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**THE WHITE HOUSE**

WASHINGTON

Office of the Press Secretary to Mrs. Ford

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Susan Ford will be interning in the photo department of the Topeka Capital Journal newspaper in Topeka, Kansas. She will be working under the supervision of Rich Clarkson, the director of photography, and her job will essentially be that of a staff photographer. She will be paid \$115 a week, and will work on the paper for approximately six weeks. She will be leaving on Monday, July 7.

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Item: 8" x 10" BW photo of Susan Ford being interviewed  
at the Topeka Capital Journal as she starts her  
summer job. 7/7/75

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# Kansan's photography intern is daughter of a president

*Kansas City, Kansas 7-10-75*

The daughter of a president, Marianne Maurin, is employed as a photography intern this summer with The Kansan.

She is being treated just like any

they will give her special training in the darkroom so she can learn their techniques.

"I'm looking forward to working here in Kansas City, Kan.," Miss Maurin

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any brown coat under the cloudless  
lies in 92 degree temperatures.  
She and Clarkson sat in the back seat  
of the rented car as the vehicle and its  
secret Service escort auto made the  
port drive to her summer home, a  
townhome motor hotel across the street  
from the paper.  
The summer job and its preparations  
are being kept as low key as possible,  
Clarkson said. The photo department  
lead, recently named president of the  
National Press Photographers  
Association, said she will be treated as

The five-column, six-inch photo  
showed prospective customers crowded  
into a land auction at the Shawnee  
county courthouse. Inset in the upper  
right corner was a closeup of the  
auctioneer with microphone.

The picture credit line was the only  
mention of the President's daughter in  
today's Capital-Journal, the Kansas  
capital's only major daily newspaper.

any other summer intern  
Clarkson said Miss Ford will go out  
on assignments with other staff  
photographers for the first few days to  
m, according to newspaper officials.

TOPEKA, Kan. (UPI) — The new  
City Kansan 7-9-75  
at Topoka newspaper

Susan Ford on job

DAILY NEWS, WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 1975 140

## Susan Now Working Girl

Topeka, Kan., July 9 (AP) — Susan Ford went to work today as a \$115-a-week photography intern at the Topeka Capital Journal.



THE WASHINGTON POST

F 2 *Thursday, July 10, 1975*

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Susan Ford made an auspicious start in her summer job as a photography intern at the Topeka (Kan.) Capital-Journal. A photograph she took at a Shawnee

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**MEMO**

**FROM**

*Walter C. Eldon*

Public Affairs Officer

Susan says father  
may be new model

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) — Susan Ford  
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photographer with...

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(SUSAN)

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(SUSAN)

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- SUSAN FORD, NOW WORKING AS AN INTERN PHOTOGRAPHER FOR THE TOPEKA, KAN., CAPITAL-JOURNAL, HAS DECIDED TO QUIT WRITING HER REGULAR MONTHLY COLUMN IN SEVENTEEN MAGAZINE. FIRST LADY BETTY FORD'S PRESS SECRETARY, SHEILA RABB WEIDENFELD, SAID SUSAN HAS ALREADY WRITTEN HER SIXTH AND LAST COLUMN, AND IT WILL APPEAR IN THE SEPTEMBER ISSUE OF THE MAGAZINE.

"SHE FOUND IT WAS TAKING QUITE A BIT OF HER TIME," MRS. WEIDENFELD SAID, ADDING THAT IT INTERFERRED WITH SUSAN'S SUMMER JOB AND PREPARATION FOR COLLEGE IN THE FALL.

"SHE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE JUST TOO MUCH," MRS. WEIDENFELD SAID.

SUSAN, WHO CELEBRATED HER 18TH BIRTHDAY LAST WEEKEND, BEGAN HER SUMMER JOB THIS WEEK IN TOPEKA.

MRS. WEIDENFELD SAID SUSAN WAS GETTING PAID FOR HER COLUMNS IN THE MAGAZINE. THE AMOUNT HAS NEVER BEEN DISCLOSED.

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(MORNING)

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SUSAN FORD

TOPEKA, KAN. (AP) -- SUSAN FORD WENT ON HER FIRST ASSIGNMENT AS A SUMMER PHOTOGRAPHY INTERN TODAY AND RETURNED WITH A PICTURE OF AN AUCTION THAT WAS SCHEDULED FOR THE FRONT PAGE OF WEDNESDAY'S EDITION OF THE MORNING DAILY CAPITAL-JOURNAL.

EDITOR DON MARKER SAID THE PICTURE WOULD BE DISPLAYED ON THE FRONT PAGE UNLESS SOMETHING MORE NEWSWORTHY DEVELOPS TONIGHT TO BUMP IT INSIDE.

RICH CLARKSON, THE NEWSPAPERS' DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY, CALLED THE SHOT "A COMPROMISE," BECAUSE OF DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH THE PRESIDENT'S DAUGHTER WORKED ON HER FIRST ASSIGNMENT OF A SCHEDULED SIX-WEEK TRAINING SESSION WITH THE PAPERS.

"I REALLY LIKE IT SO FAR," SAID SHE SAID OF THE \$115-A-WEEK JOB. MISS FORD WILL REMAIN HERE UNTIL JOINING HER PARENTS IN VAIL, COLO., IN MID-AUGUST FOR A VACATION BEFORE SHE BEGINS COLLEGE IN WASHINGTON, D.C., THIS FALL.

SHE ARRIVED HERE LATE MONDAY AND WENT TO WORK AT 9 A.M. TODAY. SHE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY A VETERAN STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER ON HER FIRST ASSIGNMENT, WHICH WAS A SHERIFF'S AUCTION OF LAND ON WHICH TAXES HAD NOT BEEN PAID.

THE AUCTION WAS HELD INSIDE THE SHAWNEE COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

"UNDER THE SOMEWHAT UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES, SHE DID AS WELL AS ANYONE COULD HAVE DONE," CLARKSON SAID.

HE SAID THAT BECAUSE OF THE PHYSICAL LAYOUT OF THE AUCTION, IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE FOR MISS FORD TO SHOOT BOTH THE AUCTIONEER AND THE BIDDERS, SO AN INSET WAS MADE IN THE MAIN PICTURE TO SHOW BOTH.

MISS FORD WAS ACCOMPANIED WHEREVER SHE WENT BY SECRET SERVICE AGENTS.

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SUSAN FORD

KANSAS CITY (AP) -- SUSAN FORD WENT ALMOST UNNOTICED DURING A VISIT TO THE WORLDS OF FUN AMUSEMENT PARK IN CLAY COUNTY. PRESIDENT FORD'S DAUGHTER MADE THE TRIP HERE SUNDAY FROM TOPEKA, KAN., WHERE SHE IS WORKING FOR SIX WEEKS AS A SUMMER PHOTOGRAPHER INTERN. SHE WAS ACCOMPANIED BY FOUR SECRET SERVICE AGENTS, FOUR FRIENDS NEAR HER OWN AGE OF 18, SOME WORLDS OF FUN STAFF MEMBERS AND A REPORTER AND PHOTOGRAPHER FOR THE KANSAS CITY TIMES.

SHE RODE THE ROLLER COASTER AND OTHER THRILL RIDES, TOOK IN A MUSICAL PRESENTATION, SHOOK HANDS WITH BOBBY VINTON, A POP SINGER WHO WAS REHEARSING FOR A CONCERT AT THE PARK SUNDAY NIGHT, AND SNAPPED PICTURES OF HER FRIENDS.

SUSAN WAS SUCH AN UNKNOWN AT THE PARK THAT "GERTRUDE GORILLA," AN EMPLOYEE IN A FURRY RED APE SUIT, ATTRACTED A COVEY OF AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHERS WHILE THE PRESIDENT'S DAUGHTER STOOD IN A REFRESHMENT LINE ONLY A FEW FEET AWAY, IGNORED.

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(SUSAN)

*Susan*

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SUSAN FORD

TOPEKA, KAN. (AP) -- SUSAN FORD WILL BE A STUDENT INTERN PHOTOGRAPHER FOR THE TOPEKA STATE JOURNAL AND THE TOPEKA DAILY CAPITAL THIS SUMMER, THE NEWSPAPERS ANNOUNCED.

A SPOKESMAN SAID THE PRESIDENT'S DAUGHTER WILL DO PHOTO LAB WORK FOR THE PAPERS, WHICH ARE OWNED BY STAUFFER PUBLICATIONS OF TOPEKA, AND WILL TAKE PICTURES ASSIGNED TO HER BY EDITORS.

THE NEWSPAPERS SAID THE WHITE HOUSE WOULD ANNOUNCE MISS FORD'S SUMMER JOB PLANS TODAY.

NEWSPAPERS OFTEN HIRE STUDENT INTERNS TO FILL IN FOR VACATIONING REPORTERS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS DURING THE SUMMER. RICH CLARKSON, PHOTO DIRECTOR FOR THE STATE JOURNAL, SAID HIS FAMOUS NEW EMPLOYEE WILL "BE DOING THE SAME WORK AS OUR OTHER PHOTO INTERNS."

"THE WHOLE THING, HOPEFULLY, WILL BE PRETTY LOW KEY."

MISS FORD, WHO WILL BE "LOOSELY FOLLOWED" BY SECRET SERVICE AGENTS DURING HER STAY IN TOPEKA, IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE ON MONDAY, ONE DAY AFTER HER 18TH BIRTHDAY, CLARKSON SAID. HE SAID SHE WILL BEGIN WORK ON TUESDAY.

A SPOKESMAN SAID PRESIDENT FORD HAD ORDERED SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE NEWSPAPERS TO WATCH FOR HIS DAUGHTER'S PHOTOGRAPHS.

