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WASHINGTON

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DATE: Wednesday, April 7, 1976

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PLACE: Rose Garden or South Portico

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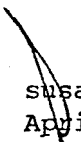
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For immedaite release
Wednesday, April 7, 1976

THE WHITE HOUSE
Office of Mrs. Ford's Press Secretary

Mrs. Ford will be greeting members of The Adams Chronicles television series today, April 7 at 3:00 P.M. in the Map Room at the White House. She will be presented with a John Quincy Adams Medal commemorating the series, as well as two books, Jack Shepherd's The Adams Chronicles, and The Book of Abigail and John, a collection of Adams family letters.

Participating in the ceremony will be Ms. Virginia Kassel, creator and executive producer of "Chronicles," Leora Dana, who plays Abigail Adams from middle age to old age, and Joseph T. Downer, Executive Vice President of Atlantic Richfield.

The Adams Chronicles, a 13-week series which traces the story of the Adams family through four generations and 150 years of American history, premiered on January 20, 1976. It was made possible by grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities, The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, and Atlantic Richfield Company.

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Press Coverage: Photo session, pick-up in Press Lobby at 2:50 P.M.

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ARIZONA Miss Diane M. Nucholls 9315 Midland Turnpike, Upper Marlboro, Md. 20870

COLORADO Miss Roslyn Marie Bloch, 16 S. Van Doran St. S-308, Alexandria, Va. 22304

CONNECTICUT Miss Anne Marie Connor, 6329 Alberta St., Springfield, Va. 22152

DELAWARE Miss Amy Richards Boyer, 2315 Ridgeway Road, Wilmington, Delaware, 19805

FLORIDA Miss M. Daryl Fernandez, 1236 Longworth House Office Bldg. Washington, D.C. 20515

GEORGIA Miss Virginia Shayne Crowell, 9451 Arlington Blvd. Apt. 202, Fairfax, Va. 22031

GUAM Miss Rosemary C. Pablo, 201 Mass. Ave. N.E. Apt. 213A, Washington, D.C. 20001

HAWAII Miss Jamesie Kuulei Paleka, 1202 S. Washington St. #825, Alexandria, Va. 22304

IDAHO Miss Patrica Sue Hansen 4700 38th Pl. N. Arlington, Va. 22207

ILLINOIS Miss Jill Golden, Hood College, Frederick, Md. 21701

INDIANA Miss Heidi E. Reiter, Davidson Boc #74, Muncie, Indiana 47306

IOWA Miss Janet Lee Ingrid Engebretson, 10115 Forest Ave., Fairfax, Va. 22031

KANSAS Miss Mary Helen Browne Vox, 705 Le Mans Hall, Notre Dame, Indiana 46556

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MAINE Miss Deborah Rae Anderson, 42 Van Buren Rd., Limestone, Maine 04750

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MASSACHUSETTS Miss Lisa A. Sullivan 24 Grove St., Medford, Mass 02155

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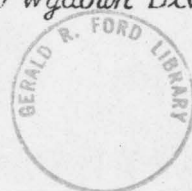
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MONTANA Miss Debra Ann Steffani, 212 Third St. N.E. Washington, D.C. 20001

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NEVADA Miss Cynthia D. Corbitt, Box 327-South Hallm 6800 Wydown Blvd. Clayton, Va. 22135

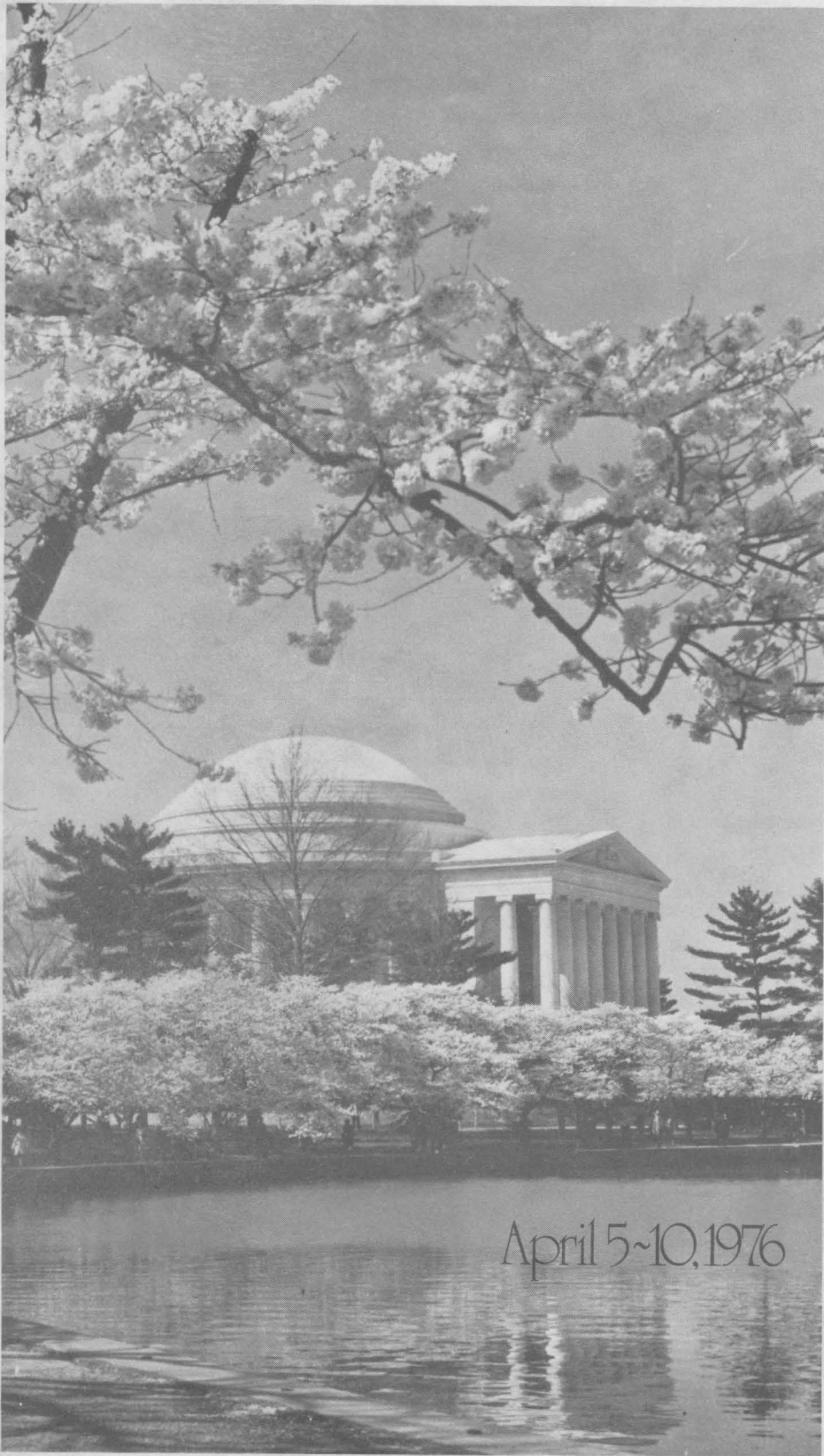


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CHERRY BLOSSOM PRINCESSES

Alabama	Miss Eleanor Irene Locklin
Alaska	Miss Hddidi Hammond
Arkansas	Miss Karen Rae Rankin
Arizona	Miss Diane M. Nucholls
Colorado	Miss Roslyn Marie Block
Connecticut	Miss Anne Marie Connor
Delaware	Miss Amy Richards Boyer
Florida	Miss M. Daryl Fennandez
Georgia	Miss Virginia Shayne Crowell
Guam	Miss Rosemary C. Pablo
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Illinois	Miss Jill Golden
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The National
Conference
of State Societies

April 5-10, 1976



CHEERY
BLOSSOM
FESTIVAL
PROGRAM

Washington... and the CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

About a month after President William Howard Taft took office in 1909, Mrs. Taft became interested in planting Japanese cherry trees around Potomac Park. Dr. Johichi Takimine, the famous Japanese chemist, famous as the discoverer of adrenalin, was informed of Mrs. Taft's interest while he was visiting the Nation's Capital and arranged to have the city of Tokyo donate trees to the City of Washington.

The GIFT of 3,000 cherry trees of 12 varieties arrived in Washington and the first tree was planted by Mrs. William Howard Taft on March 27, 1912. At the same ceremony, Viscountess Chinda, wife of the incumbent Japanese Ambassador planted a second tree as a token of friendship between the people of the United States and Japan.

These two original trees are still standing today several hundred yards west of the John Paul Jones statue at the south end of 18th Street. Located at the bases of the trees are large bronze plaques which commemorate the occasion.

