

# Louisiana Inaugurates Davis

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Jimmie Houston Davis became the 41st governor of Louisiana Tuesday in ceremonies that ended the tragic, colorful term of Earl K. Long.

The 58-year-old country-music singer vowed in a brief inaugural talk to make a stubborn stand against racial integration.

"We will preserve segregation," he promised. "We will maintain our way of life without compromise, without prejudice, without violence.

"We will solve our problems on our own terms without interference from those outside our borders."

Listening to Governor Davis' pledge were other Southern governors, including Gov. Orval Faubus of Arkansas, who took a similar stand on the integration of Little Rock public schools.

Earl Long, already making sounds as if he plans to run again in four years, rode with Davis in the inaugural parade. He stole much of the attention of some 10,000 persons attending the ceremony on the steps of Louisiana's skyscraper capitol, and of the thin lines of spectators along the parade route.

Wearing a spectacular polka-dot vest, Long waved blue and red

bandana handkerchiefs and appeared to be enjoying himself immensely.

The relaxed, county fair air of the inaugural was heightened by the informality of the spectators, the beauty queens and the college and high school bands blaring "You Are My Sunshine," a song written by Governor Davis.

In the inaugural stands, Blaze Starr, a New Orleans stripper modestly dressed in a suit, took movies of Long, an acquaintance.

But, when the time came to swear in Governor Davis, when the chimes of St. Joseph Catholic Church rang out the hour of noon, the ceremony became quiet, with a religious air. A choir sang hymns and the governor spoke solemnly.

He hinted broadly at a program out of money." of financial austerity for a state "We will meet expenses with which he said "has practically run available revenues," he said.