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(FORD)

(BY RICHARD H. GROWALD)

BELGRADE (UPI) -- PRESIDENT FORD, WARNIN HAT GLOBAL "CATASTROPHE" COULD RESULT UNLESS PEACE IS BROUGHT TO HHE MIDDLE EAST, FLEW BACK TO WASHINGTON MONDAY AFTER A BUSY 10-DAY, FIVE-NATION EUROPEAN TOUR.

FOLLOWING A FINAL MEETIN WITH YUGOSLAV PRESIDENT JOSIP BROZ HITO, FORD SAID HE TOLD HIS HMST THAT "MODERATION ON THE PART OF ALL PARTIES WAS ESSENTIAL" TO WINNING AN EGYPTIAN-ISRAELI DISENVAGEMENT IN HE SINAI.

TITO, WHM SAID HE AGREED WITH U.S. POLICY FOR WINNING A MIDEAST SETTLEMENT, THEN SAW THE PRESIDENT OFF WITH A WARM HANDSHAKE AT BELGRADE AIRPORT FOR THE FLIGHT TO WASHINGTON WITH A FUEL SHOP AT MILDENHALL AI BASE NEAR LONDON.

AHEAD OF THE PRESIDENT LAY MORE DIPLOMATIC GROUNDWORK IN THE AMERICAN EFFORT TO KEEP THE M MENTUM GOING IN MIDDLE EAST NEGOTIATIONS, AND A MEETING UESDAY WITH JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER TAKEO MIKI.

BEHIND HIM: CULMINATION LAST WEEK OF HE 35-NATION SUMMIT ON EUROPEAN SECURITY AND COOPERATION, SANDWICHED AMONG VISITS O WEST GERMANY, POLAND, ROMANIA AND FINALLY YUGOSLAVIA.

FOLLOWING HIS FINAL-DAY SESSION WITH TITO, THE PRESIDENT SAID: "I STATED VERY EMPHATICALLY THAT STALEMATE IN HE MIDDLE EAST WAS UNACCEPTABLE. I INDICATED THAT MODERATION ON HHE PART OF ALL PARTIES WAS ESSENTIAL.

"I ALSO INDICATED THAT FLEXIBILITY WAS NECESSARY IF WE WERE HO ACHIEVE THE KIND OF RESULTS THAT WOULD AVOID A POTENTIAL SERIOUS DEVELOPMENT, A CATASTROPHE FROM THE POINT MF VIEW OF THE WORLD US A WHMLE. MODERATION AND GREATER FLEXIBILITY ARE ABSOLUTELY SSENTIL T THE PRESENT TIME."

FORD SPOKE ONE DAY AFTER HIS AM ASSADOR IN CAICO, HERMANN FJ EILTS, FLEW TO BELGRADE TO REPORT ON GYPT'S RESPONSE TO ISRAEL'S LATEST DISEN AGEMENT PROPOSALS. EI TS CONTINUED WITH HIM TO WASHINGTON.

WHITE HOUSE AIDES SAID SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY U. KISSINGER, WHM ACCOMPANIED FORD ON THE TRIP, WOULD MEET IN WASHINGTON UESFAY WITH ISRAELI AMBASSADOR SIMCHA DINITZ HO SEEK CONTINUATION OF NEGOTIATIONS.

REGARDIN HIS TALKS WITH FORD, HHE 83-YEAR-OLD TITO TOLD REPORTERS, "I THINK OUR VIEWS RE QUITE IDENTICAL, ESPECIALLY AFTER I HEARD WHAT PRESIDENT FORD SAID ABOUT HE ACTIONS HE UNITED STATESN INTENDS TO TAKE IN FUTURE."

THE WHITE HOUSE GACTED TO THAT STATEMENT WITH SOME CONS ERNATION, SINCE TITO IS HIGHLY CRITICAL OF ISRAEL AND, IN A DINNER TOAST SUNFAY NIGHT, CALLED FOR ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL FROM ALL URAB TERRITORY.

KISSINGER, LOOKIN GRIM, TOLD REPORTERS, "OUR VIEWS URE WELL KN NN. WE HAVE NOT CHAN ED. HE WAS PERHAPS UNFERSTANDIN OUC POLICY BETTER."

FORD'S PRESS SECRETARY RON NESSEN SAID: "THE UNITED STATES IN ENCOURAGED THAT PRESIDENT TITO, US A LEADER OF HE NMNALIGNED WORLD, DOES HAVE AN APPARENT POSITIVE ATTITUE OWARD OU VISWS."

FORD ALSO USED THE OCCASION OF HIS 24-HMUC BELGRADE VISIT TO SUPPORT TITO'S POLICY OF INDEPENDENCE FROM HHE SOVIST UNION.

ALTHOUGH WIFE BETTY AND OTH RS WILTED UNFER HHE GRUELING SCHEDULE, THE PRESIDENT WAS FULL OF VIGOR TO THE END, RISING MONDAY MORNINV HO JOG AND SWIM BEFORE A BREAKFAST MEETINV WITH PREMIER DZEMAL BIJEDIC.

HE ALSO PLANTED A "TREE FOR PEACE" IN BELGRADE'S PARK OF FRIENDSHIP, RECEIVED BELGRADE'S HIGHEST HMNOR CALLED THE GOLDEN MEMORIAL PLAQUE, AND TOOK A WALKING OU DOWNTOWN, WHERE ABOUT 5,000 PERSONS GATHERED AND SCORES SHOOK HIS HAN . UPI 08-04 03:14 PED

(BETTY) BY HELEN THOMAS)

UP-023

HELSINKI (UPI) -- BETTY FORD, SAYING SHE FELT "MARVELOUS" AND WAS "ENJOYING EVERY MINUTE," SHOPPED AGAIN TODAY IN KELSINKI'S OUTDOOR MARKET, TOURED A HISTORICAL MUSEUM, THEN WENT TO LUNCH ON A FORTRESS IN THE HARBOR . ISLAND