Through the years, a three-day program was developed and in 1935 a Queen was selected and crowned. Now a week-long event, the National Conference of State Societies is for the third consecutive year continuing the tradition of selecting the princesses and planning the pageantry. The Jaycees of Washington sponsor the Saturday Parade.

The Cherry Trees do not always pay attention to the calendar date set for the Festival. They usually begin to appear in early April, but they have also been known to bloom as early as March 20th or as late as April 15.

The National Conference of State Societies presents

The
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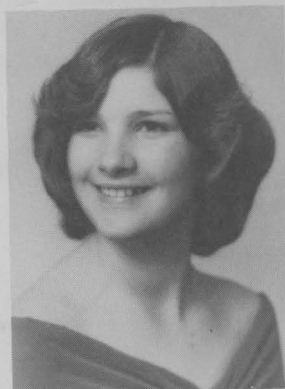
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Delaware



Jennifer Elaine Thomas
New Jersey



Anne Marie Connor
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Robin Lee Morris
Pennsylvania



Virginia Crowell
Georgia



Lisa Sullivan
Massachusetts

1976 PRINCESSES



Patricia Ann Aluisi
Maryland



Sonia Jean Magdziasz
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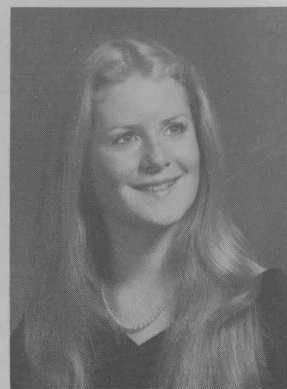
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Rhode Island



Mary Fife
District of Columbia



Loni Leclerc
Vermont



Susan Breathitt
Kentucky



Tyree Mac Farland
Tennessee



Sharon Kindness
Ohio

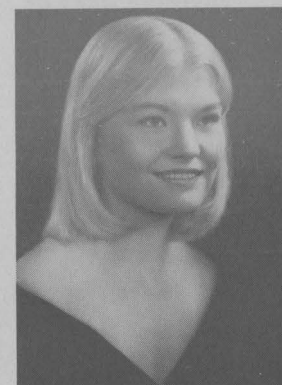
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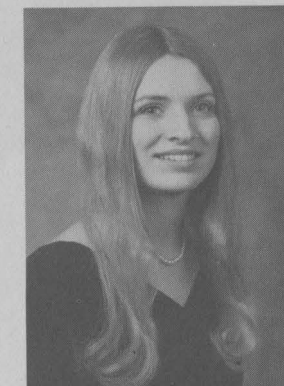
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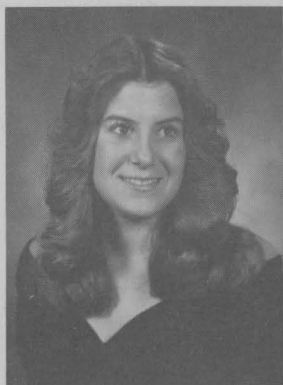


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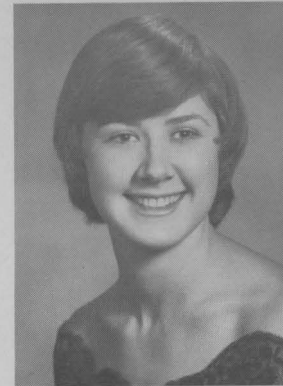
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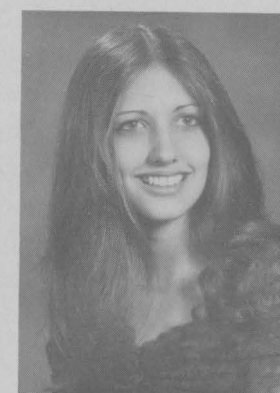


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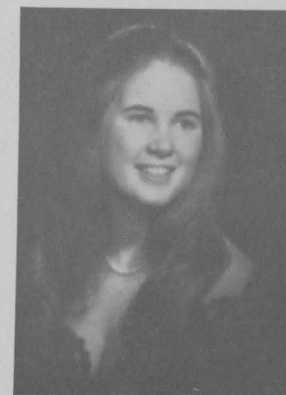
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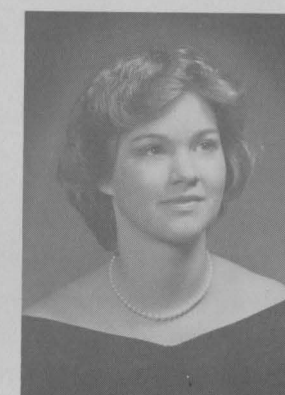
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Rosemary Pablo
Guam

Heidi Hammond
Alaska
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Queens of Past Years

1948	Miss Doris Sheldon Delaware
1949	Miss Judy Queen, Montana
1950	Miss Joan Russell, Connecticut
1951	Miss Maldi Tarris, Wyoming
1952	Miss Elizabeth Ann Meyer, Pennsylvania
1953	Miss Janet Bailey, Ohio
1954	Miss Frances Mae Fisher, Kentucky
1955	Miss Jeanine Raymond, Maine
1956	Miss Barbara Lyman, Maine
1957	Miss Jean Marie Lee, Alaska
1958	Miss Carolyn Drigotas, Maine
1959	Miss Carolyn Marie Harris, Arkansas
1960	Miss Roberta Bretthausen, New Jersey
1961	Miss Elizabeth Marshall Howard, Kentucky
1962	Miss Kathleen Knous, Colorado
1962	Miss Frances Elizabeth Pastore, Rhode Island
1963	Miss Janice Lee Miller, Iowa
1964	Miss Anne Elizabeth Fitzpatrick, Iowa
1965	Miss Linda Gail Quase, Pennsylvania
1966	Miss Eleanor Adele Geraghty, Tennessee
1967	Miss Pamela Jean Rudden, New Jersey
1969	Miss Carol Burton, Utah
1970	Miss Sharon Michele Tooley, Alaska
1971	Miss Christina Ann Schuler, Ohio
1972	Miss Lynn Armstrong, Massachusetts
1973	Miss Elizabeth Kabis, Delaware
1974	Miss Rose Ann Tulley, Pennsylvania
1975	Miss Denise Heroux, Rhode Island

64th NATIONAL CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL Schedule of Events

MONDAY

APRIL 5	Princesses Tea and Orientation The Decatur House Mrs. J. Hodges Parker, Chairman (Virginia)	3:00 p.m.
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TUESDAY

APRIL 6	Breakfast at Woodward & Lothrop's Exhibit and Tour of The Octagon Lunch at the Panda House - The National Zoo	9:00 a.m.
	OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL - LIGHTING OF THE STONE LANTERN AT THE TIDAL BASIN Mr. Eugene N. Ball, Chairman (Iowa)	2:00 p.m.
	Congressional Reception Dirksen Senate Office Building Introduction of Princesses and Congressional Escorts Colonel and Mrs. Roger Davis, Co-Chairmen (Oregon)	6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

APRIL 7	Elizabeth Arden's Beauty Clinic Sheraton Park Hotel	9:00 a.m.
	Presentation of Princesses Luncheon and Fashion Show Mrs. Richard D. Gordan, Chairman (Connecticut)	12:00 noon
	Theatre Party for Parents and Princesses	8:00 p.m.

THURSDAY

APRIL 8	Private Tour of The White House for Princesses Tour of the City Luncheon in Bethesda State Society Receptions in the Evening	9:20 a.m.
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FRIDAY

APRIL 9	Japanese Reception Embassy of Japan His Excellency, Fumihiko Togo Luncheon at the Capitol Tour of the Capitol Cherry Blossom Princesses Sorority Pi Alpha Kappa Dinner Golden Ox Restaurant Mrs. Jan O'Kelley, Chairman (Kentucky)	10:00 a.m.
		6:15 p.m.

SATURDAY

APRIL 10	Private Tour of the Kennedy Center 1976 CHERRY BLOSSOM BALL Captain Ancel E. Cook, USNR (ret.), Chairman (Kentucky)	9:00 a.m.
		8:30 p.m.



Walter E. Washington
Mayor, Washington, D.C.



THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20001

WALTER E. WASHINGTON
Mayor

GREETINGS TO THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF
STATE SOCIETIES ON THE OCCASION OF THE 64TH
CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL
APRIL 4-10, 1976

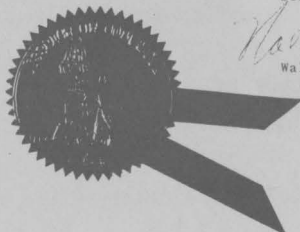
As Mayor of the District of Columbia, I am pleased to extend greetings and a warm welcome to the National Conference of State Societies on the occasion of the 64th Cherry Blossom Festival being held April 4-10, 1976.

