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John F Kennedy

TERMS: January 20, 1961- November 22 1963

ELECTION RESULTS: Kennedy declared his [plans for running for president in 1960 and was also nominated by the democrat party as a candidate for president in 1960. Kennedy debated with Richard Nixon and appeared to hold much more composure than Nixon. On January 20, 1961 Kennedy was sworn in as the 35th president of the United States.

ACTS AND IDEAS PASSED:

- Kennedy gave the approval for the invasion of Cuba in 1968
- Kennedy established the alliance for progress which sent foreign aid to troubled countries and sought greater human rights standards.
- Kennedy created the peace corps in which Americans volunteered to help underdeveloped nations
- Kennedy signed the limited or partial test ban treaty, which prohibited testing on the ground in the atmosphere, or underwater, but did not prohibit testing underground.

ADMINISTRATION

- Vice President: Lyndon B Johnson
- State: Dean Rusk
- Treasury: Douglas Dillon
- Defense: Robert S McNamara
- Justice: Robert F Kennedy
- Post Master: J Edward Day
 - John A Gronouski
- Interior: Stewart L Udall
- Agriculture: Orville L Freeman
- Labor: Arthur J Goldberg
 - Willard Wirtz
- HEW: Abraham A Ribicoff
 - Anthony J Celebrezze

PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED:

- Kennedy encountered many problems with civil rights and non-segregated schools.
- Kennedy's religion caused much negative speculation in his running for the president.

TRIVIA:

- all 8 of Kennedy's grandparents were Irish immigrants
- Kennedy had the shortest life span of any president.
- Kennedy was the only Roman Catholic president of the U.S.