HEADED FOR THE INAUGURATION . .

West Las Vegas will be represented by several of its more prominent citizens at President Lyndon B, Johnson's Inaugural next week, with Dr. and Mrs. Charles I. West proudly "carrying the colors" of the Las Vegas VOICE to the big affair in Washington, D. C.

We managed to catch a glimpse of the truly striking outfit our own "first lady" will wear at the Inaugural Ball and we must say that Dottle won't have to take a back seat to anyone

present in the glamour department. Her Malcolm Starr original of white chiffon over peau-de-sole is a real stunner in an elegantly simple Empire style with back panel. Matching slippers, long white gloves and a black diamond mink stole supplement Dottie's gown. (See photo.)



EDDYE K. KIM

Also attending the ceremonies in the capital city will be Charles Kellar, while his Nina keeps the home fires burning, and James Anderson, whose own Helen will be much too busy with her teaching duties to get away. Others invited include the Rev. and Mrs. Leo Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. William (Bob) Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Ike Rome, Gwen Weekes and Sarah Hughes.

The Wests expect to be gone about a fortnight and will take advantage of the trip east to visit with the Doctor's mother, Mrs. Rebekah B. West, at her Washington home. They also intend to take in some of the dinners and dances being sponsored during Inauguration Week by the diplomatic corps from various African nations.

BUSINESS SUITS FOR MEN? . . .

Styles for male attire at Presidential Inaugurations change from time to time and it looks like LBJ will set a new motif by wearing a business suit when he is sworn in as the nation's chief executive for the next four years.

Were this George Washington's day, LBJ would be wearing a black velvet suit with knee



INAUGURAL BALL GOWN--Mrs. Charles I. (Dottie) West displays gown she will wear at Inaugural Ball of President Lyndon B. Johnson in Washington, D. C. For description of gown see "Who's Who' column this

pants and long silk stockings. (We just can't see the man from Texas in this sort of garb.) James Madison wore knee pants of wool

while Andrew Jackson was in severe mourning clothes and hatless because his beloved wife had just passed away.

It has not been established when the longstandard morning dress, with cutaway coat, striped trousers and waist coat became the vogue for inaugurations. But it certainly wasn't Abraham Lincoln who introduced this costume, because the Great Emancipator wore the frock coat of his day and a stove pipe hat which he removed while taking the oath of office.

Almost all the inauguration pictures of this century show the Presidents in morning dress. An exception was when Franklin D. Roosevelt rode down Pennsylvania Ave. in a dark business suit with blue-gray tie for his fourth installation as head of state. Previously, FDR wore more formal dress with top hat.

But whatever the current President wears sets the style.

Dwight D. Eisenhower set off a flurry of

Homburg wearing when he rode to his inauguration in one of the hats made popular in England by Anthony Eden. John F. Kennedy returned the high silk hat to favor along with formal white the and tails. Invitations to the Kennedy inaugural stated that white tie was preferred, black tie (dinner jacket) permissable and that ladies

could wear short or long gowns for the ball.

This time, LBJ has decided on dinner jackets for the ball. Louis Rothschild of the apparel industry said his people have accepted the Johnson dictates with mixed emotions, but they expect the business suit style for the inauguration will increase sales. Wives, he claims, will tell their husbands, "You just can't wear that shiny blue thing!"

How about it, Doc? Did Dottle make you go

out and buy a new suit?

(AFRICA, from page 2) again. The new struggle for power involved old-guard militarists and communist agitators, who have since merged with other elements to run the country on an anti-Western basis.

More than a month ago, Premier Moise Tshombe's Western-supported Congolese government charged that neighboring Sudan was conspiring with the United Arab Republic, Algeria and Ghana to furnish military aid to Congolese rebels. The UAR and Algeria belligerantly admitted their part in the conspiracy. Sudan and Ghana denied the charges.

Sudanese denials were jolted last week when Ambassador Theodore Idzumbuir of the Congo told the United Nations Security Council:

Congolese military authorities have seized, in the area of Mahagi near the Sudanese border, two lorries of Soviet manufacture carrying machine guns of (Red) Chinese origin destined for the Congolese rebellion.".

No matter how the power struggle in Africa

--and Sudan--is finally resolved, the internal
challenges in Sudan apparently will remain to
torment that nation for many years to come.
These include the problems of the Negroid South and general economic development. The future of Africa's largest country depends on how these problems are handled. There is no telling now whether it will be stability -- or chaos.

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