

Norfolk Cool To Suggestion To Start School Integration

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Norfolk, Va. — A federal judge's suggestion to get a few Negroes into white schools here next week without waiting for solution of federal-state conflicts was received today in this booming southern port city with the limp enthusiasm that might be shown for a portrait of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant.

In this bustling, crowded area of shipbuilding and merchant shipping, huge Navy installations and large industrial plants, U. S. District Judge Walter E. Hoffman seems strangely alone in his suggestion from the bench for school opening ahead of the many legal actions piling up on the Virginia integration front.

Hoffman was scheduled to rule today on a plea to void a state court injunction aimed essentially at blocking federal integration orders. The request before him from the city school board was designed primarily to avoid being placed in contempt of Virginia's highest state court while trying to follow the federal orders to integrate.

Schools Closed Tight

While this game of legal dodge ball bounced toward new peaks of activity, Norfolk's 54 public schools were closed tight. An estimated 42,000 pupils — 34 per cent Negro, 66 per cent white — figuratively were loose on the town to the deep concern of the city's population of about 300,000.

Barring legal developments to the contrary, the schools are scheduled to open Monday after a week's delay. If the city follows the previous rulings of Hoffman, 17 Negroes will be admitted to three high schools and three junior highs. Ten thousand children attend these six schools.

Under state law, Gov. J. Lindsay Almond Jr. was not expected to let integration take place. Between now and Monday Almond probably will close the six schools unless local authorities beat him to it.

Comments on Law

In a long hearing in Federal Court Wednesday night, Hoffman interrupted an attorney to comment on the Virginia law, passed as an anti-integration measure in 1956. The law gives a state pupil placement board final authority on all pupil transfers.

In a specific state court injunction against the Norfolk School Board, the state Supreme Court of Appeals ordered the city board to do nothing about the "assignment" of students beyond the authority of the state board which has rejected the 17 Negro transfers approved by Hoffman in an earlier proceeding.

The judge looked down from his bench on a crowded courtroom and said: "Maybe assignment and enrollment

could come along later and you could let the education start Monday. If you could influence the governor to go along with that thought, I

might go along with you." L. S. Pendleton, the attorney, shrugged his shoulders and said he could not influence Almond.



CULMINATING BRIEF COURTSHIP. Sandra Drummond, 20, Las Vegas, Nev., showgirl, and Phillip Crosby, 23, son of Bing Crosby, announce they plan to wed soon.



ENDING NATIONWIDE SEARCH with more than 1,500 candidates interviewed, these four girls are finalists in hunt by Department of Health, Education and Welfare for "Typical Modern American Girl." Meeting in Washington are, from left: Marcia Ann Wright, Bridgewater, Mass.; Dede Lesage, New Orleans, La.; Peggy Jacobson, Downey, Calif., and Jana Dail, St. Louis, Mo.

Harvey, ILWU Decision Near

Portland — UPI — Circuit Judge Alfred Sulmonetti indicated today he would have a decision next week in a suit brought by the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union with Harvey Aluminum company. The union charged that the firm violated a contract in hiring nonunion help for unloading operations of an alumina ore ship.

Attorneys for Harvey Aluminum sought Wednesday to have the union's injunction

suit thrown out on grounds it was "in sketchy form" and confused. Charles E. Wright, company attorney, claimed the union showed no proof in its complaint that a contract existed and said the union was "seeking to enforce an illegal contract." He contended use of a union hiring hall was not legal and also that the matter was for federal, not state, jurisdiction.

Last month the union tried to restrain the company from unloading a ship at a Port-

California Voices Disapproval of Gas Line Merger

Washington — UPI — California Assistant Attorney General William M. Bennett injected some fireworks Wednesday into opening Federal Power Commission hearings on the proposed merger of El Paso Natural Gas Co. with Pacific Northwest Pipeline Corp.

Bennett voiced California's opposition to the merger in a hearing room packed to the bursting. He said his state believed combining the two giant natural gas producers would undermine "the free enterprise system."

Others Approve

Virtually every other state serviced by either of the two pipeline systems has registered approval of the merger. Paul Kayser, president of El Paso, was the lead-off witness at the hearing, which is expected to continue two weeks or longer. Bennett's remarks were made in the course of brief introductory statements by persons planning to testify before Examiner Daniel J. Kelly.

Kayser said the "greatest advantage" of the merger would be to permit large-scale tapping of unexploited Canadian gas fields, thus guaranteeing American consumers a steady source of supply for years to come.

Parks Commission Created in Marion

Salem — UPI — County Judge Rex Hartley said today a parks commission has been created to advise the Marion county court on park development.

