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President Tolbert used to be President
of the Baptist World Alliance

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

DINNER IN HONOR OF
HIS EXCELLENCY
THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA
AND MRS. TOLBERT

September 21, 1976

8:00 p. m.

Dress: Black tie ... long dresses for the ladies

Arrival:

- 8:00 p. m. ... at North Portico Entrance ... President and Mrs. Tolbert, The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black.
- You and Mrs. Ford will greet.
- Photo coverage of greeting.

Yellow Oval Room:

- Acting Secretary and Mrs. Charles Robinson; Foreign Minister Cecil Dennis; American Ambassador and Mrs. W. Beverly Carter, Jr.; and Foreign Ambassador and Mrs. Francis Dennis will assemble just prior to the 8:00 p. m. arrival of President and Mrs. Tolbert and The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black.
- Approximately 8:10 p. m. ... all guests except President and Mrs. Tolbert will depart at this time ... Color Guard will request permission to remove Colors.

Grand Entrance:

- Approximately 8:12 p. m. ... descend Grand Staircase preceded by Color Guard.

- Pause at foot of staircase for official photograph (President Tolbert to your right ... Mrs. Tolbert to your left ... then Mrs. Ford).
- Color Guard reforms and procession moves to red carpet facing East Room ... pause for Ruffles and Flourishes and announcement ... take receiving line positions (President Tolbert to your right ... then Mrs. Ford ... then Mrs. Tolbert).
- Follow Color Guard into East Room when "Hail to the Chief" is played.

Receiving Line:

- Take position just inside door of East Room ... Ambassador Black will present your guests.
- After receiving line, follow guests into State Dining Room.

Dinner:

- Round tables (State Dining Room and Red Room)
- The Army Strolling Strings will play during dessert.
- No press coverage of dinner ... toasts will be piped to the press ... transcripts will be released to the press... there will be mini-camera coverage of the toasts with a small photo pool.

After-Dinner:

- 10:00 p.m. ... guests proceed to parlors for demitasse, liqueurs, and cigars. You and Mrs. Ford will escort President and Mrs. Tolbert to the Blue Room where you will visit informally with your guests.
- 10:05 p.m. ... after-dinner guests will be escorted to the State Floor. You, Mrs. Ford, President and Mrs. Tolbert (President Tolbert to your right ... then Mrs. Ford ... then Mrs. Tolbert) will receive the after-dinner guests

from a position in the Grand Hall between the Blue Room and Green Room doors -- a Military Social Aide will present your guests -- guests will proceed to the East Room and take their seats.

Entertainment:

- After the guests are seated, you will enter the East Room through the center door and seat Mrs. Ford and President and Mrs. Tolbert.
- You proceed to the stage which will be located along the center of the north wall and introduce Wayne Newton.

NOTE: Suggested remarks (Tab A).

- At the conclusion of the performance, you and Mrs. Ford will escort President and Mrs. Tolbert to the stage to thank Wayne Newton.

NOTE: There will be press coverage of the entertainment. Photo and mini-camera coverage will be of the first and last parts of the program and of your thanking Wayne Newton.

- After you have thanked Wayne Newton, you and Mrs. Ford will escort President and Mrs. Tolbert to the Blue Room where you will mingle informally with your guests.

NOTE: There will be dancing in the Grand Foyer.

Departure:

- You and Mrs. Ford, The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black escort President and Mrs. Tolbert to the North Portico.
- You and Mrs. Ford may wish to return for dancing or return to the Family Quarters.
- There will be champagne, mixed drinks and dancing for the guests who remain.

NOTES:

- The dinner and after-dinner guest lists are attached (Tab B).
- A suggested toast is attached (Tab C).
- Military Social Aides will be present.
- Marine Corps Harpist will be playing in the Diplomatic Reception Room as your dinner and after-dinner guests arrive.
- White House photographer will be present.
- Marine Corps Band will be playing on the South Portico Balcony as your dinner guests arrive.

Maria Downs



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

ARRIVAL CEREMONY FOR
HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA
AND MRS. WILLIAM R. TOLBERT, JR.

TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 21, 1976

The South Grounds

From: Terry O'Donnell

(101)

SEQUENCE

10:28 a.m.

You depart Oval Office and proceed to Diplomatic Reception Room where Mrs. Ford will join you.

Following announcement and "Ruffles and Flourishes", you and Mrs. Ford proceed out the Diplomatic Reception Room entrance, cross the driveway, and take your positions facing the entrance to the Diplomatic Reception Room.

10:31 a.m.

President and Mrs. Tolbert arrive and are introduced to you and Mrs. Ford by Chief of Protocol Shirley Temple Black. You in turn introduce them to Admiral Holloway and Mrs. Holloway and Acting Secretary of State and Mrs. Charles Robinson.

You and President Tolbert move to the platform and stand facing the troops with the President on your right. Mrs. Ford and Mrs. Tolbert move to right of platform.



10:33 a.m.

2.

National Anthems and 21-Gun Salute.

Inspection of troops - You and President Tolbert guided by Commander of Troops. The Liberian President should be on the left closest to the troops. The Troop Commander is in the middle.

NOTE: Your cue for escorting President Tolbert down to the Commander of Troops to inspect the troops will be the Commander's report, "Sir, the Honor Guard is formed."

Inspection begins at the right front of the band and proceeds along the front rank of troops. You render salutes when passing in front of the Colors.

At the left flank of the troops, the Inspection Party turns and proceeds toward the platform.

You escort President Tolbert onto the platform and take your original positions facing the troops for the Marine Drum and Bugle Corps "pass in review."

10:40 a.m.

After the Commander of Troops reports, "Sir, this concludes the Honors," you usher President Tolbert to stand adjacent to you at the podium while you deliver welcoming remarks.

FULL PRESS COVERAGE

President Tolbert will respond. (in English)



3.

10:50 a.m.

You usher your guest back to the original platform position facing the troops to await the Command, "Sir, this concludes the ceremony."

10:52 a.m.

You and your guest depart the platform, join Mrs. Ford, and Mrs. Tolbert.

You lead the way up the right outside staircase to the portico, escorting Mrs. Tolbert. President Tolbert will escort Mrs. Ford and follow behind.

10:54 a.m.

You will pause at the center of the South Portico balcony for a photograph. The order is as follows:

President Tolbert to your right,
Mrs. Tolbert to your left--
then Mrs. Ford.

You enter the Blue Room where you will be joined by Acting Secretary and Mrs. Robinson and Admiral and Mrs. Holloway. Members of the Official Party*and the Welcoming Committee are escorted into the Blue Room and are presented to the receiving line.

11:00 a.m.

You escort President Tolbert into the Oval Office for a meeting.

* Official Party List attached TAB A.



MEMBERS OF THE OFFICIAL LIBERIAN PARTY

His Excellency William R. Tolbert, Jr.
President of the Republic of Liberia

Mrs. Victoria A. Tolbert

His Excellency C. Cecil Dennis, Jr.
Minister of Foreign Affairs

His Excellency James T. Phillips, Jr.
Minister of Finance

His Excellency D. Franklin Neal
Minister of Planning and Economic Affairs

Mrs. Evelyn Townsend
Wife of the Minister of State for
Presidential Affairs

Mrs. Wokie Tubman
Wife of the Chairman of the Committee on
Foreign Relations, Liberian Senate
(Daughter of President)

The Honorable Jackson F. Doe
Chairman, Committee on Education
and Civil Service, Liberian Senate

The Honorable Robert I. E. Bright
Chairman, Committee on Executives
House of Representatives

His Excellency Francis A. Dennis
Ambassador of the Republic of
Liberia to the United States

Mrs. Francis A. Dennis

His Excellency Emmett Harmon
Ambassador-at-Large



Paramount Chief Jimmy Dahn
Saclapea-Mah Chiefdom Nimba County

The Honorable Augustus F. Caine
Director, Institute of Public
Administration

Bridadier General Thomas Z. Sackie
Aide-de-Camp to the President

Colonel Wilfred Clarke
Director, Special Security Service



THE WHITE HOUSE
OFFICE OF THE PRESS SECRETARY TO MRS. FORD

The President and Mrs. Ford will honor His Excellency, William R. Tolbert, Jr., President of the Republic of Liberia, and Mrs. Tolbert at a black-tie state dinner in the White House Tuesday, September 21, at 8 PM.

Contemporary Singer/Entertainer, Wayne Newton, will perform in the East Room following dinner.

The Museum of the City of New York has loaned its private collection of 19th Century silver presentation pieces for the dinner. All of the pieces were created by American manufacturers in the late 1800's. Silver presentation pieces come from the custom of giving a piece of silver to an individual in recognition of service or in appreciation of accomplishment.

The centerpieces include a silver pitcher presented to Admiral David Farragut in 1863 by Commander Charles Hunter and the officers in the crew of the U.S. Steamer Montgomery, and a silver fruit dish to Cyrus W. Field in 1866 by George Peabody. Other pieces include: a fireman's trumpet, a teapot, a hot water kettle, loving cups and vegetable dishes, which were presented to outstanding Americans.

Quadrille Fabrics of New York has donated the tablecloths to be used for the dinner. The "Bagatelle print" is a hand-screened print of blended multi-colored floral (muted reds, oranges, greens, yellows, etc.). The silver presentation pieces will be encircled with American grown, all season flowers and greens; such as, Boston ivy, pink cabbage roses, eucalyptus, pink lilies, gerber daisies and mums. There will be six peach/pink votive candles in clear glass holders on each table. The napkins will be accented with a pink lily tucked in the green and white striped grosgrain ribbon.

The Johnson china, Kennedy crystal and Monroe vermeil will be used. The state floor will have garlands of flowering American greens highlighted with votive lights.

Joan Peck, designer from New York, has coordinated the decorations of the state floor. Mr. Renny Reynolds, "Renny's" of New York, has worked with Ms. Peck on the flower arrangements.

