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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

DINNER IN HONOR OF
HIS EXCELLENCY DR. URHO KEKKONEN
PRESIDENT OF FINLAND

August 3, 1976

8:00 p. m.

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

Arrival:

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

Yellow Oval Room:

- Secretary and Mrs. Kissinger; Minister for Foreign Affairs Kalevi Sorsa; American Ambassador and Mrs. Mark Evans Austad; and Foreign Ambassador and Mrs. Leo Tuominen will assemble just prior to the 8:00 p. m. arrival of President Kekkonen and The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black.
- Approximately 8:10 p. m. ... all guests except President Kekkonen 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 Kekkonen to your right ... 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 Kekkonen to your right ... then Mrs. Ford).
- 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, proceed through the Blue Room to the South Portico and down the steps ... follow guests into the Rose Garden.

Dinner:

- Rectangular head table ... round tables
- No press coverage of dinner ... toasts will be piped to the press ... transcripts will be released to the press -- there will be press photo pool coverage and mini-camera coverage.

After-Dinner:

- 10:00 p.m. ... guests proceed from the Rose Garden through the driveway and up the steps to the South Portico Balcony to the parlors for demitasse, liqueurs, and cigars. You and Mrs. Ford will escort President Kekkonen up the steps to the South Portico Balcony and into the Red Room where you will visit informally with your guests.
- 10:05 p.m. ... after-dinner guests will form a receiving line. You, Mrs. Ford and President Kekkonen (President Kekkonen to your right ... then Mrs. Ford) 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 Kekkonen.
- You proceed to the stage which will be located along the center of the east wall of the East Room and introduce Mr. George Shearing.

NOTE: Suggested remarks (Tab A).

- At the conclusion of the performance, you and Mrs. Ford will escort President Kekkonen to the stage to thank Mr. George Shearing.

NOTE: There will be press coverage of the entertainment, including mini-camera coverage of your introduction, first and last portions of the program, and of your thanking Mr. George Shearing. Also, there will be photo coverage.

- After you have thanked Mr. George Shearing, you and Mrs. Ford will escort President Kekkonen to the State Dining Room for dancing.


Departure:

- You, Mrs. Ford, The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black escort President Kekkonen 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.
- White House photographer will be present.
- Army String Ensemble will be playing in the East Wing Garden Room as your dinner and after-dinner guests arrive.
- Marine Harpist will be playing in the Ground Floor Hall area as your dinner guests arrive.
- Marine String Ensemble, Woodwind Quintet and Harpist will be playing in the west end of the Rose Garden during dinner.
- Army Chorus will sing during dessert.
- Marine String Ensemble will be playing in the Grand Hall while your dinner guests are being served demitasse, liqueurs and cigars and during the time you are receiving your after-dinner guests.
- Marine Dance Combo will be playing in the State Dining Room.
- An interpreter will be present.

Maria Downs



For Immediate Release
Monday, August 2, 1976

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

The President and Mrs. Ford have invited George Shearing, pianist/composer/arranger, to entertain at the State Dinner, Tuesday, August 3, in honor of His Excellency, President Urho Kekkonen of the Republic of Finland.

This will be Mr. Shearing's first appearance at the White House. He has toured throughout Europe, Japan, Australia, South America and the West Indies and is presently touring the United States performing with various symphonies and community concerts.

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Among Shearing's numerous awards, in 1975 he received a Doctorate of Music from Westminster College in Utah. The same year, he was nominated for six Emmy Awards for his appearance in a PBS documentary "Out of the Shadows into the Sun." The documentary on guide dogs for the blind was narrated by Shearing and he composed the music.

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Wendy Wilson.

THE WHITE HOUSE
OFFICE OF THE PRESS SECRETARY TO THE PRESIDENT

The President and Mrs. Ford have invited George Shearing, pianist, composer, and arranger, to entertain at the State Dinner, Thursday, August 1, in honor of the Republic of Ireland. President Herb Hoover of the Republic of Ireland.

This will be Mr. Shearing's first appearance at the White House. He has toured throughout Europe, Japan, Australia, South America, and the West Indies and is presently touring the United States performing with various symphonies and community ensembles.

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w/ Leonard Feather
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Ellie Seffert,



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 28, 1976

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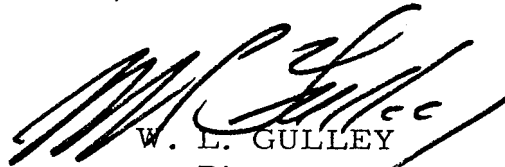
Susan Porter
Sheila Weidenfeld
Exec Grounds Office
WH Florist

A full honor arrival ceremony will be held for His Excellency, Dr. Urho Kekkonen, President of the Republic of Finland, on the South Grounds at 10:30 am on 3 August 1976.

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 August 2.
- 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. No interpreter microphone will be required.
- e. Car checkers with equipment available no later than 10:00 am.
- f. Two Social Aides report to the Military Duty Aide by 10:00 am.

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


W. L. GULLEY
Director
White House Military Office



• THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 30, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: ALL WHITE HOUSE/O.E.O.B. STAFF

SUBJECT: His Excellency
Dr. Urho Kekkonen
President of the Republic of Finland
Tuesday, August 3, 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, Dr. Urho Kekkonen, President of the Republic of Finland.

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, August 3, 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 guest.



Michael J. Farrell
Director
Office of White House Visitors



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The George Shearing Quintet

**the celebrated pianist
with guitar,
string bass,
drums
& vibraphone**



George Shearing



By the time English-born George Shearing was twenty-one, he had already established himself in London as a top star in supper clubs, and his recordings there were on the best-seller lists.

In 1947 Shearing and his wife came to the United States to reside and later to become American citizens. Two years after their arrival, Shearing organized his first quintet for the now-historical LP recording date which included a number called "September in the Rain." That album launched what is now called "the Shearing sound"—unique, suave—the kind of sound that enchants audiences and inspires the highest admiration from professional colleagues. Making his own arrangements (as a composer he has also written many hit songs) and performing with the quintet, recordings and personal appearances made the group an overnight sensation. In the interim, Shearing's name has many times topped every trade paper, disc jockey and jazz poll of any significance—some as many as seven times! Many discs have become

collectors' items.

Such has been the impact of "the Shearing sound" that whether he and the quintet are guest artists with major American symphony orchestras, whether he delights the supper club night owls as soloist or with the group, he has been proclaimed the No. 1 pianist in over a dozen nations including Japan, Australia, Germany, France and South Africa.

In addition to numerous TV guest appearances with Johnny Carson, David Frost, Mike Douglas, Dick Cavett and others, the artist has completed 26 one-half hour segments of "The George Shearing Show" for nationally syndicated television featuring the quintet and top guest vocalists. National Educational Television did a one-hour show for their nationwide NET channels.

Shearing was born blind. This fact possibly has made him all the greater musician. With an ear of extraordinary sensitivity, he has composed and arranged an enormous amount of music. The result is artistry of the first magnitude.

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in America. Shearing became an American ~~xxxxxx~~ citizen
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

SUBJECT: Instructions for Social Aides

EVENT: State Dinner - President Kekkonen of Finland

Date/Time: August 3, 1976 (8:00) No. of Guests: 200

Uniform: Black Tie Parking: East or West Exec.

In-Place Time for Aides: 6:30 pm (Library)

In-Place Time for OIC: 6:15 pm (Duty Aide)

Duty Aide: Captain Walter L. Domina, USMC

First Family Participation: The President and Mrs. Ford

The following Social Aides will attend:

Lt F. Taney Heil, USN	1Lt Julia A. Dean, USA
Lt Cynthia T. Atwell, USN	1Lt Gary A. Verhaghe, USA
Lt John A. Gaughan, USCG	Major David Van Poznak, USAF
Lt Thomas F. Gede, USN	Capt John D. Power, USAF
LTC Sherian G. Cadoria, USA	Capt Roger F. Peters, USA
* Major T. M. Montgomery, USA	Capt Virginia L. McDonald, USAF
Major Gregory L. Sharp, USA	Capt Teryl L. Peterson, USMC
Capt Janet S. Rexrode, USA	Capt Diane S. Hoeft, USMC
Capt Thomas L. Groppel, USA	Capt Scott W. McKenzie, USMC
Capt Milton Hunter, USA	Capt Edwin C. Walke, USMC
Capt William J. Burke, USA	1stLt Roger C. Patton, USMC
Capt Lester A. Kelly, USA	
* Officer in Charge	

Music: US Army Herald Trumpets on North Portico (7:15) (NW Gate)
US Army String Ensemble in East Garden Room (7:15 & 9:15)
USMC Harp in Hall (7:15) (East Gate)
USMC Orchestra in the Lobby (7:30) (East Gate)
USMC Woodwind Quintet, String Ensemble & Harp in Tent (8:30)
US Army Chorus in Tent (9:00) (East Gate)
US Air Force Strings on Driveway (9:15) (East Gate)
USMC Dance Combo in the State Dining Room (10:30) (East Gate)

Remarks:

Staff Mess Feed Aides
5 Doormen from MDW
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Army Aide to the President



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Mr. O'Donnell
White House Police

WASHINGTON

EVENT: Arrival Ceremony - President Kekkonen of Finland

Date/Time: August 3, 1976 (10:30)

No. of Guests:

Uniform: Service Dress

Parking: North Grounds

In-Place Time for Aides: 10:00 am (Duty Aide)

In-Place Time for OIC:

Duty Aide: Major Robert E. Barrett, USA

First Family Participation: The President and Mrs. Ford

Lt F. Taney Heil, USN

1stLt Donald H. Atchison, USMC

*Officer in Charge

Music:

Remarks:

3 Doormen from Garage
2 w/radios, 1 w/tickets

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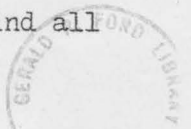
Some of the smoothest musical sounds ever to be heard in (City) will be very much in evidence in the (Auditorium) on (Day, Date, Hour). As presented by (Local Auspices), the event will be a concert by the celebrated George Shearing Quintet. The ensemble includes the famous pianist-composer and four other outstanding musicians on guitar, string bass, drums and vibraphone.

