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Big Brother Wants Control Of Housing

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target of those who are seeking total control over America and Americans.

The concept of every family having the opportunity to own a home has been a cornerstone of our national tradition since colonial days. Home ownership has been basic both to our Free Enterprise system and family life. For generations young families have dreamed and planned and saved to acquire their own house. But today those young couples are facing obstacles that threaten to make home ownership impossible for them. Propelled by inflation and the added cost of meeting requirements imposed by environmentalists and land planners, the price of housing is spiraling upward like a Fourth of July rocket. Millions of would-be homeowners have already been priced out of the home market, and soon only the wealthy may be able to afford to purchase a new house.

RALPH Nader informs us in the April 1973 issue of *Saturday Review Of Society*: "The housing issue is going to be in the Seventies what the auto issue was in the Sixties. There is no question about it at all." Nader is doubtless right; not because his crystal ball has been finetuned by Jeane Dixon, but because he is in on the game. Ralph Nader may be full of more misinformation than Criswell, but he knows where the next collectivist thrust is aimed because he helps wield the socialist sword.

Not long ago, American families could allot twenty-five percent of their income for housing, but now the figure has escalated to over one-third. And if the planners and bureaucrats have their way the whole character of our housing will soon be changed so that the typical American family will be shoved into a high-density dwelling in the style of the New York ant heap.

And Nader is no mere sorcerer's apprentice. He knows exactly what his collectivist incantations are designed to produce. According to the daily *Australian*, he told a Sydney audience on July 8, 1972: "What is needed is Socialism or Communism of one sort or another." Mr. Nader has declined to spell out to his American audience exactly what sort of "Socialism or Communism" he has in mind, and now denies ever having made such an admission. But in naming housing he has certainly identified the latest

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As higher costs of land, materials, labor, and money have been added to the cost of construction delays created by the bureaucracy, housing contractors have passed along the cost to consumers. The National Association of Homebuilders reported in *Newsweek* for July 29, 1974,

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Dear Reader:
Daniel M. Canavan's brilliantly subtle painting on our cover shows an American soldier with a package from home. It is thirty years ago, shortly before Christmas, outside Bastogne in the Belgian Ardennes. Within hours a quarter of a million enemy soldiers would attack the American front, killing as they came, until they reached Bastogne. There the main thrust of the German advance would be stopped by young men like the one on our cover, determined young men who held the town.

From December twentieth, the men of the 101st Airborne refused to yield. They were cut off. Laid to siege. Many of them dead and dying. But by force of what soldiers call guts and a noble audacity the historians call valor they stopped the advance of a quarter of a million almost equally determined and far more desperate men. On the twenty-third an enemy major and captain brought an ultimatum from the German commander demanding surrender. Brigadier General Anthony McAuliffe received them and sent back a reply in one word. That word was American slang, but its meaning was unmistakable. The word was: "Nuts!"

The men at Bastogne held that Christmas of 1944. They held, and held on, until General George S. Patton and his Third Army, executing a brilliant ninety-degree turn and men who by refusing to yield stopped the enemy advance and saved the American cause.

The parallel of what happened at Bastogne to the state of siege in which Middle Americans find themselves this Christmas of 1974 is too obvious to require any emphasis we might give to it. As at Bastogne, our Christmas wish this year is for peace on earth . . . to men of goodwill. And our prayer is that all the blessings of Christmas may be yours.

Sincerely,

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