

# News Summary and Index

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## The Major Events of the Day

**International**  
Sources at the Middle East conference in Geneva said that President Hafez al-Assad of Syria gave secret assurances that Palestinian guerrillas would not be permitted to infiltrate across the Syrian border into Israel. Although the assurances were spoken, not written, they were accepted by Israel and were vital to the conclusion of the troop disengagement agreement. [1:5.] Representatives of Syria and Israel signed the agreement in the Palais des Nations in Geneva. [10:1-6.] With the signing of the agreement, the firing died away on the Israeli-Syrian front early yesterday afternoon, but throughout the morning artillery shells had exploded over wide areas of the Golan Heights and the Damascus Plateau, the final crescendo of the strange war of attrition begun by Syria 11 weeks ago. [11:1-3.]

It was announced in Washington and Moscow that President Nixon and Leonid I. Brezhnev will meet in the Soviet Union for a week beginning June 27. It was also learned that Mr. Nixon was pressing ahead with arrangements for a trip to the Middle East beginning around June 9. [1:3-5.]

### National

Entering the Watergate case for the first time, the Supreme Court agreed to decide whether President Nixon can withhold evidence of possible crimes from the Watergate special prosecutor, Leon Jaworski. The justices voted to let Mr. Jaworski bypass the United States Court of Appeals in an effort to settle the critical issue swiftly. [1:8.]

The staff of the Senate Watergate committee believes that donations by dairy cooperatives to President Nixon's 1972 reelection campaign were apparently linked directly to Mr. Nixon's order to raise milk price supports in 1971. The staff found serious deficiencies in a recent White House paper that said the President had not been influenced by campaign pledges of up to \$2-million when he ordered the price support increases. [1:6-7.]

Prices of a host of consumer and industrial products have shot up since Government controls lapsed a month ago, producing a widely anticipated inflationary surge, and buyers can expect to pay higher prices for hundreds of other items in the months immediately ahead despite a decline in farm prices. [1:7.]

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"Even though the harsh realities of the problem may yet present us with occasional setbacks and tortuous and difficult road toward normalization and reconciliation among the peoples of the Middle East, I have the strong conviction that this historic agreement may well turn out to be that giant and courageous step that brought us to the threshold of a new era of trust, justice and peace in the Middle East."—Gen. Ensis Siliyasvo of Finland, U.N. commander, following the signing of Syrian-Israeli disengagement agreement. [10:4.]

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