ELEANOR ROOSEVELT

By Adlai E. Stevenson
A eulogy delivered by Ambassador Adlai E. Stevenson, United States Representative to the United Nations, at a Memorial Service for Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York City, Saturday, November 17, 1962.
One week ago this afternoon, in the Rose Garden at Hyde Park, Eleanor Roosevelt came home for the last time. Her journeys are over. The remembrance now begins.

In gathering here to honor her, we engage in a self-serving act. It is we who are trying, by this ceremony of tribute, to deny the fact that we have lost her, and, at least, to prolong the farewell. And — possibly — to say some of the things we dared not say in her presence, because she would have turned aside such testimonial with impatience and gently asked us to get on with some of the more serious business of the meeting.

A grief perhaps not equalled since the death of her husband 17 years ago is the world's best tribute to one of the great figures of our age — a woman whose lucid and luminous faith testified always for sanity in an insane time and for hope in a time of obscure hope — a woman who spoke for the good toward which man aspires in a world which has seen too much of the evil of which man is capable.

She lived 78 years, most of the time in tireless activity as if she knew that only a frail fragment of the things that cry out to be done could be done in the lifetime of even the most fortunate. One has the melancholy sense that when she knew death was at hand, she was contemplating not what she achieved, but what she had not quite managed to do. And I know she wanted to go — when there was no more strength to do.

Yet how much she had done — how much still unchronicled! We dare not try to tabulate the lives she salvaged, the battles — known and unrecorded — she fought, the afflicted she comforted, the hovels she brightened, the faces and places, near and far, that were given some new radiance, some sound of music, by her endeavors. What other single human being has touched and transformed the existence of so many others? What better measure is there of the impact of anyone's life?

There was no sick soul too wounded to engage her mercy. There was no signal of human distress which she did not view as a personal summons. There was no affront to human dig-
She clung to the confident expectation that men could fashion their own tomorrows. And the number of occasions on which her intervention turned despair into victory we may never know.

Her life was crowded, restless, fearless. Perhaps she pitied most not those whom she aided in the struggle, but the more fortunate who were pre-occupied with themselves and cursed with the self-deceptions of private success. She walked in the slums and ghettos of the world, not on a tour of inspection, nor as a condescending patron, but as one who could not feel complacent while others were hungry, and who could not find contentment while others were in distress. This was not sacrifice; this, for Mrs. Roosevelt, was the only meaningful way of life.

These were not conventional missions of mercy. What rendered this unforgettable woman so extraordinary was not merely her response to suffering; it was her comprehension of the complexity of the human condition. Not long before she died, she wrote that “within all of us there are two sides. One reaches for the stars, the other descends to the level of beasts.” It was, I think, this discernment that made her so unfailingly tolerant of friends who faltered, and led her so often to remind the smug and the complacent that “There but for the grace of God . . .”

But we dare not regard her as just a benign incarnation of good works. For she was not only a great woman and a great humanitarian, but a great democrat. I use the word with a small “d” — though it was, of course, equally true that she was a great Democrat with a capital “D.” When I say that she was a great small - d democrat, I mean that she had a lively and astute understanding of the nature of the democratic process. She was a master political strategist with a fine sense of humor. And, as she said, she loved a good fight.

She was a realist. Her compassion did not become sentimentality. She understood that progress was a long labor of compromise. She mistrusted absolutism in all its forms — the absolutism of the word and even more the absolutism of the deed. She never supposed that all the problems of life could be cured in a day or a year or a lifetime. Her pungent and salty understanding of human behavior kept her always in intimate contact with reality. I think this was a primary source of her strength, because she never thought that the loss of a battle meant the loss of a war, nor did she suppose that a compromise which produced only part of the objective sought was an act of corruption or of treachery. She knew that no formula of words, no combination of deeds, could abolish the troubles of life overnight and usher in the millennium.

The miracle, I have tried to suggest, is how much tangible good she really did; how much realism and reason were mingled with her instinctive compassion; how her contempt for the perquisites of power ultimately won her the esteem of so many of the powerful; and how, at her death, there was a universality of grief that transcended all the harsh boundaries of political, racial and religious strife and, for a moment at least, united men in a vision of what their world might be.

We do not claim the right to enshrine another mortal, and this least of all would Mrs. Roosevelt have desired. She would have wanted it said, I believe, that she well knew the pressures of pride and vanity, the sting of bitterness and defeat, the gray days of national peril and personal anguish. But she clung to the confident expectation that men could fashion their own tomorrows if they could only learn that yesterday can be neither relived nor revised.

Many who have spoken of her in these last few days have used a word to which we all assent, because it speaks a part of what we feel. They have called her “a lady,” a “great lady,” “the first lady of the world.” But the word “lady,” though it says much about Eleanor Roosevelt, does not say all. To be incapable of self-concern is not a negative virtue; it is the other side of a coin that has a positive face — the most positive, I think, of all the faces. And to enhance the humanity of others is not a kind of humility; it is a kind of pride — the noblest of all the forms of pride. No man or woman can respect other men and women who does not respect life. And to respect life is to love it. Eleanor Roosevelt loved life — and that, perhaps, is the
most meaningful thing that can be said about her, for it says so much beside.