London-born George Shearing has created an international reputation for his musical talent as pianist, arranger, and composer. Equally at home on the classical concert stage as on the jazz nightclub stand, consistently compelling with quintet or trio, with full orchestra, or in solo performance, Shearing is recognized for his inventive, orchestrated jazz.

Offstage as well, Shearing is a dedicated musician. His compositions, which number more than one hundred, have produced works like "Lullaby of Birdland" which has become a jazz standard. As an educator, he has devoted many summers to teaching jazz techniques, arrangement, and ensemble playing both at the famed University of Utah Workshop and the renowned Chautauqua Institution. As a student, George studies classical performance (Mozart is a favorite) and practices, practices, practices!

A popular television personality, also, the Shearing wit has captivated audiences on the "Today", "Tonight", "David Frost", "Mike Douglas", Merv Griffin", "Dick Cavett", "Ed Sullivan" and "Steve Allen" shows, among others. His gentle humor was displayed recently when an interviewer asked if he'd been blind all his life. "Not yet," George thoughtfully replied!

// George Albert Shearing was born on August 13, 1919 in the Battersea area



of London. //Congenitally blind, he was the youngest of nine children of coal-man James Phillip Shearing. George discovered his piano talent when he found he could duplicate the tunes from the old crystal set on the piano. His only formal musical education consisted of four years of study at the London Lodge School for the Blind. While his talent won him a number of university scholarships, he was forced to refuse them in favor of a more financially productive position: a piano player in a neighborhood pub. After a series of similar club dates, George joined an all-blind band in the 1930's, a short-lived project sponsored by the National Institute for the Blind. At this point George developed a friendship with the noted jazz critic Leonard Feather and through this contact made his first appearance on BBC Radio. He also cut his first record, "Squeezing the Blues", playing accordion to Feather's piano accompaniment.

An important recent highlight in the artist's career was his return with the Quintet to Europe for a tour during March and April, 1976. It was Shearing's first such tour in fourteen years, and his return was greeted with great enthusiasm by audiences everywhere. Starting in Copenhagen the tour, in order of cities visited, included Malmo, London, Edinburgh, Amsterdam, Cologne, Zurich, Berlin, Stuttgart, Hamburg, Hannover, Frankfurt, Hilversum and Rotterdam. The varying schedule embraced performances in concert halls, in a few leading hotels, on state radio stations, and the TV camera eye caught him 'live' and for tapings in some instances. Shearing also spent three days in Stuttgart for recording sessions. (At this writing, the distribution date on the M.P.S. label in America is to be determined.)

During his London stay, Shearing appeared on a radio-call-in program. One listener rang the station to inform the artist that her grandmother was still



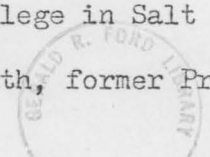
the proud owner of the first piano on which Shearing ever played!

The artist is noted for his sense of humour. He informed German audiences he spoke only a little German but had been trying to master some key phrases. One morning he used his German to order a hotel-room-service breakfast of eggs, bacon, etc. What was sent to his room was three steaks! Shearing has since decided he needs to make a more thorough study of German.

George Shearing is particularly proud of his appearance in a 30-minute documentary TV-film made for PBS, the subject of which was Guide Dogs for the Blind. Entitled "Out of the Shadows into the Sun", the program was filmed in July of 1975 and first broadcast the following November. With music and narration by Shearing, the program won high critical acclaim and is now receiving sales on the international market. When the artist returned from his European tour he was delighted to be informed that the show had received six nominations for Emmy Awards, including one for him as composer of the "best music".

For more than a decade, George's passion for classical music has peaked. Although he first performed a classical concert in 1952 with the Rochester Philharmonic, since 1963 he has performed many concerts as soloist with symphony orchestras. For example, during the 1974-75 season he was soloist with the orchestras of Cincinnati, Baltimore, Nashville, Denver, Buffalo, Detroit and Flint. The grand tally for that season was 109 concerts in 109 different cities across the United States.

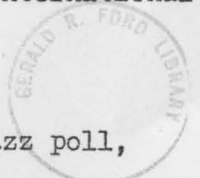
A notable event took place on May 24, 1975. Shearing's talents were saluted with an Honorary Doctorate of Music from Westminster College in Salt Lake City, Utah in a ceremony which similarly honored Edward Heath, former Prime Minister of the United Kingdom.



Shearing's keyboard reputation flourished through engagements in top London supper clubs and as a popular guest on the BBC. While still in his twenties, he landed a recording contract with Decca Records, and became one of the top selling artists in Britain. In 1941 George won his first popularity poll victory from Melody Makers' Magazine, and for the next seven years he dominated British jazz polls. In 1941 he married Trixie Bayes whom he had met while playing to Londoners huddled in an air raid shelter during a bombing blitz.

In 1947 Shearing, his wife and five-year old daughter Wendy moved to America where he spent two long years re-establishing his fame on this side of the Atlantic. His state-wide reputation began rolling when he was booked into New York's Birdland, to which he later penned his famous "Lullaby". In 1949 the Shearing sound was firmly entrenched when he gathered a quintet featuring his distinctive blend of piano, bass, drums, guitar, and vibes to record "September in the Rain" for MGM. The record was an overnight success. Since then one of this country's most consistent sellers, George had recorded for MGM until 1955 when he signed with Capitol. Among his favorite albums are those he recorded with Billy Eckstine, Nat King Cole, Peggy Lee, Wes Montgomery, and with Nancy Wilson whom George introduced to the record industry. In 1970 George formed his own mail order company, Sheba, for which he recorded seven LPs. The Shearing sound is currently available on the M.P.S., Sheba, Capitol, Pickwick International (EMI) and M.G.M. labels.

George Shearing has accumulated awards from every trade and jazz poll, including seven citations from Down Beat Magazine. An international favorite, he has made numerous concert appearances throughout Japan, Australia, Europe, South America and the West Indies. Now concentrating his energies in the



United States, he regularly plays to capacity crowds, performing in such rooms as Chicago's London House, New York's St. Regis and Plaza, Los Angeles' Century Plaza, and Seattle's Olympic.

Another aspect of Shearing's performance career is the concerts he frequently plays for his two favorite charities: The Guide Dog Facility in San Rafael, California where his own dog Leland was trained, and the Hadley School for the Blind in Chicago with whom George recently completed a correspondence course in business law. After twelve years of faithful 'guidance', Leland died in 1975.

Music is his business, but there are other dimensions to George Shearing's life. A devoted father, a wicked bridge player, a vociferous reader of literally anything he can get his hands on, George is also an active member of San Francisco's artistic Bohemian Club.

Shearing the talent, and Shearing the man: all with the touch of genius.



George Shearing

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR PERFORMERS AT WHITE HOUSE

1. Have you performed here before? no

2. What is the highest national & international award you have received?

Doct. of Music from Westminster in S.L.C. in '75 ^{the composition} on the
Emmy nomination for ~~song~~ '76 ^{album} ~~documentary~~ ^{album} ~~documentary~~
"Out of the Shadow into the Sun" ^{guide dog facility} ~~for 'dog' S.L.C. ref~~

3. Place of birth? London, England

Date of birth? 8.13.19

You presently live? San Francisco

came to U.S.
after war

4. Married to? Eleanor Jeffert (Shearing)

Children? no

5. Education? (bio)

6. What performance do you feel brought you the recognition to launch your career? "Birdland appears." He later wrote B Land Jullibby

7. What will you perform at the White House?

- light program -

→ popular jazz
pianist

8. What is your present job schedule?

↓ 2nd tour in Europe
touring w/ Col Artists) 6 4 is
20 wks w/ Sepohnies
Community Concerts

Kathy Carey - 212.397.6923 (Manager)
Columbia Artists

Joan McGrath 312.943.0154



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

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August 2, 1976

THE WHITE HOUSE
Office of the Press Secretary to Mrs. Ford

The President and Mrs. Ford will host a Black-tie dinner in honor of His Excellency Dr. Urho Kekkonen, President of the Republic of Finland, Tuesday, August 3rd, at 8:00 p.m. in the Rose Garden at the White House.

