

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses met in joint session to count electoral votes.

Senate debated question of consideration of rules change on cloture.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 247-270

Bills Introduced: 46 bills and 7 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 180-225; S.J. Res. 21-22; S. Con. Res. 3; and S. Res. 20-23.

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Bill Rereferred: S. 2, to assist small business by allowing certain income tax deductions, which yesterday had been referred to the Committee on Banking and Currency was, by unanimous consent, rereferred to the Committee on Finance.

Electoral Count: Senate met in joint session with the House, pursuant to provisions of S. Con. Res. 1, providing for a joint session of the House and Senate in the Hall of the House on Friday, January 6, 1961, at 1 p.m., for the opening and counting of the electoral ballots of the several States for the election of the President and Vice President (for tabulation of votes see House Chamber).

After the Senate had returned to its Chamber Senator Hayden, one of the tellers on the part of the Senate appointed to count the electoral votes, announced the result of the count.

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Senate Rules: At 2 p.m. upon the expiration of the morning hour, Presiding Officer laid down and Senate debated Humphrey motion to resume consideration of modified S. Res. 4, to amend rule XXII of the Standing Rules of Senate by permitting cloture on vote of three-fifths (rather than two-thirds) of Senators present and voting. Pending question at adjournment remained the modified Humphrey amendment (in nature of a substitute) to permit cloture by majority vote of Senators chosen and sworn (constitutional majority).

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Condolence Resolution: S. Res. 23, expressing con-

dolences on the death of Representative Rogers (Mass.), was adopted.

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Program for Monday: Senate met at noon and adjourned at 3:51 p.m. until noon Monday, January 9, when it will continue on question of consideration of S. Res. 4, to amend Senate rules respecting cloture.

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Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

LAOS AND CUBA

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in executive session to receive a briefing on the world situation, with especial regard to the situations in Laos and Cuba. Testimony was received from Secretary of State Christian A. Herter and Assistant Secretary of State for Far Eastern Affairs J. Graham Parsons.

INVESTIGATIONS—MSTS

Committee on Government Operations: The Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations continued its hearings concerning alleged irregularities in the Military Sea Transportation Service in Brooklyn, N.Y., with especial attention to existing relations between civilian employees of MSTS and certain contractors engaged in the repair of ships. Witnesses heard were Joseph Meyer, of Todd Shipyards, New York; Moe Kirschenbaum, Industrial Relations Officer, and George P. Cross, Deputy Maintenance and Repair Officer, both of MSTS, Brooklyn; Paul E. Kamerick and Alfonse Calabrese, both of the committee staff; Henry C. Parks, Marine Electric Corp., Brooklyn; and Ralph Master, a former employee of Project Construction Co., Brooklyn.

Hearings were recessed until February 1.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: Due to incomplete listing of bills introduced on January 3 and 4, 1961, a complete listing is printed as follows:

January 3—1,286 public bills, H.R. 1-1285 and H.R. 1341; 436 private bills, H.R. 1286-1340 and 1342-1722; and 186 resolutions, H.J. Res. 1-87, H. Con. Res. 1-34, and H. Res. 1-65.

January 4—133 public bills, H.R. 1723-1855; 65 private bills, H.R. 1856-1920; and 41 resolutions, H.J. Res. 88-106; H. Con. Res. 35-40, and H. Res. 66-81.

January 6—165 public bills, H.R. 1921-2085; 114 private bills, H.R. 2086-2199; and 22 resolutions, H.J. Res. 107-109, H. Con. Res. 41-51, and H. Res. 82-89, were introduced.

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Absentee Members Sworn: Adopted H. Res. 82 and 83, providing for House acceptance of oaths administered pursuant to H. Res. 11 and 12, as the oath of office of Representatives Grant and Utt, respectively.

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Speaker's Birthday: The Speaker received felicitations from numerous Members in observance of his 79th birthday.

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Electoral Count: Pursuant to S. Con. Res. 1, the House and Senate met in a joint session to count the votes of the electors for President and Vice President. The count disclosed that John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B.

Johnson, received 303 votes for President and Vice President, respectively, and Harry F. Byrd 15 votes for President. Richard M. Nixon and Henry Cabot Lodge received 219 votes for President and Vice President, respectively, Strom Thurmond 14 votes for Vice President, and Barry Goldwater 1 vote for Vice President.

Representatives Kelly and Bolton served as tellers, on the part of the House, with Senators Hayden and Curtis.

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Lobbyists: The compilation by the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of all registrations and quarterly report for the third quarter of 1960, filed by persons engaged in lobbying activities, appears in this issue of the Congressional Record.

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Program for Monday: Adjourned at 1:58 p.m. until Monday, January 9, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of January 9-14

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate Chamber

No legislative program for next week has been announced. On Monday Senate will continue on question of consideration of S. Res. 4, to amend Senate rules respecting cloture. On Thursday President's message on the State of the Union will be received.

Senate Committees

Committee on Finance: January 11, to hold hearings on the nomination of Douglas Dillon, to be Secretary of the Treasury, 10 a.m., 2221 New Senate Office Building.

Committee on Foreign Relations: January 10, executive, on committee business, 10:30 a.m., room F-53, Capitol.

House Chamber

No program was announced but the President's State of the Union message will be received and read on Thursday.

House Committees

No meetings scheduled.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR SATURDAY, JANUARY 7

(All meetings are open unless otherwise designated)

Senate

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Internal Security, on hearing on payment of a Castro Subsidy to the Fair Play for Cuba Committee, 10:30 a.m., 2228 New Senate Office Building.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.