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

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Mrs. Ford selected Washington, D.C. Florist William Dove to be the White House consultant on Christmas this year. Working on a volunteer basis, he has coordinated ideas and decorations with Mrs. Ford.

Mr. Dove was assisted by New York Interior Designer Susan Hutchins and Celine Blanchard Mahler of Bayside, N.Y., founder of the Quilter's Workshop and advisor on quilting and patchwork.

Biographical material follows:

WILLIAM DOVE

BORN IN FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA 1922. GRADUATED LEE JACKSON HIGH SCHOOL, ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 1939, STRAYERS COLLEGE 1941 BACHELOR OF COMMERCIAL SCIENCE. U.S. ARMY 1943 TO 1945 90TH DIVISION EUROPEAN THEATRE. COLUMBIA TECHNICAL INSTITUTE 1945 ARCHITECTURAL ENGINEERING. UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA 1948 TO 1952 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN. INSTITUTE OF CONTEMPORARY ARTS 1952 TO 1954 INTERIOR DESIGN, AND GRAPHICS.

PRACTICED AS ARCHITECT 1954 TO 1958 WITH FIRMS OF ROAN & POPPELMAN AND MARRIOTT CORPORATION.

MARCH 1959 OPENED OWN STUDIO OF DESIGN AT 2300 WISCONSIN AVE - FLORIST, PARTY CONSULTANT, ETC. DURING THE PAST 15 YEARS ACTIVITIES HAVE INCLUDED:

IN WASHINGTON-

DECORATIONS FOR THE INAUGURAL CONCERT - CONSTITUTION HALL	
NATIONAL SYMPHONY BALL	DIPLOMATIC BALL - STATE DEPARTMENT
FOUNTAIN OF FLOWERS BALL	WASHINGTON DEBUTANTE BALL
BONDS FOR ISRAEL BALL	FIVERS BALL
UNITED NATIONS BALL	TRAVELERS AID BALL
HEART FUND BALL	CHERRY BLOSSOM BALL
GALA OPENING OF KENNEDY CENTER	

IN NEW YORK-

PLAZA HOTEL - ADLAI STEVENSON MEMORIAL BALL  
METROPOLITAN MUSEUM - DINNER DANCE NATHAN CUMMINGS EXHIBIT  
WALDORF ASTORIA - BIRTHDAY BALL FOR NATHAN CUMMINGS.  
MRS. MARY LASKER - CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS - BEEKMAN PLACE  
MR. ROBERT GREEN - PLAYBOY MAGAZINE - CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

IN CHICAGO-

DRAKE HOTEL - OPENING OF NATHAN CUMMINGS ART EXHIBIT

A MEMBER OF-

WASHINGTON BOARD OF TRADE  
SOCIETY OF AMERICAN FLORISTS  
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