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The Major Events of the Day

International

Indian policemen shot and killed several anti-Government demonstrators during disorders in the eastern state of Bihar, travelers from Bihar said in New Delhi yesterday. Bihar is the political stronghold of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's most powerful political opponent, Jaya Prakash Narayan. No confirmation of the reports of the killings was forthcoming from the central Government in New Delhi, which canceled without explanation a news conference that had been scheduled. [Page 1, Column 1.]

The Government radio and television in Lebanon said that a Cabinet of prominent Muslims and Christians had been formed to halt factional fighting in which hundreds of people have been killed since April. Meanwhile, violence continued with heavy shooting and rocket and mortar fire between Christians and Muslims in Beirut. [1:4.]

National

A farseeing energy plan that assigns more money to solar energy and conservation, but also stresses with new force the Administrator's view that top priorities must go to the harnessing of the energy of the atom and coal, was made public by the Energy Research and Development Administration. The proposals were based on the premise that the country's energy consumption will double by the year 2000 and that major new sources of domestic supply must be developed to replace oil and natural gas, whose production had fallen from peaks of several years ago. The plan was ordered by Congress. [1:1-2.]

In a 6-to-3 decision, certain to arouse controversy among constitutional and criminal law experts, the Supreme Court ruled that a competent person accused of a crime has a constitutional right to refuse professional legal counsel and conduct his own defense. [1:3.]

While unemployment is running at 9.2 per cent in the worst job market since the nineteen-thirties, thousands of jobs are going begging. Employers in many cities find it impossible to fill some jobs that, generally, require either special skills or few skills offering little status. The best employment opportunities are in Texas and Oklahoma where the oil industry is prospering. [1:5-6.]

Metropolitan

The Beame administration, despairing of 11th-hour financial aid from Albany, finally gave the go-ahead for massive municipal layoffs under a "crisis" budget. With the new fiscal year starting at midnight, New Yorkers faced the loss of more than 40,000 municipal workers—including 5,000 policemen and 2,000 firemen. [1:8.]

John J. Delury, the sanitation union's president, warned that a garbage strike was inevitable today after his union had failed in a last-ditch court effort to keep the city from laying off 2,934 men. Soon after the court decision was announced Mayor Beame said that the layoffs would take effect today. Mr. Delury declared: "There'll be wildcats. There's nothing I can do, there's nothing the court can do, there's nothing the Mayor can do to head it off. I, the Mayor, Christ Almighty is not going to stop this." [1:6-7.]

A hidden city deficit of \$292-million found in a state audit disclosed Sunday could amount to as much as \$600-million, according to a confidential report by City Controller Harrison J. Goldin on how to reform New York's budgetary practices. The deficit was attributed to an overestimation of anticipated Federal and state aid. Mr. Goldin's report further discloses that the city's total hidden deficit caused by overstating Federal and state aid and the use of many other bookkeeping gimmicks, comes to at least \$1.8-billion and possibly as much as \$2.1-billion. [1:6-7.]

After final efforts to break New Jersey's legislative deadlock on taxes failed, the \$384-million in state budget cuts proposed by Governor Byrne were ordered implemented. While both houses of the Legislature convened to head off the threatened cutbacks, the sessions became a series of party caucuses that produced nothing more than partisan rancor. [1:5.]

Eight minutes before the Eastern Airlines crash at Kennedy International Airport a week ago, the pilot of another jet twice urged that the runway being used be changed because he had encountered a treacherous shift of air currents just before landing, according to tapes made public by the Federal Aviation Administration. The runway was not changed, and Federal officials defended the decision. [1:2.]

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