



**Bishop Emmet Walsh Buried**

Youngstown, Ohio — Final tribute was accorded Bishop Emmet Michael Walsh, 76, for decades a bulwark in affairs of the United States hierarchy, here (March 21) in St. Columba cathedral.

Before coming to the Youngstown diocese 19 years ago, Bishop Walsh for 22 years had been the head of the Charleston, S. C. diocese. He served 41 years as a bishop and 52 years as a priest.

During his tenure in the Charleston diocese, which encompassed all of South Carolina and has one of the smallest Catholic populations of any state, Bishop Walsh built 25 churches, four hospitals, inaugurated a religious instruction program in mission areas and saw a 25% increase in Catholic school students in the decade from 1927 to 1937.

**'Strong in Faith' Urged**

Vatican City — (NC) — Pope Paul VI, receiving pilgrims from the diocese he once headed, urged them to be strong in their faith both in their interior life and their life in society.

To a pilgrimage from Milan, headed by Cardinal Colombo, he quoted St. Peter's exhortation to be "strong in the faith." The Pope also said to remember the words of a celebrated bishop of Milan, St. Ambrose, "Where Peter is, there is the church of Milan."

**Parish Relations, Solution**

Chicago—(NC)—Cardinal Cody of Chicago expressed belief in the future of Chicago as a place where Negro and White Americans can live peacefully together—beginning at the grass roots of individual parishes "where people are kind and hospitable."

Together with archdiocesan school board officials, he announced details of the program entitled "Operation Hospitality," and white children can come together for their Christian education."

Advanced registration at parochial schools indicates the vast majority of Catholic parents want a full program of Catholic education for their children from elementary through high school, it was stated. Beginning next September, the archdiocesan school board will seek to recruit 1,000 new lay elementary school teachers, at an improved salary schedule with a 12% increase in base pay.

**Texan Appointed Bishop**

Washington — (NC) — Pope Paul VI has named Msgr. John J. Cassata, who has been vicar general of the diocese of Galveston-Houston, auxiliary to Bishop Thomas K. Gorman of Dallas-Fort Worth. The Bishop-elect was born in Galveston, Tex., in 1908.

**Canonization Is Sought**

Bishop Vincent S. Waters will offer a special remembrance in the Mass of Thursday, March 28, for the success of the cause of canonization of Blessed John Neumann.

In a letter to Bishop Waters, Father Francis J. Litz, vice postulator of the Blessed John Neumann Center in Philadelphia, said Thursday will be the anniversary of the consecration of Blessed John Neumann as fourth Bishop of Philadelphia in 1852.

**Transplant Ethics Group**

New York — (NC) — Father Charles E. Sheedy, C.S.C., dean of the college of art and letters of the University of Notre Dame, has been named as one of 15 members of the American Heart Association's committee to study the ethical, moral and legal implications of heart transplants.

In approving establishment of the ethics committee, the AHA board of directors stated that the "rapid expansion of the experimental study of human patients and normal subjects has led to concern on the part of both the medical profession and the public for the adequate protection of the rights of such individuals."

**Study Liturgical Texts**

Chicago — Representatives of Protestant and Catholic groups working for liturgical renewal met here (March 11-12) to explore avenues leading to the adoption of common texts for the Our Father and other prayers used in worship services.

Described by participants as the first of its kind, the meeting stemmed from an action by the Inter-Lutheran Commission on Worship last November which suggested a joint meeting and led to invitations to the other groups to name representatives.

Pointed up in both the advance material and the subsequent discussions were scriptural, liturgical, pastoral, and linguistic problems associated with the use of contemporary English style.

The participants added that the study also showed that "there was far more similarity among the texts examined for possible common usage than some had thought possible—even in the Lord's Prayer and Apostles' Creed."

**Marches Stop, But Go On**

Milwaukee — (NC) — Organizers of Milwaukee's civil rights marches called off the protests after 200 days of unsuccessful demonstrating aimed at forcing passage of a city-wide open housing law.

But marchers, apparently used to the protests, continued to demonstrate for three days following the official halt.

The Thursday protest was led by Father James E. Groppi, civil rights activist who had guided the youth group and helped organize the protests. He has frequently forecast that the failure of the marches could easily lead to violence.

"If they fail," he said before the marches were canceled, "the young militants would then be able to say, 'You marched for 200 days, and many of your people went to jail, and nothing happened.'" According to Father Groppi, "violence then would be inevitable."

**'Catholics Suffered Most'**

**Hue Was Glimpse of What A Communist Victory Could Do**

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Hue, Vietnam — It was about one hour before midnight inside the dark, unfinished cathedral where thousands of parishioners had taken refuge during the communist onslaught on Hue. Voices sounded suddenly, demanding entrance; flashlights played their beams on crowded, frightened faces.

The communists had come. In the gloom of the high-vaulted church, some fingering their weapons, others moving the rays of their flashlights back and forth, they began to sort out the people. The younger men and youths were separated from the children, women and old men.

Between 200 and 300 men and boys were tied one to another in three groups. Then they were marched, stumbling, out of the shadowy cathedral and around the hill, linked in single file, to the communist command post in the Tu Dam Buddhist pagoda. It was daylight when the third batch reached the pagoda.

There they spent the day. When darkness fell again, they were all marched out into the night.

Their families have not seen fathers, brothers and sons since then. They were seized on the night of Feb. 3.

On Feb. 18 a group of armed communists, including four young women, came to the Redemptorists' church and monastery, crowded with refugees.

Showing signs of great haste—the Vietnamese and U.S. troops were closing in — the communists picked out some 20 men, bound them and marched them away, southward.

"The Catholics suffered most," a citizen of Hue said, reviewing what the people of the city had experienced.

**Civilian Victims**  
Nobody can say yet how many civilians were killed during the nearly four week of the battle

of Hue. The figure is probably more than 1,000, perhaps much more. Some were caught in the shelling or crossfire.

Many were executed by the communists. So far five mass graves, each containing from 20 to more than 100 bodies, their hands still tied behind their backs, have been found. Remains of these cannot now be identified.

Families are bereaved by deaths known for certain and by the disappearance of persons captured and feared dead. Many of the same families have lost their homes. It is estimated that 16,000 homes were destroyed or badly damaged. Two priests are known to have been killed, of the Paris Foreign Missions. Two Viet Cong shot them dead from behind a hedge just below the cathedral.

Two Christian Brothers, teachers in the secondary school their community conducts for poor boys, giving them an entirely free education, were likewise seized. They were taken at night and were clad only in pajamas. The local people reportedly pleaded with the communists not to take them away, but without avail.

**Property Damage**  
Much of the damage to buildings was done by Vietnamese and U.S. artillery and bombing. But this came as a consequence of communist hostile fire from within or alongside the buildings. They fired from the steeple of St. Francis Xavier church, and, after the first day or two, from the junior seminary, from the space in front of the cathedral and from behind the major seminary.

Nobody can list all the Catholic casualties as yet. They are only part of what all of Hue has suffered and a glimpse of what it might have suffered in even greater measure if the communists had won.

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