Spring is here and once again the spotlight is focused on Washington's famous cherry blossoms. Sixty-four years ago, the American people accepted 2,000 flowering cherry trees from the people of Japan, symbolizing the friendship between the two nations. Neither could have foreseen the pleasure the spring blossoms would give to millions who have visited our Nation's Capital.

I know the residents of our city join with me in extending a warm welcome to all of you, and in wishing you a most enjoyable Cherry Blossom Ball and continued success in the years to come.

Sincerely yours,

Walter E. Washington
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Mayor



Fumihiko Togo
Ambassador of Japan



EMBASSY OF JAPAN
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Sixty-four years ago the people of Japan presented two thousand cherry trees to the American people. Over the years, these trees have bloomed and grown, as have the bonds of goodwill between our two countries.

I am especially pleased to be able to participate in the Cherry Blossom Festival during this American Bicentennial year.

Fumihiko Togo
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Ambassador of Japan



Elizabeth M. Montag
President
National Conference
of State Societies

National Conference of State Societies

Washington D.C.
(Chartered by Act of Congress - April 3, 1952)



Welcome!

The National Conference of State Societies' 1976 Cherry Blossom Festival represents a monumental effort of the 52 State and Territorial Societies to bring you a week-long pageant while continuing to maintain the original concept of the Festival of promoting the goodwill and friendship that exists between the two nations who founded it in 1912 with the planting of the Japanese Cherry Trees.

We thank you for sharing this week with us and it is our sincere hope that the week will be a memorable one for you.

Elizabeth M. Montag
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President

1976 CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

OPENING CEREMONY

April 6, 1976

- 1:30 p.m. Music by the United States Air Force Ceremonial Band
Under the direction of Captain James M. Danielson
- 2:01 p.m. Arrival of the 1976 Cherry Blossom Princesses
- 2:10 p.m. Posting of the Colors by the Color Guard of the District of
Columbia National Guard

Japanese and American National Anthems

Introduction of Mrs. Elizabeth M. Montag, President,
National Conference of State Societies

Musical Selection by the U.S. Air Force Ceremonial Band

Introduction of the Honorable Walter E. Washington,
Mayor, Washington, District of Columbia

Introduction of Mr. Jimmy L. Dunning, Deputy Director,
National Capital Parks

Introduction of the Honorable Philip C. Habib, Assistant
Secretary of State for East ASia and Pacific Affairs

Introduction of His Excellency Fumihiko Togo, Ambassa-
dor of Japan

Lighting of the Stone Lantern by Miss Amy Nashida
(daughter of First Minister Nashida) and Miss Denise
Heroux, 1975 NCSS Cherry Blossom Queen

Miss Patricia Bray — Mistress of Ceremonies National
Heritage Theatre

Mr. Eugene N. Ball, Chairman (Iowa)



JIM PECK
Master of Ceremonies

Host, "Take It From Here", WRC-TV where conversation, as opposed to a prolonged interview or a question and answer format, sets this new concept apart from the usual television "talk".

With an M.A. in Psychology from Marquette University in Milwaukee, Jim's career has run from Admission Counselor and Director of the Liberal Arts Evening Division at Marquette to both announcing and back-up news at WISN-TV in Milwaukee. He also produced and hosted a number of programs at WTMJ-TV and WVTM in his native Milwaukee before joining WRC-TV in 1973.

CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL Congressional Reception

PROGRAM

- 6:00 p.m. GATHERING TIME
- 6:30 p.m. Welcome by Mrs. Elizabeth Montag, President, National Conference of State Societies
- Presentation of the Colors, Joint Armed Forces Color Guard
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Introduction of Master of Ceremonies, Jim Peck, WRC-TV
- Introduction of Princesses and Escorts
- Entertainment by the Madrigal Singers of Wilton High, Wilton, Connecticut
- Reception
- Background music by Mrs. James Mitchell (Tennessee).

COMMITTEE

- Colonel and Mrs. Roger Davis, Co-Chairmen (Oregon)
- Mrs. and Mrs. William Neely (Oregon)
- Mr. and Mrs. William Roth (Oregon)
- Capt. and Mrs. Joe L. Pecore (Oregon)
- Miss Jill Wissler (Oregon)
- Mr. and Mrs. David Johnson (Oregon)
- Miss Eva Krutter (Massachusetts)
- Mrs. Joan L. Huke (Kentucky)



Mrs. Fumihiko Togo
wife of the
Ambassador of Japan

HONORARY CHAIRMAN
Luncheon-Fashion Show

Luncheon~Fashion Show PROGRAM

Music by Howard Devron

Welcome Mrs. Elizabeth M. Montag,
President National Conference of State Societies

Introduction of Honorary
Chairman and Guests Mrs. Richard D. Gordan

Introduction of
Master of Ceremonies Mr. Rex Marshall, Coordinator

Presentation of Princesses Jackson Bain, WRC-TV,
Master of Ceremonies

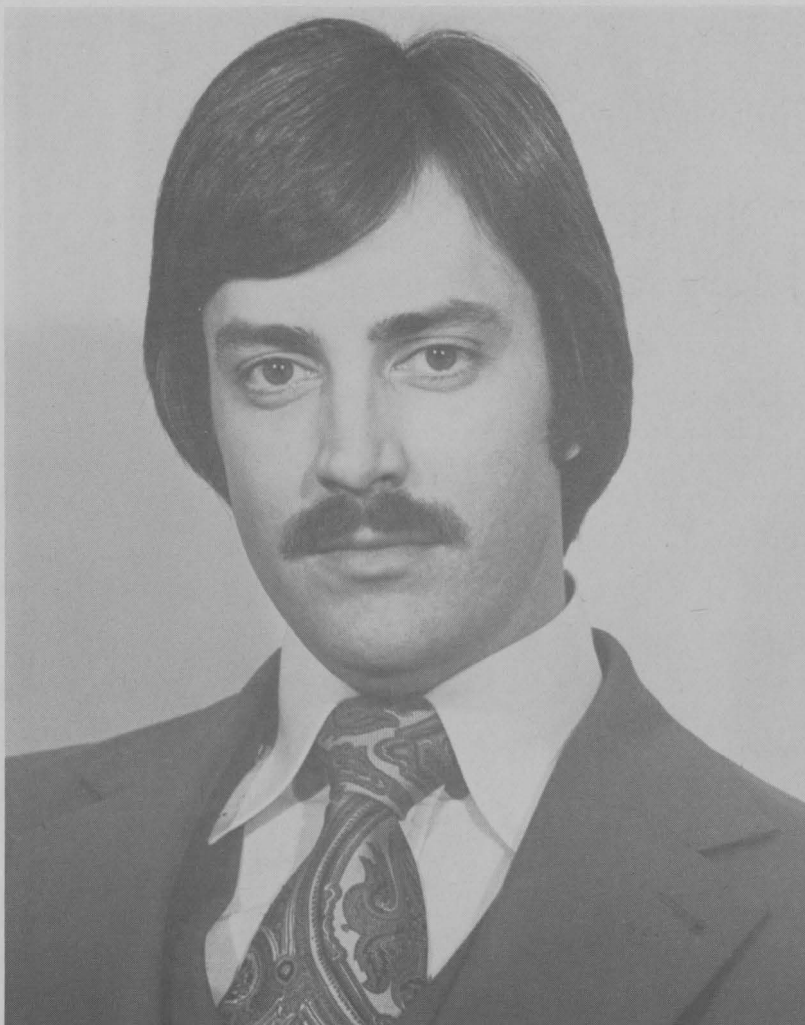
Invocation The Rev. Edward L. R. Elson,
Chaplain, United States Senate

Luncheon

Fashion Presentation by Lady Hamilton of Arlington, Va.
Mary Jane Seale, Coordinator/Commentator

Drawing of Door Prizes Mrs. Richard D. Gordan

Benediction The Rev. Gilbert V. Hartke,
Emeritus Professor of Drama and Special Assistant to
the President for Public Affairs, Catholic University



JACKSON BAIN
WRC-TV
Master of Ceremonies

Jackson Bain co-anchors "The News Center" weekday evenings, 6:00-7:00 p.m. on WRC-TV4. He shares the responsibility of presenting the news to Washingtonians with Jim Vance, presents his "commentary" and conducts segments of "NBS News Debriefing" on "The News Center." Jackson Bain, and the other anchors of "The News Center," also present by-line investigative reports done outside the studio.

Jackson Bain joined "The News Center" from WAGA-TV, Atlanta where he was a news anchorman. His previous broadcast news experience ranges through Georgia and Texas outlets and Army broadcasting in Vietnam and Germany.

He holds his B.A. in Journalism from the University of Maryland – Extension, Heidelberg, Germany and did graduate study at the University of Georgia and German's Munich and Erlangen Universities.

