

National Environmental Teach-In April 22

Plans are now well underway for a nationwide Teach-In next spring, Wednesday, April 22, on the grave crisis facing the quality of the environment and the quality of life in America today.

A national headquarters and staff to organize, coordinate, and service this effort is now established in Washington. The address is Room 600, 2100 "M" Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20037.

The aim of the National Teach-In is to encourage students across the country to take the initiative in organizing April 22

environmental teach-ins on their campuses, and associated efforts in their communities.

Successful teach-ins on all campuses on the same day will have a dramatic impact on the environmental conscience of the nation. They will be immensely effective as an educational effort in a rousing public opinion

concerning necessary steps to protect our environment and establish QUALITY on a par with QUANTITY as a goal of American life.

There is no question that in the long run, the environmental challenge is the greatest faced by mankind. Distinguished scientific

authorities have been warning for years that mankind is rapidly destroying the very habitat on which he depends for his survival.

In addition, population continues to increase worldwide -- while scientists warn that we may have already passed sustainable population levels. All across the country, and worldwide,

increasing numbers of citizens are voicing the same intense concern as has been so eloquently expressed by the ecologists and other environmentalists.

Yet, many are still not aware of the environmental problems being created by our advancing technology. Federally-financed

projects -- such as the supersonic transport plane -- raise grave questions about possible new environmental dangers. Many

respected scientists and national leaders have indicated that although some positive steps have been taken, toxic, persistent pesticides are still accumulating in the world environment, wreaking destruction on fish and wildlife -- and threatening man himself. Is

the price we pay for these products in terms of their effect upon our environment worth the benefits we obtain from them?

The pollution of our rivers and lakes, and of the air in our urban areas continues to accelerate. Suburban sprawl continues to destroy vast scenic and recreational resources, with little heed being given to plans to create

workable environments. And the millions trapped in our urban and rural ghettos continue to suffer the worst of the massive air, water, land and noise pollution.

Who will finally bear the brunt of this tragic irresponsibility? The new generation now in school, the generation which will soon inherit the world environment. The time has come for all citizens to begin thinking about the basic questions

raised by technological advances and environmental degradation. Students in America and the world, who are deeply concerned with the hard choices which their generation

faces, are uniquely well suited to take initiatives in exploring with all citizens the problems created by man's growing impact upon his environment.

We believe the National Teach-In next April 22nd provides students the opportunity to accomplish this objective. Hundreds of teach-ins on that day would bring together for the first time on a national scale the many young people who are already concerned about the environment, and would involve and educate many more as well.

In addition to bringing this widespread involvement, the teach-ins would present information, draw the issues, stimulate plans for action, and demonstrate the strength of concern for a livable world.

Furthermore, the environmental teach-ins present an unprecedented opportunity for the involvement by student initiative of communities, organizations, leaders, and

concerned citizens of all generations in a common, nonpartisan effort to meet a problem of far-reaching consequence.

Thus, we are writing this letter to urge that all campuses in America participate in a broad-based, student-led teach-in effort, involving all individuals and groups who share this concern.

Already, the student response to this idea has been one of overwhelming support, and a number of campuses are now well into the process of planning April 22nd teach-ins.

At the University of Michigan, a mass meeting was called recently by an ad hoc student committee to plan a teach-in. More than 350 people showed up, and the plan is

now well underway. University officials and faculty were also contacted by the students for their support and advice, a step which we believe is important for successful teach-ins.

One of the projects now being planned preparatory to the University of Michigan event is a comprehensive inventory of environmental problems in that community and region.

Similar inventories for other teach-ins around the country would be educational and practical and would provide the teach-ins themselves with specific examples of local environmental problems needing immediate attention.

We look forward to the April 22nd event and ask your support and leadership. We are convinced that, if young people put their energy, imagination and idealism to work on this issue, they will help write a bright new chapter in the struggle for a livable world.

If you want more information, or if we can be of assistance, please contact the National Teach-In office: Environmental Teach-In, Inc., Room 600, 2100 M Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., 20037. The telephone number is 202-293-6960.

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Times They Are A' Changing

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Spouting Off... Too much familiarity breeds children.... The price of free love suffers from inflation nine months later.... Richard Nixon and George Wallace are different, you say? Take their clothes off and see if they don't look remarkably alike. Do this only if you can take flabby paunches and immediately afterwards, go to your room....

Musical Groups' Progress Report.... Blood, Sweat, and Tears are a pretty fluid mixture.... The Brass Buttons have plastic zippers.... The Jefferson Airplane was hijacked to Cuba.... Bad Finger has arthritis....

Incidental Intelligence, Campus Division.... Word's out that a strange, menacing creature lurks at the bottom of UNCC's "lake". This local "Loch Ness" monster was first thought to be a mutated sea serpent, but a quick check of the campus police force revealed none of them were missing.... Item found at bottom of budget appropriations for '70 spring semester: midnight oil, 4 gallons. It was listed for SAGA use. Hey, maybe that's where all that grease comes from....

Historical Note.... Benjamin Franklin, the story goes, had some twenty-two illegitimate children. It makes you wonder why he bothered to invent the stove to keep warm. Or, for that matter, when did he have TIME?....

