tion, before a House Appropriasubcommittee. The testimony, given May 15, was made

public Wednesday.

Dryden said the experiment was conducted at Ames Research Center, Moffet Field, Calif., about two weeks before he testified in support of a \$4.8-million item in the budget for construction of a bigger and better hypervelocity free flight facility.

He said the proposed facility would help solve the re-entry problems of a returning moon vehicle. It also could use gases like the atmospheres of Mars or Venus to simulate landings on

those planets.

The work at Ames was on a small prototype, to prove the big-

ger one was feasible.

Dryden said the tremendous speed was achieved by firing an object from a special gas gun at a speed of about 25,000 feet a second. The object was fired into

## Trinity School Holds Exercises

One hundred young students at Trinity Parochial School received certificates of successful completion of kindergarten Wednesday night at Trinity Episcopal Church.

Rev. A. Stratton Lawrence Jr.,

made the presentations.

Theme of the program was "God, Country, Home and School," with each of the four classes participating in one of the four sections of the theme.

Mrs. Russell L. Hudson, director of music, directed the program, with the assistance of Mrs. Benjamin C. Craft, Mrs. Fred B. Kniffen, Mrs. Aldon P. Bordelon and Mrs. J. Walter Perry, teachers.

A reception followed the exercises, with Mrs. Robert W. Bowlus and Mrs. C. E. Schwing pre-

siding.

Mrs. David Fergusson is direc- political fire.

returning from the moon is calculated at 36,000 feet per second.

The new facility would be able to produce speeds of up to 50,000 feet a second.

## Spectre of Laos Is Suspended Over Solons

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The spectre of a small Asiatic country, where millions of dollars and years of effort had failed to mobilize either government people for their own defense against communism, hung over the Senate Foreign Relations Committee room Wednesday.

Secretary of State Dean Rusk opened the Kennedy government's campaign for a five-year foreign aid program envisioning the expenditure of nearly \$5 bil-

lion in the first year.

Whi A message from the House asked for \$40 million to Peace Corps experiming the started.

Senators asked what was v mea EDS administrative which despite plenty of and personnel on hand, per \$69 the development of such si as Laos.

The diplomatic answer velops beyond the broa statement of need given is that the aid program years has registered and ments which are only fine by its failures. And that cesses will be greatly and the new stability proming a continuing program been one of the contention ery administration since year Marshall Plan pulled choose out of the postwar econon

The diplomats do not pre

