DID NOT SEE WHAT HAS BEEN DESCRIBED AS RUNNING."

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WASHINGTON (UPI) --FIRST LADY BETTY FORD MAY FLY TO PALMS SPRINGS, CALIF., TO SPEND SOME TIME IN THE SUN EVEN IF THE PRESIDENT POSTPONES HIS EASTER TRIP TO THE WEST COAST, HER PRESS SECRETARY SAID THURSDAY. SHEILA RABB WEIDENFELD, THE PRESS SECRETARY, SAID THAT MRS. FORD MAY STILL GO TO CALIFORNIA ON SATURDAY OR SUNDAY EVEN IF THE TAX CUT BILL DECISION DELAYS FORD IN WASHINGTON. MRS FORD IS RECUPERATING FROM A PAINFUL BOUT WITH A CHRONIC OSTEOARTHRITIC CONDITION IN HER NECK AND BACK. HER DOCTORS WOULD LIKE HER TO RELAX IN THE SUN. SHE ALSO IS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR AS A GUEST OF HONOR AT A LUNCHEON IN LOS ANGELES ON APRIL 2 SPONSORED BY A GROUP CALLED THE AMAZING BLUE RIBBON 400 WHO ARE PATRONS OF THE MUSIC CENTER IN LOS ANGELES.

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MRS. FORD

LOS ANGELES (AP) -- FIRST LADY BETTY FORD SAYS SHE IS SO TOUCHED BY THE PLIGHT OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEE CHILDREN FLEEING THE ARMIES SWEEPING THROUGH SOUTH VIETNAM THAT SHE WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT THEM.

MRS. FORD, IN A BRIEF NEWS CONFERENCE AFTER A LUNCHEON WEDNESDAY AT THE MUSIC CENTER, SAID "I FEEL AS EVERYONE DOES THAT IT'S TRAGIC AND THERE'S NO QUESTION IN MY MIND THAT THE WHOLE WORLD IS TOUCHED BY IT."

THE FIRST LADY, VACATIONING WITH HER HUSBAND IN PALM SPRINGS, FLEW TO LOS ANGELES FOR THE LUNCHEON.

SHE DEFENDED THE PRESIDENT FOR VACATIONING WHILE LARGE SECTIONS OF SOUTH VIETNAM ARE BEING OVERRUN BY THE NORTH VIETNAM ARMY. SHE SAID IT WAS A "WORKING" VACATION, BUT HE "IS TRYING TO TAKE A COUPLE OF HOURS OFF EACH DAY."

ASKED IF THE PRESIDENT WASN'T PLAYING GOLF WHILE SAIGON, FIGURATIVELY, WAS BURNING, SHE SAID, "I HAPPEN TO KNOW MY HUSBAND IS WORKING VERY HARD ON THE PROBLEM."

MRS. FORD SAID HER REACTION ON SEEING THE PICTURES OF THE WAR ORPHANS WAS, "I WANT TO ADOPT THEM."

SHE ADDED, HOWEVER, SHE HAD NOT TALKED TO HER HUSBAND ABOUT ADOPTING A VIETNAMESE CHILD.

"I DON'T THINK IT WOULD GO TOO WELL," SHE SAID.

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(FORD)

BAKERSFIELD, CALIF. (UPI) -- PRESIDENT FORD TOOK OFF HIS SUIT COAT, DONNED A WHITE HARD HAT AND TOURED THE NAVY'S ELK HILLS OIL RESERVES MONDAY TO DRAMATIZE HIS FIGHT FOR CONGRESS TO PASS BY MAY DAY A NATIONAL ENERGY PROGRAM.

"IT'S BEEN WONDERFUL," FORD TOLD NAVY CMDR. R. G. MARTIN AT THE END OF THE TOUR OF THE RESERVE WHICH IS PUMPING 3,000 BARRELS OF OIL A DAY. "WE'LL BE BACK WHEN YOU'RE UP TO 400,000 BARRELS A DAY."