CLARKSON SAID DAVE KENNERLY, WHITE HOUSE PHOTOGRAPHER, ARRANGED THE INTERNSHIP. "KENNERLY THOUGHT THIS WOULD BE A GOOD PLACE TO WORK, A GOOD ENVIRONMENT FOR LEARNING PHOTOJOURNALISM," CLARKSON SAID.

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(SUSAN)

DURHAM, N.C. (UPI) -- SUSAN FORD, PRESIDENT FORD'S DAUGHTER, WILL ATTEND AN INTERNATIONAL TRACK MEET HERE JULY 18-19, WORKING AS A PHOTOGRAPHER.

RICH CLARKSON, DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY FOR THE TOPEKA (KAN.) CAPITAL-JOURNAL WHERE MISS FORD IS WORKING AS AN INTERN THIS SUMMER, SAID THURSDAY HE WILL PHOTOGRAPH THE MEET FOR TIME, INC., AND WILL BRING MISS FORD TO ASSIST HIM.

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TEAMS FROM THE UNITED STATES, PAN AFRICA AND WEST GERMANY WILL COMPETE IN THE EVENT.

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SUSAN FORD

TOPEKA, KAN. (AP) -- SUSAN FORD'S FINAL ASSIGNMENT AS A TOPEKA CAPITAL-JOURNAL INTERNE PHOTOGRAPHER WASN'T HER NEATEST ONE.

PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORDS ONLY DAUGHTER WAS SENT WITH EDITORIAL INTERN KATHY THOMAS OF TOPEKA TO TAKE PICTURES FOR A MAN-ON-THE-STREET STORY THE TOPEKA STATE JOURNAL RUNS EACH SATURDAY.

THE QUESTION ASKED WAS, HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT HAVING YOUR PICTURE TAKEN BY THE PRESIDENT'S DAUGHTER?

SUSAN WINCED WHEN SHE TOLD ABOUT THE QUESTION DURING AN ASSOCIATED PRESS INTERVIEW. IT WASN'T THE NEATEST ASSIGNMENT IVE HAD THIS SUMMER, SHE SAID.

SUSAN'S LAST DAY AT THE PAPER WAS TODAY, AND SHE LEFT WITH THE CONVICTION SHE WANTS TO CONTINUE PHOTOGRAPHIC WORK.

THE WORK SHE LIKED BEST WAS A PICTURE PAGE LAYOUT THE SUNDAY CAPITAL-JOURNAL CARRIED TWO WEEKS AGO OF AN OLD RAILROAD DEPOT NEAR SALINA, KAN., WHICH A DOCTOR HAD CONVERTED INTO HIS HOME.

MISS FORD, WHO ARRIVED HERE JULY 7 AND HAD HER FIRST PICTURE SPLASHED ON THE FRONT PAGE, SAID SHE HAD REALLY ENJOYED HER STAY IN THIS KANSAS CAPITAL CITY OF 140,000. SHE SAID SHE HAS ABOUT 20 PERSONAL FRIENDS HERE NOW WITH WHOM SHE HOPES TO MAINTAIN CONTACT.

I LEARNED A LOT, SHE SAID. NOW, I WANT TO BE ABLE TO GO AND APPLY IT AT ANY OTHER JOB I GET.

SUSAN, 18, ALSO SAID SHE WANTS TO RECORD THE OTHER SIDE OF HER FATHER ON FILM WHEN SHE GETS THE CHANCE.

I WANT TO DO A KIND OF PERSONAL FATHER THAT I KNOW, SHE SAID. HE'S REALLY THE SAME PERSON AT HOME HE IS AT WORK, BUT I'D LIKE TO SHOOT THE PERSONAL THINGS HE ENJOYS DOING.

SUSAN SHOT A PORTFOLIO OF PICTURES OF HER FATHER AT WORK IN THE WHITE HOUSE LAST MAY.

IVE SEEN THE OFFICIAL SIDE, SHE SAID. NOW, I WANT TO DO THE OTHER.

SHE LEAVES TOPEKA ON SUNDAY FOR VAIL, COLO., TO JOIN HER VACATIONING FAMILY. SUSAN WILL REMAIN IN VAIL UNTIL SEPT. 4 OR 5, SHE SAID, THEN RETURN TO WASHINGTON AND PREPARE FOR HER FRESHMAN YEAR AT MOUNT VERNON COLLEGE.

THOSE CLOSE TO SUSAN BELIEVE SHE MAY REMAIN IN WASHINGTON FOR ONLY THE FIRST SEMESTER, THEN SEEK EMPLOYMENT AS A PHOTOGRAPHER IN COLORADO. SHE SAID SHE MIGHT TRY TO WORK PARTTIME WHILE GOING TO SCHOOL THIS FALL, BUT NEEDS TO SEE HER COLLEGE SCHEDULE BEFORE SHELL KNOW IF THAT'S POSSIBLE.

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### PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

TOPEKA, KAN. (AP) -- SUSAN FORD, 18-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER OF THE PRESIDENT, SAT ON A BALE OF HAY BEHIND THE KANSAS GOVERNOR'S MANSION, ATTRACTING THE ATTENTION BEFITTING THE GUEST OF HONOR.

THE SUNDAY PARTY PLANNED BY GOV. AND MRS. ROBERT BENNETT WAS THE ONLY OFFICIAL FUNCTION OF THE STATE TO RECOGNIZE THE PRESENCE OF MISS FORD, WHO WILL COMPLETE A SIX-WEEK TOUR NEXT SUNDAY AS A PHOTOGRAPHER-TRAINEE WITH THE TOPEKA CAPITAL-JOURNAL.

SHE IS SCHEDULED TO GO TO VAIL, COLO., FOR A BRIEF VACATION WITH THE PRESIDENT AND MRS. FORD BEFORE BEGINNING HER FRESHMAN YEAR AT MOUNT VERNON COLLEGE IN WASHINGTON.

ABOUT 250 YOUNG PEOPLE ATTENDED THE PARTY IN HER HONOR, FEATURING A WESTERN MOTIF WITH BARBECUE, COUNTRY MUSIC AND A HAY RIDE.

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MOSCOW (AP)

TOPEKA, KAN. (AP) -- SUSAN FORD HAS ARRIVED HERE FOR HER SIX-WEEK JOB AS A NEWSPAPER PHOTOGRAPHER.

THE PRESIDENT'S 18-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER WAS GREETED MONDAY AS SHE LANDED BY 91-DEGREE TEMPERATURES, BRIGHT SUNSHINE AND RICHARD CLARKSON, PHOTO CHIEF OF THE TOPEKA CAPITAL-JOURNAL, WHO WILL BE HER BOSS IN A \$115-A-WEEK PHOTOGRAPHY INTERNSHIP AT THE PAPER.

MISS FORD WILL END HER INTERSHIP IN MID-AUGUST, THEN TAKE A VACATION WITH HER FAMILY IN VAIL, COLO. SHE IS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN HER FRESHMAN YEAR AT MT. VERNON COLLEGE IN WASHINGTON THIS FALL.



# Susan Ford completes summer assignments

By LEW FERGUSON

Associated Press Writer

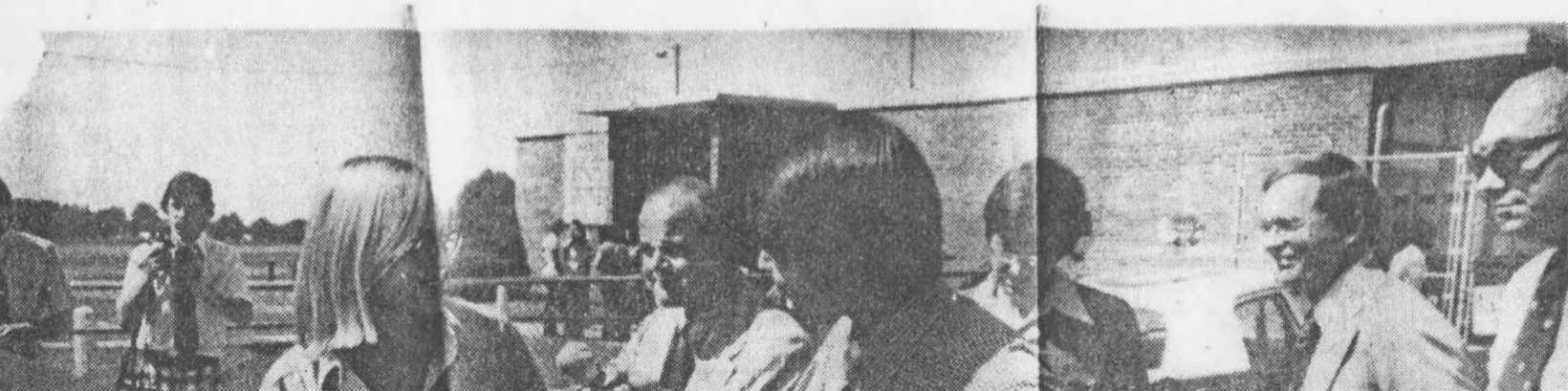
Susan Ford's final assignment as a Topeka Capital-Journal intern photographer wasn't her "neatest" one.

President and Mrs. Ford's only daughter was sent with editorial intern Kathy Thomas of Topeka to take pic-

film when she gets the chance.

"I want to do a kind of personal father that I know," she said. "He's really the same person at home he is at work, but I'd like to shoot the personal things he enjoys doing."

Susan shot a portfolio of pictures of her father at work in the White House



The Topeka Daily Capital

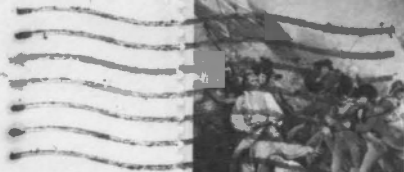
# Viewpoints

Tuesday, July 8, 1975

## Welcome Miss Ford

The Capital-Journal extends a warm welcome to Susan Ford, 18-year-old daughter of President Gerald R. Ford,

long. In fact, Capital-Journal-trained photographers have found top jobs waiting for them.



