

News Summary and Index

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The Major Events of the Day—Section 1

International

The unbroken record of victories by Socialist candidates in Austrian Presidential elections since World War II was maintained with the election of Rudolf Kirchschlager, a lawyer and diplomat. Mr. Kirchschlager, who has been his country's Foreign Minister since 1970, succeeds Franz Jonas, who died April 24. He is not a member of a political party but was the personal choice of Chancellor Bruno Kreisky as the nominee of the Socialist party. [1:7]

Cambodia has become a paradise for food profiteers. Merchants brand new to the food business are reportedly making a \$10,000-a-day profit by flying scarce staples from Cambodia's agricultural areas over insurgent-held territory into Phnom Penh, the capital, where many families spend their entire incomes to feed themselves. [1:5-6]

High Administration officials said that Secretary of State Kissinger made no secret arrangements with Soviet leaders about the missile-limitation agreement of 1972, but that he also did not inform Congress of several aspects of it that may have led to confusion over the agreements. The officials, giving their version of the controversy, said that it evolved from a misunderstanding over what appeared to be an ambiguity in one of the protocols to the agreement and from a "prediction" Mr. Kissinger had made about the number of United States missile launchers aboard submarines. On Saturday, The New York Times said that Mr. Kissinger had reached secret arrangements with Soviet leaders regarding the agreement. [1:2-3]

National

Leaders of the nation's Mayors, who are meeting in San Diego, rejected three Water-gate-related resolutions to prevent a fight they believed would have been bitter and divisive. Led by Mayor Kenneth A. Gibson of Newark, a Democrat, and Mayor Ralph J. Park of Cleveland, a Republican, the resolutions committee of the Conference of Mayors tabled the resolutions, which would have supported laws proposing to curb executive privilege and implied Presidential powers, to require public financing of election campaigns, and to establish a strong election finance reporting system. [1:8]

The American Medical Association began its 123d annual convention in Chicago with its leadership hoping to prevent an open

split in the medical profession over the issue of peer review, under which physicians examine the professional methods of their colleagues. The peer review program was mandated under Federal law two years. "This is the most divisive issue in the history of American medicine," said Dr. Russell B. Roth, who is completing his term as the association's president. [1:4]

A spectacular rocket barrage by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration is scheduled start today above the East Coast, weather permitting, and will last for 24 hours beginning at 12:50 P.M. Fifty-four rockets will be fired from Wallops Island on the Virginia coast, and six will release chemicals that should make brilliant trails in the night, sky, visible from Boston to Florida and as far inland as the Middle West. [1:1]

Secretary of State Kissinger went alone to a large wedding party given for him and his wife, the former Nancy Maginnes, by Mr. and Mrs. Nelson A. Rockefeller at Po-cantico Hills, the Rockefeller family estate in North Tarrytown, N. Y. His wife, whom he married nearly three months ago, is recuperating from a gastric ulcer at Bethesda (Md.) Naval Hospital. [1:1-3]

Metropolitan

Mayor Beame made a dutiful, but at times impatient, appearance on the stage that his predecessor, John V. Lindsay, had used to advance a Presidential campaign. At the annual meeting of the United States Conference of Mayors in San Diego, he underplayed the Mayor-of-New-York role in which Mr. Lindsay had appeared with considerable flash, but he was the center of a respectful crowd of his fellow municipal executives. He also provided the only news on the "Meet the Press" television program when he discussed plans for a caucus of Democratic mayors "to give us clout and input into the Democratic Convention." [1:5-7]

Four armed, masked youths invaded a juvenile detention center in Bridgeport and fired with five teen-aged inmates—three boys and two girls. The abductors shot a matron in the hip and locked two guards in the escapees' cells. Two of the youths who allegedly aided the escape were later taken into custody. One was identified as a participant in a similar escape at the detention center a year ago, in which two youths fled with a 14-year-old girl. [1:2]

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CORRECTION
In an obituary article Friday in The New York Times on Dr. Alfred E. Mirsky, Rockefeller University bi-chemist, a colleague of the scientist was described as the late Dr. Arthur Pollister. Dr. Pollister is living in retirement in Dixfield, Me.