

~~Elaine~~, and Orville (Bill)  
Drankhan.

When the principals returned to court, Davis placed on the witness stand William W. Harper, Pasadena consulting physicist and criminologist.

Harper said he wanted to make his own ballistics tests to verify the prosecution's contention that the Kirschke and Drankhan Kirschke and Drankham came from a gun owned by Kirschke.

#### Request Weighed

Judge Parker took under submission a request by Davis that Harper be allowed to take the bullets and test slugs fired from the gun to his laboratory for examination.

The judge said she also would consider a motion by Davis that Kirschke be allowed to leave jail to undergo a psychological and psychiatric examination under hypnosis.

~~Harris~~ objected to both motions.

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# 2000 Attend Memorial Tribute to Sen. Kennedy At Civic Center Mall

While strains of the U.S. Naval hymn floated in the chill and misty air, 2000 persons gathered yesterday at the Civic Center Mall, paying tribute to Sen. Robert F. Kennedy.

The crowd listened silently as church dignitaries conducted the memorial service, and Supervisor Kenneth Hahn delivered the final eulogy.

Hahn said:

"He was a great American. He died for freedom.

"I remember when Robert Kennedy visited Los Angeles as U.S. Attorney General. He was most interested in seeing our schools, parks, our playgrounds and the areas where the poor lived. His compassion for all men, regardless of race or creed, was heart warming.

"Later, as a U.S. senator, he visited the site where the great Southeast General Hospital will rise.

"His face lit up and he said 'wonderful, wonderful' when he learned how the hospital would serve the community.

"The loss of Robert F. Kennedy is almost unbearable. We can only hope and pray for an end to violence. I hope we can all walk down the street and say, 'I am your brother, I am your sister.'"

Rabbi Edgar Magnin was among those who participated in the memorial service.

"This man who stood for peace and befriended the poor, will live forever in the hearts of all Americans. We



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**U.S. MARINE CORPS BUGLER PLAYS TAPS**  
Ceremonies were semi-military; Kennedy was in WW II

must go now and do the things for which he gave his life," Rabbi Magnin said.

The ceremonies were semi-military in nature since Sen. Kennedy served aboard the destroyer U.S.S. Kennedy in World War II. An honor guard of sailors from a San Pedro-based destroyer unit was present.

A U.S. Army squad from Ft.

MacArthur fired the final salute and taps were sounded by a member of the U.S. Marine Corps.

The invocation was given by Dr. Arthur Atlas Peters of Victory Baptist Church, a personal friend of Sen. Kennedy. The benediction was given by the Rev. Martin D. Mc-

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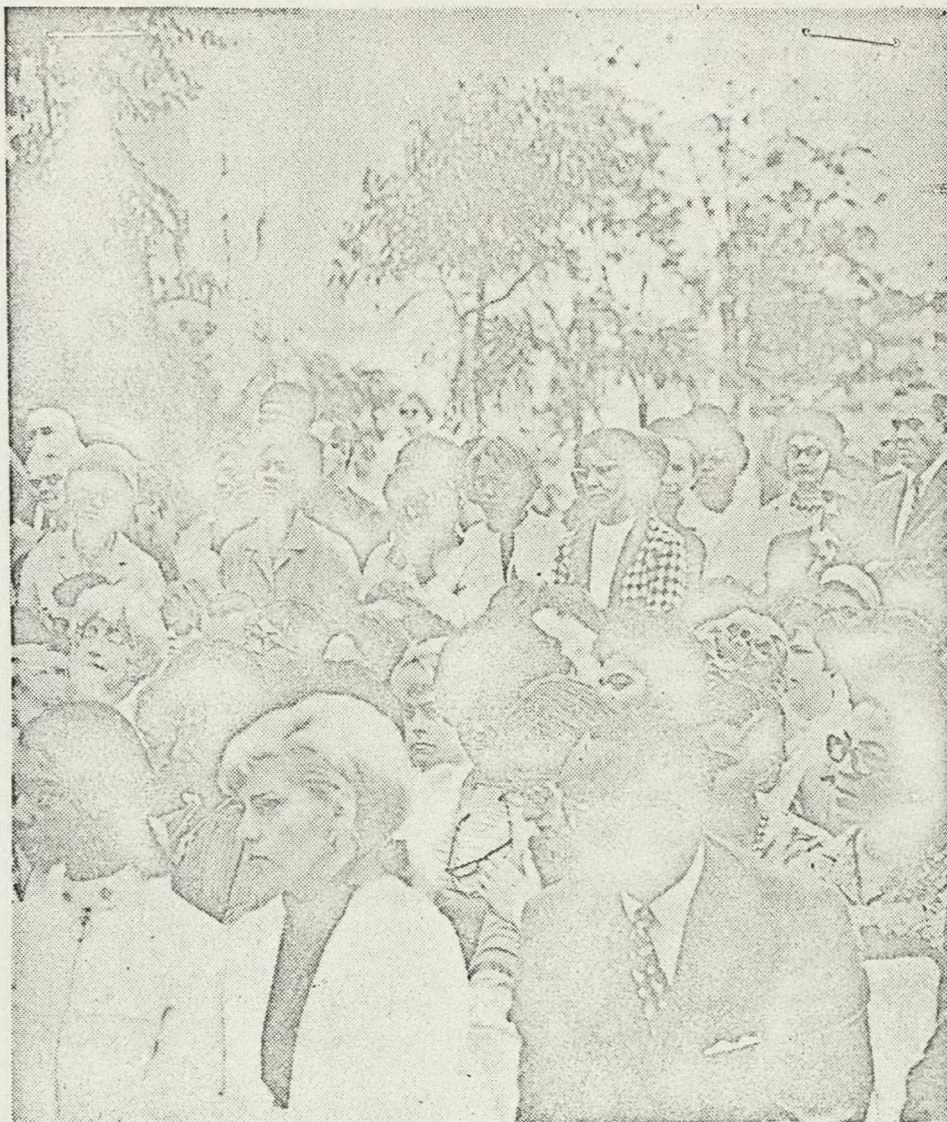
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**SOLEMN FACES SHOW FEELINGS OF CROWD FOR RFK**  
Memorial tribute to Kennedy at Civic Center attracted large crowd



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# O LORD, WE COMMEND TO YOU...