FORD BROKE AWAY FROM HIS EASTER HOLIDAY RESORT AT PALM SPRINGS AND FLEW TO ELK HILLS "AS A DEMONSTRATION OF HIS INTEREST IN TAPPING ELK HILLS FOR A BILLION BARREL RESERVE OF OIL FOR CIVILIANS PLUS 300 MILLION BARRELS FOR THE MILITARY IN CASE OF EMERGENCY," PRESS SECRETARY RON NESSEN SAID.

FORD FLEW AIR FORCE 1 FROM PALM SPRINGS TO BAKERSFIELD, PAUSED TO THANK 4,500 CHEERING CALIFORNIANS, BOARDED A HELICOPTER, AND EXCHANGED HIS SUIT COAT FOR A WHITE WINDBREAKER AND THE HARD HAT.

HE MADE THE FIRST PRESIDENTIAL VISIT TO THE 65-YEAR-OLD, 48,000-ACRE RESERVE THAT UNTIL NOW HAS BEEN TAPPED ONLY LIGHTLY FOR NAVY USE.

BRIEFED BY FOUR NAVAL OFFICERS COMMANDING THE FIELDS, FORD ALSO TOURED A PRODUCTION CENTER, A GAS PROCESSING PLANT AND OIL SHIPPING FACILITIES.

FORD ASKED TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SURPRISING MARTIN AND HIS MEN.

"HE KNOWS WHAT HE'S TALKING ABOUT," SAID MARTIN'S ASSISTANT, LT. CMDR. T.W. BONE.

FORD, SINCE HIS DAYS AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE, HAS MADE A SPECIALTY OF OIL AND ITS CONNECTION TO NATIONAL SECURITY.

FORD RETURNED TO PALM SPRINGS FOR A BIT OF RELAXATION. HE HAD A GOLF DATE WITH BOB HOPE AND FRIEND LEON PARMA AT THE EL DORADO COUNTRY CLUB.

MRS. FORD APPEARED TO BE ENJOYING THE SUNNY WEATHER AT THE RESORT. UPON ARRIVING SATURDAY NIGHT, SHE SHUCKED OFF THE NECK BRACE SHE SOMETIMES USES FOR HER PAINFUL ARTHITIS.

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LOS ANGELES (UPI) -- BETTY FORD SAID SHE IS SO SADDENED BY THE PLIGHT OF VIETNAMESE WAR ORPHANS THAT SHE'D LIKE TO ADOPT THEM, BUT THEN ADDED THAT WITH FOUR CHILDREN OF THEIR OWN, SHE DOUBTS THE PRESIDENT WANTS ANY MORE.

THE FIRST LADY, ATTENDING A LUNCHEON FOR SOCIALLY PROMINENT LOS ANGELES WOMEN WEDNESDAY, SAID SHE WAS DEPRESSED BY PICTURES AND TV FILM OF CRYING VIETNAMESE REFUGEE CHILDREN, CALLING THE SITUATION "TRAGIC, TRAGIC."

SHE WAS SO MOVED THAT "I WANT TO ADOPT THEM," SHE SAID.

SHE SAID HER HUSBAND "IS DOING EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO GET AS MANY PEOPLE AS POSSIBLE OUT BY PLANE AND SHIP."

SHE SAID SHE WAS CONSIDERING WHAT WOMEN IN THE UNITED STATES AND AROUND THE WORLD COULD DO TO HELP THE REFUGEES.

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(BETTY)

PALM SPRINGS (UPI) -- BETTY FORD "LOOKS GOOD AND FEELS GOOD" AFTER SEVERAL DAYS OF RELAXING IN THE SUN BESIDE THE POOL AT THE VACATION WHITE HOUSE HERE, HER PRESS SECRETARY SAID YESTERDAY.

THE FIRST LADY, WHO HAS AN ARTHRITIC CONDITION THAT PINCHES A NERVE IN HER NECK AND MUST SOMETIMES WEAR A BRACE, APPEARED TO BE SUFFERING FROM THE AILMENT IN WASHINGTON BEFORE COMING WEST.

