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Betty Ford, wife of the President, was surrounded by a crowd at the Republican women's fund-raising luncheon Tuesday at Hotel but the crush didn't seem to bother her.

SEPT. 24, 1975

Betty Ford charms GOP women here

By Patricia Moore

When Betty Ford entered a crowded VIP and Mrs. William Wood Prince, who brought



Mrs. Ford top draw for women

Cleveland Plain Dealer 10/25/75
By Mary Strassmeyer

Mrs. Gerald Ford, the nation's first lady, will make her first Cleveland appearance today, the opening day of the Greater Cleveland International Women's Year

IWY Congress to feature talk by Betty Ford



Mrs. Gillis



From First Page

women in a national poll who felt they are not discriminated

The congress is expected to attract women athletes, women show business luminaries and dignitaries from around the world.

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FIRST LADY-WOMEN

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

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MRS. FORD WAS SCHEDULED TO ADDRESS A LUNCHEON GATHERING ON AN AS YET UNDISCLOSED TOPIC. SHE WAS ALSO TO ATTEND A RECEPTION.

OTHER WHO WILL APPEAR DURING THE THREE DAYS OF EVENTS INCLUDE INDIA'S VIJAYA LAKSHMI PANDIT, THE FIRST WOMAN PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY, COLUMNIST ANN LANDERS, TENNIS PRO JULIE HELDMAN AND TELEVISION COMEDienne LILY TOMLIN.

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AIRPORT WELCOME — First Lady Betty Ford (left) received a bouquet of flowers from Mayor Perk and his wife Lucille when she arrived at Cleveland Hopkins Airport this morning prior to her appearance at the International Women's Congress. Ruth Miller, city health director (right), holds a gift the Perks gave Mrs. Ford — a crystal bird for the Presidential kitchen table.

(Press photo by Van Dillard)

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CLEVELAND (UPI) -- FIRST LADY BETTY FORD SAYS THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT MAY GIVE WOMEN NEW FREEDOM BUT IT WILL NOT SEPARATE THEM FROM THEIR HUSBANDS AND CHILDREN.

MRS. FORD REAFFIRMED HER SUPPORT FOR THE ERA DURING THE WEEKEND BUT CAUTIONED 3,000 DELEGATES TO THE INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR MEETING THAT THE AMENDMENT, WHICH MUST STILL BE RATIFIED, WOULD NOT BE "AN INSTANT SOLUTION TO WOMEN'S PROBLEMS."

IN A BRIEF SPEECH BEFORE THE OPENING SESSION OF THE MEETING, MRS. FORD SAID THE AMENDMENT WOULD "NOT ALTER THE FABRIC OF THE CONSTITUTION -- OR FORCE WOMEN AWAY FROM THEIR FAMILIES."

"IT WILL HELP KNOCK DOWN THOSE RESTRICTIONS THAT HAVE LOCKED WOMEN INTO OLD STEREOTYPES OF BEHAVIOR AND OPPORTUNITY," SHE SAID.

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BETTY FORD LEAD (TOPS N31)

BY FRANCES LEWINE

CLEVELAND (AP) -- FIRST LADY BETTY FORD SAID TODAY THAT THE "CLOUD OF FEAR AND CONFUSION" MUST BE LIFTED FROM THE BATTLE FOR THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT BECAUSE IT IS VITAL TO UNDO LAWS THAT LOCK WOMEN OUT OF THE MAINSTREAM OF OPPORTUNITY.

IN REMARKS PREPARED FOR HER FIRST MAJOR SPEECH ON WOMEN'S RIGHTS, SHE ALSO ADVISED WOMEN TO STOP UNDERVALUING THEIR OWN TALENTS, ESPECIALLY IN THE HOME.

"WE HAVE TO TAKE THAT 'JUST' OUT OF 'JUST A HOUSEWIFE' AND SHOW OUR PRIDE IN HAVING MADE THE HOME AND FAMILY OUR LIFE'S WORK," MRS. FORD SAID. "DOWNGRADING THIS WORK HAS BEEN PART OF A PATTERN IN OUR SOCIETY THAT HAS UNDERVALUED WOMEN'S TALENTS IN ALL AREAS."