MRS. FORD PURCHASED SOME STRAW BASKETS FOR PLANTS, STRAW MATS FOR HOT FOOD AND SOME TRINKETS FOR HER DAUGHTER SUSAN AT THE MARKET SHE

HAD MISITED WEDNESDAY. "I FEEL ABSOLUTELY MARVELOUS. I HAVE SLEPT MUCH BETTER HERE," SHE SAID, BUT ADDED. "I EXPECTED IT TO BE COOLER HERE." THE TEMPERATURE

WAS IN THE BES. SHE ARRIVED AT THE MUSEUM BEFORE HER HOST, HELSINKI MAYOR TEUVO AURA, AND WAS SERENADED BY FOUR MUSICIANS IN KARELIAN NATIONAL DRESS. AURA, AND WAS SERENADED BY FOUR MUSICIANS IN KARELIAN NATIONAL DRESS. AURA, AND WAS SEREMADED BY FOUR MUSICIANS IN KARELIAN MATIONAL DRESS. MRS. FORD, WEAFING A RED AND WHITE DOTTED DRESS, WATCHED OLD MEN AND WOMEN WEAVING YARN AS IT WAS DONE MORE THAN A CENTURY AGO. SHE PARTICULARLY ADMIRED A PAIR OF WHITE GLOVES AND ONE OF THE OLD WOMEN, SPEAKING RAPIDLY IN FINNISH, THRUST THEM INTO HER HANDS. MRS. FORD SAID THEY WOULD BE PERFECT FOR SKIING.

WATCHING YOUNG COUPLES IN NATIONAL RED AND WHITE STRIPED COSTUMES DANCING AND SINGING TO OLD FINNISH MUSIC, THE FIRSI LADY LAUGHED AND APPLAUDED AND SAID, "II'S WERY SIMILAR TO OUR SQUARE DANCING." SHE SIPPED FINNISH BEER OFFERED BY THE MAYOR AND ATE A TRADITIONAL SNACK OF RYE SPICED BREAD WITH POTATO FLOUR, BUTTER, SALTED TRADITIONAL

WHITEFISH, GOATS MILK CHEESE, SMOKED ROAST LAME AND SOUR MILK. ASKED WHAT SHE THOUGHT OF HER TRIP, SHE SAID, "IT IS VERY GAY, VERY CHEERFUL." SHE SAID USUALLY SHE SEES ONLY AIRPORTS AND PALACES ON HER TRIPS BUT HELSINKT WAS DIFFERENT. "I'M ENJOYING EVERY MINUTE OF IT," SHE SAID. SHE DROVE TO THE SIBELIUS MONUMENT, RESEMBLING LARGE ORGAN PIPES MOUNTED ON GRANTE FORMS OVERLOOKING AN INLET OF THE GULF OF FINLAND

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LUNCH .

THE FORTRESS WAS BUILT IN THE EARLY 19TH CENTURY TO KEEP OUT INVADING FORCES, BUT IT FELL TO THE BRITISH DURING THE CRIMEAN WAR WITHOUT A SHOT BEING FIRED.

THE TRIP FROM THE UNITED STATES TO EUROPE TIRED MRS. FORD AND SHE HAD TO CANCEL HER SOCIAL SCHEDULE IN POLAND MONDAY. BUT BY THE TIME THE FORDS GOT TO FINLAND, SHE WAS FEELING BETTER AND WENT ON A WALKING TOUR OF THE MARKETS WEDNESDAY. UPI 97-31 09:59 AED

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(BLTTY FORD)

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#### K MRS. FORD

HELSINKI, FINLAND (AP) -- FINST LADY BETTY FORD, TAKING ADVANTAGE OF UNSEASONABLE SO-DEGREE TEMPERATURES, WENT ISLAND HOPPING TODAY IN A

DAY TRIP IN HELSINKI MARBOR. BEFORE SETTING OUT SHE RETURNED TO THE MARKET PLACE SHE VISITED WEDNESDAY TO BUY SOME HORE "'LITTLE TRINKEIS'' FOR HER DAUGHTER SUSAN. HER FIRST ISLAND STOP WAS SEURASAARI, SITE OF AN OUTDOOR MUSEUM. THERE MRS. FORD WAS INTRODUCED TO HELSINKI'S LORD MAYOR, TEUVO AURA, HER HOST FOR THE TOUR.

WITH A FOUR-MAN BAND PLAYING FINNISH FOLM DANCES, MRS. FORD CHAITED WITH THE WIVES OF OTHER DELEGATES TO THE EUROPEAN SECURITY CONFERENCE AND TOLD THE LORD MAYOR "EVERYTHING IS ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL." BEFORE LUNCH SHE STOPPED TO SEE A HUGE MONUMENT ERECTED TO FINLAND'S FAMED COMPOSER JEAN SIBELIUS EIGHT YEARS AGO IN A DOWNTOWN PARK ALSO NAMED AFTER HIM.

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UP-110

BY JIM ADAMS

(BETTY) (BY HELEN THOMAS)

BELGRADE (UPI) -- BETTY FORD, TILED BY TOUCING FIVE COUNTRIES IN 10 DAYS, MONDAY LEFT FOR HOME N A TWO-WEEK COLORADO VACATION WITH PRESIDENT FORD.

THE FIRST LADY'S FINAL OFFICIAL EN WAGEMENT ON HER EAST-WEST EUROPEAN TOUR WITH HER HUSBAND WAS A LUNCHEON T HHE PRESIDENTIAL

PALACE BY JOVANKA BROZ, WIFE OF YUGOSLAV PRESIDENT TITO. WHILE SHE FOUGHT RECURRENT FATIGUE HHROUGH MUCH OF THE OUC. SHE WAS FEELING CHIPPER MONDAY AND LOOKING FORWARD TO GOIN TO VAIL, COLO. THIS WEEKEND.

