

The National Teach-In on World Community

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December 6, 1969

Senator Gaylord Nelson
Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator:

Our executive committee heartily endorses your call for a Nationwide Teach-In on the Environment to be held on college campuses this Spring. We agree that the time is overdue for a concerted drive by America's "think tanks", the universities, on the looming threats to human survival in this area.

Our own National Teach-In on World Community just completed a successful Teach-In at Columbia University in October which was devoted in part to the ecological crisis, considered in relation to the need for some form of world order, which is our central objective. Enclosed is some material about that Teach-In.

We are now planning a follow-up meeting in February at Columbia which will be sponsored by its Board of Managers, a student-faculty body. The theme of the one-evening meeting will be what Columbia should do to help cope with what Professor Richard Falk of Princeton calls the "four interconnected threats to the planet--wars of mass destruction, overpopulation, pollution and the depletion of resources." Faculty members as well as students will be at this meeting, and there is no reason why it could not be asked to serve as a kick-off for a Spring Teach-In on the Environmental Crisis.

Senator, we should be delighted, and I know I speak for the Columbia body as well as our own committee, if you would consent to be our featured speaker. We are holding the exact date open for one convenient to you sometime during the weeks of February 9 and 16, or even 23.

Secondly, our own organization would be happy to associate itself with your purpose. Our co-chairmen, Senator Joseph Clark and Dr. Harold Taylor, would I am sure be delighted to join you in a press conference or other publicity arrangements. We should be glad to involve our sponsors, who include hundreds of faculty members on campuses across the nation.

May I take the liberty of calling your office after you have received this letter, to confirm whether you can come to speak in February, since time is short?

Cordially,

John Brockman
Executive Director



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The American university may now be assuming a central role in social change. Swept by marathon speak-outs against the war in Vietnam, disrupted by a segment of the student generation because of its involvement with militarist and racist influences, compelled to reorient its values, structure and curriculum, it is now heavily committed to facing the critical issues overwhelming our troubled society.

THE QUESTION IS: SURVIVAL

Harold Taylor former President, Sarah Lawrence College

Ossie Davis dramatist, actor, civil rights worker

Tom Hayden of the Resistance

Richard Falk Center for Advanced
Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Princeton

Barry Commoner ecologist, Washington University

Barbara Ward author & economist, Columbia

Allen Ginsberg poet

Herman Kahn Hudson Institute

Dave Dellinger National Mobilization Against the War in Vietnam

Allard Lowenstein Strategist of the McCarthy campaign

Mark Rudd Students for a Democratic Society AND OTHER SPEAKERS

Room 236 799 Broadway NY NY 10003

9:30 am to 5 pm

Sat. Oct. 25

McMillan Theater
Columbia University
116 St & Broadway

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FIRST NATIONAL TEACH-IN AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1969 at McMillin Theater, 116 St. & Bway

PROGRAM

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ABC News Commentator
Lecturer, World Affairs, The New School

Dr. George Wald
Higgins Professor of Biology
Harvard Univ.

Rev. Dr. George W. Webber
President
New York Theological Seminary

9:30 AM Introduction to a New Type of Teach-In

Oswald LeWinter, National Chairman, Pres. Int'l Data Sciences, Ltd.
Harold Taylor, former Pres. Sarah Lawrence College, author
"Students Without Teachers"

10:00 AM Some Observations on Imminent Catastrophes

Ossie Davis (moderator), dramatist, actor, civil rights worker
Barrie Commoner, Ecologist, Washington Univ.
Tom Hayden, of the Resistance and The Conspiracy
Richard Falk, Center for Advanced Study in Behavioral Sciences
Princeton Univ.
Don Cox, Black Panther Party

11:30 AM The Race to Develop a Humane World

Roy Fairfield (moderator), Dir. Antioch-Putney Graduate School
Amb. Zenon Rossides, permanent delegate to UN from Cyprus
Barbara Ward, economist, Grad. School of Int'l Affairs, Columbia
Chief S.O. Adebo, United Nations Institute for Training & Research

12:30 PM Lunch break

1:30 PM Allen Ginsberg, poet

2:00 PM The Defense Establishment on the Defensive

Joseph S. Clark (moderator), Pres. World Federalists USA,
Coalition on National Priorities and Military Spending
Herman Kahn, Dir. Hudson Institute, White House adviser
Dave Dellinger, National Mobilization Comm. to End War in Vietnam
Seymour Melman, Dept. of Industrial Engineering, Columbia
Rep. Allard Lowenstein, Strategist of the McCarthy campaign

3:30 PM Handwriting on the University Wall: World Community or No World

Harold Taylor (moderator)
David Schoenbrun, Grad. School of Int'l Affairs, Columbia Univ.
CBS news analyst
Bill Sheehan, Student Forum on Int'l Order and World Peace
Stanley Aronowitz, columnist, Guardian
Mark Rudd, Students for a Democratic Society
Michael Beard, Student World Federalists
Douglas Mattern, chairman World Citizens League USA
Robert King, west coast youth leader

Proposals from the floor



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