

## Mondales find companionship on 'Prairie'

St. PAUL, Minn. — (UPI) — Walter Mondale got a hometown greeting Saturday from Garrison Keillor when he went for a visit to the radio show "Prairie Home Companion."

The song and comedy show, broadcast live each Saturday on public radio coast-to-coast from an old theater with Keillor as host, went on as normal at first.

Mondale, the Democratic presidential nominee, and his wife, Joan, sat in a back row of the audience.

"Greetings to Walter and Joan Mondale," Keillor said. Then he noted that Mondale was unemployed and had poor seats.

"That's Minnesota for you," Keillor observed as Mondale and his wife sat in the audience, laughing. "That's how we treat our own. You go to Washington and become famous and come back and get no special treatment."

In fact, an impromptu crowd from the 1,600 in the audience applauded Mondale as he went in and again as he left.