

# News Summary and Index

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## The Major Events of the Day

### International

Residents of Minsk, the capital of the Byelorussian Republic, turned out in substantial numbers to greet President Nixon. The city was decorated with red banners and enormous portraits of Lenin, Leonid I. Brezhnev and other Soviet officials; to celebrate the 30th anniversary of its liberation from the Germans in World War II. The anniversary evoked memories of the Soviet-American alliance during the war. President Nixon, who was accompanied by Mrs. Nixon, used every occasion to mingle with the crowds. [1:5.]

President Juan Domingo Peron of Argentina, one of the most controversial political figures in Latin American history, died in Buenos Aires, reportedly of heart disease, at the age of 78. The announcement of his death was made by his wife, Vice President Isabel Peron. She assumes the presidency, becoming the first woman chief of state in the Americas. [1:7-8.]

Soviet authorities thwarted an unofficial scientific seminar planned by group of Jewish scientists who were barred from working since they applied to emigrate to Israel. More than a half-dozen of the organizers of the unauthorized seminar have been jailed in the last two weeks. Three others were arrested yesterday. [3:1-2.]

### National

Peter W. Rodino, Jr., chairman of the House Judiciary Committee agreed, in an apparent attempt at conciliation, to summon all of the witnesses proposed by President Nixon's defense lawyer for the impeachment hearings which are scheduled to resume today. But this failed to stem growing partisan friction in the committee and the House in general. [1:1.]

Leon Jaworski, the Watergate special prosecutor, said that the Watergate grand jury had named President Nixon as an indicted co-conspirator so that any evidence he might give would be admissible in any trial of members of the alleged conspiracy. He stated this in legal papers filed in the Supreme Court and it raised the prospect that the Government might attempt to summon Mr. Nixon to testify against his former aides in the cover-up trial scheduled to start in September. [1:2.]

## The Other News

### International

Marcus Wayne Chenuault, a 23-year-old former college student from Columbus, Ohio, accused of shooting to death the mother of the late Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and also a deacon in an Atlanta church Sunday, was arraigned in Municipal Court there. The defendant, who is black, said he was "a Hebrew" and gave his name to the court as "Servant Jacob." Judge E. T. Brock entered pleas of not guilty to two charges of murder, two of carrying concealed weapons and one of assault. [1:3-4.]

Robert A. Mahou won his defamation suit today against his former employer, Howard R. Hughes, who told reporters that he dismissed Mr. Mahou because "he stole me blind." Mr. Mahou had sued for \$17.3-million in damages. A \$4.5-million counterclaim by the Hughes interests was rejected by the jury. The financial value of the damages claimed by Mr. Mahou will be decided at a hearing in October. [1:1.]

### Metropolitan

The Mobil Oil Corporation was indicted for alleged criminal violations of New York's antitrust laws and charged with "willfully, knowingly, corruptly and unlawfully" forcing its metropolitan area gasoline dealers, under threat of the loss of their leases, to carry the company's brand of automotive accessories. At the same time, the special state grand jury reportedly has voted additional criminal indictments against other major oil companies. [1:6.]

Investigators said that lack of an emergency fire detection system in addition to an interior layout that forced scores of patrons to flee up a single exit stairway were the major reasons for the high death toll in Sunday morning's fire at Gulliver's night club in Port Chester. [1:3-4.]

Detective Robert S. Leuci testified during five hours of questioning in a packed courtroom in Federal District Court in Manhattan that he gave an assistant district attorney \$500 on behalf of a pimp to fix a case and also received money from two lawyers who were seeking favors for their clients in other cases. The 34-year-old detective, who was the chief undercover agent in a major Federal anticorruption investigation here, said his illegal activities before he became an undercover agent were far more extensive and varied than he had previously acknowledged under oath. [1:5.]

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"I constitutionally assume the first office of the nation, asking every one of its people to demonstrate the fortitude to help me determine the destiny of the country."—Mrs. Isabel Peron, on assuming the presidency of Argentina. [1:8.]

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