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The Major Events of the Day

International

The Nixon Administration has lost control of the United States policy of maintaining a political and economic quarantine against Cuba, in the opinion of government officials specializing in Latin American affairs. Pat M. Holt, staff director of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, who met with Premier Fidel Castro in Havana Saturday, is also understood to believe that Mr. Castro and others in Latin America have begun to determine the pace and direction of Cuba's breakout from hemisphere isolation. This view reportedly is shared by a growing number of Latin American governments. [1:7-8.]

Portugal's new government is expected to grant independence shortly to Portuguese Guinea, one of her three African territories. The revolts in the African territories were major factors in provoking the coup by Portugal's armed forces against the country's dictatorship last April. [3:6-8.]

National

John D. Ehrlichman, former domestic affairs adviser to President Nixon, and three other defendants were found guilty of conspiring to violate the civil rights of Dr. Daniel Ellsberg's former psychiatrist. The jury also found Mr. Ehrlichman guilty of three of four counts of making false statements. His co-defendants in the conspiracy charge were G. Gordon Liddy, Bernard L. Barker and Eugenio R. Martinez. [1:8.]

The Department of Labor reported that wholesale prices rose only a half per cent age point in June, and said it was the best performance of this important inflation index since last October, when there was a small decline. The rapid rise of industrial prices slackened a bit, and food prices declined for the fourth successive month. There were, however, two important qualifications. [1:1.]

President Nixon reportedly will soon nominate Alan Greenspan, a consulting economist in New York, to be chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisers. Mr. Greenspan, a conservative, advocates a continuation of the present policies of credit restraint and extension or even stronger control over Federal budget outlays. He would replace Herbert Stein, who plans to teach economics at the University of Vir-

The Other News

International

There is a possibility that Mr. Greenspan's Senate confirmation will run into problems. [1:2-3.]

Gov. Martin Mandel ordered 115 Maryland state troopers to deal with the violence that has erupted since some city policemen joined a strike of municipal employes. The strikers are protesting Mayor William D. Schaefer's refusal to consider a pay increase of more than 5.5 per cent, plus 0.5 per cent in fringe benefits. [1:4.]

Two armed convicts asked that the families of the seven hostages they were holding in a basement cell block of the Federal District Courthouse in Washington be brought there to put pressure on the Justice Department to grant the convicts' release, the condition on which the hostages, held since Thursday afternoon, would be freed. The convicts were identified as Frank Gorham Jr., 25, and Otis D. Wilkerson, 24, the leaders of an uprising in the District of Columbia jail two years ago. [2:1-6.]

Metropolitan

Peter J. Leonard of Greenwich, Conn., 22 years old and unemployed, was charged by Connecticut authorities with setting the fire that killed 24 young people and injured 32 others two weeks ago in Gulliver's, a singles bar in Port Chester, in Westchester County. No homicide or other charges relating directly to the deaths were filed immediately against him because of an unusual jurisdictional question over the exact location of Gulliver's, which straddles the line between Port Chester and Greenwich. [1:5-6.]

Mayor Beame unexpectedly ordered that "round the clock" talks begin with unions representing city firemen and sanitationmen. His order appeared to be an effort to isolate the newly installed militant leadership of the policemen's union, who have vowed to break the traditional salary parity among the three municipal unions. [1:5-6.]

Hartz Mountain Industries, Inc., manufacturers of pet foods, proposes to build a residential development on a 238-acre tract in the Hackensack Meadowslands, and has submitted plans for approval by the New Jersey and Federal Governments. The Meadowslands Commission, however, will require that the company convert half of the tract into parkland. [2:7-6.]

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"I have and for years have had an abiding confidence in the American judicial system. Nothing that has happened today has shaken that faith. I look forward to eventual complete exoneration as this matter moves through that process."—John D. Ehrlichman. [10:2.]

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CORRECTIONS

In some editions of The New York Times yesterday, the White House Office of Communications was quoted as having said that 175,000 lawyers were involved in various Watergate inquiries. The phrase should have read 175 to 200 lawyers.

The April-June profits of the Robin & Haas Company were stated incorrectly in a tabulation of corporate profits in Friday's issue of The Times. The company's profits were \$27.7-million, up 50.3 per cent compared with a year ago.