Luncheon~Fashion
Show Committee

Chairman	Mrs. Richard D. Gordan (Connecticut)
Invitations	Mr. and Mrs. Al Collector (Tennessee)
Reservations	Mrs. Al Collector
Decorations**	Mrs. Electra Perros (Vermont)
	Dr. Theodore Perros (Vermont)
	Inge Kessler (Vermont)
	Cecil Sorrell (Vermont)
	Patricia Whitty (Vermont)
	Dena Zolotas (Vermont)
	Matsuko Riley (Fort Leavenworth, Kansas)

Hostesses/Past Princesses

Nancy Armstrong, Virginia 1975	Valerie Haase, California, 1974
Bunny Baker, Maryland 1958	Betsy Jefferson, Kentucky, 1961 (Queen)
Jean Croom, North Carolina, 1975	Jan O'Kelley, Kentucky, 1966
Lynn Fulk, Kentucky, 1971	Belinda Rollins, Dist. of Columbia, 1971
Barbara Garver, Ohio, 1966	Miriam Montag, Connecticut, 1973

**The ancient, intricate and delicate Japanese art of Origami (or paper folding) is the decoration for the table at today's luncheon.

The birds featured are "Tsuru" (or "Orizuru" when folded) meaning Crane, in English. The Crane symbolizes long life.

Japanese people fold Orizuru when wishing to reach their ultimate in happiness, health, love, success... their desire.

The decorations for the luncheon were made by Mrs. Matsuko Riley who is presently at home at Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas with her Army Officer husband and their children.

Fashion... a state of Mind

INVITATION TO A CHERRY BLOSSOM WEDDING

Bridal Gown

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Cherry Pink Jersey/3 Tier/Lettuce Leaf Edging	50
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COUNTRY GIRLS

1. Navy T Shirt/Wh/Navy Print Skirt	50
2. Red T Shirt/Floral Print Skirt	48
3. Black T Shirt/Long Print Skirt	64

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7. 2 Pc Pink Ultra Suede Suit — Joan Leslie	260
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SOFT TOUCH

9. Celery Qiana Dress	76
10. Rose Crepe de Chine Dress — Joan Leslie	160
11. 2 Pc Wisteria Dress — Chester Weinberg for R. P. Gordon	100
12. 2 Pc Seafoam Dress — Carlye	98

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13. Butterscotch 3 Pc Suit	136
14. Butterscotch 2 Pc Pant Set	95
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21. 2 Pc Navy/White Dress — Carlye

22. Long White Jersey/Red-Navy Trim Bib

23. Navy Coat/Dress, Polka Dot Trim — By Vilano

24. 2 Pc White Nylon Weave — Dalton

25. White Jumpsuit/Navy Jct/Polka Dot Shirt — Devon Hall

CLEAR BRIGHTS

26. Red/White Jumpsuit — California Girl

27. Dress/Jct — White/Black Print by Vilano

28. Black Wrap Jumper — Carlye

Red Jersey Blouse

29. 2 Pc Black/White/Red

30. 3 Pc Black/White Suit

31. Red/White Stripe 2 Pc Dress

JUMPSUIT RAGE

32. Blue Jump/Scarf — Joan Leslie

33. Yellow Jump/Navy Trim

Bikini

34. Navy Jump/Denim Look

Florence Alper Blouse

SIFTING SANDS

35. Bone/Beige 3 Pc Pant Set (Tan T Shirt)

36. Bone/Beige 3 Pc Suit

DEPTH OF COLOR

37. Red/Green/Yellow Stripe Drop Waiste Dress — Carlye

38. Green Terry Velour Jumpsuit —

Waterclothes by Oleg Cassini

39. Green Rainwear/Hood

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Gold Vest

Jct

A TOUCH OF CLASS

40. White Linen Halter Dress — Estevez

41. White Dress/Green Jct

ON THE PALE SIDE

42. 3 Pc Champagne Suit

43. 2 Pc Stripe/Wrap Skirt

44. 3 Pc Beige Costume/Jersey T Shirt — Joan Leslie

45. Beige Vest Dress/Stripe Att Top

46. Beige Ultra Suede Wrap Coat

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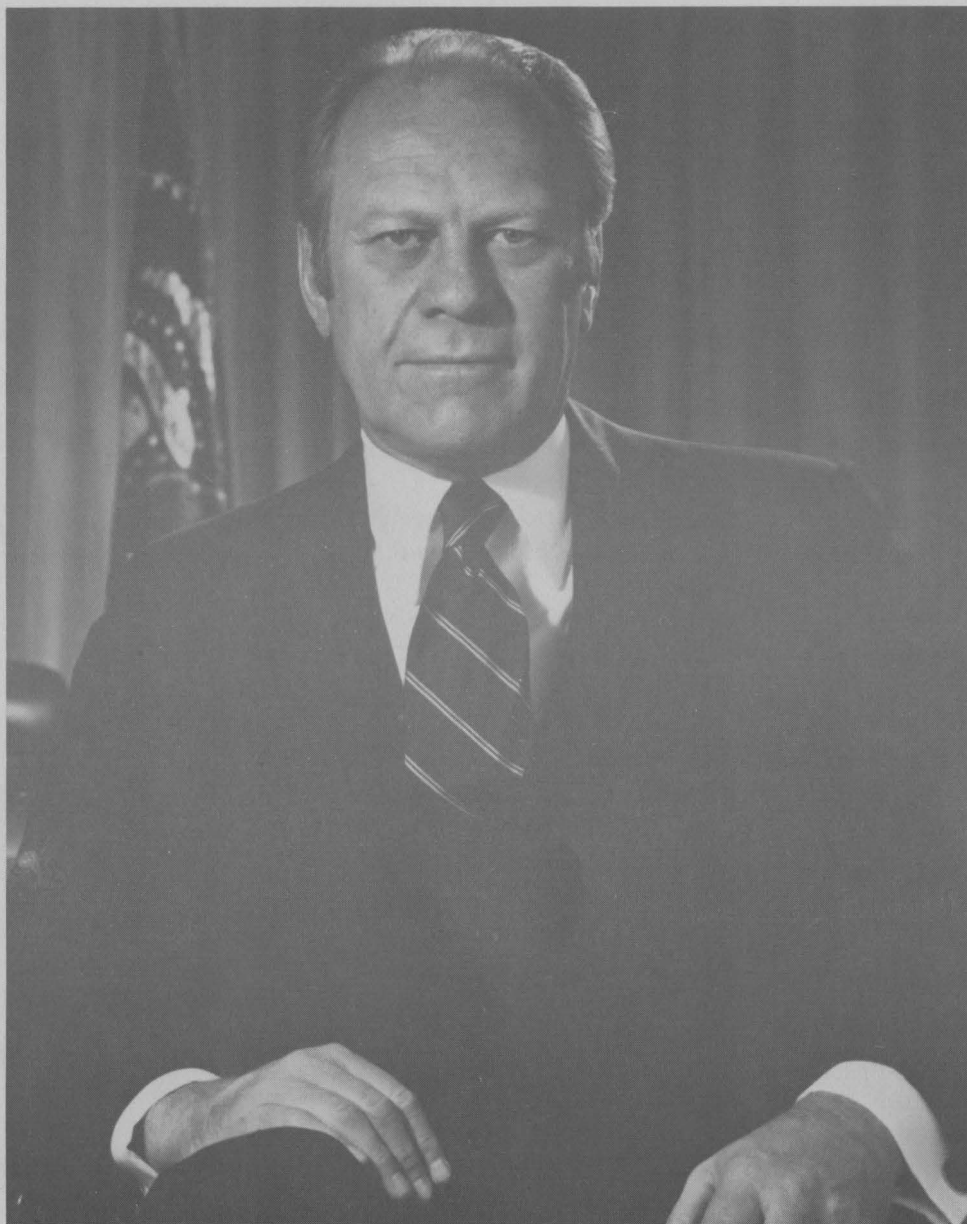
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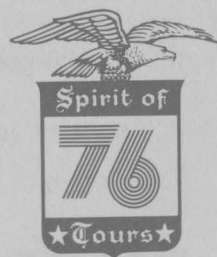
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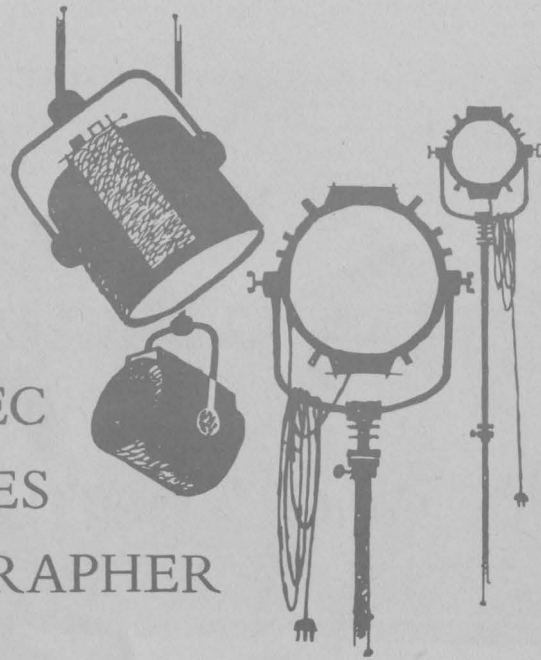
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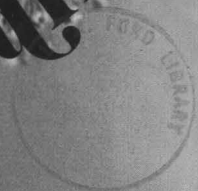
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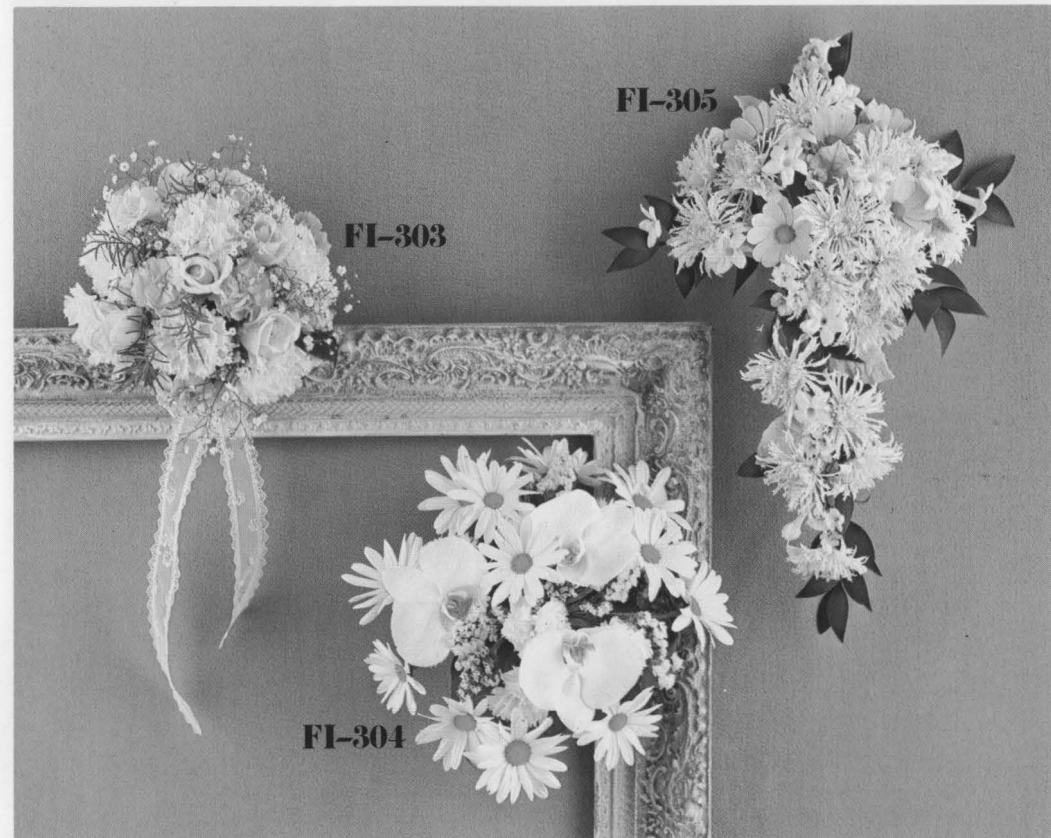
Casual basket bouquets portray the fresh country-garden look of this wedding.