HER 57TH BIRTHDAY IS NEXT TUESDAY, AND SHE IS PLANNING TO CELEBRATE BY ATTENDING A PEARL BAILEY CONCERT AT THE KENNEDY CENTER IN WASHINGTON. SHE HAS ALREADY RECEIVED HER BIRTHDAY PRESENT FROM THE PRESIDENT -- A WHITE MINK CAPELET SHE WORE RECENTLY TO THE GRIDIRON DINNER IN WASHINGTON.

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PALM SPRINGS, CALIF. (UPI) -- PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORD HAD TENTATIVELY PLANNED TO GREET THE PLANELOAD OF VIETNAMESE ORPHANS THAT CRASHED TODAY IN SAIGON.

A WHITE HOUSE AIDE AWAKENED AT THE PRESIDENTIAL QUARTERS AND TOLD OF THE CRASH DESCRIBED IT AS "UNBELIEVABLE AND SHOCKING" AND TERMED IT "TRAGIC." IT WAS NOT IMMEDIATELY KNOWN IF THE PRESIDENT WAS AWAKENED.

WHITE HOUSE SPOKESMAN RON NESSEN SAID THURSDAY THE FORDS WERE "TERRIBLY TOUCHED" OVER THE FLIGHT OF THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE ORPHANS AND HOPED TO WELCOME THE FIRST GROUP AT TRAVIS AIR FORCE BASE IN CALIFORNIA MONDAY WHEN THE C5A WAS TO HAVE LANDED IN THE UNITED STATES.

THE FIRST LADY TOLD REPORTERS WEDNESDAY SHE WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT ONE OF THE ORPHANS BUT SHE DOUBTED IT WOULD BE DONE BECAUSE THE FORDS ALREADY HAVE FOUR CHILDREN.

"MRS. FORD IS TERRIBLY TOUCHED, AND SO IS HE," NESSEN SAID THURSDAY. "ALL THESE ORPHANS COMING HERE ARE ALREADY IN THE PROCESS OF BEING ADOPTED."

FORD SAID HE HAD DIRECTED THAT MONEY FROM A \$2 MILLION SPECIAL FOREIGN AID CHILDRENS' FUND BE MADE AVAILABLE TO FLY 2,000 SOUTH VIETNAMESE ORPHANS TO THE UNITED STATES "AS SOON AS POSSIBLE."

"I HAVE ALSO DIRECTED AMERICAN OFFICIALS IN SAIGON TO ACT IMMEDIATELY TO CUT RED TAPE AND BUREAUCRATIC OBSTACLES FOOM PREVENTING THESE CHILDREN FROM COMING TO THE UNITED STAES," FORD SAID.

"THIS IS THE LEAST WE CAN DO, AND WE WILL DO MUCH, MUCH MORE," FORD SAID.

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BY HELEN THOMAS

UPI WHITE HOUSE REPORTER

PALM SPRINGS, CALIF. (UPI) -- PRESIDENT FORD HAS ASKED SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY A. KISSINGER TO STAY IN HIS POST THROUGHOUT THE CURRENT PRESIDENTIAL TERM AND KISSINGER HAS AGREED, WHITE HOUSE PRESS SECRETARY RON NESSEN SAID SUNDAY.

NESSEN TOLD NEWSMEN FORD MET KISSINGER IN THE WHITE HOUSE OVAL OFFICE EARLY LAST WEEK AND SAID, "I WOULD LIKE YOU TO STAY ON UNTIL AT LEAST THE END OF THIS TERM. IT IS MY DESIRE."

KISSINGER REPLIED, "THAT ALSO IS MY DESIRE," NESSEN TOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE IN THIS MILLIONAIRES' RESORT WHERE FORD WAS OPENING A NINE DAY WORKING VACATION CLOUDED BY REPORTS OF THE COMMUNIST CAPTURE DA NANG.

FORD, STAYING WITH HIS WIFE IN A \$100-A-DAY RENTED HOUSE, WAS GETTING SOME INFORMATION FROM KISSINGER AND THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL IN WASHINGTON ON THE INDOCHINA SITUATION, NESSEN SAID. HE SAID THE KISSINGER TOLD HIM SUNDAY MORNING HE WILL FLY TO PALM SPRINGS TO JOIN THE PRESIDENT LATE THURSDAY OR FRIDAY.