## REQUIEM FOR A FALLEN KENNEDY

By **GEORGE CORNELL**  
Associated Press Religion Writer

NEW YORK—Both joy and sorrow mingle in the Christian rite of death.

Those twin themes marked the Requiem Mass today for the slain Robert F. Kennedy, as eminent men of church and state joined in the celebration of a mystery linking time and eternity.

"I am the resurrection and the life," go the words from the gospel for the service, as spoken by Christ. "He who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live."

That confidence in the ultimate triumph of life over death is the keynote of the Catholic faith which Kennedy held, and it is the concept pervading the funeral service for him.

"The basic purpose is to incorporate the death of man with the death of Christ," said Bishop Fulton J. Sheen, of Rochester, N.Y., who spent 15 minutes yesterday praying beside the bier where Kennedy's body lay.

"There is always hope even in the deepest tragedy," he added. "There is hope because someone has taken the worst that life has to give, and won out over it. That's what makes death bearable."

"It doesn't kill the pain, but it diminishes it."

The gospel for the Requiem Mass was from John 11: 21-27, and the epistle is from Thessalonians 4: 13-18, in which the apostle Paul writes that since "Jesus died and yet rose, so also will God bring forth with him those who have fallen asleep ..."

"Requiem" stems from the Latin, meaning "rest" or "eternal rest," while the Mass itself is the central worship of the church, in which Christ is deemed present in the consecrated bread and wine of His last supper.

"Eternal rest, grant unto him O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him," the congregation intoned as the long line of vested clergy of many denominations moved into the west entrance of St. Patrick's Cathedral.

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New York's Archbishop Terrence J. Cooke was the chief co-celebrant, also including other bishops from several cities.

"Let us pray. O Lord, we commend to you the soul of your servant, Robert, that, having departed from this world, he may live with you . . . by the grace of your merciful love."

Cardinal Cushing led the final blessing, which included these parting words as the body was carried out of the church for the train trip to Washington for burial in Arlington National cemetery:

"May the angels take you into paradise; may the martyrs come to welcome you on your way, and lead you into the holy city . . ."

Archbishop Cooke preached the eulogy midway in the service, before the consecration of the elements and distribution to those who take communion. Then he led a concluding prayer.

"O almighty God, may this sacrifice purify the soul of your servant, Robert, which has departed the world . . . Grant that once delivered from his sins, he may receive forgiveness and eternal rest. Through Jesus Christ, your son, our Lord, Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever."



## The Women Weep

*In prayerful mourning, the women close to slain Robert F. Kennedy viewed the casket at St. Patrick's Cathedral. Mrs. John F. Kennedy, daughter Caroline and John touch the flag-draped coffin at left. And at right, Eunice Shriver, the Senator's sister, kneels at the bier while a little girl passes in front. In New York millions stood in line to view coffin, almost all of them touching it.*



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# Kennedy Mourned

## Brother Ted Gives Eulogy

NEW YORK (AP) -- Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, the last son of a family that gave three sons to its nation, eulogized his slain brother, Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, today as a man who "gave us strength in time of trouble" and "will always be by our side."

His voice sometimes near breaking from emotion, Kennedy told mourners in St. Patrick's Cathedral what the fallen senator meant to his family and about his capacity for love.

The President, four men seeking that office, world and national figures and leaders from all fields had gathered in the splendor of the Roman Catholic church for the solemn Requiem.

Edward Kennedy said his brother "loved life completely and lived it intensely."

He said the late senator wanted to express "real love" toward his fellow man. He quoted his brother as saying that "real love is something unselfish and involves sacrifice in giving."

Robert Kennedy was slain as he sought the presidency once held by his assassinated brother, President John F. Kennedy. An older brother, Joseph Jr., died in World War II.



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A CHILD'S GRIEF  
Robert Kennedy Jr., and 'cousin'

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President Johnson, accompanied by his wife, flew from Washington to join mourners at the funeral Mass celebrated by Archbishop Terence J. Cooke of New York.

Four men who sought the presidency with Kennedy were seated in the great cathedral — Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey, Sen. Eugene J. McCarthy, former Vice President Richard M. Nixon and Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller.

From the centuries-old grandeur of the Roman Catholic Requiem, the body of the slain senator will be borne to Washington in a 21-car train carrying about 1000 persons. The mahogany casket will rest on a foot-high platform, draped in red velvet.

The mourners rose as the President and his wife entered the church. The Johnsons were escorted to a pew just to the left of the casket and they knelt in a brief prayer before sitting.