It takes courage to love life. Loving it demands imagination and perception and the kind of patience women are more apt to have than men — the bravest and most understanding women. And loving it takes something more beside — it takes a gift for life, a gift for love.

Eleanor Roosevelt's childhood was unhappy — miserably unhappy, she sometimes said. But it was Eleanor Roosevelt who also said that “one must never, for whatever reason, turn his back on life.” She did not mean that duty should compel us. She meant that life should. “Life,” she said, “was meant to be lived.” A simple statement. An obvious statement. But a statement that by its obviousness and its simplicity challenges the most intricate of all the philosophies of despair.

Many of the admonitions she bequeathed us are neither new thoughts nor novel concepts. Her ideas were, in many respects, old fashioned — as old as the Sermon on the Mount, as the reminder that it is more blessed to give than to receive. In the words of St. Francis that she loved so well: “For it is in the giving that we receive.”

She imparted to the familiar language — nay, what too many have come to treat as the cliches — of Christianity a new poignancy and vibrance. She did so not by reciting them, but by proving that it is possible to live them. It is this above all that rendered her unique in her century. It was said of her contemptuously at times that she was a do-gooder, a charge leveled with similar derision against another public figure 1,962 years ago.

We who are assembled here are of various religious and political faiths, and perhaps different conceptions of man's destiny in the universe. It is not an irreverence, I trust, to say that the immortality Mrs. Roosevelt would have valued most would be found in the deeds and visions her life inspired in others, and in the proof that they would be faithful to the spirit of any tribute conducted in her name.

And now one can almost hear Mrs. Roosevelt
saying that the speaker has already talked too long. So we must say farewell. We are always saying farewell in this world — always standing at the edge of loss attempting to retrieve some memory, some human meaning, from the silence — something which was precious and is gone.

Often, although we know the absence well enough, we cannot name it or describe it even. What left the world when Lincoln died? Speaker after speaker in those aching days tried to tell his family or his neighbors or his congregation. But no one found the words, not even Whitman. “When lilacs last in the dooryard bloomed” can break the heart, but not with Lincoln’s greatness, only with his loss. What the words could never capture was the man himself. His deeds were known; every school child knew them. But it was not his deeds the country mourned: it was the man — the mastery of life which made the greatness of the man.

It is always so. On that April day when Franklin Roosevelt died, it was not a President we wept for. It was a man. In Archibald MacLeish’s words:

“Fagged out, worn down, sick
With the weight of his own bones,
the task finished,
The war won, the victory assured,
The glory left behind him for
the others,
(And the wheels roll up through
the night in the sweet land
In the cool air in the spring
between the lanterns).”

It is so now. What we have lost in Eleanor Roosevelt is not her life. She lived that out to the full. What we have lost, what we wish to recall for ourselves, to remember, is what she was herself. And who can name it? But she left “a name to shine on the entablatures of truth, forever.”

We pray that she has found peace, and a glimpse of sunset. But today we weep for ourselves. We are lonelier; someone has gone from one’s own life — who was like the certainty of refuge; and someone has gone from the world — who was like a certainty of honor.
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FACT SHEET

HISTORY: Shortly after the death of Eleanor Roosevelt on November 7, 1962, President Kennedy appointed Adlai E. Stevenson chairman of a distinguished group of Americans eager to carry on the unfinished tasks of Mrs. Roosevelt's life. On April 23rd, the President signed the law passed by Congress granting a charter to the Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Foundation to continue those interests to which Mrs. Roosevelt had dedicated her life:

. the relief of the poor and distressed and the underprivileged
. promotion of economic welfare
. the promotion of public health
. the furtherance of international good will

PURPOSES: The Foundation was established not to build a memorial to the late "First Lady of the World", but to be one. Mrs. Roosevelt set as her major goal the attainment of human dignity for all people everywhere. In that spirit, the Foundation supports:

. A broad human rights program with initial emphasis on insuring the rights of the Negro people and other minority groups in our nation.

. The proposed Eleanor Roosevelt Wing of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library at Hyde Park, New York as an appropriate repository for her many writings and efforts for humankind.

. To complete those commitments in which Mrs. Roosevelt was involved at the time of her death, the Foundation will also provide support for international fellowships in cancer research; help to emotionally disturbed children and promoting understanding of the work of the United Nations.
LEADERSHIP: Ambassador Adlai E. Stevenson is Chairman of the Board of Trustees, which currently consists of 34 outstanding leaders in the fields close to Mrs. Roosevelt's concern: international relations, human rights, the arts, labor, business, medicine, public health and government. Philip M. Klutznick is National Campaign Chairman and Robert S. Benjamin, Executive Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Anna Rosenberg Hoffman, Secretary; Jesse W. Tapp, Treasurer. Vice-Chairmen are: Miss Marian Anderson, Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, George Meany, Mrs. Agnes E. Meyer, Walter P. Reuther and Thomas J. Watson, Jr.

