



MRS. ERMALEE HICKEL, wife of Alaska's Governor, Walter J. Hickel, admires four ceramic cups. They are gifts to her from the Alaska

Psychiatric Institute and now adorn the Governor's Mansion in Juneau.

## API Patients Present Ermalee Ceramic Cups

Patients at the Alaska Psychiatric Institute have the opportunity to learn about many crafts

and to create useful objects.

Typical of their creations are the four ceramic cups made by patients and presented to Mrs. Ermalee Hickel, wife of Governor Walter J. Hickel.

The cups done in a rich brown glaze, nest into each other and their adorning masks give the appearance of a totem pole when they are stacked.

There are two pairs of cups, each with a different design. On the outside two of the cups have a brown mottled, glazed interior; the others are a light, natural ivory color inside.

After the "First Lady of Alaska" accompanied by Mrs. Mitchell Abood, had visited Alaska Psychiatric Institute's Occupational Therapy Laboratory and admired the many pieces of handicraft and art created by the patients, the Superintendent, Dr. Carl Koutsky, sent her four of the objects she had complimented. Mrs. Abood is the wife of the Governor's Anchorage representative.

Mrs. Barbara Brown is Senior Occupational Therapist of the Alaska Psychiatric Institute Occupational Therapy Laboratory, where the cups were made.

Mrs. Carol Stewart, O.T.R., Miss Kathy Franz, O.T.R., Charles Masterson, aide, and Miss Linda Sullivan, Neighborhood Youth Corps worker, are other members of the Occupational Therapy staff.