POOL REPORT

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President Ford departed for the radio and TV correspondent's dinner two minutes ahead of schedule arriving at the Washington Hilton at 8:49PM. He cast a wave to the admiring spectator as he shook hands with Mayor Washington and was ushered into the hotel. President Ford attended a reception sponsored by the Storer Broadcasting group until 8:03 when he stopped briefly at another reception for those people at the head table.

He entered the Ballroom at 8:11, PM, dined, wined, listened to comic Chevy Chase, applauded the singing group Up With People, spoke six minutes (all off the record), shook hands and left.

The President and Mrs. Ford arrived back at 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue at 10:56.

There are a million stories in the naked city; this has been one of them.

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