

# Bobby Shot in L.A.

## --Wounds in Head



Ethel Kennedy was at her husband's side during a political foray into Ohio earlier this spring

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nedy before he was taken to the hospital.

A television reporter said the man who fired the shot was about 10 feet from Kennedy.

The American Broadcasting Co. said its unit manager, William Wiesel, also was shot.

Also wounded was Paul Schrade of the United Auto Workers Union.

### BLOOD

Before he was removed from the hotel, a priest said he attempted to give the senator final rites of the Roman Catholic church but the surging crowd pushed him away.

The priest said, "I gave him the rosary and he clenched it tightly and I was pushed away. There was blood on his head."

Dr. Ross Miller, a physician at the scene, said Senator Kennedy's face was a mass of blood, and the nature of his injuries could not be ascertained.

He was given oxygen and injections of dextran, a glucose derivative, as a plasma substitute. His condition seemed stable, said Dr. Miller.

### DANGER

The physician said no effort was made to probe the wounds because of danger to the head.

Later the Senator's pulse was measured at 130, very rapid, and his heartbeat full.

Dr. Miller said Mrs. Kennedy was with the Senator and she "handled herself gallantly and courageously."



The shooting occurred in a small anteroom off the main ballroom. The gunman stood on some sort of box.

#### TOWELS

Several Kennedy supporters called for towels immediately after the shooting. A news reporter hastily stripped off a velvet tablecloth and rushed into the kitchen area, jammed with shouting political supporters of the senator.

The arrested man was hurried through a lobby through still yelling and screaming at the news of the shooting.

"Kill him! Lynch him!" many in the crowd shouted. Many tried to reach the man. But police hustled him out of the lobby and down the stairs to an exit.

In the Ambassador hotel blockaded completely by police, scores of formerly cheering supporters knelt to pray for Kennedy's life.

The main ballroom was in total confusion for more than an hour afterward, and as hysteria spread many women wept and shouted "Pray for him! Pray for him!"



Robert with his father, Joseph P. Kennedy, and brother Ted at a baseball game in Boston





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The Senator listened to a question in Los Angeles last night before he was shot