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**NIXON MAY ENTER
A HOSPITAL SOON**

**Julie Eisenhower Says Clot
in His Leg Could Require
Treatment in 'Week or So'**

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Julie Nixon Eisenhower, the former President's daughter, said here yesterday that her father may soon be entering a hospital for treatment of the flare-up of his chronic phlebitis.

"His leg is swollen quite a bit," she said at a news conference after the taping of a television talk show, which she moderated. "I'm sure he's going to get much better once he gets



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Mrs. David Eisenhower

talks to reporters here.

treatment. I'm sure we can control it better and that he will be all right."

Mrs. Eisenhower, appearing calm and composed and occasionally smiling, indicated that her father would be entering the hospital reluctantly.

"He's just like anybody else; he doesn't want to go," she said. "He'll probably have to take his dog with him."

Mrs. Eisenhower didn't say when her father would be entering the hospital, or which hospital it would be. At one point in the questioning, she said he would be hospitalized "soon," and later on, that he would be hospitalized "in a week or so."

Asked about her father's

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much quoted remark that he did not want to go to a hospital because he was afraid he might not come out alive, she smiled and said: "He never said that to me. Dr. [Waler R.] Tkach said that. My father has never been a morbid person. It just doesn't seem in character to me."

The 26-year-old Mrs. Eisenhower, strongly denied reports that she had urged Gen. Alexander M. Haig Jr. to speak to President Ford about pardoning her father.

"The week I was supposed to be talking to General Haig, I was in Philadelphia and Indiana and New York," she said. "Of course it's not true. It's crazy—people are just looking for reasons."

Of the pardon itself, she said, "I think it's an issue that was right for the country. I think he [President Ford] made a wise decision, the right decision and many people I've talked to say it's best to put Watergate behind."

Mrs. Eisenhower was questioned in Studio 3A of NBC-TV, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, where she had just finished moderating five segments of the "Not For Women Only" television show for the regular hostess, Barbara Walters, who was on assignment in Egypt.

She later held another impromptu news conference outside the studio for newsmen from non-NBC stations, who had been barred from the studio questioning.

Mrs. Eisenhower, who was wearing a brightly printed long-sleeved blouse, a black knee-length skirt and strappy black patent leather medium-heeled shoes, frowned when asked about reports that her father's mental health had deteriorated.

'Not on Top of The World'

"Of course he's not on top of the world," she said. "But under the circumstances, I think he's handling it very well. My mother says he's irritable, but as far as his mind wandering, that's just crazy."

Mrs. Eisenhower said she planned to fly to San Clemente tomorrow for her first visit with her parents since her father resigned on Aug. 9. She said she had talked on the telephone with her father daily since then.

Asked why she and her husband, David Eisenhower, who attends the George Washington University Law School in Washington, had not visited her parents before, she snapped: "My husband's in law school, and I've held a fulltime job for 13 months. [She is an assistant managing editor of The Saturday Evening Post.] We can't afford to fly to California every week."

No Comment on Guilt

Mrs. Eisenhower refused to comment on President Ford's statement at his Monday night

news conference that her father's acceptance of a pardon "can be construed by many if not all as an admission of guilt."

How did her father react to the pardon? "It was a down day," she said, brushing her light brown shoulder-length hair away from her face. "I don't think he felt there was anything to be pardoned for. He said, 'I've got to get well, so I can write.'"

She also refused to comment when asked if she thought her father felt any sense of shame. "I'm not going to get into it," she said. A bit later, she added: "Some day he'll write his story, and some day I'll write my store."

Mrs. Eisenhower moderated a "Not For Women Only" series called "Public People, Private Lives." It is scheduled to be shown in New York on Channel 4 Sept. 30 through Oct. 4. Her guests included Representative Barry Goldwater Jr., Republican of California; Mrs. Norman Vincent Peale, wife of the theologian; Rebecca Ann King, Miss America of 1974; Dr. Daniel Casriel, a Manhattan psychiatrist; Dollie Cole, wife of the president of General Motors; and Letitia Baldrige, White House social secretary during the Kennedy Administration.

Mrs. Eisenhower appeared calm and professional throughout most of the taping, and appeared to tense up only when she had to re-do the ending of one of the shows.

"Take several deep breaths and you'll loosen up," someone told her during the break.

"That's also a very good way to keep from crying," Mrs. Eisenhower said. "Take five deep breaths. It always works."