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Pool Report Force One Philadelphia to Andrews

Staff on Air Force One made a surprise presentation of a birthday cake in the staff section. The rectangualar cake, white with blue icing bearing the legend given "Give Em Hell Jerry" was studded with five blue candles. Champagne and cake were passed out by the President to staff and news persons, who sang "Happy Birthday Mr. President." There was some good natured repartee among President, Joe Garagiola and others in wakeax cabin. xxxxxxx As Ford handed plate of cake to Ernie Banks, Garagiola said "be careful he has bad hands." Asked who he was pulling for in the game he said diplomatically xxxxxxxx "Baeball."

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