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FACT AND COMMENT

**THREE CHEERS FOR MRS. FORD**

Gee, what do you know—the wife of the President of the United States is a real, actual, live person. She thinks

Don't you wonder how many of those who jumped all over Betty Ford when she first



—MALCOLM S. FORBES  
Editor-in-Chief

People

# Betty: No woman VP yet

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# Mrs. Ford: Too soon for woman VP



"First Mama"  
Betty Ford:  
"... too  
soon for a  
female vice  
president."

Anyone hoping President Ford would

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IN CALIFORNIA ON BEHALF OF HER HUSBAND, MRS. FORD SAID TUESDAY'S CONTEST "WILL BE A VERY TIGHT RACE".

"THERE'S NO QUESTION ABOUT IT, THE PRESIDENT WILL HAVE A HARD TIME, WITH ALL THOSE CALIFORNIANS VOTING FOR MR. REAGAN. BUT WE THINK THERE'S GOING TO BE A LOT OF CALIFORNIANS WHO ARE REPUBLICANS VOTING FOR THE PRESIDENT. I AM VERY OPTIMISTIC."

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## A Fem Prez? Betty: Yea

Washington, Jan. 21 (AP)  
— Mrs. Betty Ford predicted  
yesterday that the United  
States will have a woman  
president "one day."

"It depends on how long it  
takes to convince the men in  
this country that women have  
equality — in brainpower, in  
decision — making and all the  
things that it takes to be  
president," the First Lady  
said in a television interview.

Asked whether she would  
like to see her son, Jack, 23,  
president, Mrs. Ford said,  
"Well, he's a good politician. I  
wouldn't wish that on him."

Mrs. Javits decides to drop her

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women's groups are after him to name  
a woman but putting the missus on the

**Betty Ford  
as No. 2?**

By VIRGINIA PAYETTE

If anybody in the White  
still going by the polls, there  
a solution there for someb  
place Nelson Rock-  
efeller in the No. 2  
spot next year.

How about Betty  
Ford for vice-presi-  
dent?

After all, she  
came out ahead of  
the President in a  
survey on White  
House job ratings.  
And by a pretty  
wide margin, too.



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preme Court nomination, too

Sheila - I'm seeing  
more and more of  
these

Sandi Wisniewski

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## Betty Ford Says U.S. Fears Idea of Woman on Ticket

MONTEREY (UPI)—Betty Ford said Saturday the American people are "afraid" of the idea of a woman Vice President at this time.

The First Lady continued to be barraged by questions on the subject after reports that Ronald Reagan

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## Betty's secret

Watching Betty Ford trip lightly, and obviously happily, through a terpsichorean exercise with a group of teen-age Chinese girls in Peking left the impression that here is a woman who is enjoying herself undisturbed by the problems

pong teams. This nation may falter at table tennis, but it can lick any nation on the dance floor.

*Sheila*