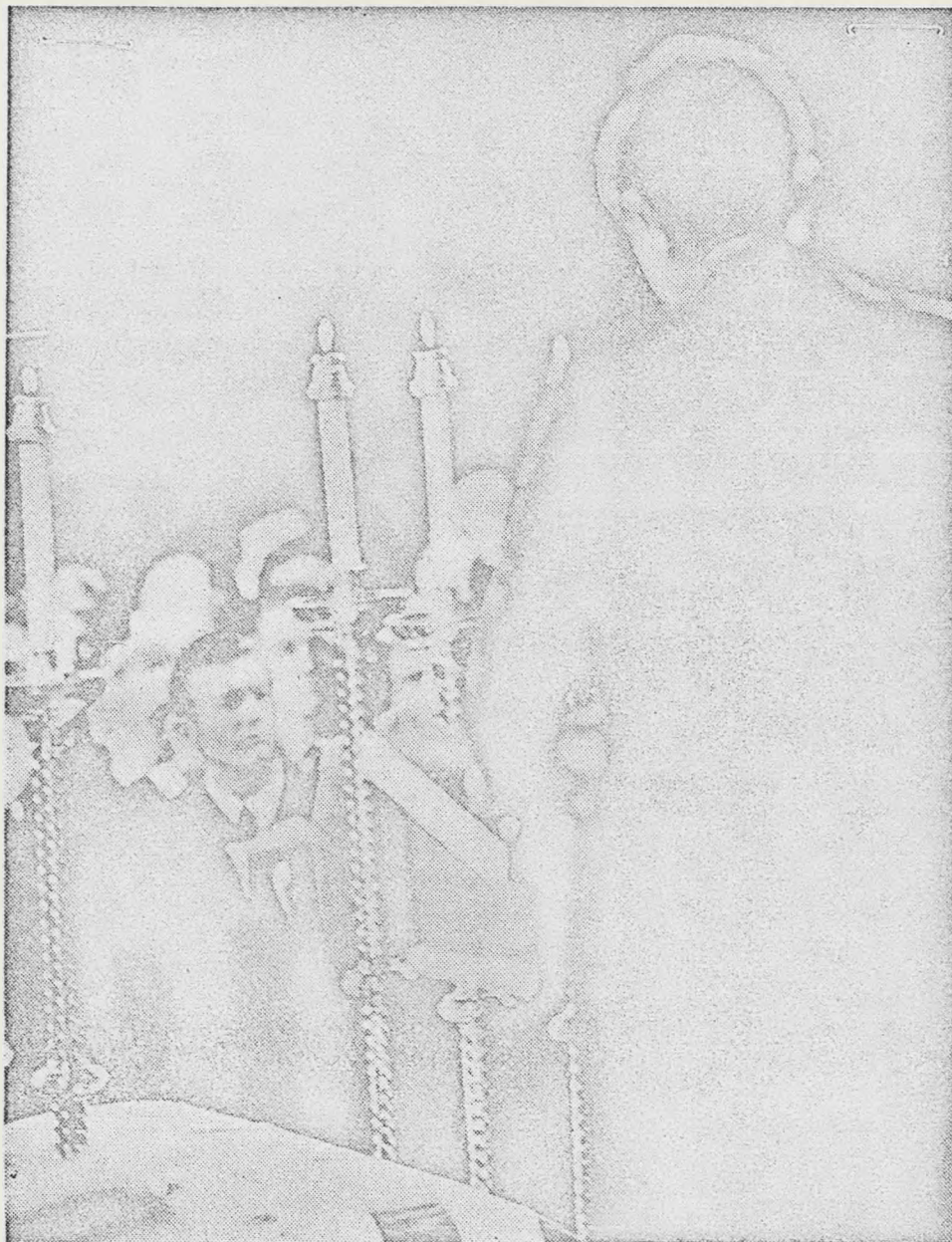
Mrs. John F. Kennedy, widow of the assassinated president and sister-in-law of the senator, wearing a black lace

mantilla, arrived moments later and knelt by the coffin before taking her seat. She was accompanied by her children, John Jr. and Caroline.

The mourners rose again as the widow of the slain senator, her face covered by a black veil, was escorted by Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, the last survivor of the four Kennedy sons. Her lips moved silently, as though in prayer.

After the family was seated, voices of the choir filled the vaulted cathedral and the clerical procession entered with Archbishop Cooke, majestic in conical hat, walking somberly down the aisle.

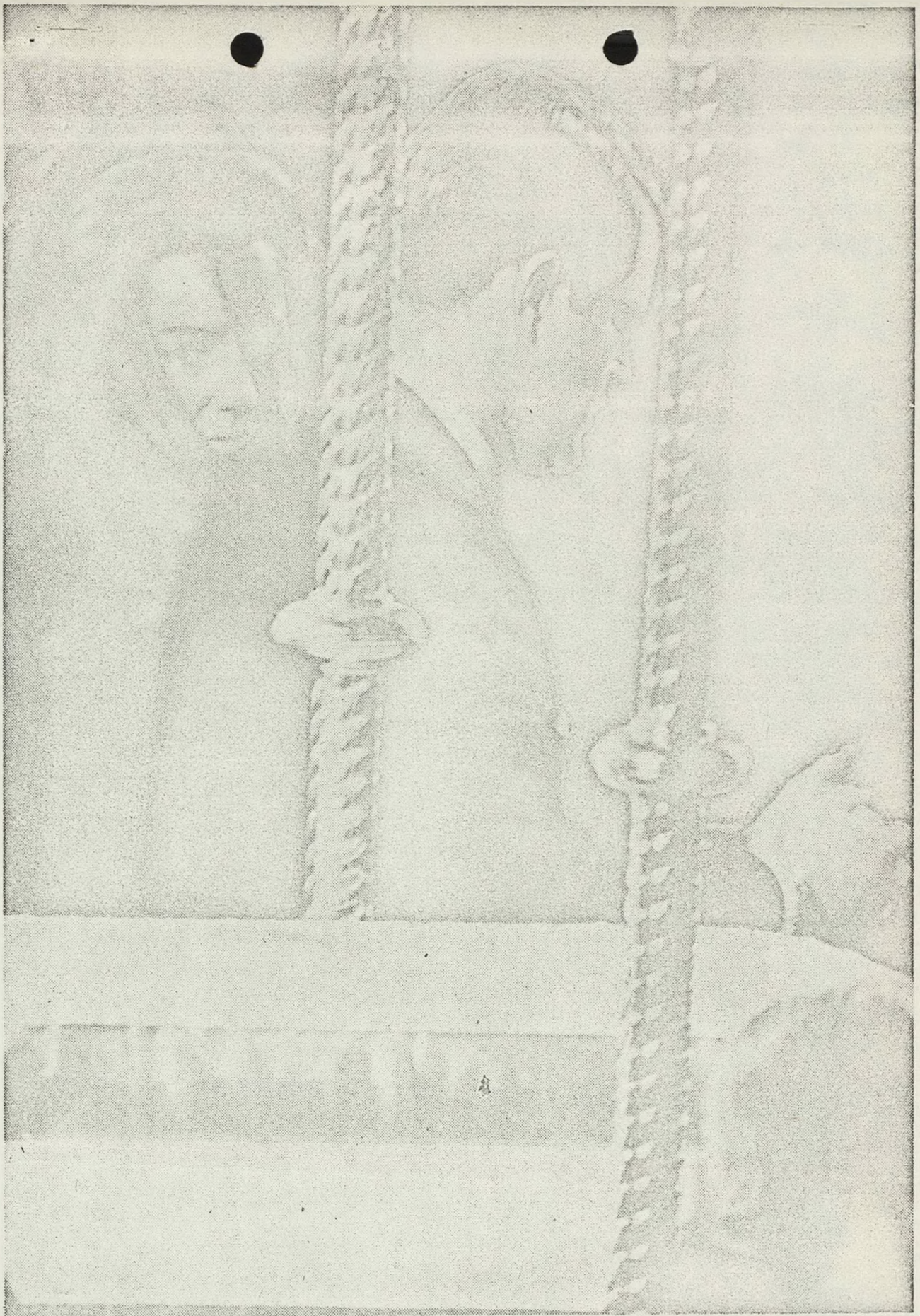




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**A TOUCHING TRIBUTE FOR A SLAIN BROTHER**  
Edward Kennedy delivers eulogy on Robert during services today