The move is the first step in setting up a parks department. The six commissioners will serve voluntarily but will have a full-time staff. The county court has agreed that no property will be disposed of without an investigation of the commission into possible recreational use.

The county has 170 acres which might be used for parks. The land is located in two parcels on the Little North Fork river and on the Willamette river near Champeog state park.

NOSE CONE DISPLAYED

Detroit — UPI — A Jupiter missile nose cone that was recovered from the Atlantic Ocean after being fired 1,500 miles was placed on public display for the first time Wednesday at the American Rocket Society meeting.

WRITER, POET DIES

Figuiera Da Fox, Portugal — UPI — Cardoso Maria, 76, Portuguese writer and poet, died here today.

land dock with non-union workers. However, a temporary restraining order against the company was lifted and the Harvey firm proceeded to unload a shipment of alumina for The Dalles.

Father Voted Number One Hero by Boys in Survey Made by Boy Scouts

New York — UPI — This isn't Father's Day, but take a bow anyway, Pop.

To most adolescent American boys, according to a survey released today by the Boy Scouts of America, Dad is their No. 1 hero.

The reasons are a little surprising, too. It's not because Dad is a big, handsome all-powerful fellow that his sons choose him as their hero.

Ninety per cent of the boys questioned said they admire father for his character, judgment, personal qualities, and vocational and social skills.

During the BSA — sponsored survey, a scientific sampling of the attitudes and desires of boys aged 14 to 16, the youngsters were contacted by experts from the Social Research Institute of the University of Michigan.

Guidance Needed

One finding was that boys today often feel a greater need for parental guidance than they show. Most regard decisions about "when to be in at night," money and personal problems to be in the

province of their parents. It may come as a blow to girls, but the boys said they worry more about achievement winning, school grades.

Directors of PP&L

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Portland — UPI — Directors of the Pacific Power and Light Co. Wednesday declared a quarterly dividend of 40 cents per share of the common stock and the regular quarterly dividends on the outstanding shares of preferred stock. The dividends are payable Oct. 10 to stockholders of record Sept. 30.

Three Men Die in Crash Near Madras

Madras — UPI — Three men were killed instantly Wednesday afternoon in a two-car head on collision about 25 miles north of here on Highway 97.

Dead are Virgil Alvy Roberts, 50, and his son, Gene Louis Roberts, 27, both of Silverton, Ore., and Kenneth Charles Milliren, 52, Los Angeles.

State police said the two cars hit head on at Antelope junction near Willowsdale. The Roberts vehicle was headed north.

The Jefferson county coroner's office said Milliren had been visiting relatives in Washington and was going to do some fishing in Oregon en route home.

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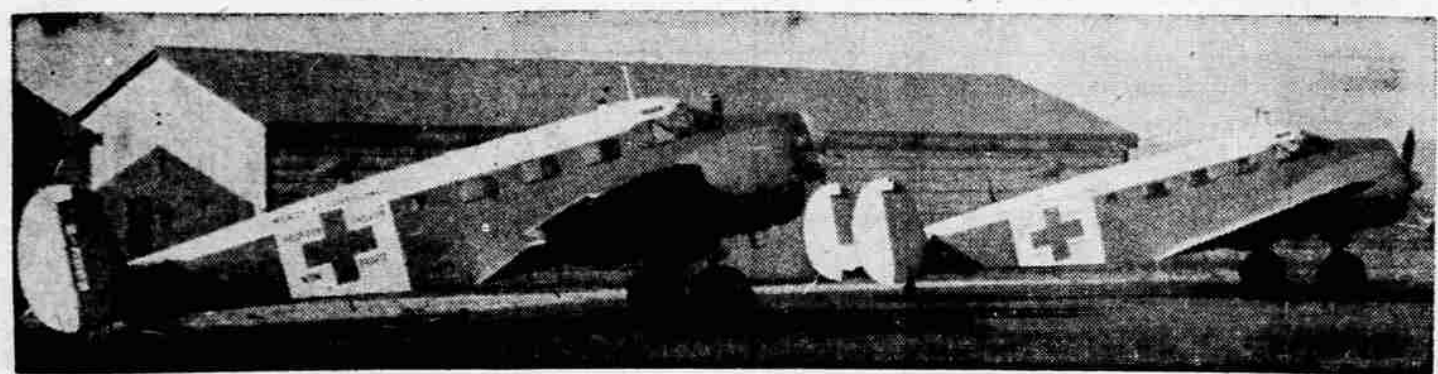
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