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PCCI REPORT #3 (cont'd)

WALNUT STREET THEATRE TO THE BELLEVUE,
RETURN TO BARCLAY HOUSE

At 11:32 p.m., the President came out of the Walnut Street Theatre walking toward his car with his hands clasped together in front of him. A reporter called "how did it go?", The President turned, smiled, and said "great. I really enjoyed that very, very much." The motorcade arrived back at Barclay House about 11:36 p.m. The President waved to about 20 applauding neighbors lined up on the curb across the street, but did not say anything. He was greeted in the doorway of the house by Senator Richard Schweiker who had apparently remained at the house to watch the debate.

A short time later, the President reemerged and the motorcade left for the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel. Senator Schweiker rode in the limousine with the President. There were perhaps 200 cheering people at the hotel side door on Walnut Street and the President shook a few hands. He was then ushered to the second floor ballroom where Ford campaign workers from Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware were gathered. The President was introduced by Drew Lewis, Pennsylvania PFC State Chairman. There was open press coverage of Ford's brief remarks. The President came out of the hotel at 12:20 p.m. and the motorcade returned to Barclay House without incident. When he got out of the car Ford said to the neighbors still standing there "nice to be here. I hope I haven't caused you too much trouble." He then went in the house for the night.

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