

Republicans Brew a Cool

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Coors beer is a Western-states brand that even Vice President Gerald Ford and the late President Dwight D. Eisenhower were unable to buy locally in Washington.

Ford packed a case with his ski gear when he returned from a recent vacation on the slopes of Colorado, and Eisenhower imported his private stock by Air Force plane when he was in the White House.

So when Ethel Kennedy got a case of Coors for her birthday last week, it tasted even sweeter because a group of Republicans had made it possible from a secret G.O.P. source of supply here.

Herbert J. (Jack) Miller, although he is a Republican, used to be one of the late Sen. Robert F. Kennedy's top aides in the Justice Department when he was At-

torney General. Now in private practice, Miller's clients currently include another former Attorney General Richard Kleindienst, who is under investigation by Special Prosecutor Leon Jaworski in the ITT probe.

Miller, who wanted to give Mrs. Kennedy a case of her favorite Coors, last week asked Kleindienst's assistance. Kleindienst knew right where to go. He called Colorado Senator Peter Dominick who always has a few cases on hand.

Colorado's congressional delegation doesn't want it known—and neither do the Coors people—that they get regular shipments from their homestate brewery through their local Washington distributor.

Coors isn't sold commercially east of Oklahoma. It

Present for Ethel Kennedy

is, according to a recent Time magazine article, considered by beer connoisseurs to be the "Chateau Haut-Brion" of American brews.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation, which has guarded all recent attorney generals except Elliott Richardson, now has agents assigned to William B. Saxbe and his wife.

A spokesman for the Justice Department said this week that the body guards were reassigned after threats on Saxbe's life. He declined to give details.

The FBI began guarding the attorney general and his wife when John Mitchell was appointed, and continued for a period after he and Martha returned to private life.

Acting Director L. Patrick Gray deemed the Mitchell detail "improper" and ordered it halted.

Mitchell's successor, Richard Kleindienst, had agents for a while and then the practice was "phased out".

Richardson, the Justice Department's Jack W. Hushen explained, said he "didn't need protection."

Hushen refuses to confirm the number of agents now assigned to Saxbe but informed sources on Capitol Hill say that he has eight male agents and his wife has one woman agent.

Columnist Art Buchwald had two streakers at the annual Easter party he gave for his friends and their children. His daughter and her boyfriend, with the permission of Mrs. Buchwald, staged the happening which was more popular with the small fries than an egg roll. . . . Convicted Watergate burglar E. Howard Hunt's River Road estate in Potomac, Md. has a "for sale" sign back up again. The asking price is \$139,500. He sold it once before and then backed out of the sales contract when he found out he was going to be released from prison on bail pending an appeal.