

LORD HARLECH PAYS TRIBUTE TO KENNEDY

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LONDON, June 6—Lord Harlech, the former British Ambassador to the United States and the closest friend of the Kennedy family in Britain, said tonight that all the sympathy in the world "can never repay the Kennedy family for one fraction of the terrible crimes committed against them."

Lord Harlech, who was then David Ormsby Gore, first met John F. Kennedy in 1938 and they became close friends. As the ambassador, he developed his friendships with the other members of the Kennedy family, including Robert.

"Violence in the United States has become a world scandal," Lord Harlech said tonight. "Bobby Kennedy's assassination is horrible and tragic.

"Contrary to some people's idea of him, he was the most kind, generous and compassionate of men. His courage was supreme and he really cared about people in every land and in every walk of life.

"With all these rare qualities, America and the world needed him desperately. Unbridled hate has now killed him."

Elder Kennedy Accepts News of Death Bravely

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HYANNISPORT, Mass., June 6—Although rumors of his own death reached the family summer compound today, Joseph P. Kennedy was reported by a spokesman to have accepted bravely the news of the death of Senator Robert F. Kennedy.

Richard Cardinal Cushing, an old family friend, who made the two-hour drive from Boston yesterday to see Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy, returned to lunch with the ailing elder Kennedy.

While the two old friends were eating, Senator Edward M. Kennedy, the only surviving son, telephoned his father with the news that Robert Kennedy had died in Los Angeles.