Bunker Hill 1775 by Trumbull  
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The President & Mrs. Ford,

The White House,  
Washington,

D.C.

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Mrs. I. F. Olds

617 Poyntz Ave.

Manhattan, Kansas 66502

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#### VIP AT WORK

Poised and ready for the next play, Susan Ford, daughter of President Gerald Ford, covers the football game between the Kansas City Chiefs and the Saint Louis Cardinals

Saturday night. She drew stares from those at Arrowhead Stadium who recognized her, but basically the 18-year-old blond went about her work, avoiding the limelight that comes with being a VIP.—Tribune Photo

## Photographer Nudges Susan Ford

How does one react when, after bumping a fellow photographer, and turning to apologize, finds himself face-to-face with the daughter of the President of the United States?

But because of her father's position, she is forced into the limelight more than she desires. Every time she goes out she is faced with "excuse me, but are you Susan Ford?" and has to live through



# Un, sne s tne summer intern

Now the real story can be told about Susan Ford's job at The Capital-Journal. Sounds spicy, doesn't it? Maybe racy? Okay, then how about downright slick, like a muckracking tabloid?

Actually, it has been nice having Susan around the office. It has changed some things . . . it really has. For in-



Bob  
Sands

A department head tried to sit near Susan when she attended an administrative luncheon for interns. Like many on the staff, he hadn't met Susan. He had waited five weeks to be introduced. He had been thinking of something clever to say when he would be introduced during the luncheon. Like:

told them she would take a rain check. Interestingly, the interns suffered through the same dry spell as the farmer.

Susan had talked to her father earlier in her stay and told him that he was right — Topeka is a nice town. He visited here last winter. Mark one up for the

8/22 I hope you enjoyed  
your summer - Neta Polton

**SEL**

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**MEMO** FROM *Neta A. Polton*

Public Affairs Officer

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## Susan leaves Topeka, family experts behind

In case you'd missed it, Susan Ford is in Vall, Colo., this morning, presumably discussing affairs with her mother and Brian McCartney.

Having finished up her Topeka stay, everyone has been asking this past week what Susan was really like? What about her Topeka parties? What about her love life? And since a week ago

RICH CLARKSON

Monday AM

There were a lot of messages for Dad, too. Such as the advocate of solar

**September 18, 1975**

**Dear Jennifer,**

**Thanks so much for your thoughtfulness in sending along your interview with Susan.**

**I enjoyed it very much and have given the article to Susan for her scrapbook.**

**Again, thank you.**

**Sincerely,**

**Sheila Rabb Weidenfeld  
Press Secretary to  
Mrs. Ford**

**Ms. Jennifer Robles  
916 West  
Emporia, Kansas 66801**



July 23, 1975  
Emporia, Ks



Miss Ford's Press Secretary  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Hello,

I thought this office would appreciate a copy of my story on Miss Ford's recent press conference. Preserving her identity as a person was my main interest. I'm sure that is your goal also.

I am disappointed but not surprised that Miss Ford won't be able to visit Emporia. I feel we have plenty of common ground as we are the same age and share an equal intensity about journalism. Either way, I wish her the best in the future.

I hope this article will be of some help to you, and if I can be of any assistance in any capacity, feel free to ask.

Respectfully,

Jennifer Robles

916 West

Emporia, Kansas 66801



# THE EMPORIA GAZETTE

*Friday, the Eighteenth Day of July, MCMLXXV*



*Expert Gardeners. . . .*

## Susan Ford Seeks Her Own Identity

*By Jennifer Roblez*

When answering a question, she stares back with those remarkably candid eyes that she inherited from her father, President Gerald R. Ford. She is Susan Elizabeth Ford, known to most as the President's daughter. But she is intensely determined to preserve her own identity.



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Topeka, Kansas, Friday, July 11, 1975—36 Pages

## Butterfield White House CIA contact

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former presidential aide Alexander Butterfield, who revealed the existence of

was on the CIA payroll or whether Nixon or other administration officials knew of Butterfield's role.



served in the White House, a former CIA liaison of the Air Force said today.

However, retired Col. L. Fletcher Prouty said in a telephone interview Butterfield would not have acted as a CIA spy in the White House. Prouty said he did not know whether Butterfield

Watergate burglar. Prouty said Hunt used Butterfield to help him arrange White House endorsement of a group seeking the release of Indochina prisoners of war, including undercover CIA agents.

Butterfield could not be reached for comment.

His wife called Prouty's description of her husband's role "absolutely false."

White House Press Secretary Ron Nessen said Thursday as many as a handful of CIA agents work at the White House, but that none of them are undercover operatives.

Prouty described Butterfield as the person in the White House whom the CIA would have contacted if the agency needed White House assistance with sensitive operations. Butterfield served as an assistant aide to Nixon from 1969 until 1973.

An informed source said Prouty had given his information to the House intelligence committee in recent days. Prouty was called to appear before committee investigators again today.

In the interview, Prouty said top White House officials in the administration of former President Richard M.



—Staff photo by Bern Keich

Susan Ford, 18-year-old daughter of President and Mrs. Ford, answered questions of the news media this morning as she held her first public news conference since starting work Tuesday as a summer photographic intern at

The Capital Journal. After finishing her first photo assignment of the day and before leaving for the next, she met with newspaper reporters and then held a session for television and radio representatives.

## Life in Topeka appeals to Susan

By ROGER MYERS  
Staff Writer

Susan Ford, speaking this morning at her first news conference since she

The President announced formally this week that he will be a candidate for the GOP nomination for President in 1976.

conference in The Capital Journal cafeteria conference room, then went up to the newsroom to answer questions for 15 minutes before a battery of network

the smaller communities of the state while in Topeka and Rich Clarkso, director of photography for the paper — said Susan will be given at least



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# HOW SUSAN WON THE WEST



**...they came ...they saw  
... she conquered**

Photo By Randy Saylor

*Dear Dad:*

*There are a lot of good things out here among the wheat fields of Kansas. Like the fact that at press conferences the reporters treat you like you were Royalty instead of a Robber.*

*Love,  
Susan*

**I**f a veteran Washington newsman had suddenly been catapulted into the midst of a press conference in Topeka the other day, he would have been surprised and bewildered by what he

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**By Tom Leathers**

# Longer youthful, too

By **KATHY KETCHUM**  
Staff Writer

At least one youthful Topekan expects to see longer hemlines at her high school this fall.

Debbie Field, 16, is sewing a couple of long, loose dresses to wear to school. Her dilemma is not what length to make them but whether or not she should wear the matching triangular



# Topeka Capital-Journal

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*Susan - Topeka file*

The Honorable Gerald R. Ford  
President of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

You can be very proud of your daughter.

She handled herself extremely well during today's meeting with the press. She was poised, never seemed flustered, and answered questions in a friendly personal manner.

We hope now she can continue her internship without much additional interference from media representatives. She is doing well and seems to like her work and being here.

Susan said her accommodations in the Ramada Inn were most satisfactory. We would have been happy to have her stay in our spare bedroom, as I told Sandra Eisert of the White House staff last week, but her apartment there is probably working out better for her.

We are hopeful she will enjoy herself during off-the-job hours, too. She is tentatively scheduled to get together with our daughter, Mary, Sunday for tennis and swimming and then for dinner with my brother's and my family.

The Capital-Journal is most pleased to have her here and we want to make her stay a worthwhile learning experience. Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help make her summer a pleasant one.

Sincerely,

*John H. Stauffer*  
John H. Stauffer

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

Carolyn,

Mrs. Ford will probably want to see this. I don't think it has been answered yet, but Marba could check.

I have also attached a thank you note from David Kennerly's sister, Mrs. Strutzenberg.

Sheila



—Staff photos by Susan Ford

Dr. and Mrs. Delmas A. Jackson, Salina, prepared lunch in the kitchen of their home-away-from-home, a remodeled Santa Fe depot. Mrs. Jackson made the hand-woven panels that decorate the base of the counter. Mike Jack-

son, 10, left, chinned himself as his mother finished up the dishwashing in the kitchen of the 1904 caboose the Jacksons have converted to living quarters.

Topeka Sunday Capital Journal 8/3/75

# Susan Ford on job at Topeka newspaper

*K. City Kansan 7-9-75*

TOPEKA, Kan. (UPI) — The new intern at the TopekaCapital Journal will be treated just like any other intern, according to newspaper officials.

any other summer intern.

Clarkson said Miss Ford will go out on assignments with other staff photographers for the first few days to

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## Kansan's photography intern is daughter of a president

*Kansas City Kansan 7-10-75*

The daughter of a president, Marianne Maurin, is employed as a photography intern this summer with The Kansan.

they will give her special training in the darkroom so she can learn their techniques.

"I'm looking forward to working here

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# Susan at work, likes job so far

Susan Ford went to work at The Capital-Journal shortly before 9 a.m. today — and at 10:30 was out on her first assignment.

After facing an old bugaboo her famous father should know all about —

Miss Ford, briefed on what her routine duties would be when she reported for work at 9 a.m., said she was eager to get started.

"I really like it so far," she said.

