

campus effort begins

vietnam moratorium set

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The Vietnam Moratorium, a series of national anti-war actions will begin on October 15, with students at more than 500 colleges already committed to spending the day in the community with door to door campaigns, teach-ins, rallies, and vigils.

On the Monmouth campus, Kenneth Firestone, president of the Sophomore Class, will represent the Vietnam Moratorium Committee. A meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 1, in the Outlook office at 3:00 for all students and faculty members interested in participating.

According to Firestone, the Moratorium will differ from past student anti-war demonstrations in its emphasis on the involvement of more than just the academic community. The

committee hopes to engage community organizations, churches, and professional groups in the activity.

The major purpose of the Moratorium, according to Firestone, is to involve the community--to heighten its awareness of the students' discontent with the war in Vietnam. He is asking that all students, faculty members and members of the administration lend support to the Moratorium by taking the day off from classes and joining in canvassing the community to relate the discontent of the academic community to the local citizens.

Firestone hopes that he can get enough support from the college to hold teach-ins and seminars during the day that will stress the urgency of ending the war.

In New Jersey, according to Firestone, Rider College and all campuses of Rutgers University will be closed, and Patterson

State College, Trenton State College, Newark State College, Douglass University, Union County Community College, and Princeton University will participate in the Moratorium.

The Moratorium will be extended to two days in November, three days in December, and so on until the war is ended. The activities in November, which have already been scheduled, will include a march in Washington, D.C. from the Washington Memorial to the White House. There will be fifty caskets placed in front of the White House, one representing each state, and members of the march will place cards with the name of a serviceman from his state who was killed in Vietnam in the appropriate casket. The national committee anticipates that the march will be the largest since the Poor People's March last year.

The National office is staffed with veterans of the McCarthy and Kennedy campaigns. Among these are Sam Brown, one of the principle organizers of the youth wing of the McCarthy campaign; David Mixner, another McCarthy staffer who currently serves on the Democratic party reform commission headed by Senator George McGovern; David Hawk, a draft resister and former southern civil rights worker who was an all-american diver at Cornell.

Rejecting recent announcements by administration spokesmen of token troop withdrawals, the coordinators said, "The announced displacement of 25,000 and 35,000 American troop would bring the total to 60,000, the number former President Johnson said could be brought home without damaging the war effort."