

# The President's Mother

(Continued from page 5)

caravan to get ready for the '64 campaign. Rose herself has often been quoted as saying, "You can never afford to let down in a non-election year."

But the "evenings" aren't primarily political. "There's nothing new about it," Mrs. Kennedy told me. "I've been doing this sort of thing for more than 20 years—since we first came back from the Court of St. James. It just attracts more attention now because I happen to be the mother of the President."

Mrs. Kennedy turns down most of the requests to give talks because she refuses to be away from her husband for long. (Mr. Kennedy suffered a stroke in 1961 and has been in poor condition since then.) She accepted the invitation from the Our Lady of the Cape committee, she explained, because Brewster is near Hyannis Port and the cause was a worthy one. (The church had burned down, and money was needed to build a new one.)

When conditions are right, Mrs. Kennedy will appear for any worthy charity (she once gave 15 talks in 12 days), but she is partial to charities that help mentally retarded children. "I like to tell people about how conditions are now compared with what they were 40 years ago," she explained.

A wistful note came into her voice when she said that. Few lay people are as aware of the change in the treatment of the mentally retarded as she is. Her oldest daughter, Rosemary, is in a home for the mentally retarded in Wisconsin, and a major share of the funds given to charity by the Kennedys has gone to help persons with that affliction. In 1948, the Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr., Foundation

was started, and \$13.5 million has been spent establishing homes and hospitals for the mentally retarded in Massachusetts, California, New York, and Illinois. Another \$10 million has been spent on research by prominent doctors, psychologists, and psychiatrists.

Robert F. Kennedy is the foundation's president, but the field workers are the Kennedy women. Jean is responsible for the work in the East, Eunice for the Midwest, and Pat for the West Coast.

The family's effort in this area is a story in itself, but perhaps nobody has summed up the results better than a woman who came through the receiving line after a Rose Kennedy "evening" in Brighton, Mass. "I want to thank you for giving my son a chance at life," she told Mrs. Kennedy. "He was at St. Coletta's (a home for the mentally retarded in Hanover, Mass.) and they helped him so much there. Now he has a job; and even though it's not much, he's supporting himself and doing something with himself. God bless you for it."

WITH JFK and Senator Ted Kennedy up for re-election next year, the "evenings" theoretically are slated for mothballs. But theory may not work out in practice. There is a feeling that Mrs. Kennedy—whom her son Robert has called "the best natural-born politician in the family"—will listen to the Massachusetts professionals and continue the "evenings." Although no one at the affairs says "vote for so and so," veteran observers consider one of these "evenings" to be worth 10 band-wagon rallies.

Or perhaps Rose Kennedy will curtail them in the election year and come up with something new. It's difficult to imagine she could top two tough acts like the "tea parties" and "evenings"—but anyone who has seen America's youngest 70-year-old in action wouldn't bet she couldn't top them both.

# Junior TREASURE Chest

EDITED BY ANN DAVIDOW

## Kick-a-Pool By Albert Lee

Use a board or a square of canvas to mark home base. Then put an empty can on top of it. The player chosen to be "It" asks another player to kick the can in any direction, crying "kick-a-poo!" While It is picking up the can and replacing it on the base, the other players hide. It then runs around and calls

out the name of any player he sees. That player then must return to base and wait. If an uncalled player can run in and kick the can, calling "kick-a-poo!" without It seeing him, then all of those caught are released and hide again. It's turn ends when he has rounded up all the players.

## Tree Test By Quentin R. Howard

Rearrange the letters in the words below and you will have the names of trees. How many do you know?

1. Lump; 2. lamp; 3. cared; 4. clouts; 5. panes;
6. mug; 7. reap; 8. melon; 9. has; 10. ample.

Answers:

1. Plum; 2. palm; 3. cedar; 4. locust; 5. aspen;
6. gum; 7. pear; 8. lemon; 9. ash; 10. maple.

## Tongue Twister

Laughing, liltling Lilly  
lopsidedly lobbed a lollipop  
at jolly Julie Jolie.

## Riddle

Why is a bird perched on a fence  
like a penny?

Answer:

Because the head is on one side  
and the tail on the other!

## Build a House By Maude E. Hallmer

When the blanks are filled in correctly, you will have filled out the names of the dwellings pictured here.

CAST -- makes 

-- HACK makes 

TEN -- makes 

CAB -- makes 

-- LOO makes 

WIG -- makes 

# VIOBIN Wheat Germ Oil

HELPS HEART ACTION  
GIVES MORE STRENGTH

• STAMINA • VIGOR •

PROVED 10 years - 600 persons  
University Experiments

REFUSE SUBSTITUTES —  
only VioBin Oil PROVED helpful.

Send NOW for FREE book #15

PROMETOL — 8 to 1 vigor factor  
concentrate VioBin Oil. Same  
benefits — NO fat calories.



Liquid &  
Capsules

VIOBIN MONTICELLO, ILLINOIS

YOU CAN  
DRAW  
THIS!



Here's what artist-educator  
ANN DAVIDOW

says about her book, "Let's Draw  
Animals!"

"Let's! Let's find out together that it's  
simple to draw in steps — even more fun  
if the steps are also tricks, set to rhyme.  
So let's!"

Order this big bookful of fun for your children... or for a unique gift. It contains 80 of the bright "Let's Draw Animals" features our young FAMILY WEEKLY readers enjoy each week, with all new drawings and rhymes. Yours for only \$1.00 postpaid with paper cover; deluxe edition \$2.50 in handsome, long-wearing binding of quality Library Cloth. Hours of fun and complete satisfaction guaranteed, or return book for full refund.

To: FAMILY WEEKLY BOOKS

Let's Draw  
Animals

153 No. Michigan Ave.  
Chicago 1, Illinois

Enclosed find \$\_\_\_\_\_ for which please send me postpaid "LET'S DRAW ANIMALS" as follows:

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_

..... PAPER COVER

..... DELUXE BINDING

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City & State \_\_\_\_\_

## PHOTO CREDITS

Page 2: Barbara Bernal.

Page 4: Wide World.

Page 5: UPI.

Page 14: U. S. Air Force.

Page 15: John Wasik.

## EAT ANYTHING WITH FALSE TEETH!



Trouble with loose plates that slip, rock, or cause sore gums? Try Brimms Plasti-Liner. One application makes plates fit snugly without powder, paste or cushions. Brimms Plasti-Liner adheres permanently to your plate; ends the bother of temporary applications. With plates held firmly by Plasti-Liner, YOU CAN EAT ANYTHING! Simply lay soft strip of Plasti-Liner on troublesome upper or lower. Bite and it molds perfectly. Easy to see, tasteless, odorless, harmless to you and your plates. Removable as directed. Money-back guarantee. At drug stores.

BRIMMS PLASTI-LINER  
THE PERMANENT