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PRIORITY DAYS EXTRA!
THE FUTURE OF MAN: SURVIVAL IN THE 70's

By Diane Duke

What do diseased fish, auto prison, dental x-rays, airplane crashes, coal dust, railroad accidents,iled, babyfood, tractor, hot dogs and a color television set all have in common? At one time or another, these items, along with hundreds more have been explored by Ralph Nader, during his seven year crusade for the formerly forgotten consumer.

According to Holiday Magazine (July, 1965): "As the self-appointed and unpaid guardian of the interests of 204 million U.S. consumers, he has championed dozens of causes, prompted much of U.S. industry to assume its responsibilities and, against considerable odds, created a new climate of concern for the consumer and for politicians and businessmen."

Nader was born in Winsted, Connecticut. He received his A.B. from Princeton in 1955 and his LL.B. from Harvard in 1958. While handling auto-accident damage suits in Connecticut, Nader was disturbed that all too often there was little or no effort to find out if the car was at fault, not the driver. "Unsafe At Any Speed" resulted in a documented report about safety defects in Detroit cars.

So began Nader's Crusade. He has been almost solely responsible for the passage of five major federal laws: The National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966, the Wholesome Meat Act of 1967, the Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Act, the Radiation Control for Health and Safety Act and the Wholesale Poultry Products Act, all of 1968.

Some of Nader's major concerns include the following:

- fluoridation in water;
- chemicals in babyfood that can cause brain damage in some animals;
- the dangers of cigarettes and DDT;
- hot dogs that contain excessive fat;
- diseased and unclean fish, resulting from less than one-year inspection of some fish processing plants and no inspection of fishing vessels;
- tractors that tip over and kill farmers;
- dental x-rays that have been known to cause cancer in certain or, in extreme cases, deformed babies when an expectant mother is over-exposed to the color television sets that were recalled for excessive radiation hazards;
- working conditions in coal mines that cause black lung;
- the bulk of complaints Nader handles fall into four categories: deceptive promotion, hidden charges, sloppy service, unsafe or impure products. Nader believes his job is to "bring issues out in the open where they cannot be ignored. There is a revolt against the anachronistic use of technology and a demand for democratic uses. We have got to know what we are doing to ourselves. Life can be— and is being—eroded."

Information and tips for his investigations come from everywhere—obscure trade journals, government publications, interviews with high officials, secret informers in public office and private industry, letters and the audiences at his speeches.

Christian Century Magazine (Oct., 1971) praised Nader in an editorial: "Ralph Nader's efforts to redeem the quality of urban life, to mobilize consumers, to spearhead a citizen's force which can hold corporations to their responsibilities to consumers. Ralph Nader's efforts to redeem the quality of urban life, to mobilize consumers, to spearhead a citizen's force which can hold corporations to their responsibilities to consumers."

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Ralph Nader will speak at 11:00 a.m. Toda, Jan. 26 in the Hotel Alms Ballroom. Capacity of the auditorium is 750. The Edgecliff Community is invited to arrive before 10:40 at which time the doors will be open to any interested party. A special invitation has been extended to Thomas More College, Mt. St. Joe College and Xavier University to attend the Nader talk.

The General Public is invited to the discussions, talks and films during Priorities Days. All events are free of charge.

Schedule of Events

Editor's Note: In this special edition of The Edgecliff we present a quick yet descriptive outline of events for our Priorities Days—Jan. 25-28. Classes are not scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 25-27 so that all students may attend these informative and valuable events.

To answer the unending question, "What are Priorities Days?" we say—these are a few days set aside for inter-departmental discussion and study of matters that will effect man in the 70's—days when we may become more aware of and invested in man's immediate future.

Jan. 31—Monday
8:00 p.m.: The Arts: Priorities for the '70's Mr. Richard Kirschner Edgcilf Theatre

