

# People Around World Show Their Respect for Kennedy

(By Associated Press)

Around the world, sorrowing people demonstrated their respect for President Kennedy by the little things they did.

In Portugal, they donned black ties and put mourning bands on their arms.

Sir Alec Douglas-Home, prime minister of Great Britain, stood in a church filled with Sunday worshippers and sang the Battle Hymn of the Republic: "Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord."

At Skopje, the Yugoslavian town hit by a devastating earthquake July 26, 146 American soldiers decided to forego their Sunday off and continued working on homes for victims. The soldiers, sent there by President Kennedy, said work was the best way to honor their dead commander-in-chief.

## Words of Student

In Belgrade, the Yugoslav capital, a student sat before the book of condolences at the United States embassy and penned these words:

"I am one of 19 million Yugoslavs who sincerely admired his dynamism and efforts for the preservation of peace. With his death, we lose a great friend."

In London, Britons lined up by the thousands to express their thoughts in the pages of 12 books opened in the lobby of the U.S. embassy. An embassy spokesman said they had been signing the books at the rate of 1,000 an hour.

In Africa, 5,000 Kenya tribesmen sent condolences to Washington after being informed for the first time—by constitutional affairs minister Tom Mboya—of President Kennedy's assassination.

## Launched Airlift

Mboya also told them how Mr. Kennedy, then a senator, privately provided funds to help launch Kenya's first airlift of students to the U.S. in 1958. Mboya said he told Mr. Kennedy he needed \$2,500 toward the hiring of four aircraft for the airlift.

"When I told him of our plight he immediately got out his check-book and wrote a check for \$2,500 there and then," Mboya said.

From other parts of Africa came sharp criticism of Americans, despite their mourning.

While praising Mr. Kennedy, the writer of a letter to the government newspaper Evening News in Accra, Ghana, said Mr. Kennedy was a victim of American society.

## UN Should Move

He added: "President Kennedy's death can only be properly avenged if the American people will find ways and means of ending the free use of the pistol and adoration of gangsterism in films, cinemas, books, and other mass circulation media."

In Lagos, Nigeria, President Nnamdi Azikiwe called Mr. Kennedy's death a serious loss but raised the question whether the United Nations headquarters should remain in the U.S. "because slaughter of this typical American reformer shows clearly that among some Americans there is a deep seated hatred of the black man as a human being."

In other parts of the world, plain people continued to line up before U.S. embassies to express their sorrow.

## Church Services Crowded

Church services were crowded throughout Europe.

In Italy, thousands of Sunday afternoon soccer fans stood in silence for a minute to pay their respects to Mr. Kennedy.

By coincidence, a movie theater in Taipei, Formosa, began first showings of "PT-190," the story of President Kennedy's wartime experiences. All five showings were sold out.

Russian-born composer Igor Stravinsky, appearing in Catania, Sicily, said he would honor Mr. Kennedy in the best way he knew. Stravinsky changed his program, and led the orchestra in music for a Requiem Mass which he composed.