"SHE IS FINE," DR. WILLIAM LUKASH SAID, ADDING MRS. FORD WASM FATIGUED BY "TOO MUCH WALKING THROUGH PALACES AN GIDIN ON HRAINS" DURING HER EUROPEAN STAY. THIS CAUSED HER TO CANCEL PART OF HER ACTIVITIES IN WARSAW EARLY IN THE HRIP AN IN BUCHAREST SUNFAY. SHEILA RABB WEIDENFELD, MRS. FORD'S PRESS SECRETARY, HAS INSISTED THROUGH UT THE TRIP THAT THE FI ST LADY IS NMT ILL AND HER STAMINA HAS NOT BEEN AFFECTED BY THE CHEMOTHERAPY SHE AKES SVERY FEW WEEKS AS A DESULT OF HER CANCER SURGERY LAST YEAR.

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MRS. FORD WAS TI ED AND DRAWN WHSN SHE ARRIVED IN BELGRADE SUNFAY BUT PERKED UP LATER TO JOIN TITO IN LIVELY CONVERSATION AT A STATE DINNER GIVEN BY THE YUGOSLAV PRESIDENT.

ABOUT 30 WOMEN, MAINLY WIVES OF YUGOSLAV COMMUNIS PARTY OFFICI LS AND WRITERS AND ARTISTS, ATTENFED MONDAY'S LUNCH AND ATE SHRIMP CHATEAUBRIAND, AN ICE CREAM WITH STRAWBERRIES, WASHED DOWN WITH YUGOSLAVI N WINE AND CHAMPAGNE. UPI 08704 04:14 PED

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07-28-75 16120EDT

UP-038 (FORD IRIP) WASHINGTON (UPI) -- A WHITE HOUSE ADVANCE TEAM HAS LEFT WASHINGTON TO LAY THE BROUNDWORK FOR A FPESIDENIIAL IRIP AEROAD, EXPECTED TO START ABOUT JULY 26 IF THE EUROPEAN SECURITY CONFERENCE REACHES AN A FREEMENT BY THE END OF THIS WEER. FORT HAS ARRANGED TO ATTEND THE EAST-VEST HEADS-OF-STATE SUMMIT BELSTART ON SULY SU IF THE 32-NATION CONFERENCE FINALIZES A TREATY WHICH HAS BEEN NEGOTIATED DURING THE PAST INO YEARS. THE WHITE HOUSE ADVANCE TEAM DEPARTED WASHINGTON WEDNESDAY. IF ALL GOES ACCORDING TO TENTATIVE PLANS, FORD WILL FLY FIRST TO BONN, SPENDING TWO DAYS IN WEST GERMANY BEFORE GOING ON TO HELSINKI. HE ALSO IS E APECTED TO VISIT WARSAW, EUCHAREST, BELGRADE AND VIENNA IN A TRIP WHICH-MAY LAST ABOUT EIGHT DAYS. FORD PLANNED TO REMAIN IN THE WASHINGTON AREA THIS WEEK AND WORK WITH CONGRESS ON LEGISLATION BEFORE THE LAWMAKERS RECESS FOR AN AUGUST VACATION.

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#### 11P-075

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MRS. FORD

BELGRADE, YUGOSLAVIA (AP) -- PRESIDENT FORD'S PERSONAL PHYSICIAN SAID TODAY THAT FIRST LADY BETTY FORD IS "REALLY FINE." QUESTIONED BY REPORTERS, REAR ADM. WILLIAM LUKASH SAID HE THOUGHT QUESTIONS RAISED ABOUT MRS. FORD'S HEALTH DURING HER TRIP TO EUROPE

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WITH HER HUSBAND WERE TRIVIAL.

EVER SINCE MRS. FORD UNDERWENT BREAST CANCER SURGERY LAST FALL, LUKASH HAS INSISTED THERE HAS BEEN NO EVIDENCE OF A RECURRENCE OF DISEASE AND THAT HER ONLY HEALTH PROBLEM INVOLVED AN ARTHRITIC THE CONDITION IN HER NECK.

THE FIRST LADY PROMPTED RENEWED QUESTIONING OF LUKASH BY CANCELING A NUMBER OF SCHEDULED EVENTS IN ROMANIA AND POLAND.

MRS. FORD HAD LUNCH TODAY WITH MRS. TITO, WIFE OF THE YUGOSLAV PRESIDENT, AND ABOUT 30 OTHER WIVES OF YUGOSLAV LEADERS.

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UP-064

(FORD ON NEW YORK CITY)

BELGRADE (UPI) -- PRESIDENT FORD, IN A DISCUSSION MONTRAY WITH BELGRADE CITY FATHERS, MENTIONED HHE FINANCIAL WOES OF NEW YORK CITY -- SAYING "THEY DON'T KN W HOW TO HANDLE MONEY ... ALL HEY KNMW H W TO DO IS SPEND IT."

MEETING THE CITY COUNCIL AT CITY HALL, FORD WAS OVERHEARD BY REPORTERS TO MENTION HOW NEW YORK MAYOR ABE BEAME RIED UNSUCCESSFULLY TO HAVE THE FORD ADMINISTRATION BAI HE CIHY OUT OF ITS FINANCIAL STRAITS.

"THEY DON'T KNOW H W TO HANDLE MONEY ... ALL THEY KNMW HMW TO DO -

IS SPEND IT," FORD SAID. "IT'S BEEN BUI DING UP FOR 10 OR 12 YEARS ... FINALLY HE BA AND OTHERS JUST WOULDN'T FINANCE THEM," FORD TOLD MAYOR ZIVORAD HE BANKS KOVACEVIC AND OTHER CITY FATHERS.

"THEY HAVE BEEN PRESSING ME HO GIVE THEM MONEY," HE UDDED, "BUT EVERYBODY SAYS N T, UNTI HEY GET THEIC MANAGEMENT STRAIGHTENED OUT." AT ONE POINT, FORD LAUGHED AT U REMARK BY A BELGRADE LEADER -- U COMMENT NOT U IBLE TO REPORTERS -- UND SAID, "I CANNOT SAY THAT ABOUT NEW YORK CITY."

