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PCCL REPORT

Special Republican Reception
Portland

In car, on way from Coliseum to Benson, Nessen reported Ford "very tired, there's no doubt about it." He said the President took a nap for about an hour in the afternoon and would be resting more before evening's schedule. Nessen voiced no concern, however, over Ford's condition. Neither did Dr. Lukash, who said at hotel that the President got a good night's rest last night.

Pool was allowed only brief look at beginning of reception - which cost \$1,000 per couple. About 40 persons were in attendance.

The room was rather small. Paneled. An intimate setting. Three gold chandeliers. A display of yellow and pink roses laid upon a bed of red leaves of autumn on center of table. Six steaming dishes of hors d'oeuvres. Bar in far corner.

Ford, drink in hand, was mostly stationary, greeting guests in amiable but low-key manner. He planned to stay only 20 minutes.

Larry O'Rourke
Don Fulsom

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