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Washington Star  
8-8-75, p. 2

### Susan's Stepping Out Again

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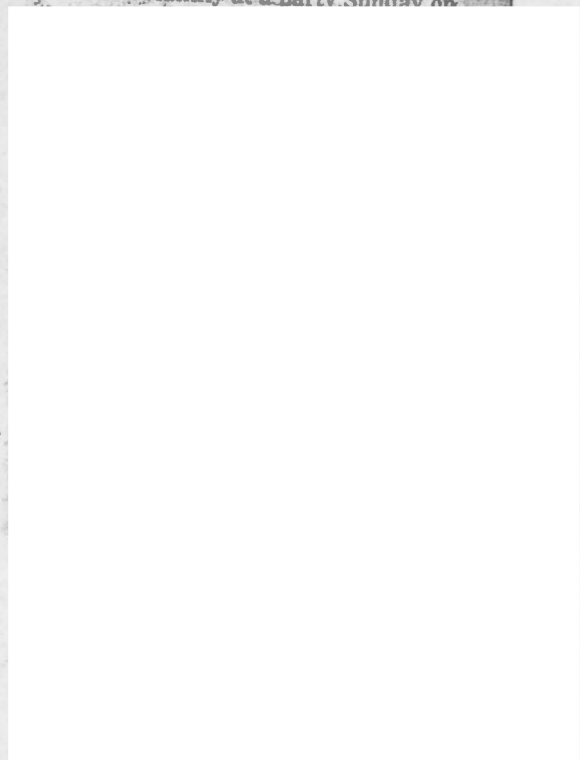
**Topeka Fire Chief Ben Neill worked the controls on his model railroad set at his home at 814 Randolph. The new chief has worked with trains as a hobby since 1947 and his collection includes about 4,000 cars.**

Topeka Capital-Journal 8/4/75

Topeka State Journal 8/21/25

# Miss Ford to be Bennetts' guest

Gov. Robert F. Bennett disclosed today that Susan Ford will be the guest of the first family at a party Sunday on





—Staff photo by Susan Ford

**Wiggin era begins—**

Paul Wiggin's debut as Chiefs coach didn't produce a winner as the St. Louis Cardinals claimed the Governor's Cup, 10-3, Saturday night.

# Susan Ford Picked a Master to Teach

## Her Press Photography

By GARY HAYNES

*Inquirer Graphic Arts Director*

News photography is much in the news again these days with the entry into the field by Susan Ford, the 18-year-old daughter of the President.

Miss Ford will earn \$115 a week

pany is a real photo store in Salina, Kan. It got its start, and its name, providing pictures-in-a-minute to anyone who was willing to sit in a small booth under hot lights and squint uncertainly straight ahead into a wall. On the other side of the wall

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## VAIL NIGHT SPOT

L.A. TIMES

8/18/75

# Fords Have Fun

VAIL, Colo. (AP)—President Ford, Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger and the President's key aides joined a Saturday night crowd at a Vail discotheque.

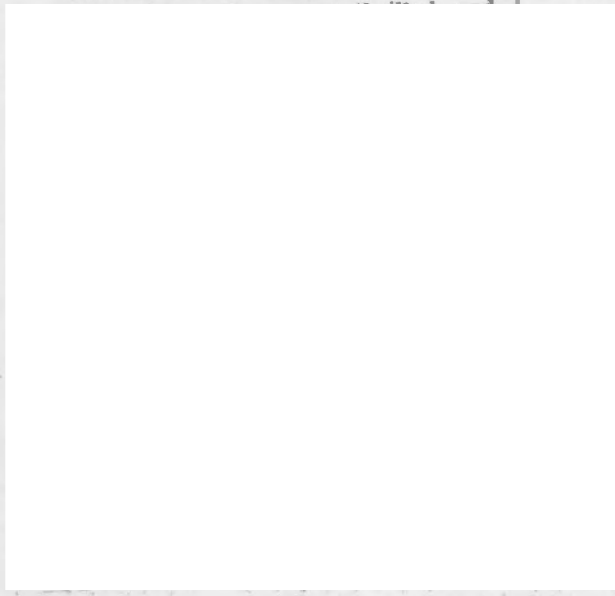


## Susan Ford Ends Her Photography Internship

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# With Photography ...By Susan Ford

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—United Press International

## Names/Faces

### An Affair to Forget, If Possible



You got a mother who goes on national TV, you got a problem, as Susan Ford is finding out. Last Sunday, as we all remember vividly, Susan's mother, the First Lady, disclosed that she wouldn't be surprised if Susan came home one day and told her she was having an affair. (What was the poor woman supposed to say? "I never

**DINING OUT IN VAIL** — Susan Ford is accompanied by Vail ski patrolman Brian McCartney, 26, to the Left Bank, a French restaurant, for dinner with her family and Secretary of State Kissinger and his family. The dinner ended a weekend reunion with President Ford leaving the Colorado resort for the Midwest and Kissinger returning to Washington. Story on A-3.



—Staff photo by Susan Ford

Residents of the United Methodist Home unable to go to Topeka Public Library or to use the bookmobile are benefiting from a homebound service that provides library materials to them.

Topeka State Journal 7/12/75



## Young crowd relaxes at cookout for Susan

By **ROGER MYERS**  
Statehouse Writer

The crowd was young, the motif western and the atmosphere relaxed Sunday night during a barbecue honoring Susan Ford.

Gov. and Mrs. Robert F. Bennett were hosts for the backyard affair, which had about 250 invited guests. Most were Susan's age and Mrs. Olivia Bennett explained that inviting young





# Susan Ford completes summer assignments

By LEW FERGUSON  
Associated Press Writer

Susan Ford's final assignment as a Topeka Capital-Journal intern photographer wasn't her "neatest" one.

President and Mrs. Ford's only daughter was sent with editorial intern Kathy Thomas of Topeka to take pic-

film when she gets the chance.

"I want to do a kind of personal father that I know," she said. "He's really the same person at home he is at work, but I'd like to shoot the personal things he enjoys doing."

Susan shot a portfolio of pictures of her father at work in the White House

*Washington Post . 8-18-75 p. B3*

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# What Do YOU Surprise, will as Susan Clicks



—Staff Photo—

Susan Ford, 18-year-old daughter of President Gerald Ford, completed her last day as a Capital-Journal summer intern Friday by photographing Topekans for the "What Do YOU Think?" regular Saturday feature.

*Today's  
question:*

What are your reactions to being photographed by Susan Ford, the President's daughter?

Editor's note: Today's question was asked at 8th and Kansas.



"Thrilled." Lisa Thomas, 14, 5531 N.W. Green Hills Road.

# Salinans off beaten track

(Continued from Page 13)

ment the reconstruction project began. Inside, white paint turned the walls into a bright spot for pictures, paintings and a collection of old railroad spikes. A brass-tick holder became a

plied the food; the guests brought paint brushes and scrapers. By day's end, the depot was newly painted. At least, it had its first coat.

