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THE WHITE HOUSE Office of the Press Secretary to Mrs. Ford

The President and Mrs. Ford mail their first Christmas cards today to about 35,000 Heads of State and foreign dignitaries, Members of Congress, some state and federal officials and personal friends of the family.

The card is a reproduction of a portion of a painting in the White House collection. The painting, by New England artist George Durrie (1820-1863), depicts life in rural Connecticut in about 1825. Entitled "Farmyard in Winter," the painting hangs in the Green Room.

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