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No Peace Without Equality

Mrs. Roosevelt Launches New Group

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here will not be peace in world "until we set our house in order" and ieve real racial equality his country, Mrs. Eleanor sevelt told a newly ned women's organization ming 14 million members yesterday.

"You cannot have true rmament until a great y steps take place. It's just a question of stop- nuclear tests and cut- down on armaments," said.

Good will, real peace, will er come until the world blems are settled. One of steps is achieving genuine ality."

he former First Lady ad- sed the opening session he National Organizations Women for Equality in ication, of which she is norary chairman, at the reham Hotel.

he organization, called W for Equality for short, comprised of 18 national men's organizations. It is dicated to fighting segrega- n in the Nation's schools.

Great Hopes

rmation of the group ay be a milestone marking awakening of women," s. Roosevelt said.

I have great hopes that as a group of organiza- ns are going to be a great ce," she told a press con- ence before the luncheon. "Women are just beginning realize that segregation ich they thought of as a mestic problem has great rnational implications ecting the place to which [illegible] is dedicated [illegible] thought of as a great any women's term that just beginning to germi- te."

[illegible] Mrs. Roosevelt [illegible] Thelma Richman [illegible] stressed their belief at children in the majority [illegible]

A statement to this effect in the historic Supreme Court decision outlawing school segregation actually was the motivating factor behind organization of the new group, explained Mrs. Richman, who also is president of the national Women's Division of the American Jewish Congress.

Sees Gap in Support

Mrs. Roosevelt said in answer to a press conference query that she does not believe the Eisenhower administration has done all that it could have to support the court decision.

"It would have been normal to expect that immediately after the decision the President might have called the leaders of the white and colored people from all parts of the country to a White House conference," she said. "The people of the South, particularly, who are closer to this problem, might have had some excellent suggestions."

While the new organization is focusing its fight on ending segregation in schools, "I think you will find yourselves eventually following through in many other areas before you are done," Mrs. Roosevelt told the 350 delegates. She listed housing, jobs and "taking part in government" as "all a part of the whole picture of equality."

"You are doing work that reaches far beyond what we are doing at present," she declared. "We may find the people going out to help solve problems that we haven't even started [illegible] Never forget that what you do will be known all over the world almost as soon as you do it here," the former First Lady said. [illegible] speed to the far corners of the world. [illegible] they are good things [illegible]

Would Visit "Hill"

Mrs. Roosevelt urged the delegates, most of whom are leaders in their organizations, to make certain that the program they adopt at their three-day conference "gets back to every one of you local community groups."

She also urged the delegates to visit their Senators and Representatives. "This is one area where you have great influence," she noted.

The delegates also heard a report from Dr. Martin Hamburger, Assistant Professor of Education at New York University, on the attitudes of American youth toward civil rights and civil liberties.

The findings, based on a running survey of 10,000 high school youths conducted by Purdue University from 1952 to 1958, show that equality and civil liberties "are not cherished by American youth to anywhere near the degree many parents and educators had assumed," Dr. Hamburger said.

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