

# Herter Defends Policy In Final Senate Report

WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of State Christian A. Herter yesterday gave a final report to the Senate on U.S. affairs abroad. Members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee said the report was "not very encouraging."

Herter particularly defended the U.S. break in relations with Cuba and the U.S. position on Laos.

His report was made to the committee behind closed doors. Committee Chairman J.

William Fulbright (D-Ark.) later reviewed it with reporters.

Sen. Albert Gore (D-Tenn.) a member of the committee, told reporters he felt the break with Cuba was inadvisable. But Fulbright said he did not wish to criticize the decision.

Cuba, Laos and the Congo were featured in the discussions, Fulbright said, although Herter's report also touched on Berlin, the U.S. balance of payments, Algeria and the December meeting of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

Fulbright indicated the United States would favor the reconstitution of a three-nation International Control Commission in Laos, if the pro-Western government of Premier Boun Oum should wish it.

The Soviet Union has opposed re-assembling the commission, composed of Canada, Poland and India. The commission was created in 1954 as an outgrowth of the Geneva settlement of the then critical Indochinese dispute.

Fulbright said he feels there is no justification for criticism in Europe that the United States is following a "trigger happy" policy in Laos. The Russians have made things worse by flying supplies to Communist troops, he said.

In Laos, as well as in other areas, he said Herter indicated the Russians have left the impression they do not care to proceed on problems until the Kennedy administration comes in.

## East, West Germans Finish New Dictionary

BERLIN (AP)—Communist East Germany has announced completion of one of the few projects it has cooperated on with the West—the 32-volume dictionary of the German language begun by the fairy tale Grimms.

The brothers Wilhelm and Jacob Grimm hoped to document every word used in Germany since the 16th century but they died in 1859 and 1863.

# De Gaulle Pleads For Algerian OK

PARIS (AP)—President Charles de Gaulle warned Frenchmen yesterday that their vote in Sunday's referendum will be their last chance to solve the Algerian problem, explaining there is a risk world events will sweep it out of their hands.

"To reply with the negative for any reason whatever is to deny that the problem should ever be solved by France," he said. "To abstain is to choose sterility for France."

The president made his third and last television appeal for massive backing for Algerian self-determination while villagers in Algeria already were casting the first votes. For security reasons, the referendum runs three days in that North African territory.

A dozen bombs set off in Paris and Algiers underscored the tense atmosphere. A last-minute attempt to blow down Radio Algiers power lines before De Gaulle spoke was a failure.

The 70-year-old French war hero, speaking with emphasis and some emotion, asked a massive "yes" vote—a majority in proportion to what is involved—so his plan could be carried through.

There is no talk of an end to the six-year nationalist rebellion in the question put to them, but De Gaulle clearly implied that—if backed by the nation—he has quick peace talks in mind.

# Kennedy Hears Plans for Aid To Education

NEW YORK (AP)—A vast program of federal aid to schools, amounting to nearly \$2.5 billion annually, was proposed to President-elect John F. Kennedy yesterday by his special task force on education.

It said the outlay would "lift the schools to a new level of excellence."

Commenting on the report, Kennedy told newsmen: "I don't know whether we have the resources immediately to take on the whole program. We'll have to decide the degree of need and set up a list of priorities."

The money would be allocated in the form of loans and grants to the states, with local school authorities permitted to spend it on teacher salaries, school construction or other purposes.

The report, drawn up by a group headed by Dr. Frederick Hovde, president of Purdue University, recommended three different plans for outright grants to the nation's schools.

One would provide schools in all states a blanket \$30 a year per pupil, based on average daily attendance.

Another plan would provide an additional \$20 per year per child in states where incomes are below 70 per cent of the national average.

A third approach would allow another \$20 per pupil annually for schools in cities with a population of 300,000 or more, where school systems are facing special strains.

## Belgian Riots Continue

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP)—Bloody riots in the Socialist stronghold of Liege yesterday crushed hopes for a quick settlement of the 18-day-old Belgian strikes.

Troops and police fought 1600 rioters in a battle of guns, sabers, tear gas and flying stones.

# Thailand Expresses Concern Over Laos

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP)—Thailand's Prime Minister Sarit Thanarat expressed concern yesterday over what he called Western uncertainty in the Laos crisis. He declared the situation soon could get "completely out of hand."

His criticism seemed aimed at the council of the Southeast Asia Treaty Organization which met briefly at its Bangkok headquarters for the third time to discuss the Laos situation, then issued no statement.

Sarit, who returned to this capital from a seaside resort where he had been recuperating from influenza, expressed his concern at a news conference.

He said that continued indecision of the West over Laos may allow Thailand's neighbor to slip off into a position where it cannot be saved.

However, Sarit later told the Thai people the situation in Laos is "serious but not critical."

The feeling of tense urgency which pervaded in SEATO headquarters here all week appeared to be dissipating.

Some sources said this was apparently due to growing realization that SEATO will not be asked to supply military forces to halt Communist advances in Laos—at least until some other methods have been tried.

Others said the United States apparently has stopped pushing its claim that the Communists have intervened with manpower as well as equipment.

A majority of the SEATO members appeared to be firmly convinced the best course is a call for political settlement while keeping its powder dry.

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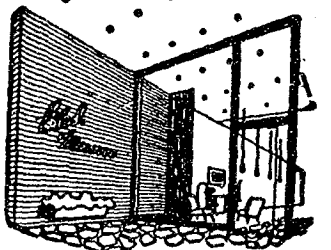


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# Senate Choses Kennedy Official Election Victory

WASHINGTON (AP)—In a brief but dramatic valedictory, Vice President Richard M. Nixon yesterday pronounced the election of John F. Kennedy as president of the United States.

Presiding over a joint session of Congress that made the final official count of the electoral votes, Nixon declared Kennedy the winner and extended his "heartfelt best wishes."

"In our campaigns, no matter how hard-fought they may be, no matter how close the election may turn out to be, those who lose accept the verdict, and support those who win," Nixon said.

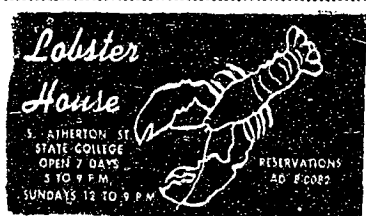
He said the cause of freedom, justice and peace for all mankind is bigger than any man's ambition and greater than any party.

Thus the man who lost one of

the closest popular elections in the nation's history bid farewell to the Congress where he began his political career 14 years ago.

The twist of constitutional fate that placed Nixon, as vice president, in the position of presiding over the Senate-House session which sealed his defeat heightened interest in a proceeding otherwise lacking in suspense.

Under the Constitution, Congress is required to canvass the electoral votes and make the result official.



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