As autumn progressed, the boys helped their father wash down boards

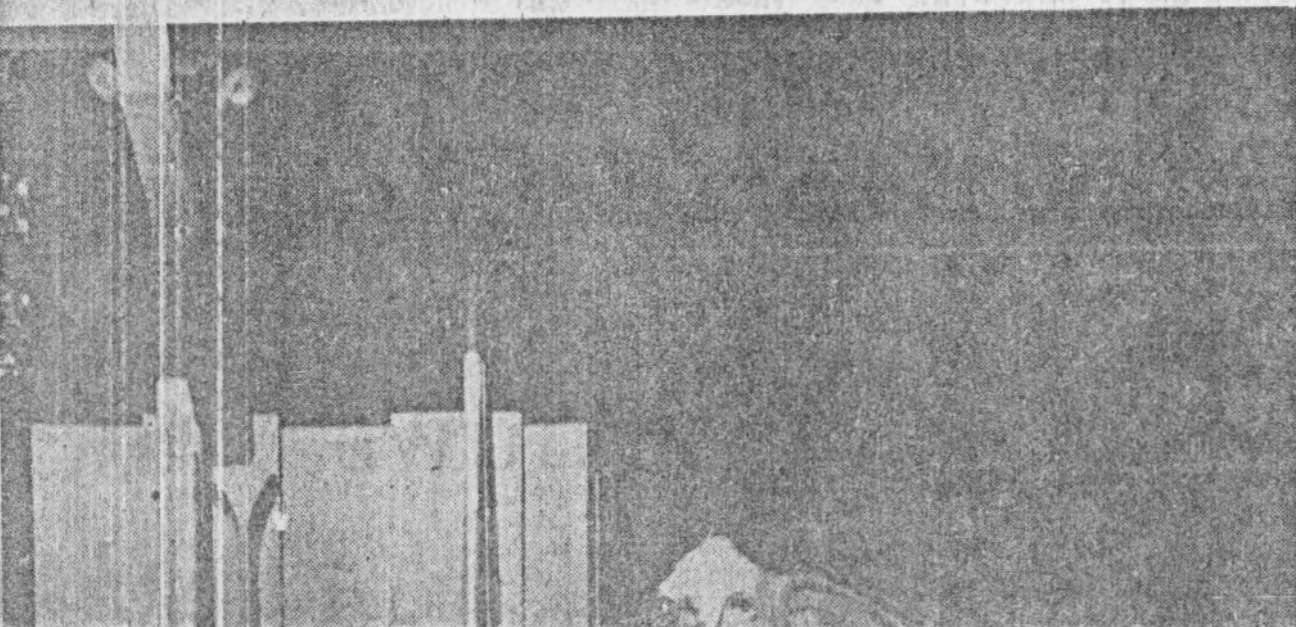
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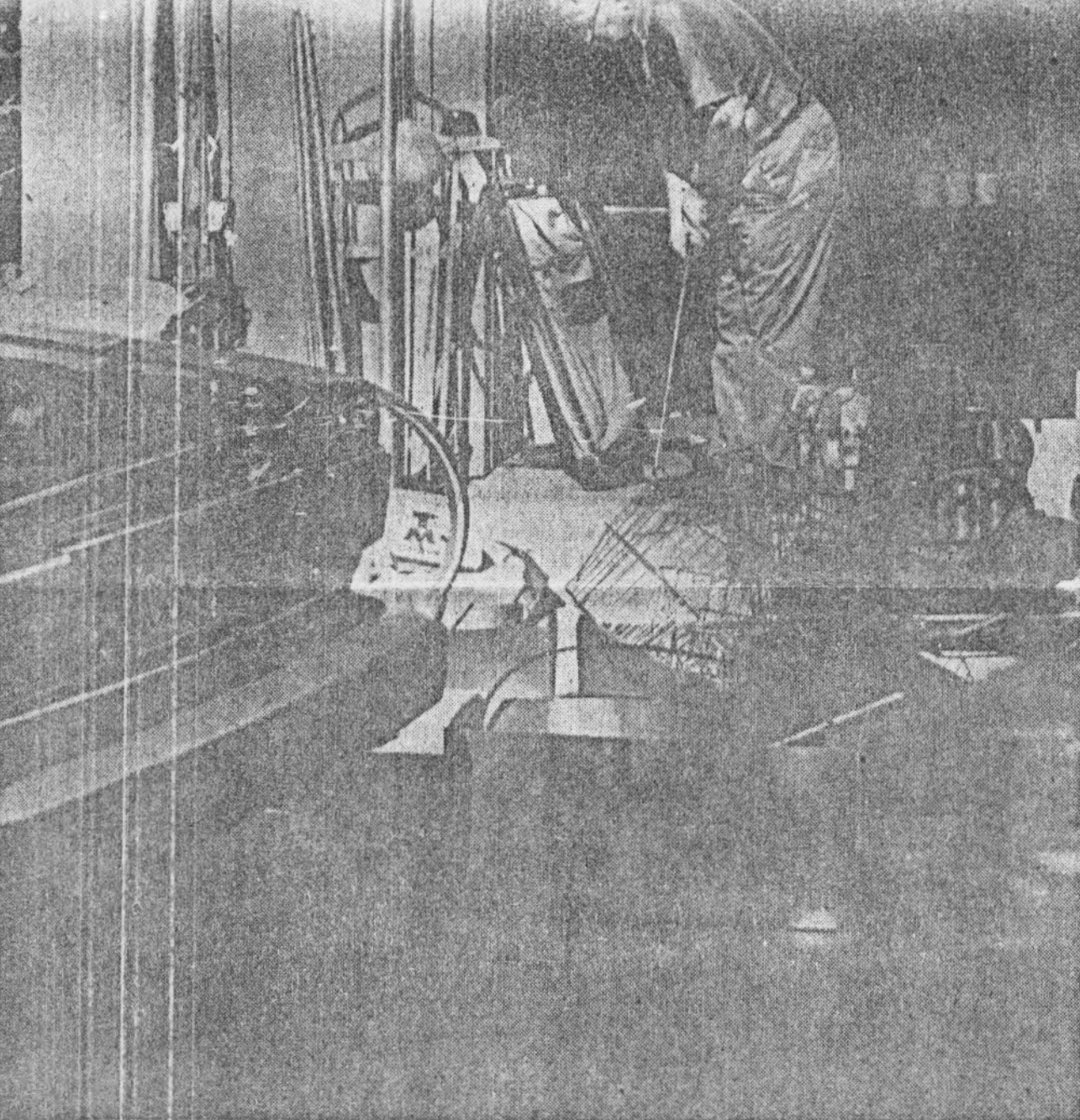
A loft was built at one end of the depot and now, Ann Jackson is planning to move her loom from their Salina barn to the corner high in the depot.

*It's typical summertime in Kansas, time to go shopping down the street in...*



# A tale of two sales





*The merchandise may be different but the examinations are the same. An old-time golfer tried out a putter at the Duffens (left) while a woman browsed through racks of clothes at the Sullivan house.*



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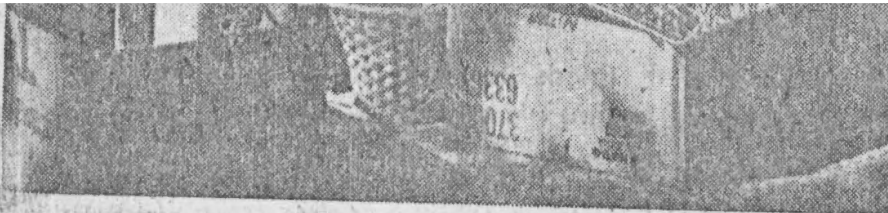
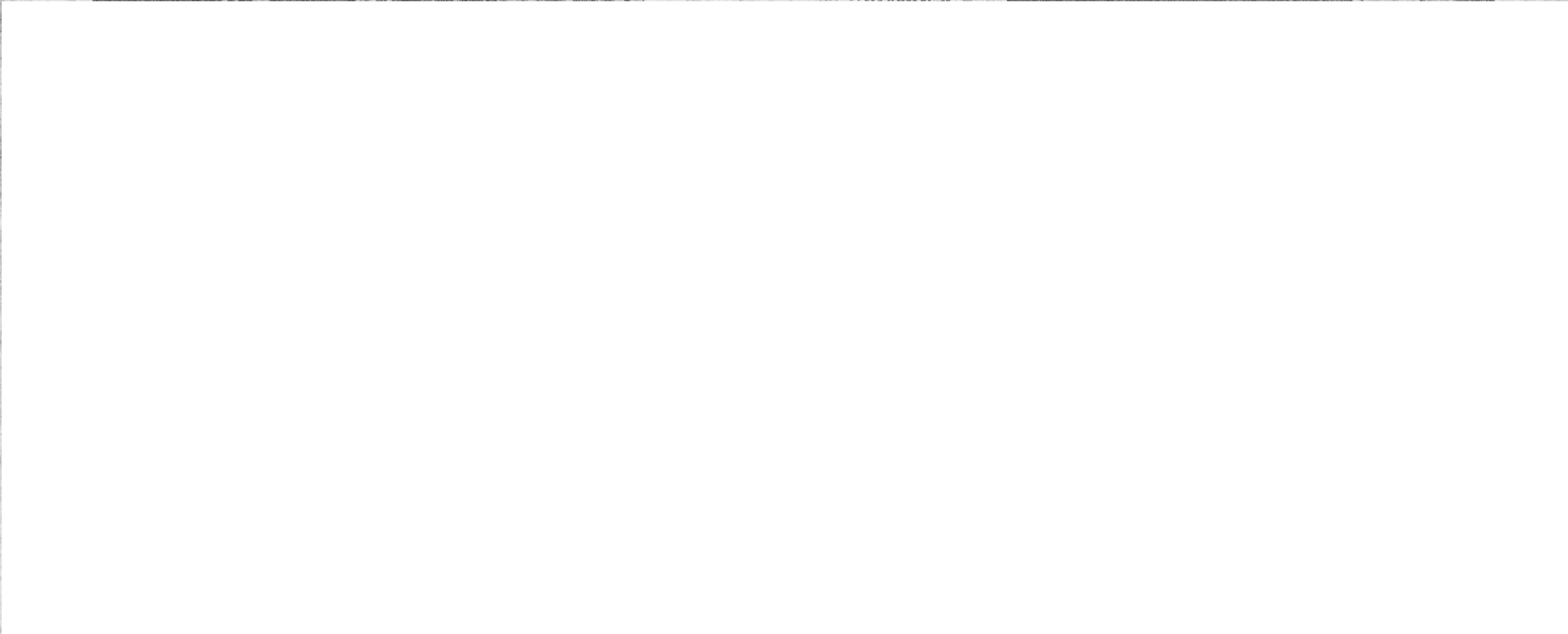
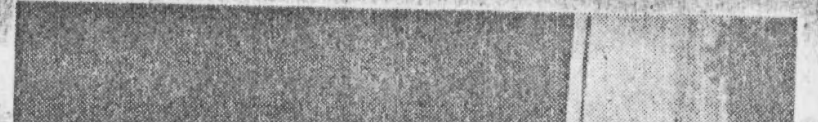


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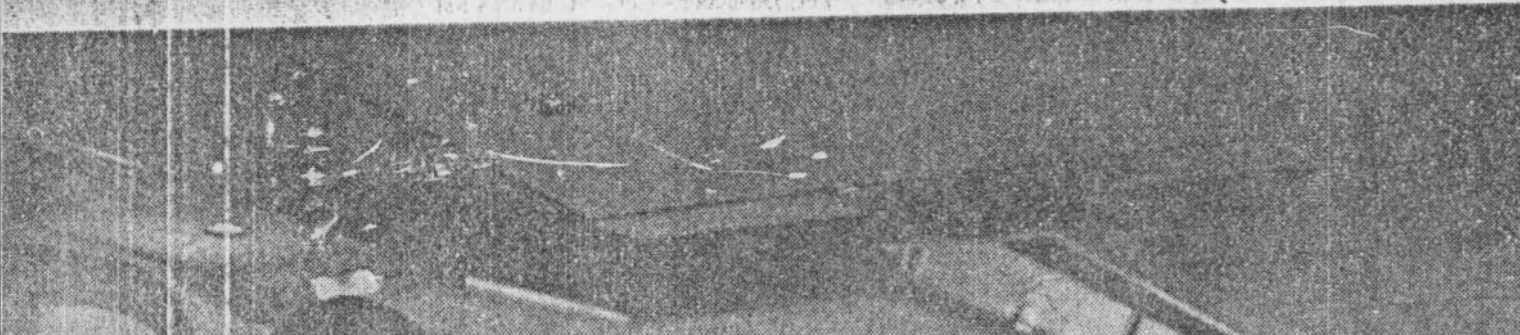


—Staff photos by Susan Ford

*At the Duffens, a woman and boy looked through boxes of books, pots and baskets.*

