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Adjournment

The second session of the 83rd Congress was brought to a close on October 3 when the Senate adjourned sine die at 1:41 p.m. and the House at 3:16 p.m. The 89th Congress will convene Monday, January 4, 1965.

PL 88-655 Amends NDEA

The White House, seething with activity on October 16 -- the day the Soviet Ambassador came to call following Khrushchev's ouster, and the day Red China exploded its first nuclear bomb -- nevertheless opened its doors wide to Congressional leaders, educators and librarians to formally mark the signing of the amended National Defense Education Act.

Despite the fact that he was running 45 minutes late in his tightly scheduled program due to these unforeseen events, President Johnson took time to address the group invited to the East Room for the impressive signing ceremony of S. 3060. Referring to the 88th Congress as a turning point for education with its commitment to unicef and move ahead, he said:

"So as we sign this bill this afternoon, let's let this be another step along the road that we have taken and when we come back here, whenever that may be, let's be prepared to go all the way."

ALA members gathered around the President as he worked his way through the bank of pens he used in affixing his signature to the document. Proud possessors of pens are Edwin Castagna, President; Frederick Wagman, Past President; Joseph Reason, Director of Howard University Library; Dorothy McGinniss, Executive Secretary of AASL; and Germaine Krettek, Director of ALA Washington Office.

To finance the amended NDEA, which has been expanded to include institutes for school library personnel, besides a number of other major changes, a total of $348,603,000 has been provided: $287,853,000 is contained in the regular Fiscal 1965 Education Appropriation Bill (PL 83-605); and $60,750,000 in the Supplemental Appropriation Bill (PL 88-635). Of the total amount, $22,500,000 is specified for the expanded institutes program under Title XI. For Title II - Loans, $146,700,000; Title III - Grants to States for Equipment and Minor Remodeling, $70,400,000; Loans to Non-Public Schools, $1 million; Grants to States for Supervision, $5,200,000; Title IV - Fellowships, $32,740,000; Title VII - Research and Experimentation in Educational Media, $4,963,000; Title VIII - Vocational Education Area Centers, $15 million; Title X - Improvement of Statistical Services of States, $2,100,000.
Regulations governing Public Law 88-665 are now being drawn up and should appear soon in the Federal Register.

Executive Order 11185

Reinforcing his commitment to education, President Johnson also issued an executive order on October 16 designed to strengthen and coordinate Federal policies and programs pertaining to education.

The order outlines the functions of the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare and of the Commissioner of Education and, among other things, calls upon the Commissioner to study the current effects of Federal activities upon the educational programs of State, local, and nonprofit educational institutions, assess future trends, and develop recommendations to promote educational progress and coordination.

The Federal Register for October 20 carries the full text of the Executive Order, on Pp. 14399 ff.

Supplemental Appropriations

The conference report on the Supplemental Appropriations Bill (H.Rept.1928 on HR 12533) was approved October 3 by Congress and signed into law on October 7 (PL 88-635). This makes funds available for fiscal 1965 (July 1, 1964-June 30, 1965) to carry out programs enacted after the regular appropriations bills had been passed. Operating funds for library-related programs were provided as follows:

- The Economic Opportunity Act (PL 88-452) - $800 million
- The National Defense Education Act (PL 88-665) - $60,750,000
- The National Historical Publications program (PL 88-383) - $350,000
- The Water Resources Research Act (PL 88-379) - $1,465,000
- The National Arts and Cultural Development Act (PL 88-579) - $50,000

Economic Opportunity Act (PL 88-452)

Formulation of the regulations for administration of programs under the Economic Opportunity Act is now nearing completion. It is expected that the rules will be published soon in the Federal Register, and those wanting to participate should study them carefully for the possibilities for library involvement in the various sectors of the anti-poverty program.

Visit your Congressional Delegation

Host Senators and Representatives will be staying in their home states from now until Congress reconvenes in January. So this is a prime time to arrange an appointment with them to discuss library legislation. Tell your Members of Congress about what has already been accomplished, current projects, and future plans which will require adequate appropriations for effective operation. If possible, give figures to show how Federal funds have stimulated increased State and local appropriations. Your Congressmen welcome and appreciate the opportunity to learn their constituents' views and to acquire concise and factual information about results of Federal legislation in their own localities. Plan to leave a fact sheet to substantiate your presentation for future reference by your Congressmen. If your district has elected a new Member of Congress, it is particularly important that you meet him and acquaint him with your State's library legislation.

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