Guests will arrive through the East Wing and will be received by President and Mrs. Ford and President Kekkonen in the East Room on the State Floor.

American Indian pottery from the collection of the Department of the Interior will be featured in the centerpieces on the round tables. Dried and fresh flowers in shades of corals, apricots and golds will be used to accent the colors of the pottery pieces. Flowers include Sonya roses, Gerbera daisies, Meykii fern and statice and other dried grasses.

Tables will be covered with light beige tablecloths and set with the Johnson china, Morgantown crystal and Monroe vermeil flatware.

Bill Dove and Robert Shaeffer of Dove Flowers of Washington, D.C. have donated their time to coordinate the decorations. The pottery is on loan from the U.S. Interior Department.

Following dinner, George Shearing, pianist, will entertain in the East Room. The Marine Dance Combo will provide music for dancing in the State Dining Room after the entertainment.

The menu: Supreme of Red Snapper, Tournedos with Mushroom Sauce, Carrots and Grapes, Broccoli Timbale, Watercress and Hearts of Palm Vinaigrette Salad, Brie Cheese, Fresh Peach Mousse, Macaroons and Demitasse.

The wines: B V Beaufort Pinot Chardonnay, Louis Martini Cabernet Sauvignon 1971, and Schramsberg Blanc de Blancs.

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Mr. & Mrs. H. Holmes Ellis
Grand Rapids, Michigan

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

August 2, 1976

MEMORANDUM TO: Ms. Quennville
Mrs. Ford's Press Office

From: S/CPR - S. Reinhardt *SR*

Subject: Official Gifts from President Kekkonen
of Finland to President and Mrs. Ford
and the American People

The President of Finland has brought an album of black and white photographs of President and Mrs. Ford's participation in the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe last July in Helsinki. It has wooden covers -- presumably of Finnish wood.

There is also a Rya rug, in colors of gold, brown, green and blue. A plaque, mounted on wood, is enclosed and reads:

"From the President of the Republic of Finland Dr. Urho Kekkonen and from the people of Finland to the United States of America on its Bicentennial celebration August 3, 1976.

"This Finnish folk rug 'Ryijy' is based on a design from the end of the 18th Century originating from Saarijarvi, Central Finland, the region from which the first Finnish settlers left for Delaware in 1638."

THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

22 July 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORD

Subject: Official Gift during the Visit of
His Excellency the President of
Finland, August 3, 1976

We have learned that President Kekkonen plans to bring a photograph of himself to exchange with President Ford, and suggest that the President reciprocate with a silver framed photograph of the arrival ceremony.

A suggested inscription would be:

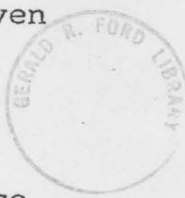
To His Excellency
Urho Kekkonen
President of Finland

With our best wishes

Gerald R. Ford
August 3, 1976

Betty Ford

The Finnish Embassy has also informed us that President Kekkonen is bringing a Rya Rug as a gift to The American People. It has been especially woven with figures of the first Finns who landed in the New World. We do not feel that this calls for a reciprocal gift. We will have it picked up and brought to the White House before the official dinner on August 3rd, so that you will have a chance to see it before greeting your guest that evening.


Stuart W. Rockwell
Stuart W. Rockwell
Acting

Reply to President Ford by President
Kekkonen at a Dinner Honouring
the Finnish President;
White House August 3.1976

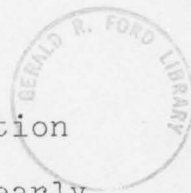
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12.00 p.m. Finnish time

Mr. President, Mrs. Ford, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I wish to express my sincere thanks to you, Mr. President, for the warm welcome this morning and for the words of friendship you have just spoken. You know as well as I do that the friendship and mutual understanding existing between our two countries is highly valued and cherished among the Finnish people.

I was deeply honoured and gratified in receiving your invitation to pay an official state visit to the United States this year. The American Bicentennial has gained much public attention also in Finland. We in Finland take certain pride in the fact that among the Founding Fathers there was the early Finnish settler ~~whom you mentioned~~, John Morton, originally Juho Marttinen, who, of course, cast his vote in favour of the Declaration of Independence.

Therefore, we have every reason to make this commemoration of the American Revolution our own and remember those early Finnish settlers who disembarked from 1638 to 1654 on both shores of the Delaware River, established their settlements and



later on, were one of the nationalities that helped settle the original thirteen states of the Union.

We do not know much about the hopes and the feelings of the very first Finns coming to America. But the Finnish settlers of later date seem to have been as happy and hopeful when they left the shores of Europe as I was when preparing myself for this visit - if we give credence to a Finnish immigrant ballad reading as follows: "I am going to America, everyone is on his way, the American shores are sanded with gold - they say!" Although they did not find golden sand, I know they were not disappointed when they disembarked on the shores of the New Country.

My motivation for looking forward with great expectations to this visit was different. It reminded me of my two previous visits to this great country. They were both very valuable and important from the Finnish point of view.



In July 1970 the possibility of convening a Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe was one of the main topics of our discussion here in Washington. During those discussions I said that I was speaking for a European nation that desires nothing but the possibility of living in peace and security and cultivating friendly relations with all nations both near and far. And I

expressed the hope that these aspirations of the Finnish people would meet with understanding and sympathy on the part of the United States.

Today we know what then has happened. The Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe has taken place and when the Final Act of that Conference was signed at Helsinki on August 1st, 1975, you, Mr. President, represented in person the United States of America.

In my statement at the Helsinki Conference I said that the security of states, cooperation among peoples and the enrichment of the lives of human persons are watchwords of the conference.

Now that a year has passed since the conference, I believe that we can note that our expectations have not been unfounded. The implementation of the recommendations of the conference has begun but it will continue for a long time in the future. Mr. President, in your speech in Helsinki a year ago you quite correctly stated that (quote) "history will judge this conference not by what we say today but what we do tomorrow - not by the promises we make but by the promises we keep" (unquote). Indeed, our adherence to promises, our acts and their results have been - and will be - the crucial test of the rationale and the benefit of the process of European security and cooperation in its various stages.



At the same time, we must pay attention to the continuity of this process, to the conference to be held in Belgrade next year and to the developments following the conference. On her part, Finland will do her utmost that the development thus commenced and the procedures established will not go to waste.

Equality and mutual responsibility have always characterized the interaction between Finland and the United States. Again, it has characterized the meetings during my present visit and made our discussions useful.

I hope this Bicentennial state visit will further strengthen the warm ties of friendship which have always characterized the relations between our two countries. On behalf of the people of Finland and on my own, I like to express our warmest wishes to you, Mr. President and Mrs. Ford and to all the people of the United States, who are now commemorating the two centuries of work for the happiness and greatness of the United States of America.



Mr. President, I am very happy that I have had the opportunity to exchange views with you today on several international questions. A common feature in the talks of today and in those which we had last year has been their friendly, sincere and constructive spirit, which I appreciate very much.

Mr. President, your activity in high political positions in your country

has been exceptionally long and impressive. Throughout your whole public career you have been known as a resolute man, who has never hesitated to take responsibility and who has been capable of taking decisions even in situations that have called for rapid action.

Your activity in the highest office of your country, which has rightly been characterized as one of the most difficult and responsible in the world, has also abroad created of you an image of an dependable and realistic statesman.

I am most grateful to you, Mr. President and Mrs. Ford, for your generous hospitality and for this festive opportunity to meet so many distinguished Americans.

Ladies and gentlemen, may I ask you to join me in a toast in honour of the President of the United States and Mrs. Ford.



Guest list for the dinner to be given by the President and Mrs. Ford in honor of His Excellency Dr. Urho Kekkonen, President of Finland, on Tuesday, August 3, 1976 at eight o'clock, The White House

His Excellency Dr. Urho Kekkonen

President of Finland

His Excellency Kalevi Sorsa

Minister for Foreign Affairs

His Excellency The Ambassador of Finland

and Mrs. Tuominen

Dr. Kauko Sipponen

Secretary General for the Chancery of the President

Professor Pentti I. Halonen

Personal Physician to the President

Commodore Bo Klenberg

First Aide-de-Camp to the President

Mr. Paavo Rantanen

Director for Commercial Affairs, Ambassador

Dr. Klaus Tornudd

Deputy Director for Political Affairs, Ambassador

Mr. and Mrs. Arto Tanner

Counselor, Embassy of Finland

Mr. Jaakko Blomberg

Assistant Director for Political Affairs

Mr. Seppo Kauppila

Secretary for Section

The Secretary of State and Mrs. Kissinger

The Secretary of the Interior and Mrs. Kleppe

The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development

and The Honorable Roderick M. Hills

The Honorable William T. Coleman, Jr.

