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WASHINGTON, D.C. April 9 -- Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kornechuk, Dodge City, Kansas, today presented President Nixon with the first brick taken from buildings lining historical Front Street in Dodge City.

It was on Front Street that **pretty girls managed the** Long Branch Saloon and Wyatt Earp shot it out with gunmen during the cow-town's early days.

Kornechuk, president of PAK, Inc., purchased all the bricks in order to preserve part of the original Front Street. Buildings on the street are being razed to make room for public parking and a new highway facility.

All of the preserved bricks are numbered and registered with the Marshall of Dodge City.

Accompanying Mr. and Mrs. Kornechuk to the White House were U.S. Senators James Pearson, Bob Dole and Congressman Keith Sebelius.