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Of Hardcopy Material

Provides wonderful lesson plan ideas for making units come alive for students technologically, gives a very good lesson plan format and helps if classes are connected to National History Day.

An absolute must read for a solid background in what was happening in America post-WWII that led up to the environmental movement of the 1970s. Chafe considers both the paradoxes and the possibilities of post-war America, portraying the significant cultural and political themes which colored our country’s past and present, including issues of race, class, gender, foreign policy, economic and social reform, and four our purposes environmental consciousness. This book also includes a resource guide which offers visual and electronic resources. Tor the teacher with a limited background in 20th century American history, this book provides an important and easy to understand foundation from which to teach.

Durand Courier-Wedge Newspaper. Weekly articles and photos from November 1972 through the late 1980s.
Articles and photos in the Wedge bring to light the differing opinions locally about the nuclear plant and the people involved in helping the Bauers, Falkners and Ciders fight for their land (locals and outsiders). The Courier-Wedge also does a nice job of recording the proceedings of public meetings that went on involving the different parties throughout the years. This paper was very important in the development of the original capstone.

Provided great photos of the Durand Fun Fest Parade held in June of 1978. At this parade the city leaders tried to stop the anti-nuclear demonstrators from marching peacefully in the parade. They went so far as to threaten to cancel the parade. After much discussion the
mayor, et al. realized they would be direct violation of the U.S. Constitution, since the marchers were already on the list of participants and so digressed. Ultimately, there was mass support and applause along the parade route, one of the largest in town memory. The photos are great primary documents and are excellent for doing photo analysis anywhere in WI as everyone in this state can identify with small town summer parades.

Eau Claire Leader-Telegram Newspaper. Regular coverage from November, 1972 until the late 1980s.

Similar to the local papers, except the reporting and writing was clearer and the photography of higher quality. However, the prose lacks some of the personality one gets from a local. Kyvig, David E. and Myron, A. Marty. Nearby History: Exploring the Past Around You. 2nd Edition. New York: Altimira Press, 2000.


Provides an excellent history of the entire environmental movement from Rachel Carson’s Silent Spring to the time the book was published in 1993. Although the environmental movement saw massive growth and a lot of success politically and socially, Sale does not sugarcoat it as an unmitigated success. He is sure to note that there were many groups left behind by the growth of the environmental movement. Sale also notes that for all the successes of the 30 year period he covers there were great tragedies as well. Three Mile Island, Chernobyl, Love Canal, Bhopal among others are discussed in great depth and provide a teacher with a lot of very valuable material. Sale’s book laid the foundation for lesson 5 on Environmental Justice.


This is one of the great classics in political literature. Tocqueville wrote of the advantages and disadvantages of American democracy as a model for his home country, France. In his effort to find a form of government to supplant the worn out aristocratic governments of Europe, Tocqueville provided a vital analysis of America that is still incredibly important today. For this project Book II, Chapter 5 is the most important as it shows how important local communities are to the success of our democracy and how communities cannot survive without other communities to sustain and support one another.