**A WIDOW'S EYES REFLECT THE GRIM TRAGEDY OF DEATH**  
Ethel Kennedy glances over the shoulder of Edward at the casket bearing her husband

—Associated Press Wirephoto



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# Yorty Delegation Flies to N.Y. to Attend Funeral Rites Today

Mayor Welcome as Elected Representative of People,  
Although He Was Not Specifically Invited by the Family

BY GENE BLAKE

Times Staff Writer

Mayor Sam Yorty flew to New York Friday to attend the funeral of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy and will be welcome to do so as a representative of the city, although not specifically invited.

However, a spokesman for the Kennedy family said other members of the Los Angeles delegation, including Dep. Mayor Joseph Quinn and six city councilmen, cannot be accommodated because of limited seating.

The spokesman emphasized that invitations to the funeral were not issued on any basis of protocol. For example, he pointed out, not all governors and mayors of major cities were invited.

## Colleagues Invited

Invitations were issued mainly to persons who had a relationship with Sen. Kennedy—friends, acquaintances and supporters, the spokesman said.

He added that there were about 6,000 requests for admittance to the funeral Mass this morning in St. Patrick's Cathedral.

But after accommodating about 400 members of the press, there were only 2,400 to 2,500 seats remaining.

Even large delegations coming from abroad cannot be accommodated, the spokesman said. Some have been notified that only their top government representative will be admitted.

As for Yorty, who often feuded with Sen. Kennedy, the spokesman said:

"He will be welcome as the elected representative of the people of

Los Angeles, for whom Robert Kennedy had great affection and with whom he had a great rapport."

Yorty had already departed Los Angeles aboard a 10 a.m. flight. With him in addition to Quinn were Councilmen Billy Mills, Paul Lamport, Edmund Edelman, Gilbert Lindsay, Arthur Snyder and Tom Bradley.

On the eve of the departure, there were reports that the Kennedy family did not want Yorty at the funeral. Seven Democratic clubs in San Fernando Valley sent him a telegram urging that he not attend.

The telegram said the clubs "publicly disassociate ourselves from your most recent actions concerning the assassination." This apparently referred to Yorty's continued public utterances about the background of the accused assassin.

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despite advice from Atty. Gen. Thomas C. Lynch that he refrain from making such statements.

Asked about reports that he was not wanted at the funeral, Yorty said he planned to attend anyway as representative and as mayor of the city.

"My personal differences with Sen. Kennedy in the past were political and not personal," he said.

Yorty had sought to lead an official city delegation at the head of the procession escorting Sen. Kennedy's body to the airport here Thursday.

His office was told by Kennedy aides, however, that it would be more appropriate for him to go directly to the airport as a representative of Gov. Reagan was doing.

#### Remained Apart

At the airport, Yorty and other city officials remained some 50 feet away as the coffin and the Kennedy party went aboard the Air Force plane.

There were reports that Yorty had tried to go to the boarding area but was told by Frank Mankiewicz, the senator's press secretary, that his presence would be "offensive" to Mrs. Kennedy.

Later, Mankiewicz was quoted as saying:

"That's too strong. I don't think I said that. I think what I told Mayor Yorty was, 'I think Mrs. Kennedy would prefer that you not be there.' It was a private, personal family thing. They didn't want anybody there to greet them."

However, Tom Jardine,

the mayor's press secretary, said Yorty had no intention or discussion about going to the area where the Kennedy party was boarding the plane.

He said Yorty realized that the family did not want to be delayed by anything like handshaking and that it would have been inappropriate.

Meanwhile, in Moscow the Soviet government newspaper Izvestia attacked Yorty for charging that the accused assassin, Sirhan Bishara Sirhan, was associated with Communists.

It said that Yorty's statements were "evoked ... by frankly provocative intentions," adding:

"Yorty is following in the footsteps of his Dallas colleagues, who, in the first days after the murder of President Kennedy, spread absurd rumors, which were later officially refuted, about the membership of (Lee Harvey) Oswald in the ranks of the Reds."



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# 'Taps' Sounded in Memorial Rites at Civic Center Mall

BY RAY ZEMAN  
Times County Bureau Chief

"Taps" in the Civic Center Mall Friday sounded a Los Angeles requiem for Sen. Robert F. Kennedy.

Clergymen of many denominations joined representatives of the Air Force, Army, Navy, Marines, and Coast Guard in ceremonies near the Hall of Administration.

Songs like "America the Beautiful," "Battle Hymn of the Republic," and "The Caissons Go Rolling Along," stirred emotions of 500 persons gathered before the speakers and many hundreds more on the steps and in windows of nearby public buildings.

But heads of all were bowed when "Eternal Father," the Navy hymn played at burial ceremonies, was heard.

The Rev. Benjamin Morales of Tenth Avenue Baptist Church and the Rev. Martin D. McGovern of St. Albert The Great Catholic Church gave the invocation and benediction.

## Plea for Goodwill Made

Supervisor Kenneth Hahn, who arranged the services with Norman Kelly, veterans affairs director, said, "I hope God will urge each of us in our own way to promote goodwill and better understanding."

Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin, referring to the assassination, said, "Horrible as this all is, we thank God for a wonderful memory." He called upon Americans to carry on the programs for which Kennedy gave his life.

Dr. H. Claude Hudson, member of the national board of the National Assn. for the Advancement of Colored People, said, "I ask one thing: try to eradicate hatred from our minds."

