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Willi Unsoeld, a member of the faculty at The Evergreen State College and one of the few Americans to scale Mt. Everest, will appear as a witness on the December 28 National Educational Television program, The Advocates.

Unsoeld, who has been active in the use and preservation of wilderness areas, will defend the position that public use of national parks should be restricted. On his side of the debate will be biologist Dr. Garrett Hardin and attorney Howard Miller.

Los Angeles trial lawyer Eric Julber, author of a recent Reader's Digest article on "Let's Open Up Our Wilderness Area," will present the case for further development of national parks. His witnesses will be Floyd Dominy, former director of the Bureau of Reclamation, and Donald Hummel, president of the American Concessioners Association.

The debate was filmed December 2 in Yosemite National Park. Members of Unsoeld's group study contract, Wilderness and Consciousness, who were on an academic field trip at Yosemite, participated as members of the audience during the filming.

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