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The Major Events of the Day

International

An Israeli commission of inquiry on the Meatol incident in which 20 Israeli students were killed has found that copies of letters in Hebrew from Arab gunmen were not relayed by Israeli officials to the Cabinet in Jerusalem. The commission said the precise terms would have aided the Government in deciding earlier on its options. [1:1-2.]

Arab oil ministers agreed to lift their oil embargo against the Netherlands, imposed nine months ago as a protest against support for Israel in the Middle East war. The decision came at a Cairo meeting. [1:3.]

Prominent citizens announced the formation of the American Committee on U.S.-Soviet Relations, supporting the trend toward their improvement. Founders, at a news conference, sought to combat anti-détente views of Senator Henry Mr. Jackson and others. John Kenneth Galbraith of Harvard stressed that many Democrats disputed the impression that détente belonged to the Administration as a partisan issue. [5:1.]

Portugal's President Antonio da Spínola called in Premier Adelino da Palma Carlos, who with four of his Cabinet ministers had submitted his resignation, in an effort to patch up the civilian coalition Government. Communists, Socialists and centrists declared for it since the alternative would be military rule. [2:6-8.]

National

A draft staff report of the Senate Watergate Committee has disclosed what it described as additional information supporting the charge that Charles G. Rebozo gave or lent part of a \$100,000 "campaign contribution" to President Nixon's secretary and two younger brothers. It contradicted the President's public assertions and Mr. Rebozo's sworn statements that the money was returned to its donor. [1:8.]

A Federal grand jury in Jacksonville indicted Senator Edward J. Gurney of Florida and six other men of running an influence-peddling and extortion racket since 1971. It named 39 contractors and real estate developers as unindicted co-conspirators. Two of the six men accused with Senator Gurney were officials of the Department of Housing and Urban Development in Florida. [1:5-7.]

It was by President Nixon's personal decision, White House officials disclosed, that his discussion of the Watergate cover-up in

a taped conversation on March 22, 1973, was not included in the White House version of the transcripts. His remarks, included in the House Judiciary Committee version released Tuesday, were said to be of "dubious relevancy" to his role in the case. [1:6-7.]

President Nixon's sworn, written answers to six questions from John D. Ehrlichman's defense in the trial over the break-in into the office of Dr. Daniel Ellsberg's former psychiatrist were read to the jury. He was thus in effect the final witness as the defense concluded its case. He said that he had not authorized a search of the physician's files, and that he had set up the "plumbers" unit largely to halt vital security information leaks. [1:5.]

A major report on alcohol and health has found that alcoholism and related problems are costing the nation more than \$25-billion a year and that most American youth are drinking at least occasionally. Lost work, medical expenses and motor vehicle accidents account for most of the economic cost, the report said. [1:1-2.]

Former Attorney General John N. Mitchell reportedly asserted he had a loss of memory on Watergate when testifying in a closed session of the House Judiciary Committee. He had been summoned by the President's counsel, but committee members of both parties said later that his answers had been too vague to help or hurt Mr. Nixon. [1:4-6.]

Metropolitan

New York State has dropped charges against the Asiatic Petroleum Corporation for withholding home heating oil from the market here, after the company agreed in court to sell specified amounts of the fuel here this summer and next when the fuel is cheaper. Under this stipulation Attorney General Louis J. Lefkowitz ended his court action and three other members of the Royal Dutch Shell Petroleum Group. [1:4.]

The Department of Justice is considering disciplinary action against two Federal prosecutors in Brooklyn for conduct that allegedly suggested that they could control sentencing. Federal Judge Orin Judd drew the matter to the attention of Attorney General William B. Saxbe in a letter quoting an unidentified recorded voice saying that a potential witness in a superfecta harness race fixing case would not have to face a jail sentence. [1:1.]

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The obituary of Nancy Newhall, the photography editor and critic, yesterday referred to her as a photographer and acting director of the Eastman House Museum in Rochester. Mrs. Newhall was a curator of photography of the Museum of Modern Art.

CORRECTIONS

Because of an Associated Press transmission error, a phrase and a sentence were omitted from the text of the United States-Soviet treaty on the limitation of underground tests published July 4. A corrective article appears on Page 7.

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