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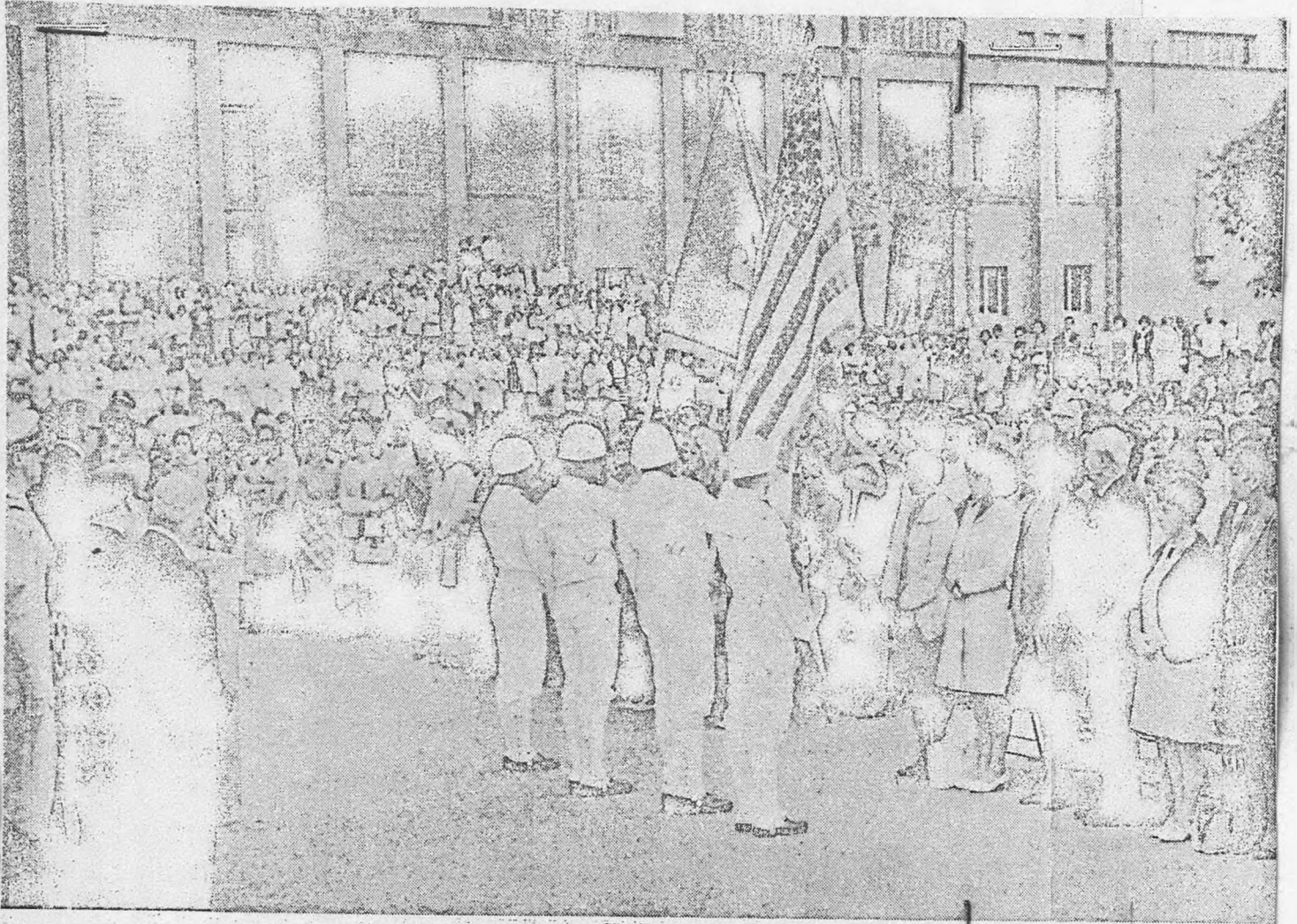
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**MEMORIAL SERVICE**—The colors are presented during a memorial service for the slain Sen. Robert F. Kennedy at the Civic Center Mall.

Members of all five branches of the armed forces, clergymen of all faiths and local officials participated in the Friday noon rites.  
Times photo by Steve Fontanini



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# Death Called Kennedy Price for Idealism

The Kennedy family, as though living out a classic Greek tragedy, has symbolized the dangers faced by idealistic activists in a time of massive revolution.

"I think it is probably America's first great tragic family," commented Dr. F. Thomas Trotter, dean of the School of Theology at Claremont and one of the nation's foremost religion spokesmen.

"Yet, as a family, it comes up with the sort of grandeur that is impressive. Think of Mrs. Jacqueline Kennedy's walking in the funeral procession for her husband—one of the great moments in American history!"

The Kennedys illustrate "the high cost of being idealists and public men at the same time," Dr. Trotter said.

## Linked to Fervor

He did not believe that the flood of assassinations in recent years—Malcolm X, President John F. Kennedy and his brother, New York Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, Dr. Martin Luther King, Medgar Evers and others—was due primarily to a malaise in American society.

Rather, he thought it originated with the revolutionary fervor sweeping the world.

"It is the high cost of being a free society in a revolutionary time," Dr. Trotter said.

He mentioned that each victim of assassins' bullets in recent years has been a liberal who struck for social reform and fearlessly

attacked vested interests. None has been an avowed conservative.

But, Dr. Trotter added: "I think it's high time we recognize that we no longer are Dodge City."

## Backs Gun Controls

He referred to Dodge City, Kan., which according to an exaggerated legend, was a wide-open frontier community in the 1870s, where lawlessness was rife and each man protected himself, and asserted his rights, with his pistol.

"The recent murders are why I am so strongly in favor of the enactment of gun control laws," the theologian said.

Dr. Trotter believes that "it is time for a very penetrating debate on our national purpose and our life style in America, as called for by U.S. Sen. Eugene J. McCarthy."

"He has pointed out that this latest tragedy cannot be dismissed as simply the act of one mad man, but that we all are implicated in so many ways. We must try to unravel the tangled mass of interconnections that has created such a situation."

## Miss Whole Point

"So when someone says that this is just another example of 'violence in the streets' they miss the whole point. That is like blaming the symptom, rather than the disease."

"I do not know what the solution is."

Dr. Trotter hoped that out of this action might come a reflective period that would be good for the nation's soul.

"The thing that depresses me, is that this is not random violence," he said. "The political leaders who are the targets are those who want to take innovative actions and create new — better — styles of American life."