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IMMEDIATE GOALS: The Foundation has embarked on a $25,000,000 drive, a "once-in-a-lifetime" campaign, which it seeks to complete by October 11, 1964, the 80th anniversary of Eleanor Roosevelt's birth. Support for this endeavor has been forthcoming from corporate, labor and community groups, as well as from private individuals whose lives were aided, enriched and inspired by Mrs. Roosevelt.

July 4th, 1963
$25 million. This is the sum needed to yield the income essential to carry on a meaningful program designed to meet the primary aims of the Foundation.

October 11, 1964, will mark the 80th anniversary of Mrs. Roosevelt's birth. It is hoped that the basic task of financing the Foundation program will be largely completed so that a practical and meaningful program can be launched. The initial pledges should be made by such time but payments may be made over a longer period, if desired by the donors.

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Through the ELEANOR ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL FOUNDATION all people will be afforded an opportunity to participate in a program aimed at advancing international good will, human rights and the endless fight against disease. It offers people, great and small, the world over, through their efforts and contributions, an opportunity to keep burning those "candles" Mrs. Roosevelt lit in the darkness.

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Ambassador Stevenson and Eleanor Roosevelt

FIRST LADY OF THE WORLD

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A STATEMENT OF PURPOSES

The ELEANOR ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL FOUNDATION is a charitable and educational organization to extend her humanitarian endeavors.

To assure the worth and dignity of each human being, the Foundation shall devote itself to continuing certain major interests to which Eleanor Roosevelt dedicated her life...

- the relief of the poor and distressed and the underprivileged
- promotion of economic welfare
- the promotion of public health
- the furtherance of international good will

PRIORITIES...AND "UNFINISHED BUSINESS"

At the time of her death, many worthwhile activities depended upon Mrs. Roosevelt and her efforts for a substantial part of their income. These include:

- The Eleanor Roosevelt Cancer Foundation.
- The Wiltwyck School for Boys, a demonstration project for underprivileged, emotionally disturbed children.
- The American Association for the United Nations and the U.S. Committee for the U.N.

Mrs. Roosevelt frequently voiced an interest in a proposed new wing to the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library at Hyde Park. Plans have now been developed for creating this proposed wing in her name. It is here that the documented story of Mrs. Roosevelt's efforts on behalf of mankind will be placed and made available for all to see and study.

The Foundation has pledged support to these programs for the immediate period, and is developing long-term programs which can most effectively and appropriately carry out the basic purposes of the Foundation.

KEEP THE CANDLE BURNING

The financial goal of the Foundation has been initially determined to be a minimum of...
"There is so much to do, so many engaging challenges, so many heartbreaking and pressing needs..."

ELEANOR ROOSEVELT

She would rather light a candle than curse the darkness, and her glow has warmed the world...

ADLAI E. STEVENSON

"The Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Foundation will provide a fitting and effective way to carry on the programs to which Mrs. Roosevelt so ably dedicated her life"

JOHN F. KENNEDY

TO KEEP THE CANDLE BURNING...
...the Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Foundation

On April 23, 1963, a grateful nation honored a great lady. When the President signed the bill, which the Congress had just passed, creating the Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Foundation, he completed the nation's official tribute to the woman whose tireless efforts on behalf of humanity had made her the First Lady of the World. "I am sure," the President declared, "that the Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Foundation will reflect the wisdom, energy, concern for the poor, and advancement of public health, economic welfare and international good will that Mrs. Roosevelt showed throughout her life."

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ADLAI E. STEVENSON

I know that no defeat is final," Mrs. Roosevelt wrote in her autobiography. This faith kept her working endlessly for causes that sometimes seemed hopeless. Some victories she lived to see...others she has made possible for the future. Human rights...world understanding...elimination of disease and poverty...the right of labor...improvement of race relations...opportunities for our young people...those and others, were her concern. And now they are the concern of the Foundation created to honor her.

The Foundation was created by the Congress. But its financial resources must come from the people. Mrs. Roosevelt would have wanted it that way. Already, a group of men and women from all walks of life, under the leadership of Adlai Stevenson, have accepted the President's request to serve as trustees. They are giving generously of their time and effort. Careful and thoughtful study is being given to develop programs which will serve vital and unmet needs. Several major programs actively supported by Mrs. Roosevelt at the time of her death have already been pledged support by the Foundation for the immediate period ahead.

Will You Help Keep the Candle Burning?

Since the day Mrs. Roosevelt died last November, people everywhere have been asking "What can I do to show how much she meant to me? What can I do to help carry on her interests?"

This message has been prepared by the Foundation as a response to this spontaneous and universal desire to honor Mrs. Roosevelt—to tell about the creation of the Foundation as the central instrument designed to carry on her good works.