ONE OF THE YUGOSLAVS TOLD FORD OF HHE DIFFICULTIES OF GOVERNINV U MODERN CITY, AN THE PRESIDENT REPLIED, "IH IS A HARD, HARD JOB." UPI 08704 12:58 PED

#### UP-062

(FORD)

(BY HELEN THOMAS)

BELGRADE (UPI) -- PRESIDENT FORD SNDED HIS 10-DAY, FIVE-NATION EUROPEAN TOUR TODAY AND FLEW BACK O WASHINGTONS HE URGED "MODERATION AND FLEXIBILITY" IN MIDDLE EAS NEGOTI TIONS LEST HMPES FOR WORLD PEACE VANISH IN THE STRUGGLE BETWEEN ARAB AND JEW.

FORD'S WHIRLWIND TRIP F FRIENDSHIP AND SUMMITRY TOOK HIM HO BONN, PRAGUE, HELSINKI, BUCHAREST AND BELGRADE. HE DISCUSSED WORLD PROBLEMS WITH U.S. ALLIES AND WITH LEADERS OF I ON CUCTAIN COUNTRIES. AND HE HEADED BACK HO WASHINGTON FOR IMPORTANT TALKS HUES AY WITH JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER TAKEO MIKI.

HIS TWO DAYS OF ALKS WITH YUGOSPAV PRESIDENT JOSIP BROZ HIHO WERE DESCRIBED AS "CORDIAL, OPEN ANDE CONSTRUCTIVE," ALTHMUGH HERE APPARENTLY WAS NO MAJOR NEW GROUNF BROKEN. HE DISCUSSIONS CENTERED ON THE MIDEAST, CYPRUS AND THE DISINTERGRATINI WORLD SCONMMIC SITUATION.

HITO STUNNED REPORTERS AND APPARENHLY HOOK FORD BY SUCPRISE BY SAYING AFTER THE TALKS HAT HIS PMSITION ANF FORD'S ON HE MIDDLE EAST "ARE QUITE IDENTICAL." THE WHITE HOUSE QUICKLY DENIED THERE HAD BEEN ANY CHANGE IN U.S.

POLICY AND SAID FORD HAD NOT ADOPTED TITO'S HARD-LINE POLICY TOWARD ISRAEL .

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#### UP-046

(FORD'S PLANE)

STOCKHOLM (UPI) -- AIR FORCE ONE CARRYING PRESIDENT FORD AN HIS PARTY WAS INTERCEPTED BY A SWEDISH JET FIGHTER SATURDAY AS IH STRAYED NEAR SWEDISH MILITARY AI SPACE, A MIPITARY SPOKESMAN SAID TODAZ. THE HUGE PRESIDENTIAL JET, ENROUTE TO BUCHAREST FROM HELSINKI, I SPOTTED BY THE SWEDISH AIR FORCE AS IN ALLEGEDLY HEADED OFF COURSE TOWARD KARLSLKRONA MILITARY HARBOR ANF THER RESTRICTED MIPITARY WAS

AREAS, THE SPOKESMAN SAID. "WE IMMEDIATELY SENT UP A J35 DRAKEN TO FOLLOW THE AIC F RCE ONE AND TURN IT AWAY," S ID THE SPOKESMAN, MAJ. CARL-CHRISTEN HJORT. HE SAID THE SWEDISH FIGHTER, FLYING CLOSE TO HE PRESIDENT'S PLANE, DIPPED ITS WINVS -- HHE INTERNATIONAL SIGN TO WARN OFF INTRUDING AIRCRAFT. HE SAID THE PRESIDENT'S PI OT MAY HAVE BEEN TRYIN TO SAVE TIME BY TAKING U SHMRTCUT.

"I SUPPOSE THE FOREIGN MINISTRY WI L HAVE TO ASK THE UMERICAN EMBASSY FOR AN EXPLANATION," THE SPOKESMAN SAID. HE SAID ALL DRAKEN FIGHTERS ARE EQUIPPED WITH AIC-TO-AIC MISSILES, "BUT OF COURSE THERE WERE NO PLANS TO USE THEM.6

IN BELGRADE, PRESS SECRETARY RON NESSEN SAID HE WAS POOKIN THE MATTER AND WAS N I SURE IF FORD'S PLANE UCTUALLY HAD BEEN INTO INTERCEPTED.

A SWEDISH JET FIGHTER DID APPROACH HHE PLANE SATU DAY, BUT WHITE HOUSE OFFICIALS AT THE TIME TOLD REPORTERS THE SWEDISH JET HAD WAGGED ITS WINGS IN A FRIENDLY SALUTE.

"THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT IS NOT MAKING AN ISSUE OF IT," NESSEN SAID. "THERE IS NO IN ICATION HHAT SWEDEN IS EXERCISED." NESSEN SAID THE PILOT HAD FILED A FLIGHT PLAN WITH HHE SWEDISH GO VERNMENT, "AND THAT FLIGHT PATH WAS FOLLOWED.

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BY HELEN THOMAS

UPI WHITE HOUSE REPORTER

BELGRADE, AUG. 4 (UPI) -- FIRST LADY BETTY FEELS FINE AFTER THE BOUT OF FATIGUE THAT SIDELINED HER SUNDAY IN BUCHAREST, WHITE HOUSE PHYSICIAN WILLIAM LUKASH SAID MONDAY.

LUKASH SAID MRS. FORD CANCELED PART OF HER DAY'S ACTIVITIES IN BUCHAREST BECAUSE SHE WAS EXHAUSTED BY +TOO MUCH WALKING THROUGH PALACES AND RIDING OF TRAINS+ DURING HER 10-DAY TRIP WITH THE PRESIDENT.

BUT LUKASH SAID SHE FELT FINE MONDAY. HER ONLY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES DURING THE DAY WERE A MEETING WITH PROMINENT YUGOSLAY NOMEN AND A LUNCHEON HOSTED BY MRS. JOYANKA BROZ, NIFE OF PRESIDENT JOSIP BROZ TITO.

MRS. FORD LOOKED TIRED AND DRAWN WHEN SHE ARRIVED IN BELGRADE SUNDAY, BUT PERKED UP SUNDAY NIGHT, JOINING TITO IN LIVELY CONVERSATION AT A STATE DINNER GIVEN BY THE YUGOSLAV LEADER.