The menu: Timbale of Sea Scallops; Roast Rack of Lamb; Baked Celery with Almonds; Green Peas with Fresh Mint; Asparagus and Lettuce Vinaigrette Salad; Port Salut Cheese; and Charlotte Monticello.

The wines: Saint Michelle, Semillon Blanc (1975); Almaden, Cabernet Sauvignon (1971); and Beaulieu, Extra Dry (1970).

John Pope
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Sally Quenneville

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WASHINGTON

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September 21, 1976

Office of the White House Press Secretary

NOTICE TO THE PRESS

President Ford and President William R. Tolbert, Jr., of Liberia met today for an exchange of views on African and world issues. The meeting between the two leaders lasted approximately one hour.

In keeping with the close relations between the U.S. and Liberia the meeting between the two Presidents was extremely cordial. Their discussions covered a wide range of topics including the situation and current diplomacy in Southern Africa and the state of Liberian-American relations. There was a review of American economic assistance to Liberia, and both Presidents expressed their satisfaction with the close ties existing between the United States and Liberia and pledged to work for their further strengthening.

Tonight, President and Mrs. Ford will give a State Dinner in honor of the Liberian President and First Lady.

President Tolbert will be in Washington, D.C. at Blair House for four days and then he will visit Atlanta, Philadelphia, and New York City, before his departure on October 2.

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NEWS

The Republic of Liberia



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RESPONSE BY DR. WILLIAM R. TOLBERT, JR.,
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA
TO THE AFTER DINNER REMARKS BY
THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AT THE WHITE HOUSE, SEPTEMBER 21, 1976

Mr. President,
Mrs. Ford,
Distinguished Ladies and Gentlemen,
Friends:

On this our first State Visit to the United States, we are sincerely delighted to be here with you and to enjoy at evening time the loveliness of warm American fellowship. We are deeply grateful not only for this exceptional WHITE HOUSE hospitality, but also for your extraordinarily kind invitation to share in the inspiration of the American Bicentennial.

Indeed, we are imbued on this occasion with signal salutations for your astounding achievements. We look forward to greater achievements as you enter upon your THIRD CENTURY of independence, a unique and unified people, strong and proud, a haven of opportunity and liberty, a foremost nation of nations wherein the seeds of all humanity can blossom and flower in the realization of their fullest potential.

It is uplifting to all mankind when America champions the advent of a new order of economic equity and prosperity for all the nations of our one world.

It is exhilarating to mankind when America successfully displays in space the limitless technological ingenuity of the human specie.

It enobles the human family when America commences in her THIRD CENTURY the exercise of a courageous and skillful leadership role, in securing dignity and independence for the oppressed and repressed peoples across the globe, especially in southern Africa, thus upholding her firm democratic tradition in the interest of world security and peace.

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The strength of Liberia's existence lies embedded in the unyielding and unconquerable spirit that has characterized America's history.

Having stood unswervingly and fearlessly for one century and three decades upon the same democratic ideals which led to the founding of the American nation, Liberia has steadfastly kept aloft the torch of liberty and democracy in Africa, presaging upon our continent the new age of total African emancipation.

We firmly hold those truths in sacred and pragmatic relevance to our victorious national design that our people under God should become more solidly interwoven and enterprising, more skillfully productive and prosperous.

Liberia has a rendezvous with development reconstruction.

With increasing health programs and expanding educational facilities, Liberians are acting now to widen yet the vistas of opportunity for our people.

Through total civic involvement, through modern infrastructural improvement and rural integrated development, we are acting now to tighten still the treasured bonds of national unity.

By means of the free enterprise system, by a policy of productive co-partnership with other nations and with our foreign investors, and by dedicated and responsible husbandry of all our resources, we are acting now to brighten yet the eager prospects for unprecedented national prosperity.


Liberians are actively aware that the spirit of America has a uniquely infectious quality.

Thus, to an aspiring and emerging world, this land and people must remain a towering pillar of strength, inspiring to all nations.

To peoples struggling still under the yoke of violent oppression, America must continue to tend and fend and fan the flame of freedom and justice.

To nations entangled in the intricacies of economic exploitation, American ingenuity must set the pace in resolving the issues of restructure and reform.

As she embarks upon another centennial destiny, and destinies yet to follow, America's challenge and promise must remain indeed commanding - to signal the course of victory for an expanding and Wholesome Functioning World Society.



In this enterprise of hope and action, Mr. President, we in Liberia can certainly pledge our sincere and solemn endeavor to dispel despair, to defeat dejection, and, in an environment of mutual respect and reciprocal friendship, to join unremittingly with you in consolidating constructive cooperation and productive interdependence among all peoples and nations of our one world.

Distinguished Ladies and Gentlemen, to the President and people of the United States of America, our fondest and best wishes for continuing dynamic and magnetic success!

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FACT SHEET
Mrs. Ford's Office

Event State Dinner
 Group In Honor of President and Mrs. Tolbert of Liberia
 DATE/TIME September 21, 1976 8:00 p.m.
 Contact Pat Howard Phone 2927
 Number of guests: Total 160 - Dinner
70 A-Dinner Women x Men x Children --
 Place State Floor
 Principals involved President and Mrs. Ford
 Participation by Principal yes (Receiving line) yes
 Remarks required yes
 Background --

REQUIREMENTS

Social: Guest list yes (Social Entertainments Office will distribute list.)
 Invitations yes Programs yes Menus yes
 Refreshments State Dinner Format
 Entertainment yes
 Decorations/flowers yes
 Music yes
 Social Aides yes
 Dress Black Tie Coat check DRR
 Other --

Press: Reporters yes
 Photographers yes
 TV Crews yes
 White House Photographers yes Color yes Mono. --
 Other --

Technical Support: Microphones yes PA Other Rooms yes
 Recording yes
 Lights yes
 Transportation cars (Southwest Gate)
 Parking South Grounds
 Housing --
 Other -- (Risers, stage, platforms) yes

Project Co-ordinator Pat Howard Phone 2927

Site diagrams should be attached if technical support is heavy.

Guests - State Dinner

Bruce Jenner - Olympic
Decathlon Champion
Alex Haley "Roots"
Mayor James McGee,
Mayor of Dayton, sister
sister of Minnowick ~~Center~~
Dir. Luther Foster - Pres.
of Tuskegee
Charlotte Curtis



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 14, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR:

ALL WHITE HOUSE/O.E.O.B. STAFF

SUBJECT:

His Excellency
The President of the Republic of Liberia
and Mrs. Tolbert
Tuesday, September 21, 1976-10:30 a.m.

You and your family and friends are invited to attend the Arrival Ceremony on the South Lawn for His Excellency The President of the Republic of Liberia and Mrs. Tolbert.

The Ceremony begins at 10:30 a.m. and guests accompanied by a White House or O.E.O.B. pass holder will be admitted through the Southwest Gate on Tuesday, September 21, 1976, beginning at 9:30 a.m. If you are unfamiliar with the proper standing areas, one of the Executive Protective Service Officers will be happy to assist you.

The President and Mrs. Ford hope you will enjoy joining them in extending a warm welcome to our distinguished guests.



Michael J. Farrell
Director
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Earl Gustie -- Chicago Tribune
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Dorothy Gilliam -- Washington Post
Nov. 24, 1936
SS# 403-44-9299

Emily Wilcox -- King Features
May 6, 1917; Hartford, Conn.

Betty Beale is in process of getting her White House pass
renewed.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

LIBERIAN RECIPROCAL RECEPTION

Anderson House

Wednesday - September 22, 1976

Attire: Business Suit

Departure: 6:23 P.M.

From: Terry O'Donnell

SEQUENCE

6:23 p.m.

You and Mrs. Ford board motorcade on South Grounds and depart en route Anderson House.

6:30 p.m.

Arrive Anderson House where you and Mrs. Ford will be met by President and Mrs. Tolbert.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE
CLOSED ARRIVAL

6:32 p.m.

You and Mrs. Ford, escorted by President and Mrs. Tolbert, proceed via stairway to second floor dining room for brief refreshments.

6:35 p.m.

You and Mrs. Ford and President and Mrs. Tolbert arrive dining room for brief conversation and refreshments.

NOTE: In the dining room, you will be joined by Minister of Foreign Affairs Cecil C. Dennis and General Brent Scowcroft.

2.

6:45 p.m.

You and Mrs. Ford, escorted by President and Mrs. Tolbert, depart dining room and proceed to offstage announcement area.

6:45 p.m.

Announcement.

You and Mrs. Ford and President and Mrs. Tolbert proceed down stairway to reception room and guests.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE
ATTENDANCE: 300

6:46 p.m.

You and Mrs. Ford and President and Mrs. Tolbert arrive reception room and proceed to table for viewing of a commemorative plaque and stamp collection presented as a gift by the people of Liberia.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE

6:48 p.m.

You and Mrs. Ford thank President and Mrs. Tolbert and depart reception room en route motorcade for boarding.

6:50 p.m.

Motorcade departs Anderson House en route South Grounds.

6:57 p.m.

Arrive South Grounds.

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INFORMATION FOR MRS. FORD'S PRESS OFFICE OF THE OFFICIAL GIFT EXCHANGE DURING THE STATE VISIT OF HIS EXCELLENCY WILLIAM R. TOLBERT, JR., PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA, AND MRS. TOLBERT, SEPTEMBER 21, 1976

To President Ford from H.E. William R. Tolbert, Jr.;

1. A heavy wooden map of Liberia showing the nine counties and rock types indigenous to the different areas of the country. It measures 30" x 27" and the frame is 4" thick. The wooden framed map on wooden background is made of the 5 types of wood found in Liberia. The counties are shown by the different colored rocks: lenticular gneiss, quartz, quartzo-felspathic gneiss, granite, pink granite gneiss, banded biotite gneiss, diabase, and granite gneiss.
2. A large color photograph of President Tolbert, white matted and framed in mahogany wood with ivory inlaid birds and stars. Photograph in matting measures 20 inches by 24 inches; in frame 27" by 31". Inscription reads "Cordially yours, W.R. Tolbert" with Liberian flag in background.
3. An off-white ceremonial robe ornamented with heavy appliqued designs in glossy white threads, matching cap with tassel.
4. A full-length color photograph of President Tolbert with a sitting room background inscribed by donor: "To President Gerald R. Ford, With highest esteem, William R. Tolbert." In a silver frame, the photograph measures 11" x 13 1/2" with the Presidential crest at top.