To carry out the Foundation's program, a minimum capital fund of $25,000,000 is being sought in a one-time public campaign. The campaign for funds is now being organized, and the help of all individuals and groups is welcomed. For those who wish to participate in this effort, the form below will provide the means by which you may identify your interest.

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The Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Foundation

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- I wish to contribute...
- I wish to pledge $...

Name: ____________________________
Address: _______________________
City: ___________ State: ___________

Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Foundation

President Kennedy signs Congressional Act creating Foundation

Mrs. Roosevelt comforts sister阴道 says

Foundation trustees hold initial meeting at White House.
It gives me great pleasure to approve today, an Act to incorporate the Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Foundation. This legislation will, I believe, provide a fitting and effective way to carry on the programs to which Mrs. Roosevelt so ably dedicated her life. I am grateful to the Congress for enacting this legislation and to the distinguished men and women who agreed to serve on the Foundation Board.

It has been said that an institution is the lengthened shadow of a great individual. I am sure that the Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Foundation will reflect the wisdom, energy and concern for the poor and advancement of public health, economic welfare and international good-will that Mrs. Roosevelt showed throughout her life. The Foundation should cast a long shadow indeed.

I hope that the American people will rally to the support of this Foundation with the same generosity for which Mrs. Roosevelt was known and loved. The Foundation, in perpetuating the ideals of Mrs. Roosevelt, thereby also fosters the ideals of all Americans.

April 23, 1963
Founders and Mass Gifts Speed National $25,000,000 Drive

The national campaign for $25,000,000 which will enable the Foundation to continue Mrs. Roosevelt's many works of humanity is gathering momentum throughout the country, it was reported by Philip M. Klutznick, National Campaign Chairman.

Setting the pace for the drive are nearly 40 individuals and organizations who have become Founders through gifts of $25,000 and above. These benefactors were honored at the first Founders Dinner held October 21 at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel. The names of Founders, according to Mr. Klutznick, will be engraved on a bronze plaque and placed in perpetuity in the new Eleanor Roosevelt wings to the FR Library at Hyde Park.

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AFL-CIO Urges Millions To Support Foundation

At its closing session November 20, the AFL-CIO convention unanimously passed a resolution calling "upon the millions of men and women in the AFL-CIO to contribute one hour's pay or $1 to this great undertaking to insure the Foundation's work toward a world of peace, freedom and social justice — those goals that were jointly shared by Eleanor Roosevelt and the trade union movement she loved." Joseph Keenan, George Meany and Walter Reuther, Foundation Trustees spoke in support of the resolution.

We Mourn Our Loss . . .

This initial issue of Candlelight was ready to go to press when the tragic news of President Kennedy's assassination was broadcast. Everything stopped; nothing seemed to matter. Now, 96 hours later, it is clear that the greatest honor we can pay him is to continue working for the things in which he believed. It was in his office one year ago that the Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Foundation was conceived. As an Honorary Trustee, it has had his unstinting support ever since. And so, except for this box, this issue is going to you just as it was made ready for final printing on Friday, November 22, 1963. On that fateful day, the world changed. But one thing we know; it is a better world because of John F. Kennedy.

Interns' Training Project Implements Foundation's Human Rights Program

The far-reaching and meaningful human rights program projected by the Foundation as its main area of emphasis got off to an impressive start with the joint announcement by Adlai E. Stevenson, Foundation Chairman, and R. Sargent Shriver, Director of the Peace Corps, of a pilot program designed to train Peace Corps veterans and other qualified individuals for careers in the field of human rights.

This project for training Americans who wish to enter the field of inter-group relations is the first step to implement the Foundation's broad program in human rights leadership development projects involving business, labor, government, civic and church leaders.

Under the program conceived by the Foundation, a series of $5,000 annual "internship" awards will be granted qualified Peace Corps veterans for specialized training in inter-group relations. Although Peace Corps veterans are expected to provide the largest source of qualified individuals during the initial phase of the program, other individuals with work experience in community relations or organization, labor relations.

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The Campaign: from Coast to Coast

MIDWEST: A well-attended Chicago dinner September 5, highlighted by the remarks of Ambassador Stevenson and National Campaign Chairman Philip M. Klutznick, kicked off an energetic drive in the Midwest to raise funds for the Foundation. Regional Director Herbert H. Lipson reports that a meeting of young Chicagoans will be held in early December co-hosted by Dr. and Mrs. Paul Saltzman and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Klutznick. John Dulka, of the University of Wisconsin, is heading a drive in the Milwaukee area. In Bloomington, Mrs. Ernest L. Ives, sister of Ambassador Stevenson, has organized a committee to enlist Foundation support. In Madison, Wisconsin, Robert Levine and James Doyle are serving on a state-wide committee to raise funds for the Foundation.

WEST COAST: Ambassador Stevenson's recent visit has sparked the Foundation's drive here to raise funds. In Los Angeles, Mr. Stevenson was enthusiastically welcomed both at a luncheon by friends of the United Nations, and a Foundation dinner at the Beverly Hilton Hotel hosted by Trustees Jesse Tapp.

