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Right Down the Line for 'Victory'

An estimated 15,000 marchers for "Victory in Vietnam" turned out in a demonstration April 4, led by fundamentalist "Bible Presbyterian", Dr. Carl McIntire. Predictions for the turnout ran as high as 250,000. (RNS)

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Bishop Praises Our Latin Mission

(Special to the Courier-Journal)

La Paz, Bolivia — Bishop Hogan celebrated the Eucharist in the parish church of St. Joseph the Worker here on Sunday, April 12, and told the congregation through interpreters that he was "proud and pleased" with the work of the two Rochester diocesan priests who staff the parish of 40,000 people.

Father Peter Deckman and Father Edward Golden, formerly curates at St. Thomas More parish and Blessed Sacrament parish respectively in Rochester, have been hosts of the Bishop this weekend, midway through his 18-day visitation of the six mission stations in Latin America where Sisters and priests of the diocese are based.

The concelebrated Mass was followed by a neighborhood fiesta during which the priests introduced their parishioners to the Bishop. A program of regional music and dancing filled the afternoon and evening on the parish grounds.

Bishop Hogan commented that he was impressed with the enthusiasm of the priests but awed by the work-load their apostolate called for.

He toured the clinic run by the parish, visited the brick-factory financed by gifts from Rochester families and has spent several days walking through the twisting streets of this area in the hillside suburbs of La Paz.

A well-planned reception at the airport, including confetti and fireworks, greeted the Bishop on Thursday when he arrived from Brazil. His secretary, Father Michael Conboy, and Cliff Carpenter, editorial page columnist of the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle are travelling with him. "The trip has been very good on us physically," the Bishop reported.
"The high altitude here bothered us for a day or two. We rested the whole first day getting accustomed to the breathing problem. Everyone walks and moves very slowly."

Social affairs took some of the Bishop's time on the first two days of his stay here. A group of U.S. citizens, including Kodak employees in Bolivia, entertained him at dinner in La Paz one evening.

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Abortion Okayed, Dispute Continues

ute appeal by N.Y. State's Catholic Bishops the state's new abortion bill was signed into law last Saturday without comment by Gov. Nelson Rockefeller. The controversy lingered

"This bill," the Bishops' statement said, "is a direct attack on the sanctity of human life and the welfare of our society . . . Beginning human life has been denied equal protection of the law in New York with the passage of the most liberal abortion bill in the na-

"It is difficult to express our shock and distress over this event. Particularly since it seems destined, God forbid, to lower respect for all human life . . . the aged, the sick, the unwanted.

"We cannot forget that this bill was endorsed by many because it would help parents rid themselves of unwanted children."

The statement declared that abortion remains "a crime

gaillot man's nature even though it may no longer be a crime against man's law in New York."

Hospitals across the state have done virtually nothing to prepare for the demand that is expected when and if the obortion legislation goes into effect. Health insurance officials were maintaining what one described as "a very alert stand-by position." A vice president of Blue Cross, George Godlett, said his organization had not yet decided what policy to establish, in terms of actuarial costs.

Meanwhile, one of the Senate's most vocal opponents of the abortion bill, James H. Donovan, (R) of Utica, has introduced legislation forbidding the use of public funds for abortions except when the life of the mother is in danger.

His measure, with prospects of passage seen as doubtful, would apply to recipients of Medicaid and welfare.

Donovan said that the use of (Continued on Page 2)