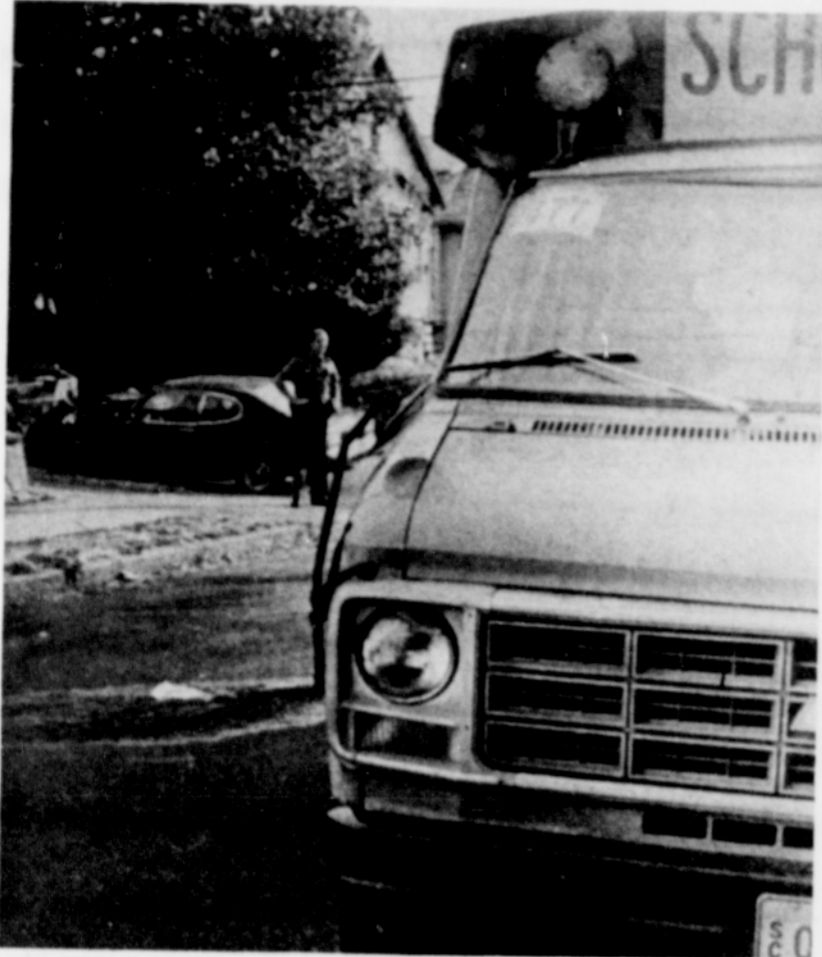


Announcement of Informational Hearing

The Bureau of Parks and recreation has received a proposal to rename Alberta Park, located at NE 22nd & Killingsworth. The policy of the Bureau at the time of request outlines a process for collecting information on each proposed name change prior to making a decision on the request. The hearing is strictly for information which will be considered along with other information in preparing a recommendation.

As part of this information gathering process we are inviting interested citizens to share their viewpoint at a hearing scheduled for October 2, 1986, 7:30 p.m., Matt Dishman Community Center Auditorium, 77 NE Knott, or submit written response no later than October 7, 1986 to Cleve Williams, Bureau of Parks and Recreation, 1120 SW 5th, Room 502, Portland, OR 97204.

The proposed name change is from Alberta Park to Ira D. Mumford Park. The proposed name change was submitted by the Black United Front. Information received from the community should be directed to the appropriateness of the specifically proposed name change, particularly the contributions of the individual to the development of the specific park.



Northeast Eighth and Skidmore was the scene Monday of an accident involving a car and a school bus carrying two students. The students were wearing seat belts and were taken to Emanuel Hospital, treated and released along with the driver and passenger of the car. The driver of the car, Frank Comer McArthur of Oakland California was cited for not having a valid operators license, failure to yield the right-of-way and driving an uninsured vehicle.

Photo by Richard J. Brown



First Vice President and Contract Negotiator for the United Farm Workers of America, Dolores Huerta was in Portland Monday urging a boycott of California grapes by Portland consumers. The union is trying to stop the use of what is considered the most lethal chemicals used by California growers. High incidences of cancer and birth defects are occurring in communities where these chemicals are used.

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"Black children are particularly hard hit by this phenomenon; an important factor being tendency to delay seeking medical treatment due to economic reasons," according to Dr. Helen E. Nash, of St. Louis, MO.

Dr. Nash, who is a Professor of Clinical Pediatrics at Washington University School of Medicine, treats a large black patient population. Like many physicians, Dr. Nash believes that increased mortality may stem from a tendency toward self medication by patients and delayed intervention by physicians.