"This really hurts. It means that youthful idealism takes the lickings."

It is always dangerous to be an innovator, a reformer, an idealist, a worker for human good if it means radical change, he said. The peril was clearly shown in the Old Testament and most sharply in the New Testament; in the fate of Jesus Christ.

"It is very biblical," Dr. Trotter said.

"The person who really believes in an ideal, who gives himself fully to it, then becomes fearless with regard to his life."

"That is probably true of most of the political leaders of our time—the way they plunge into crowds, take risks. They must come to terms with this peril. Otherwise, how could they do it?"

He said we are obviously in "some kind of a world revolution."

"There is certainly a great connection between what's happening here, and what is taking place in France, Italy and elsewhere."

"When the Russians brag that they don't have any such violence, it seems to me the boast of a totalitarian state that will not tolerate free expression as we do. In revolutionary times this brings risks we have to take. I could not imagine a political campaign, for instance, where the candidates sat in hermetically sealed rooms and talked over television."

## Remarkable Action

Dr. Trotter said the most encouraging thing about the recent Kennedy tragedy was the remarkable action of Roosevelt Grier, Rafer Johnson and others to protect the alleged assassin from possible mob violence, minutes after the shooting.

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"It gave me a feeling of confidence, in the basic coolness and sanity of the best people," he said. "Those fellows acted with extraordinary sanity. The police acted swiftly, coolly, and well, too."

"Looking at it objectively, that is an extraordinary achievement for civilization. It just has to be extraordinary."



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**KINGSBURY SMITH**

## He Relied On Luck

PARIS—Fifteen days before he was shot in Los Angeles, Sen. Robert F. Kennedy told a French journalist he felt certain there would be an attempt on his life "sooner or later."

The ill-fated presidential aspirant also said something needed to be done about the "psychic contagion" of violence and desire for "dramatic happenings" that was affecting people—and especially the youth—in many countries.

Kennedy attributed this spread of a climate of violence to the effects of a restless, discontented youth and the display of so much violence on television and other forms of mass media, as well as on the glorification of killing by such popular novelists as the late Ernest Hemingway, and even the turbulent trend of modern avant-garde paintings.

In an interview a fortnight ago in Los Angeles with Romain Gary, published in the French conservative newspaper Le Figaro, Kennedy was asked what precautions he was taking to protect himself against a possible assassination attempt.

"There is no means of protecting a candidate during an election campaign," he replied. "It is necessary to give oneself to the crowd and to be part of it.

"I must count on luck. One must have luck to be elected president of the United States. One has it or one doesn't have it. I know that an attempt to assassinate me will be made sooner or later. Not so much for political reasons, but because of the contagion of violence, of the desire for emulation.

"We live in an epoch of extraordinary psychic contagion. Because someone kills Martin Luther King here, someone else, contaminated and emotionally agitated by seeing a dramatic picture of that act; is moved to attempt to kill the leader of German students in Berlin.

"There is need for a profound study of the traumatization of individuals by the mass media, or creation of dramatic and violent climates which stimulate the desire for spectacular events.

"Nothing of any importance has so far been done in this area."

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Kennedy also expressed the belief that the decline of spiritual values in the East as well as in the West had created an inspirational "emptiness" that was stimulating the desire of youth for the dramatic event.

"The 'happening' has become a veritable need," he added. "And from one happening to another, there is a chain reaction.

"There is also a problem of demographic congestion, especially in the big cities. The young literally are trying to burst forth.

"Individuals, such as those we see in the black ghettos, feel themselves so compressed or oppressed that they think they can liberate themselves only by an explosion.

"I have been wondering whether the turbulent trend in painting, with Pollock and the action painting, tends to push towards violence those youth who lack artistic talent or other means of expressing themselves.

"Then we have had the influence of Hemingway. I liked Hemingway as a writer. But I cannot help feeling he inspired a ridiculous and dangerous myth and that of the virile beauty of the firearm and the act of killing.

"It has been absolutely impossible to obtain from Congress an effective law prohibiting the free sale of firearms."

Kennedy asked how many assassination attempts had been made against President Charles de Gaulle, and when told five or six, he remarked:

"One cannot be a president these days without good luck."



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# U.N. Delegates Stand for Minute of Silence

## Rare Ceremony Includes Message of Gratitude From Widow of Slain Senator

BY LOUIS B. FLEMING

Times Staff Writer

UNITED NATIONS — The U.N. General Assembly halted its work Friday while delegates from the 124 member nations stood for a minute of silence in tribute to Sen. Robert F. Kennedy.

It was a rare tribute, usually reserved for chief of state, permanent representatives and those who have worked within the organization itself.

The tribute included a message from the widow of Sen. Kennedy, her personal expression of gratitude for the special observance in his memory.

The ceremony followed by two days suspension of the work of the Security Council. The council had adjourned Wednesday afternoon, after hearing all 15 members pay tribute to the senator, who then was fighting for his life in Good Samaritan Hospital, Los Angeles.

### Opens Session

Corneliu Manescu, foreign minister of Romania and president of the assembly, opened the session Friday with his own words of praise.

"Throughout his fruitful political career, both in the posts of high responsibility he held in the government of the United States while he was a close associate of his brother, John Fitzgerald Kennedy, and when he himself became an aspirant to the Presidency of the United

States, Robert Francis Kennedy devoted his efforts to promoting respect for the ideals of peace, of the struggle against prejudice, discrimination and inequality, of understanding and international cooperation," Manescu told the delegates.

### 'Alive to Evils'

U.S. Ambassador Arthur J. Goldberg responded, reading first a telegram from Mrs. Kennedy thanking the delegates for their tribute to the senator and for their messages of sympathy.

To this Goldberg added his own eulogy, appealing not only for an end of violence but for "the ever-increasing presence of justice."

"Sen. Kennedy was fully and vibrantly alive to the evils and injustices that affect our world," Goldberg told the assembly.

"He was acutely sensitive to the sufferings of the poor and the dispossessed. He abhorred the cruelty of racial prejudice and abominated apartheid and racial supremacy in all its forms and manifestations. He clearly understood why so many of our youth feel alienated from a civilization that often falls woefully short of their high ideals. For these young people he sought, in his own words, 'a sense of possibility,' a sense that alienation is not the answer because the

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ideals they wish to pursue are possible through personal effort."