Faculty Digestion Situation.... Our learned ones are attending numerous group luncheons and finding it increasingly difficult to lecture afterwards on a stomach full of green beans....

I'd Like To See.... a birth control pill for chickens.... what a slender elephant looks like.... a book on How To Graduate Without Really Trying.... income tax made voluntary.... birthdays optional.... UNCC students join the human race....

Ads of the Month.... Sunnysdale Happy Farm is offering their patients (oops! guests) a wild weekend orgy. Friday evening they get to listen to old Water Winchell news tapes and see Edward R. Murrow's "You Are There" program when he visited Napoleon. Saturday is too much. That night they all gather on the front lawn and watch the grass grow. A low \$39.95 for the whole deal....

Gunky Oil Products Company, Inc., Limited has a new give-away plan in the works. To the first ten people who can prove they died from smog, air pollution, or related diseases, Gunky is guaranteeing top plots in Forest Lawn. The idea might appeal to somebody with a bad hang-up (or in this case, lay-down). Gunky advises landscaping is extra....

Gossip Sheet.... Texas Pete is hot over Aunt Jemima.... Uncle Ben is an Uncle Tom.... Jim Beam is a lush....

To See Ourselves.... In defining, apathetic man, Hendrik M. Ruitenbeek said "....he seeks to avoid contamination from persons and ideas that may be considered 'controversial' which has become one of the dirtiest of dirty words (although it is neither four-letter nor Anglo-Saxon)." At least in this area, man remains unpolluted. Also doomed....

Note To Concerned Group.... your 8 x 10 color photos of Mao back-stroking across the Atlantic Ocean have arrived....

Drama Development.... As a final effort for this year, the Blackfrairs reportedly considered "Oh, Calcutta!" and even held a dress (or undress, as you will) rehearsal. The results? 4 attempted rapes, 2 arrests on moral charges, numerous skinned elbows and knees, and one very happy marriage. It's too bad the play didn't come off; it would've been great for student morale....

Census Projection.... UNCC's average student smokes .67 packs of cigarettes a day, has .69 per cent ambition to graduate, spends 89.34 per cent of his time "rapping" and .0001 per cent studying, dates 1.3 members of the opposite sex, and wears .4578 per cent cotton underwear. I may not be right, but I come pretty close 59.34 per cent of the time-- 4.5 times out of 9.89! Hail the Great Statistician's Slide Rule....

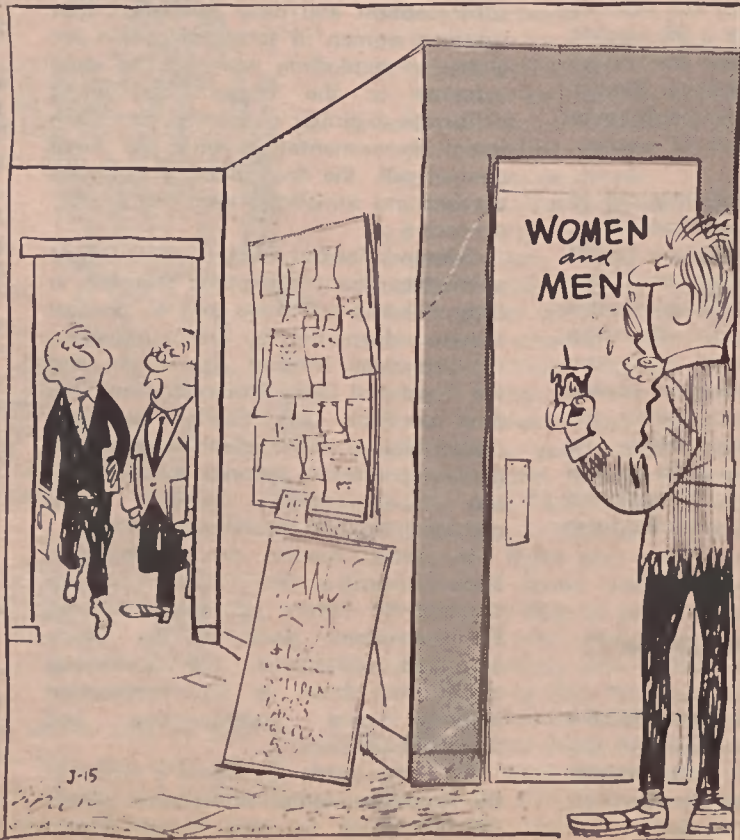
Graffiti.... height of concern comes when you overhear your doctor (a heart specialist) refer to you to a colleague as a size four in Room C-11.... you might wonder about your social character when a match-dating computer sends you a note that a date with a wet fish has been arranged.... usually your best friend won't tell you your breath stinks, or your wife's having an affair because, in the first case, your friend has a permanent cold, and secondly, he's probably the one she's running around with.

Final Flickers.... a stitch in time saves indecent exposure.... Wednesday's a good day to wash your underwear so it can be dry for your heavy date Saturday night....

Writing Contest

Entries for the LEGETTE BLYTHE WRITING AWARD must be submitted either to Dr. Darryl McCall (B-203) or to Mrs. Roberta Hon (B-213) no later than 5:00 P.M., March 31, 1970. Manuscripts must be typed in black ink, double-spaced, on white 8" x 11 1/2" paper.

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