*modern living* 

# The ultimate space trip

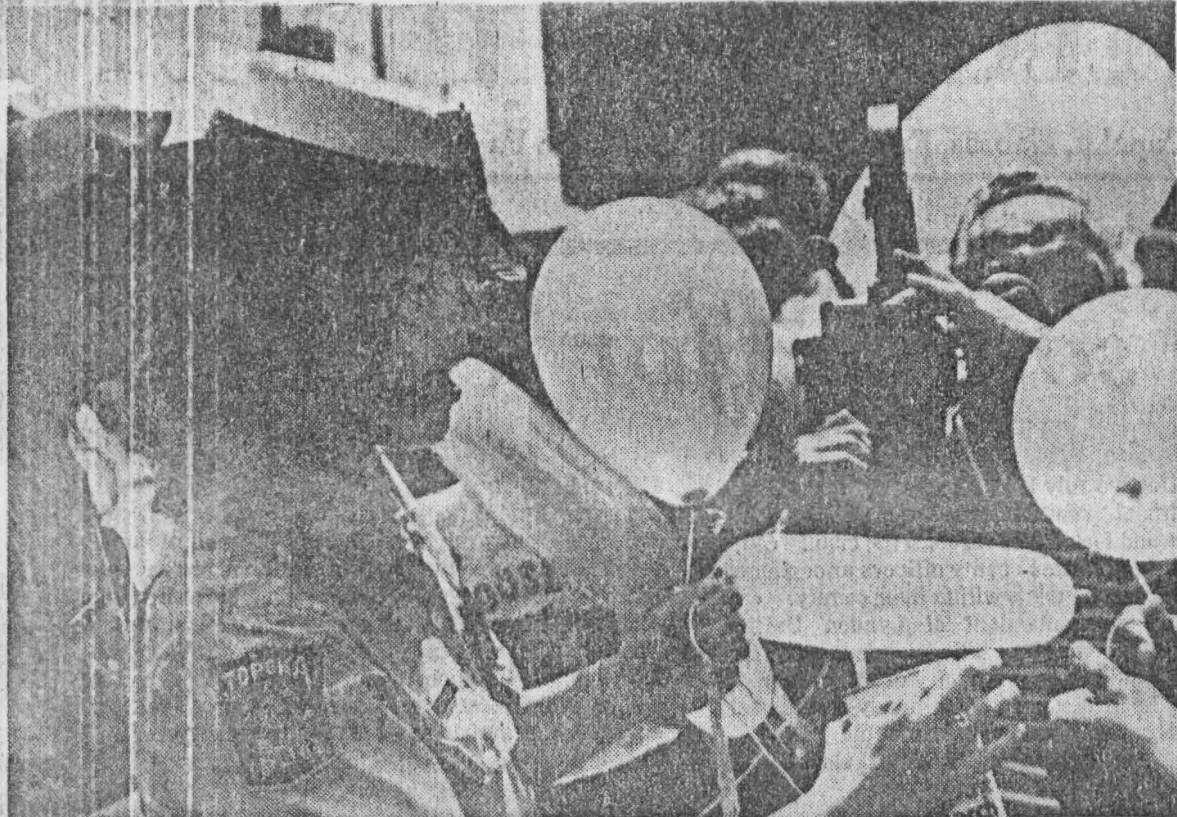


The society page of the Kansas City Star once described Morgan Maxfield as the perfect host. Another time the Star referred to Maxfield, president of the Kansas City-based Great Midwest Corp., as the ultimate space buff — the dashing man about town who would rather break a space record than par.

Morgan Maxfield threw a little excursion this week and it was a real space trip. He chartered a 747, filled its 409 seats with an auspicious collection of Midwest business and professional







Susan Ford set up a picture this morning (photo at left) during a March of Dimes money-raising campaign downtown while she in turn was the subject of other cameramen

who followed her on her second assignment of the day for The State Journal. She took the picture of Patrolwoman Debbie Sackrider (right) who handed out helium-filled

balloons to children who contributed change to the drive to raise funds for birth defects. Miss Ford, 18-year-old daughter of President and Mrs. Ford, had just finished her first

press conference with local and national news representatives since she joined The Capital-Journal as a summer photographic intern.

Fines big  
business

# Life in Topeka appeals to Susan

Kissinger,  
Gromyko

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ington, D.C., this fall. It is a four-year

a setting where she could get more varied experience taking pictures.

here to learn a job and to try and gain some experience," he said.

surgery for removal of a breast last year.

# Off the beaten track



That's where the Jackson family of Salina goes weekends for their nostalgic summer hideaway.

Not far out of Salina is the Canton Santa Fe railroad station. Only it isn't in Canton any more. And the Rock Island caboose sitting there isn't on the main line tracks. Both are at the hidea-





# The Topeka State Journal

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Bulk of money goes to schools

## Traffic fines major fund source for counties

By The Capital-Journal Staff

weigh station, leads the list with \$117,698, plus \$62,630

The law, effective July 1, 1973, gave the State Educa-

41, said, "In my computing the budget, there has

## Butterfield White House CIA contact

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former  
identical aide Alexander Butter-

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Nixon or other administration officials  
knew of Butterfield's role

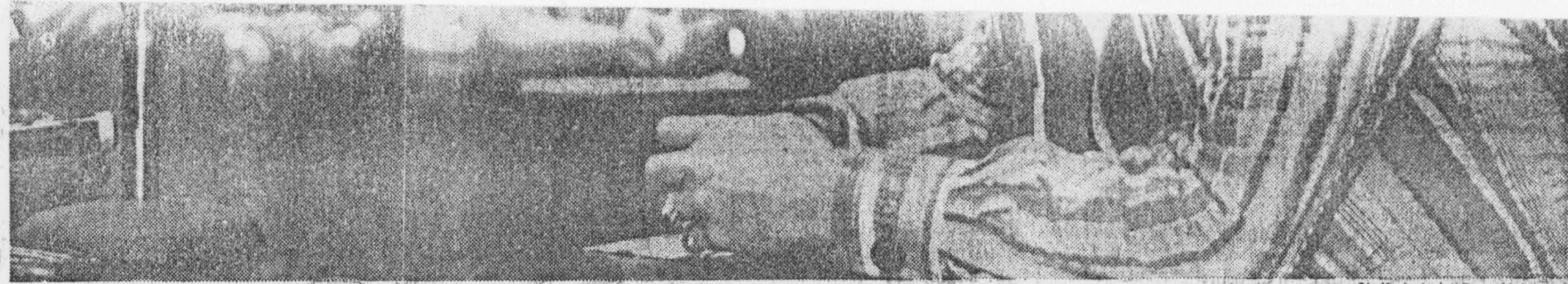


field would not have acted as a spy in the White House. Prouty said he did not know whether Butterfield

agents.

Butterfield could not be reached for comment.

His wife called Prouty's description of her husband's role "absolutely



—Staff photo by Bern Ketchum

Susan Ford, 18-year-old daughter of President and Mrs. Ford, answered questions of the news media this morning as she held her first public news conference since starting work Tuesday as a summer photographic intern at

The Capital-Journal. After finishing her first photo assignment of the day and before leaving for the next, she met with newspaper reporters and then held a session for television and radio representatives.

# Life in Topeka appeals to Susan

By **ROGER MYERS**  
Staff Writer

Susan Ford, speaking this morning at her first news conference since she joined the photography staff of The Capital-Journal as a summer intern.

The President announced formally this week that he will be a candidate for the GOP nomination for President in 1976.

Miss Ford said she talks each day with her parents at the White House. "I

conference in The Capital-Journal cafeteria conference room, then went up to the newsroom to answer questions for 15 minutes before a battery of network cameras.

The meetings with media represen-

the smaller communities of the state while in Topeka and Rich Clarkson, director of photography for the papers—said Susan will be given at least one assignment that takes her "out into the state."

## Susan to see space launch

Susan Ford and her boss at the Capital-Journal will leave Monday for the Kennedy Space Center at Cape Canaveral, Fla., to see next week's manned

## Miss Ford relaxes after work—

# Busy schedule tiring

By **KATHY THOMAS**  
Staff Writer

Susan Ford said today she "loves to go to a small town and just do your own thing" but admitted she would rather

nis. One of the items she carried off the plane on her arrival Monday afternoon was a tennis racket.

She said she has worked hard on her assignments and so far has preferred

Plans for continuing her education at Mount Vernon College in Washington would not be interrupted, she said, due to the campaign. She hopes to get a job on the newspaper there as a photogra-

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 1975

# The New York Times

## Susan Ford Finds A 'Superneat' Job

By WILLIAM E. FARRÉLL

Special to The New York Times

TOPEKA, Kan. — At 8:57 A.M. on a recent day, Dick King, the city editor of The Topeka State Journal, handed a slip of paper bearing a

camera; Miss Ford's two Secret Service men stood on the parched field, keeping an eye on her. The sun was bright and hot; the air still





— Staff photo by Susan Ford

Buyers in a Shawnee County Courthouse hallway listened with varying interest Tuesday as auctioneer Don Dain (inset) sold land on which taxes were owed the county.

# Names/Faces

## Susie Snaps the Sweatsock Set



The media's best-covered still photographer, Susan Ford, was snapping away in Durham, N.C., where she was covering something caled the USA-West

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## Could That Be a Ford?



Associated Press Wirephoto  
Susan Ford can't quite hide behind sunglasses as she rides bumper scooter in Kansas City amusement park. Susan, working as a summer photographer-trainee on Topeka, Kan. newspaper, managed to spend most of the day in park unrecognized.

