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1) Write a short synopsis of the history of the Dan Ryan Expressway

The Dan Ryan express was completed in 1962, being built to replace the aging housing of the poor for development. It improved transportation and provided fast service around the city. The expressway is a free way in Chicago that runs from the circle downtown to the southside of Chicago. It is one of the biggest in Chicago that consists of 14 lanes being 12 miles long that goes around the city of Chicago.

2) Write a short synopsis of the Atlanta Article

The Atlanta Expressway is a freeway in the US with horrible and dangerous traffic that is 44 miles long and has 10 lanes. The expressway is always clogged up and busy; it sometimes takes hours to get to a place. For example, the 12-to-14 lane is constantly clogged with three mile long jams. This expressway connects the city of Atlanta north to the south, a success from going against segregation. Segregation and slavery was heavy socially and politically in Atlanta. After the civil law and other historic events segregation started to leave and the need for new transportation routes for people to get around was needed. The Atlanta Expressway was built to go north to south to provide new transportation service.

3) What was the impact of the building of the Dan Ryan expressway on Bronzeville?

The southside of Chicago consisted of many small overlapped houses and buildings, poor sanitation, poor construction, limited resources and water, and had a busy class workforce before the Dan Ryan was built. The Dan Ryan Express was built cut through the working class force, factories, and the area close to the other side of the railroad tracks that was huge. Reinforced lanes made it possible to go to different places, especially to get to SouthWest of Chicago. The expressway also helps people go to work and the city quickly. The expressway changed the entire identity of the southside in Chicago.

1) Write a short synopsis of the history of the Dan Ryan Expressway

The Dan Ryan Expressway was created for easier and more efficient transportation from downtown to the south side and the suburbs. The Dan Ryan Expressway route was shifted to reinforce the border between Daley's native Bridgeport and the Black Belt to the east. However, the Dan Ryan was built in place of many homes and businesses. The government used eminent domain to buy homes from people to tear them down. Many of these homes were in the area of Bronzeville, making the size of that area smaller.

2) Write a short synopsis of the Atlanta Article

In Atlanta, even after slavery was abolished, blacks and whites were kept separate. Interways were one way to keep black and white neighborhoods apart. To build these interways, many homes of poor residents and racial minorities were demolished. However, urban renewal and the interstates only cause more white people to flee to the suburbs. As the suburbs grew, traffic became worse. An obvious solution to this is mass transit, but this idea was opposed by white suburbans for racial reasons. MAFTA, an organization pushing for mass transit, was constantly voted against. Because of these conflicts and the city still being stalled in the past, Atlanta still has some of the worst traffic.

3) What was the impact of the building of the Dan Ryan expressway on Bronzeville?

In 1962, the Dan Ryan Expressway opened on Bronzeville's border, physically and economically isolating the community from other neighborhoods and perpetuating a cycle of disinvestment, decline, and urban renewal efforts to combat those trends that in many ways continue to this day.

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(The history of the Dan Ryan Expressway was opened in 1961. It provided easy access through different neighborhoods to make it easier for people to travel through. Dan Ryan was named after a former president named Dan Ryan Jr.)

2) Write a short synopsis of the Atlanta Article

(Atlanta is known for having the worst traffic that will last hours and no one gets to where they need to go. They also have a bad history of segregation and before the civil war, African Americans were enslaved for labor. When the new highway system was imported, it bulldozed through poor houses and mainly for racial reasons. They used this highway to separate the areas of black and white. At one point, many of the whites were moving away because of the poorly placed highways and rails. The government continued to try and tell reporters that they aren't racist because people took MARTA in a racist way. People thought that the racial commotion would die down but it never did and people didn't want immigrants to come in.)

3) What was the impact of the building of the Dan Ryan expressway on Bronzeville?

(The impact that the Dan Ryan had on Bronzeville was that it passed through about half of the entire area. This caused people to have to flee their homes, many places were destroyed, and this also was a subtle way to separate the black areas from the white areas. Maybe maybe families were split up because of this, or the expressway took down some of their food supplies and they had to start over in new areas.)