To Mrs. Ford from Mrs. Tolbert:

1. Mahogany inlaid jewelry box, 10 inches by 7 inches by 3 inches, with purple velvet lining, containing gold necklace and bracelet in African design
2. Autographed black and white photograph, 15 1/2 inches by 12 inches, of Mrs. Victoria A. Tolbert, in a gilt-colored wooden frame.

To President and Mrs. Tolbert from President and Mrs. Ford:

A formal portrait of the President of Liberia and Mrs. Tolbert and the President and Mrs. Ford, in a silver frame with the Presidential Seal.

To the President of Liberia from President Ford:

A sterling silver plate/plaque with a portrait of George Washington etched in vermeil, limited edition issued by the White House Historical Association.

To Mrs. Tolbert from Mrs. Ford:

An old fashioned "Rose Jar" with six different roses cameoed on the porcelain panels, made by Cybis Porcelain, approx. 4 inches tall.

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Liberia

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OFFICIAL NAME: Republic of Liberia

GEOGRAPHY AND PEOPLE

Liberia lies at the southwestern extremity of the western bulge of Africa and is bordered by Sierra Leone, Guinea, and the Ivory Coast. It

has a 370-mile-long coastline on the Atlantic Ocean.

From a narrow strip of level coastal land dotted with lagoons, tidal creeks, and marshes, the rolling country rises in a series of plateaus. Low mountains

are found intermittently throughout the country but are rarely more than 3,000 feet in elevation except for Nimba and Wale Mountains, which reach 4,500 feet. Six principal rivers flow into the Atlantic Ocean.

Liberia lies within the tropical rain forest belt and has distinct wet and dry seasons. Almost all rainfall occurs between April and November and averages 150-170 inches annually. Along the coast it may exceed 200 inches. The average annual daily temperature is about 80° F.

The population includes 16 recognized tribal groups and about 45,000 descendants of emancipated slaves from the United States. About 5,000 foreigners, some of whom are U.S. citizens employed by various U.S. business enterprises and by the Liberian Government, reside in Liberia. Approximately 90 percent of the population retain their tribal customs.

Paganism is widespread despite intensive missionary efforts. Christians are principally of Protestant denominations. Islam has been making slow, steady progress among some tribes in recent years.

HISTORY

It is believed that the early inhabitants of present-day Liberia migrated into the area from the north and east between the 12th and 16th centuries. Apparently none of the sub-Saharan Empires encompassed Liberia. Portuguese explorers visited Liberia's coast in 1461, and during the next 300 years European merchants and coastal Africans engaged in trade.

PROFILE

Geography

AREA: 43,000 sq. mi. (about the size of Ohio). **CAPITAL:** Monrovia (pop. 100,000). **OTHER CITIES:** Buchanan (pop. 25,000 est.), Harper (pop. 10,000 est.).

People

POPULATION: 1.65 million (1974 est.). **ANNUAL GROWTH RATE:** 3.3%. **DENSITY:** 38 per sq. mi. **ETHNIC GROUPS:** 16 tribes (97.5%, principally Mande, West Atlantic, and Kwa), Americo-Liberians (2.5%). **RELIGIONS:** tribal religions 70-80%, Muslim 10-20%, Christian 10%. **LANGUAGES:** English (official), 28 tribal dialects. **LITERACY:** 10%. **LIFE EXPECTANCY:** 45 yrs.

Government

TYPE: Republic. **INDEPENDENCE:** 1847. **DATE OF CONSTITUTION:** July 26, 1847.

BRANCHES: *Executive*—President (Chief of State and Head of Government), Vice President, Cabinet. *Legislative*—Bicameral (Senate, House of Representatives). *Judicial*—Supreme Court, circuit courts.

POLITICAL PARTY: True Whig Party. **SUFFRAGE:** Universal over 18. **POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS:** 9 Counties.

FLAG: Eleven red and white stripes with a white star on a blue field in the upper left

corner. At the time of the flag's adoption in 1847, the single star represented the only Negro State in Africa. The stripes stand for the signers of the country's Declaration of Independence.

Economy

GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT (GNP): \$500 million (1974 est.). **ANNUAL GROWTH RATE:** 5%. **PER CAPITA INCOME:** \$333. **PER CAPITA GROWTH RATE:** 3.3%.

AGRICULTURE: *Land* 50%. *Labor* 25%. *Products*—rubber, palm kernels, coffee, rice, cassava.

INDUSTRY: *Labor* 95% (includes agricultural industries). *Products*—iron ore, rubber.

NATURAL RESOURCES: Iron ore, rubber, timber, diamonds.

TRADE: *Exports*—\$371 million (1974): iron ore, diamonds, rubber, coffee, palm kernels, cocoa. *Imports*—\$310 million (1974): machinery, transportation equipment, foodstuffs, manufactured goods. *Partners*—U.S., F.R.G., Japan, U.K.

OFFICIAL EXCHANGE RATE: Liberia uses U.S. dollars.

ECONOMIC AID RECEIVED: *Total*—\$390 million (through 1974). *U.S. only*—\$250 million (1946-74): AID, Food for Peace, and Peace Corps grants (\$136 million) and loans (\$114 million).

MEMBERSHIP IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS: U.N. and most of its specialized agencies, Organization of African Unity (OAU).



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The Republic of Liberia had its origin in 1816 when the American Colonization Society was given a charter by the U.S. Congress to send freed slaves to the west coast of Africa. These settlers arrived in Liberia in 1822. The U.S. Government under President James Monroe furnished funds and assisted in negotiations with native chiefs for the cession of land. In 1839 the settlers united to form the Commonwealth of Liberia under a governor appointed by the American

Colonization Society. In 1847 Liberia became the first independent Republic in Africa, with a Constitution modeled after that of the United States. The United Kingdom officially recognized the Republic in 1848 as did France in 1852. The United States did not grant recognition until 1862. The Republic's first 100 years were characterized as a "century of survival" because of attempts by neighboring powers (French and British) to encroach on Liberia.

William R. Tolbert, Jr., 19th President of Liberia, acceded to office in July 1971 upon the death of William V. C. Tubman, who had served as President since 1944.

GOVERNMENT

Liberia's government is modeled after that of the United States and is based on the 1847 Constitution. The President and Vice President are elected by popular vote for an initial

term of 8 years and may be reelected to 4-year terms. The President is assisted by a Cabinet of 16 members whom he appoints.

The Senate is presided over by the Vice President and has 18 members (two from each county) elected to 6-year terms. The House of Representatives has 52 members elected to 4-year terms on the basis of proportional representation.

The judicial branch is headed by a Supreme Court consisting of a Chief Justice and four Associate Justices. Subordinate courts are established as deemed necessary by act of the legislature. All judges are appointed by the President and serve for life.

A Superintendent appointed by the President heads each county.

Principal Government Officials

President—William R. Tolbert, Jr.
Vice President—James E. Greene

Ministers

Foreign Affairs—C. Cecil Dennis
Finance—Edwin Williams
Justice—Lawrence A. Morgan
National Defense—Allen H. Williams
Postal Affairs—McKinley A. DeShield
Local Government, Rural Development, and Urban Reconstruction—E. Jonathan Goodridge
Action for Development and Progress—Julius Cooper
Education—Jackson Doe
Public Works—Gabriel J. Tucker
Agriculture—James T. Phillips, Jr.
Health and Welfare—Oliver Bright
Commerce, Industry, and Transportation—William E. Dennis, Jr.
Information, Cultural Affairs, and Tourism—Edward B. Kesselly
Planning and Economic Affairs—David F. Neal
Minister of State for Presidential Affairs—E. Reginald Townsend
Land and Mines—A. E. Nyema Jones
Labor, Youth, and Sports—J. Jenkins Peal

Chairman of Public Utilities Authority—Taylor A. Major
Director General, National Public Health Service—Edwin M. Barclay
Speaker of the House—Richard A. Henries
Chief Justice—James A. Pierre

Ambassador to the U.S.—S. Edward Peal

Ambassador to the U.N.—Nathan Barnes

Liberia maintains an Embassy in the United States at 5201 16th St., NW., Washington, D.C. 20011.

POLITICAL CONDITIONS

The government is highly centralized under the leadership of President Tolbert. Public schools, hospitals, roads, and police are operated by the central government. Only Negroes or those of Negro descent may become citizens of Liberia. All citizens are privileged to vote, and only citizens may own land.

Although opposition parties are not proscribed and dissident groups have formed short-lived opposition parties, only one strong political party exists—the True Whig Party, which was formed in 1869 and has been in power since 1881. The most recent presidential election was held in May 1971 at which time the late President Tubman and Vice President Tolbert were reelected. Upon the President's death in July, Vice President Tolbert succeeded to the 4-year presidential term. He was inaugurated in January 1972.

President Tolbert has continued the "unification" policy of his predecessor, which endeavors to integrate culturally the indigenous tribal peoples and the descendants of the freedmen who settled Liberia. Much progress has been made in assimilating the tribal peoples of the interior into the mainstream of modern national life.

ECONOMY

Liberia's three natural resources—iron ore, rubber, and timber—serve as a base for its economy. The first two are well developed. Timber resources are excellent but are only beginning to be exploited. Other mineral and plantation resources may be developed as a result of surveys undertaken by the Liberian Government with the help of the U.S. Government and other external donors. Modern techniques are employed in the extraction of ore.

READING LIST

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Notable gains have been made in the development of Liberia's infrastructure, a major area of U.S. assistance. Projects completed with the help of U.S. grants or loans include the Free Port of Monrovia, Robertsfield International Airport, part of the interior road system, Monrovia's water supply and sewage disposal systems, a hydroelectric dam at Mt. Coffee near Monrovia, elementary and secondary schools, and the National Medical Center in Monrovia, including the 271-bed Kennedy hospital and training center which were opened in June

TRAVEL NOTES

Clothing—Lightweight, loose fitting washable clothing is recommended.