MRS. FORD SPOKE BEFORE SEVERAL THOUSAND WOMEN ON THE OPENING DAY OF A THREE-DAY GREATER CLEVELAND CONGRESS OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR CONFERENCE.

MRS. FORD SAID THE DEBATE OVER ERA "HAS BECOME TOO EMOTIONAL" BECAUSE OF THE FEARS OF BOTH MEN AND WOMEN. BUT SHE SAID ITS RATIFICATION -- WHICH WOULD GO INTO EFFECT IF FOUR MORE STATES VOTE FOR IT -- "WILL NOT ALTER THE FABRIC OF THE CONSTITUTION OR FORCE WOMEN AWAY FROM THEIR FAMILIES. IT WILL HELP KNOCK DOWN THOSE RESTRICTIONS THAT HAVE LOCKED WOMEN INTO OLD STEREOTYPES OF BEHAVIOR AND OPPORTUNITY. IT WILL HELP OPEN MORE OPTIONS FOR WOMEN."

MRS. FORD EXPRESSED HOPES THAT THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT CAN BE RATIFIED IN 1976 TO MARK THE NATION'S 200TH BIRTHDAY.

BUT SHE POINTED OUT THAT "CHANGING LAWS, MORE OPPORTUNITIES, LESS FINANCIAL DISCRIMINATION AND MORE POSSIBILITIES FOR THE USE OF OUR MINDS AND BODIES WILL ONLY PARTIALLY CHANGE THE PLACE OF AMERICAN WOMEN . . ."

MRS. FORD SAID MANY BARRIERS CONTINUE TO BLOCK THE PATHS OF MOST WOMEN AND "THIS YEAR IS NOT THE TIME TO CHEER THE VISIBLE FEW, BUT TO WORK FOR THE INVISIBLE MANY, WHOSE LIVES ARE STILL RESTRICTED BY CUSTOM AND CODE."

MRS. FORD, WHO HAS STIRRED CONTROVERSY WITH HER OUTSPOKEN SUPPORT OF THE ERA, DEFENDED HER STAND BEFORE THE BIGGEST WOMEN'S AUDIENCE SHE HAS ADDRESSED: "MY OWN SUPPORT OF THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT HAS SHOWN WHAT HAPPENS WHEN A DEFINITION OF PROPER BEHAVIOR COLLIDES WITH THE RIGHTS OF AN INDIVIDUAL TO PERSONAL OPINIONS. I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT BEING FIRST LADY SHOULD PREVENT ME FROM EXPRESSING MY VIEWS.

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MRS. FORD SHARED A PLATFORM WITH OTHER WOMEN LEADERS, INCLUDING INDIA'S AMBASSADOR MRS. VAJAYA LAKSHMI PANDIT, WHO WAS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN 1953.

Aftermath of an abortion: Education in birth control

By Mary Strassmeyer

There's a lot more to birth control and abortion than little round pills that say, "Women are not machines."

The clinic, located in the University-Cedar Medical Building at 10900 Carnegie Ave., has been open a little more than 18 months. It is one of four area clinics, plus

small basket. They included condoms, foam, vaginal creams and jellies, diaphragms, pills and intrauterine devices. She said there is counseling available on withdrawal.

Women's Year Program: is free, wide, handsome

By Mary Strassmeyer

Betty Ford, the Kitchen Band,
Lily Tomlin, the St. Adalbert Soul



And they have been working for
nothing.

Women like Olive Tabor, IWY

Gray Panther leader urges seniors to fight

By Jane Scott

Golden-ager. n. A frail little grandmother, rocking away in her chair with bifocals slipping off



human need at any age and can go into late years, she believes.

"It is also warmth and closeness and general touch. They used to



Urges women to be proud of homemaking

By SUE KINCAID
and RUSTY BROWN

First Lady Betty Ford said here today she is distressed that through all the debate on women's rights,

underestimate their accomplishments in the home.

