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Bomb kills nine in Johannesburg

All-race election holdouts suspected for car explosion

The Associated Press

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa — A car exploded in downtown Johannesburg Sunday, killing at least nine people, damaging the headquarters of the African National Congress, and terrorizing South Africans just two days before the first all-race election.

No one claimed responsibility for the blast, which also wounded about 100 people. Suspicions fell on white extremists — the last, stubborn holdouts to the election that will usher in black-majority rule.

Political leaders from several parties appealed for calm.

"I don't want you to concentrate on the violent action of those people who want to disrupt the process," ANC President Nelson Mandela said at a huge rally in Durban that culminated his campaign for the nation's highest office.

"We're going to deal with those people. We have made fantastic progress, despite criminals and murderers."

The ANC was expected to win the election, the first in South African history to include the black majority.

Right-wing extremists opposed to black majority rule have threatened drastic action before voting begins.

The present white-led government, expected to share power with the ANC in the next administration, said it was resolved to go ahead with the voting, which begins Tuesday and ends Thursday.

"Those who believe that they will prevent or disrupt the election by such terrorism have completely missed the bus," Law and Order Minister Hennis Kriel said in a statement.

One of those killed was an ANC provincial legislature candidate, Susan Keane, who was driving into the ANC regional office for a meeting when the bomb went off. Other victims were pedestrians near the blast site.

A spokesman for the militant right-wing Afrikaner Resistance Movement denied the group was involved.

The blast, the biggest ever to hit Johannes-

burg, renewed fears of raging violence during the election — fears that had been quelled by the last-minute decision of the Zulu nationalist Inkatha Freedom Party to take part in the vote. Inkatha's decision left only right-wing extremists boycotting the ballot.

Supporters of Inkatha and the ANC have fought in the black townships for years — three ANC election workers were killed Saturday and eight were missing after a shooting in Ulundi, the capital of the Zulu homeland.

Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi, who agreed last week to end the party's boycott of the balloting, joined in condemning the violence Sunday.

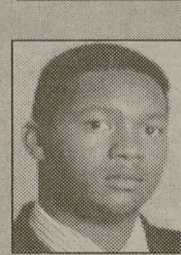
He appealed to his supporters: "The IFP gains absolutely nothing from violence. . . . Let the election run its course and let it be free and fair."

The attack did not bear hallmarks of militant black groups, who have tended to focus on white targets, either civilian or military. Most of the victims Sunday were black. White right-wingers are known to possess explosives and to be experts at using them.

The blast "could herald an attempt by the right-wing to make the country ungovernable," military analyst Helmoed-Romer Heitman said.

Three Aggies headed to NFL

The Associated Press



Adams

NEW YORK — For the first time in A&M history, three Aggie players were selected in the first round of the NFL draft.

All-American defensive end Sam Adams, All-American cornerback Aaron Glenn and all-Southwest Conference running back Greg Hill created the trifecta.

Adams was the first drafted, going to the Seattle Seahawks with the eight pick where he will team up with All-Pro defensive tackle Cortez Kennedy.

"They (the Seahawks) have two people now who are going have to be dealt with," said A&M defensive line coach Bill Johnson, who coached Adams for three years.

Adams, a 6-2, 292-pound junior, had 101 1/2 sacks, 13 tackles for loss and 16 quarterback pressures last season.

Some draft analysts expressed concern about the talented Adams, the third lineman taken in the draft. His practice habits had been questioned, and he has been criticized for sometimes inconsistent play.

"I think Sam's ready to play football out there," Johnson said. "I think he's going to grow up. He's never had a chance to grow up, since he started playing as soon as he got here as a freshman. Any time he's had problems he's overcome them."

All-American defensive back Aaron Glenn was the next Texan to go, taken by the New York Jets with the 12th pick.

The Jets traded up to take Glenn, a senior, sending New Orleans their 13th choice in the first round and a fifth-round choice.

Hill went to the Kansas City Chiefs with the 25th pick overall.

Bush to visit A&M for press conference, speaking engagement

By James Bernsen
The Battalion

Republican gubernatorial candidate George W. Bush will make a campaign stop on the Texas A&M campus today to speak to the College Republicans.



Bush

Dr. Richard Stadelmann, faculty adviser to the College Republicans, said Bush will probably try to show people that he is not just running on the basis of his name.

"One of the things he wants to do is let people know he's got a platform, and that he's not just a baseball owner and son of a president," he said.

The speech will start at 8:30 p.m. in Rudder Auditorium.

Dolly Criste, president of Aggies for George W. Bush, said no specific topic has been announced for the speech.

"Basically, he'll talk about why he's running, what he wants to see, and what he stands for," she said. "We think many people are still undecided. They think George W. Bush will be their candidate, but they want to know what exactly he stands for."

Criste said Bush has a good chance because many people are fed up with the lack of direction in Austin, and Bush will be the candidate for change in 1994.

Stadelmann said Bush may introduce new aspects of his platform at the speech.

"He's been introducing new issues along the way, so he may have some new things to say," he said. "I anticipate that he'll have a few things to say about education, particularly at the university level."

Bush will also speak at a press conference at 3 p.m. and a meeting of Aggies for George W. Bush at 4 p.m., both in the College Station Conference Center.

Bush will face Gov. Ann Richards in the November election. Richards also will be in the Bryan-College Station area on Thursday.

