

# Congress Praises Works Of Pope

Washington, D.C. (RNS) — The halls of Congress here echoed to words of praise for the late Pope John XXIII and expressions of regret in the loss the world suffered in his passing. This outpouring of sentiment in aid of the man who served both the House and Senate came from legislators of all faiths.

Rep. Leonard F. Bunker (D-N.Y.) in a moving tribute called the attention of his colleagues to the many acts of charity shown by Pope John to the Jewish people, including the role he played in saving thousands of Jews from Nazi persecution while serving as Apostolic Delegate to Turkey in World War II.

"HE HAD STRONG feelings about the need to remove the bases of hostility between religious communities," Mr. Farklein declared.

Rep. Seymour H. Hays (R-N.Y.) praised the pontiff for his "deep sense of warmth" particularly illustrated by his visit to the inmates of Rome's prisons.

Rep. William L. St. George (D-Conn.) told the House that "to men of all faiths and all walks of life he represented compassion, patience, gentleness, goodwill, and love of humanity."

Rep. Leonard K. Sullivan (D-Mo.) said the death of Pope John XXIII has deprived the Catholic world of a loving father, the Christian world of a true shepherd, and the entire world of a good friend.

Sen. Bennett W. Keating (D-N.Y.) hailed him as a Pope who set out to endow the Christian faith with a new spirit. He not only set out to modernize the Church, but sought to end ancient bitter controversies that have divided religious groups. The pontiff secured great success in both objectives, the New York senator said.

Sen. Harrison A. Williams (D-N.J.) said: "It would be a fitting honor to Pope John if we were to rededicate ourselves to the tasks and goals he set forth in Paeem in Terris."

Sen. Thomas McIntyre (D-N.Y.) noted that "Pope John felt that if we are to survive in a nuclear age we must seek out that which we have in common rather than that which separates us."

Sen. Jacob K. Javits (R-N.Y.) recalling a personal audience, said "the humbleness and absolute clarity was impressive not only to me but to my young children."

"I pray that in memory of this dear and devoted human being who graced our earth, his work may be continued," he added.

Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.) told the Senate that "many monuments and tributes of one kind and another may be erected to his memory, but in my opinion, the one that will live the longest will be his record of living his ideals and his spiritual faith."

Rep. Spark M. Matsuzaka (D-Hawaii) told the House: "A

great citizen of the world is gone. In his brief reign, he established himself as one of the giants of our time. We can indeed be grateful that he lived among us in our time."

Rep. Abraham J. Muttler (D-N.Y.) called the pontiff "John the Good." He said the Pope's expressed desire for peace was supported by his personal action — giving audience to all leaders of men from various faiths and nations.

Rep. George Dwyer (R-N.J.) said: "He taught us all, not by words, but by example. And we have all listened — Protestant, Catholic, Orthodox, Jew, Hindu and Muslim — and we are grateful that such a man lived among us."

Rep. F. J. Selly (D-N.Y.) described the pontiff's mission as "one of living kindness. He was truly a Pope of the People."

Rep. Hugh L. Carey (D-N.Y.) predicted that he will be remembered as "the man of the century."

Rep. Neil Staebler (D-Mich.) declared that "few people in modern times have contributed more deeply to world understanding and to a recognition of the common humanity which we share."

Similar remarks of many legislators were entered in the Congressional Record.

## Reds Allow Pope's Mass

Berlin — (RNS) — Archbishop Alfred Bengsch, Bishop of Berlin, whose residence is in the Communist-controlled eastern sector, was given permission by Soviet Zone authorities to visit West Berlin to celebrate a Requiem Mass for Pope John XXIII.

IN COLOGNE, Chancellor Konrad Adenauer and numerous other West German civic leaders, attended a Requiem Mass for the Pope offered by Joseph Cardinal Frings, Archbishop of Cologne, and Archbishop Corrado Bafilo, Papal Nuncio to Germany.

Meanwhile President Heinrich Lübke named Foreign Minister Gerhard Schröder to head an official delegation which will represent the West German government at Vatican mourning ceremonies.

In Detmold, Catholic authorities invited leaders of the Reformed Church to attend a requiem service at which a collection has been organized for the Protestant diaspora in Spain and the Catholic diaspora in Sweden — areas requiring aid to minority religious groups.

This was being done, it was announced, to symbolize Pope John's efforts toward Christian unity.



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