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(HMW THE TREES GROW IN BELGRADE)

BELGRADE (UPI) -- WHEN PRESIDENT FORD PLANTED A FOUR-FOOT COLORADO WHITE FIR AS A "TREE OF PEACE" IN A BELGRADE PARK ODAY, HE WAS FULFILLING A TRADITIONAL CEREMONY FOR HEADS OF STATE VISITING YUGO SLAVIA .

"SOME DAY I HOPE IT WILL BE VERY ALL UND VERY BEAUTIFUL," FORD TOLD MAYOR ZIVORAD KOVACEVICA "I'LL COME BACK NF SEE IT." WHEN FORMER PRESIDENT NIXON VISITED BELGRADE IN 1970, HE HOO

PLANTED A TREE YUGOSLAV OFFICIALS SAID ODAY NIXON'S TREE WAS "NMT DOING WELL9" UPI 08704 12:17 PED

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BELGRADE (UPI) -- PRESIDENT FORD TOOK 10 MINUTES FROM OFFICIUL ACTIVITIES ON THE LAST DAY OF HIS EUROPEAN TOU MONDAY UND WALKED BELGRADE'S MAIN STREET, PUMPING HAN S AND SHMUTING TO CROWDS, "IT WAS NICE TO MEET YOU!"

ABOUT 5,000 PERSONS CONGREGATED ALONG TERAZIJE, THE PRINCIPAL

THMROUGHFARE, FOR A GLIMPSE OF FORD AND A CHANCE TO SHAKE HIS HAND. POLICE SEALED THE AREA OFF TO TRAFFIC, AND PEDES RIUNS S ARMED AROUND FORD AS HE LEFT HIS LIMOUSINE, SH OK HANDS, CLIMBED BACK IN FOR A SHORT RIDE DOWN HE STREET, THEN GOT OUT TO SHAKE MORE HANDS. SECURITY FORCES AW TIMES HAD DIFFICULTY KEEPING THE CROWD UNDER CONTROL .

"WE ARE FROM WASHINGTON, D.C.," AN ELDERLY AMERICAN WOMAN SAID. SHAKING HANDS, FORD JOKED: "SO MANY OF US ARE HERE WE SHMULD HAVE U PARTY .

MANY IN HHE CROWD WAVED PAPER AMERICAN FLAGS AND APPLAUFED. FORD, RUNNING 30 MINUTES BEHIN SCHEDULE AFTER A VISIT TO CITY HALL, ENDED HIS WALK BY SHOUTING TO HE CROWD, "IT WAS NICE TO MEET YOU!" UPI 08-04 12:36 PED

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mrs. ford

bonn, west germany (ap)-while president ford and west german chancellor helmut schmidt sat down sunday to discuss weighty world problems, their wives chatted about the weather in bonn and washington.

apparently referring to a past visit to washington, hannelore '£'£loki'£'£ schmidt was overheard telling betty ford in english: '£ was more than 30 degrees. it was so awful.'£'£ frau schmidt was talking centigrade. in terms of fahrenheit she meant around 90 degrees.

'A'Athe humidity is high, 'A'A mrs. ford replied--a remark equally applicable to the rhine and potomac valleys. the skies over bonn were gray and the air was in the muggy 70s f.

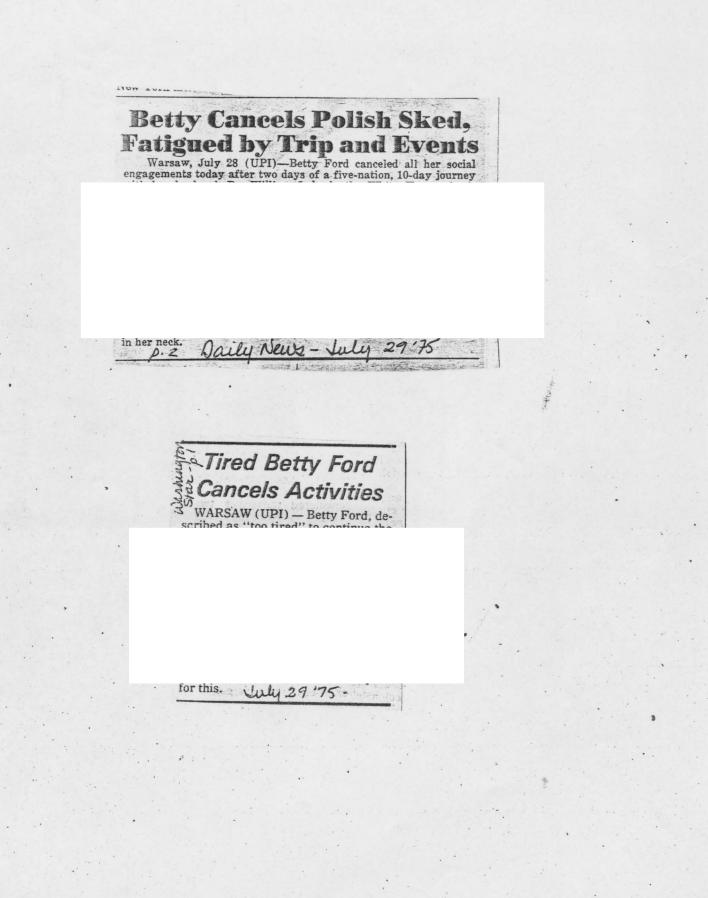
as the presidential visit got formally underway, mrs. ford was frau schmidt'As guest at a tea house. it is perched over the rhine river across a lush park from the palais schaumburg, schmidt'As chancellery.

mrs. ford drank what appeared through a mesh curtain to be tomato juice and mrs. schmidt had orange juice in favor of champagne or sherry.

mrs. ford wore a wool knit coat of varied tones of gray, brown and beige over a gray woolndress and frau schmidt had on a rust-colored suit.(end)

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President Ford at the airport in Belgrade. From left are President Tito, Mrs. Ford and Mrs. Jovanka Tito.