Reservoir of Good Will

Yet my experiences of the past weeks and months have convinced me even more deeply of the vast reservoir of good will upon which we can draw for gifts to the Foundation. One woman gave me a modest contribution because she wanted Eleanor Roosevelt to continue as a symbol to her children of a life of selflessness and decency and purpose. A prominent businessman signed a check for $25,000, thus becoming one of our Founders, without asking a single question. In response to my query, he replied, "With the kind of Board of Trustees you have and in the name of Eleanor Roosevelt, your Foundation can only do good."

As set forth in its Congressional Charter, the Foundation campaign is limited to a one-time capital fund-raising drive. Naturally the most substantial source of money will be those with greatest financial resources and the labor unions. This response thus far has been encouraging.

Yet, at the same time, the true success of the Foundation rests with the untold number of Americans who loved Mrs. Roosevelt and who are determined to carry on what she believed in.

With your help and contributions, the Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Foundation can become a vibrant force, striving as Mrs. Roosevelt did, for the realization of a greater dignity for all men.

Nisselson Named Aide To Spur Fund Drive

Michael M. Nisselson has been named assistant to the Foundation's National Campaign Chairman, Philip M. Klutznick.

Mr. Nisselson has had many years of experience in the development of community organizations and in organizing national campaigns.

The new assistant to the National Campaign Chairman is past president of the Amalgamated Bank of New York and former executive vice-president of the Lafayette Fellowship Foundation. He has been founding director of development of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine - Yeshiva University as well as for the University itself; executive vice-president of the American Friends of Hebrew University and has held top executive posts with the National United Jewish Appeal and the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York.

Mr. Nisselson has served on the leadership level of many community organizations. He has been assistant treasurer of the Urban League of Greater New York; board member of Morrisania and Sydenham Hospital, the first integrated hospital in the nation; member of the Mayor's Committee on Unity under four New York City Mayors; delegate to the 1950 and 1960 White House Conference on Children; board member of the Community Chest of New Rochelle, where he resides, as well as the Guidance Center of New Rochelle and the Westchester Family Service Society; past president of the Walden School, and national executive committee member of the American Jewish Congress.

In his new consultative post, Mr. Nisselson will help guide and direct the Foundation's nation-wide campaign to raise $25,000,000.

Dr. Armand Hammer and Arthur Hanisch. Nearly 100 guests heard the Foundation story from Mr. Stevenson and Hyman H. Bookbinder, the Foundation's Director, who accompanied Mr. Stevenson.

In San Francisco on October 28, the Foundation Chairman and Director spoke at a breakfast of 180 guests of the Foundation, co-hosted by National Council members Ralph Davies, Joseph Eichler and Mrs. Madeleine Russell.
Labor Movement Goes All-Out in Support of Foundation

Remembering that "She was one of us," the organized labor movement is conducting a vigorous all-out campaign to enlist millions of workers in support of the Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Foundation.

AFL-CIO President George Meany, one of four outstanding labor leaders appointed by President Kennedy as a founding Trustee, has called the Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Fund drive "a major undertaking" and urged all unions to give "whole-hearted, unstinting support."

Vice-President Joseph Keenan, who is giving devoted leadership to the labor fund drive, called it "a top priority among Federation activities" and asked all union members to answer to the Executive Council's call for a contribution of one hour's pay or $1 to the Memorial Fund.

At the Council's August meeting in Unity House, a check of $250,000 was presented to Philip M. Klutznick, National Campaign Chairman of the Foundation, representing advance gifts from eight international affiliates. This was matched at the first Founders' Dinner by another $250,000 from the International Ladies' Garment Workers Union membership. In presenting the gift to Foundation Chairman Ambassador Stevenson, President David Dubinsky called it a half-way mark in the goal of the union

THOUSANDS of workers in the ladies garment industry contributed funds to further the work of Eleanor Roosevelt through the Memorial Foundation. ILWGU President David Dubinsky presents $250,000 check to Foundation Chairman Adlai Stevenson.

CHECK-IN TIME: A $250,000 check, representing advance gifts from eight AFL-CIO affiliates, is presented by President George Meany to Philip M. Klutznick, National Campaign Chairman of the Foundation. Presentation of the check kicked off labor's campaign to raise funds for the Foundation by a committee headed by AFL-CIO Vice-President Joseph D. Keenan (standing left of Meany). Seated at left is AFL-CIO Secretary Treasurer William F. Schnitzler and standing with Keenan is Hyman H. Bookbinder, Director of the Foundation.

to raise $500,000 to further the memory and work of Eleanor Roosevelt.

The AFL-CIO News and scores of union newspapers have been carrying a steady stream of stories and materials describing Mrs. Roosevelt's great public services to labor, and the whole community. Attractive posters, brochures, solicitation scrolls and other materials for enlisting support have been prepared by the AFL-CIO and are being circulated in shops and union halls throughout the nation.

