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Mrs. Edward Brooke Sr., mother of the Massachusetts senator embraced Pat Nixon

Senate Wives Dine With Pat

Washington

Pat Nixon gave a luncheon at the White House for wives of senators yesterday and exchanged warm greetings with each of the women whose husbands may judge hers in an impeach-

ment trial.

Among those seated at Mrs. Nixon's table were the wives of three Republican senators who could prove to be crucial allies to the President — Barry M. Goldwater of Arizona, Carl T. Curtis of Nebraska and George D. Aiken of Vermont.

But the atmosphere at the reception and luncheon was far more festive than political, with bright red geraniums and softly colored spring flowers and cheery music by the U.S. Marine Orchestra.

Neither Mrs. Nixon nor her 97 guests showed outward indication they were concerned about the possibility of a House vote to impeach the President and a subsequent trial by the Senate.

The luncheon in the State Dining Room is an annual affair at this time of the year.

Senate wives honored Mrs. Nixon at a similar function two weeks ago on Capitol Hill.

Before the luncheon, Mrs. Nixon smiled constantly and displayed no evidence of nervousness while photographers took pictures of her welcoming the guests and chatting amiably with them in the Blue Room.

The first to see Mrs. Nixon in a receiving line was Vice President Gerald R. Ford's wife Betty, one of the special guests at the affair. The widow of former Vice President Henry Wallace, who served under Franklin D. Roosevelt, also was invited and given a seat beside Mrs. Nixon.

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