The changing of the guard, Aug. 9, 1974. President and Mrs. Nixon bid farewell to President and Mrs. Ford on the White House lawn. Wash Star 8/3/75

# American Troupe a Hit at Ford Dinner in Poland

By Betty Beale Washington Star Staff Writer

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"There were tears in everyone eyes," said White House social secretary Nancy Ruwe describing the dramatic effect of the American entertainment at the only state dinner President and Mrs. Ford gave during their European trip. The dinner was at Wilanow Palace in Warsaw where the Fords stayed, and honor guest of course was Edward Gierek, president of Poland.

"I think Dessident Ford liked it " said Neney mod



Betty Ford, left, and Hannelore Schmidt, the wife of the West German Chancelior, strolling on the grounds of the Schaumburg Palace yesterday in Bonn on their way to an official welcoming luncheon. The other people  $7/2 \times 1/25$  were not identified. NY 7 mes



President Ford, Romanian President Nicolas Ceausescu, Mrs. Betty Ford and Mrs. Elena Ceausescu join folk dancers for a "Hora" dance at "Piatza Victoria" in Bucharest. President Ford

arrived in Romania yesterday for a two-day official \_ state visit.

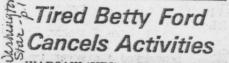


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Fatigued by Trip and Events Warsaw, July 28 (UPI)—Betty Ford canceled all her social engagements today after two days of a five-nation, 10-day journey with her husband. Dr. William Lukash, the White House physi-



Daily News

WARSAW (UPI) — Betty Ford, de-scribed as "too tired" to continue the rounds with her husband, canceled. further social engagements yesterday and retired to guest quarters here.

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Betty Ford watches a flax spinner at an outdoor museum on an island near Helsinki.



Associated Press

Betty Ford, left, and Hannelore Schmidt, the wife of the West German Chancellor, strolling on the grounds of the Schaumburg Palace yesterday in Bonn on their way to an official welcoming luncheon. The other people 7/23/75 were not identified. NY Times 7/28/75

## Betty Tired, Passes Up Excursion

Bucharest, Romania, Aug. 3 (AP) — Betty Ford bowed out of an excursion to Transylvania today because of a recurrence of the fatigue that had forced her to curtail activities earlier in the whirlwind presidential tour of Europe.

Sheila Weidenfeld, Mrs. Ford's spokeswoman, said the 57-yearold first lady's condition did not approach physical exhaustion. "It's nothing like that," she told a reporter. "The program

# 8/4/75 Daily News United Press International

President Ford speaking at Belgrade airport. President Tito of Yugoslavia, his wife, Jovanka, and Betty Ford listen.

Mrs. Ford Goes Sightseeing 8/1/25

First Lady Betty Ford is having a wonderful time in Helsinki. Tuckered out by the trip to Poland, she has

been going full speed since arriving in the Finnish capital. Yesterday she went shopping and bought some straw planters, some small rugs for the family ski lodge and some "trinkets" for daughter Susan. She

also visited a folk-art museum, where an old woman

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## Mrs. Ford Tired, Cancels Side Trip

BELGRADE (UPI)—A fatigued Betty Ford canceled part of her public activities Sunday for the second time during her European tour with her husband, but later accompanied President Ford on the flight here from Bucharest.

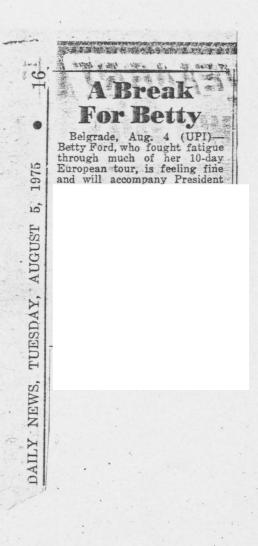
The First Lady remained at the Spring Palace when the President took a train trip to a monastery in Transylvania, land of the legendary Count Dracula. A White House aide said "she was too tired" to make the journey, but she had tea in Bucharest with Mrs. Nicolae Ceausescu, wife of

## Fatigued Mrs. Ford Perks Up After Rest

By Helen Thomas United Press International

BELGRADE — Her eyelids drooped and her face looked drawn and tired.

Betty Ford was fatigued



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President Ford poses with Scouts after a tree-planting ceremony in Belgrade.

# **Tito Backs Ford on Mideast**

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## Ford Angers Beame

President Ford and New York Mayor Abraham Beame, have not been on the best of terms when separated by the 205 miles between the White House and Gracie Mansion. Belgrade is more than 5,000 miles from New York, but distance does not seem to improve things.

While Mr. Ford was speaking yesterday with a group led by Zivorad Kovacevic, mayor of the Yugoslav capital, reporters overheard the President mention Mayor Reame's name Later they heard him say.

mand more freedoms, thus weakening the power structure.

When the same question was put to a Yugoslav here the answer was prompt: President Ceausescu is afraid that if he relaxes controls he will invite the equivalent of another Prague Spring and suffer the same consequences, occupation by Soviet-directed troops.

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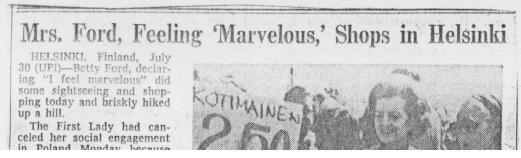
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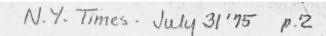


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BETTY FORD GOES SIGHT-SEEING—Betty Ford takes a sight-seeing trip in Helsinki today while President Ford and leaders of 34 other nations attend the European Security Conference. The mayor of Helsinki, Teuro Aura, shows the First Lady the Jean Sibelius Monument, sculptured by Elia Hiltunen. (Story on Page A-8.)

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## Presidential bon voyage

President and Mrs. Ford were greeted by Vice President Nelson Rockefeller today as they left the White House for

a 10-day trip to five European states.