Customs—All Americans entering Liberia must have visas, which are not issued at the airport. Inoculations against smallpox, yellow fever, and cholera are required. Typhoid, polio, tetanus, rabies, and gamma globulin shots are recommended.

Health—Drink only boiled water. Eat fruit only if its skin is unbroken. Take malaria suppressants. Stay out of fresh water, particularly in the interior.

Telecommunications—Long-distance telephone service and cable service are available.

Transportation—Flights are available to Robertsfield International Airport, about 36 miles from Monrovia. No regularly scheduled airport bus or taxi service exists. Limited schedule airline service is available to a few points within the country.

Taxi service in Monrovia is available and reasonably priced. Tipping is not customary. Agree on a price in advance when traveling outside the metropolitan area.

Touring—Tourist facilities are limited. Unpaved roads in the interior are difficult to travel in the rainy season and dusty in the dry season.

1971. Projects in process using U.S. Agency for International Development (AID) loans are further improvements to the international airport, construction of two additional rural access roads, and provision of highway maintenance equipment to support the Ministry of Public Works.

Consistent with the high priority which Liberia places on rural development, AID is directing more of its resources to agriculture. AID's other area of emphasis is public administration where it is helping to establish the Institute of Public Administration and to activate the Civil Service Bureau.

More than 350 Peace Corps volunteers are assisting Liberian development by providing needed skills in education, public health, agriculture, public administration, and other areas.

Liberia's open-door investment policy has attracted large sums of private investment for development projects, such as the Bomi Hills and Mano River iron ore projects, and additional amounts are expected in the future. In 1963 a Swedish-American group began extracting major iron ore deposits at Nimba Mountain (the LAMCO project). Investors from the Federal Republic of Germany have developed iron ore resources at the Bong Mountain range. A large private U.S. rubber company has longstanding major holdings in Liberia; several other private U.S. and foreign firms are in the process of developing new rubber plantations.

Liberia encountered serious financial difficulties in 1963 as a result of large short-term debt obligations, a drop in world prices of rubber and iron ore, and a reduction in private and public capital investment. In 1969 the Liberian external debt was rescheduled with the assistance of the International Monetary Fund (IMF). At the same time an austerity program was adopted. The long-term economic prospects of the country now are excellent, but foreign debt will be a continuing problem for the next few years.

FOREIGN RELATIONS

One of the basic tenets of Liberia's international policy is the belief that the future of small nations can best be served by cooperative efforts. For this reason Liberia was one of the charter members of the United Nations and remains one of the staunchest supporters of its specialized agencies.

In pan-African affairs Liberia has been an active leader and plays an important role in the Organization of African Unity (OAU). The government

has been represented at all of the important conferences of African leaders and has frequently taken the initiative in encouraging such gatherings. The Liberian leadership supports peaceful settlement of disputes and frequently has used its good offices to encourage moderation.

U.S.-LIBERIA RELATIONS

Relations between the United States and Liberia have been friendly since the inception of the Republic in 1847. U.S. official policy toward Liberia is based on the desire to maintain and strengthen these close ties.

The United States continues to give assistance and support to Liberia's efforts to improve the welfare of its people and strengthen its representative government. Additional support for Liberian efforts has been given by U.S. business, missionary, and educational organizations, which have continued to be active in the country.

The United States and Liberia have an active cultural exchange program which is administered by the U.S. Educational and Cultural Foundation at Monrovia.

In February 1970 William P. Rogers became the first Secretary of State to visit Liberia. Mrs. Nixon represented the United States at the inauguration of President Tolbert in Monrovia in January 1972.

Principal U.S. Officials

Ambassador—*W. Bennett Carter*
Melvin J. Manfull
Deputy Chief of Mission—Maurice D.

Bean

Director, U.S. AID Mission—Stanley Siegel

Chief, U.S. Army Training Mission—Col. Allan M. Buckner

Public Affairs Officer (USIS)—Howell S. Teeple

The U.S. Embassy in Liberia is located on United Nations Drive, Monrovia.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

THE STATE VISIT OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT OF
THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA AND MRS. TOLBERT

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

His Excellency William R. Tolbert, Jr.
President of the Republic of Liberia

Place Card: The President of the Republic of Liberia

Form of Address: Your Excellency, Mr. President

Mrs. Victoria A. Tolbert

Place Card: Mrs. Tolbert

Form of Address: Mrs. Tolbert

His Excellency C. Cecil Dennis, Jr.
Minister of Foreign Affairs

Place Card: The Minister of Foreign Affairs

Form of Address: Your Excellency, Mr. Minister

His Excellency James T. Phillips, Jr.
Minister of Finance

Place Card: The Minister of Finance

Form of Address: Your Excellency, Mr. Minister

His Excellency D. Franklin Neal
Minister of Planning and Economic Affairs

Place Card: The Minister of Planning and Economic
Affairs

Form of Address: Your Excellency, Mr. Minister

Mrs. Evelyn Townsend
Wife of the Minister of State for Presidential Affairs

Place Card: Mrs. Townsend

Form of Address: Mrs. Townsend

Mrs. Wokie Tubman
Wife of the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations,
Liberian Senate (Daughter of President Tolbert)

Place Card: Mrs. Tubman

Form of Address: Mrs. Tubman

The Honorable Jackson F. Doe
Chairman, Committee on Education and Civil Service
Liberian Senate

Place Card: Senator Doe
Form of Address: Senator Doe, Senator, Sir

The Honorable Robert I.E. Bright
Chairman, Committee on Executives, House of Representatives

Place Card: Mr. Bright
Form of Address: Mr. Bright

His Excellency Francis A. Dennis
Ambassador of the Republic of Liberia to the United States

Place Card: The Ambassador of the Republic of Liberia
to the United States
Form of Address: Your Excellency, Mr. Ambassador

Mrs. Francis A. Dennis

Place Card: Mrs. Dennis
Form of Address: Mrs. Dennis

His Excellency Emmett Harmon
Ambassador-at-Large

Place Card: H.E. Emmett Harmon
Form of Address: Your Excellency, Mr. Ambassador

The Honorable Augustus F. Caine
Director, Institute of Public Administration

Place Card: Mr. Caine
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Paramount Chief Jimmy Dahn
Saclapea-Mah Chiefdom Nimba County

Place Card: Chief Dahn
Form of Address: Chief Dahn

Brigadier General Thomas J. Sackie
Aide-de-Camp to the President

Place Card: General Sackie
Form of Address: General Sackie

Colonel Wilfred Clarke
Director, Special Security Service

Place Card: Colonel Clarke
Form of Address: Colonel Clarke

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CORRESPONDENCE

SALUTATION:

Your Excellency: (For President Tolbert)
Dear Mrs. Tolbert:

CORRESPONDENCE

COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE:

Very respectfully,
Respectfully yours,

ENVELOPE ADDRESS:

His Excellency
William R. Tolbert, Jr.
President of the Republic of Liberia
Monrovia

His Excellency
The President of the Republic of Liberia
and Mrs. Tolbert
Monrovia

IN HONOR OF LINES
ON INVITATION:

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORD

Subject: Official Gift Exchange During the Visit
of His Excellency William R. Tolbert, Jr.,
President of the Republic of Liberia, and
Mrs. Tolbert, September 20, 1976 -
October 2, 1976

We have learned that President Tolbert of Liberia and Mrs. Tolbert will present to you and Mrs. Ford a photograph of themselves in a wooden frame and, in addition, a small memento from their country. I suggest that you reciprocate with a formal portrait of you and Mrs. Ford taken with President and Mrs. Tolbert prior to the White House dinner.

The following is a suggested inscription:

To His Excellency
The President of the Republic of Liberia
and Mrs. Tolbert

With our best wishes,

Gerald R. Ford
September 21, 1976

Betty Ford


Shirley Temple Black
Ambassador

THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

September , 1976

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September 20, 1976 - October 2, 1976.

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Following is a suggested inscription:

To His Excellency
The President of the Republic of Liberia
and Mrs. Tolbert

With our best wishes,

Gerald R. Ford
September 20, 1976

Betty Ford

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Guest list for the dinner to be given by the President and Mrs. Ford in honor of His Excellency The President of the Republic of Liberia and Mrs. Tolbert on Tuesday, September 21, 1976, at eight o'clock, The White House:

His Excellency The President of the Republic of Liberia
and Mrs. Tolbert

His Excellency C. Cecil Dennis, Jr.
Minister of Foreign Affairs

His Excellency James T. Phillips, Jr.
Minister of Finance

His Excellency D. Franklin Neal
Minister of Planning and Economic Affairs

Mrs. Evelyn Townsend
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Paramount Chief Jimmy Dahn
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Mr. Justice Marshall and Mrs. Marshall

The Secretary of Commerce and Mrs. Richardson

The Honorable Philip W. Buchen and Mrs. Buchen
Counsel to the President

The Honorable John O. Marsh, Jr. and Mrs. Marsh
Counsellor to the President

The Honorable Charles W. Robinson and Mrs. Robinson
Acting Secretary of State

The Honorable Louis Stokes and Mrs. Stokes
House of Representatives (Ohio)

The Honorable Charles B. Rangel and Mrs. Rangel
House of Representatives (New York)

The Honorable Barbara Jordan
House of Representatives (Texas)

The Honorable Richard B. Cheney and Mrs. Cheney
Assistant to the President

The Honorable Brent Scowcroft
Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

General Fred C. Weyand, USA, and Mrs. Weyand
Army Chief of Staff

The Honorable W. Beverly Carter, Jr., and Mrs. Carter
American Ambassador to Liberia

The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black

The Honorable David R. Gergen and Mrs. Gergen
Special Counsel to the President

The Honorable Stanley B. Thomas, Jr. and Mrs. Thomas
Assistant Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare for
Human Development

The Honorable John C. Calhoun and Mrs. Calhoun
Special Assistant to the President

The Honorable Melvin L. Manfull and Mrs. Manfull
Former American Ambassador to Liberia and Senior Inspector,
Office of the Inspector General, Department of State

Major General George Olmstead, USAR (ret.), and Mrs. Olmstead

Captain W. Lee Domina, USMC
Marine Aide to the President



Mr. Marty Allen, Beverly Hills, California
Comedian

Mrs. Taylor Ashley, San Francisco, California
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Mr. Charles H. Bass, Washington, D.C.
Guest of Miss Barbara Jordan

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Chairman, Uniroyal, Inc., New York, New York

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Miss Fannie Brownell
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Mr. and Mrs. William F. Cellini
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Liberia

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President, Baptist World Alliance, Washington, D.C.