Goldberg urged the assembly to be "ever mindful of those aspirations which all of our peoples hold in common, and let us seek to place at their service the same energy and courage of which he gave us such a shining example."

The 124 national flags were not raised in front of the United Nations for the second consecutive day as the two blue U.N. flags, one in front of the assembly building, one at the garden steps, were flown at half-staff and will so remain through today.

#### Usual Practice

The usual practice is to lower the U.N. flag to half-staff only for one day on the death of a chief of state but exceptions have been made, most recently in tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King but previously for Adlai E. Stevenson and Eleanor Roosevelt.

Present in the assembly hall for the tribute were U.S. Ambassador to France Sargent Shriver, brother-in-law of the late Sen. Kennedy, and his son Robert, 14. Later, Goldberg escorted Shriver for an informal meeting with Secretary General U Thant.

The assembly itself will complete its work next week. A vote is expected Monday in the political committee approving the Soviet-American treaty to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons. Action is scheduled later in the week on a new attempt to end South Africa's control over South-West Africa.



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# Thousands in N.Y. Pay Honor to Kennedy;

## Silent, Tearful Crowds Throng Into St. Patrick's

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NEW YORK — The people, to whom he had come so often, came to Robert F. Kennedy Friday.

By the scores of thousands, in a massive eight-abreast line that wound through more than a mile of Manhattan streets, they came to St. Patrick's Cathedral to pay a silent, often tearful tribute.

They marched slowly down the nave of the mighty Gothic cathedral and passed the unadorned and closed mahogany coffin where Kennedy lay in state.

From sunrise on through a hot and humid day, and then all through the night they came endlessly. Dozens of people toppled over from heat prostration as the temperature reached 90 degrees. Some spent six to seven hours in the line for the opportunity to pause for a fraction of a second at the bier and—in many instances—to reach out and touch the coffin.

New York police, who kept the line moving at a rate of about 6,000 an hour, declined to estimate the size of the grieving throng.

### 150,000 to 200,000 Indicated

Given the rate at which the line moved, however, it appeared that 150,000 to 200,000 will have paid their respects by the time the public viewing ends this morning and the cathedral is closed to prepare for the funeral Mass.



FAREWELL KISS—Mrs. Ethel Kennedy blows a kiss at the casket of her husband as she passes the bier.  
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Robert Francis Kennedy, a younger brother of the late President John F. Kennedy and like him the victim of an assassin's bullet, died Thursday morning in Los Angeles' Good Samaritan Hospital.

His death at 42 came 25 hours after he had been shot in the head, allegedly by Sirhan Bishara Sirhan, a 24-year-old Arab immigrant who is in custody in Los Angeles under a murder indictment.

Today there will be a solemn requiem Mass at 10 a.m. (7 a.m. PDT) at St. Patrick's, the century-old seat of the Catholic Archdiocese of New York.

#### By Train to Washington

Thereafter, the senator's widow, Ethel Skakel Kennedy, and the rest of the large Kennedy family, together with a host of friends and associates, will board a black-draped Penn-Central train and proceed to Washington.

Burial will be in Arlington National Cemetery, with a service scheduled for 5:30 p.m. (2:30 p.m. PDT), where the late President—in whose political footsteps Robert had attempted to follow — also lies buried.

The people's tribute to the senator began shortly after 5:30 a.m. Friday when the great bronze doors of the cathedral were opened to admit the first few hundreds—most of whom had been waiting since well before midnight.

Jeannie West, a New Yorker, was

one of the first to enter, and she spoke for all of the patient crowd: "I wanted to pay my last respects. If he can die for his country, I can spend one day standing in line to see him."

From then on through the day and into the night the mourning throng—largest of its kind in the history of the nation's biggest city—reflected all ranks of society.

There were the rich whose advantages and background the dead man shared. There were the poor whose condition had stirred and shaped his politics and whose cause he had championed as a senator from his adopted state of New York and as a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination.

There were the crippled and infirm, the young and beautiful. There were black faces by the thousands come to mourn the man who had occupied a unique place in the affections of the American Negro community.

The coffin, set on a purple-draped bier directly in front of the towering bronze altar at the end of the long nave, was flanked by six tall candles in bronze holders. A small wreath of white lilies lay at the foot. At midday an American Flag was draped over the coffin.

The lilies had obviously been left there by one of the thousands who passed by. A piece of paper was attached bearing a scrawled handwritten message of which only the words "With Love" were legible.

#### Touch Coffin

Some of those who passed the coffin merely touched it lightly with their fingertips. Some rapped on it gently with their knuckles as if to wish the man inside good luck.

Many genuflected and made the sign of the cross and quickly seized a corner of the flag to kiss it.

Tears ran down the cheeks of men and women; some sobbed aloud and the sound echoed through the vaulted vastness of the cathedral.

An honor guard of friends, relatives and associates — which changed constantly through the long vigil—stood around the coffin. Strong television lights gave an unnatural brightness to the old cathedral and made brilliant the stained-glass windows of the transept and nave.

Most of the time during the day and night, some members of the stricken family were present in the cathedral — kneeling in prayer or attending one of a number of Masses said for the senator at one of the side altars.

#### Widow Present

The young widow, mother of 10 children and expecting an 11th next winter, made several visits to be near her husband who was taken from her as they celebrated his primary victory in California.

Looking distraught and still benumbed with shock, Ethel Kennedy maintained her composure. She wore a simple black dress and a large black bow in her hair. With her were two of her older sons—Joseph and Robert F. Jr., both of whom took turns during the day in standing vigil with the honor guard.

Another visitor was Mrs. Joseph P. Kennedy Sr., 77, the senator's moth-

er. Three of her four sons have met violent deaths. The oldest, Joseph Jr., was killed on an Army Air Corps mission in Europe during World War II.

Mrs. Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy, the widow of President Kennedy, also came to the cathedral to pray. She wore black and her face was partly hidden by a black lace mantilla. With her on one visit were her children, Caroline and John Jr.

Present much of the time — hour after hour, night and day—was Sen. Edward M. (Ted) Kennedy of Massachusetts, the youngest and now the last of this generation of Kennedy men.