Recognition of the role that labor plays in the life of the country was underscored when President Kennedy appointed President Meany, and Vice-Presidents Keenan, Dubinsky and Walter Reuther as Trustees of the Foundation when it was chartered by Congress on April 23, 1963. In addition to these Foundation Trustees, the AFL-CIO Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Fund committee consists of Vice-Presidents Lee W. Minton, Joseph Curran, Paul Hall, A. J. Hayes, David J. MacDonald, Jacob S. Potofsky and Richard F. Walsh.
Noted Statesmen, Artists Participate in Foundation's International Tribute

The bread of humanity cast upon national and global waters by Eleanor Roosevelt for more than half a century returned in a wave of tributes from President Kennedy and a number of the world's outstanding statesmen and artists October 21 at Lincoln Center.

Before a distinguished audience of nearly 2,500 persons, UN Secretary-General U Thant, Madame Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit and Ambassador Adlai E. Stevenson drew fresh inspiration from the memory of Mrs. Roosevelt.

The "International Tribute to Eleanor Roosevelt" was timed with the opening of United Nations Week and representatives of member nations of the UN, many of them in colorful native garb, witnessed the program staged by director-producer John Houseman.

The Tribute, in words, music, pictures and selections from radio and television tape conveyed the wide scope of Mrs. Roosevelt's humanitarian activities.

Marian Anderson, Byron Janis, Mstislav Rostropovich, Yehudi Menuhin and Leonard Bernstein participated in the musical tribute while brief reminiscent remarks were made by Assistant Secretary of Labor Esther Peterson, former Congresswoman Helen Gabagan Douglas and Marian Anderson. Sidney Poitier, Fredric March and Bess Myerson acted as narrators for a dramatic commentary written by Norman Corwin and Millard Lampell.

Reflecting the tremendous interest in the life of Mrs. Roosevelt, the exhibition "Eleanor Roosevelt On Her Own," staged by the Foundation in the Center's Philharmonic Hall, has attracted more than 15,000 enthusiastic visitors from 35 states and 19 countries.

The exhibition contains personal objects and belongings of Mrs. Roosevelt — many of them never before viewed — and features a collection of 200 informal photographs taken by her friend and physician, Dr. A. David Gurewitsch, on her travels and at home. The collection was open to the public from October 22 through November 7th and extended by popular request to November 17th.

Organized by the Foundation, the exhibition was assembled by Mrs. A. David Gurewitsch and a committee consisting of Mrs. Marcelle Lecompte Drakert, Miss Esther Lape, Mrs. George Roach and Mrs. Van H. Seagraves. Visitors to the exhibition which showed the varied activities in the 17 years since she left the White House included groups of school children, women's and men's clubs, United Nations visitors and concert-goers.

White House Ceremony Marks Issuance of Mrs. Roosevelt Commemorative Stamp

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A White House ceremony October 11 — marking the issuance of a commemorative postage stamp on Eleanor Roosevelt's 79th birthdate — launched a month-long observance which attracted national attention and support for the Foundation.

At the Rose Garden ceremony, President Kennedy said that "we honor Eleanor Roosevelt best by helping her fulfill her vision of America and the world as a free and spacious community founded on justice and liberty." Ambassador Stevenson called the commemorative stamp and ceremony a "fitting tribute to a remarkable woman who has become the symbol of man's humanity to man throughout the world."

Postmaster General John Grounoski officiated at the ceremony attended by members of the Roosevelt family, representatives of the diplomatic corps, Government officials and Foundation Trustees.

130,000,000 new 5-cent Eleanor Roosevelt stamps, which bear the smiling likeness of Mrs. Roosevelt, were printed. It was announced at the ceremony that many nations throughout the world will bring out their own commemorative stamps hailing Mrs. Roosevelt as a champion of human rights.

In connection with the new stamp, special first-day-of-issue letters were sent by the Foundation and its leaders to nearly 200,000 individuals. Contributions received from this mailing will further the work and programs of the Foundation.
BREAKING GROUND for the Eleanor Roosevelt wings to the FDR Library are (from left): Elliott Roosevelt, John A. Roosevelt, Mrs. Anna Roosevelt Halsted, Ambassador Stevenson and Nina Roosevelt, one of the Roosevelt grandchildren. Despite the day’s relentless rain, more than 200 people attended the ceremonies.

Ground-breaking Ceremonies Initiate Drive for FDR Library Wings

HYDE PARK — Ground-breaking ceremonies here November 7, marking the first anniversary of the death of Eleanor Roosevelt, set into motion initial steps by the Foundation to construct two new wings to the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library.

Ambassador Adlai E. Stevenson, Foundation Chairman, and members of the Roosevelt family broke ground for the two new memorial wings named for Mrs. Roosevelt. Funds for construction of the new wings are being raised by the Foundation as part of its $25,000,000 national campaign. It is the only brick and mortar project planned by the Foundation.