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Berry's World—

*Handwritten scribbles*



## Susan enjoys

### visit at park 7/28/75

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KANSAS CITY (AP) — Susan Ford was almost, but not quite, ignored Sunday during a visit to the Worlds of Fun



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*Jim Berry*

"If you don't mind — I'd rather not know where Susan Ford is and what she's doing this week. It makes me too envious!"

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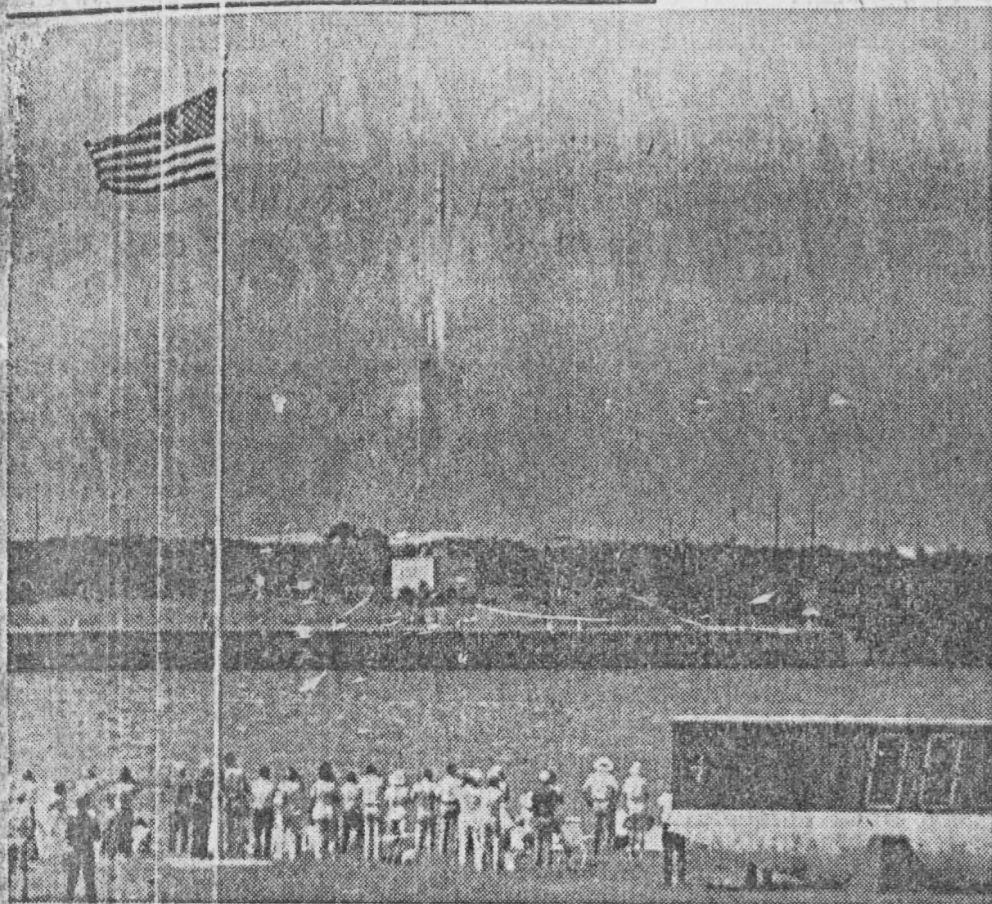




—Staff photo by Susan Ford

Lawrence Rusch, who farms near 53rd and California, checked an ear of his corn this morning as he contemplated weather conditions that have threatened Shawnee County's No. 1 crop. Officials say the situation is "critical" and two inches of moisture are needed in the next week.

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—Associated Press

The Apollo Saturn 1B rocket blasts off from Cape Canaveral as spectators watch from one of the observation points near the Kennedy Space Center.



Soviet Ambassador Anatoliy Dobrynin gestures excitedly as he watches the Apollo launching at Cape Canaveral.



—United Press International

A large crowd of Muscovites gather around television sets at the Kosmos Space Pavilion in Moscow to watch the blastoff of the Soyuz for its meeting in space with the U.S. Apollo. Another group of spectators (below) are the American astronauts waiting to be launched into space. They are (at right from front to back) Vance D. Brand, Thomas P. Stafford and Donald K. Slayton. It was the first time the Russians had permitted live coverage of a space launch.

# SPACE

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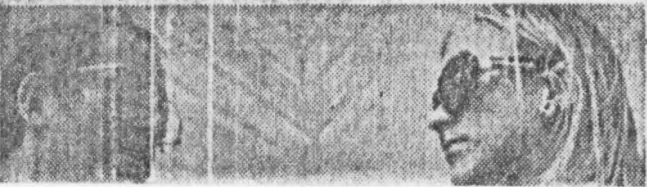
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"Sort of like being bumped by a truck," said astronaut Vance Brand of the initial burn of less than a second.

After docking the space-



Washington Star - 8/6/75



—United Press International

an Ford discusses her film with Topeka Capital-Journal staffer Jeff Jacobsen.

Kansas Apprenticeship

## Susan Ford Finds Job "Super-Neat"

New York Times News Service

TOPEKA, Kansas. — At 8:57 a.m. Dick King, the city editor of the Topeka State Journal, handed a slip of paper containing a picture assignment to the young blonde woman with a camera bag.

"Right now, as fast as you can get there," King told President Ford's 18-year-old daughter, Susan. The picture deadline for the afternoon paper was 10:30 a.m.

"Yeah," replied the apprentice photographer and within three minutes, with an agility all the more remarkable because she was wearing cumbersome slip-on shoes, Miss Ford was in the newspaper's parking lot accompanied by two Secret Service agents.

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—United Press International

**Susan Ford discusses her negatives with Topeka Capital-Journal photographer Jeff Jacobsen.**

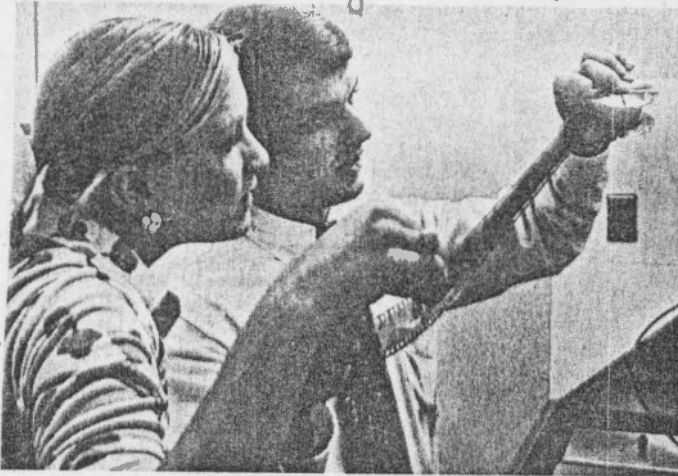
### Kansas Apprenticeship

# **Susan Ford Finds Job 'Super-Neat'**

United Press International  
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"Super neat," is Miss Ford's assessment so far of



Bern Ketchum—Topeka Capital-Journal

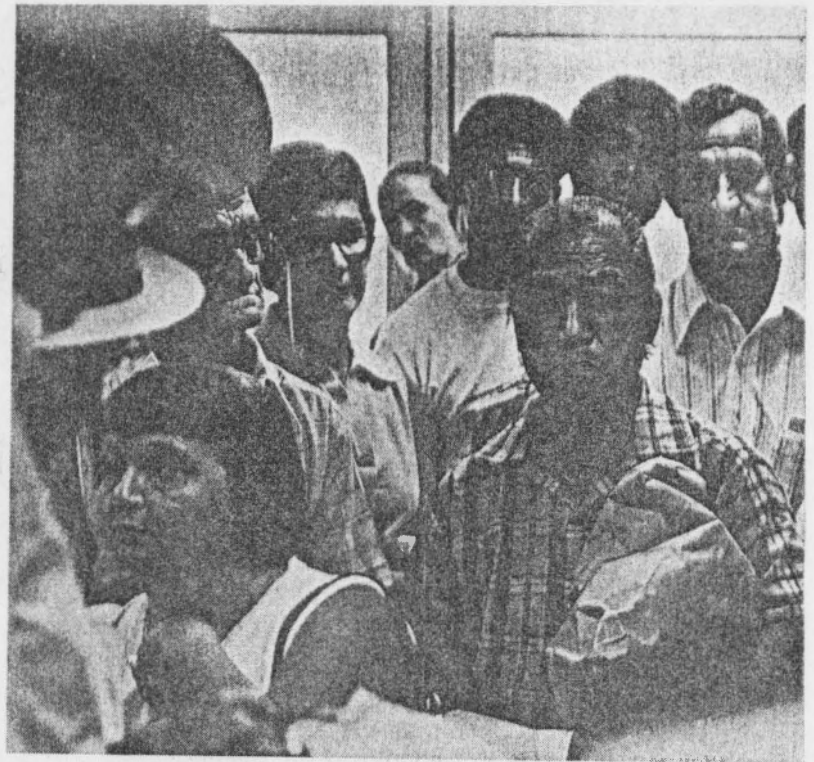
**Susan Ford and fellow photographer: VIP debut**

**Susan's front-page photo: Land auction in Topeka**

Cagney recited from his own poem on man's inhumanity to nature: "When man considers just what man is/Happy it be that short his span is."

"Staff photo by **Susan Ford**," read the credit line under a front-page shot in The Topeka Capital-Journal. The picture of prospective buyers at a Shawnee County land auction was taken by intern Ford on

tern," Susan is obviously either a Very Impressive Photographer or some other kind of VIP; she is being sent to Florida for this week's Apollo launching, and then to Durham, N.C., to cover an international track meet



Susan Ford

Time - May 19, 1975 p.36

PEOPLE



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PHOTOGRAPHER FORD READIES HER CAMERA & FINDS FATHER A WILLING SUBJECT

While President Ford fielded questions at his White House press conference, at least one photographer focused on him with special care. With these



SUSAN FORD



**SAILING BUFF** — President Ford's 17 year old daughter Susan hoists the sails, (left), and takes the helm, (right), of a 41-foot sailboat Friday during Bicentennial ceremonies on Florida's Gulf Coast. With her is school chum Barbara

Manfuso of Washington, D.C. Miss Ford took part in "Operation Sail '76", a program designed to emphasize America's heritage of the Sea.

