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A 'Living Memorial' to Robert Kennedy Is Under Study

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Friends and relatives of Robert F. Kennedy are considering a number of memorials to the late Senator, including college scholarships for bright slum youngsters and fellowships for slum workers.

This form of so-called "living memorial" to the assassinated Senator was discussed during a five-and-a-half-hour meeting Monday at the Kennedy compound in Hyannis Port, Mass.

Senator Edward M. Kennedy, Mrs. Robert F. Kennedy and Mrs. John F. Kennedy were among the participants.

There was some informal discussion of current politics, said one participant who wished to remain anonymous.

Another said, "Ethel and Jackie were both there. It would have been in bad taste to talk politics. It would have broken up both women."

Mainly, the participants felt that the memorial should deal in some way with young people, potential students, particularly Negroes, Mexican-Americans, poor whites and American Indians, rather than with programs as such.

'Leadership Potential'

"The effort would be to develop leadership potential among young people who have had no opportunity for an education," one participant said. "Perhaps this could be done through grants to the families of educationally disadvantaged young people."

This was the second such meeting of Kennedy relatives, friends and associates to discuss a memorial to Robert Kennedy.

Thomas J. Watson Jr., board chairman of the International Business Machines Corporation, a friend of the late Senator's, agreed at the Hyannis Port session to undertake a study to determine how best to raise money for the memorial and how much money it would take.

Mr. Watson and Burke Marshall, general counsel of I.B.M. and a longtime associate of Robert Kennedy, were working on the possibility of setting up a foundation to handle the memorial.

International Awards

The participants also discussed setting up several annual international awards in Senator Kennedy's name. One would be an award in international affairs. Another would be an award for a slum worker, either here or abroad, who had made a notable contribution in antipoverty work during the year.

The question of what to do with Robert Kennedy's private and public papers was also discussed. One strong possibility is that the papers will be sent to the Kennedy Institute of Politics at Harvard.

The institute is headed by Prof. Richard F. Neustadt, who was an adviser to President Kennedy. Professor Neustadt attended the Hyannis Port meeting.

The family is also considering an oral history of Robert Kennedy, which would be deposited at the institute. An oral history consists of recorded interviews with friends, relatives, associates and even political enemies.

One of the participants in the meeting was Richard N. Goodwin, a former adviser to Presidents Kennedy and Johnson and now a campaign aide to Senator Eugene J. McCarthy.

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