WASHINGTON, May 1 (UPI) — Millions of Americans rededicated their nation’s heritage of rule by law in Law Day ceremonies throughout the United States today.

It was America’s answer to the traditional militaristic May Day parades and mass meetings in Moscow and satellite capitals, as well as Havana.

President Kennedy, who signed a resolution that for the first time officially recognized Law Day, set the theme for about 100,000 ceremonies in Legislatures, courts, school auditoriums and at lunches and dinners.

“Law is the strongest link between man and freedom, and by strengthening the rule of law we strengthen freedom and justice in our own country and contribute by example to the goal of justice under law for all mankind,” the President said in his proclamation.

“No nation can remain free unless its people cherish their freedoms, understand the responsibilities they entail and nurture the will to preserve them,” he said.

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Whitney North Seymour, president of the American Bar Association, which sponsored the observances for the fourth consecutive year, urged in New York that efforts be made to speed the strengthening of the United Nations and the World Court.

Supreme Court Justice Tom C. Clark called on all Americans to enlist in the world struggle against the Communists by producing more democracy at home. Justice Clark made a filmed address for high schools and Texas television stations.

Senator Prescott Bush, Connecticut Republican, pointed out here that on May Day the Communist world “boasts of its military strength, parades its weapons and issues threats to freedom-loving peoples.”

By contrast, Mr. Bush said, Americans have designated May 1 as Law Day, or Loyalty Day. In a television discussion with Mr. Bush, Charles S. Rhyne, former A. B. A. president, said twenty-six other nations would help the United States celebrate “respect for law.”

Senator Kenneth B. Keating, New York Republican, told twenty-five new citizens at naturalization proceedings in Washington that “our immigration laws must not unreasonably bar from our shores those who seek to live and work in freedom.”

Civic leaders and Federal court officials welcomed about 1,000 aliens to citizenship at a mass swearing-in ceremony in McCormick Place, Chicago’s big new lake-side exposition hall.

Former President Harry S. Truman and Edward R. Murrow, head of the United States Information Agency, attended a joint session of the Missouri Legislature at Jefferson City and were honored at a luncheon.