Meadow Maid (Order FI-201) Bridesmaid's basket of daisies, carnations and roses. Matching flowers decorate the hat.

Field Flowers (Order FI-202) The bride's basket is filled with daisies and roses.

On the cover

Orchid Cloud (Order FI-100) An airy bridal cluster featuring orchids.



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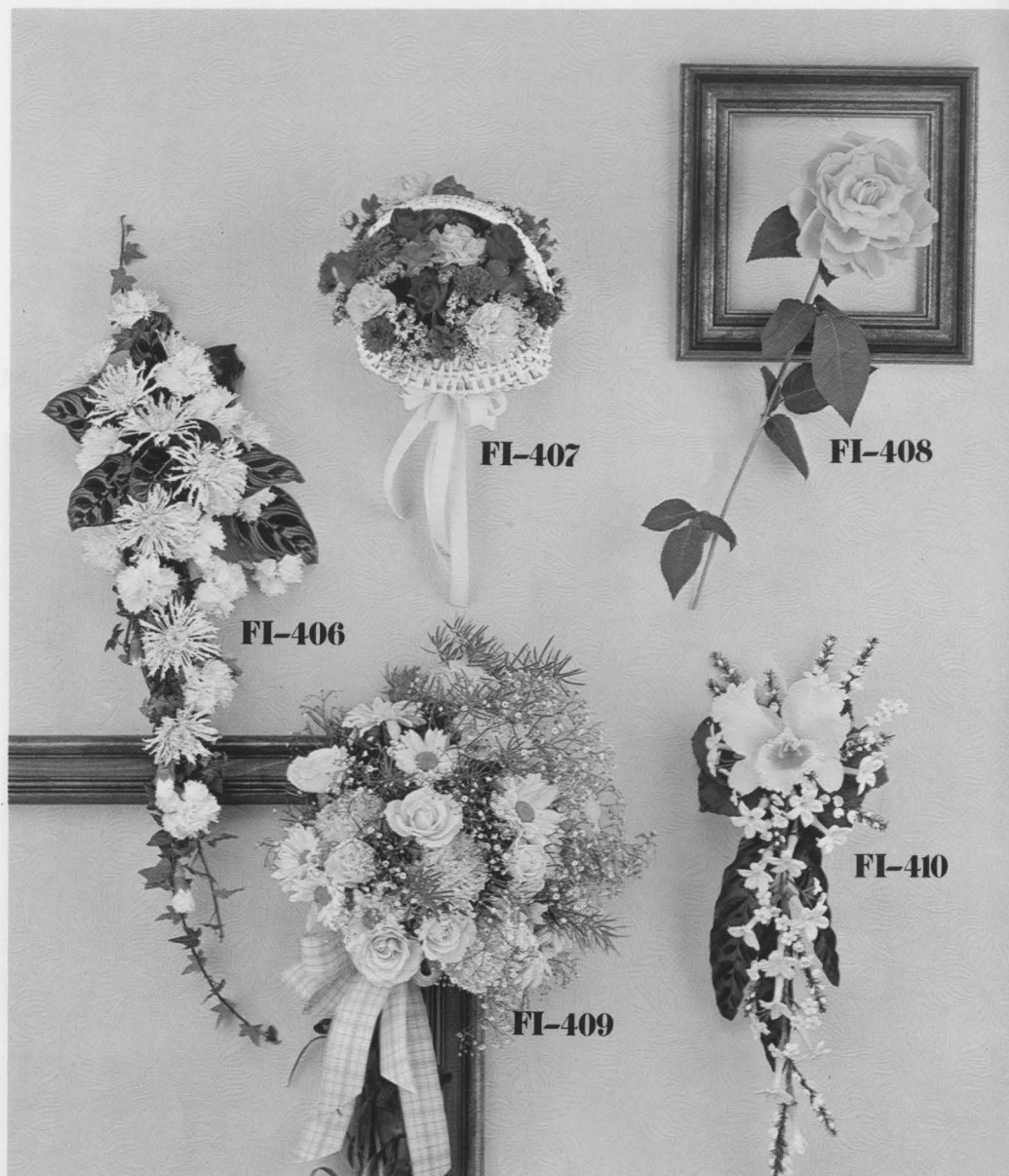
Above

Powder Puff (Order FI-303) A colonial bouquet featuring roses and carnations.

Gabriele (Order FI-304) A refreshing combination of exotic orchids and casual daisies.

Melody (Order FI-305) A fresh flower cascade entwined with silk verbenas and composite wood flowers. These silk and wood blossoms stay lovely forever... a unique keepsake.

All gowns courtesy of Priscilla of Boston.



Memory-Making Bridal Bouquets...

Snowfall (Order FI-406) Cascade of carnations and starburst pompons accented with opal leaves and trailing ivy.

Potpourri (Order FI-407) A little basket of colorful mixed flowers, charming for bride, bridesmaid or flower girl.

Solitaire (Order FI-408) The classic Duchess rose, simple but elegant.

Profusion (Order FI-409) An arm bouquet featuring roses, carnations, daisy pompons.

Butterfly (Order FI-410) A delicate cascade featuring a cattleya orchid and stephanotis with silk forget-me-nots and lilies of the valley.



