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### **Police chief becomes priest**

# Badge versus pulpit

United Press International PALATINE, Ill. — There's not much difference between being a good cop and a good priest. That's the gospel according to Harry Walsh

Walsh, 45, describes himself as "the only ordained police chief in captivity." By this time next year, he says, he hopes to turn in his badge for a full-time pulpit. "The church is like a floating

crap game — you go where the action is," he said, eyes twinkling behind tinted glasses.

Walsh in uniform looks like the stereotype of a small town lawman. He has been a policeman for 19 years — nine of them as police

chief in nearby Buffalo Grove. "It might sound corny, but I go where God is leading," said Walsh, who became an Anglican priest 2 and one-half years ago.

At age 15, Walsh entered a Trappist monastery. He left at 26. I got up in the morning in the 12th century - we even wore 12th century underwear — and in the afternoon stepped off a plane in the 20th century in Chicago," Walsh said. "I left because I couldn't become a Catholic

priest. A cousin of his, Timothy John Doyle, helped him re-adjust to the modern world.

"He was a good man and a good police officer," Walsh said. "He re-introduced me to the world and with the courts.

asked me what I was planning to do.

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During his career, Walsh said, he "has seen it all—the ugliness. I cannot be shocked by anything.

"The worst thing — I remember going to the scene of an explo-sion and fire. There were two in-jured. I went to pick up one of the men. As I pulled, the skin came off his back

said

"People get a \$5 parking ticket and they have got to talk to the chief of police," Walsh said. "I've got plenty of men in the department who know more about those things than I do. That is not my job. I have to see that my officers are properly trained and moti-vated."

Police work has changed markedly over the years, he said. "It used to be people looked to police for order," he said. "Now the attitude is 'Screw you.' And it's

just as bad in the suburbs as in the

"There is a cult of individual liberty in this country that has it. In the monastery you don't have those concerns. He sug-gested I become a police officer. It paid pretty well in those days — \$100 a week. I admired Times of the sub-sub-try in this country that has been taken, to the extreme," Walsh said. "The courts are on the verge of total collapse. Make judges administer the law. Judges should just examine the facts"

Walsh said he is in favor of strict took the test and came in sixth on the eligibility list." gun control "so that eventually we can take the guns away from the can take the guns away from the

He also favors capital punish-

ment. "There is a punitive aspect to the law," he said. "If a crime is severe enough, a severe punish-ment has to be injected.

Even while he immersed him-Nobody really understands what a police chief does, Walsh self in his police career and man-aged to secure degrees in sociology and law, Walsh remained committed to the Roman Catholic Church

> - "I became a deacon in 1972," he said, "but I couldn't become a priest. Then my marriage disintegrated. I became a nonperson.

"Divorce forced me to start a new life," he said. "I had been looking at the Episcopal Church for years.

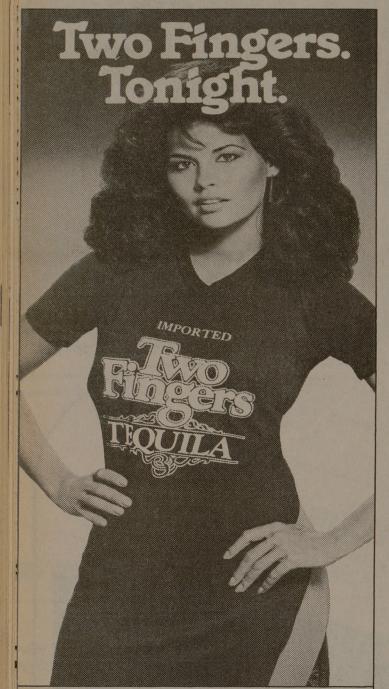
Walsh became an assistant pastor at St. Hillary's in Prospect Heights shortly after his ordination. He now is assistant pastor at St. Philip's Church, the Rev. Sheldon B. Foote's parish. St.

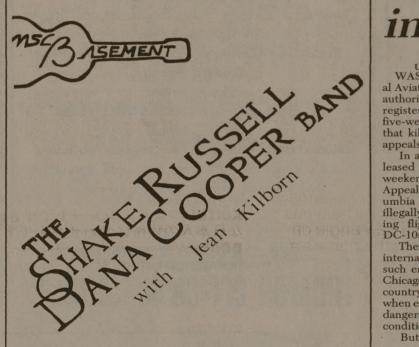


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## FAA violated agreement in '79 mishap, court says

United Press International WASHINGTON — The Feder-al Aviation Administration had no authority to ground foreign-registered DC-10 airliners for five-weeks following a 1979 crash that killed 273 people, a federal appeals court has declared.

In a little-noticed decision released just before Labor Day weekend, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Col-umbia ruled 3-0 the FAA acted illegally in temporarily prohibit-ing flights by foreign-operated DC-10s within U.S. airspace.

The appellate panel found the international agreement covering such emergencies, known as the Chicago Convention, "permits a country to safeguard its airspace when entry by all aircraft would be dangerous or intrusive because of conditions on the ground.

But the agreement "does not

allow one country to ban landing ing assemblies of some DC leading to an order 11 days out the airworthiness of particular foreign aircraft," Judge Roger Robb wrote for the court.

The controversy stemmed from the crash of American Airlines Flight 191 on May 25, 1979. The accident, which occurred soon after takeoff from Chicago's O'Hare International Airport, killed all passengers and crew on board and two people on the ground.

When early reports indicated the left wing pylon and the engine attached to it had separated from the wing, the FAA ordered all operators of U.S. registered DC-10s to inspect the pylon attach points. The directive also was sent to all foreign operators of the aircraft

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leading to an order 11 days at the crash to ground all US operated DC-10s. That order late was expanded to prohibit fight within American airspace by U.S. and foreign-registered D In response, a number of for m governments halted DCI r

flights in their airspace. Europer aviation authorities then drews an inspection and maintenan program to restore the "airworth ness" of DC-10s, and exactly on month after the crash asked th

FAA to rescind its order for plan as that had been re-certified. The FAA refused, promption British Caledonian Airways L to file suit in federal court. Eve tually, the company was joined Lufthansa German Airlines, Alio Subsequent inspections re-vealed cracks in the pylon mount-Transport Co. Ltd. and Belair A.

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