"I am here because I believe the best way to celebrate International Women's Year is to examine the



EARLY ARRIVALS — These persons were among the first to arrive to be on hand for the opening ceremonies of the International

Women's Congress at the Convention Center this morning. (Press photo by Bernie Noble)

Betty Ford addresses IWY, urges pride in homemaking

Continued from Page One

ney general who resigned in protest cluding status of the homemaker, en-

Women get new directions

IWY . . . *one to grow*

By Mary Strassmeyer

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For a beginning, her follow-up committee plans a summary of

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BETTY 10-26

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BY HELEN THOMAS

UPI WHITE HOUSE REPORTER

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- FIRST LADY BETTY FORD LIT A TORCH ON THE WASHINGTON MONUMENT GROUNDS SUNDAY TO OPEN A FOUR-DAY NATIONAL CONVENTION OF THE GIRL SCOUTS.

SHE ALSO ACCEPTED THE "GIRL SCOUTS' 200TH BIRTHDAY BOOK TO THE NATION."

EARLIER, MRS. FORD AND THE PRESIDENT DROPPED QUARTERS IN THE "TRICK OR TREAT" BANKS HELD BY SEVERAL COSTUMED YOUNGSTERS TO LAUNCH COMEDIAN DANNY KAYE'S HALLOWEEN DRIVE ON BEHALF OF THE UNITED NATIONS INTERNATIONAL CHILDRENS EMERGENCY FUND.

THE FORDS POSED FOR PICTURES WITH THE CHILDREN IN THE DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION ROOM TO KICK OFF KAYE'S FUND-RAISING DRIVE IN 65 CITIES. KAYE SAID THE FUNDS RAISED "WILL BE SAVING A CHILD'S LIFE SOMEWHERE IN THE WORLD."

IN ACCEPTING THE GIRL SCOUT GIFT AND OPENING THE SCOUT CONVENTION, THE FIRST LADY SAID SHE HAS ALWAYS PROUDLY SUPPORTED THE GIRL SCOUTS WHO "DO SO MUCH FOR THE WORLD AROUND THEM."

SHE ALSO LIT A TORCH TO PROCLAIM THE GOALS OF THE ORGANIZATION IN THE NATION'S THIRD CENTURY.

MRS. FORD WAS INTRODUCED BY MRS. WILLIAM MCLEOD ITTMAN, NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF THE GIRL SCOUTS, BEFORE AN AUDIENCE OF SEVERAL THOUSAND SCOUTS AND THEIR LEADERS.

BEFORE LEAVING THE GROUNDS, MRS. FORD PLUNGED INTO A CROWD AND SHOOK HANDS WITH SEVERAL GIRL SCOUTS.

THE GIFT WAS A DARK GREEN, LEATHER BOUND BOOK DEPICTING COMMUNITY ACTIONS THAT WILL BE UNDERTAKEN BY SCOUTS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. IT WAS PRESENTED BY THREE CADETTES, ANN AND MARY FORMELLER, BOTH 14, AND DELORES GARDNER, 13, OF TROOP 1293 IN PHILADELPHIA.

MRS. FORD SAID THE GIRL SCOUTS HAD MET PAST CHALLENGES WITH "IMAGINATION AND DEED." WHILE CONSTANTLY CHANGING, THE ORGNIAZATION WILL REMAIN CONSTANT IN ITS GOAL OF "FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION FOR THE INDIVIDUAL," MRS. FORD SAID.

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Betty Ford Says She'll Speak Out

From News Services

CLEVELAND — Betty Ford, whose frank expressions of opinion have stirred up the public on more than

asked her to "tell the President to stay well — we need him around." She replied "Well, he seemed just fine today."



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(WHITE HOUSE BASH)

(BY HELEN THOMAS)

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- BROADWAY STAR PEARL BAILEY DANCED WITH PRESIDENT FORD AND EGYPTIAN PRESIDENT ANWAR SADAT, SANG A DUET WITH ACTOR OMAR SHARIF AND HEISTED VICE PRESIDENT NELSON ROCKEFELLER'S HORN-RIMMED BIFOCALS DURING A SWINGING EVENING AT THE WHITE HOUSE MONDAY.

PRESIDENT FORD AND HIS WIFE BETTY, ELEGANT IN A BROWN AND WHITE ESTEVEZ GOWN, STAYED ON THE DANCE FLOOR UNTIL 1:30 A.M. EST, LONG AFTER SADAT, THE GUEST OF HONOR, AND HIS WIFE HAD DEPARTED.