He Loves Me...

Spring Puff (Order FI-511) A bouquet of daisies with a cloud of baby's breath to give a delicate, airy look to any wedding ensemble.



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Bouquets For All Seasons...

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Exotica (Order FI-612) Cattleya orchids accented with heather for an aura of elegance.

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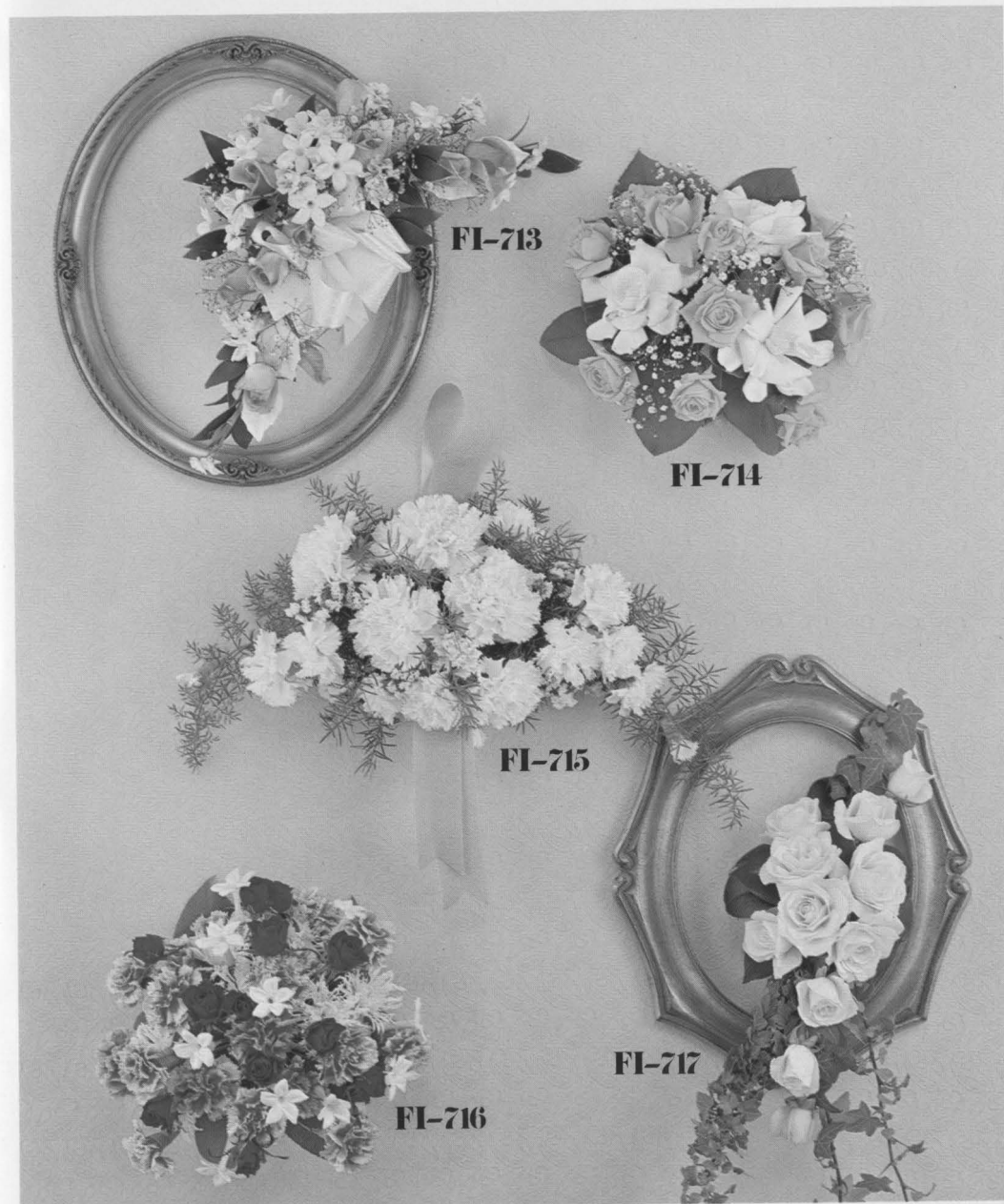
Colette (Order FI-713) Dainty crescent using sweetheart roses, stephanotis and silk verbenas.

Celeste (Order FI-714) Fragrant gardenias with sweetheart roses.

Snowflake (Order FI-715) An all-white crescent featuring carnations.

Cherry Drop (Order FI-716) A bright cluster of roses, carnations and starburst pompons.

Moon Cluster (Order FI-717) A romantic cascade of roses and ivy.



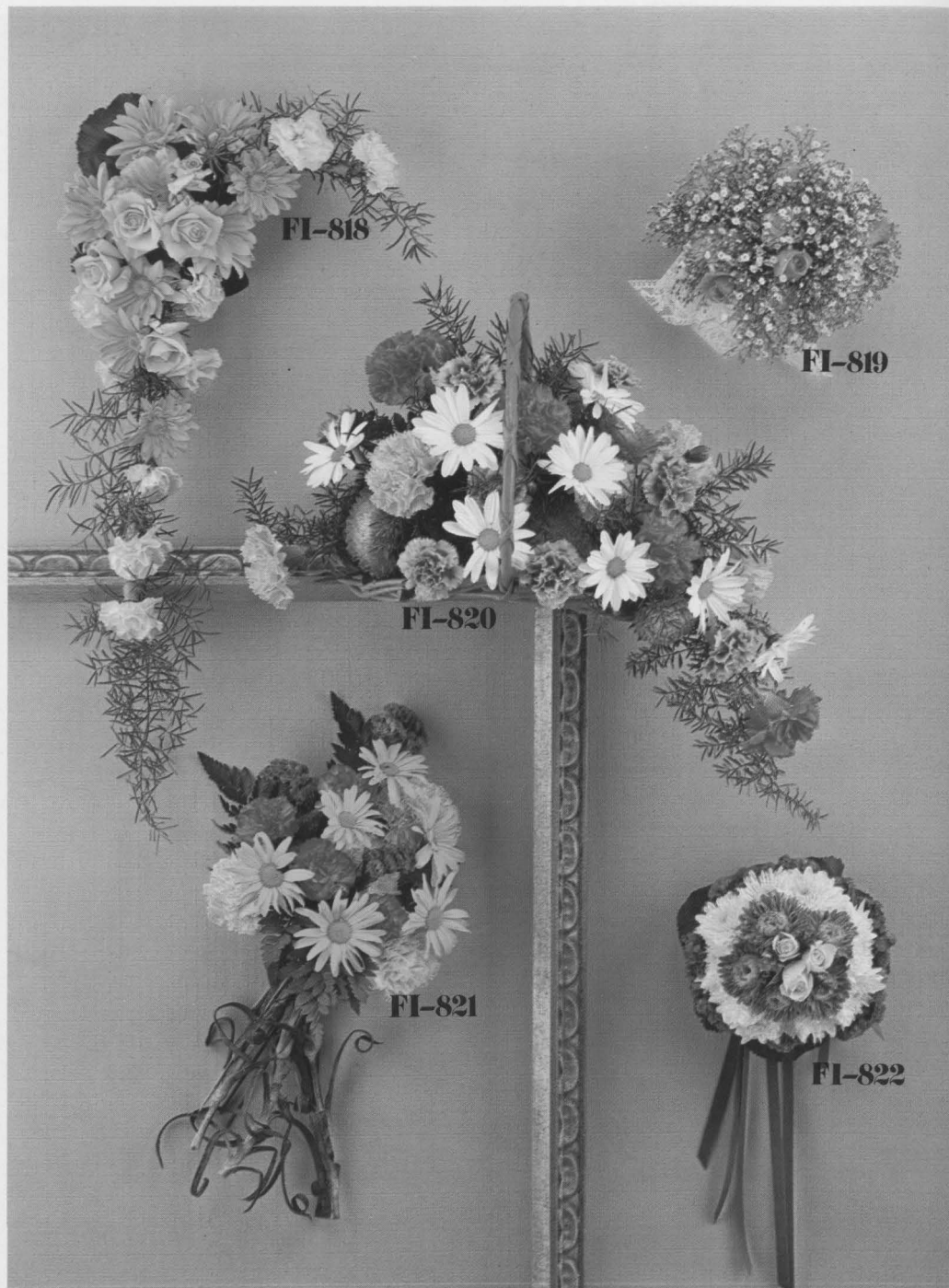
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Bouquets Splashed With Color...

Goldie (Order FI-818) Golden yellows fashioned in a cascade.

Baby Doll (Order FI-819) A petite, dainty cluster bouquet for the flower girl, as well as bride or bridesmaid.

