

A DAY WITH KENNEDY

Foreign Aid Budget Approved During Meeting; Mrs. Kennedy Evades Reporters at Office Door

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10:03 - Kennedy walked into the Cabinet room for a meeting with Secretary of State Dean Rusk, Treasury Secretary Douglas Dillon, Budget Director Bell, Undersecretary of State George Ball and others. At this meeting the foreign aid budget was approved in final form and Ball said goodbye before leaving on a mission to London and Paris.

10:20 - Mrs. Kennedy, cover-girl chic in a pale lime suit and matching pillbox hat with wind-blown tassel, arrived at the door of the President's office with Caroline, spotted reporters and fled into another office.

10:25 - The President returned to his office from the Cabinet room, called a cheery "Hi, Frank, how are you?" to Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr., who had come to ride to an Italian ceremony at the State Department with him. Roosevelt is eastern distributor for the Fiat, an Italian-made car. With him was the grandson of Giuseppe Garibaldi, the famed Italian patriot.

Guilty Orange Juice Kennedy gulped down a glass of orange juice, then walked to the porch outside his office and called, "Let's go, Jackie" to his wife who was standing a few feet away. The President headed down the walk to his waiting limousine.

At the State Department, the President made a brief speech in praise of Italy and her contribution to American culture.

11:40 - Kennedy returned to the White House, let Mrs. Kennedy off at the south driveway entrance and continued on to his office. He had removed the small plaster bandage from the cut at the Italian ceremonies and the cut seemed to be increasingly red.

11:46 - Rep. Wright Patman (D-Tex.), chairman, and Sen. Paul Douglas (D-Ill.), vice chairman, of the Congressional Economic Committee, arrived to discuss steps to combat the recession. They noted his formal morning attire and Kennedy boomed, "Oh, this is the way I dress every day." He liked this joke so much he used it on several other visitors until he changed clothes during lunch.

12:10 - West Virginia's two Democratic senators, Jennings Randolph and Robert Byrd, entered to discuss federal fuel policies on coal versus residual oil.

Meeting Interrupted 12:17 - Mrs. Evelyn Lincoln, his secretary, interrupted the meeting with a written message. She went back in again at 12:20, at 12:21 (the President wanted a copy of a letter, at 12:23 and at 12:40).

12:55 - Newsreel and still photographers were called in to make pictures of the two West Virginians with Kennedy. The senators left immediately thereafter.

1:02 - Kennedy headed for the house and lunch. As he walked, he read from a memorandum that disturbed him. One of his staff cited the feeling "by some" that information on what the government is doing is not as free today as it was in the days of the Roosevelt New Deal. Kennedy thought quite differently.

1:06 - At the elevator again. He told his physician, Dr. Janet G. Travel, whose office is just across the hall, that he'd see her later. A handsome gray-haired woman, she smiled and nodded knowingly. The President said he planned to have lunch and read in his study.

2:58 The President returned to his office, sporting a new and much more substantial bandage over his eye. He explained, "I had to be stitched up a bit." He said a Navy doctor, a captain named Connolly, took five stitches. There was some swelling over the eye, but the President said he felt fine. He also had changed

from his diplomatic clothes into a single-breasted Oxford gray business suit.

Eastland Arrives 3:00 - Sen. James O. Eastland (D-Miss.), chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, arrived with great gravity and entered the President's office slowly.

3:30 - Eastland left, even sterner looking than before.

3:43 - Kennedy went out into the rose garden to observe the 49th anniversary of the Girl Scouts by accepting a doll for Caroline and flowers for his wife from Sonja Algren, 17, Silver Spring, Md., and Ellen Hooton, 15, Chevy Chase, Md. He told the girls in behalf of Caroline, "I'll look forward to her becoming a Girl Scout."

3:47 - From the rose garden, Kennedy moved to the Cabinet Room for a highly secret conference dealing with national security and a matter which he later described as being urgent. A similar meeting was held the day before and not announced. With the President were Rusk (his second trip of the day), Vice President Johnson, Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara, McGeorge Bundy, special assistant to the President for national security matters, and others.

5:20 - The President returned to his office with McNamara and Johnson. The President seemed to be growing fresher as the day lengthened. At a conference around a fireplace, Kennedy, Johnson and McNamara put their final seal of approval on the defense budget. A message will go to Congress in the next week or 10 days.

Jovial Social Hour 5:37 - The President walked over to the executive mansion for the "coffee hour" with the 55 House members in the dining room.

The social hour was moderately jovial. The President moved around, shaking hands and chatting. There was coffee served at one end of the room, but more of the congressmen favored highballs served from passing trays. There were small sandwiches and cakes, too.

6:25 - The party, all men except for Rep. Edith Green (D-Ore.) buzzed with excitement. Why? The President darted out into the hallway and brought in Mrs. Kennedy, stunning in a pale pink sheath with bare arms.

Rep. William H. Ayres (R-Ohio) had joined with Rep. Silvio O. Conte (R-Mass.) in bringing a rather large, red tricycle to the White House for Caroline and they had wheeled it into the dining

room. Spiritedly, Ayres jumped aboard and took a whizzing ride out into the coterie hallway past the entrances to the Red and Blue rooms.

Posed for Pictures 6:27 - Mrs. Kennedy having departed, the President went into the Blue Room and posed for a series of pictures with various state delegations. At one point, House Republican Leader Charles A. Halleck found himself in the picture lineup with Kennedy.

