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## KENNEDY ASSAILS VIETNAMIZATION

**Calls It 'Policy of Violence'  
That Led to Invasions**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17 (UPI) — Senator Edward M. Kennedy, said today the United States policy of Vietnamization was actually "a policy of violence" that has resulted in the "invasion of Cambodia, the invasion of Laos."

"We have now seen clearly what Vietnamization means," the Massachusetts Democrat said. "The invasion of Cambodia, the invasion of Laos, are the children of that policy. Vietnamization means war and more war; it has nothing to do with an end to violence, it is a policy of violence."

Mr. Kennedy addressed a meeting of the Businessmen's Executive Movement for Peace in Vietnam.

He expressed "disappointment and dismay" that the American people had not protested the operation in Laos more strongly.

### Notes Work of Protest

"For a gross step was taken in the invasion of Laos, and unlike times past, the people of this nation have uttered hardly a word of protest," he said.

"Rather," he said, "we read in the weekly magazines that America is cooling off, that we are entering a period where each person will be more interested in literally doing his own thing and less interested in the larger events that do not seem to submit to control."

He said Americans should not be complacent or let go unanswered "the invasion of a neutral nation by another state under our guidance and control."

Another speaker, Gen. William Wallace Ford, said that there were 400,000 prostitutes in South Vietnam and 100,000 amputees and the population of Saigon had grown from 250,000 in 1961 to 3.5 million persons.

"And now we're trying to take this helpful effort to Cambodia and Laos," the retired general said. "With a friend like us, what is the meaning of an enemy?"