MISS BAILEY, WHO HAS PERFORMED SEVERAL TIMES AT THE WHITE HOUSE, WAS AT HER BEST AT THE SADAT DINNER, WINNING SEVERAL STANDING OVATIONS AND THE LONGEST APPLAUSE HEARD IN THE EAST ROOM IN MANY A YEAR.

"IT WAS BRILLIANT," SAID SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER. "SHE KISSED ME."

MISS BAILEY BEGAN TO SNARE HER AUDIENCE WHEN SHE BORROWED ROCKEFELLER'S GLASSES TO READ A SONG.

SHE PUT THEM ON, THEN CRACKED, "WHERE DID THE PEOPLE GO?"

HANDING THEM BACK, SHE ADVISED ROCKEFELLER, "DON'T SIGN ANYTHING WITHOUT THESE." BUT LATER ON IN THE BANTER HE HANDED THE SPECTACLES BACK TO HER AND SAID HIS WIFE, HAPPY, WOULD LEAD HIM HOME.

THEN SHE SANG ABOUT PLACES ON THE SADAT ITINERARY, BRINGING GLEEFUL HOWLS WHEN SHE REACHED "I'LL TAKE MANHATTAN." THAT WAS FOLLOWED UP WITH "CHICAGO" AND "THE EYES OF TEXAS."

DURING ONE OF HER MOST FAMOUS NUMBERS, "HELLO DOLLY," FORD ROSE FROM HIS CHAIR AND TWIRLED HER AROUND FOR THE FINALE.

MISS BAILEY RETURNED TO THE MICROPHONE TO SING "HAPPY BIRTHDAY" TO FORMER STAGE STAR NANETTE FABRAY. MISS FABRAY, WHO HAS A HEARING DEFECT, RESPONDED IN SONG AND SIGN LANGUAGE WITH "SOMEWHERE OVER THE RAINBOW," REDUCING MANY TO TEARS.

MISS BAILEY AND HER HUSBAND, DRUMMER LOUIS BELLSON, WERE INVITED TO SPEND THE NIGHT.

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Steve Ford

LA Times
Monday, Oct. 27
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I'm elated! You've restored my faith in the press, and Steve Ford has restored my faith in people (in higher-up positions). Cheryl Bentsen's article (Oct. 16), "Steve Ford: Good Name for a Cowboy," was practicing something I thought the press knew nothing about—"If you can't say something good about someone, don't say it at all." The article was so good it made my day; and for the first time made me feel like someone in the White House finally is someone I'd love to meet.

LINDA WEAVER
Norwalk

Can't you people find more interesting items to print than the lackluster ambition of Steve Ford, the mediocre son of a mediocre father?

Shame on you for wasting so much space!

EDWARD NEWMAN
Woodland Hills

Names/Faces

A Piddling Story

Susan Ford brought four of the five 5-week-old puppies of Liberty, the First Family's golden retriever, into the White House press room to perform for assembled staffers and media persons. They performed as might have been expected. Two of them left puddles on the gold carpet.

—David Braaten

Mrs. Ford's
Health

UP-062

(BETTY)

(BY HELEN THOMAS)

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- BETTY FORD, WHOSE DOCTORS SAY IS IN "EXCELLENT HEALTH" WITH NO SIGNS OF CANCER, HAS TAKEN ON MORE OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES AND WILL MAKE A SPEECH IN CLEVELAND SATURDAY.

WHITE HOUSE PHYSICIAN DR. WILLIAM LUKASH SAID THURSDAY FOLLOWING A MEDICAL CHECKUP AT BETHESDA NAVAL HOSPITAL SHE SHOWED NO EVIDENCE OF A RECURRENCE OF THE DISEASE MORE THAN A YEAR AFTER UNDERGOING REMOVAL OF A CANCEROUS BREAST.

MRS. FORD CONTINUES TO TAKE CHEMOTHERAPY EVERY FIVE OR SIX WEEKS TO PREVENT ANY RECURRENCE OF CANCER FOLLOWING HER OPERATION ON SEPT. 28, 1974.

THE FIRST LADY WILL FLY TO CLEVELAND SATURDAY TO TAKE PART IN A LOCAL MEETING OF THE CONGRESS OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR. SHE'LL SPEAK ON "WOMEN AS A FORCE FOR PEACE."

