

Congress Leaders Promise Kennedy All-Out Support

Washington—(UPI)—President-elect John F. Kennedy today was promised an all-out leadership effort to push his "must" liberal program through a still Democratic House and Senate early in 1961.

"What he wants we'll do or break our necks trying," said Sen. Mike Mansfield, the Montana Democrat slated to become the new Senate majority leader after Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson takes over as vice president.

"We'll support the new president to the best of our ability."

'Good Program'
Speaker Sam Rayburn in a telephone interview with UPI from his home at Bonham, Tex., promised early house passage of a "good program." He said this includes a minimum wage increase, a school construction bill, federal help for chronically depressed areas and a stronger medical care for the aged program.

All are items Sen. Kennedy told the nation his party would deal with early in a new Democratic administration. He stressed that action in the first 90 or 100 days as imperative if a new president is to expedite passage of a legislative program.

Trims Margin
Tuesday's election trimmed the margin of Democratic control in both houses of the 87th Congress which convenes Jan. 3.

Democrats gave up two Senate seats to the GOP, but still had a top-heavy control with a 64-36 lineup. The Republicans gained seats in Delaware and Wyoming.

With only a handful of races still unsettled, the indicated House makeup was 259 Democrats to 178 Republicans. This would be a pickup of 24 seats for the GOP, but still left the Democrats with 40 seats more than the 219 needed for control.

Americans Average Four Cavities Each

Washington (Science Service)—Americans have an average of four untreated cavities each, a total of 700 million untreated cavities in the U. S.

By the age of 50, one-half of those in the U. S. have developed gum ailments, which causes more tooth loss than cavities do. By the age of 65, nearly 100 per cent have gum trouble.

The American Council on Education published these facts and others in a summary report of a two and one-half year survey of dental health, practice, education and research, called "Dentistry in the United States: Status, Needs and Recommendations."

Recommendations for improvement of dental health include more widespread fluoridation of water and special federal grant-in-aid to states, on a matching basis, to assist communities in meeting the cost of initiating fluoridation programs.

Organization of a national voluntary council on dental health is suggested to the dental profession to stimulate public interest.

Physicians To Read Of New Findings

Chicago (Science Service)—Your physician will soon be reading these findings reported in The Journal of the American Medical Association: The use of radiation to preserve food appears to be several years away. Control of radioactivity and completion of present research involving animal feeding will take time.

There are problems and limitations in the use of antibiotics as food preservatives. Officials in Canada and the United States permit the use of chlorotetracycline and oxytetracycline in fish and poultry because little or no residue is left in these foods at the time of consumption.

A new tranquilizer, chloridazepoxide (Librium), reduced anxiety in 170 of 212 patients studied over a period of 15 months.

A pneumonia-like disease called bagassosis, previously considered rare, is now regarded as an occupational disease of considerable importance. It is a potential hazard wherever the dust of bagasse, dried sugar cane fiber, is inhaled.

COMPLETE TALKS
Cairo—(UPI)—United Arab Republic President Gamal Abdel Nasser and Pakistani President Mohammed Ayub Khan Wednesday night completed their formal talks on strengthening economic relations between their countries.

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