

Groups to offer suggestions

Judge fails to order busing

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DALLAS — A federal judge is refusing to order additional busing in the nation's eighth largest school district, agreeing there is racial imbalance but saying mass busing won't solve the problem. Rather than order more busing, U.S. District Judge Barefoot Sanders ordered the Dallas Independent School District, the NAACP

and the various intervenors in the 11-year-old case to submit briefs on how the district's schools can be improved.

Al Lipscomb, a black activist and one of the original plaintiffs, expressed his disapproval soon after the ruling came down. "We're just back again, dragging our feet," he said.

However, Dallas School Supt.

Linus Wright said: "I feel very good about it. I think the judge has been very compassionate in addressing all the district's needs."

Wright said parents and children of all races should be relieved no further busing was ordered.

The case dates from 1970 when Eddie Mitchell Tasby, the NAACP and others filed a suit against the school district to end one-race schools. A number of minor rulings, additional motions, appeals, intervenors and even a new judge have kept the case in court for more than a decade.

Before Sanders, Judge William Taylor Jr. had managed the case. But March 13 the NAACP asked Taylor to "rescue himself" by removing himself from the case because of his connections "in Dallas' business community."

The NAACP motion claimed that Taylor's "past conduct raised sufficient concern that neither we nor the public could be assured

that this court could rule impartially on matters still in dispute and conflict in this case."

When the motion was first filed officials of the district called it a stalling tactic, but March 20 Taylor removed himself from the case and Sanders took over.

The NAACP and others appealed a desegregation plan Taylor had approved in 1976. They charged that the feasibility of busing as a tool to eliminate one-race schools had not been studied. In 1978 the circuit court agreed with them. Sanders' decision eliminates only the most controversial technique: busing.

In the 100-page ruling he reviewed the testimony and found busing "is not a feasible remedy for the existing constitutional violation." Throughout his opinion Sanders referred to the Black Coalition to Maximize Education whose minority membership opposes busing.

Drinkers could be alive longer than abstainers

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WASHINGTON — A 10-year study of more than 8,000 people in California found those who had two or less drinks a day had lower death rates than abstainers.

But the death rate was significantly higher for those who had six or more drinks of alcohol a day.

"For most of the American adult population, which already uses no more than two drinks per day, the current evidence is reassuring," said Dr. Arthur L. Klatsky and colleagues of the Kaiser Permanente Medical Center at Oakland, Calif.

The findings, reported in the August issue of the magazine Archives of Internal Medicine released Monday, reinforce other research indicating moderate alcohol consumption may have a protective effect against heart disease.

The researchers warned, however, the dangers of substantial alcohol consumption are obvious.

"Is it safer to take small amounts of alcohol than to abstain entirely?" they asked. "The answer is clearly 'no' for a person who may not be able to control his or her drinking."

Four groups of people enrolled in the Kaiser-

Permanente health plan were examined—those who did not drink, those who had two or less drinks a day, those who had three to five drinks a day and those reporting six or more drinks a day. The study was designed so that age, race, sex and smoking habits would not influence the results.

The two-a-day-or-less drinkers had the lowest mortality rate. Death rates for nondrinkers were 40 percent higher than the lightest drinkers. Those in the three-to-five drinks a day group had a mortality rate 50 percent higher than the lightest drinkers. The heaviest drinkers had a 100 percent higher mortality rate.

Cancer deaths were significantly more numerous among drinkers of six or more drinks a day than among three-to-five drinkers and the lightest drinkers or non-drinkers.

Cirrhosis of the liver, accidents and respiratory conditions contributed to the excess mortality among the heavy drinkers, the report said.

Deaths of the heart and circulatory system were most numerous among non-drinkers and least numerous among two-or-fewer drinkers.

Press secretary's seizure not a surprise, doctors say

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WASHINGTON — Doctors are disappointed by the seizure that struck White House press secretary James Brady Monday morning, but they say such a violent convulsion was not unexpected.

Brady, 40, in his 18th week of hospitalization since being shot in the forehead March 30 during the assassination attempt on President Reagan, was resting Tuesday with the help of greater doses of anti-seizure medication.

Monday morning just after breakfast, Brady was shaken by a grand mal seizure, characterized

by often violent, uncontrollable muscle twitching and thrashing.

Such seizures are commonly regarded as symptomatic of epilepsy, but a doctor told UPI it did not necessarily mean Brady was epileptic. Such a seizure could be the result of a "brain scar" or injury to the brain similar to Brady's.

The White House press secretary has undergone three life-saving operations, including emergency surgery the day of the shooting in which 20 percent of the right side of his brain was removed.

The seizure evidently lasted

several minutes, although hospital personnel at George Washington University Hospital and a doctor, Arthur Kobrin, almost immediately on the scene.

Intravenous medication and anesthesia were administered to relieve the convulsion. Brady was in a coma Monday, but House press secretary James Brady's wife, Anne, said he was not threatened by the seizure.

Another source said Brady was not threatened by the seizure. Speakes said a brain scan showed no apparent cause for the seizure, and there is no healing of Brady's wound.

Unions to fight Reagan plan

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CHICAGO — Leaders of two major unions Tuesday announced a nationwide newspaper ad campaign to encourage public opposition to President Reagan's proposed cuts in Social Security benefits.

United Auto Workers President Douglas Fraser and Jerry Wurf, president of the American Federation of State, County and

Municipal Employees, said they would represent 1.2 million workers, said a \$100 million effort will begin Thursday, providing newspapers in Washington, New York, Chicago, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Miami with the ad.

The ad depicts a man with initials "R.R." on his arm, a symbol of the Social Security program, being cut in half with a large scissors.

The announcement came during a break in the social security strike. The AFL-CIO Executive Committee came a day after that pull-Star came a policy statement said concerns in the Social Security system are manageable and can be solved without cutting Social Security into two.

"If there is one place where the president is vulnerable, it is in Social Security," Fraser said. "The owner of the Social Security program is the American people."

He said Reagan was "very sensitive" in this area, but that Reagan devoted more time in his television appearances to tax cuts to defending the Social Security program.

"It's a frightening prospect," Wurf said.

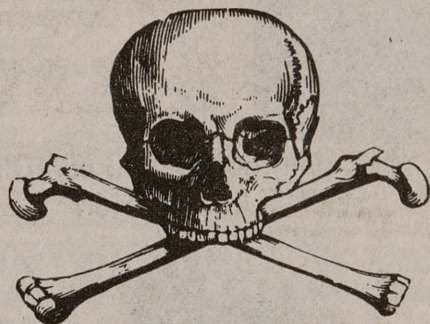
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Beer keg explosion kills male student

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LONG BEACH, Calif. — A beer keg connected to a high-pressure gas cylinder exploded at a college fraternity house, killing a 25-year-old student.

Police say Robert Harris and other members of Sigma Pi fraternity hooked up the 20-gallon keg Sunday to a carbon dioxide cylinder designed for soft-drink dispensers.

The cylinder was pressurized at 75 pounds per square inch but the keg was designed for only 12 pounds pressure and it exploded like a rocket, embedding itself in the ceiling of the fraternity house at the University of California at Long Beach.

Harris, who suffered a broken arm and internal injuries, died at a hospital 2½ hours after the accident.

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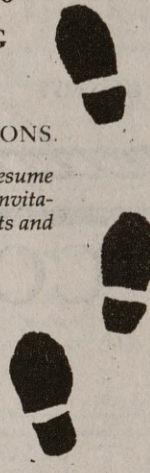
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