ADMINISTRATION SOURCES AND NEWSPAPERS HAVE SPECULATED THAT KISSINGER WAS DISGRUNTLED AT EVENTS WHICH HAVE UNDERMINED HIS DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS IN SUCH PLACES AS INDOCHINA AND THE MIDDLE EAST. ACCORDING TO THESE REPORTS, THE NOBEL PEACE PRIZEWINNER ONCE HAILED AS "SUPER K" WAS THINKING OF RESIGNING.

FORD HAS MADE NO SECRET OF HIS DEVOTION TO AND ADMIRATION OF KISSINGER, THE ARCHITECT AND PRACTICAL FIELD COMMANDER OF THE FOREIGN POLICIES OF BOTH FORD AND HIS PREDECESSOR, RICHARD M. NIXON.

IT WAS KISSINGER WHO ENGINEERED TWO YEARS AGO THE SIGNING OF THE PARIS PEACE ACCORDS ON VIETNAM, CLEARING THE WAY FOR U.S. MILITARY WITHDRAWAL FROM VIETNAM. SUNDAY, THE WHITE HOUSE TELEPHONES AND TELEX CARRIED FORD NEWS OF THE FALL OF DA NANG, SOUTH VIETNAM'S SECOND LARGEST CITY AND MAJOR PORT.

NESSEN TALKED TO NEWSMEN ABOUT FORD'S DECISION TO SEND U.S. NAVY SHIPS ON A MERCY MISSION TO RESCUE CIVILIAN REFUGEES TRAPPED BY COMMUNIST FORCES ON THE VIETNAM COAST. NESSEN WAS ASKED WHAT THE SHIPS WOULD DO IF FIRED UPON BY THE COMMUNISTS.

"THEY WOULD PULL BACK AND GET AWAY," NESSEN SAID. "THE PLAN IS TO AVOID HOSTILITIES AND GET AWAY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE."

NESSEN SAID THE SHIPS WERE ORDERED TO STAY IN POSITIONS OFFSHORE "WHERE THEY ARE NOT LIKELY TO COME UNDER FIRE."

FORD FLEW TO THIS SUNNY SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RESORT AFTER SIGNING A \$24.8 BILLION TAX CUT BILL DESIGNED TO REVERSE THE RECESSION.

HE AND MRS. FORD ATTENDED EASTER SERVICES AT THE 200-SEAT ST. MARGARET'S EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL.

MONDAY, FORD WAS MAKING A HALF-DAY FLYING TRIP TO CALIFORNIA'S ELK HILLS NAVAL RESERVE TO SURVEY GOVERNMENT CONTROLLED OIL FIELDS THAT HE HOPES TO TAP FOR NATIONAL USE.

THE FORDS WERE TAKING THEIR FIRST VACATION SINCE A CHRISTMAS SKIING HOLIDAY AT VAIL, COLO. FORD TOLD REPORTERS THE PALM SPRINGS STAY "WILL GIVE BETTY AN OPPORTUNITY TO GET SOME REAL GOOD SUN, WHICH SHE NEEDS VERY BADLY."

MRS. FORD HAS BEEN RECUPERATING FROM ANOTHER BOUT WITH A CHRONIC ARTHRITIC AILMENT IN HER NECK AND BACK.

SHE HAD NO SPECIAL EASTER OUTFIT AND COMMENTED: "IT'S NOT IMPORTANT WHAT I WEAR. WHAT IS IMPORTANT IS THE DAY ITSELF."

FORD HAS THE SNIFFLES AND WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO A ROUND OF GOLF SUNDAY AFTERNOON AFTER CHURCH SERVICES.

HE ALSO INTENDED TO PLAY GOLF MONDAY AFTERNOON AFTER THE ELK HILLS TRIP.

