



*'To sleep, perchance to dream . . .'*

With the Rudder fountain beyond to lull him to dreamland, John Coulter, sophomore agricultural engineering major, sneaks a nap on a bench located on the breezeway between the Memorial Student Center and Rudder Tower.

Battalion photo by Ouina Cochran

## Western Powers initiate S. Africa arms embargo

United Press International —The United States, Britain and France have vetoed three African resolutions imposing tough economic sanctions against South Africa, but they agreed for the first time to support an arms embargo against the white regime.

The Western powers Monday handed down nine vetoes in the U.N. Security Council to block the three resolutions, which Ambassador Andrew Young said would have been the same as declaring a practical state of war with South Africa.

The black Africans demanded not only a tight arms embargo, but a ban on investments, loans, export-import credits and nuclear cooperation.

The vote was 10-5 on all three resolutions, with Canada and West Germany joining the three permanent council members in dissent.

It was the fourth time the United States, Britain and France had used their vetoes in the Security Council

to block resolutions against South Africa.

But the three powers joined Canada and West Germany to support a milder resolution calling for an international weapons boycott against the Pretoria government.

The Security Council was scheduled to meet today for informal consultations on the resolution, which was expected to be adopted later this week.

In Washington, the House voted 347-54 Monday to denounce South Africa for its white supremacist policies and urged President Carter to take effective measures against Pretoria.

The House condemned the death of black leader Steve Biko, who allegedly died from a blow to the head while in prison and the government's Oct. 19 crackdown on black newspapers and critics of its racial policies.

Black unrest continued in South Africa Monday when nearly 80,000 students in the black ghetto of Sow-

eto boycotted their final exams to protest what they consider discriminatory education.

Canada and West Germany introduced the arms sanction resolution as a compromise after a week of heated arguments behind closed doors over punitive measures to be taken against South Africa.

The resolution calls for all nations to stop the sale of arms, ammunition, military vehicles and equipment or material for the manufacture and maintenance of arms, including spare parts.

The United States has observed an embargo on the shipment of major armaments to South Africa since 1963 and President Carter last week ordered a halt to other "gray area" equipment such as light airplanes.

France and Israel are South Africa's largest suppliers of arms, but the white government manufactures most of its own weaponry and could easily survive a Western arms boycott.

From the Western point of view, the resolution represents major concessions to the Africans. Last week, the West proposed limiting the embargo to six months to give South African Prime Minister John Vorster a chance to stop his anti-black measures.

Young appealed to the Africans to drop their resolutions in the interest of a common approach that could be supported by all council members.

"We believe...that the Security Council should pronounce itself on those measures that can unite us, not those that would divide us," he said.

But the three African members, Libya, Benin and Mauritius, insisted on a veto.

## Court appoints 3 lawyers to guide handicapped girls

United Press International HARTFORD, Conn. — Three lawyers have been appointed guardians for three blind, deaf and retarded girls whose parents want them sterilized because they would be unable to cope with pregnancy.

U.S. District Judge M. Joseph Blumenfeld previously had suggested guardians "for the better protection of all concerned in this matter." Counsel for the parents agreed and filed the motion the judge implemented Monday.

Blumenfeld named James Wade, Richard Reynolds and Brenda Eckert, all attorneys with Hartford firms, and said he would file an order defining the roles and responsibilities of the guardians.

Blumenfeld set Nov. 21 as the date for a final hearing in the matter.

Judith Mears, counsel for the parents-two sets of mothers and fathers and a divorced mother, whose names have been shielded by the court-said the parents believed the guardians would serve to ensure both fairness to all parties and the appearance of fairness.

The girls range in age from 12 to 15. Two are certified blind and deaf, the other has limited vision and is deaf. They are named in the court papers as Diamond, Ruby and Pearl.

They live at a private school during the week and go home on weekends. The girls barely are able to care for themselves. They cannot put their clothes on correctly unless they are given them in the proper order.

The parents asked the court to order the University of Connecticut's John Dempsey Hospital in

Farmington to perform the operations, but the hospital declined out of fear of future lawsuits.

Blumenfeld, who has said he is inclined to approve the operations, cited a statute that allows a minor with a child to give consent for medical services for the child.

"Now if a minor can do it with a minor's child, why can't an adult do it for an adult's child?" he asked at a hearing Sept. 26.

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## Research takes much time

# Cancer cure may be near

By CLAY COCKRILL

Despite numerous restraints during the last five years, medical research has come extremely close to developing a cure for cancer, said Dr. R. Lee Clark, M.D.

Clark is president of the American Cancer Society and of Houston's M.D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute. Clark's lecture, held Monday at Rudder Tower, was sponsored by the Great Issues Committee.

"In 1946 one person in five treated for cancer survived. Now one in three survives," said Clark.

A person is considered cured if he survives five years beyond the initial cancer therapy, he said.

"We would like progress to go faster but it takes about 15 years for an idea to be researched, accepted, and applied," he said.

One reason it has taken so long, said Clark, is a past lack of funds for cancer research. Since the 1971 passage of the National Cancer Act, research progress accelerated. The act cut restrictive, bureaucratic reviews thus increasing congressional appropriations, he said.

Clark was co-chairman of the congressional committee which established the act.

In 1971 Clark said \$230 million was appropriated to the National Cancer Institute (NCI), a research funding organization. In 1976 NCI received \$761.7 million. Of 3,838 grant proposals submitted to them in 1976, the NCI could still only fund 60 percent of the proposals, he said.

Clark said another restraint is the fact that 5,000 possibly carcinogenic chemicals are added to the

environment each year. He said it takes approximately two years and \$150,000 to determine if just one of these substances is cancer-causing.

Progress has been made in spite of restraints because of technological developments said Clark.

New techniques have been developed for studying gene sequences, he said. Genetic material effected by external factors ultimately causes cancer, he said.

Advances in radiation therapy have also proven promising, said Clark. It has been discovered that bombarding cancer cells with light particles produced by a cyclotron or nuclear particle accelerator, will kill the cells. Clark said M.D. Anderson Hospital has used the cyclotron at Texas A&M University to treat over 500 patients.

## Son of Sam says he is 'an animal'

United Press International NEW YORK—Son of Sam suspect David Berkowitz told a Brooklyn Supreme Court justice Monday he cannot control his own affairs because he is an animal and is less than human.

Justice Carmine Ventiera appointed Nathan Berkowitz to control the financial assets of his adopted son David, accused of killing six people with a .44-caliber revolver.

"I have no right to control my affairs as a prisoner and an animal and as less than human," Berkowitz said.

It was the first time the suspect had testified in connection with the year-long shooting spree.

Court-appointed psychiatrist Dr. Daniel Schwartz and retired state Supreme Court Justice Harry Gittleman, appointed by Ventiera in September to be Berkowitz's temporary guardian, testified that Nathan Berkowitz should have permanent control over his son's assets.

"Berkowitz's overriding concern is with his belief concerning demons and that all else, including his personal property, is secondary."

Schwartz told the makeshift courtroom in the Kings County Hospital, where Berkowitz has been held since his arrest Aug. 10.

Gittleman, citing Schwartz's report to the court that Berkowitz's judgement was impaired, agreed with the doctor's finding that a conservator should be appointed.

He said, "There was a good relationship between David and his father... who seemed to have a very deep affection for him. I strongly recommend the appointment of his father as conservator."

Berkowitz has only a few hundred dollars now, but this could increase considerably because of the potential for film and literary contracts.

But state law allows victims and their families to seek part of a convicted assailant's assets as compensation for injury or suffering. So far, relatives of those killed or wounded have filed four lawsuits claiming \$20 million in damages.

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