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Miss Lisa Drew
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Guest of Mr. Alex Haley

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Elder, Washington, D.C.
Professional golfer

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Attorney, Washington, D.C.

The Reverend Dr. Joseph P. Jackson, Sr., and Mrs. Jackson
National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. W. Bruce Jenner, San Jose, California
1976 Olympic Gold Medalist, Decathlon

Miss Leonade Jones, Chevy Chase, Maryland
Guest of Mr. Tony Brown



Mr. and Mrs. Miner S. Keeler, II
East Grand Rapids, Michigan

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keyes, Pasadena, California
Special Assistant to the Chairman of People for Ford

The Honorable George W. Lindberg and Mrs. Lindberg
Comptroller, State of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Loomis
East Lansing, Michigan

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Marquard
Chief Executive Officer, American Standard, Inc., New York, New York

The Honorable James H. McGee and Mrs. McGee
Mayor of Dayton, Ohio, sister city of Monrovia, Liberia

Mr. and Mrs. John C. McGoff
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Mr. and Mrs. Jim McKay
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EXCHANGE OF TOASTS
BETWEEN THE PRESIDENT
AND

WILLIAM R. TOLBERT, JR.
PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA

THE STATE DINING ROOM

10:25 P.M. EDT

THE PRESIDENT: President Tolbert and Mrs. Tolbert, Mrs. Ford and all of our guests welcome you to the United States and to the White House on this occasion.

Your visit, Mr. President, is a particularly gratifying occasion because of our very special relationship with Liberia and the fact that this is the first African State visit of our third century of independence to the United States.

President Monroe presided in this very building at the time when blacks from this country created Liberia and named your capital city, Monrovia, after President Monroe. The founding of Liberia is a tribute to the conscience of mankind. As President of Liberia, you have served not only as your country's leader but also have inspired millions throughout the world by your spiritual calling.

As an ordained Baptist minister you were the first black elected President of the Baptist World Alliance, and we are proud that that election was held in the United States.

We meet at a time on this occasion when both the United States and Liberia are mindful of the very great problems in Southern Africa. We agree on the urgent need for action, for peace and justice for all of the peoples of Africa.

The friendship linking our two countries is no accident, Mr. President. Our relations rest upon a basis, a foundation of shared values even to the shared red, white and blue of our two respective flags.

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Our relationship is nurtured by the mutual respect that evolved over many, many years to meet many of our mutual challenges.

Mr. President, we will face the challenges of today with the insights and with the determination developed through our past cooperation. We share not only a special relationship, but also a very special responsibility to others.

Liberia and the United States are, after all, distinctive among nations. Ours are the oldest existing Republics on our respective continents. Our Constitutions, both written long, long ago, remain viable and living documents.

Mr. President, I know that you agree with me that freedom is too precious a gift for our nations to reserve only for ourselves. We must stand ready to encourage others, all those who strive for freedom, reconciliation and the rights of all men, whether they are on the African continent or otherwise.

We are deeply grateful for Liberia's courage and wisdom, and I especially appreciate your very wise and personal counsel. Liberia can count on the United States to assist and support the Liberian people, just as the United States has always been able to rely on the Liberian people.

Mr. President, when your grandparents emigrated from the United States to Liberia just a few years ago, we lost two valuable American citizens, but Liberia gained a great President.

Now, may I ask all of you to join me in a tribute to the President of Liberia and Mrs. Tolbert, a heartfelt welcome to Washington, and to Liberia and to the United States of America. May they ever be firm and very fast friends inspired by a common vision of liberty.

PRESIDENT TOLBERT: Mr. President, Mrs. Ford, distinguished ladies and gentlemen, friends:

On this, our first State visit to the United States, we are indeed overwhelmed with joy to be here with you and to enjoy at evening time the loveliness of a warm American fellowship.

We are deeply grateful, Mr. President, not only for this cordially exceptional White House hospitality, but also for your extraordinarily kind invitation to share in the joys of the American Bicentennial.

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Indeed, we are imbued on this occasion with signal salutations for your astounding achievements and filled with great pride and expectations as you enter upon your third century of independence, a unique and unified people, strong and proud, and a haven of opportunity and liberty; a foremost nation of nations wherein the seeds can blossom and flower in the realization of their fullest potential.

The selection of dainties you have so graciously accorded us in this most impressive sitting can be likened, Mr. President, on a banquet of superb grandure. How be it, Mr. President, my actual indulgence and sincerity to express that my happiness is in part subdued as I reflect upon the violent oppression and continuing brutal repression and massacre of my brothers and sisters being all of the family of man in Zambabwe, Namibia and South Africa at this time.

Nevertheless, with emphasis, Mr. President, I confirm that we are thrilled to be in your midst as you joyfully celebrate two Centennials of distinction and extend profound congratulations to you and all the American people, not only for the historic triumphs of the past but also for the current validity of unrelenting devotion to those invincible and eternal truths which, alas, must elevate the family of man and of nations.

We are highly appreciative of the gracious opportunity earlier afforded us today in the Oval Office to consider with you some of the urgent priorities of our world and also the development in Liberia, and we are deeply grateful both for your understanding of the problems which we face and for the assurances you have given of continued aid and assistance in an ever-increasing manner.

This time the consideration is truly encouraging and can only be indicative of the special relations between our two countries, of which we can be justly proud. It is uplifting to all mankind when America champions the advent of the new order of economic equity and prosperity for all the nations of our one world.

It is indeed exhilarating to mankind when America successfully displays in space the limitless technological ingenuity and superiority of the human specie over the universe of nature. It indeed enobles the human family when America continues in her third century the exercise of a courageous leadership role in securing dignity and independence for the oppressed and repressed peoples across the globe, particularly at this time in Southern Africa, thus upholding her firm democratic traditions in the interest of world security and peace.

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In this regard, Mr. President, I assure you that we are deeply heartened by the positive and meaningful initiatives and diplomatic interventions for peace that you and your Government are undertaking during this year of America's Bicentennial through Secretary of State Kissinger to end the most serious South African conflict which is indeed crucial to all Africa and must be of concern to the whole world.

I can only reiterate it is our ardent hope that America will continue among nations to build constructively upon its moral and its industrial stature.

The strength of Liberia's existence lies embedded in the unyielding and unconquerable spirit that has characterized America's history.

Having stood unswervingly and fearlessly for one century and three decades upon the same democratic ideals which led to the founding of the American nation, Liberia has steadfastly kept aloft the torch of liberty and democracy in Africa, presaging upon our continent the new age of total African emancipation.

We firmly hold those truths in sacred and pragmatic relevance to our victorious national design that our people under God should become more solidly interwoven and enterprising, more skillfully productive and prosperous.

Liberia has a rendezvous with development reconstruction. With increasing health programs and expanding educational facilities, Liberians are acting now to widen yet the vistas of opportunity for all of our people, with greater emphasis being placed on those within the distant rural areas of the country, and rightly so.

Through total civic involvement, through modern infrastructural improvement and rural integrated development, we are acting now to tighten still the treasured bonds of national unity. By means of the free enterprise system, by a policy of productive co-partnership with other nations and with our foreign investors, and by dedicated and responsible husbandry of all our resources, we are acting now to brighten yet the eager aspects for unprecedented national prosperity.

Liberians are actively aware that the spirit of America has a uniquely infectious quality. Thus, to an aspiring and emerging world, it is my conviction that this land and people must remain a towering pillar of strength, courage, enterprise and challenge, inspiring all nations.

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To peoples struggling still under the yoke of violent oppression, America must continue to tend and fend and fan the flame of freedom, justice and human dignity. To nations entangled in the intricacies of economic exploitation, American ingenuity must set the pace in resolving the issues of global restructure and reform -- an excellent nation in command.

As she embarks upon another Centennial destiny -- and destinies still to follow -- America's challenge and promise must remain indeed commanding -- to signal the course of victory for an expanding and wholesome functioning world society.

In this enterprise of hope and action, Mr. President, we in Liberia -- as trusted friends, and will remain so -- can certainly pledge our sincere and solemn endeavor to dispel despair, to defeat dejection and, in an environment of mutual respect and reciprocal friendship, to join unremittingly with you in consolidating constructive cooperation and productive interdependence among all peoples and nations of our one world.

Distinguished ladies and gentlemen, may I ask you to stand. Raise your glasses with me as I proffer the health of the President of the great United States. To the peoples of the United States of America, our fondest hopes and best wishes for continuing dynamic and magnetic success.

The President.

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(AT 10:42 P.M. EDT)



WHAT'S SO SPECIAL ABOUT

:Wayne Newton?:

Arabian horses, pet swans and a top act in Las Vegas!

BY ROY T. POCKETT

IT'S AN unchallenged fact that Wayne Newton has entertained more people in Nevada than any other entertainer. What is his secret? Why do so many people keep coming back again and again to see his show? Where does he get his seemingly boundless energy?

The Copa Room at the Sands Hotel, Las Vegas, was packed. Many had waited for over two hours to get in and many more were turned away because there was no place to seat them. It was the midnight show, Wayne had already done the dinner show earlier in the evening.

