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NEW ORGANIZATION FORMED**

New York, N. Y. Creation of the Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Scholarship Fund and launching of a new organization, the CORE Scholarship, Education and Defense Fund were simultaneously announced today. The new organization will carry on an independent program in the field of race relations. It will emphasize educational projects and assistance to individuals in the form of scholarships and legal defense aid.

The Scholarship Fund will memorialize Mrs. Roosevelt who chaired the committee that formed CORE SEDF and had agreed to serve as first permanent chairman shortly before she fell ill last summer. According to Katrina McCormick Barnes, Chairman of the Scholarship Committee, 'the Board of Directors of CORE SEDF felt that the highest tribute they would pay to Mrs. Roosevelt would be to use her name in furthering the work she began in her life time, part of the "unfinished business" she left behind for all of us.'

Two student leaders of the sit-in movement already have received grants from the Fund. One is Patricia Stephens Due of Tallahassee, Fla., who has served three prison terms for her civil rights activities. The other is Samuel Bolden who was expelled from Kentucky State College for taking part in sit-in demonstrations and is now finishing his studies at Boston University.

According to the terms of the Scholarship Fund, students of any race from all parts of the country are eligible; preference goes to those who have experienced financial hardship as a result of their civil rights activities. Inquiries regarding applications for scholarships or contributions to the Fund should be addressed to CORE Scholarship, Education and Defense Fund, 1 Union Square, Room 902, New York 3, N. Y.

Members of the Board of Directors of CORE SEDF to date are: Adele Addison, noted soprano; John Allison, N. Y. attorney; Shelley Appleton, Vice President, International Ladies Garment Workers; James Baldwin, author; Katrina McCormick Barnes; Charlotte De Vree; Rabbi Martin Freedman, Paterson, New Jersey; The Rev. Frederick James, Chairman of Social Action Committee, African Methodist Episcopal Church; Henry Morgenthau III; Dr. William Stuart Nelson, Vice President of Howard University; Andrew Norman, Associate Editor of Current; Elaine Slater; The Rev. Gardner Taylor; Norman Thomas; William Vanden Heuvel, President of International Rescue Committee; and Pearl Willen, President of National Council of Jewish Women.

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