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Deukmejian wary of joint trade missions

Quayle in L.B., boosts Wilson

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The room was crowded, hot and stuffy. The tables, laden with miniature hot dogs, summer fruits and pastries, were decorated with dozens of tiny flags. Hundreds of red, white and blue balloons hung from the ceiling and hovered, at eye level, ready to be batted away.

When the guests of honor marched onto the podium, the

band broke into a rousing rendition of "California Here I Come," and when they departed, the Secret Service held up traffic for blocks.

It seems like only yesterday that the political season ended. Actually, it was last November. Indiana Sen. Dan Quayle became vice president. Pete Wilson was elected to his second term as U.S. senator from California.

And yet, there were both men Sunday, in Long Beach, already



gearing up for a California gubernatorial election that is

He excepts Canada, Taiwan

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Gov. George Deukmejian, who invited governors of 17 western states to Long Beach to talk about sharing foreign trade missions, said Sunday that California is not ready to set up joint offices in major markets like Japan.

Deukmejian's last-minute rejection of joint trade offices in Japan, London and Mexico was

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significant because he chairs the Western Governors' Association annual meeting that opened Sunday at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Long Beach.

And he is the sponsor of a resolution suggesting the western governors establish joint trade offices where California is not

Quayle to speak to the governors on trade

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nearly 18 months away — in November 1990. The event was billed as a fund-raiser for Wilson, who is the front-running Republican candidate.

Quayle will also address the Western Governors' Association annual meeting, held this week in Long Beach.

More than 350 people paid \$250 apiece Sunday to mingle, to eat and drink, to shake hands with Wilson and to hear Quayle tout the campaign of his former colleague and good friend, "Pete."

The vice president and his wife Marilyn are spending three days in California, he said. Following the 2½-hour Sunday afternoon reception, held at Cedillos Testing Inc., a North

Long Beach engineering firm, the Quayles attended a private gathering at Chasen's Restaurant in Los Angeles.

Today, he will discuss U.S. foreign trade with assembled governors. Marilyn Quayle is scheduled to be in Los Alamitos this morning, to watch simulated treatment of disaster victims.

Quayle joked Sunday that he had brought two of his three children with him to California. The first thing they wanted to do, he said, was go to Disneyland.

"I said to them, 'Haven't you

just been in Washington, D.C.?'"

Quayle said he got to know Wilson while both men served on the Senate Armed Services Committee.

"We're here because we believe in Pete Wilson," he exhorted. A short distance away Wilson's initials — carved out of ice — served as a huge centerpiece on one food table.

Entertainers Betty White, Anne Jeffries, Cesar Romero and Hugh O'Brien, and Secretary of the Interior Manuel Lujan shared the podium with Wilson

and Quayle.

When it was Wilson's turn to speak, he told the enthusiastic crowd that President Bush's choice of Quayle as vice president "has already been vindicated."

Sunday's visit to the engineering firm owned by Ron Cedillos was not the first for Wilson. He stopped there during last fall's campaign as well. Cedillos, he explained, started a small business eight years ago and it grew rapidly. "It's the American dream come true," Wilson said.