ON SUNDAY, MRS. FORD WILL PARTICIPATE IN A GIRL SCOUT PROGRAM AT THE WASHINGTON MONUMENT AND THE FOLLOWING DAY SHE WILL PLAY HOSTESS TO VISITING PRESIDENT ANWAR SADAT OF EGYPT.

THERE ARE INDICATIONS MRS. FORD WILL NOT YET TAKE ON A HEAVY SCHEDULE OF OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES, BUT SHE APPARENTLY IS BEGINNING TO INCREASE SUCH APPEARANCES ON A CAREFULLY PACED SCALE. SHE DOES NOT PLAN TO ACCOMPANY THE PRESIDENT TO CALIFORNIA WEDNESDAY FOR TWO DAYS OF REPUBLICAN FUND RAISING EVENTS IN LOS ANGELES AND SAN FRANCISCO.

SHE APPEARS DRAWN AND TIRED AT TIMES, BUT MADE TWO STAND-IN APPEARANCES FOR THE PRESIDENT THIS WEEK WHILE HE WAS RECUPERATING FROM A SINUS COLD. SHE PLANTED AN AMERICAN ELM ON THE WHITE HOUSE GROUNDS AND POSED FOR PHOTOGRAPHS WITH STACIE MECHAM, LL, OF BAKERSFIELD, CALIF., THE 1976 EPILEPSY FOUNDATION POSTER CHILD.

FOLLOWING THE FOUR-HOURS OF TESTS AT BETHESDA, LUKASH SAID THURSDAY THE PRELIMINARY TESTS WERE "ENTIRELY NORMAL" AND THERE WAS "NO INDICATION OF ANY RECURRENCE OF CANCER."

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BETTY 10-25

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BY SARA FRITZ

CLEVELAND (UPI) -- BETTY FORD, WHOSE FRANK EXPRESSIONS OF OPINION HAVE STIRRED UP THE PUBLIC ON MORE THAN ONE OCCASION, SAID SATURDAY SHE WILL CONTINUE TO SPEAK OUT BECAUSE "BEING LADYLIKE DOES NOT REQUIRE SILENCE."

MRS. FORD HAS BEEN CRITICIZED FOR HER OUTSPOKEN COMMENTS ON A RANGE OF ISSUES FROM SEX TO MARIJUANA. SHE DEFENDED THE PRACTICE IN A SPEECH PREPARED FOR AN AUDIENCE OF SEVERAL THOUSAND -- POSSIBLY HER BIGGEST AUDIENCE TO DATE -- AT THE GREATER CLEVELAND INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR CONGRESS.

SHE FLEW HERE FROM WASHINGTON FOR THE DAY TO MAKE THE SPEECH PROMOTING RATIFICATION OF THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT, AND TO LUNCH WITH MADAME VIJAYA LAKSHMI PANDIT, FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AND A GROUP OF CLEVELAND'S MOST INFLUENTIAL WOMEN.

MRS. FORD WAS GREETED AT THE AIRPORT BY REPUBLICAN MAYOR RALPH PERK, WHO ASKED HER TO "TELL THE PRESIDENT TO STAY WELL -- WE NEED HIM AROUND." SHE REPLIED "WELL, HE SEEMED JUST FINE TODAY."

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MRS. FORD APPARENTLY REFERRED SPECIFICALLY TO CHARGES BY ERA OPPONENTS THAT THE FIRST LADY ILLEGALLY USED GOVERNMENT FACILITIES AND STAFF TO LOBBY FOR ERA.

MRS. FORD SAID THE CONTROVERSY HAS DEVELOPED AMONG PEOPLE WHO FEAR CHANGE AND SHE PROPOSED THAT ERA PROPONENTS SHOULD LOWER THE TENOR OF THE DEBATE.

"THE DEBATE OVER ERA HAS BECOME TOO EMOTIONAL BECAUSE OF THE FEARS OF SOME -- BOTH MEN AND WOMEN -- ABOUT THE CHANGES ALREADY TAKING PLACE IN AMERICA," SHE SAID. "AND PART OF THE JOB OF THOSE OF US WHO SUPPORT ERA IS TO HELP REMOVE THIS CLOUD OF FEAR AND CONFUSION."