NESSEN TOLD REPORTERS THERE ARE NO PLANS TO SPEED UP THE RETURN OF GEN. FREDERICK C. WEYAND, ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF, PRESENTLY ON A FACT FINDING TRIP IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, AS A RESULT OF THE FALL OF DA NANG AND THE SEIGE ON PHNOM PENH.

FORD IS SCHEDULED TO CONFER WITH WEYAND SATURDAY IN PALM SPRINGS. KISSINGER WILL FLY HERE THURSDAY OR FRIDAY TO BE ON HAND FOR THE MEETING TO REVIEW THE FAST-DETERIORATING MILITARY SITUATION IN SOUTHEAST ASIA.

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FORD, HALDEMAN, SCOOP, LIBERACE, AT YOUR UNBASIC RESORT.

BY RICHARD H. GROWALD

UPI SENIOR EDITOR

PALM SPRINGS, CALIF. (UPI) -- THE COMMUNITY PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORD HAS SELECTED FOR THEIR EASTER HOLIDAY IS NOT YOUR BASIC AMERICAN RESORT.

PALM SPRINGS IS WHERE H.R. (BOB) HALDEMAN, APPEALING HIS WATERGATE CONVICTION, ALSO WAS SPENDING HIS EASTER WEEKEND, VISITING HIS MOTHER.

PALM SPRINGS IS WHERE THE INTERNATIONAL HOTEL GIFT SHOPPE RACK HOLDS POSTCARDS SHOWING THE LOCAL HOMES OF LIBERACE, LUCILLE BALL, DEAN MARTIN, STEVE MCQUEEN, ALICE FAYE AND PHIL HARRIS, RED SKELTON, BOB HOPE AND ELVIS PRESLEY.

PALM SPRINGS IS WHERE DEMOCRATIC SEN. HENRY (SCOOP) JACKSON OF WASHINGTON, ONE OF FORD'S 1976 PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN RIVALS, WAS HOLDING A RALLY TODAY.

PALM SPRINGS IS WHERE THE FORDS, ATTENDING EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES AT A RANCH-STYLE EPISCOPAL CHURCH, HEARD SAN DIEGO'S BISHOP ROBERT WOLTERSTORFF PREACH:

"GOD'S MESSAGE IS THE SAME THE WORLD OVER. IT IS AN EASTER MESSAGE NOT ONLY FOR THE AFFLUENT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, BUT FOR THE ARID, DROUGHT-RIDDEN AFRICA, STRIFE-TORN AND STARVING BANGLADESH AND VIETNAM."

THE CLERIC WAS FLOWN FROM SAN DIEGO ON A PRIVATE PLANE PROVIDED BY BANKER-BUSINESSMAN LEON PARMA, A GOLFING FRIEND OF FORD'S WHO SAT IN A SECOND ROW PEW WITH THE PRESIDENT.

PALM SPRINGS IS WHERE THE WEALTHY COME TO WINTER AND EARTHQUAKES COME LESS OFTEN. LOCATED ON THE SAN ANDREAS FAULT EARTHQUAKE BELT, PALM SPRINGERS LIKE TO SAY THEY HAVEN'T FELT A GOOD THUMP SINCE 1968.

PALM SPRINGS IS WHERE THE FORDS HAVE COME FOR NINE ANNUAL HOLIDAYS, AND LAST YEAR, AT THEN-PRESIDENT RICHARD NIXON'S SUGGESTION, STAYED WITH FORMER AMBASSADOR TO BRITAIN WALTER ANNEBERG AT HIS 250-ACRE ESTATE.

FORD ENJOYED HIS HOST'S PRIVATE 18-HOLE GOLF COURSE, DOTTED WITH 11 FISH-FILLED PONDS, BUT, FRIENDS SAID, WAS NONE TOO HAPPY WHEN ZEALOUS ANNEBERG GUARDS BARRED ENTRANCE AT THE GATE TO A YOUNG LADY ESCORTED BY FORD'S SON JACK AND TO NEWSMEN THE THEN VICE PRESIDENT WANTED TO TALK WITH.

