

**Description**

Back view of the dress worn by Bess Wallace Truman, First Lady of the White House, at the Presidential Reception at the National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C., on the evening of January 20, 1949. The material is a specially woven gray satin with a swirling feather design in silver lame, which was created by Ducharne of Paris. (See also 2009-1718.) From: Truman Home.

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1949

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7x9 inches Black & White

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