Bounty (Order FI-820) A colorful basket of mixed flowers.

Rainbow (Order FI-821) A natural arm bouquet with the stems left showing for that "just-picked" look.

Medallion (Order FI-822) A petite clutch nosegay featuring roses, pompons, asters and statice... excellent for bride, attendant or flower girl.



Bouquets With Matching Headpieces...

Above

Summer Dawn Halo (Order FI-923) Petite hair ornament.

Summer Dawn (Order FI-924) A casual bouquet of carnations, daisies, pompons.

The delicate colors of this coordinated floral ensemble were designed to complement the pale yellow gown.

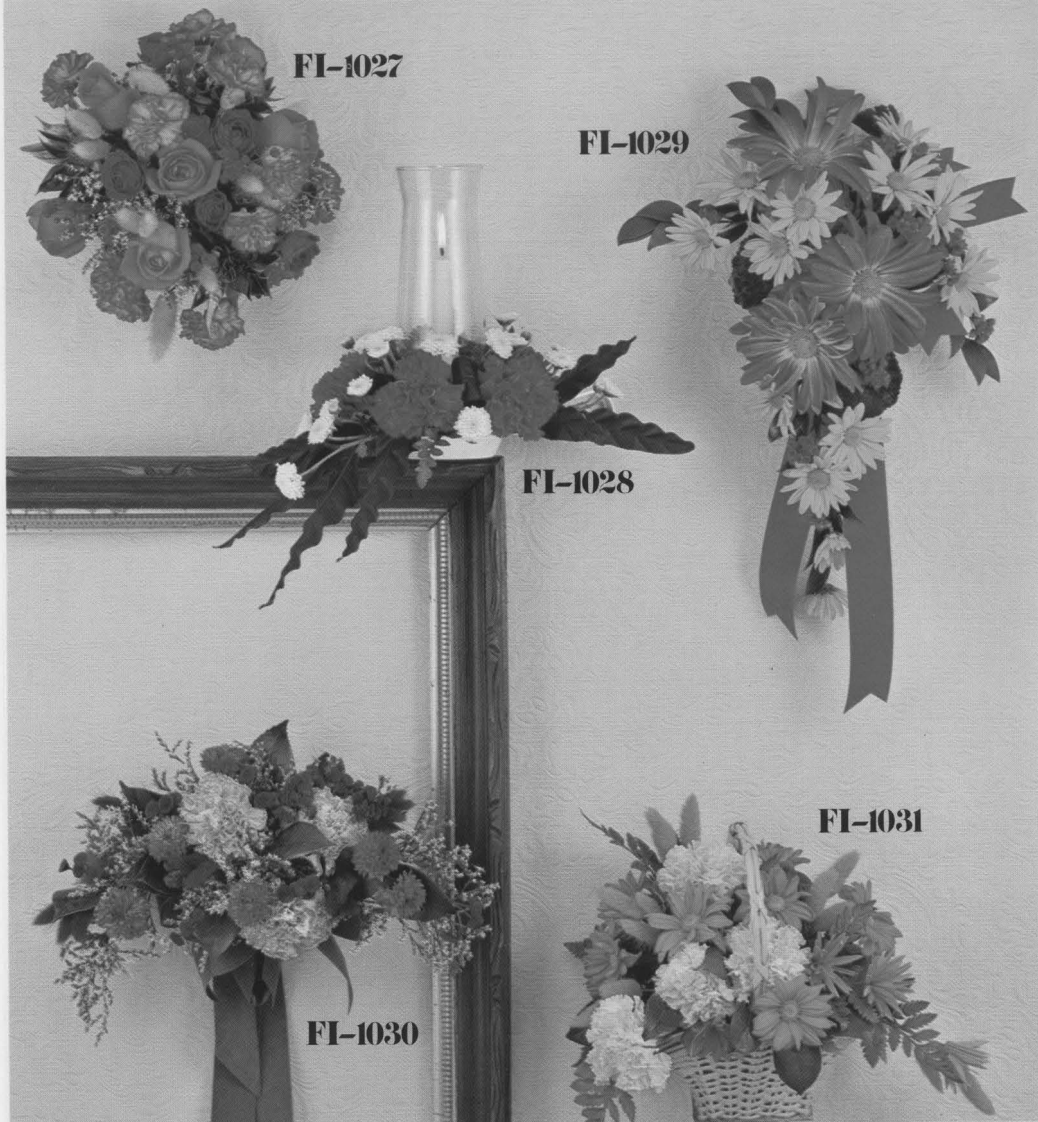


Right

Misty Spring Crown (Order FI-925) Floral crown of asters and heather.

Misty Spring (Order FI-926) A dusky crescent in shades of lavender and purple, featuring asters and heather.

The muted hues of the gown's bodice applique are repeated in the flowers for a coordinated look.



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FI-1029

FI-1028

FI-1031

FI-1030

Festive Fall Bouquets...

Sun Rose (Order FI-1027) A brilliant bouquet of roses, carnations, bunny tails, seed pods.

Candle Spell (Order FI-1028) Hurricane bouquets for a romantic candle-lit effect.

Sunburst (Order FI-1029) Chrysanthemums, daisies and star flowers in a bright cascade.

Rhapsody in Blue (Order FI-1030) Shades of blue in a striking crescent design.

Tawny (Order FI-1031) Flowers in warm colors fill a bridal basket.



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FI-1132

Contemporary Colors and Styling...

Carousel (Order FI-1132) A composite wood flower centers a bouquet of floral circlets.

Carousel Topper (Order FI-1133) Matching floral headpiece.

The strong colors and shape of this festive bouquet are designed to complement the distinctive floral print gown.



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Flowers reflect the love and joy of your wedding service, whether it is held in a church, temple, home, hotel or garden. Your individual theme and color scheme will be carried throughout to create a wedding cameo uniquely yours.

Above

Pew Decoration (Order FI-1337) Hurricane lamps create a romantic candle-lit mood — safely! Golden carnations add to the glow.

Left above

Candelabra Arrangement (Order FI-1234) Altar candelabras entwined with pompons, snapdragons and carnations.

Altar Arrangement (Order FI-1235) An arrangement complementary to the candelabras.

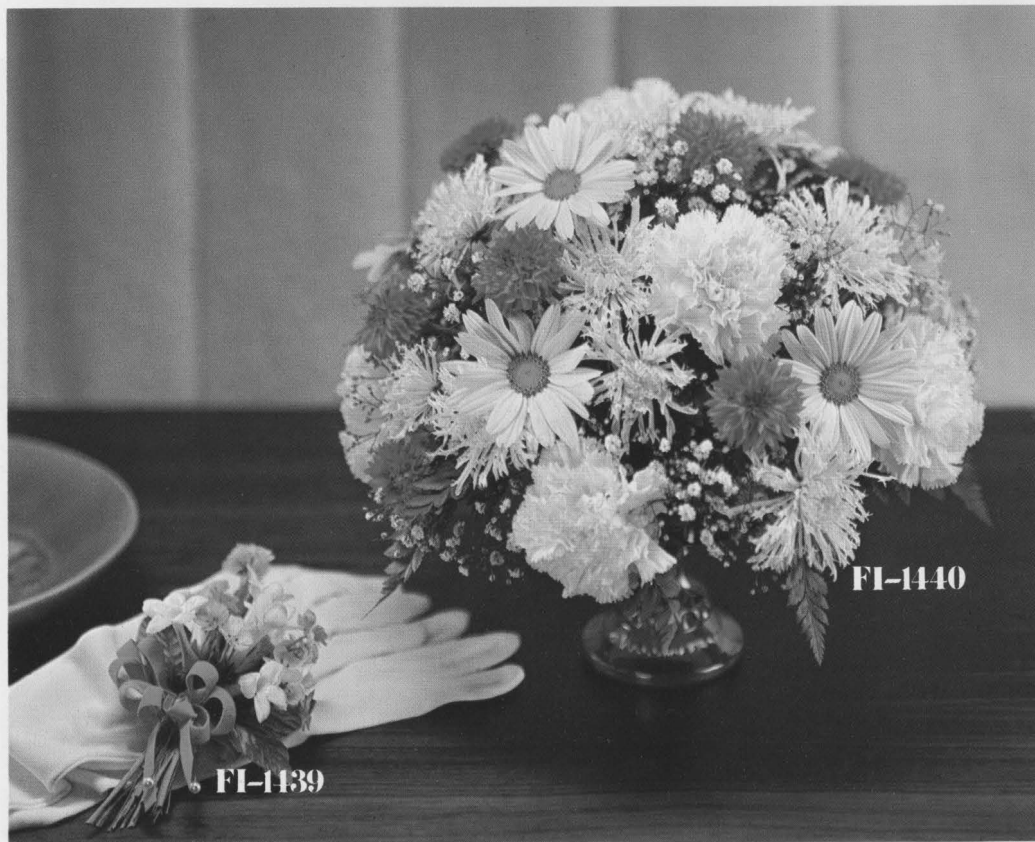
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Church Decoration (Order FI-1236) Fireside basket filled with a colorful floral mix.