Secretary of Transportation

The Honorable Theodore F. Stevens and Mrs. Stevens

U. S. Senate (Alaska)

The Honorable Dewey F. Bartlett and Mrs. Bartlett

U. S. Senate (Oklahoma)

The Honorable James A. McClure and Mrs. McClure

U. S. Senate (Idaho)

The Honorable Wendell H. Ford and Mrs. Ford

U. S. Senate (Kentucky)

The Governor of Ohio and Mrs. Rhodes

The Honorable Harold T. Johnson and Mrs. Johnson

House of Representatives (California)

The Honorable Roy A. Taylor and Mrs. Taylor

House of Representatives (North Carolina)

The Honorable John Anderson and Mrs. Anderson

House of Representatives (Illinois)

The Honorable Charles A. Mosher and Mrs. Mosher

House of Representatives (Ohio)

The Honorable G. William Whitehurst and Mrs. Whitehurst

House of Representatives (Virginia)

The Honorable Bill Frenzel and Mrs. Frenzel

House of Representatives (Minnesota)

The Honorable Brent Scowcroft

Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

The Honorable Mark Evans Austad and Mrs. Austad

American Ambassador to Finland

The Chief of Protocol and Mr. Black

The Honorable William T. Kendall

Deputy Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs



The Honorable Charles Leppert, Jr. and Mrs. Leppert
Deputy Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs

The Honorable Edward C. Schmults and Mrs. Schmults
Deputy Counsel to the President

The Honorable Larry M. Speakes and Mrs. Speakes
Assistant Press Secretary to the President

The Honorable Raymond P. Shafer
Counsellor to the Vice President

Major Robert E. Barrett, USA
Army Aide to the President

Bishop and Mrs. John H. Adams
Presiding Bishop, 10th Episcopal District, African Methodist
Episcopal Church, Waco, Texas

Mr. Marty Allen
Comedian

Mr. and Mrs. Rolland C. Allen, III
R.D. Allen Investments, Corpus Christi, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Andes
Chairman, Franklin Mint, Franklin Center, Pennsylvania

Mr. and Mrs. James F. Bailey
Bladensburg, Maryland (Legislative Advocate, United Brotherhood
of Carpenters & Joiners of America)

The Honorable James A. Baker, III, and Mrs. Baker
President Ford Committee

Mr. and Mrs. Davitt S. Bell
President, Edgewater Corporation, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Bergen
Entertainer, Los Angeles, California

Mr. and Mrs. James H. Binger
Chairman, Honeywell, Inc., Minneapolis, Minnesota

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Burns
Chairman, President Ford Committee for Connecticut

Mr. Stephen G. Burrows
Fashion designer, New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. William N. Cafritz
President, William Cafritz Development Corporation, Bethesda, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. William S. Campbell
President, Campbell Insurance Company, Boise, Idaho

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Carroll
President and Chief Executive Officer, Lever Brothers Co., N. Y., N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert V. Casey
President and Chairman, American Airlines, New York, New York

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Chino
President National Tribal Chairmen's Association, Mescalero, N.M.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Cox
Grand Rapids, Michigan

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Craig
President and Chairman, Booth Newspapers of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Mr. and Mrs. John D. deButts
Chairman, American Telephone & Telegraph Company, New York, N. Y.

Dr. and Mrs. Martin Diamond
Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Northern
Illinois, Decatur

Miss Paula Dorkka
YLE (Finnish Broadcasting Corporation)

Dr. and Mrs. Robert S. Eliot
Director, Division of Cardiovascular Medicine, The University
of Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha

Mr. and Mrs. H. Holmes Ellis
Grand Rapids, Michigan

Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Krome George
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Aluminum Company of
America, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Green
Portland, Oregon

Mr. and Mrs. George Gorton
Solana Beach, California

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fanelli
President, BIPAC, Washington, D. C.

Mr. Jack Ford

Miss Susan Ford

Miss Bethann Hardison
Guest of Mr. Stephen Burrows

Miss Francesca Hilton
Malibu, California

Mr. Martin Hoffman
President, Wilton Caterers, Spring Valley, New York

Mr. Milton Hoffman
Riverdale, New York

Dr. Vaino A. Hoover
President, Finlandia Foundation, Inc., Santa Monica, California

Mr. and Mrs. William D. Hunter
Patterson, Louisiana

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Immke, Jr.
Upper Arlington, Ohio

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph J. Jalkanen
President, Suomi College, Hancock, Michigan

Miss Joana Johnston
Guest of Mr. Nicholas Thimmesch

Mr. and Mrs. Horace C. Jones
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Burlington Industries, Inc.
New York, New York

Mr. Lauri Karen
Helsingin Sanomat (daily newspaper)

Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Kennedy
Chelsea, Vermont; Chairman, Vermont Republican State Committee

The Honorable Horace R. Kornegay and Mrs. Kornegay
President, The Tobacco Institute, Washington, D. C.

The Honorable George Latimer and Mrs. Latimer
Mayor of St. Paul, Minnesota

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander M. Laughlin
Vice Chairman, Jesup & Lamont, Inc., New York, New York

Mr. Sandy Laughlin
Washington, D. C.

Dr. and Mrs. Allan C. Levey
Oral surgeon, Potomac, Maryland
President, University of Michigan Alumni Club

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Linnell
Auburn, Maine; Chairman, Maine Republican State Committee

Mr. Carl H. Lindner
Publisher, Cincinnati Enquirer; President and Chairman, American
Financial Corporation, Cincinnati, Ohio

Mr. Carl Lindner, III
Cincinnati, Ohio

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Loye
Wheat Ridge, Colorado

Mrs. Helena Makinen
Guest of Mr. Martin Hoffman

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey C. Mansfield, Jr.
Professor, Department of Government, Harvard University,
Cambridge, Massachusetts

Miss Susan Marks
Guest of Mr. Jack Ford

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. McCaffrey
WMAL-AM Radio, Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanford N. McDonnell
President and Chief Executive Officer, McDonnell-Douglas Corporation,
St. Louis, Missouri

Mr. and Mrs. William A. McKenzie
Attorney, McKenzie & Baer, Dallas, Texas

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip A. Montalvo
Attorney, Lebanon, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Mumma
President, Pennsylvania Supply, Inc., Hummelstown, Pennsylvania



Miss Carol Murphy
Guest of Mr. Sandy Laughlin

Dr. and Mrs. Jack Neff
Chairman, National Historical Foundation, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Nipson
Executive Editor, Ebony Magazine, Chicago, Illinois

Mrs. Jackie B. Oberg
President Ford Committee Chairman for Alaska

Mr. and Mrs. John J. O'Donnell
President, Airline Pilots Association, Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary K. Olsen
Executive Director, National Jogging Association, Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Orlando
Entertainer, Los Angeles, California

Dr. and Mrs. R. Marlin Perkins
Host, "Wild Kingdom" TV series, St. Louis, Missouri

Mr. and Mrs. I. Lee Potter
Chairman, Republican Boosters Club, Arlington, Virginia

Dr. and Mrs. John E. Roberts
Alexandria, Virginia

Mr. James E. Roper
Guest of Miss Ellen Wadley

Mrs. Albert Salmi
Wife of actor, "Petrocelli" TV series, Los Angeles, California

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Sarnoff
Retired Chairman, RCA Corporation; Mrs. --opera singer Anna Moffo

Mr. and Mrs. George Shearing
Pianist

The Reverend John Smettler and Mrs. Smettler
Wings of Truth Baptist Church, Highland Park, Michigan

Mr. Harold Byron Smith
Chairman, Executive Committee, Illinois Tool Works, Chicago

Mrs. David Smith
Daughter-in-law and guest of Mr. Harold Byron Smith

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin D. Stahl
Belmont, Michigan

The Honorable Charles S. Stenvig and Mrs. Stenvig
Mayor of Minneapolis, Minnesota

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swallow
President, American Indian National Bank, Washington, D. C.

The Honorable James L. Taft, Jr. and Mrs. Taft
Mayor of Cranston, Rhode Island

Mr. Nicholas P. Thimmesch
Columnist, Los Angeles Times

Mr. and Mrs. R. David Thomas
Chairman, Wendy's International, Inc., Columbus, Ohio

Mr. and Mrs. Al Unser
Auto racer, Albuquerque, New Mexico

Mr. Bobby Unser
Auto racer, Albuquerque, New Mexico

Miss Ellen Wadley
President, Washington Press Club

Mr. Russell H. Ward
National Broadcasting Company

The Honorable C. Langhorne Washburn and Mrs. Washburn
Vice President, Walt Disney World Showcase, Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore H. White
Author, New York, New York



department of state * may 1975

OFFICIAL NAME: Republic of Finland

GEOGRAPHY AND PEOPLE

Helsinki is the northernmost capital on the continent of Europe. It is

situated on the southern coast of Finland which lies almost entirely between the 60th and 70th parallels with fully one-third of its length north

of the Arctic Circle. Finland has common frontiers in the west with Sweden (335 miles), in the north with Norway (453 miles), and in the east with the U.S.S.R. (788 miles). Its seacoast is bounded by the Gulf of Finland in the south, the Baltic Sea in the southwest, and the Gulf of Bothnia in the west.

PROFILE

Geography

AREA: 130,160 sq. mi. (about the size of New England, New York, and New Jersey combined). **CAPITAL:** Helsinki (pop. 499,509). **OTHER CITIES:** Tampere (165,058), Turku (163,059).

