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MRS. FORD'S REMARKS  
SAN ANTONIO FIESTA RIVER PARADE  
April 19, 1976

I'VE NEVER BEEN TO TEXAS BEFORE,

AND YOU KNOW, IT'S AMAZING,

IN ALL MY LIFE

I'VE NEVER MET A TEXAN

I DIDN'T LIKE.

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I HAVE SO MANY FRIENDS  
FROM THIS FASCINATING STATE,  
AND I'VE JUST HEARD  
SO MUCH ABOUT IT.  
I JUST HAD TO COME DOWN HERE  
TO SEE IF ALL  
OF THEIR FABULOUS STORIES  
WERE TRUE.

I'M SO DELIGHTED

3.

I COULD BEGIN TO SEE TEXAS

IN SAN ANTONIO DURING FIESTA.

JUST LIKE EVERYBODY ELSE,

4.

I DO LOVE A PARADE,

AND I'VE NEVER HAD THE PRIVILEGE

TO BE A GRAND MARSHAL.

SO, THIS IS MOST EXCITING TO ME.

FIRST, I'M FINALLY IN TEXAS,

AND, SECOND, FINALLY A PARADE MARSHAL.

WHAT MORE COULD I ASK. . . .

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