Finally, the Don Vincent orchestra blasted forth with a very lively number and there he was, *Wayne Newton*, very tall, dark and handsome, singing and moving himself like a gymnast on the stage. He scored an immediate response with his warm, genuine smile and lively patter about his Indian background. His audience were with him all the way, eager

to enjoy, anxious to help and very willing to applaud.

With the assistance of The Jive Sisters, various members of the Don Vincent orchestra and Don Vincent himself, Wayne kept the stage, the orchestra and the audience jumping for well over ninety minutes.

"Where are you from, sir?" asked Wayne. "Pittsburgh . . . and the beautiful lady with you, is she your wife, or are you on a business trip?" And so the patter went on, lively, witty and in tune with the responsive crowd. A young teenager ran up to the stage and hugged him, he gave her his neckerchief as a souvenir. Don tossed him a lead guitar and Wayne was again singing and accompanying himself. After a couple of numbers he swapped the guitar for a banjo and picked away at a popular Western classic, unperturbed by a broken string. As he finished the number to a round of thunderous applause, Don tossed him a trum-

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WAYNE NEWTON

Wayne Newton is a horseman and in horse racing jargon, "can do" means winner, and Wayne Newton is a winner. He fills showrooms all over the world with his spell-binding nightclub act. He sells songs...he has sold over 15 million records. He adds ratings to television shows, both in variety and in dramatic roles. Wayne may never find out what he can't do because with each new stage in his career he has never failed to take advantage of opportunities to express his bountiful talent in new and exciting ways.

Even Wayne's latest gold record hit, "Daddy Don't You Walk So Fast," was done in the pace-setting style of today. This was his first recording on the Chelsea label. Wayne also records for Word Records, the leading label in the field of religious music.

Last year, the Frontier Hotel chose to celebrate its fifth anniversary on Wayne's July opening, which was also his thirtieth birthday. Nevada Governor O'Callaghan spotlighted the occasion even further by proclaiming him "Envoy Extraordinaire" from the State of Nevada.



Also in July, Wayne received the Golden Plate Award from The American Academy of Achievement in Utah for excellence in his field. Past recipients of this award include John Wayne, David Wolper, Astronaut James A. Lovell, author Irving Stone and heart specialist Dr. Michael DeBakey.

Wayne Newton is a good example of just how far talent can take you. His first pay day came when he was just five at an AFL Christmas party where he earned five dollars.

Wayne might have wound up merely as the singing sensation of Roanoke, if an asthma condition had not forced the family to move to Phoenix, Arizona. But Wayne continued to entertain in their new home and at 12 years of age hosted his own local television show.

A lucrative offer from the Fremont Hotel in Las Vegas prompted Wayne's decision to discontinue his formal education. It turned out to be the opportunity that the 16-year-old boy was waiting for, a chance to display his wares to challenging audiences and the possibility of achieving stardom.

He spent the next five years in the Fremont Lounge,



doing six shows a night, six days a week, seven months a year!

Following a performance honoring Jackie Gleason in 1962, Gleason rose from his seat and shouted, "For God's sake, don't go on any other television show before you do mine!" Wayne was then immediately signed to do Gleason's premiere show, and the public's reaction was so overwhelming that he was signed for four more shows in 1962 and four more in 1963. At Wayne's 21st birthday party seven years later, Gleason cabled from Miami: "What hath I wrought?"

At about that time, Wayne almost instantly achieved household familiarity with his big hit, "Danke Shoen." Succeeding recordings like "Red Roses for a Blue Lady," "Summer Wind" and "Dreams of the Everyday Housewife" were to sell over one million copies each.

Wayne's nightclub engagements have taken him all over the world. While he was appearing in Sydney, Australia, by sheer chance, Jack Benny was



in the city, heard Wayne, and asked him to return to Lake Tahoe to headline with him at Harrah's.

"After that," Wayne says gratefully, "Everything opened up for me." After several appearances on Mr. Benny's TV show that year, Wayne accompanied the comedian on two annual cross-country tours as his guest star, with tremendous success.

In addition to his American successes, Wayne was summoned to London in 1966 to appear at a Command Performance for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth. With a desire to diversify his talents, he made several well-received dramatic appearances including "Bonanza," and "Owen Marshall." He also appeared on "The Lucille Ball Show," "The Kraft Music Hall," "The Ed Sullivan Show," the Johnny Carson, Dick Cavett, Mike Douglas shows and Dick Clark's "American Bandstand" among many others. A true test of his appeal came in 1968, when his "One More Time" ABC Special pulled one of the best ratings of the season.

It is an unchallenged fact that Wayne has



entertained more people in Nevada than any other entertainer. His ability to continually present a show so new, topical and audience appealing, prompted the Hughes organization to sign Wayne to the longest term, highest valued contract of their history.

The constant demand for Wayne to appear in Nevada and theaters throughout the world has left very little time for television; however, he has agreed to several special appearances this year including NBC Follies, Operaland USA, Jonathan Winters, Jack Paar, and the Paul Anka Special.

In 1969, Wayne starred in the Warner Bros. movie, "80 Steps to Jonah."

Perhaps the real breadth of any human being is measured by the dimension of his personal life, aside from business. And Wayne measures up quite well. He devotes a great deal of time to charity work close to his heart. He is deeply concerned with American Indian problems and he has made appear-

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ances on behalf of many fund raising programs. He has also been honored by the Massachusetts Committee of Protestants, Catholics and Jews, which unanimously cited him for "furthering the cause of human brotherhood."

Wayne was married in 1968 to former stewardess Elaine Okamura who was working on the plane that flew him back from a six week tour of Vietnam.

The Newtons live on a ranch in Las Vegas called the Casa de Shenandoah.

Wayne also has a large scenic ranch in Logandale, about 40 minutes from his Vegas home. He often journeys there on his motorcycle to supervise his incomparable stable of Arabian horses. Wayne has over 100 Arabian horses, which are generally recognized by the experts to be the finest of the breed.

His interest in Arabian horses has become big business. He owns the only Arabian horse ever to win the Canadian and United States National Contests in the same year. He has over a dozen full



time employees working on both ranches.

Still another interest of Wayne's is collecting classic model cars. His 1929 Duesenberg, which once belonged to Howard Hughes, and his 1934 Bentley, one of the few in the United States, are on display at Harrah's in Reno. Wayne always checks the polished mirror finish on the cars when he plays at Harrah's.

"I'm still kind of a small-towner in that I like fresh air," Wayne says. "In the city I'm not really alive, not really comfortable and relaxed. But still, without the inspiration that comes from performing in the major entertainment centers, I'd be literally climbing my quiet, country walls!"

Wayne was recently gifted, in fun, with a hot dog pushcart complete with umbrella, so that he'd always have a profession to fall back on in case of a rainy day in his show business life. But it's obvious that for the inimitable Wayne Newton the umbrella will always stay folded and the pushcart will never be open for business.



in *To Die for the People* in 1972, the same year the Panthers announced a new, less incendiary policy, substituting the ballot for the gun as the party's favored defense against black exploitation. In 1973 he published *Revolutionary Suicide*. ■

PHOTO: STEPHEN SHAMES

NEWTON, WAYNE

"Joe Public is tired of sick entertainment," says this singing, strumming high-pitched paragon of wholesome virtue whose cherubic behavior on stage has earned him a reputation as what one writer termed "sort of an Andy Hardy of Las Vegas." "The world is looking for just plain enter-

After crossing the Atlantic in 1893, Stavros' father, Spyros, went into the candy business in Buffalo, where he prospered until he went back to Greece in 1909 at the insistence of his young wife, then carrying their second child. Born in Athens, 3 July 1909, Stavros missed being a Yankee Doodle Dandy. Stavros was raised in genteel poverty after his father, having gone into the milling business with his wife's brothers in Greece, sank his fortune in a disastrous investment. A brilliant, handsome youth, Stavros himself got his start by persuading his uncles to invest in over-age freighters for their South American operations. A tanker he acquired on his own was blown up by the Luftwaffe in the World War II bombing of Antwerp, and Niarchos eventually collected \$1 million from a British insurance company for a



WAYNE NEWTON: BIOGRAPHY

Dictated by Kathy in Jay Stream's office to Linda Baker 9/17/76

He earned his first paycheck of \$5 at the age of 5. At 12, he hosted his own local television show. Now, just past 30, Wayne Newton fills showrooms all over the world with his exciting nightclub acts, adds rating to television shows, and has sold well over fifteen million records.

Wayne has entertained greater crowds in Nevada than any other entertainer, and he continues to break attendance records.

The Hughes organization signed Wayne to the longest-term, highest-valued contract of its history.

Exuberant, this tall, black-haired Cherokee Indian performs with such joy and personal pleasure that to watch him is at the same time exhilarating and exhausting.

He thrills his audiences with just about every type of music, dozens of songs, and samplings of his versatility on banjo, guitar, trumpet, and violin. His anecdotes, funny, folksy, or corny, add humor throughout his show. Typical of this was a mid-show spot where the lights suddenly blacked out, and Wayne's voice was heard in the dark asking in a plaintive voice, "Was it something I said, Mr. Hughes?"

Wayne's phenomenal rise to stardom received what he considers his biggest break in 1962. Following his latest show in Las Vegas, he flew to Phoenix to perform at the city's celebration for Jackie Gleason. After the show, Jackie rose from his seat and cried: "For heaven's sake, don't go on any other television show until you go on mine!" Wayne did Jackie's first show and was such a success that he signed for four more that year and five the next.

Other entertainers proved to be big boosters to Wayne's career: the late Jack Benny, Lucille Ball, Danny Thomas, and the late Bobby Darin. Wayne cannot be considered anyone's protege, however. His tremendous and diversified talents and his enthusiasm and determination to give his audiences the time of their life are the real secret of his success. Will he ever find out what he can't do? It appears doubtful, because with each step in his career, Wayne has found ways to express his talents in new and exciting ways.



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Teapot presented by the Directors
of the New York Institution for the
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successfully before the Albany Legis-
lature that the full amount of money
requested by the Institution was
voted by acclamation.