AP Wirephoto



First Lady Betty Ford appears weary during ceremonies welcoming her and the President to Poland, and later she cancelled further social engagements. However, she was described as "perked up" today and resumed her planned activities. With her here is Stanislawa Glerek, wife of Polish Communist party leader Edward Glerek.

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President Ford at the airport in Belgrade. From left are President Tito, Mrs. Ford and Mrs. Jovanka Tito.

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ROCKEFELLER PROTESTED CALLAWAY SLUR -- by Rowland Evans and Robert Novak: A long, exceedingly cordial visit with President Ford last Thursday by Vice President Rockefeller resulted in backfiring the bumptions anti-Rockefeller campaign of Howard H. (Bo) Callaway, intended to appease the Republican right wing.

Rockefeller emerged from his regular weekly appointment in the Oval Office confident of forthcoming presidential demonstrations to prove there is no rift between them. He had never felt closer to Mr. Ford, the Vice President told friends that evening. The Rockefeller camp believes Callaway's tactics probably resulted from inexperience.

Callaway has thoroughly botched the White House strategy for solving Mr. Ford's vice presidential problem: keep Rockefeller in limbo until 1976 convention time.

That change has been explained by two conflicting theories, one malignant, the other benign.

The benign theory goes to the fact that Callaway is over-influenced by conservative southern Republicans who refuse to endorse Mr. Ford against Reagan while Rockefeller remains the President preference.

But advocates of the malignant theory cannot believe Callaway would embark on such a course without higher authority. The somebody is White House chief of staff Donald Rumsfeld, skillful in surreptitious torpedo-firing -- sometimes in the Vice President's direction. Rumsfeld vigorously denied to Rockefeller agents any responsibility for Callaway's remarks, but suspicion lingers.

The President said, as a gesture, the Vice President would ride with him on the helicopter to Andrews Field to begin his European trip. Similar demonstrations, Rockefeller was informed, would follow.

That undermines Callaway's game plan of offering up Rockefeller's carcass to appease Southern conservatives. Callaway himself is under attack from Rockefeller Republicans. And, According to a senior White House aide, Mr. Ford said he hoped Callaway would do more organizing and less talking in the future. (7/30/75)

FORD SCOLDS CAMPAIGN CHIEF -- by Harry Kelly, Chicago Tribune: Altho Howard Callaway insisted Tuesday he was not "muzzled" in any way because of his remarks about Vice President Rockefeller, White House sources disclosed that President Ford had personally sent orders for him to "moderate" his statements.

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Donald Rumsfeld and Richard B. Cheney -- warned Callaway about the President's displeasure, the sources said. One quoted Rumsfeld as telling Callaway: "Knock it off."

Ford reacted after a meeting Thursday in which Rockefeller expressed pain at finding himself described by Callaway in the press as the President's "Nol 1 problem" in the South.

Rockefeller reportedly told Ford he thinks Callaway is amateurish in dealing with the press. (7/30/75)



Ford, Ceausescu and their wives join Romanian folk dancers in Bucharest: At the end of the trip, promises made-but not yet kept

# **Summit in Helsinki**

hey sat shoulder to shoulder at a fernbedecked row of tables under the gleaming lights of Finlandia House. There were 35 of them, dressed in the somber dark suits that statesmen favor on historic occasions, and for a silent seventeen minutes each man in turn put his signature to a separate page of the 2-inchthick, green-leather-bound document. The paper that they signed was called "The Final Act"-the official declaration of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe—and it had been 30 years in the making. For at last week's summit in Helsinki, the assembled world leaders ratified the postwar division of Europe-and, at the same time, sought to bridge that great political divide. Though the document itself was vague, its symbolic importance was heavy. As Gerald Ford told the assem-"History will judge this conference bly: not by what we say here today, but what we do tomorrow; not by the promises we make, but by the promises we keep.

Even as most of the presidents and prime ministers departed, they left behind the two leaders on whom most of the hopes of Helsinki rested: President Gerald Ford and Soviet Communist Party chief Leonid Brezhnev. They faced a course beset with obstacles. Brezhnev's health seemed still very much in question, Ford's domestic support was fragile and the questions that the superpowers needed to resolve were knotty and perilous: how to agree to limits on offensive missiles, and how to cut the number of troops facing each other across what some still called the Iron Curtain.

After their second shirt-sleeve bar-

gaining session in Helsinki, both men insisted-without giving details-that they had reached agreement on several issues. "We made some progress," Ford said. Brezhnev enthusiastically agreed: "Da, da [yes, yes], absolutely. There was too little time to decide everything, but we did [decide] on some matters. We didn't even have lunch." The two leaders were jovial and animated when they left the session, held behind lace curtains on the second-floor drawing room of the Soviet Embassy, and they parted in a flurry of mutual backslapping. But the fact remained that they left behind important issues on which they still could not agree. As a result, they were unable to set a date for Brezhnev's hoped-for visit to the U.S. this year-and they seemed far from wrapping up the second-stage agreement on strategic arms limitation.

Battles: Ford had wanted something concrete to bring home. As he prepares to celebrate the first anniversary of his Presidency this week, he is riding relatively high—in the estimation of his countrymen-though the coming months may sorely test that support (page 22). But the President has been steadily buffeted lately by critics in the country and foes in Congress. Ever since Ford announced his intention to travel to the Helsinki summit, they have charged that only the Communists would profit from the meeting. Even while the President was overseas, he was losing battles in Washington. Congress last week refused to lift the embargo on military sales to Turkey, it overrode his veto of a \$2 billion health bill and it voted to extend controls on oil prices in defiance of the Administration's request.

If Ford was feeling in a defensive mood, he didn't show it at the summit. He bounded between successive bilateral meetings with the assembled European leaders, sat determinedly through sixteen hours of speeches and poked fun at Henry Kissinger from time to time (at one point, when the Secretary of State strolled in between Ford and the press photographers, the President asked teasingly, "What are you doing, Henry, trying to ruin the picture?"). In addition, he delivered one of the most forceful addresses of his Presidency. Ford, in fact, was the star of the show at Helsinki, taking the lion's share of the attention and applause.