Richard Cardinal Cushing of Boston, a longtime family friend, will join New York Archbishop Terence J. Cooke in this morning's solemn requiem Mass.

Vice President Humphrey will head an official delegation of 69 senators and 40 representatives at the Mass. The House delegation comprises all 40 representatives from New York.

Music for the funeral service was chosen by the Kennedy family, aided by Leonard Bernstein, director of the New York Philharmonic. Bernstein said one piece to be played — by some 30 musicians — will be the slow movement from Gustav Mahler's Fifth Symphony.

After Mass, the body will be borne in a funeral cortege to Pennsylvania Station in Manhattan, where it will be carried aboard a black-draped train to Washington.

The train will slow as it passes through cities along the route—Newark and Trenton, N.J., Philadelphia and Baltimore.



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fin will be carried in a  
hearse past the Senate  
Office Building, where  
Kennedy had his office;  
past the Justice Depart-  
ment, where he served as  
attorney general, and  
past Resurrection City, to  
symbolize his concern for  
the poor.

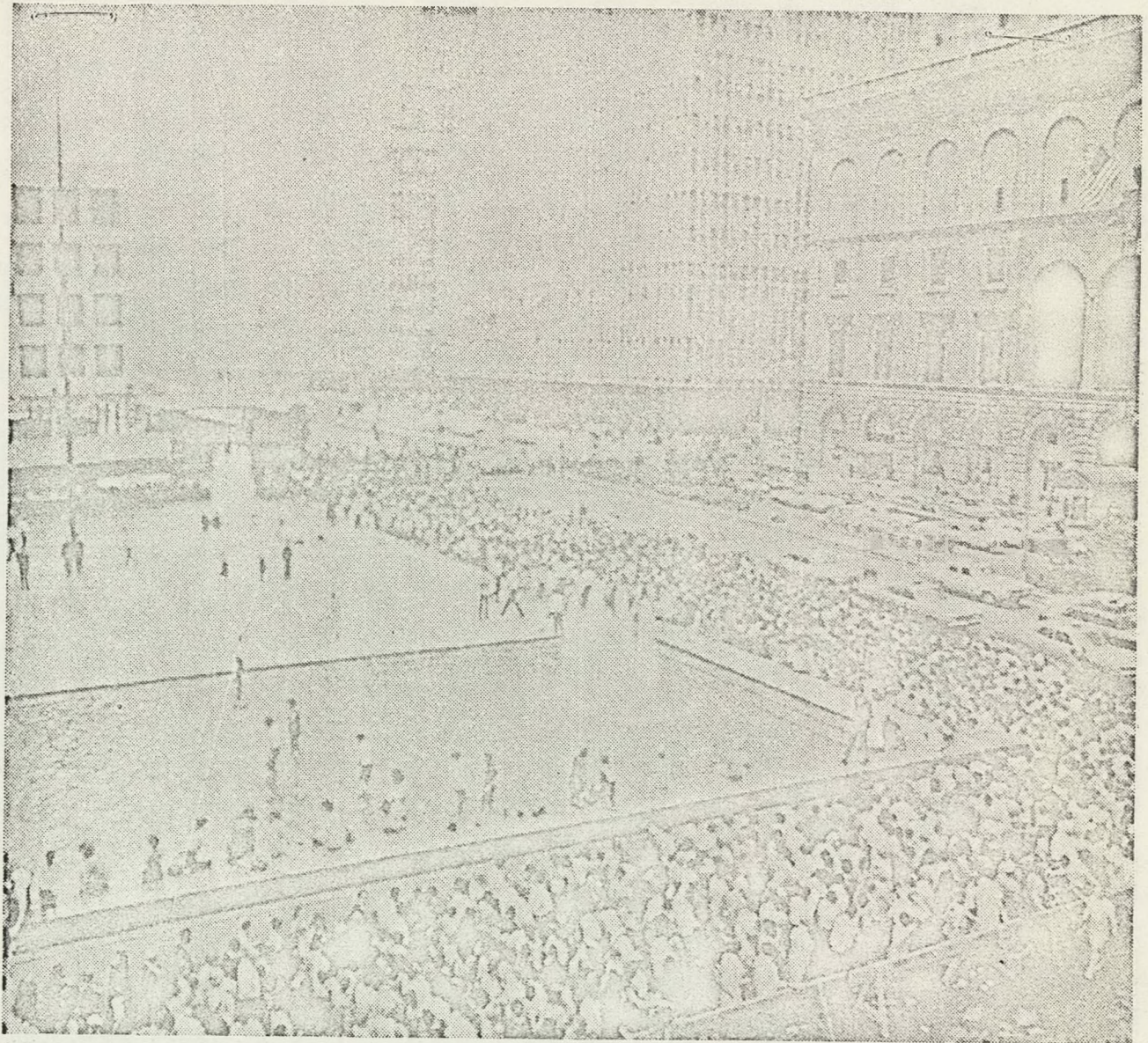
#### Notables Included

In Arlington, Kennedy  
will be buried near the  
grave of his brother, the  
35th President of the Unit-  
ed States.

Among notables who  
paid their respects or  
stood vigil in St. Patrick's  
were Arthur Goldberg,  
U.S. ambassador to the  
United Nations; Robert S.  
McNamara, former secre-  
tary of Defense; Douglas  
Dillon, former secretary  
of the Treasury; actor  
Sidney Poitier; Mayor  
John V. Lindsay of New  
York; Sen. Jacob K. Javits  
(R-N.Y.); John Kenneth  
Galbraith, former ambas-  
sador to India; television  
personality Ed Sullivan;  
singer Andy Williams, and  
Jose Torres, former light-  
heavyweight boxing  
champion.

Now and then, those in  
charge of the honor guard  
would ask people passing  
in the line to join the vigil.  
Thus, the plain people  
were mixed with celebri-  
ties — a mixture that  
Robert Kennedy would  
have liked.





**THE LONG WAIT** — Thousands wend their way along the Seagram Building Mall, down Park Avenue, and west on 51st St. to St. Patrick's Cathedral,

two blocks away on 5th Avenue, to view the bier of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy. Some of crowd waded in pool as temperatures in New York went into the 90s.

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