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ANTIGUA, BRITISH WEST INDIES, DEC. 29 (AP)-CAROLINE AND JOHN KENNEDY ARE BORN WATER BABIES. THEY LOVE THE SEA AS THEIR FATHER DID.

THE YOUNG CHILDREN OF THE LATE PRESIDENT CAN BE SEEN DAILY ON THIS BRITISH ISLAND, ROMPING IN THE SURF, WAGING WATER WAR AND BUILDING SAND CASTLES.

JOHN JR., A 6-YEAR-OLD WHIRLWIND IN NAVY SWIM TRUNKS, AND HIS SISTER CAROLINE, 9, ARE VACATIONING HERE WITH THEIR MOTHER. THEIR VACATION HOME IS MILLIONAIRE PAUL MELLON'S ESTATE OVERLOOKING A BLUE-GREEN BAY STUDDED WITH CORAL REEFS.

THE BEACH IS PUBLIC, AND JOHN AND CAROLINE MAKE SEVERAL TRIPS TO THE WATER EACH DAY. THEY USUALLY ARE ACCOMPANIED BY THEIR GOVERNESS, FRANCOISE GIEZENDORF, A PRETTY BRUNETTE IN HER 20S.

FRANCOISE CARRIES JOHN PIGGYBACK, OVERSEES THE WATER GAMES AND REPRIMANDS THE CHILDREN WHEN THE SAND FLIES WILDLY.

"HEY, LOOK AT MY CASTLE," A WET JOHN BOASTED TO A PASSERBY.

A MOMENT LATER HE FILLED THE TINY MOAT WITH SALT WATER AND ZOOMED OFF FOR DRIFTWOOD TO MAKE BOATS.

CAROLINE PLAYS WITH GIRLS HER AGE NEAR THE EDGE OF THE WATER, STOPPING OCCASIONALLY TO SCOLD HER YOUNGER BROTHER TO TOO MUCH EXUBERANCE.

BOTH YOUNGSTERS ARE GOOD SWIMMERS. CAROLINE IS CAUTIOUS BUT CAPABLE. JOHN IS A DAREDEVIL AND, HOLDING HIS NOSE, WILL DIVE INTO ANY DEPTH OF WATER.

MRS. KENNEDY COMES TO THE BEACH WITH THE CHILDREN, GIVES THEM POINTERS ON STROKES BUT USUALLY LEAVES THEM WITH THEIR GOVERNESS WHEN HER PRESENCE ATTRACTS ATTENTION.

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SHE HAS GONE SWIMMING ALONE SEVERAL TIMES SINCE SHE ARRIVED MONDAY NIGHT.

TOLD IT WAS TIME TO GO INSIDE AFTER ONE TWO-HOUR SESSION ALONG THE SAND, JOHN YELLED, "NOT ME," AND DASHED INTO THE WATER.

HE WAS QUICKLY TAKEN IN HAND BUT NOT BEFORE SAYING HE WAS COMING BACK AFTER LUNCH NO MATTER WHO SAID WHAT.

A SPOKESMAN FOR THE MILL REEF CLUB, OF WHICH MELLON'S ESTATE IS PART, SAID YESTERDAY THAT MRS. KENNEDY WAS IRKED BY PHOTOGRAPHERS'

ATTEMPTS TO PHOTOGRAPH HER AND THE CHILDREN AND HAD DEMANDED  
"COMPLETE PRIVACY."

POLICE SUPT. EDMUND BLAIZE SAID ANYONE CAUGHT BOTHERING MRS.  
KENNEDY WOULD BE PUNISHED.

"WE INTEND THAT MRS. KENNEDY'S PRIVACY NOT BE INFRINGED UPON,"  
HE SAID.

SECRET SERVICE AGENTS CHASED AWAY TWO PHOTOGRAPHERS WHO CAUGHT  
MRS. KENNEDY AND THE CHILDREN IN SWIMMING TUESDAY EVENING. POLICE  
LATER HELD TWO OTHER PHOTOGRAPHERS UNDER HOUSE ARREST FOR TWO  
HOURS BUT RELEASED THEM WHEN IT WAS DETERMINED THAT THEY WERE NOT THE  
OFFENDERS.

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