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**Consumers must organize, Nader says**

By Deb Thiele
Kaimin Reporter

Band together is the appeal made by consumer advocate Ralph Nader last night to an overflowing University Center Ballroom crowd of over 1,400 people.

The receptive audience paid close attention to the mild mannered but intense Nader, breaking up his lecture with occasional bursts of applause.

According to Nader, every country has a cultural focus, the most important institution in that society — and, he said, in the United States that institution is the corporation, not the government.

Nader called for the banding together of consumers to force the federal government to become necessary competition.

A copy of the cable was delivered by the White House to Melcher. Melcher "was not lobbying me," Melcher said.

Montana’s other senator, Democrat Max Baucus, is opposed to the sale.

**Will university student sit with City Council?**

By Ace Ramel
Kaimin Contributing Reporter

The Missoula City Council Judicial Review Committee will decide today whether to recommend that a University of Montana student sit on the council as a non-voting member.

The idea of having a UM student as a non-voting member of the council came from the ASUM President, Steve Spalding, who said it was an idea of the ideas part of his campaign platform during the ASUM elections last year.

Although the council has not yet officially discussed the proposal, Spalding said he has discussed it informally with the mayor and other members who "seem to be in favor of it."

Spalding said Mayor Bill Creagh "felt real good about" the proposal, while Creagh’s opponent in last week’s general election, John Hamp, was opposed to the idea.

Spalding said he thought the role of non-voting council member would be to sit in on council meetings, participate in debate, offer ideas and "open up a line of communication between students and the council or students and the town."

That was also the view of the mayor’s administrative assistant, Dave Wilcox, who said he assumed the student—if permitted to sit on the council—could also participate in the council’s committee activities.

The committee’s recommendations about the proposal will later be voted on by the city council during a regular council meeting.

The judicial review committee meeting is today at 4 p.m. in the mayor’s conference room in City Hall and is open to the public.

**Grisman concert loses $3,200**

By Ray Murray
Kaimin Contributing Reporter

The David Grisman concert held Oct. 16 lost $3,200, according to Sam Goza, director of ASUM Programming.

Goza said only 715 people showed up for the concert, held at the University Center Ballroom. Grisman charged $4.50 in advance, Goza said. A copy of the cable was delivered to Melcher, was swayed at least partly by a cable to the White House from former Montana Sen. Mike Mansfield, now U.S. ambassador to Japan.

"Mike says he is in favor of the sale. I think he’s right," Melcher said.

Melcher said the cable was addressed to the president and spelled out Mansfield’s personal position in favor of the sale.

**Camp to talk about women and pacifism**

The former national president of the Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom will address the rights and responsibilities of women in the peace movement in the University Center today.

Peace activist Kay Camp will hold a noon forum in the UC mall and speak in the UC Lounge at 7:30 p.m. Both events are free.
**letters**

**In defense of Terry**

Editor: To the extent "peace" community of Missoula. In response to the unbelievable attack on Terry Messman-Rucker regarding the unpaid ASUM phone bill, ("unbelievable") because no one seems to know or care about the other side, I am writing to fill in the gaps. Terry Messman-Rucker, writer, former SAC editor, peace activist, now lives (in exile?) with his wife in Berkeley, California. Terry contributed immense energy and dedication to the peace movement in Missoula. His absence is a loss that we should all give some thought, because (I believe) we have failed him as a community, and thus we have failed ourselves. It is that failure I wish to address, more than just the isolated instance of Terry and Darla's departure. The Movement rhetoric of "solidarity" is an empty language that we use to fool ourselves. The issue of Terry's collect phone calls brings this embarrassing reality into focus. Here is the other side: When the media-buzz of the protests leading up to arrests was over, there were people in jail. This time it was Karl, Terry, and John. They received harsh sentences (six months for "treason passing"), which were served in federal penitentiaries far from Missoula, while the rest of us worried and waited. How many of us corresponded with these people? Very few. The support faded away like yesterday's headlines, as though these victims of "politics" were away on vacation.

-One objective of civil disobedience is to point out to all people the extent of injustice that affects us, even in the American democratic system. The government serves to throttle, subdue, and punish "offenders" of the law, even when those laws exist to protect corporate, military interests whose profits may lead to the annihilation of the Earth as we know it. Crime is the government's favorite tool for maintaining the status quo. Indeed, if the just poverty-stripped lives are continually sacrificed to this end. Civil disobedience not only points this out to the public but, more than that, it carries on into the heart of the cruel reality itself the jails and prisons. At least, political prisoners have the advantage (from choice) of bringing a message of hope and courage to the overwhelming populace of forgotten and dispossessed victims of this rich and powerful system. (The U.S. impositions more people per capita than any country in the world, except South Africa.)

"Peacekeepers," something happened, even in the American system. Terry and Karl. They were forgotten. Do you know what it is like to be abandoned, even if you've entered those walls with purpose and intent? It is, as Terry says, an experience few people ever get to make. It is that experience, the experience of despair and illusions and contentment would change to outrage and revulsion, and changes would occur. But, as in Terry and Karl's case, the victims are left to experience the nightmare alone, and to deal with the despair in the ways available to them.

