

Mailer ego — trips again

"Maidstone" — a profitable hobby

by Emmi Duffy
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Norman Mailer, American author, appeared at the Rebecca Cohn Auditorium, February 20 to present his third film "Maidstone". After the screening, he talked about his theory of film making, answered questions from the audience and read some poetry. Mailer is undoubtedly a competent writer and an interesting speaker but he fails as a film-maker. He has attempted to relate his philosophy of life to his film making.

"We are always looking for real stories, anticipating the formation of plots around us which do not quite form. We are always looking for real stories to happen which never exactly turn out as we expect. Once in a

while the expected event does occur and when it does, it happens out of all the frustrations of all those that did not take place."

He's not being honest when he tries to pass the film off as anything more than his frustrations. "Maidstone" begins with many plots, few of which are developed during the film.

There is no structure or story. Mailer seems to think this is a quality of the film — that everything happens naturally.

We are not disappointed that the film doesn't turn out as we expected, rather that there is nothing there at all.

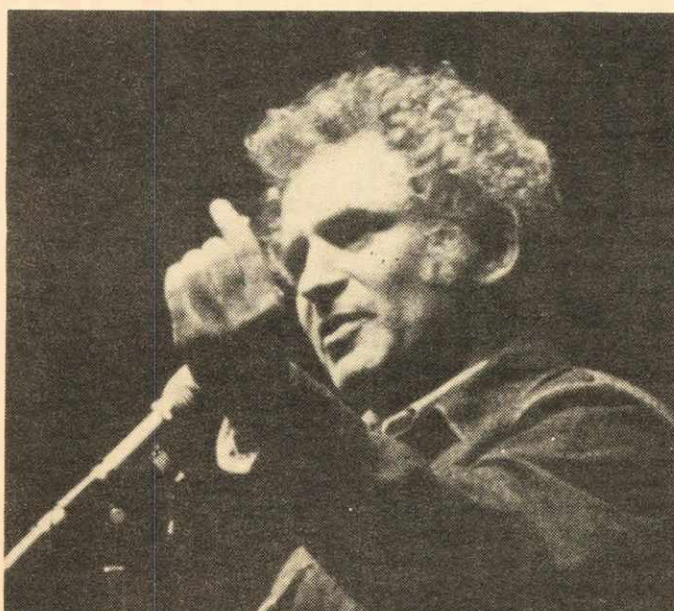
He has advanced very little from his earlier attempts — one in which his friends play cops and robbers, the other in which they play cards.

Mailer may think there is something significant and original in his films but this is disputed by many. The films seems nothing more than ego trips — Mailer playing around with a camera, filming himself and his friends.

Mailer has a nerve travelling across the country (using his name as a drawing card) and charging exorbitant prices (\$3.30 and \$4.40 at the Rebecca Cohn) to view his "great" accomplishment.

His books are a different matter because they have a purpose. It is pointless to shoot a film with no purpose and then go through forty-five hours of footage (and take years to do it) looking for a purpose.

"I never had a hobby and finally I found one — cutting films."



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"Maidstone's" Mailer speaks on Mailer's "Maidstone".

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by Uncle Walt

Rx: Take one tablet after meals as needed. Keep this and all medicines out of reach of children, careless adults, and persons who have been drinking.

Pills are becoming more and more popular for every little ache and pain. Eyestrain from watching television, tension from driving, indigestion from junk food and insomnia from caffeine are all self-treated with drugs. Patients demand medication from their

physicians for the slightest discomfort, or select their own drugs from the ever-increasing variety of potent and dangerous patent medicines found in every drugstore.

As well as the hazards of single drug dosages, taking two or more drugs at the same time can lead to serious or fatal results.

Stimulants are routinely prescribed for weight reduction or depression. Over-the-counter drugs for coughs, colds, or alertness also contain stimulants. The caffeine in

coffee, tea and cola drinks is one kind. If you take two or more types of this "speed", you'll really get tense and nervous. Mixing them with certain anti-depressants can also increase your blood pressure to the danger level.

Taking more than one sedative can knock you out or even kill you. Both barbiturates and tranquilizers depress the central nervous system, which controls breathing and heartbeat. Alcohol is another powerful sedative which should never be taken while you are

under the effects of other depressants. Even one kind of sedative makes driving a car or operating other machinery suicidal.

Antihistamines for hay fever, cold, cough, or motion sickness shouldn't be mixed with barbiturates, tranquilizers, or booze, as they also depress brain function. Again, avoid driving.

Antibiotics should not be combined randomly, for they can cancel each other's effectiveness. Antibiotics and sulfa drugs may give you a severe sunburn or rash from the sun or a sunlamp.

Pain killers (analgesics) such as acetylsalicylic acid may irritate your stomach. Don't take them on an empty stomach or mix them with anti-inflammatory drugs (which may be prescribed for sprains or back trouble). Ulcers could

result.

Illegal drugs are every bit as potent as prescription drugs. Street drugs are often adulterated with poisons such as strychnine. Injecting drugs is especially dangerous; it is highly addicting and can also lead to hepatitis, a very serious disease. If you must take drugs, use sensible doses, don't mix drugs and don't drive. Avoid regular use or your health will suffer, as will your initiative and finances. There are much safer ways to cheap thrills or enlightenment.

Some substances not generally called drugs are just as unhealthy, especially when used daily. These include alcohol, caffeine and tobacco. Cigarettes are particularly insidious; their smoke contains not only the drug nicotine, but also tars, carbon monoxide, particulate matter and a

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