The Corps moves on



David Birch/The Battalion

Bryon Prestridge (right), a senior sports management major, explains the duties and responsibilities of his position as executive officer to his successor Matt Barbour during the Corps of Cadets

March to the Brazos on Saturday. March to the Brazos is the Corps annual fund raising event for the March of Dimes. The Corps uses the march as its "unofficial" changing of command.

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College of Business to make move to West Campus building, provide modern facilities

By Melissa Jacobs
The Battalion

The relocation of Texas A&M's College of Business next spring will be a relief to the already crowded Blocker Building and will give business students more modern facilities.

Dr. Dean W. Wichern, associate dean of business administration, said the College of Business has almost doubled in student enrollment since moving into the Blocker Building in 1980.

"The growth in faculty, staff and course sections has created serious space allocation problems," he said. "The Blocker Building is not well designed for a college that has a high degree of academic integration.

A&M currently has the second largest undergraduate business program in the nation.

The new home of the College of Business, the Wehner Building, will be on A&M's West Campus and will be used solely for the college.

Wichern said the new building will provide an identity for the College of Business.

"We are presently the largest college on campus without a single building solely dedicated to us," he said. "It's a business building, a formal unit on campus."

Wichern said the college will be more integrated because it will be the sole occupant of the four-story, 190,000 square foot building.

"A lot of our programs can benefit from more interaction," he said. "A single build-

ing will foster more interaction between faculty members."

Wichern said students will benefit from the new building in several ways.

"The classroom facilities will be more technologically advanced with more audio/ video equipment," he said. "Many classrooms will be case-style, or on tiers, where the instructor can walk down the middle of the room."

Podiums at the front of classrooms will give the instructor control of extensive audio/visual systems, including computer-generated displays.

The new building also will benefit faculty members because of the improved comput-

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An effort to end rape

Organizers hope week helped public

By Eloise Flint

The Battalion

Sexual assault awareness week, held two weeks ago on the Texas A&M campus, is accomplishing its goals, organizers said.

Deborah Theis-Cole, sexual assault prevention education coordinator, said displays set up during the week helped to inform observers that sexual assault occurs more often than they think.

"A chain was displayed in the MSC, and each link represented a person that had been assaulted," she said.

A wall was also set up behind the chain which allowed students to write on individual bricks about an experience they or a friend had had with sexual assault.

"Somebody had a date on the wall from only the weekend before," Theis-Cole said.

"It caught people's attention, but it occurs much more often than is reported to police or the rape crisis center."

According to A&M's division of student services, an estimated 25 percent of female college students have been victims of rape or attempted rape.

University Police Department officials urge students to become aware of the implications and

consequences of sexual assault.

Lt. Bert Kretzschmar of UPD said sexual assault is classified into two groups: acquaintance/date rape and stranger rape.

"Stranger rape is more apt to be reported because you feel so angry and violated that you want to apprehend that person," Kretzschmar said.

The majority of stranger rapes reported to UPD are committed by people not affiliated with A&M, but almost all reported date rapes are committed by students, Kretzschmar said.

When a student commits a sexual assault, UPD begins a criminal investigation and turns over its findings to student judicial services, where the student's academic punishment is decided.

Theis-Cole said there is a strong link between date rape and alcohol consumption.

According to the department of student affairs, in order to consent to sexual intercourse, both partners must have the ability to make a decision.

Kretzschmar said date rape often occurs when alcohol and drugs are involved because they tend to loosen inhibitions and impair judgment.

Although acquaintance rape can't always be avoided, Kretzschmar said there are some preventative measures that should be considered.

"You've got to trust your feel

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Former president remembered as world statesman

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Former president Richard Nixon died Friday night, four days after suffering a stroke that had left him in a deep coma. He was 81.

The former president was partially paralyzed on the right side and unable to speak even before he slipped into the coma Thursday.

In 1974, under the cloud of the Watergate scandal, he became the first president to resign.

He was remembered last Friday with kind words from old friends and foes alike.

"Past differences are now history. I wish him God's care and

peace," said Connecticut Gov. Lowell Weicker, who as a Republican member of the Senate Watergate Committee often took sides against the GOP president.

Former President Reagan said: "Today the world mourns the loss of a great champion of democratic ideals who dedicated his life to the cause of world peace. For millions, Richard Nixon was truly one of the finest statesmen this world has ever seen."



Nixon

Carl Albert, the Oklahoma Democrat who was U.S. House speaker during Nixon's presidency, had these thoughts: "He was sort of weird but to me he was a friendly sort of person." Albert said from McAlester, Okla. "I never had any trouble with him."

In the hours after the stroke, doctors said Nixon was out of grave danger, alert and in good spirits.

He was moved out of intensive care briefly Tuesday, but returned two hours later when doctors discovered swelling of the brain.

Doctors sometimes try to reduce brain swelling after a stroke by using a respirator to speed up

breathing. Nixon, however, was not put on a respirator deference to his explicit wishes, several news organizations reported.

Nixon's stroke apparently was the result of a blood clot that formed in his heart and moved to the brain's middle cerebral artery.

The blockage deprived this crucial cranial region of oxygen, damaging some brain tissue and causing the swelling.

Nixon had been working on his latest book when he was stricken.

His daughters, Julie Eisenhower and Tricia Cox, were at his side as his condition deteriorated. His wife, Pat, died last year.