(AP Wirephoto)

2 — Vicksburg Evening Post, Vicksburg, Miss., Saturday, July 12, 1975

## A Family Campaign

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) — Susan Ford says her father never really polled the family before deciding to seek his own four-year term

## Susan Ford Student Intern

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) — Susan Ford will be a student intern photographer for The Topeka State Journal and The Topeka Daily World





TALKING WITH THE PRESS — Susan Ford, daughter of President Gerald Ford met and talked with members of the press on Friday at the Topeka Capital — Journal where she is working as a summer intern photographer. Miss Ford said that she will help her father with his re-election campaign. (AP Wirephoto)

The Clarion-Ledger JACKSON DAILY NEWS 3  
Sunday, July 6, 1975 Section A

### Susan Ford Celebrates 18th Birthday

WASHINGTON (AP) — Susan Ford celebrated her 18th birthday Saturday with a picnic for about 75 friends on the south lawn of the White House. There was a chocolate cake in the shape of a camera with Susan's picture on top to salute her interest in photography and the start of her six-week summer job as a photo intern on a Topeka, Kan., newspaper. Susan danced with her date for the occasion, Brian McCartney, a friend she met at Vail, Colo.

She gave a big hug and...



### On The Job

Susan Ford, daughter of the President, looks over the results of her first day at work as an intern with the Topeka Capital-Journal. With her is staff photographer Jeff Jacobsen. Miss Ford is to spend six weeks working in the photography department at the newspaper. —AP Wirephoto

### Susan Ford Photographer

TOPEKA, Kan (AP) — With Secret Service agents in tow, Susan Ford has started work as a summer intern photographer.

been paid. "Under somewhat unusual circumstances, she did as well as anyone could have done."

# KANSAS CITY TOWN SQUIRE

AUGUST, 1975  
65 CENTS

photo by Randy Saylor

## How Susan won the West...

they came...  
they saw...  
**SHE**  
conquered!

Who really has the  
**POWER** in K.C.?  
(see page 5)





**SPEAKS OUT** — Susan Ford says she would be offended if it were suggested she got her summer job with the Topeka Capital-Journal merely because

Photo Desk

TOPEKA CAPITAL-JOURNAL  
TOPEKA, KANSAS, 60607

3290 EUCLID HEIGHTS BOUL.  
CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OHIO,

Dear Ms. Ford,

The UPI ran the enclosed snippet in The Cleveland Press (as, I assume, they ran it throughout the nation).

I am sorry that people have proffered unkind and insulting comments to you regarding your right or ability to hold a summer job in newspaper journalism. I have not seen anything whatever, thus far, to indicate that you are in any way unqualified to do your work creditably, and to earn your pay.

However, if you sincerely believe that your being your father's daughter had nothing to do with your getting your current position in Topeka, I must sadly beg to differ with you.

I think that you, as a native Michiganite, collaterally of the District, have as much in common with the photojournalistic life's blood of northeast Kansas as Mr. David Eisenhower had with the Junior Baseball Writer's desk in Philadelphia.

This is not to say that you are incapable of performing your job. It is to say that you are fooling yourself if you think that there were so few qualified applicants for summer photo-internships in Topeka that the publishers of your paper were constrained to broaden their talent search to Washington, D.C.

Bosh!

Let me tell you that I have friends who have graduated from the Medill School of Journalism (probably, after Columbia's, the best in the USA) who can not find a decent job. I know photographers a half-dozen years your senior who can probably shoot the camera eyes off your pal Kennerly, who also cannot find steady work. I know that here in NE Ohio, there were, on average, 18 applications for each position as summer-intern with our major, daily newspapers; and this 18:1 ratio had nothing to do with securing sinecures in particular areas of journalism, such as your own Photography.

Nor am I particularly confident that a handsome young woman who has been puttering around with a camera for eighteen months as a part-time avocation is professionally prepared for a daily regimen of big-city photojournalizing. I know pros, who are ten years your senior, who still do not have themselves anywhere near down to a successful photographic technique: and these are guys who've gone through Journalism School, and then cubbed their way through daily newspapering for a half-dozen years.

Furthermore, how many non-President's daughters could have been admitted in- to (let alone afforded) Ansel Adams' Master Classes at the age of seventeen years? Not many.

I am confident that you yourself probably did not exert "pull" to get your position. But then again, I doubt that Lynda Bird Robb, Julie Nixon, David Eisenhower were trying to exert "pull" on their own behalves either.

Two years ago, the publication Rolling Stone carried a quote from your older brother, detailing just what he thought about the qualifications of the children of Messers. Johnson and Nixon to hold their "creative" writing jobs. Do you recall it? It might be worth re-reading.

I myself have been in professional and free-lance journalism for a number of years, and have close acquaintances on the staffs of many of the largest dailies in the United States.

I categorically tell you that there is almost no way in which a girl whose primary qualification was one month's prepping with Adams in the Rockies could ordinarily be considered for a paying position at a major daily in a region about which the prospective journalist had no specific prior knowledge, let alone experience.

This just is not the way the game is played.

The children of famous parents have an awesome burden to bear. Yet it is by no means a sure-thing that the children of the rich and powerful must lose either their identities or their self-respect in the process of growing up "protecting" their parents' image. There are the Rockefellars, the Effrem Zimbalists, the Gus & Buddy Bells the Renoirs in France, the Mendelssohns in Germany, the Mozarts in Austria, etc., etc.

Yet it would be self-deceiving to presume that others can handle the celebrity of parents. Last month, offspring of 4 major Hollywood stars committed suicide. And at Yale, Sargent Shriver's son displays a moral decadence which is the embarrassment of Silliman College, where he lives.

There is no reason for me to suspect that you are either a young photographic Mozart, nor a dissipated Robert Shriver. Indeed, I know of no reason to regard you as anything other than a totally normal, rather cute young woman. But this will not alter the fact that, so long as your father is President, you will never be "just another girl," "just another worker," "just another anything".

I may be wrong, but I venture to guess that there are no other summer interns

in Topeka who sport round-the-clock Secret Service escort, and armed supervision. Journalists who wield Nikons for most big-city papers sooner or later are sent out to cover that confrontation with police, or that torch-job, or that shoot-out with robbers, deep in the bowels of that big-city's ruff-tuff ghetto area. What will the Secret Service do if you were assigned that duty? Would they let you go? I doubt it.

I can totally empathize with you in your career aspirations. You have attained legal adulthood. You have done relatively well in your schooling. Like most other citizens, you dream of establishing a vocation, a reputation, a sense of achievement in your own given field. And just because you are the daughter of an important man is no more reason for you to be discriminated against in such aspirations than it is if your parents had been poor, untrained members of some "minority" group.

But I wonder whether you are really cognizant of the present condition of the national Economy? I don't mean gold "floats" and prime-rates and conspicuous consumptions. Simply, that millions of people are out of work, and that one of the areas to have been hardest hit is your own age-bracket.

How do you think the auto-worker, married, with three kids, and out of work for six-months, feels cashing his welfare check, when he turns on the tube and is compelled to hear your father declaim on the necessity of his having a \$60,000.00 swimming pool for him to be able to function?

How do you think the young blacks and chicanos feel, having been rejected at factories all over town in their quest for a first paying, self-respecting job, to turn on the tv and hear your father declaiming about how much fun it is to be doing the slopes at Vail in his pretty, new red jump-suit?

Well then, how do you think my college friends feel when they search out jobs such as the one you are now tying down, because of your father, and they come up empty? Here is a group hundreds, thousands strong, possessed of longer and superior preparation than you are, deprived of even the low-paying position you hold as a summer lark. What to you is a grand adventure is, to them, a matter of desperation. Some of these lads are married, some already have children. But you have the job.

This state of affairs is cruel precisely because it is neither their fault nor your fault. But when I see these unemployed journalists just-hanging around, seething with frustration and hurt, it is indescribably sad. Do you know, I know guys who can quote Racine, Rlybius, Montesquieu, Proust, and cannot get a job even on your part-time level? I no longer know how to face them.

No one wishes you more well in your job than I do, so far as a stranger can wish another success. But your public pronouncements about your job do seem like crocodile tears, and I wish you'd stop that.

*Yours most sincerely, Leo J. Moldau*

### Could That Be a Ford?



Associated Press Wirephoto  
Susan Ford can't quite hide behind sunglasses as she rides bumper scooter in Kansas City amusement park. Susan, working as a summer photographer-trainee on Topeka, Kan., newspaper, managed to spend most of the day in park unrecognized.



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"If you don't mind—I'd rather not know where Susan Ford is and what she's doing this week. It makes me too envious!"

# Easy, basic foods

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Mrs. Rick Enewold enjoys serving her family tasty meals that are easily prepared. —Staff Photo by Susan Ford



—Staff photo by Susan Ford

Lawrence Rusch, who farms near 53rd and California, checked an ear of his corn this morning as he contemplated weather conditions that have threatened Shawnee County's No. 1 crop. Officials say the situation is "critical" and two inches of moisture are needed in the next week.

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*Susan enjoys*

*visit at park 7/28/75*

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KANSAS CITY (AP) — Susan Ford was almost, but not quite, ignored Sunday during a visit to the Worlds of Fun amusement park in Clay County.

President Gerald Ford's daughter