PALM SPRINGS IS WHERE BOB HOPE DRIVE AND FRANK SINATRA DRIVE MEET AT THE ANNEBERG ESTATE.

PALM SPRINGS IS WHERE ROBERT HARTMANN, WHITE HOUSE COUNSELOR AND FORD'S CHIEF POLITICAL AIDE, IS STAYING IN GINGER ROGERS' HOUSE.

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PALM SPRINGS IS WHERE, UP BEYOND HOAGY CARMICHAEL'S PLACE, SITS THE \$355,000 HOME OF BEVERLY HILLS INSURANCE BROKER FRED WILSON, BEING RENTED BY THE FORDS AT \$100 DOLLARS A DAY, THE COST OF THE WILSONS' STAYING AT THE THUNDERBIRD COUNTRY CLUB DURING THE PRESIDENTIAL OCCUPATION. HOME, STYLED EITHER AFTER AN ADOBE HACIENDA OR AN ELIZABETHAN STATELY HOME.

PALM SPRINGS IS WHERE THERE IS A RESTAURANT WHERE YOU CAN WEAR A TUXEDO OR EVENING DRESS TO DINE ON CHICKEN FRIED STEAK.

PALM SPRINGS IS WHERE GEORGE SEVERANCE, 9, ACOLYTE AT THE CHURCH WHERE FORD WORSHIPPED, TURNED TO FELLOW ALTERBOY MONTE WILSON, 10, AND SAID HE WANTED TO TELL THE PRESIDENT A JOKE HE HA

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Operation Baby Lift Is Ended

SAIGON (AP)—Operation baby Lift, the massive, four-nation evacuation of orphaned Vietnamese from war-threatened Saigon, ended today with the departure of two planes loaded with 223 orphans for the

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FORD PLAYS GOLF; SEES OIL FACILITY

Is Dinner Host to Reagans
on California Vacation

By **JOHN HERBERS**

Special to The New York Times

PALM SPRING, Calif., March
31—President Ford broke into
a sprint today at the Bakers-

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President and Mrs. Ford arrive to attend Easter services at Saint Margaret's Episcopal Cathedral in Palm

Springs, Calif. Between them is Robert M. Wolterstorff Harrison, Bishop of the church.

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Ford Wins Assurance Kissinger Will Remain

*Da Nang 'Immense Human Tragedy,'
Nessen Quotes Ford as Declaring*

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP)—President Ford has asked Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger to remain in his post at least until the end of Ford's present term, in January 1977, according to Press Secretary

THE FORDS are paying \$100 a day rent to stay at the home of insurance executive Fred Wilson, an old friend.

Today, Ford was to fly 200 miles to the Elk Hills Naval Petroleum Reserve in California's central valley

President Starts Coast Vacation

By Lou Cannon

Washington Post Staff Writer

PALM SPRINGS, Calif.,
March 30—President Ford at-
tended Easter services and
golfed under sunny skies here

"It would be deeply disturb-
ing for all civilized mankind."