The ground-breaking was preceded by a memorial service at the gravesite. Here a wreath from President Kennedy was laid by Bernard Boutin, United States Administrator of General Services; another wreath by Mr. Stevenson for the Foundation, and flowers by Mrs. Anna Roosevelt Halsted, John A. Roosevelt and Elliott Roosevelt.

Inside the library, Robert S. Benjamin, Vice-Chairman of the Foundation, presided at the brief, moving tribute to the late “first lady of the world.” In an eloquent remembrance, Mr. Stevenson noted that “no community in the world today can say with truth that it still has not some unfinished business in the sphere of human rights.”

Emphasis on Human Rights

The “unfinished business” to which Mr. Stevenson referred was underscored at a luncheon following the ground-breaking ceremonies by Roy Wilkins, Executive Secretary of the NAACP and a Trustee of the Memorial Foundation. Mr. Wilkins declared that a “crash program” was needed to get a strong civil rights bill out of the current Congress. “This would be for the benefit not only of the 13,000,000 Negroes in the United States, but for 186,000,000 Americans, and indeed the whole free world.” Philip M. Klutznick, former Ambassador to the UN and currently National Campaign Chairman of the Foundation drive, presided at the luncheon in the St. James Episcopal Church.

Foundation Story Gets Wide Radio-TV Hearing

Millions of Americans heard about the Foundation as the result of a successful radio and television campaign conducted during “Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Month.”


Trustees, National Council members, Foundation staff and friends of the Foundation, in special radio and television programs spoke in personal, moving terms.

Radio and television stations in 50 major cities carried spot announcements and appeals for contributions.


THEY'RE READING ABOUT US IN . . .

- Reader’s Digest, in which Emma Bugbee wrote of Eleanor Roosevelt as her “Most Unforgettable Character” in the October issue.
- McCall’s, which carries a story by Esther Peterson about the “Legacy of Eleanor Roosevelt” and contains an appeal to readers to contribute to the Foundation.
- New York Times Sunday Magazine, which features a retrospective article (November 3) by Trustee Archibald MacLeish.
- New York, USA, which contains a feature by Trustee Herbert H. Lehman about Mrs. Roosevelt and the Foundation.

Bob Hope Mike Wallace

[Image of Bob Hope and Mike Wallace]
DISCUSSING PLANS for the Foundation’s dramatic and imaginative human rights program are (from left) Hyman H. Bookbinder, Foundation Director; Dr. Herman Long, Chairman of the Career Service Board which will select and train Peace Corps veterans and others and Frederick B. Rauth, Executive Director of NAIRO which has set up the board. Standing: John Field of the Potomac Institute, who has been serving as consultant to the Foundation.

‘Interns’ Training Project Implements Foundation’s Human Rights Program

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In announcing the program, Ambassador Stevenson said that “the critical need for trained inter-group relations specialists has been identified by the Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Foundation as one of the keys to a peaceful and constructive resolution of the nation’s racial crisis.” He said that “these are the high priority concerns of the Foundation: to equip people with the knowledge and skills to assure permanent gains in the great social revolution of our time; to help to understand better the causes and cures of racial tensions throughout the world; to help to assure the ultimate victory of reason, racial harmony, justice for all — and peace.”

At a Board of Trustees meeting following the Commemorative Stamp Ceremony October 11, the Foundation established the Eleanor Roosevelt Council on Human Rights.

At the 17th annual convention of NAIRO in Cleveland on November 20, Foundation Director Hyman Bookbinder presented NAIRO officials with a check for $25,000 to launch the intern training program.

National Organizations Study Ways to Help Foundation

A cross-section of members of the Foundation’s National Conference of Organizations attended a meeting October 22 in the auditorium of the United States Mission to the U.N. and discussed ways in which organizations throughout the country could participate in plans of the Foundation.

Following remarks by former Ambassador Philip M. Klutznick, the Foundation’s National Campaign Chairman and Hyman H. Bookbinder, Foundation Director, a committee was appointed to recommend avenues of participation and support. Mrs. Martha Sharpe Cogan is committee chairman and serving with her are Dr. Frank Graham, Mrs. Helen Gahagan Douglas and Miss Dorothy Height.

Mrs. Charles Tillett, Chairman of the Conference, announced that a number of outstanding leaders had been named to serve as Vice-Chairmen. They are: Mrs. India Edwards, First Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Martha Sharpe Cogan, Mrs. Emily Taft Douglas, Dr. Frank P. Graham, Esther Hymer, Jed Johnson, Prof. Allard Lowenstein, James Patton, Franklin D. Roosevelt III and Mrs. Edith Samson.