SHE SAID THE AMENDMENT ... "WILL NOT BE ALTER THE FABRIC OF THE CONSTITUTION -- OR FORCE WOMEN AWAY FROM THEIR FAMILIES."

SHE HAS BEEN "DISTRESSED," SHE SAID, THAT ONE OUTGROWTH OF THE ARGUMENT OVER ERA "HAS BEEN THE LACK OF APPRECIATION OF THE ROLE OF WOMEN AS WIVES AND MOTHERS."

"IN TRYING TO OPEN UP CHOICES AND OPPORTUNITIES, WOMEN MUST NOT UNDERESTIMATE THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN THE HOME," SHE SAID. "WE HAVE TO TAKE THAT 'JUST' OUT OF 'JUST A HOUSEWIFE' AND SHOW OUR PRIDE IN HAVING MADE THE HOME AND FAMILY OUR LIFE'S WORK."

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(BETTY)

CLEVELAND (UPI) -- BETTY FORD DECLARED SATURDAY THAT BEING THE PRESIDENT'S WIFE WILL NOT STOP HER FROM SUPPORTING THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT OR SPEAKING OUT ON OTHER ISSUES BECAUSE "BEING LADYLIKE DOES NOT REQUIRE SILENCE."

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MRS. FORD'S SPEECH DEPLORED THE RESTRICTIONS STILL PLACED ON WOMEN'S BEHAVIOR. SHE CALLED FOR RATIFICATION OF ERA IN 1976 AND SAID THE AMERICAN HOUSEWIFE HAS BEEN TOO MUCH MALIGNED.

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The top 50

America's most influential women are named
— writers, activists and politicians dominate

In this the International Women's Year, Americans have become increasingly conscious of the impact of women in business, in the professions, in the produc-



October 31, 1975

Dear Jeffrey:

Thank you so much for sending me a copy of The Lantern. The photo in the paper was terrific and I know Mrs. Ford will enjoy seeing it.

I also appreciate your sending me a copy of the photo of Mrs. Ford and Janet Dunbar. I will make sure that both get them.

Many thanks again.

Sincerely,

Sheila Rabb Weidenfeld
Press Secretary to Mrs. Ford

Mr. Jeffrey Yapalater
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First Lady visits Ohio

Betty Ford traveled to Cleveland Saturday to give a speech on women's consciousness at the International Womens Congress at Public Auditorium. See stories on page 3.

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group unique in an election is Please note this does not in- ryone who is not a worker or , for less than half of all eligible o the polls. For these non-voters, the old saying: if you don't vote,

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"Where is your husband?" asked six-year-old Laura Wilchek. "He can't always come where I come, and I can't always go where he goes," answered Mrs. Ford during a visit to a child care center in Cleveland Saturday.



Lantern Photos by Jeffrey Yapalater

Madame Pandit, addressing the Cleveland Congress of International Women's Year, said, "I've never tried to be a cheap imitation of a man; I didn't want to be."

1st Lady talks to women

By Debbie Perlman

CLEVELAND — First Lady Betty Ford was in Cleveland Saturday and made a stop at the child care center

ways go where he goes."

Mrs. Ford later highlighted the Greater Cleveland Congress of International Women's Year and stressed this theme of independence for

"I believe the best way to celebrate International Women's Year is to examine the very real problems women face today, not the progress of yesterday," Mrs. Ford said.

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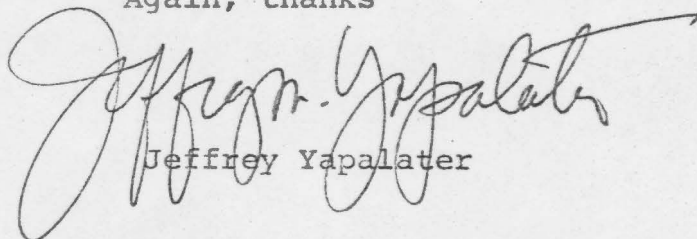
Sheila:

Many thanks for your assistance. Without your help, I doubt I would have had the opportunity to shoot some of the photographs I did.

Enclosed you will find some of the shots I took. One of the first lady during the luncheon at the Bond Court, and another of Janet Dunbar.

Please forward these to both of them.

Again, thanks



Jeffrey Yapalater



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