

News Summary and Index

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The Major Events of the Day

International

The initial findings of an Israeli commission investigating the October war were attacked from both the left and right in Israel as excessively severe on the military command and too lenient on the political leadership of the country. [1:5.]

Alain Poher, the centrist president of the French Senate, was officially proclaimed the Acting President of France as the death of President Pompidou left an atmosphere of grave uncertainty and political confusion. Mr. Poher will serve until a new president is elected—no later than May 5. Among the leading prospective candidates are a former Premier, the Finance Minister, the president of the National Assembly and the head of the Socialist party. [1:5.]

The death of President Pompidou has thrown Europe into confusion about the future of the Common Market. Officials of the economic union predicted a period of prolonged stagnation and it seemed clear that little progress could be made in any area until a French President is elected. [1:6-8.]

Administration officials said that President Nixon plans to fly to Paris for a Saturday service in memory of President Pompidou, and that he might extend his stay to meet with leading contenders for the French presidency, perhaps with the idea of easing recent diplomatic strains. [1:6,7-8.]

After two days adrift in the Atlantic, 1,648 cruise passengers abandoned the crippled Queen Elizabeth 2 and were ferried by a bobbing flotilla of launches to the Norwegian cruise ship Sea Venture. Then, their ordeal at sea behind them, the passengers steamed toward Bermuda for air connections to New York. [1:1-3.]

National

President Nixon announced that he would pay \$432,787.13 in back taxes plus interest after Congressional investigators and the Internal Revenue Service concluded that the President had underpaid his taxes by more than \$400,000 in his first four years in the White House. The President's announcement came shortly after a joint Congressional committee issued a staff report finding that the President had failed to report five separate categories of taxable income and had claimed six different categories of unwarranted deductions. [1:8,7; Text, P. 28.]

While the White House statement said that Mr. Nixon would pay the full amount of back taxes assessed by the Internal Revenue Service, it said he could and should contest the findings of the I.R.S. [1:7.]

Though the White House said the I.R.S. had concluded that the President had not committed fraud in underpaying his taxes, and Congressional investigators did not address the question, the staff of the House Judiciary Committee began a study of the investigators' report to determine whether the President's tax matters provide grounds for impeachment. [1:2.]

Three witnesses gave testimony in a civil lawsuit supporting a contention that a suitcase containing a \$50,000 cash campaign donation from Howard Hughes had been placed at the feet of Hubert H. Humphrey in 1968, when Senator Humphrey was Vice President. Senator Humphrey has denied under oath that he ever received the money, which witnesses said was placed in his limousine as he left a Los Angeles hotel after a fundraising dinner in July, 1968. [3:1-8.]

The Republican Lieutenant Governor of California, Ed Reinecke, was indicted by a Watergate grand jury on charges of lying to the Senate Judiciary Committee about the timing of conversations he had with then Attorney General John N. Mitchell in 1971 concerning the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation's offer to help underwrite the 1972 Republican National Convention. The charges stem from an investigation into possible political influence in the settlement of three antitrust suits against I.T.T. [1:6.]

In a tape-recorded message delivered to a Berkeley, Calif., radio station, Patricia Hearst declared that she had decided to join the forces of the Symbionese Liberation Army. The development came a day after the S.L.A. said it was planning to release Miss Hearst, who the police say was kidnapped on Feb. 4. [1:1-3.]

Metropolitan

The State Assembly voted to protect pensions of workers in private industry by guaranteeing their rights to benefits after 15 years in a pension plan, even if they change companies. The bill, which also requires a periodic state audit of every pension fund, now goes to the Senate. [1:4.]

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"The charitable deductions (\$482,018) taken for a gift of papers from 1969-1972 should not, in the staff's view, be allowed because the gift was made after July 25, 1969, the date when the provisions of the Tax Reform Act of 1969 disallowing such deductions became effective."—The Joint Congressional Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation. [28:5.]

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CORRECTIONS

In an article in The New York Times yesterday a co-producer of a Latin Night jazz program at the Newport Jazz Festival—New York in June was wrongly identified by festival officials. The co-producer will be Felipe Luciano.

An article in The Times Tuesday indicated inadvertently that the Investor Responsibility Research Center was party to a stockholder proposal regarding employment practices at the Good-year Tire and Rubber Company. The center took no position.