Certainly the conference itself—the largest European summit since the 1815 Congress of Vienna—provided little to prompt bravos. The final declaration, which was published well in advance, contained 30,000 words worth of pledges to ease the flow of people and ideas across the Iron Curtain, expand trade and cultural exchanges, give advance notice of certain military maneuvers and respect each signatory's borders. But the document had no real legal standing and was binding on none of the nations that signed it.

The rest of Ford's ten-day, 13,200-mile jaunt through Europe was much the same: considerable ceremony, little substance. He trooped through West Germany, Poland, Romania and Yugoslavia but held his working sessions with his hosts to a minimum in each case. Instead, the President filled his days with picnics



Mrs. Betty Ford inspected a wicker basket while shopping with Mrs. Mark Evans Austad, wife of the U.S. Ambassador to Finland, Wednesday in Helsinki.

# First Lady visits shops in Helsinki's old town

HELSINKI, Finland (AP) — America's First Lady, Betty Ford, said Wednesday she was feeling "absolutely marvelous" after overcoming jet-lag and fatigue that plagued her earlier on her whirlwind tour of Europe with the President.

While President Ford held a minisummit with Soviet leader Leonid I. Brezhnev and then attended the opening of the mammoth European security conference, his wife did some window-shopping in Helsinki's old'town and toured a harborside street market.

"I feel just marvelous," she told perspiring newsmen as a hot sun beamed on this far northern capital. "I just had a little jet-lag and too little sleep. I just took some time off."

During a two-day visit to Poland before arriving Tuesday, Mrs. Ford canceled some of her engagements, pleading fatigue and jet-lag after a transatlantic journey and a visit to West. Germany.

"Hi Betty, how are you?" shouted American tourists as the First Lady

reindeer, an animal raised for its meat and skins in the Lapland region of northern Finland

After stopping several times in the pressing crowd to ask prices of new potatoes, tomatoes and cauliflowers, the First Lady rejected strawberries offered by an elderly woman with a smiling "no, thank you," but a couple of minutes later accepted a bouquet of roses with "oh, what a lovely surprise."

Carrying the roses in her hand, Mrs. Ford walked to a luncheon given by American Embassy wives at a local restaurant, stopping frequently at shop windows to inspect rugs and Finnish stoneware.

Despite the humidity and 80-degree heat, unusually warm this far north, Mrs. Ford looked cool and unperturbed in a belted, light-green dress and a green scarf with dark-blue polka dots. "I like to walk in the sun," she said. But toward the end of the stroll she started to ask how many blocks to the restaurant.

"Only two more blocks", a security

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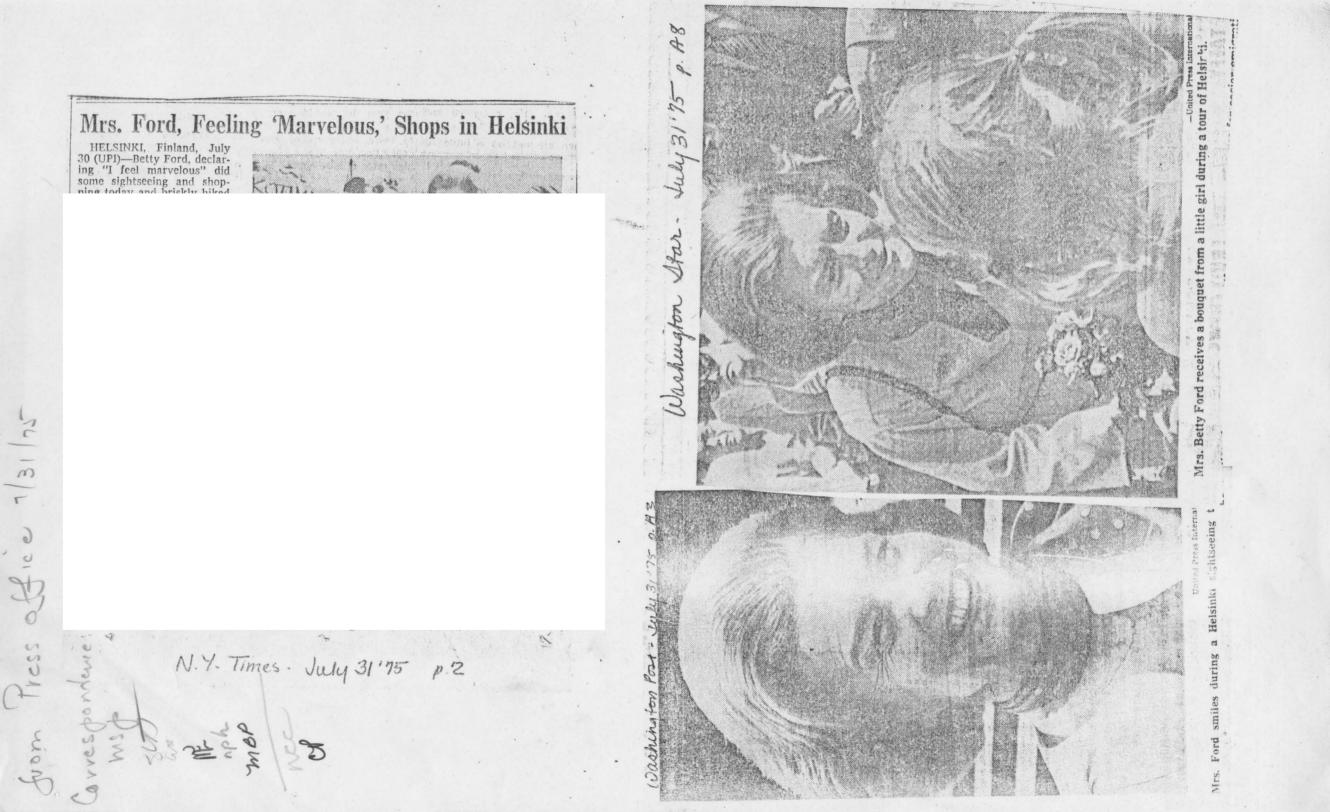
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