"Recent research suggests that the lungs become more inflamed and the symptoms more life threatening with each attack. Thus, early intervention and treatment with a medication such as cromolyn sodium, that can help prevent attacks, is increasingly important," she notes.

The asthma mortality rate was found to be associated with certain demographic patterns, such as greater prevalence among boys, blacks, and urban dwellers. Statistics place the death rate at 350% higher in black children than in whites. Among children under age 14, the incidence was 30% higher in boys than in girls.

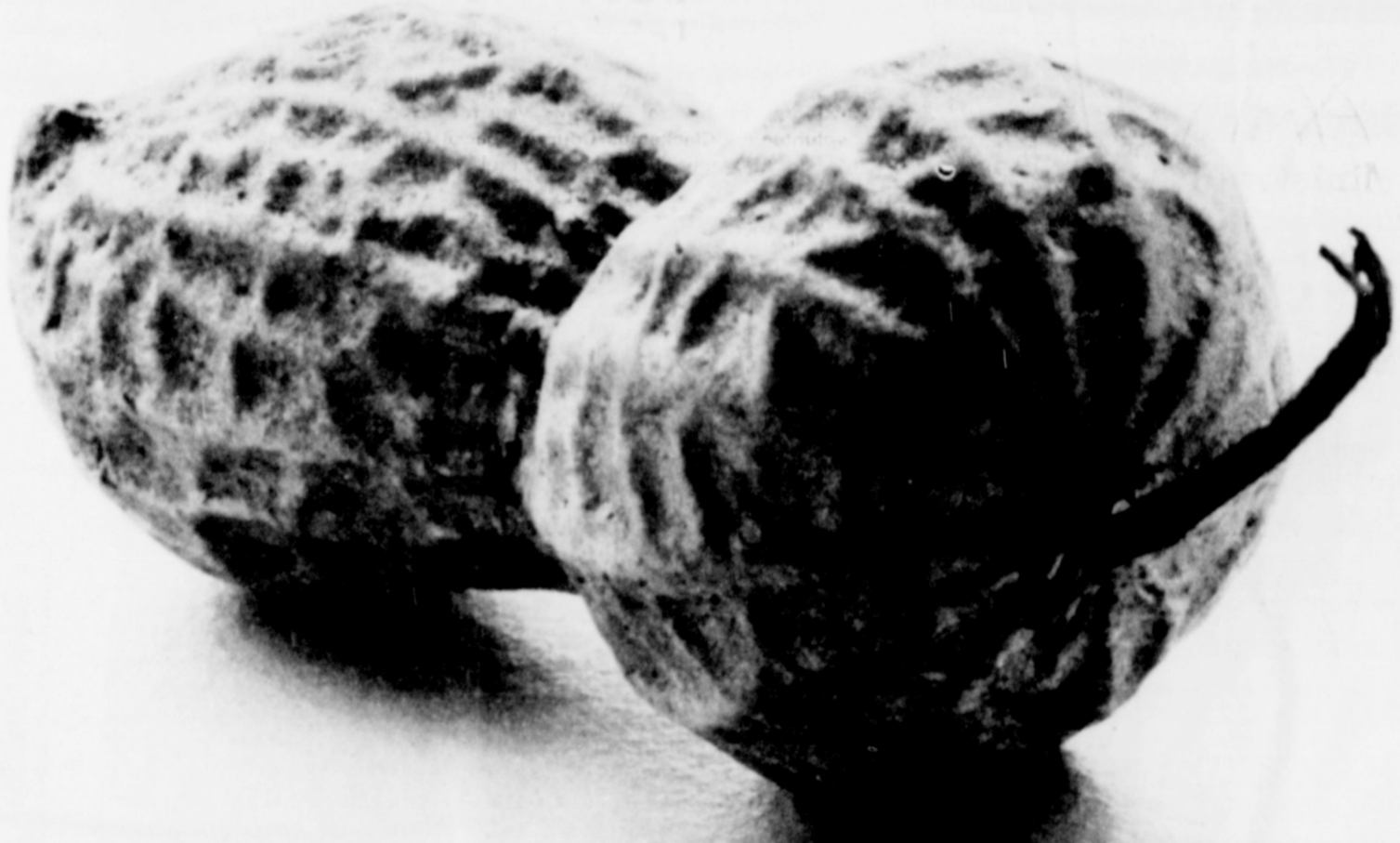
According to the findings of a recent study presented at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Allergy and Immunology, asthma deaths were most common in the South (1.8 per million) and least common in the North Central states (1.2 per million). The rate in the Northeast and West was 1.6 per million. Overall, deaths were more common in urban rather than rural areas.

"This is a very unfortunate situation, as the majority of these deaths could have been avoided with the proper medical attention," said Dr. Nash. "Part of being a physician is being an educator. Patient and public education, especially on the preventive aspects of treatment, is the ONLY way to overcome this trend," she said.

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