No one seemed to mention the prominent bandage over the President's eye. With most of the photographs out of the way, he walked into the center foyer to bid his guests adieu.

6:40 - He went to the second floor by elevator alone to join Mrs. Kennedy, former Secretary of State Dean Acheson and an uncle of the First Lady. Prince and Princess Radziwili also were there. The princess is Mrs. Kennedy's sister, Lee.

7:23 - Kennedy emerged from the elevator on the ground floor, heading back for the office.

7:25 - Back at his desk, he called to Mrs. Lincoln through her open office door to get Rusk on the telephone. There was a quick conversation about the plans for the forthcoming visit of President Habib Bourguiba of Tunisia. Kennedy autographed a color picture for Eastland and then tackled another bunch of photos. He also signed a lot of mail, standing at the desk and bending over to affix his signature which can be deciphered only by close friends and blood relatives.

Dictated Letters 7:35 - Kennedy's business suit seemed as well pressed as it did when he donned it at lunch time. Finishing for the moment with papers on his desk, he went into his secretary's office and began dictating letters. He stood behind her desk and whipped through several letters rapidly.

7:41 - Back into his own office to look over the latest editions of Washington afternoon newspapers.

7:43 - Ducked into a small private office, originally intended as a resting room for Eisenhower, closed the door and made a super-private telephone call.

7:46 - He emerged from his inner sanctum and said, "I guess we're about through." He walked by the glowing globe to the couches in front of the fireplace. He reviewed the day quickly. All in all, he said, an easier day than most.

Removed Carnation As he talked informally, he suddenly remembered that he still was wearing the green carnation left over from the congressional reception. Silently, he jerked it out of the button hole and threw it over on his desk.

7:55 - He told his press association shadows goodnight, explaining that after dinner he planned to read a few reports and hit the hay by 11 o'clock or shortly thereafter. He opened his porch door into the brisk night air, but Mrs. Lincoln called to him. Would he take one more call? With no complaint, he walked back to his desk quickly over the thick green carpet, picked up the telephone.

7:56 - He started "home" again, swinging down the walkway between the steamy windows of the White House swimming pool and nodding goodnight to a policeman.

'Y' Develops New Membership Plan

The membership committee of the YMCA has developed a new plan for group membership called the "Firm Plan." The plan allows Firm management to arrange a monthly payroll deduction for those who voluntarily wish membership in the YMCA. It also allows firms to help out on their employees' benefits.

This strategy of payment for membership is one which corresponds with the payment plan most people use in buying many other services by the month.

This plan enrolls individuals and families as members of the Y with full privileges in all of the ongoing programs and firms who desire to participate.

Medford firms enrolled in the plan are the A. L. Nash Sand and Gravel and the Nash Ford Tractor, both enrolling 100 per cent of their employees.

Further information may be had by contacting Bob Jones, general secretary of the Medford YMCA.

Installation of Water Main Starts

M. C. Lininger and Sons company started work Wednesday on installation of a six-inch water main on North Riverside ave., from Ohio st. to Crater Lake highway.

City Water Superintendent Robert Lee said the project should take about two weeks to complete. Lininger and Sons submitted a low bid of \$7,186 on the project.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

Among the anti-recession measures that are being considered by the congress is a bill to provide help for chronically depressed areas. It would authorize 300 million (approximately a third of a billion) dollars in loan funds to aid in bringing job-creating industries to communities that for one reason or another have LOST the industries upon which in the past they have depended for their support.

The bill provides that the major proportion of the money would be provided by treasury BORROWING, rather than by direct appropriations added to the budget and raised by taxation.

Which is to say, it would be added to what is already ON THE CUFF.

THAT brings up a statement I made recently by Sam Dawson, an Associated Press business news analyst.

He says: "Among our depressed areas, one particular type is perhaps MORE RESENTFUL of its fate than the others. That is the community where a chief industry has been hurt by LOSING ITS MARKET'S TO FOREIGN IMPORTS. It represents both the economic toll in jobs and incomes but also what it believes to be the injustice of its plight."

"Some companies that have been badly hurt by foreign competition even charge that their foreign competitors are now using new and modern plants made possible by past MONETARY AID FROM U.S. TAXPAYERS. Other companies complain of the competition from lower paid foreign labor."

IN other words: By our INFLATIONARY programs, including the wage-price spiral, we have been pricing ourselves out of world markets.

And— At the same time—

We have been contributing foreign aid in sums running into the billions to make available for foreigners, among other things, new and modern industrial plants with which to compete with us.

It doesn't seem to make sense, does it?

It is little wonder that communities whose principal payroll industries have been badly hurt by foreign competitors (whose production costs are lower than ours) are complaining about the injustice of it all.

QUESTION: What shall we do about it?

Shall we subsidize these communities—with BORROWED money that will be added to our already staggering debt, with its interest burden that presently amounts to about nine billion dollars a year?

Or shall we go to the ROOT of the trouble and take intelligent steps to reduce our high production costs which are being reflected in prices so high that they are beginning to shut us out of a lot of foreign markets and in addition are enabling foreigners to undersell us increasingly in OUR OWN markets?

These are questions that deserve a lot of careful study—by our VOTERS, as well as by our lawmakers.

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