

The Poor Marchers Join In

WASHINGTON — (UPI) — Poor People's campaigners put aside internal problems yesterday to join in final tribute to Senator Robert Kennedy.

Twenty-five residents of the shantytown were invited by the Kennedy family to ride in the final procession that accompanied the body of the slain champion of the poor from Union Station to Arlington Cemetery.

The other residents of Resurrection City paid their respects to Kennedy by lining half the circle around the Lincoln Memorial as the procession passed.

In the grief over Kennedy's death, even the capture of the accused assassin of the martyred father of the poor people's march, Dr. Martin Luther King, brought little satisfaction to the Resurrection City residents.

Informed of the arrest in London of James Earl Ray, march leader Hosea Williams said, "Fine—but I am not as near worried about the system that produced him. We are concerned with a sick and evil society which produces violence."

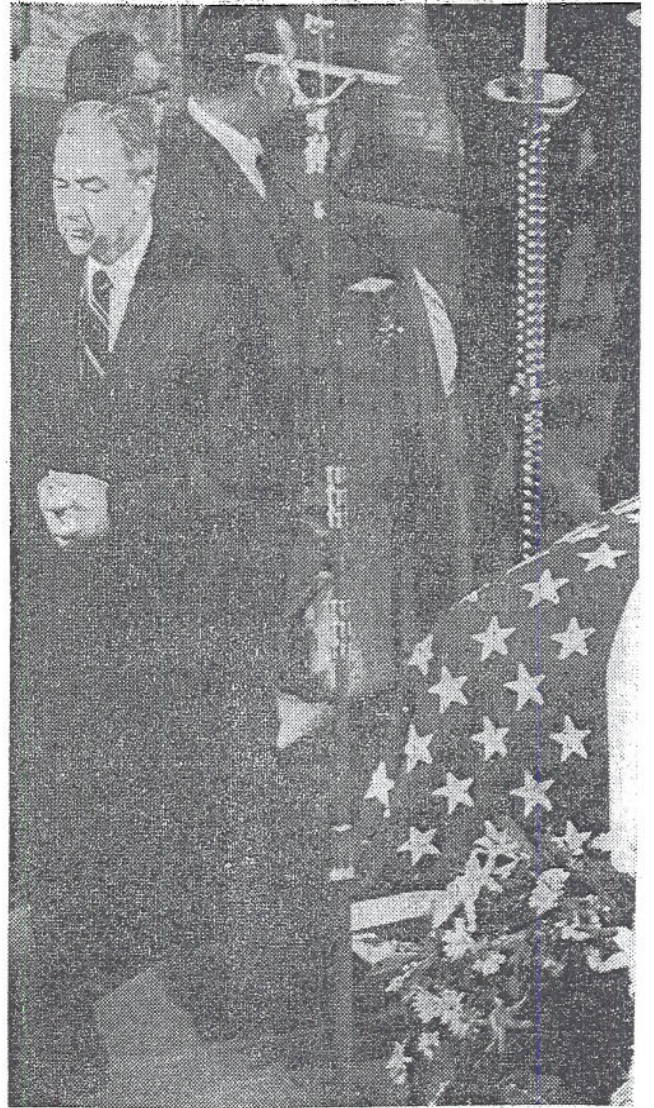
He added: "Millions must understand that it is this society that killed President Kennedy, Malcolm X, Martin Luther King and Robert Kennedy."

The Kennedy funeral and

the Ray capture temporarily overshadowed internal problems of march leaders. They were trying to get Sterling Tucker, a Washington Negro leader, to accept the directorship of a June 19 demonstration that is to climax the campaign.

Bayard Rustin, who coordinated the Dr. King-led 1963 march on Washington, quit in a dispute over goals: He outlined several days ago what he called a realistic list of objectives for the campaign but Williams subsequently diavowed them.

The Rev. Ralph David Abernathy, head of the march, sided with Williams and Rustin quit.



Sen. Eugene McCarthy, hands clasped, pays final tribute to his election rival.

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French Mass Held in Honor Of Senator

PARIS — (AP) — A funeral Mass was celebrated for U.S. Sen. Robert Kennedy last night at the Roman Catholic Church of St. Joseph.

"Robert Kennedy has fallen victim to his devotion to peace, liberty and justice for all. His violent death was a terrible shock for all who shared this ideal. But we must not abandon the struggle," the Rev. Basile Rice said in a eulogy.

The French government was represented by an old friend of Kennedy, Herue Alphand, former French ambassador to Washington and now secretary general of the foreign ministry.