

Reuther Death 'Great Loss,' Bishop Says

New Haven, Conn.—(NC) — Auxiliary Bishop Joseph F. Donnelly of Hartford, a veteran arbitrator in the American labor movement, mourned the accidental death of United Auto Workers' head Walter Reuther as "a great loss to the forces of social reform."

Reuther and his wife were killed in the crash of a chartered jet as the plane was coming in for a landing at an airfield in northern Michigan.

Bishop Donnelly said that "the untimely and tragic death of Walter Reuther is a great loss not only to the American labor movement, but to those forces of social reform deeply concerned with correcting the ills of American society."

Reuther, a frequently controversial figure, clashed with many people during his career in labor. He was one of former teamster leader Jimmy Hoffa's bitterest enemies, and was once described by former Gov. George Romney of Michigan—



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now secretary of Housing and Urban Development — as "the most dangerous man in Detroit."

But Reuther also spearheaded labor's efforts to drive Communists out of the union movement and led efforts to convert the auto industry to war production when World War II opened. In more recent years, he championed the cause of black unionists, particularly those in the South.

Police TV Films — Heston

Los Angeles—(NC) — Actor Charlton Heston has suggested congressional policing of films in certain rating categories shown over subscription television or on soon-to-be marketed films for home viewing.

Testifying before the Presidential Commission on Obscenity and Pornography, the president of the Screen Actors Guild said the regulation would provide "a certain economic protection to theaters in a harshly competitive situation."

The regulation would have the additional effect, he said, of limiting the kind of film that

can be shown to a non-selective general audience in the home.

While he would restrict what is shown in the home, Heston said he opposed federal restraints on the theaters themselves.

"The healthiest art is the freest, and most diverse art. This is what the artist wants, and what the public deserves," Heston stated.

"It can be argued that we seem so far to be getting more freedom than art," Heston told the commission, "but I am confident this is not a permanent condition."

Nixon 'Churchman of Year'

Washington, D.C. —(RNS)— Religious Heritage of America (RHA) has named President Richard M. Nixon as Churchman of the Year for "carrying his deep religious commitment into the presidency."

Mr. Nixon will be honored at the 20th annual RHA National Leadership Conference and Awards Program here June 18 for "creating an atmosphere for a return to the spiritual, moral, and ethical values of the Founding Fathers." The President was praised specifically for inaugurating the ecumenical Sunday Worship services at the White

House for government leaders and for supporting Presidential Prayer Breakfasts.

Also to be honored are Archbishop Iakovos, primate of the Greek Orthodox Church of North and South America, Clergyman of the Year; and Mrs. Anna May Moynihan, a leading Catholic laywoman as Church Woman of the Year.

RHA is an interreligious, non-profit organization dedicated to preserving America's Judeo-Christian heritage and to instilling its highest principles into all areas of religious life.

Episcopal Bishop Installed

New York—(NC)—Episcopal Bishop Paul Moore Jr., 51, formerly of Washington, D.C., was installed May 9 as bishop coadjutor of the Episcopal diocese of New York in a two-hour service attended by Mayor John V. Lindsay at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine.

One of his first acts upon taking office was to call attention to the demonstration for peace

by thousands of youths in his former city and to co-sponsor a statement read at the service protesting the Cambodian incursion and the Kent State University shootings.

The tall, militant Episcopal leader will automatically succeed Bishop Horace W. B. Dongan when the latter retires under canon law upon reaching 72 in 1972.

Armenian Primate Re-elected

New York — (RNS) — Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, primate of the Eastern Diocese of the Armenian Church of America, was re-elected to another four-year term at the diocesan assembly.

He was chosen by a "decisive majority" over two other candi-

dates during the meetings at Cheltenham, Pa.

Archbishop Manoogian's diocese is under the jurisdiction of the Armenian See of Etchmiadzin, in Soviet Armenia. It is to be distinguished from the Armenian Apostolic Church of America, which is related to the See of Cilicia, now in Lebanon.

Crusader Castle To Be Restored

Amman, Jordan — (RNS) — The British government will offer financial and technical assistance to Jordan for the restoration of an ancient Crusader castle, some 40 miles north of

Amman. It is expected that the five-year project will cost about \$150,000.

The Crusades—eight in all—were wars undertaken to deliver the Holy Places from the

hands of "infidels." From 1099 through 1187, their object was attained. Then, through internal dissension, imperial jealousy and outbreaks of barbarity, Christendom lost the Holy Land.

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