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Celebration Flowers...



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Pre-Nuptial Parties...and The Reception..

Flowers set the stage for pre-wedding festivities, the rehearsal dinner and the reception.

Left above

Palette (Order FI-1438) A colorful arrangement for table or buffet.

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Petite (Order FI-1439) A dainty hand clutch bouquet or corsage featuring silk verbenas.

Claire de Lune (Order FI-1440) A blue and white arrangement for buffet or coffee table.

Above

Sugar Rose Candelabra (Order FI-1541)

Sugar Rose Cake Trim (Order FI-1542)

Roses make your reception table a treat for sight and scent, as well as taste.



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FI-1648



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... for those special people attending your wedding ... and for your own going-away outfit.

Goldenthroat (Order FI-1643) A classic cattleya orchid.

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Angel Wing (Order FI-1645) Always exotic ... a phalaenopsis orchid.

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Jacqueline Onassis and Peter Duchin.

Personalities

Cherry Blossom princesses sang "Happy Birthday" a day early to **First Lady Betty Ford** in the White House rose garden yesterday.

Mrs. Ford, who will be 58 today, also celebrated with a small family dinner last night at the White House. She will be in New York today and will not return until Friday.

Before Mrs. Ford welcomed the 48 princesses just outside the President's office, **President Ford** came out to say hello. He left before his wife could catch him gazing at "all that pulchritude," he said.

Mrs. Ford, who earlier received members of the television cast of "The Adams Chronicles" in the Blue Room, was asked for the President's reaction to reports that **Secretary of State Kissinger** may be leaving office. She said she had not discussed the matter with her husband, but added, "I think all these rumors are bad for the people. I would like to see him stay on."

An annual **Lorraine Hansberry** Playwriting Award, named for the late author of "Raisin in the Sun," was announced yesterday at the Kennedy Center by the American College Theater Festival. The "best play on the black experience in America" by a student will bring the author \$2,000 for continuing education and the student's school will get \$500 under the program funded by McDonald's.

Actor-producer **Robert Hooks**; **Robert Nemiroff**, Hansberry's husband; playwright **Michael Kanin**, and **Shaun-eille Perry**, director of "Showdown," coming to the National Theater, took part in a panel discussion on the theater. "Conpersonas," the festival's winning production for this year, written by **Paul Lim** of the University of Kansas, was performed last night at the Eisenhower Theater and will be repeated twice today.

More on the theater . . . **Jacqueline Onassis** attended "Bubbling Brown Sugar" with the **Peter Duchins** the other night in New York. **Lillian Gish** and **Helen Hayes** attended the 90th graduation ceremonies of the American Academy of Dramatic Arts at the Helen Hayes Theater.

Henry Fonda is recovering slowly from surgery and his hospital release date has been set back. Surgeons removed a large tumor, described as noncancerous, and a portion of the actor's diaphragm on March 17.

—William Gildea and Dorothy McCardle



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(FORD-GIRLS)

WASHINGTON (UPD) -- NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE ALL RIGHT BUT THEY ARE STAG AFFAIRS AND WHO CAN BLAME THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR DOING MORE THAN LOOKING WHEN HE SAW 50 PRETTY GIRLS OUT IN THE ROSE GARDEN WEDNESDAY?

PRESIDENT FORD HAD JUST STEPPED BACK INTO THE WHITE HOUSE OVAL OFFICE FROM THE SECURITY MEETING WHEN HE LOOKED THROUGH THE FRENCH DOORS TO THE GARDEN AND SAW TROOPING IN 50 GIRLS REPRESENTING EVERY STATE BUT CALIFORNIA AND SOUTH DAKOTA.

THE WASHINGTON CHERRY BLOSSOM FESTIVAL PRINCESSES HAD COME FOR A MEETING WITH FIRST LADY BETTY FORD. MRS. FORD, WHO HAD BEEN ACCEPTING A MEDAL FROM A TELEVISION ("THE ADAMS CHRONICLES") TROUPE, WAS LATE.

THE 50 GIRLS STOOD SILENTLY, GAZING AT THE FRENCH DOORS OF THE OVAL OFFICE WHEN THE PRESIDENT STEPPED OUT FOLLOWED BY HIS APPOINTMENTS SECRETARY TERRY O' DONNELL AND HIS WHITE HOUSE CHIEF OF STAFF RICHARD CHENEY.

"WHERE'S MRS. FORD?" MR. FORD SAID.

HE WAS TOLD SHE HAD NOT YET COME.

"WELL," SAID THE PRESIDENT, "I LOOKED OUT THE WINDOW AND SAW ALL THIS PULCHRITUDE..."

"I DON'T WANT TO STEP ON MRS. FORD'S PERROGATIVES..." THE PRESIDENT SAID.

"I CONGRATULATE YOU ALL," THE PRESIDENT SAID.

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Pathologist Off Attica 'Casualty List'

—Betty Ford celebrated her 58th birthday a day in advance because she will be in New York today, the actual Ford sees me," he said. The girls cheered.

—By Jennings Parrott



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Notes on People

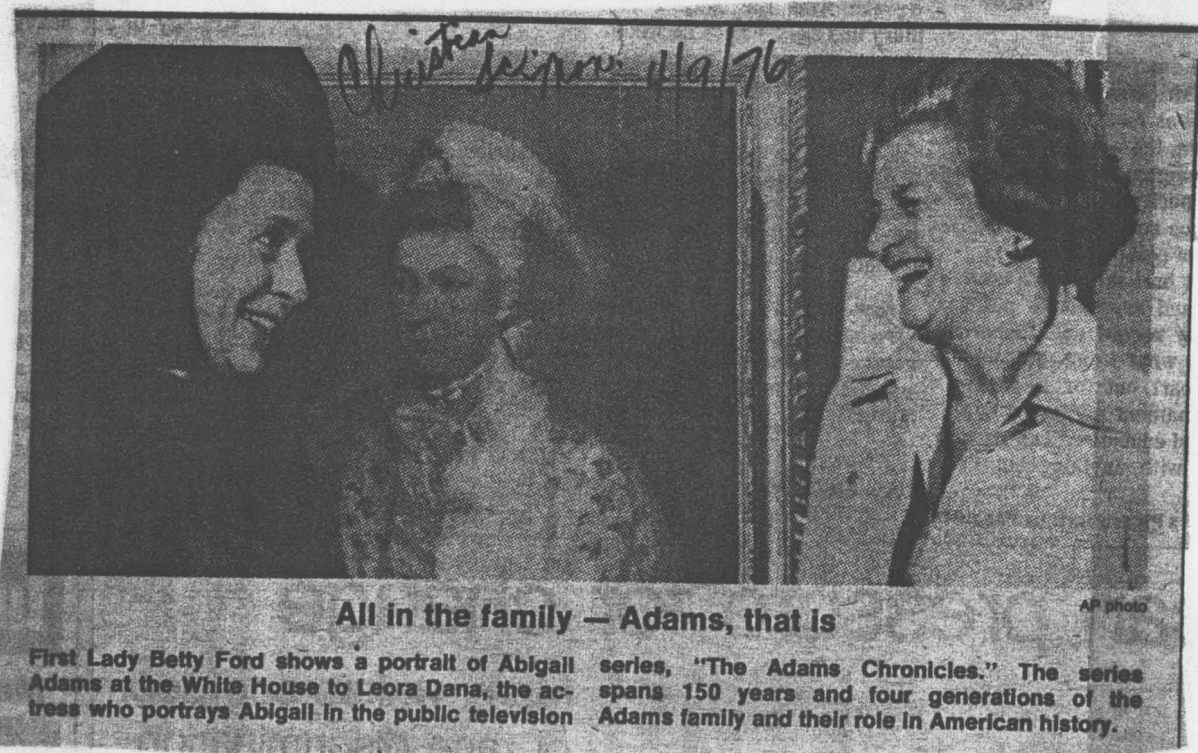
*Boyle Enters Prison
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been "highly satisfactory" and that he had had a message from Leonid I. Brezhnev "saying that he would very much like to have met me" but was vacationing away from Moscow. The Communist party chief has made no personal appearances since March 8.

project a few blocks from Bunker Hill.

LAURIE JOHNSTON





All in the family — Adams, that is

AP photo

First Lady Betty Ford shows a portrait of Abigail Adams at the White House to Leora Dana, the actress who portrays Abigail in the public television series, "The Adams Chronicles." The series spans 150 years and four generations of the Adams family and their role in American history.