

# The Eccentric Received by Lady Bird

A top-level, national politician came to town Monday to help Oakland County Democrats get out the vote. She is Lady Bird Johnson, who has spent 25 years campaigning with and for her husband, Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson.

Monday, she put her Texas-style charm and political savvy into operation at the Kingsley Inn. At a reception in her honor given by the Oakland County Democratic Committee, she wafted enthusiasm from the room like a soft Texas breeze.

She flashed her wide smile and offered her well-shaken hand 500 or more times. Not once did she reveal a sign of her personal anxiety about the grim Cuba business her husband and the nation's top leaders were engaged in at that moment.

"I'm just waiting to hear, like everybody else is," she said.

Simply dressed in a sheath of deep red and looking handsomer

than her photographs, she first said her slow how-do-you-dos to the party workers who were her hosts and hostesses.

She waited obligingly while photographers focused their cameras for the shots they wanted, then she followed directions from Oakland County Democratic Chairman Sander Levin and Vice-Chairman Fran (Mrs. William H.) Clark, and took her place in the receiving line.

THE LONG line of guests filed in. They first shook hands with Betty (Mrs. John H.) McVay, of Birmingham, Democratic candidate for county treasurer. Next to greet the hand-shakers was the vivacious Mrs. Harriet Phillips, of Huntington Woods, who is Vice Chairman of the State Democratic Committee.

Harriet Phillips introduced each guest to Mrs. Johnson at her right. Lady Bird repeated the guest's name after each how-do-you-do, sometimes engaged in small talk, then introduced the

guest to Mrs. Patrick V. McNamara, wife of Michigan's senior senator, on her right.

Waiting next was Ruth Fulkerson, wife of the Democratic candidate for U.S. Congressman from Oakland County's 18th district. Beside her was Bloomfield township resident George Fulkerson, who sent the arrivals on to meet Grosse Pointe Mayor Elmer, state Democratic Women's Activities Director; Mildred Jeffrey, National Committeewoman from Michigan, and County Chairman Sander Levin, of Berkley.

WHEN approximately 500 guests had shaken her hand, the Southern charmer moved into the big room where she spoke.

CBS television cameras recorded parts of her talk for their show, "The Nation Speaks."

In her brief talk, she urged the guests to get out the vote for the New Frontier and the men who will support it.

"WITH YOUR help," she said, "Michigan can lead this country to a Democratic victory on Nov. 6. I have no doubt you will give it."

She stood in another reception line before she left, this one formed near the exit door so that guests could meet late-arrivals Mrs. John B. Swainson and Mrs. Neil Staebler.

A party official asked Mrs. Johnson if she was getting tired of standing and receiving guests. She smiled and said, "If it will help, I'll stay in the line."



Among guests in the receiving line was Mrs. John R. App (right), of Madison Street, Birmingham. She and other guests were in-

troduced to the Vice-President's wife by Mrs. Harriet Phillips, Vice Chairman of the State Democratic Committee.

## The Birmingham Eccentric

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If the basic values of democratic self-government have been shifted from self-reliance to dependence upon the State, who are the chief developers of this change of thinking? The answer is easy: the educators of this nation during the past half century. Although it is true that a comparatively small number of educators were, still are, in the forefront, yet most of the remainder of them easily fell in line. Thus is public thought molded.

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## Oakland Hills Expects 'Cat Woman' At Party

The theme for Oakland Hills Country Club's Halloween informal dinner dance Saturday is the "Cat's Meow Party," featuring "The Cat Woman."

The party announcement reads, "The Cat Woman"—Who is she? How is she? Black cat? Cool cat? Tiger cat? The mystery will be solved during the evening's entertainment.

The club will be decorated with witches and other grim grotesqueries of the occasion. Chuck Leonard and his "Tuneful Tom-Cat band" will furnish the music for dining and dancing.

Among those having reservations are Mr. and Mrs. B. Larry Norton, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Edson N. Burton, Mr. and Mrs. James W. Gunn, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hatch, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar W. Jolly and Mr. and Mrs. Carter

A. Chamberlain. All are football fans attending the Michigan-Minnesota homecoming game at Ann Arbor in the afternoon. They are returning to the "Cat's Meow" party to celebrate the victory (they hope) of their alma mater.

### Coming Home

Airman Third Class William F. Murray, 3180 Ayshire Drive, is being reassigned to Detroit Air National Guard Base, Mich., following his graduation from the United States Air Force technical training course for jet aircraft mechanics at Amarillo, Tex.

Your Society correspondents, featured throughout this section, want news about you.



Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson descends the steps to the room where she received guests at the Kingsley Inn. With her is Sander B. Levin, chairman of the Oakland County Democratic Committee which held the reception honoring her.

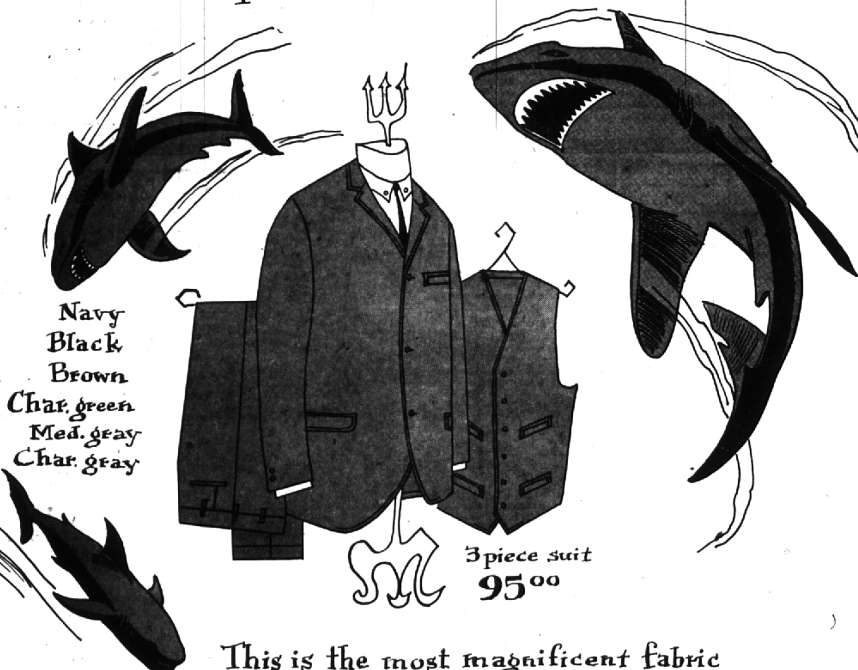


Among the first to greet the Vice President's wife was Dorothy K. Roosevelt, the bearer of a name famous in the nation's history and close to Democratic hearts. Mrs. Roosevelt, of 292 Greenwood, Birmingham, is Mrs. Franklin Delano Roosevelt's sister-in-law.



Moving toward the end of the receiving line, Mrs. Clarence W. Kukor, of Dalebrook Road, Bloomfield Township, shook hands with Democratic candidate George J. Fulkerson, after first being greeted by Mrs. Fulkerson (center). Fulkerson is the Democratic candidate for U. S. Congressman from the 18th District.

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