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## Nader To Speak Here

Editor's Note: Ralph Nader will be the speaker at the December 4 convocations.

An outstanding lawyer, an outspoken critic of auto-safety legislation, RALPH NADER is instrumental in bringing about



Ralph Nader, pictured above, is to speak at the December 4 convocation program.

## Science Frat Elects Rogers

Officers for Chi Beta Phi, an honorary scientific fraternity, have been elected for the 1969-1970 term. Peggy Rogers, a senior chemistry major, will serve as President. Ken Carter a biology major and a new member this year, and Shirly Clay a math major will serve as Vice President and Secretary respectively. Jim Price, a math major will be Treasurer, and Larry Guilmartin, a chemistry major will serve as Librarian.

Chi Beta Phi is an honorary scientific fraternity whose purpose is to promote interest in science and to give recognition to scholarly attainment in science. The fraternity includes all areas of science: biology, chemistry, physics, psychology, and mathematics.

Students may join the fraternity as provisional members during the second semester of their freshman year. Provisional members may become regular members during the second semester of their sophomore year. If the member has completed 20 semester hours in the natural sciences and mathematics by the end of the term, and if he maintains a 2.01 quality point average on all college work completed.

## Who's Who Students Elected

Recently the Student Life and Services Committee selected twelve students to nominate for Who's Who Among Students. This committee, made up of six faculty members and six students, compiled a list of all eligible students. The committee took three ballots to determine the twelve nominees. To become nominated for Who's Who Among Students, quali-

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many of the changes in the automobile industry to produce safer cars and reduce highway death. He has worked on legal problems and policies, both legislative and judicial, of highway safety and automobile design and has served as a consultant and contributor to many leading legal publications. With the recognition that we've had the technological potential and economic capability to build safer cars for decades, he was appalled at the tolerance of needless highway slaughter and maiming of hundreds of thousands of people annually. Mr. Nader believes that unsafe autos pose a profound professional challenge to the legal, medical and engineering professions, who have the responsibility not just to apply their optimum skills to the problems but to work for the elimination of those very problems whenever possible. His best-seller, UNSAFE AT ANY SPEED, illustrates his thinking on this subject.

RALPH NADER received his A. B. from Princeton University in 1955 and his L.L.B. in 1958 from Harvard Law School. He served as a Research Assistant in Harvard Law School from 1958-59, and after serving the U. S. Army, he began the practice of law. His articles have appeared in the ATLANTIC MONTHLY, THE NATION, NEW REPUBLIC, CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR.

"Auto Safety: A strategy for Life and Limb"  
"Corporate Responsibility and Consumer Protection"  
"Environmental Hazards: Man Made and Man Remedied"

## News Summary

By DONN HENCHEL

### International

The Mid-East situation began to flair up again last week as Egypt, Syria and Libya announced their support of the Arab Commandos operating from bases in Lebanon. The Beirut Government has begun a crackdown on the guerrillas might lead to harsh guerrilla retaliation. Later in the week, the United Arab Republic announced that it would undertake full scale mediation between the Arab guerrillas and the Lebanon government.

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## 'No Strings' Opens This Thursday Nite

### Circle K Helps Red Cross Drive

The Circle K and the Red Cross will sponsor a blood drive on Wednesday and Thursday, November 13 and 14. This will provide a chance for Wesleyan students to help with a very valuable service to the Rocky Mount community. On November 13 the Bloodmobile will be at Abbott Laboratories from 1:00 to 6:00, and the following day students may give blood at the First Presbyterian Church between 10:00 and 4:00. Rides will be furnished by Circle K for all persons in need of transportation. Wesleyan has always been a participant in the Red Cross Blood Drives, and our support is greatly appreciated.

All donors under 21 must have a parental permission slip, available from any Circle K member.

### Contest

Talented and Creative with words and music? Enter Wesleyan's Alma Mater contest. To be judged, the entry must consist of both words and music. All entries must be in to the School Spirit Committee by November 26, 1969.

Further developments in the conflict occurred as Israel launched its most intensive air assault since the 1967 Mid Eastern War. Attacks against Egyptian positions on the Suez Canal and against the Jordanian side of the Jordan River. The same day, the voters of Israel generally supported the hawkish candidates. The right wing hawkish party, the Gahal Party, picked up 3 seats as the present ruling government, a coalition of 4 labor parties headed by Goldo Meir appears to have lost their majority in the Israel Knesset or Parliament.

Two earthquakes within a 17 hour period struck Yugoslavia Tuesday. Over 600 persons were killed or injured as scores of thousands were left homeless.

### National

Margaret Mead, the foremost cultural anthropologist in the United States, testifies before a Senate panel that marijuana is less dangerous than alcohol and should be legalized with 16 (Continued on Page 5)

"No Strings," Wesleyan's fall musical production opens its three night run Thursday, November 6. The production will be held in Wesleyan's Everett Gymnasium. The play, written by Samuel Taylor and set to music by Richard Rogers, takes place in Paris, Monte Carlo, Honfleur, and St. Tropez Beach. The plot is the classic boy meets girl situation where they find that things cannot work out between each other and part.

The main characters are Barbara Woodruff and Dave Jordan, portrayed by veterans Eileen O'Grady and Roland Shaw, respectively. New faces will appear with Rob Smith playing Luc Delbert and Bill Neale portraying Marcello Agnolotti. Freshmen in the ensemble are Linda Felton, Sarah Shumacher, Will Thomson and Berl Garrett. Senior Richard Houck will make his first appearance on stage portraying Louis de Pourtal. Other cast members are Danny Shepherd playing Mike Robinson, Jeannie Johnson as Jeannette, Miriam Leyda as Comfort O'Connell, Helen Steiner as Molly Pummer, and John Hornaday portraying the croupier.

Director Tony Dingman is optimistic about "No Strings." He says it places more acting demands on the performers than "Little Mary Sunshine" which was produced last year. Says Mr. Dingman, "It is a more sophisticated musical than we have done in the past so the production is hopefully preparing the cast, crew, and audience for the even more difficult drama yet to come." He also hopes that it will pave the way for the May Term Music Project, "Man of La Mancha."

Michael Grindstaff, technical director and scenic designer of the play says that the scenery enhances the dream quality. He is using transparent materials to create the sensa-



The chorus of "No Strings" takes a break and poses for a publicity picture.

tion of the dream and fog. Because there are many light abstractions and variables, there is no way to plan all the lighting technicalities in advance. Sam Morris is assisting Grindstaff with lighting, Rick House is working on the design of projected scenery and the theatre lab is building the props and scenery and making the costumes.

He feels that "Little Mary Sunshine" was easier to design because it was mere of a cartoon-type love play and did not require the making of a dream illusion. "No Strings" shows a soft, human love which "Little Mary Sunshine" did not possess.

The music for "No Strings" will be provided by a small dance band under the direction of Richard Dill, conductor. Although the musical was written originally for a large orchestra, it was adapted by the publisher for smaller bands. Mr. Dill points out the uniqueness of "No Strings" in the fact that no violins, cellos or other stringed instruments are used, hence the name.

Dr. John S. Davis, vocal director, has changed portions of the vocal aspects of the play by adding a chorus to some of the solos.



Rich Houk, Eileen O'Grady, and Roland Shaw, pictured above are the main characters of "No Strings."