People

POPULATION: 4.69 million (1975 est.). **ANNUAL GROWTH RATE:** 0.4% (1975). **DENSITY:** 36 per sq. mi. **ETHNIC GROUPS:** Finns, Swedes, 2,500 Lapps. **RELIGIONS:** Evangelical Lutheran 92%, Russian Orthodox 1.3% (both State churches). **LANGUAGES:** Finnish 93.5%, Swedish 6.5% (both official), Lappish dialect. **LITERACY:** 100%. **LIFE EXPECTANCY:** Male 66 yrs., female 74 yrs.

Government

TYPE: Constitutional republic. **INDEPENDENCE:** December 6, 1917. **DATE OF CONSTITUTION:** July 17, 1919.

BRANCHES: *Executive*—President (Chief of State), Prime Minister (Head of Government), Council of State (Cabinet). *Legislative*—unicameral Parliament (*Eduskunta*). *Judicial*—Supreme Court, regional appellate courts, local courts.

POLITICAL PARTIES: Social Democratic Party (SDP), People's Democratic League (SKDL), Center Party (K), National Coalition (Conservative) Party (KOK), others. **SUFFRAGE:** Universal over 18. **POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS:** 12 Provinces (*Läänit*).

FLAG: Light blue cross on a white field. The colors represent the country's myriad

lakes and the deep snows of its long winters.

Economy

GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT (GNP): \$17.7 billion (1974 est.). **ANNUAL GROWTH RATE:** 5.5%. **PER CAPITA INCOME:** \$3,750. **PER CAPITA GROWTH RATE:** 5.1%.

AGRICULTURE: Land 9.6% cultivated. Labor 16% (includes forestry). *Products*—dairy, wheat and other grains, livestock, potatoes, sugar beets, furs, berries.

INDUSTRY: Labor 38%. *Products*—timber and forest products, machinery, ships, clothing, transportation equipment, food products, electrical equipment, appliances.

NATURAL RESOURCES: Timber and some ores.

TRADE: *Exports*—\$5.9 billion (1974): wood and wood products, paper, metal and agricultural products. *Partners*—U.K., Sweden, U.S.S.R., F.R.G., U.S. (3.8%, 1974). *Imports*—\$7.3 billion (1974): raw materials, consumer goods, machinery and equipment, fuels and lubricants. *Partners*—U.S.S.R., Sweden, F.R.G., U.K., U.S. (5.1%, 1974).

OFFICIAL EXCHANGE RATE: 3.502 Finnmarks=US\$1 (March 1975). Finnmark floats against the dollar.

MEMBERSHIP IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS: U.N. and its specialized agencies, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), Bank for International Settlements (BIS), Asian Development Bank (ADB), Nordic Council, Associate Member of European Free Trade Association (EFTA).

The lay of the land is generally lower than in the regions to the west in Sweden and Norway and to the east in northern Russia. The average altitude in Finland does not exceed 600 feet above sea level. Most hills are in the north and do not rise above 1,500 feet. The highest mountain, in the far northwest next to the Norwegian border, is less than 5,000 feet.

Although Finland extends far into the frigid zone, its climate is moderated by the influence of the Gulf Stream off the northern Norwegian coast and the Baltic Sea in the south, by the extensive forests, and by the tempering effect of more than 60,000 lakes which make up 9 percent of its total area.

As in the rest of Scandinavia, Finland's population is ethnically homogeneous. Finland has no immigrant population of any consequence, and few tensions exist today between the Finnish-speaking majority and the Swedish-speaking minority. This minority is being gradually assimilated (down from about 15 percent at independence to less than 7 percent now).

Complete religious freedom exists. Education is free through university level and is compulsory from ages 7 to 16. Finland has an extensive social



welfare system which, in addition to a variety of pension and assistance programs, includes a comprehensive health insurance program covering the entire population. Taken as a whole the total cost of the welfare system is about one-fifth of the national income.

HISTORY

Finland began its nearly 700-year association with the Kingdom of Sweden with the introduction of Christianity by Sweden's King Eric about 1154. During the ensuing centuries Finland played an important role in the political life of the Swedish-Finnish realm, and Finnish soldiers often predominated in the armies of the Swedish Kings. Finns also formed a significant proportion of the first "Swedish" settlements in 17th century America.

In 1809 Finland was conquered by the armies of Alexander I and thereafter remained an autonomous Grand Duchy connected with the Russian Empire until the end of 1917. On December 6, 1917, shortly after the Bolshevik revolution in Russia, Finland declared its independence. In 1918 Finland experienced a brief but bitter civil war, which has colored its domestic politics to the present day.

During World War II Finland twice fought the Soviet Union—in the Winter War of 1939-40 and again in the Continuation War of 1941-44. The Treaty of Peace signed at Paris on February 10, 1947, limited the size of Finland's defense forces and provided for the cession to the Soviet Union of the Petsamo area on the Arctic coast, the Karelian Isthmus in southeastern Finland, and some other territory along the former eastern border. Another provision leased the Porkkala area near Helsinki to the U.S.S.R. for use as a naval base and gave free access to this area across Finnish territory. Porkkala was returned to the Finns in accordance with a 1955 agreement with the U.S.S.R. The treaty also called for Finland to pay to the Soviet Union reparations of 300 million gold dollars (amounting to an estimated \$570 million in 1952—the year payments ended). The United States was

not a signatory to the treaty since it had not been at war with Finland.

In April 1948 Finland signed with the U.S.S.R. an Agreement of Friendship, Cooperation, and Mutual Assistance by which Finland is obligated to resist armed attacks by Germany or its allies against Finland or against the U.S.S.R. through Finland and, if necessary, with the aid of the Soviet Union. At the same time, the agreement recognizes the Finnish desire to remain outside great-power conflicts. This agreement was extended for 20 years in 1955 and again in 1970.

Finland joined the United Nations and the Nordic Council in 1955 and in 1961 became an associate member of the European Free Trade Association. In 1973 Finland concluded a free-trade agreement with the European Communities (EC) and signed an association agreement with the Council for Economic Mutual Assistance (CEMA).

GOVERNMENT

Under the Finnish Constitution political power is divided between the Parliament and the President of the Republic, with substantial powers reserved to the President.

The President is elected for a term of 6 years, with no legal limits on the number of times he may succeed himself. He handles foreign policy, except for certain international agreements and decisions of peace or war that must be submitted to Parliament; he is Commander in Chief of the armed forces and has wide decree and appointive powers; he may initiate legislation, block legislation by pocket veto, dissolve Parliament, and call extraordinary sessions of that body; and he appoints the Cabinet. President Kekkonen's current term of office expires in 1978.

The Council of State is made up of the Prime Minister and Ministers for the various departments of the central government as well as an ex-officio member, the Chancellor of Justice. Ministers are not obliged to be members of Parliament, and often one or more of them are not formally identified with any political party.

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Constitutionally, the 200-member Parliament is the supreme authority in Finland. It may alter the Constitution, bring about the resignation of the Council of State, and override presidential vetoes. Its acts are not subject to judicial review. Legislation may be initiated by the President, the Council of State, or one of the members of Parliament. Parliament is elected on the basis of proportional representation. All persons 21 or over, except military personnel on active duty and a few high judicial officials, are eligible for election. The regular parliamentary term is 4 years. The President may, however, dissolve Parliament and order new elections at any time.

The judicial system is divided between courts with regular civil and criminal jurisdiction on the one hand, and special courts with responsibility for litigation between the public and the administrative organs of the state on the other. Judicial procedure differs from that in Anglo-Saxon countries. Finnish law is codified. While there is no writ of habeas corpus or bail, formal charges must be brought

TRAVEL NOTES

Climate and Clothing—Helsinki's climate is similar to Boston's in the winter, but summer temperatures rarely exceed 75° F. Northern and parts of interior southern Finland sometimes experience arctic conditions in mid-winter. Buildings are well-heated. Visitors should bring warm outdoor clothing during late autumn, winter, and early spring. Sweaters and raincoats are recommended at other times of the year.

Health—Public health standards are on a par with those in the U.S. Tap water is safe to drink. Medical facilities are of a high standard.

Telecommunications—Telephone and telegraphic services, domestic and international, are efficient and available to most parts of Finland and the world.

Transportation—Bus and taxi service is readily available in most cities of Finland, and reliable tram service is also available in Helsinki. Helsinki is served by daily flights to many European cities. Although no American carrier currently serves Finland, Finnair flies to and from New York several times a week. Finland's domestic air network is one of the best in Europe. The country also has efficient rail and long distance bus services. The road network is well-maintained. Nearly all major highways and most important secondary roads are paved.

within 3 days of detention on suspicion. Courts of first instance must hear a case within 8 days of arrest. The Finnish court system consists of local courts, regional appellate courts, and a Supreme Court.

Finland's 12 Provinces are divided into cities, townships, and communes administered by municipal and communal councils elected by proportional representation once every 4 years. The 11 mainland Provinces are administered by provincial boards composed of civil servants, each headed by a presidentially appointed Governor. The boards are responsible to the Ministry of the Interior and play a supervisory and coordinating role within the Provinces.