Despite his concern for the
refugees, Mr. Ford was in ob-



Ford Partly Blames Hill For Viet Military Losses

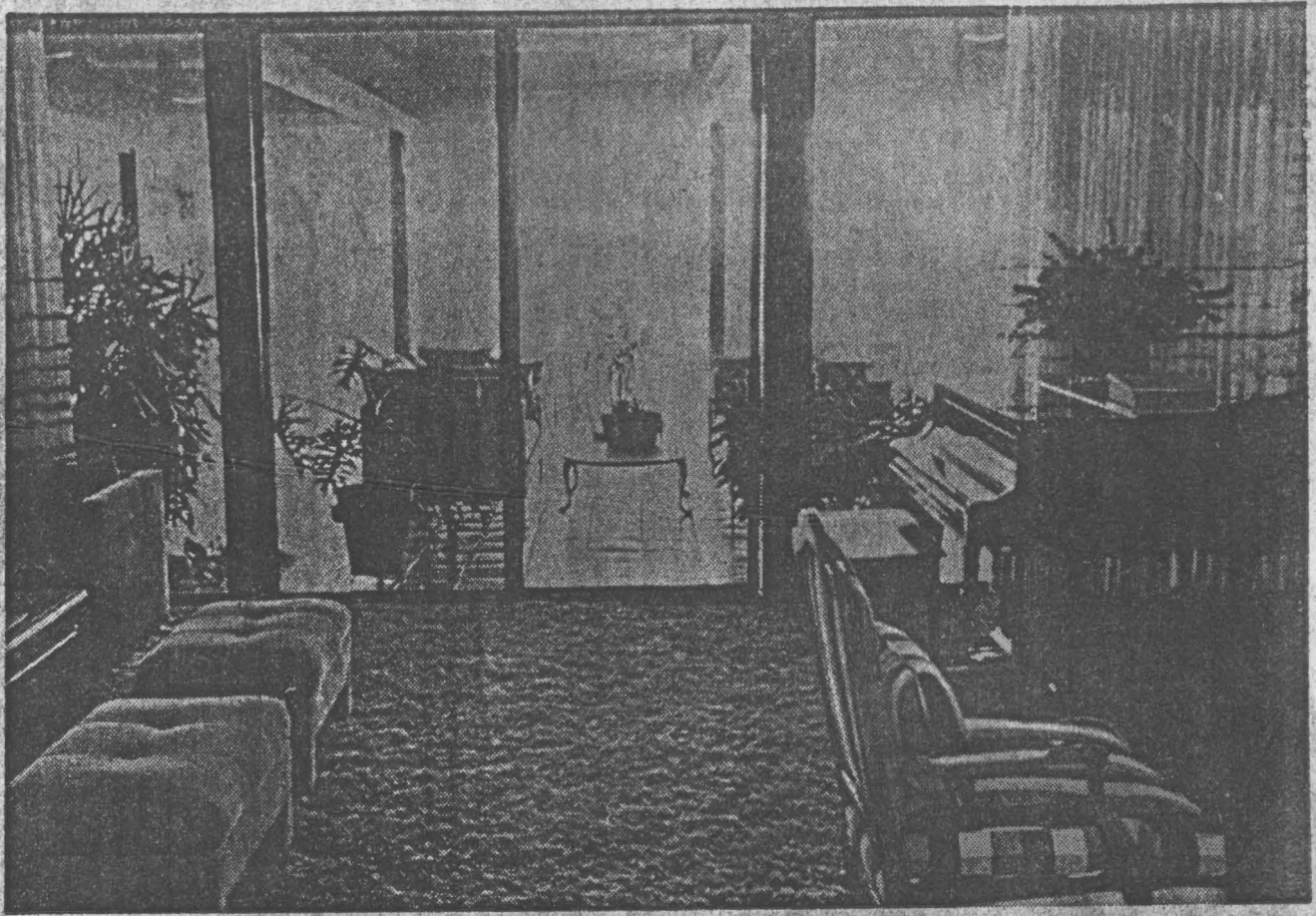
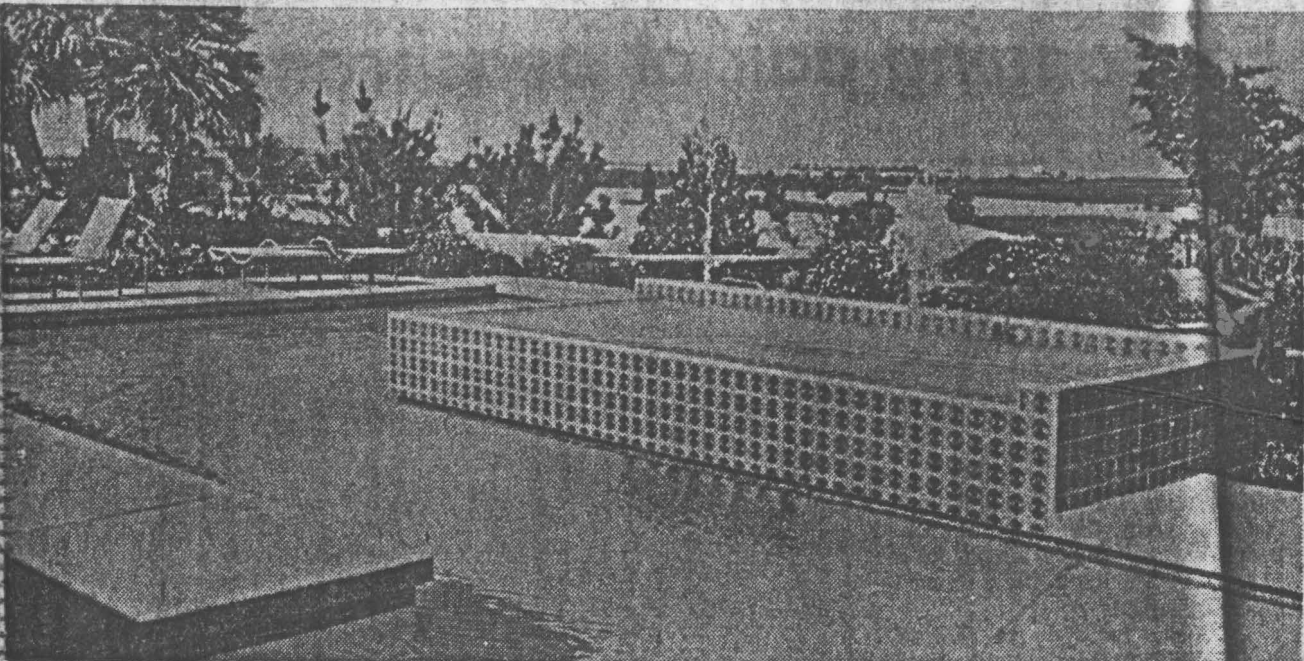
By Lou Cannon

