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Corps Cast in the Kennedy Mold Marches Here

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A young girl pointed to the word "apathy" on a sheet of paper yesterday and asked Nancy Sutton how to pronounce it. Then her little voice boomed out of a loudspeaker on top of an old school bus urging people on the Upper East Side to "join the war against apathy."

Miss Sutton is a volunteer in the Revitalization Corps, which is described as a "private domestic Peace Corps." She and the little girl were in the vanguard of 150 people who marched yesterday to rededicate themselves to the goals of John F. Kennedy and Robert F. Kennedy.

The marchers—young and middle-aged and many still wearing moratorium buttons—went from 85th Street and East End Avenue to the Robert F. Wagner Junior High School, on 76th Street east of Third Avenue.

At the school they were joined by 150 others to hear Theodore C. Sorensen tell them

it was important "that you do not join the silent majority."

Mr. Sorensen, an adviser to both Kennedys, said that too many of the Kennedys' hopes were being "dissipated" by the nation's current leadership, which he said was bent on spending our resources on war.

He called on people to speak out now because "if we don't speak out there comes a time when it's too late to speak out."

"There were too many people who didn't speak out when six million Jews were murdered in Nazi Germany," he said.

Mr. Sorensen urged people to speak out now against such things as United States troops in Thailand and "threats to the radio and TV industry that come from the Vice President and the Chairman of the F.C.C."

Mr. Sorensen said that "this country was founded by an outspoken minority" and that "it

is the outspoken minority that has always been responsible for advancing this country."

Mr. Sorensen did not make the march that preceded his speech. He had been playing touch football in Central Park.

Edward T. Coll, 29 years old, founded the Revitalization Corps in 1964 in an effort to carry on the Kennedy ideals. He is now its national director.

"Sure the corps is in honor of John and Robert Kennedy," Mr. Coll told the people gathered in the school auditorium yesterday, "but it's really in honor of what you and I can do to change things."

The corps has more than 3,500 volunteers who are active in such projects as Operation Bridge, in which volunteer tutors help slum children, and Operation Suburbia, in which slum dwellers and suburbanites spend time in each other's neighborhoods.

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Support for Agnew

To the Editor:

I happen to agree 100 per cent with the Vice President's remarks concerning television's slanted reporting. Of course, I've realized this for a good number of years, and did not need Mr. Agnew to enlighten me.

More than agreeing, I give the Vice President my utmost respect for having the enormous courage to criticize the fourth estate in such a ringing speech. A speech such as that takes "guts"—it is above and beyond the call of duty, and considering the efforts of all media to make him out a buffoon, he showed unbelievable restraint.

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