The island Province of Åland enjoys local autonomy by virtue of an international convention of 1921, imple-

mented most recently by the Act on Åland Self-Government of 1951. The islands are further set apart by the fact that they are almost entirely Swedish-speaking. Government is vested in the provincial council which consists of 30 delegates directly elected by Åland's citizens.

Principal Government Officials

President—Urho K. Kekkonen
Prime Minister—Kalevi Sorsa
Foreign Minister—Ahti Karjalainen
Ambassador to the U.S.—Leo Tuominen
Ambassador to the U.N.—Aarno Karhilo

Finland maintains an Embassy in the U.S. at 1900 24th St. NW., Washington, D.C. 20008.

POLITICAL CONDITIONS

Finland's proportional representation system encourages a multitude of political parties and has resulted in a number of short-lived coalition governments. The average life of post-independence governments has been about one year.

Since World War II, after which Communist participation in politics was legalized, four major parties have dominated the political arena, although none of them comes close to having a majority position. The largest is the Social Democratic Party (SDP) which commands the support of nearly 30 percent of the electorate, mainly among the urban working class but also with some support among small farmers, white-collar workers, and professionals. The SDP's great rival on the left is the People's Democratic League (SKDL), which is the front party in Parliament for the Finnish Communist Party (SKP). The SKDL attracts a traditional portion of votes from the working class and several protest groups. The SKDL's parliamentary effectiveness and potential participation in government is impaired, however, by the deep split in the Communist party between its "liberal" majority and "Stalinist" minority.

The two other major parties are the Center Party—primarily representing

rural interests—from which President Kekkonen came, and the Conservative Party, which draws its major support from the business community. These two parties, and the SKDL, each average somewhat less than 20 percent of the vote in national elections.

The core of the present majority government is a Social Democrat-Center Party coalition. Although they often find it painful to compromise their differing approaches to domestic politics, this coalition nucleus is likely to persist for the foreseeable future. Finnish politics ever since independence have been remarkably stable with regard to basic philosophical divisions.

Present representation in the Parliament, reflecting the birth of two splinter parties and the defection of a Liberal to the Social Democrats since the January 1972 elections, is as follows:

Social Democrats (SDP)	56
People's Democratic League (SKDL)	37
Center Party (K)	35
Conservatives (KOK)	33
Finnish People's Unity Party (SKYP)	13
Swedish People's Party (SFP)	9
Liberal People's Party (LKP)	6
Finnish Rural Party (SMP)	5
Christian League (SKL)	4
Constitutionalist People's Party (SPK)	2
TOTAL	200

ECONOMY

The Finnish economy is based on the wood processing industry, which primarily uses domestic raw materials, and on the metals (machinery) industry, originally established to support the forestry industry and vastly broadened to meet post-World War II reparations requirements. Finland now produces a wide array of modern products from ships and trucks to color television sets.

Most Finnish farms are small, usually with timber stands. (Timber is cut to meet periodic cash needs.) Finland is self-sufficient in dairy products and virtually so in meat and grains, but imports large amounts of fruits and vegetables.

With the exception of timber, Finland is dependent upon imported raw materials, energy, and some components for its manufactured products. Therefore trade is a critical element in the economy, and Finland is vulnerable to world market conditions and fluctuations. Finland has traditionally imported capital to offset perennial trade deficits. The sudden increase in world oil prices at the end of 1973 (Finland gets most of its petroleum products from the U.S.S.R., which raised its prices to OPEC levels); the general inflation, coming atop an already high level in Finland; recession in Finland's major export markets; and the rising cost of borrowing scarce capital combined to cause Finland severe economic problems, both domestically and in trade, in 1974. One major resort—because of the necessity to buy oil and the clearing account arrangement with the U.S.S.R., which enabled Finland to use its scarce reserves for other trade—was to increase the share of Finland's trade conducted with state-trading countries. As of early 1975 Finland had signed reciprocal free-trade agreements with Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria, Hungary, and the German Democratic Republic and had formal links with the CEMA. On the other hand, Finland is an associate member of EFTA and has a free-trade agreement with the EC. The obligation incurred to pay for oil in 1974 and thereafter will require substantial exports to the U.S.S.R. in years to come.

FOREIGN RELATIONS

Fundamental to Finland's foreign relations is a policy of neutrality with special emphasis on the maintenance of friendly relations with the Soviet Union. Also emphasized is cooperation with the other Scandinavian countries

and membership in the United Nations.

Finland's relations with the other Scandinavian states is symbolized by its membership in the Nordic Council. Under its auspices, the Scandinavian countries have abolished passports and visas among themselves, created a common labor market, and coordinated social and cultural policies.

While Finland is a Western nation—culturally, socially, and politically—the Finns realize the need to live in peace with their giant eastern neighbor and to refrain from any action that the U.S.S.R. might interpret as a threat to its security. The principal architect of this postwar policy of neutrality and friendly relations with the Soviet Union was the late President J. K. Paasikivi. After the election of President Urho Kekkonen in 1956 this policy was further developed and is now popularly known as the "Paasikivi-Kekkonen Line."

On his visit to the United States in July 1970 President Kekkonen emphasized that neutrality is the keystone of Finnish foreign policy: "As a neutral country, Finland seeks security not through military alliances or the protection of one group of powers against another but through a foreign policy designed to keep us outside of any possible conflict. Such a policy does not mean a withdrawal from international life. On the contrary, Finland has a vital national interest in working actively, together with other nations, for the containment of international conflicts and the peaceful settlement of disputes between nations."

This active interest in working with other nations has led Finland in recent years to promote itself as a site for international meetings—most notable have been the first round of the Strategic Arms Limitation Talks (SALT) and the Conference on

Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE). Finnish troops participate in U.N. peacekeeping activities—a Finnish general commands the U.N. Emergency Force in the Middle East. Within the limitations of its resources, Finland also seeks to play an active role in the Third World—it has technical assistance programs in several developing countries.

U.S.-FINLAND RELATIONS

Finns and Americans regard each other with mutual respect, and relations between the two countries are warm and friendly.

It has long been U.S. policy to express sympathy and understanding for Finnish neutrality and to encourage the Finns to be as balanced as possible in this neutrality. We also favor maintenance and reinforcement of Finland's historic, cultural, and economic ties with the West. The United States maintains in Finland one of the largest exchange programs in Western Europe, financed in part by Finland's World War I loan repayments. We also encourage U.S. businessmen to expand their efforts in Finland's admittedly small but sophisticated market.

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FRIDAY
JULY 30, 1976

5:05pm ARRIVE John F. Kennedy International Airport, New York,
via Finnair Flight.

6:00pm ARRIVE the Waldorf Towers
hotel, New York City.

Overnight:
Waldorf Towers

SATURDAY
JULY 31, 1976

11:30am Luncheon cruise on the yacht
"Highlander".

6:30pm Cocktail reception hosted by
the Finnish American Chamber
of Commerce, Waldorf Astoria
Hotel, Conrad Suite, 4th
floor.

7:30pm Dinner hosted by the Finnish
American Chamber of Commerce,
Waldorf Astoria Hotel, Conrad
Suite, 4th floor.

Overnight:
Waldorf Towers

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SUNDAY
AUGUST 1, 1976

9:00am DEPART Waldorf Towers hotel
enroute LaGuardia Airport
(Butler Marine Aviation
Terminal).

9:25am ARRIVE LaGuardia Airport.

9:30am DEPART New York via USAF
VC-9 aircraft enroute
Hancock, Michigan.

Flight Time: 2 hrs
15 mins

Time Change: none

Breakfast will be
served.

11:45am ARRIVE Holton County
Airport, Hancock, Michigan.

Summary Sched - 2

SUNDAY
AUGUST 1 (continued)

12:00noon ARRIVE Suomi College for
luncheon and Finn Fest '76.

3:15pm DEPART college enroute
airport.

3:30pm DEPART Michigan via USAF
VC-9 Aircraft enroute
Virginia.

Flight Time: 2 hours
30 minutes
Time Change: none

6:00pm ARRIVE Patrick Henry Inter-
national Airport, Newport
News, Virginia.

6:30pm ARRIVE Colonial Williamsburg,
Virginia.

Overnight: Colonial
Williamsburg

MONDAY
AUGUST 2, 1976

Private day in Colonial
Williamsburg.

7:30pm Dinner at Carters Grove
Plantation.

Dress: Business Suit

Overnight: Colonial
Williamsburg

Summary Sched - 3

TUESDAY
AUGUST 3, 1976

9:20am DEPART Colonial Williamsburg
via US Presidential Heli-
copters enroute Washington,
D.C.

Flight Time: 1 hour
05 minutes

10:25am ARRIVE Washington Monument
Grounds and depart by car.

10:30am White House Arrival Ceremony.

11:00am Meeting with President Ford,
at the White House.

12:30pm Luncheon hosted by the
National Press Club.

3:00pm Meeting with Finnish Press,
at Blair House.

3:30pm Meeting with the Mayor of
the District of Columbia,
at Blair House.

4:00pm Meeting with the Mayor of
Minneapolis, at Blair House.