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PALM SPRINGS, Calif.,

March 31—President Ford par-

from Weyand. There appears to be a growing belief among White House officials that the South Vietnamese government full production. Navy officials told Mr. Ford that Elk Hills was capable of producing 160,000 barrels of oil daily within



Home of the President's host

President and Betty Ford are staying in the \$355,000 home of Fred C. Wilson at Thunderbird Country Club in Rancho Mirage. From the spacious four-bedroom house, the Fords are able to survey the entire Upper Coachella

Valley. Pictured are the estate's large outdoor pool, which features a decorative fountain, and the airy glass-walled living room which includes a long bar and a pool stocked with goldfish. (Related story on County Page)

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A view of the front of the Fred C. Wilson home where the President and Betty Ford are spending an East

Fords stay in home built for relaxed liv

By DOUG McMILLAN
Press-Enterprise Staff Writer

RANCHO MIRAGE — As Presi-

dent Ford takes up residence at the
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Great Britain at the time. But the
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bronze statue of a nude perches on

Luxurious Vacation Milieu

Ford's Holiday Site a Favorite of the Very Rich

By Lou Cannon

Washington Post Staff Writer

PALM SPRINGS, Calif., April 2—Few Presidents of the United States have ever vacationed in more lavishly

The embedded institutions of the presidency have worked just as well for Mr. Ford in this instance where secrecy and isolation are thought to be required as they did when reporters at

off questions from reporters about world events while the President was golfing in the sun without any apparent cares. The press secretary's apprehensions have been more than justified by

\$35 a day. Eleven rooms for Press Office officials at \$40 a day have been rented at the International Hotel, which is the headquarters for the White House press

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JUST FRIENDS — Ex-Governor Ronald Reagan stands next to Betty Ford, and President Ford next to Nancy Reagan at dinner party Monday evening in Pres-

ident's vacation home in Thunderbird Heights. Asked about political talk, they all smiled and replied "we're just good friends." (UPI Telephoto)

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By STU

Future expansion of a Palm Springs Shopping Center Wednesday night that would rest

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Planners Oppose Smoke Tree's Bid

By **STUART HEINEMANN**
Staff Writer

Future expansion plans for Smoke Tree

zoning that would allow it to build a "junior" department store.

The council will be asked Wednesday

