

# Kennon Boys' Pets, Horses May Crowd Mansion Little

## Future First Lady Happy Over Judge's Success

By PODINE SCHOENBERGER  
If Robert F. Kennon's three young sons have their way, they will arrive at the governor's mansion in May with two pet guineas, three horses, a dog and five calves. "Can we bring them along, Mother?"

That was one of the first questions the boys asked their mother when she phoned them long distances from New Orleans Wednesday to tell them the good news.

Mrs. Kennon, who called the boys during noon recess at school replied tactfully, "We will see." But she smiled to herself as she visualized the guineas roaming around the mansion lawn.

When Do We Go? Boys Ask  
At first the three young Kennons—Kenwood 8, Charles 11, and Robert Floyd Jr., 15—wanted to be sure Daddy was really in. They had heard conflicting reports over the radio and even though one of their teachers had told them "Congratulations," they weren't quite sure.

When their Mother told them there was no doubt about it, they asked immediately, "When do we go down to Baton Rouge?"

Mrs. Kennon, who is tactful, gracious—a completely charming person—phoned her three young sons from a flower-filled suite at the Monteleone hotel.

"Kenwood, baby, have you heard the good news about Daddy?" she inquired. "I tried to get you last night but you had gone to bed and when I phoned you this morning you had all gone to school."

"Rather Be Aviator"  
After Mrs. Kennon had talked a while she turned the receiver over to a reporter. The reporter wanted to know if any of Kennon's sons plan to follow in their Daddy's footsteps.

"Naw!" said Kenwood, who is in the third grade at Minden's East Side Elementary school, "I'd rather be an aviator."

Eleven-year-old Charles, who is in the sixth grade at the East Side school said, "I'll have to think it over. I kinda had it in my mind I'd like to be a doctor."

The eldest son, 15-year-old Robert Floyd Kennon Jr. said, "Well, that's kinda hard to say. Daddy told me I ought not to be in politics. He said it was a lot of hard work and worries. But I was interested in the campaign."

Heard Campaign Talks  
Mrs. Kennon confirmed this. She said Floyd, who is in the 10th grade at Minden High school, followed the campaign closely over the radio, even listening to speeches of rival candidates and that he attended the rallies in Minden.

The two youngest, she added, "Negotiations Set on Jewish Claims"

(The Associated Press)  
New York, Feb. 20 — The president of the American Jewish Committee said Wednesday that negotiations of claims against Germany for Jewish losses suffered under Hitler will begin about March 15 in a neutral country.

The committee president, Jacob Blaustein of Baltimore, arrived by plane today from London. He said the presidium of the conference on Jewish material claims decided at a Paris meeting to begin negotiations with the Bonn government.

The five-man presidium, he said, has the responsibility of negotiating for the conference, which is made up of 22 representative American and overseas Jewish organizations.

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By Mel Bennett

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# The Day-After a Happy, Busy One for Mrs. Kennon



MOTHER TALKS TO SONS—FIRST-LADY-TO-BE MEETS PRESS

"were more interested in getting the campaign over so they could see more of their daddy. You've never seen anyone like Bob with the boys. As busy as he's been, he's always found time for them."

The first lady-to-be says she hasn't the slightest intention of being the power behind the throne; that even if she felt that way, "Bob wouldn't let me."

"Bob Kennon is a man who decides for himself," added Mrs. Kennon, who is five feet, four inches tall, slim of figure, with dark brown hair, a pleasant smile and laughing hazel eyes.

Interested in Schools  
Which doesn't mean, she said, that she isn't interested in the affairs of state. More than anything else, she wants good government for Louisiana. She believes her husband will make a good governor; that his whole background has fitted him for the job. In fact, she's always had a feeling "that some day Bob would be governor."

"It's hard to say which part of his program interests me the most, as I find it all vitally interesting. Since I have three children of my own, however, I am interested in the recreation phase of the program. I am also very much interested in building up the schools of the state and giving them what they deserve—I taught school for

a year. I'm also interested in the program for elderly people."

Mrs. Kennon said she hasn't had time to think in terms of being "first lady" and presiding at the mansion.

"But I like people and want them to like me. No, the thought

of greeting large crowds at receptions doesn't terrify me a bit. I think the mansion belongs to the people of Louisiana and they will always be welcome there. What will I wear on Inauguration day. By goodness, I haven't

had time to think about it. But I do like soft shades of green. Of course, I like clothes—what woman doesn't?"

And Mrs. Kennon adjusted the lapel of her smart-looking café au lait tweed suit.

# MAINE TOWN HOLDS BALL FOR BACHELORS

(The Associated Press)  
Bucksport, Me., Feb. 20—Bucksport's "bachelor ball" was declared a success Wednesday but just how many couples it will help

speed to the altar nobody could tell yet.

More than 200 bachelors, bachelor girls and married couples, too, attended the ball Tuesday night in the high school gymnasium, decorated with hearts and arrows and

cut-out cupid. The civic groups which sponsored the affair had announced its purpose was to help young men and women get together to help push up the marriage rate. The ball also helped raise funds for the high school.

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