

# News Summary and Index

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## NYTimes The Major Events of the Day DEC 13 1974

### International

A deadlock of 50 years over the 1925 Geneva protocol on chemical warfare was ended yesterday when the Senate Foreign Relations Committee voted unanimously to send the treaty to the Senate for approval. The United States is the only country among the major powers that has not ratified the treaty, which bans the use of chemical and bacteriological warfare. It appears virtually certain that the treaty will be approved by the Senate and ratified by President Ford. [Page 1, Columns 1-2.]

The United States welcomed as "an extraordinary and unprecedented step" a declaration signed in Peru by eight Latin-American countries that they intend to limit armaments and cease acquiring offensive weapons. The signers were Peru, Chile, Bolivia, Ecuador, Venezuela, Argentina, Colombia and Panama. [1:1-2.]

Well-informed sources in Athens said that Greece intends to allow the United States to keep military bases in Greece that serve mutual interests, but may request the removal of bases that are used only by the United States. It is uncertain how this will be done, but it appears likely however, that most bases will remain. [1:1.]

The West German Government scrapped the remains of its anti-inflation program and announced an anti-unemployment and anti-recession economic policy instead. It did so, "with fingers crossed," as one official said, that the United States will soon follow suit to avoid a world depression. [1:7.]

### National

Congress approved by large margins legislation intended to reduce the effects of the nation's rapidly growing unemployment. The House and the Senate passed a measure that would provide hundreds of thousands of federally financed public service jobs for the unemployed and unemployment compensation for up to 3 million persons not now covered by Federal unemployment insurance system. In addition, the House, voting 374 to 2, approved a bill that would give at least 13 more weeks of unemployment compensation to persons already covered by Federal insurance. A similar measure is expected to be approved by the Senate in a few days. [1:8.]

Auto industry and labor leaders urged President Ford at a White House meeting to

### Consider an income tax cut and a "pause"

on Federal emission and safety standards to bolster sagging car sales and the general economy. Gov. William G. Milliken of Michigan, who also attended the meeting, said he had the impression that the President would consider a tax cut. [2:1.]

The House Rules Committee made a decision that probably kills for this Congress any chance of enactment of legislation that would increase taxes of the oil industry and give a small tax cut to 40 million low- and middle-income taxpayers. [2:3-4.]

The Labor Department reported that the nation's inflation, as measured by the sensitive Wholesale Price Index, abated further in November, though prices were still going up. The over-all index, after adjustment for normal seasonal changes in some prices, rose by 1.2 per cent last month, one of the smallest increases this year and only half the October rise. [1:6-7.]

The House Judiciary Committee reconvened, by a vote of 26 to 12, the confirmation of Nelson A. Rockefeller as Vice President. All 17 of the committee's Republican members voted to approve the nomination, 12 of the 21 Democrats voted against approval. A vote by the full House is expected Dec. 20. [1:5.]

Gov. Jimmy Carter of Georgia, a Democrat who is regarded as a moderate, announced his candidacy for President. He is the second formally declared candidate for the 1976 Democratic nomination. Representative Morris K. Udall of Arizona is the other. [1:7-8.]

### Metropolitan

In negotiations between Mayor Beame and the leaders of the city's labor unions, a plan was worked out that could result in the retention of 860 permanent Civil Service employees, some of whom were ordered dismissed by the Mayor on Wednesday and others who were in the first wave of dismissals announced on Nov. 22. Instead of the 860 initially ordered dismissed, 860 older employees aged 63 and over would be re-tired earlier than at the mandatory age of 65 years. [1:3.]

The city's Health and Hospitals Corporation refused to cut 550 provisional jobs from its payroll in an apparent defiance of a request made recently to the quasi-independent body by the City Budget Director, Melvin H. Lechner on behalf of Mayor Beame. [1:4.]

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"I hope that time will vindicate this decision." — Representative Barbara C. Jordan, Democrat of Texas, in voting for confirmation of Nelson A. Rockefeller. [17:1.]

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## CORRECTION

The obituary of Paul Richards, an actor, in The New York Times yesterday contained details of his career with that of Paul E. Richards, another actor, who rarely used his middle initial. A corrected obituary appears on Page 48.