8:00pm Dinner hosted by President
and Mrs. Ford, at the White
House.

Dress: Black Tie

Overnight: Blair House

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WEDNESDAY
AUGUST 4, 1976

- 8:00am Breakfast meeting with members
of Congress, at Blair House.
- 10:00am Wreath Laying Ceremony at
the Tomb of the Unknown
Soldier, Arlington National
Cemetery.
- 11:00am Meeting with the Secretary
of Transportation, at
Blair House.
- 1:00pm Luncheon hosted by the
Vice President at the
Anderson House.
- 5:30pm Reception hosted by Ambassador
and Mrs. Tuominen, at the
Embassy Residence.
- 8:00pm Dinner hosted by President
Kekkonen, at the Madison
Hotel.

Dress: Black Tie

Overnight: Blair
House

THURSDAY
AUGUST 5, 1976

10:05am Departure Ceremony at the
Washington Monument Grounds.

10:15am DEPART Washington, D.C. via
US Presidential Helicopters
enroute Andrews Air Force
Base.

10:30am DEPART Andrews Air Force Base
via USAF VC-9 Aircraft enroute
Minnesota.

Flight Time: 2 hours
30 minutes
Time Change: -1 hour

12:00n ARRIVE Minneapolis-St. Paul
International Airport,
Minnesota.

12:30pm ARRIVE University of Minnesota
for luncheon and awards
ceremony.

3:30pm DEPART university enroute
airport.

4:00pm DEPART Minnesota via USAF
VC-9 Aircraft enroute New
York.

Flight Time: 2 hours
25 minutes
Time Change: +1 hour

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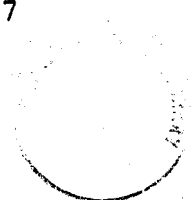
THURSDAY
AUGUST 5 (continued)

7:25pm ARRIVE John F. Kennedy
International Airport, New
York (Finnair Terminal).

9:30pm DEPART the United States
via Finnair Flight.

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Notes on People

Black Adm

Rear Adm. Samuel L. Gravely Jr., a World War II Navy enlisted man and later a railway postal clerk, became yesterday the first black admiral nominated for a vice admiral's three stars and command of a United States fleet.

President Ford has sent Admiral Gravely's name for Senate confirmation.

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 1976

TV TONIGHT

'George M!' With Us Again

By Bernie Harrison

Washington Star Staff Writer

The abbreviated rerun of the musical "George M!" is a half-hour shorter tonight (WTOP-9 at 8) than the original, which ran 90 minutes on its first showing six years ago. Maybe it's just as well. What they've cut is part of the saga of song-and-dance wizard George M. Cohan, and what they've kept are those random old songs — the kind they don't write anymore.

Talented Joel Grey starred in both the Broadway production and the TV version. The idea of the book was part of the current fetish to peel the layers off a legend and try to find the real man. What was he really like? It's not enough to be engaging and thoughtful; one must be profound.

What made "George M!" work on Broadway, however, was the reflection of the talent and its times, not the psyche of its hero. Grey may not be up to James Cagney, whose "Yankee Doodle Dandy" performance was a perfect ten, but he's next best — quite good, in fact — as the writer-singer-composer-dancer-director-producer-performer. I saw Cohan at the National Theatre in "Ah, Wilderness," the family comedy-drama Eugene O'Neill wrote to prove he could



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Ode on Our Town—Chocolate City

Mary J. Steadman, a 26-year-old resident of District Heights, has lived all her life in the Washington area. She went to Sousa Junior High and Bowie State College and now spends most of her time writing poetry. She sent this piece to The Star in the hope, she told us, "of helping people in Washington understand the beauty of themselves."

Chocolate City
is the nation's capital
where the temperature hits 95 and
black folks descend in DROVES
on Hayne's Point —
to get down on some baaaad ole herb,
some good rap,
and a box of Holly Farms Chicken

Chocolate City
is Woody's and Garfinkel's
trying to outdo each other in sales —
while MacBride's is still making
those commercials

Chocolate City
is piling your plate
at Southern Dining Room,
then tipping off to the Republic
Theatre
to meet your friends
and enjoy the show

We are BAD
simply because we ARE

can MOVE chocolate Mayor Wash-
ington
to help us SAVE our Human
Kindness Days
for our children

We Are Brothers and Sisters in Soul
and new awarenesses
and the Tavares brothers KNOW that
"IT'S TOO LATE."
For the Wonder-Prince
has already RECEIVED
his Innervisions
and has sent his messenger Bird of
Beauty
to spread the rumor

CHOCOLATE City
is Jim Vance
and Marilyn Robinson
sitting right there in your living room
passing the world like
the talking drums
of SWEET MOTHER AFRICA —
news carriers by word of mouth



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8/4 **Seasoned**
With Politics

By Dorothy McCordle
 and Donnie Radcliffe

With the Republican Convention less than two weeks away, politics was one of the main ingredients at last night's White House State Dinner for visiting President of Finland Urho Kekkonen.

John R. Linnell of Auburn, Maine, chairman of the Maine Republican State Committee, was among the Fords' 200 guests, as were convention delegates or alternates from Oregon, Pennsylvania, Colorado, Louisiana, Connecticut and Alaska. The father of a delegate from Illinois also showed up.

The social stroking of GOP party members, whose votes could help Mr. Ford capture the nomination, has been a continuing practice of Ford campaign lieutenants in recent weeks.

Deciding which delegates to invite is "really a question of deciding who

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From left: designer Steven Burrows and Bethann Hardison; auto racer Al Unser and Mrs. Unser with brother Bobby Unser, and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Orlando.

Photos by James A. Parcell
 The Washington Post





Gregory and Veronique Peck; Jules and Joanne Glazer with Franklyn Mullen; Gail Sloane and Charles Moffitt; Nancy Grossman; Leonard and Lyn Rosenman

DANCE TICKETS: "Mrs. Ford asked me to dance and I was taken aback," said **Stephen Burrows** of his first state dinner in the White House in Washington Tuesday night. The affair honored **Urho Kekkonen**, president of Finland. "At first, I found it difficult to do those dances they do at the White House like ballroom dancing. Then Mrs. Ford asked me to teach her the Hustle. I said I didn't know that dance and she showed me her own version of the Hustle. It wasn't bad." Burrows walked in with **Beth Ann Hardison**, who wore a Burrows' blue jersey strapless and silk chiffon serape. "I felt it was very impressive when **President Ford** asked me to dance. We didn't say much, but he was kind and I loved the whole idea of being in a room with so much power and being treated just like one of them," said Hardison, who was ex-

hausted after shuttling back to New York just in time for the YSL men's wear show.

LOTS OF BULL: A "bull-fighting event" is being planned for New York with **John Hoffman**, who bills himself as an "impresario," negotiating with the city for the use of Central Park or Shea Stadium. Hoffman's office said it is hoping to stage outdoor events April through September, and fights in Madison Square Garden October through March, with tickets scaled from \$35 to \$100. Further details are due to be made known next Tuesday. Meanwhile, **Alice Herrington**, of Friends of Animals said she believed the events would never take place because New York state has a law prohibiting the baiting of animals for sport, and the only type of similar activity permitted is rodeos.

COUNTDOWN: "I don't think men conductors should be discriminated against just because they are men," violinist **Isaac Stern** joked as **Eugene Ormandy** dealt with questions involving the sexual makeup of his Philadelphia Orchestra during a press conference in Saratoga Springs. Ormandy reported he has 10 women in the symphony and also mentioned there have been 600 well-known women conductors between the 12th Century and the present. To a question concerning his health, Ormandy queried, "How do I look?" Then he observed, "Somebody said, 'You know Ormandy is here; and his friend replied, 'Is he still alive?' " Will he ever retire? The conductor smiled, "Yes, but on stage."

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(U.S.-FINLAND)

(BY HENRY KEYS)

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- PRESIDENT FORD GREETED FINNISH LEADER URHO KEKKONEN WITH A 21-GUN SALUTE AT THE WHITE HOUSE TODAY, AND TOLD HIM FINLAND'S ROLE IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS PROVES "A SMALL COUNTRY CAN MAKE A USEFUL CONTRIBUTION TO WORLD PEACE".

KEKKONEN, MAKING A BICENTENNIAL VISIT TO AMERICA, THANKED FORD FOR A U.S. FOREIGN POLICY BASED ON HONESTY AND DEPENDABILITY AND SAID HE WELCOMED THE OPPORTUNITY FOR DISCUSSIONS ON TOPICS INCLUDING "PROBLEMS RELATED TO THE RELAXATION OF TENSIONS."

FORD TOLD THE 76-YEAR-OLD PRESIDENT OF FINLAND: "YOUR VISIT PERMITS US TO REAFFIRM THE CLOSENESS OF THE TIES OF OUR TWO COUNTRIES AND TO RECALL THE WARM WELCOME YOU GAVE TO ME AND MRS. FORD WHEN WE VISITED FINLAND A YEAR AGO."

HE SAID FINLAND'S ROLE IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS DEMONSTRATED "BEYOND ANY DOUBT THAT A SMALL COUNTRY CAN MAKE A USEFUL CONTRIBUTION TO WORLD PEACE."