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Vegetable dish presented by
George Peabody to Cyrus W. Field
on the successful laying of the
Atlantic Cable in 1866

Pitcher presented in 1863 to
Admiral David Glasgow Farragut,
naval hero of the Civil War



54.97.1

Pitcher presented by the Board of Aldermen to their President, Morgan Morgans, 1850-1851; made by William Forbes for Ball Tompkins & Black

54.98.1c

Punch bowl presented to William Williams, 1905; made by Gorham Mfg. Co.

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Fireman's trumpet presented to John W. Carside, 1852

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Hot water kettle presented by George Peabody to Cyrus W. Field on the successful laying of the Atlantic Cable in 1866; made by Gorham Mfg. Co.

43.91.80

Trumpet ornament presented in 1850 to J. V. Meserole, Foreman of Engine Co. No. 8 by its members as a token of their esteem

62.161

Pitcher presented in 1850 to Marshall Lefferts, President of Telegraph Companies; made by John C. Moore for Ball, Tompkins & Black

42.302.2

Pitcher presented to Colonel Abram Duryee on his retirement from the Seventh Regiment National Guard in 1859. Made by Tiffany & Co.

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Pitcher presented to N. Edson Sheldon, M.D., 1832; made by Gale & Moseley



32.400.1

Loving cup presented to Anton Seidl,
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in 1887; made by the Gorham Mfg. Co.

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Tureen presented to Richard Lathers
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about 1865; made by Tiffany & Co.

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Fruit dish presented by George
Peabody to Cyrus W. Field on the
successful laying of the Atlantic
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Vegetable dish presented by George
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Pitcher presented to Julie A. Vanderpoel,
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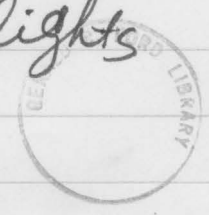
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1975
Almaden
Cabernet Sauvignon
1971

Timbale of Sea Scallops

Roast Rack of Lamb
Baked Celery with Almonds
Green Peas with Fresh Mint

Asparagus and Lettuce Vinaigrette Salad
Port Salut Cheese

Beaulieu
Extra Dry
1970

Charlotte Monticello

The White House
Tuesday, September 21, 1976



THE WHITE HOUSE
OFFICE OF THE PRESS SECRETARY TO MRS. FORD

The President and Mrs. Ford will honor His Excellency, William R. Tolbert, Jr., President of the Republic of Liberia, and Mrs. Tolbert, at a state dinner in the White House Tuesday, September 21, at 8 PM.

Mr. Wayne Newton, ^{contemporary} singer-entertainer, will perform in the East Room following dinner.

The Museum of the City of New York has loaned their ^{19th cent.} ~~1900 century~~ private collection of "silver presentation" pieces for the dinner. All of the pieces were created by American manufactures. ^{dispiece} They include a silver pitcher presented to Admiral Farragut in 1863 by Commander Charles Hunter and the officers in the crew of the U.S. Steamer Montgomery, and a silver fruit dish to Cyrus W. Field in 1866 by George Peabody. Other ~~silver~~ pieces include: vegetable dishes, loving cups, ^{Da} a fireman's trumpet, a teapot and a hot water kettle, which were presented to outstanding Americans.

The tables will be draped with ~~quadrille~~ fabric, "Bagatelle print." ^{printed} It is a hand-screened print of blended multi-colored floral (reds, oranges, greens, yellows, etc.). The silver presentation pieces will be encircled with American-grown all seasonal flowers and greens; such as, boston ivy, pink cabbage roses, eucalyptus, pink lillies, gerber daises and mums. There will be six peach/pink votive candles in clear glass holders on each table. The napkins will be accented with a pink lillie tucked in the green and white striped grosgrain ribbon.



MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 15, 1976

MEMO FOR MARIA DOWNS

FROM: SHEILA RABB WEIDENFELD *SRW*

Michael P. Menchel, Public Relations Director for the Redskins, would very much like to attend ^{the following} ~~a~~ state dinner.

Mike has been very kind to Susan Ford, and I think it would be nice to extend an invitation for the after dinner entertainment portion if possible.

Many thanks.



MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 14, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR

Usher's Office	Exec Protective Svc	Susan Porter
Visitor's Office	GSA (EOB)	MSgt Collins
WH Garage	Press Office	Sheila Weidenfeld
Social Office	USSS	Exec Grounds Office
Nell Yates	WHCA	WH Florist

FROM: BILL GULLEY *B.G.*

A full honor arrival ceremony will be held for His Excellency William R. Tolbert, President of the Republic of Liberia, and Mrs. Tolbert, on the South Grounds at 10:30 a. m. on September 21.

The following are needed in connection with the ceremony:

- a. The review stand, associated equipment and stanchions for VIP area, positioned on the South Grounds on September 20.
- b. Overhead awning removed from the entrance to the South Portico.
- c. Furniture cleared for the receiving line and refreshments served to guests in the Blue Room.
- d. Sound set-up for South Grounds. An interpreter microphone will be required on the platform.
- e. Car checkers with equipment available no later than 10:00 a. m.
- f. Two Social Aides report to the Military Duty Aide by 9:30 a. m.
- g. A bouquet of roses for Mrs. Ford to present to Mrs. Tolbert be prepared and delivered to the Usher's Office by 10:15 a. m. The stems should be wrapped.

In case of inclement weather, the East Room will be used.



FACT SHEET
Mrs. Ford's Office

Event State Dinner
 Group In Honor of President and Mrs. Tolbert of Liberia
 DATE/TIME September 21, 1976 8:00 p. m.
 Contact Pat Howard Phone 2927
 Number of guests: Total 160 - Dinner
70 A-Dinner Women x Men x Children --
 Place State Floor
 Principals involved President and Mrs. Ford
 Participation by Principal yes (Receiving line) yes
 Remarks required yes
 Background --

REQUIREMENTS

Social: Guest list yes (Social Entertainments Office will distribute list.)
 Invitations yes Programs yes Menus yes
 Refreshments State Dinner Format
 Entertainment yes
 Decorations/flowers yes
 Music yes
 Social Aides yes
 Dress Black Tie Coat check DRR
 Other --

Press: Reporters yes
 Photographers yes
 TV Crews yes
 White House Photographers yes Color yes Mono. yes
 Other --

Technical Support: Microphones yes PA Other Rooms yes
 Recording yes
 Lights yes
 Transportation cars (Southwest Gate)
 Parking South Grounds
 Housing --
 Other -- (Risers, stage, platforms) yes

Project Co-ordinator Pat Howard Phone 2927

Site diagrams should be attached if technical support is heavy.

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prograin ribbon with a pink lillie tucked
in the green & white ^{striped} progr ribbon.

The state floor w/ have ~~garlands~~ ^{flowering} of greens
& ~~flowers~~ and highlighted with votive lights.



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Good Will on a 'Third Century' Visit

By Dorothy Gilliam
and Donnie Radcliffe.

The spectre of racial upheaval in South Africa dampened an otherwise joyful White House state dinner last night honoring Liberia's President William R. Tolbert.

In welcoming his guests to the White House, President Ford told a black-tie audience at toasts following dinner that both Liberia and the United States were "mindful of very great problems of South Africa." He appeared to be referring, in part at least, to Secretary of State Henry Kissinger's peace-seeking mission in Africa currently in progress.

When Tolbert's turn came to lead the guests in a return toast, the African leader deviated from his prepared text to remark that "our joy is subdued" by events in Africa—what

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Associated Press

The Fords and the Tolberts at the White House.

Guests Attending Last Night's White House State Dinner

The following guests attended last night's White House State Dinner for Liberian President Dr. William Tolbert and Mrs. Tolbert:

C. Decil Dennis Jr., Liberian minister of foreign affairs.
James T. Phillips Jr., Liberian minister of finance.
D. Franklin Neal, Liberian minister of planning and economic affairs.

Charles W. Robinson, acting Secretary of State, and Mrs. Robinson.
Rep. Louis Stokes (D-Ohio), and Mrs. Stokes.
Rep. Charles B. Rangel (D-N.Y.), and Mrs. Rangel.
Rep. Barbara Jordan (D-Tex.)
Richard B. Cheney, assistant to the President, and Mrs. Cheney.
Brent Scowcroft, assistant to the President for National Security Affairs.
Gen. Fred C. Weyand, Army Chief of Staff, and Mrs. Weyand.
W. Beverly Carter Jr., U.S. ambassador to Liberia.

David Beretta, chairman, Uniroyal, Inc., New York, and Mrs. Beretta.
John C. Bierwirth, chairman, Grumman Corp., Bethpage, N.Y., and Mrs. Bierwirth.
Richard A. Bishop, attorney, Alexandria, and Mrs. Bishop.
Creed C. Black, editor, Philadelphia Inquirer.
James B. Black Jr., managing partner, Lehman Bros., San Francisco, and Mrs. Black.
Ernest Borgnine, actor, Beverly Hills, and Mrs. Borgnine.
Mr. and Mrs. William V. Brokaw, New York.

Millard Grimes, president, Opelika (Ala.) Auburn Publishing Co., and Mrs. Grimes.
Edmond R. Haggard, chairman, Haggard Co., Dallas, Tex., and Mrs. Haggard.
Alex P. Haley, author, Beverly Hills.
Mr. and Mrs. Kim C. Hallamore, Alexandria.
Seymour Halpern and Mrs. Halpern, New York.
A. Linwood Holton, attorney, Washington, D.C., and Mrs. Holton.
The Rev. Dr. Joseph P. Jackson Sr., National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc., Chicago.

Richard G. Myers, executive vice president, Seaboard Allied Milling Corp., and Mrs. Myers, Kansas City, Mo.
Wayne Newton, entertainer, and Mrs. Newton.
James J. Pirtle, Glen Head, L.I., guest of Mrs. Lanadell Christie, New York, N.Y.
Donald G. Platten, chairman, Chemical Bank, and Mrs. Platten, New York, N.Y.
Richard A. Riley, president, Firestone Tire & Rubber Co., and Mrs. Riley, Akron.

