

Nixon Limp During His Minsk Visit

Minsk, USSR

President Nixon showing discomfort from phlebitis for the first time on his Soviet trip, limped and held the arm of his wife yesterday during his visit here.

But both presidential physician Walter Tkach and press secretary Ronald Ziegler said the condition is not bothering the President.

"He's fine, he's in good shape," Ziegler told reporters.

Tkach said: "The President has been walking quite a bit. But he hasn't said a thing to me about it. . . . As far as I know, it's not bothering him."

Mr. Nixon held his wife's arm leaving the plane at Minsk and again during a walking tour of Khatyn, the World War II memorial just outside the city. His limp was quite noticeable when he passed quickly along a receiving line at the airport, leaving the handshakes to others in his official party.

White House physicians disclosed while the President was en route to Moscow that he was suffering from phlebitis, an inflammation of veins in the leg. The con-

GM Gives Brezhnev A Chevrolet

Moscow

Car collector Leonid Brezhnev got a Chevrolet — his third American auto — as a present yesterday in his third meeting with President Nixon.

Presidential press secretary Ronald Ziegler said General Motors Corp. had presented a two-door Monte Carlo Chevrolet, silver and white with a red interior, to the Communist party general secretary. A GM spokesman said the company donated the car at the request of the State Department.

It is extensively equipped with options and had a sticker price of \$5578.50.

Mr. Nixon gave Brezhnev a Cadillac when he came to Moscow for their 1972 meeting. When the Soviet leader returned the visit in Washington last year, Mr. Nixon gave him a Lincoln Continental.

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condition in his left leg was first detected during his Middle East tour.

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