KEKKONEN TRAVELED BY HELICOPTER FROM WILLIAMSBURG, VA., THIS MORNING, AND ARRIVED AT THE WHITE HOUSE IN A LIMOUSINE FLYING THE FINNISH AND AMERICAN FLAGS.

A BRILLIANT SUN ADDED TO THE COLORFUL TURNOUT OF A MILITARY HONOR GUARD AND A CROWD OF SEVERAL THOUSAND PERSONS, INCLUDING MANY WAVING SMALL FINNISH FLAGS, WAITED ON THE SOUTH LAWN OF THE WHITE HOUSE.

FORD ESCORTED KEKKONEN TO THE RED CARPETED DAIS WHERE THE TWO MEN STOOD TO ATTENTION TO HEAR A BAND PLAY THE NATIONAL ANTHEMS OF BOTH COUNTRIES.

"WE IN FINLAND REALIZE VERY WELL THE ENORMOUS RESPONSIBILITY WHICH THE UNITED STATES BEARS IN SOLVING INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS," KEKKONEN SAID.

"YOUR ACTIVE CONDUCT OF FOREIGN POLICY AND YOUR EFFORTS TO SOLVE THESE PROBLEMS IN AN EQUITABLE MANNER, DEPENDABLY AND HONESTLY, ARE RESPECTED ALL OVER THE WORLD."

KEKKONEN SAID HE WISHED TO CONVEY THE GREETINGS OF THE FINNISH PEOPLE DURING THE U.S. AND HOPED TO EXCHANGE VIEWS ON SUBJECTS OF MUTUAL INTEREST, PARTICULARLY "OF PROBLEMS RELATED TO THE RELAXATION OF TENSIONS."

THE TWO LEADERS WALKED TO THE OVAL OFFICE, WHERE KEKKONEN PRESENTED FORD WITH A BICENTENNIAL MEDAL BEARING THE INSCRIPTION, "OLD FRIENDS HAVE STRONG TIES."

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KEKKONEN LEAD (TOPS N12)

BY GEORGE GEDDA

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HE NOTED THAT FINLAND HAS SENT PEACE-KEEPING FORCES TO THE MIDDLE EAST AND CYPRUS AND SERVED AS HOST FOR THE EUROPEAN SECURITY CONFERENCE AND SALT TALKS.

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(WHITE HOUSE DINNER)

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORD WOUND UP THE SUMMER SOCIAL SEASON AT THE WHITE HOUSE TUESDAY BY INVITING SEVERAL INFLUENTIAL POLITICAL FRIENDS TO A STATE DINNER HONORING PRESIDENT URHO KEEKKONEN OF FINLAND.

AMONG THE GUESTS WERE JOSEPH BURNS, WALTER KENNEDY AND JOHN LINNELL AND MRS. JACKIE OBERG, CHAIRMEN OF THE PRESIDENT FORD COMMITTEES FOR VERMONT, MAINE, AND ALASKA; JAMES BAKER, FORD'S CHIEF DELEGATE COUNTER; I. LEE POTTER, CHAIRMAN OF THE REPUBLICAN BOOSTERS CLUB, ARLINGTON, VA.; GEORGE LATIMER, MAYOR OF ST. PAUL, MINN.; MAYOR CHARLES STENVIG OF MINNEAPOLIS AND MAYOR JAMES TAFT OF CRANSTON, R.I.

THE FORDS ALSO INVITED THEIR SON JACK, 24 AND DAUGHTER SUSAN, 19, ALONG WITH COMEDIANS MARTY ALLEN, EDGAR BERGEN; FASHION DESIGNER STEPHEN BURROWS; CARL LINDNER, PRESIDENT OF THE CINCINNATI ENQUIRER; AND GORDON CRAIG, PRESIDENT OF THE BOOTH NEWSPAPERS OF MICHIGAN.

OTHER GUESTS INCLUDED AUTO RACERS AL AND BOBBY UNSER AND AUTHOR THEODORE WHITE.

THE BLACK TIE DINNER WAS THE LAST TO BE HELD UNDER A TENT IN THE ROSE GARDEN AND MARKED THE FINALE OF BICENTENNIAL FOREIGN VISITORS TO THE WHITE HOUSE.

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PRESIDENT FORD

10:30 A.M. - WELCOMING CEREMONY FOR FINLAND'S PRESIDENT URHO
KEKKONEN.

11 A.M. - WHITE HOUSE MEETING WITH KERKKONEN.

2 P.M. - VICE PRESIDENT ROCKEFELLER.

8 P.M. - STATE DINNER FOR KEKKONEN.

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KEKKONEN

WASHINGTON (AP) -- THE LAST OF THE U.S. BICENTENNIAL VISITS BY EUROPEAN LEADERS BEGINS WITH THE ARRIVAL OF FINLAND'S PRESIDENT URHO KEKKONEN.

AFTER THE STANDARD WHITE HOUSE WELCOMING CEREMONY TODAY, KEKKONEN WILL CONFER WITH PRESIDENT FORD AND SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER AND THEN WILL ADDRESS A NATIONAL PRESS CLUB LUNCHEON.

KEKKONEN, 76, IS THE LONGEST SERVING DEMOCRATICALLY ELECTED HEAD OF STATE IN THE WORLD. KEKKONEN HAS HELD HIS OFFICE FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS.

OFFICIALLY, FINLAND IS A NEUTRAL COUNTRY, BUT AMERICAN OFFICIALS SAY THE COUNTRY'S POLICIES ARE HEAVILY INFLUENCED BY ITS NEIGHBOR, THE SOVIET UNION. ON THE OTHER HAND, MOSCOW POINTS TO FINLAND'S DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS AS PROOF OF ITS WILLINGNESS TO COEXIST PEACEFULLY WITH COUNTRIES OF DIFFERENT SOCIAL SYSTEMS.

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(KEKKONEN)

WASHINGTON (UPI) --FINNISH PRESIDENT URHO KEKKONEN IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE IN NEW YORK FRIDAY FOR A BICENTENNIAL STATE VISIT.

THE 76-YEAR-OLD PRESIDENT, WHO CELEBRATES HIS 20TH ANNIVERSARY AS FINLAND'S HEAD OF STATE SEPT. 3, WILL BE WELCOMED TO THE UNITED STATES BY PRESIDENT FORD ON TUESDAY WITH FULL MILITARY HONORS AND A REVIEW OF GLOBAL QUESTIONS WITH FORD.

ACCORDING TO THE PROGRAM RELEASED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT, NO OFFICIAL ENGAGEMENTS HAVE BEEN ARRANGED FOR KEKKONEN IN NEW YORK WHERE HE WILL SPEND A RELAXED TWO DAYS BEFORE FLYING ON TO COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG LATE ON SUNDAY.

HE WILL SPEND ANOTHER PRIVATE DAY IN WILLIAMSBURG FROM WHICH HE WILL FLY BY HELICOPTER TO THE WHITE HOUSE TUESDAY MORNING.

A HIGHLIGHT OF KEKKONEN'S TOUR WILL BE A VISIT TO HANCOCK, MICH., NEXT WEEK WHERE HE WILL PARTICIPATE IN THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF SUOMI COLLEGE WHICH WILL BE SPONSORING A MAJOR FINNFEST WHICH IS EXPECTED TO DRAW POSSIBLY TENS OF THOUSANDS OF FINNISH-AMERICANS FROM THE MIDDLE WEST TO HANCOCK.

ON AUG. 5, THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA WILL PRESENT KEKKONEN WITH THEIR REGENTS' AWARD FOR INTERNATIONAL SERVICE.

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Isabel Peron Still in Gilded Cage

Buenos Aires — ISABEL PERON, who was ousted as president of Argentina in a coup last March, remains under house arrest on charges of misusing public funds. But her life-style has not been altered drastically. The Buenos Aires newspaper La Tarde says that Mrs. Peron is being held in a luxurious mountain

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villa where she is served breakfast in bed and spends the rest of the day reading magazines, watching television and playing canasta. The newspaper also said that Mrs. Peron has two small dogs that belonged to her late husband, Juan D. Peron.

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London — QUEEN ELIZABETH, Britain's queen mother, quietly celebrated her 76th birthday yesterday at Clarence House, her London residence. She planned to leave today for



Isabel Peron
A life of ease

French student," he said. Louis flew back to Paris this week after he was recognized at a party in Newport where he had been the guest of MR. AND MRS. BRUCE SUNDLUN

FORD and his family in a sing-along Tuesday night as the White House held its last formal dinner party until after the November election. The scene took on the atmosphere of a campaign rally as guests clapped hands and sang to Ford: "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands." the guest of honor was PRESIDENT URHO KEKKONEN of Finland, who left the party about midnight. The 205 guests included several delegates to the Republican National Convention.

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Los Angeles — VERONICA STILLIS, 27-year-old wife of rock musician STEPHEN STILLIS, has filed a divorce action against him, citing "irreconcilable differences." The couple were married three years and have one child, a 2-year-old son. Stills, 31, has been a member of several rock

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