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(BY HELEN THOMAS)

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- PRESIDENT FORD, WELCOMING THE PRESIDENT OF LIBERIA TO THE WHITE HOUSE, SAID TUESDAY THE UNITED STATES IS DOING ALL IT CAN TO HELP STOP BLOODSHED IN SOUTHERN AFRICA.

"WE CAN ONLY OFFER OUR ASSISTANCE TO ENCOURAGE THE VARIOUS PARTIES TO NEGOTIATE TO AVOID BLOODSHED," FORD TOLD THE LARGE CROWD THAT TURNED OUT ON THE SOUTH LAWN TO GREET VISITING PRESIDENT WILLIAM TOLBERT JR. OF LIBERIA.

FORD SAID THE PROBLEMS OF SOUTHERN AFRICA ARE "EXTREMELY COMPLEX BUT THERE MUST BE A PEACEFUL SOLUTION. THE LIBERIAN, STANDING BESIDE HIM ON A RED CARPETED PLATFORM UNDER A DRIPPING GRAY SKY, NODDED.

FORD SAID IT IS NOTEWORTHY THAT TOLBERT IS THE FIRST AFRICAN LEADER TO PAY AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES IN ITS THIRD CENTURY, AND HE CALLED HIM "A DISTINGUISHED FRIEND OF AMERICA."

SPEAKING OF LIBERIA, WHICH WAS FOUNDED 130 YEARS AGO BY FORMER AMERICAN SLAVES, HE PROMISED, "WE WILL CONTINUE TO HELP LIBERIA HELP HERSELF."

FORD SAID HIS TALKS WITH TOLBERT "CAN ADVANCE THE CAUSE OF PEACE IN AFRICA."

TOLBERT PRAISED AMERICA'S WORLD LEADERSHIP.

"WE HAVE DRAWN EXCEPTIONAL INSPIRATION FROM YOUR UNRELENTING AND OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP IN THE WORLD FOR GENUINE UNDERSTANDING AND PRODUCTIVE COOPERATION," HE SAID.

"AND WE EMBRACE THE FERVENT HOPE THAT AMERICA'S INNOVATIVE INITIATIVE WILL BE CLEARLY EVIDENT IN MAN'S CONTINUING SEARCH FOR PEACE AND IN THE STRUGGLE AGAINST POVERTY, EXPLOITATION, SUPPRESSION OPPRESSION, INJUSTICE AND HUMAN INDIGNITY.

LIBERIA HAS SUPPORTED FORD'S DISPATCH OF SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER TO SOUTHERN AFRICA TO SEEK A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF THE BLACK MAJORITY PUSH FOR CONTROL IN RHODESIA AND SOUTH WEST AFRICA.

FORD HAS BEEN CRACKING BRIEFING BOOKS IN PREPARATION FOR THURSDAY'S NATIONALLY TELEVISED DEBATE ON ECONOMIC AND DOMESTIC ISSUES WITH DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE JIMMY CARTER IN PHILADELPHIA.

THE PRESIDENT PLANS TO REMAIN OVERNIGHT IN PHILADELPHIA THURSDAY TO DO SOME POLITICKING BEFORE HEADING BACK TO WASHINGTON TO PREPARE FOR A LONG WEEKEND OF CAMPAIGNING IN THE SOUTH. A MISSISSIPPI RIVERBOAT TRIP WILL BE ONE OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THAT CAMPAIGN SWING

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WASHINGTON (UPI) -- POPULAR SINGER WAYNE NEWTON WILL ENTERTAIN AT THE STATE DINNER HONORING LIBERIAN PRESIDENT WILLIAM TOLBERT TUESDAY EVENING, THE WHITE HOUSE ANNOUNCED TODAY.

THE PRESIDENT WILL FORMALLY WELCOME TOLBERT ON THE SOUTH LAWN TUESDAY MORNING, WITH TALKS AFTERWARD ON AFRICAN PROBLEMS.

THE BLACK TIE DINNER, STARTING AT 8 P.M., WILL BE HELD IN THE STATE DINING ROOM.

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By Bob Burchette—The Washington Post

LIBERIAN VISITORS—President William Tolbert and his wife are greeted at White House by President and Mrs. Ford (back to camera) with protocol chief Shirley Temple Black. Tolbert is to address Congress Thursday.

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ADD UPI DAYBOOK FOR TUESDAY:

SCHEDULE FOR PRESIDENT WILLIAM TOBERT OF LIBERIA:
10:30 ARRIVAL CEREMONIES AT THE WHITE HOUSE.
11:00 MEETS WITH PRESIDENT FORD.
NOON PRIVATE LUNCH AT BLAIR HOUSE.
4:00 D.C. MAYOR'S RECEPTION AT DISTRICT BLDG.
8:00 WHITE HOUSE STATE DINNER.

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(FORD)

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- PRESIDENT FORD IS LOOKING FORWARD TO THE BIG DEBATE TOMORROW WITH JIMMY CARTER AND AIDES SAY HE IS IN "GOOD MENTAL SHAPE" FOR THE HISTORIC, FACE-TO-FACE ENCOUNTER.

FORD DISPLAYED A CAREFREE AIR BY DANCING BEYOND MIDNIGHT TUESDAY AT THE STATE DINNER HONORING LIBERIAN PRESIDENT WILLIAM TOLBERT.

"I'M GETTING IN TRAINING TONIGHT BY DANCING WITH BETTY AND THE GUESTS," FORD TEASED REPORTERS WHEN ASKED ABOUT THE DEBATE AT THE HISTORIC WALNUT STREET THEATER IN PHILADELPHIA.

BUT WHEN ASKED ABOUT CARTER'S VIEWS EXPRESSED IN PLAYBOY MAGAZINE ON LUST AND ADULTERY, HE LOOKED STARTLED, HESITATED, AND THEN SAID "I'M NOT GOING TO COMMENT."

AND IN A RARE DISPLAY OF RETICENCE, THE FIRST LADY, ASKED THE SAME QUESTION, PAUSED, THOUGHT A MOMENT AND SAID "I REALLY HAVE NO COMMENT."

CARTER'S PITFALLS ASIDE, SOME OF FORD'S TOP ADVISERS BELIEVE THAT THE SPECIAL PROSECUTOR'S INVESTIGATION OF POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS DATING BACK TO 1964 IN THE PRESIDENT'S HOME DISTRICT OF KENT COUNTY, MICH., WILL NOT PROVE HARMFUL.

AND WHITE HOUSE COUNSEL PHILIP BUCHENSHRUGGED OFF AS "DE MINIMUS", MEANING "OF SUCH MINOR SIGNIFICANCE" REPORTS THAT FORD HAD ACCEPTED A COUPLE OF GOLFING WEEKENDS AT THE PINE VALLEY COUNTRY CLUB IN NEW JERSEY AT THE EXPENSE OF U.S. STEEL, WITH HIS FRIEND WILLIAM WHYTE AS HIS HOST.

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BY HOWARD BENEDICT

WASHINGTON (AP) -- PRESIDENT FORD TODAY WELCOMED TO THE WHITE HOUSE LIBERIAN PRESIDENT WILLIAM R. TOLBERT JR., THE ONLY AFRICAN HEAD OF GOVERNMENT TO MAKE A U.S. BICENTENNIAL VISIT.

MILITARY HONORS WERE ACCORDED AT THE START OF A 20-MINUTE WELCOMING CEREMONY WITNESSED BY SEVERAL THOUSAND PERSONS ON THE WHITE HOUSE SOUTH LAWN.

FORD CALLED TOLBERT A DISTINGUISHED FRIEND OF THE UNITED STATES AND NOTED THAT HIS VISIT IS TAKING PLACE AT A TIME WHEN SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY A. KISSINGER IS ATTEMPTING TO BRING ABOUT BLACK-WHITE DETENTE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA.

TOLBERT, WEARING A WHITE SAFARI SUIT, FLEW HERE BY HELICOPTER AFTER AN OVERNIGHT STAY AT WILLIAMSBURG, VA.

WITH ITS "TOWERING STATURE AND COMMANDING INFLUENCE," TOLBERT SAID THE UNITED STATES "HAS DEFENDED AND EXPANDED DEMOCRACY AROUND THE WORLD, FOSTERING INTEGRITY, SPAWNING OPPORTUNITIES AND ENDEAVORING TO SEVER THE SCOURGE OF INJUSTICE AND INDIGNITY FROM THE NOBLE FAMILY OF MAN."

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WASHINGTON (UPI) -- BETTY FORD LAST NIGHT PUT ON A FLOOR SHOW WITH COMEDIAN MARTY ALLEN TO THE TUNE OF "I FEEL THE EARTH MOVED".

THE FIRST LADY DID THE HUSTLE WITH SEVERAL INNOVATIVE STEPS LED BY ALLEN AS THE OTHER GUESTS AT THE BLACK TIE DINNER FORMED A CIRCLE AROUND THEM.

THE OCCASION WAS THE STATE DINNER HONORING LIBERIAN PRESIDENT WILLIAM TOLBERT AND HIS WIFE, BUT THE TOLBERTS ALREADY HAD DEPARTED WHEN, LONG PAST MIDNIGHT, THE FIRST LADY BEGAN TO HAM IT UP.

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No End-of-line Attitude at Upbeat

White House State Dinner

By Isabelle Shelton

Washington Star Staff Writer

If anybody at the Ford White House was brooding over the fact that last night's dinner for Liberian President and Mrs. William R. Tolbert might be Ford's last state din-

Carter in the past few days, his interview with Playboy magazine and his statement on taxes.

White House Chief of Staff Richard Cheney said the staff has been reviewing tapes of the 1960 Kennedy-Nixon debates and is confident that

Carter badly with Baptist voters."

"How are you going to hold up Playboy in a Baptist pulpit in the south and say 'Jimmy Carter spent six hours with these people?' " he asked.

Southern-born Murphy said he is