Governors of 30 States Proclaim ‘Memorial Month’

Governors of 30 states and the Mayors of New York and Chicago proclaimed October 11 - November 7 as “Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Month.” States issuing proclamations included:

ABOUT OUR TRUSTEES: Marian Anderson, Ralph J. Bunche, Herbert H. Lehman, John J. McCloy and George Meany have been awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian award. At B'nai B'rith's 120th anniversary dinner in Chicago, former UN Ambassador Philip M. Klutznick was lauded by Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy and Governor Otto Kerner. Archibald MacLeish and Chester Bowles published lead articles in the New York Times Magazine on successive Sundays. Executive Vice-Chairman Robert S. Benjamin was honored November 6 by the American Jewish Committee "for exceptional leadership in mankind's struggle to achieve human dignity and equality." Roy Wilkins and Dore Schary were awarded plaques by the Anti-Defamation League for efforts to attain the goal of "equal opportunity for all Americans." Mrs. Agnes E. Meyer was host at a special reception at Washington's Mayflower Hotel. William Benton held a gathering in his New York apartment to spur Foundation support. Richardson Dilworth assembled a distinguished group of Philadelphians at a luncheon which has resulted in the enrollment of a number of Founders. Walter Reuther and Anna Roosevelt Halsted appeared before the Pioneer Women at their convention in Detroit on behalf of the Foundation. Whitney M. Young, Jr. participated in a forum on "The Negro in Television" and many other programs concerned with civil rights. Arnold M. Grant has been especially helpful in getting the Foundation story told and is heading a committee considering a memorial to Mrs. Roosevelt at the UN. Jubal R. Parten participated in a dinner honoring Adlai Stevenson in Dallas, Texas on October 24.

ABOUT OUR NATIONAL COUNCIL

MEMBERS: Dr. Michael E. DeBakey continues to be honored for his outstanding achievements in open heart surgery. Dr. Harold Taylor participated in a recent CBS program, "The Education of the American Teachers." Vincent J. Donehue staged the Mary Martin musical "Jennie." Isaac Liberman organized a luncheon recently in support of the Wiltwyck School. Benet Korn, Jackie Robinson and James Baldwin participated in a recent TV forum. Harry Golden plugged the Foundation on the Johnny Carson Show. Helen Cahagan Douglas narrated the November 3rd "Eternal Light" NBC-TV telecast. Dr. Albert B. Sabin received the Albert Gallatin Medal for his work with the live virus vaccine for polio. Prominent Americans, in every segment of our nation's life, are members of our National Council.

DENVER POST: "Memorials to famous people are too often mere masses of masonry and sculpture that have little to do with the life of the person being memorialized. The Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Foundation, which was chartered by an Act of Congress last spring, intends not to build a memorial to the late 'First Lady of the World' — but to be one. It is important that the Foundation's fund campaign succeeds, not only because the life of Eleanor Roosevelt deserves a memorial, but also because the causes that will be helped by the Foundation are eminently deserving."

CAMPAIGN

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Mr. Klutznick, former UN Ambassador, and guiding force of the national drive, is working with Trustees and other friends of the Foundation in an intense effort to enlist gifts from prospective benefactors and Founders. He temporarily moved his residence to New York to direct activities from the national office.

Despite his rigorous schedule at the United Nations, Ambassador Stevenson has actively participated in events designed to enlist support for the Foundation in Philadelphia, Chicago, Dallas, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Washington D.C.

Foundation To Benefit From International Stamps

Throughout the world, nations have been expressing their respect and esteem for Mrs. Roosevelt by issuing Commemorative Postage Stamps honoring her as the champion of human rights. Madame Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit has announced the Indian Government is issuing a Commemorative Stamp for Mrs. Roosevelt on Human Rights Day. From Jerusalem came word that the Israeli Government has approved the issue of a stamp bearing the portrait of Mrs. Roosevelt. It was noted that the Israeli Ministry of Posts rarely issues stamps with portraits of famous persons, except when unanimous popular approval exists.

Other countries which have agreed to participate in the international stamp program in 1963 and 1964 are: Afghanistan, Argentina, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cyprus, Ethiopia, Ghana, Iran, Jamaica, Republic of Korea, Mexico, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Peru, Singapore and Vietnam.

Because of the value philatelists and others place on these commemorative stamps, arrangements have been made for the Foundation to receive a substantial sum of money through this project to further its programs.

TIMES SQUARE was temporarily renamed Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Square as part of the city’s month-long commemoration of Eleanor Roosevelt and the work being carried out in her name by the Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Foundation. Mayor Wagner (left), who proclaimed Eleanor Roosevelt Memorial Month and Ambassador Stevenson, Foundation Chairman, attended the ceremony.

From our Mail Bag

“Mr. Eleanor Roosevelt is everybody’s friend world-over, kindness, helpfulness, and peacemaker among men and never before has one done so much goodness as what she has been done for the peoples in the world as a whole. We the people should follow her course in any way of living.

“Will you please kindly accept this little gift as to keep the light burning all times. I will give $5.00 gladly each month.”

P.C.Y

“I am an eighty year old widow whose only income is $54.00 per month Social Security. My mere pitance ($1.00) is my only way to express my deep love for so great a woman. I knew her through the AAUN and hope to help carry out her high aspirations . . . in the few years left for me.” N.M.A.