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11:00 a.m.: Mr. Ralph Nader, Keynote Speaker Hotel Alms Ban
1:00-3:00: The Arts: Priorities for the '70's, seminar Mr. Richard Kirschner Edciff Theatre
1:30: Computers in Education Mr. Austin Toilis, Dr. Fred Werner GH 103
2:00: France: Challenge in Education Dr. Mathew Vega GH 813
2:00-3:00: Message of the Senses: Total Experience in Awareness Emery, Malcolm GH 204
2:10: The Coming Crisis: United States and Latin America Dr. Robert Morris Alumni Lounge
2:00-4:00: Non-Violence (panel) Ken Curtis, Roger B salesman, Paul Power GH 204
3:00: Crime and Poverty (panel) Timoth A. Hickey, Guy C. Duckenberger, a police representative GH 301
3:30: Faulhein 615 (movie) library
3:30-4:30: The Relevance of Emerson's and Thoreau's Thoughts to the '70's green Room, Student Center
4:00: The Urban Crisis (lecture and film) Danny Ranshalof GH 204
4:30: Career in the '70's Margaret Lester, 24 Alumnae Representative Garden Room
7:00: Faulhein 615 (movie) library
Jan. 31—Wednesday
9:00-10:30: Is God Necessary? Rabbi Solomon Greenberg GH 812
9:00-10:30: Sex Education in the Schools James C. Heiber GH 301
9:30-10:30: Message of the Senses: Total Experience in Awareness Emery, Malcolm, Theatre
10:00-12:00: No Exit (play) Theatre
10:00-12:00: Intercultural Communication Mohamed Idris GH 250
10:30-12:30: Future of American Civil Liberties (panel) Donald Stacey, Chester Cruse, Thomas H. Crump, Representative from the L.C.L.C. GH 301
11:00: Food and Drug Administration—Consumer Protection George B. Beck GH 201
11:30-1:30: College Students—Social Action in the Church William Shonnacher GH 201
1:00-2:00: Message of the Senses: Total Experience in Awareness Emery, Malcolm, Theatre
2:00: Relevance of Computer to Society's Problems Bruce Schimming GH 103
2:30-4:30: American Foreign Policy (panel) Dan Bixler, Thomas A. Tull, William K. Woods GH 204
3:00-4:30: Transcendental Meditation (panel) Jim Lindsey, Dobie Anderson, Linda Woodward, Sandy Nembach, Carol Brockman GH 204
Jan. 18—Thursday
11:30: Edciff Priority in the '70's (discussion) Student Center
The 1800’s - Now!

Civil-diSorder, anarchy and communism in the 1800’s? The theatre will be sent readings, slides and discussions about Ralph Waldo Emerson, William James, and Thomas Huxley, Thursday, 2:30-3:30. Pat Joyce, Guest, Miami University, and Dr. Ransohoff, in his famous comment on the 1800’s, would also be discussed.

Farenheit

A futuroist looks at the results of historical society living under a dictatorship which prohibits the existence of the film Farenheit 451, which will be presented by the library staff, Tuesday at 3:30 and 7 p.m.

The film, based on the novel by Ray Bradbury, stars Oskar Werner and Julie Christie and was directed by Francois Truffaut.

Farenheit 451 has received critical acclaim for its excellent photography; the disturbing scene is claimed to be especially vivid. For this reason, the film is being shown at which book paper will burn.

The library staff members, who raised the money to rent the film by sending out letters, invite everyone to experience this science fiction classic film.

The movie will be shown for the first time in Memorial Library.

Farewell

“And with our display, ‘German, My Lord!’ we want to make it a point to present a view of the German people to think in,” said Dr. Arthur Greenbaum, chairman of the German department.

The display will be an exhibit which will shape in Germany and how it is affecting people all over the world.

“We want to show that German- is changing and we want to continue,” contn-ued Dr. Greenbaum.

The German students will ex- plore the effects of Germany and their topic are: Percy, the editor of the Chicago Tribune; Margaret ashes; and their topic is: the effect that Germany has had on their lives. The students will present this complete student-produced and pre- pare the “German, My Lord!” which will be the play which stars Jew Pulntini as Salute, John Matthews as the villain, Paul, Greens and Michael Shoouer. All four students are from the French and drama departments, Sophomore George Bowley is the set designer.

The setting of the play is Hell; one of the characters is a kind of act, the play is actually three people, two women and a man, in the act of ritualistic dance, to be tortured. Instead, they end up torturing each other.

No Exit will be presented in the theatre, Wednesday, at 10 a.m.

Film Shorts

Two movies, Multiply and Subdue the Earth (GH 401) and This Is Mephisto III (GH 101) will be shown at all times on the second floor of Bull- man Hall.

Urban Crisis

“There will be a film and a lot of dialogues,” says Mr. Dan Ransohoff, chairman of the discussion scheduled for 4 p.m. Tues- day. Dr. Ransohoff is the commu- nity service, Social Action, and assistant professor at U.C., chairman of the history of the urban crisis. Special note must be made of the film and how has it dis- placed people.

Non-Violence

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