Out of respect for Terry, I cannot reveal the specific nature of what happened to him. He was released from the Baron, Calif. penitentiary. (Besides, who cares?) Let me only say that those phone calls are the desperate and necessary life-line for his sanity (other prisoners aren't so lucky) because he was abandoned, astonishingly, by close friends and would-be supporters — why not look to the government exults in, and that our taxes pay for. If more of us could understand the experience of the oppressed, we might change the system.

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**Get out of the muck**

Editor: Once again, the Kaimin cannot resist any possible dig at the ASUM president it can find. This reminds me of when Cathy Kradolfer flew off at David Curtis last year: totally stupid, unnecessary.

David Blair, senior, reports conservation/geography

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The Phantom Raggedy Man

By Derek House

After the success of Coal Miner’s Daughter, Sissy Spacek returns to the screen in Raggedy Man, a small old-fashioned melodrama set in rural Texas during World War II. Spacek is no newcomer; she is somewhat restrained as a young divorced mother struggling to raise two small boys and hold down a demanding round-the-clock job as a telephone operator. “You’re frozen in this job,” her former employer tells her, and so too, it would seem, in her dead-end routine.

The appearance of a young sailor (Eric Roberts) however, breathes new life into Spacek’s meaningless existence, and their tender but truncated love affair becomes the emotional center of the film. In only his second film role, Roberts’ endearing characterization as Teddy, the sailor, is just the right blend of innocence and maturity.

Reportedly drawn from the real life experiences and childhood fantasies of writer William Witkoff, Raggedy Man nonetheless contains many familiar elements, most notably from To Kill A Mockingbird. But under Jack Fisk’s direction, the newer film is missing an essential ingredient that gave the earlier film its emotional resonance: the children’s point of view. Without this, Sam Shepard’s portrayal of the phantom Raggedy Man of the title becomes only a plot contrivance, appearing and disappearing artificially between lightning flashes, unable to inspire the fear and wonder aroused by Robert Davall’s similar character in Mockingbird.

Finally, what may turn out to be a saving grace at the box office for Raggedy Man stems ironically from a technical weakness. Extraneous and unnecessary plot turns are introduced so that the last reel the film becomes a muddled mixture of Straw Dogs and Halloween. Just as Spacek is not satisfied being a small town operator, Raggedy Man is not satisfied to be another competent romantic melodrama.

New shows underway

Missoula audiences will be treated to two original comedies by Montana playwright James Walker, next Tuesday through Saturday. The Balloon is full of humor, verbal jousting and theatrical surprises. Graduate student Bonnie Banks directs this delightful one-act comedy.

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The cost of tickets for this double bill is $4 for students and $5 for the general public. For reservations and ticket information, contact the University Theatre Office at 241-6051.

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Mayor Cregg to speak to CB

By Karen McGrath  
Kaimin Reporter

Missoula Mayor Bill Cregg will speak to ASUM's Central Board tonight about placing a University of Montana student on the Missoula City Council in a non-voting position.

The position, if approved by the City Council's Judicial Review Committee, would be filled by a UM student who would have input on debates, offer ideas of council members and participate in committee meetings.

ASUM President Steve Spaulding will also nominate Tom Hartman, junior in philosophy, to fill a vacant Central Board position.

Former CB member Robin Castle quit school last year, leaving one position empty.

Also, a Legislative Committee report prepared last year by ASUM legislative lobbyist Mike Dahlum will be reviewed by CB.

Pharmacy School scrutinized

By Pam Newbern  
Kaimin Reporter

The University of Montana's School of Pharmacy is awaiting word on its accreditation from the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education.

The ACPE, which is responsible for determining whether or not a school should be accredited, paid an official, on-site visit to evaluate the pharmacy school last week.

Philip Catalfomo, dean of the school, said that the visit is a regular event for the school, coming about every six years.

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**Consumers**

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takes effort, Nader said. What consumers need is to set up a group to watch and report on their congressmen, to fund public interest research groups and to develop consumer-owned businesses, he said.

"If consumers can get together as a group, a bargaining group, then they can tell producers what they want," he said.

Nader is a consumer advocate who has organized a national network of citizen groups that have taken on issues ranging from nuclear energy to tax reform.

Also an author of several books, Nader received national publicity in 1965 for "Unsafe at Any Speed," a report on the auto industry. Nader, 47, was born and raised in Winsted, Conn. He graduated magna cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa from Princeton University in 1955 and received his law degree from Harvard in 1958.

**Hopkins**

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Despite the difficulties associated with the role of student regent, Hopkins has enjoyed the position. She said that the faculties, staffs and administrators of the Montana University System are "extraordinarily bright and talented."

She also complimented the students in the system, saying they have a commitment to quality education in Montana and that they are striving to maintain this quality while faced with budget constraints.

"Occasionally you feel like you did something rather than simply forestalled a problem," she said.

Hopkins said that to qualify as student regent, an individual must be a full-time student enrolled at a college under the jurisdiction of the regents.

She also said that one of the first tasks of the new student regent will be assisting the regents with the appointment of the new commissioner of higher education, because John Richardson resigned from that post last summer.

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