

Second Lady (Continued)

in Washington, seeing their busy father less than they would like, Lynda and Lucy have dubbed themselves "deprived children."

Lucy writes poetry. "Some of it is doggerel," her mother told me, "but some is very beautiful. She also has the knack of creating original tunes on the piano."

Emily Lodge, with two sons and eight grandchildren, likes to speak of "all 14 of us." Both Lodge sons, like their father, are Harvard graduates. George Cabot Lodge, a former newspaperman, is Assistant Secretary of Labor and lives in Washington. Henry Sears Lodge, a salesman for an engineering corporation, lives in the family home in Beverly, Mass. Though geographically separated, all 14 Lodges meet for Sunday dinner.

Both Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Lodge are two-home, two-milieu women. For Lady Bird there is the three-story house between the North Cleveland and Chevy Chase sections of Washington. If elected, the Johnsons will stay here. And there is also the LBJ ranch on the Pedernales River in the picturesque hill country of Central Texas.

For Emily Lodge, home in New York for the past eight years has been Apartment 42-A of the Waldorf Towers. But in September, Ambassador James Wadsworth moved in and Ambassador Lodge and his wife moved out to find their new home on the campaign road. If elected, they will buy a small house in Washington.

The Lodges' true home, however, built on Mrs. Lodge's father's estate in Beverly, is a 14-room, two-story French provincial of white-painted brick near the Atlantic shore.

Marriage wrote *finis* to the business career for which Lady Bird prepared at college. But 17 years ago, when her father remarried and was eager to settle her mother's estate, Lady Bird acquired two Texas radio stations and holdings in several others. And so, a year before the birth of her first child, Lady Bird became a working business woman. Today she gives four months a year to the stations and, on the third floor of her Washington home, keeps an office for KTBC and Channel 7 in Austin, Tex., and for KRGU in Westlaco, Tex., with which she is always in touch.

There Is Time for Pastimes

So far as hobbies are concerned, Mrs. Lodge's main one is reading. She voraciously consumes novels, biographies, essays, and poetry, and allows her literary instincts full sway in the 10,000-volume library which her husband inherited from his famous grandfather, Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge.

In music, she has a similar catholicity of taste. For, while she enjoys Mozart, Bach, Chopin, and Samuel Barber, she also enjoys jazz.

Mrs. Johnson is a reader, too, but only in "little nicks of time," as she puts it. The recent nicks have been enough, however, for her to rediscover F. Scott Fitzgerald and Thomas Wolfe. She says, "Lyndon's tastes set the tone of the house. I wish he would read more. And though I like his favorite music, which is *The Yellow Rose of Texas* and

Strauss waltzes, I wish we had more variety."

Another of her hobbies has been photography. She has many home movies and stills of the campaigns, though she has allowed the hobby to lapse.

As for the part Mrs. Lodge and Mrs. Johnson will play as Second Lady, Mrs. Lodge says, "I'll do whatever Cabot wants me to do." Says Mrs. Johnson: "Lyndon will set the blueprint of my role as Mrs. V.P. I'll make it as big as he wants me to. And knowing Lyndon, I know he is going to want to make the office of Vice President just as dynamic as is consonant with the Constitution. We've been studying the Constitution very carefully."

With the approaching election, Mrs. Lodge refuses to look ahead because she believes to do so is bad luck and that "sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof." Mrs. Johnson thinks her party has "more than a 50-50 chance." As for the possible change in her own life that victory in the election would bring: "The question I ask myself is whether, as Mrs. V.P., I will be able to devote time to my radio-television stations."

As both Lady Bird Johnson and Emily Lodge move toward the moment of decision, neither regards the other as a rival. Says Mrs. Lodge of Mrs. Johnson: "There is no gladiator bout between us. She is charming. I like her very much."

Says Mrs. Johnson of Mrs. Lodge: "I do not think of myself as running against Emily. I used to know her well when her husband was a Senator and we worked together for the Senate's Red Cross Committee. More recently, Lyndon addressed the U.N., and the Lodges were our hosts. She was easy and friendly. I like her very much."

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