Wedding of Miss Nixon May Be Televised Live

WASHINGTON, April 15 (UPI)—The White House said today that Tricia Nixon and Edward Finch Cox will be married in the Rose Garden on June 12 in a ceremony that may be televised live to the ration

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Connie Stuart, the First Lady's staff director, said the networks already have re-quested permission to tele-vise the ceremony.

"We are considering offer-

ing portions of the wedding for TV coverage," Mrs. Stuart said. "We're consider-ing everything. We're hoping to be as cooperative as pos-sible."

Miss Nixon selected the Rose Garden as the setting for her wedding, Mrs. Stuart said, "because it's a lovely time of the year." The roses will be in full bloom then.

If It Rains

It was very much Tricia's preference to have an out-door wedding." Mrs. Stuart said. If it rains, the ceremony will be moved to the East Room, the more traditional site for White House weddings.

She said that the guest list is being compiled around the number that can be comfortably seated in the Rose Garden, about 400. This is somewhat smaller than the num-ber invited to the wedding of Miss Nixon's sister, Julie, to David Eisenhower.

The altar, where Dr. Ed-

ward G. Latch, chaplain of the House, will preside, will be at the west end of the

garden, just outside the President's Oval Office.

A string group will perform at the east end of the

form at the east end of the garden.

Mrs. Stuart said that the wedding party will descend the staircase from the State rooms, go out the South Portico and walk down the center aisle of the Rose Garden.

Posing for Photographs

After the ceremony, the newlyweds and their families will pose for official photographs, perhaps in the Grand Hall. Guests will be received in the Blue Room.

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Refreshments will be served in the State Dining Room, and Miss Nixon has asked Bill Harrington, the society bandleader, and his 10 musicians to play for dancing in the East Room. She requested that the music range from "nostalgic to modern," including hard rock for the younger set and her and Mr. Cox's favorite tunes. Mrs. Stuart was unable to say whether invitations would go to Prince Charles and

say whether invitations would go to Prince Charles and Princesse Anne of Britain, who were White House guests last July.

There were indications that the guests would be limited to close family and friends and not in the realm of heads of state or official dignitaries.

"This is a family wedding," Mrs. Stuart said or general wedge.

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