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## Nader Says He'll Appeal Suit Against I.T.T. Merger

LYNCHBURG, Va., March 30 (AP)—Ralph Nader says he will carry to the Connecticut Supreme Court his suit against the merger of the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation with the Hartford Fire Insurance Company.

Mr. Nader and other challengers to the merger were rebuffed yesterday when a Connecticut Superior Court judge dismissed their suit to block the merger, the largest in United States corporate history.

The consumer advocate was here to speak at Randolph-Macon Woman's College last night.

In dismissing the suit, Judge Walter J. Sidon said the merger would not injure Mr. Nader's legal rights or his property rights.

Mr. Nader and other challengers, "It is the duty of lawyers to challenge unfair business practices. The judge also said that the stockholders also had no grounds for a case, but I feel the judge is on somewhat weaker ground here. We will continue to fight the merger."