

News Summary and Index

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The Major Events of the Day

International

The House of Representatives rejected by a close vote of 223 to 206 a major effort by the Administration to partly lift the six-month-old arms embargo against Turkey. The vote followed a day of often bitter debate and weeks of intensive lobbying by pro-Greek forces. It was regarded as a significant personal setback for Mr. Ford, who gained 103 votes from Democratic and Republican members of the House, but failed to carry 184 Democrats and 39 members of his own party. [Page 1, Columns 1-2.]

Egyptian proposals for a new Sinai accord, including a map detailing Cairo's recommendation for a new cease-fire line, were received in Jerusalem from Washington. High Israeli officials said they were "serious and well-considered," but that important differences remained on several issues before the time would be right for another attempt at shuttle diplomacy by Secretary of State Kissinger. [1:3.]

In a move to maintain the fragile five-month Ulster cease-fire, the British Government announced plans to end the controversial policy of internment suspected terrorists without trial in Northern Ireland and to release all internees by Christmas. The announcement by Merlyn Rees, the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, brought immediate protests from Protestant leaders in Ulster. [1:1.]

National

The three Apollo astronauts returned to earth in the Pacific, successfully concluding the first international manned space flight and ending an era of American space exploration that began in 1961. No further manned space trips are planned by the United States until 1979 at the earliest. [1:6.]

President Ford, affirming that he and Gov. George C. Wallace of Alabama share "a good many similarities" on domestic issues, is nearing the end of his first year in the White House with apparent confidence in the conservative course he has set. In an interview marking the approach of his anniversary, Mr. Ford credited his Administration with having restored faith in the White House at home and abroad and with having "kept our cool" during a simultaneous recession and inflation. The fall of South Vietnam and Cambodia were his biggest disappointments, he said. [1:4-5.]

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Quotation of the Day
"Your achievements are historic. This mission, I say with emphasis, has opened a new era of international cooperation. We hope that the first international manned flight will provide all of us with an example to remember for many, many years to come."—President Ford, speaking of the Soviet and American astronauts in the Apollo-Soyuz mission. [8:4.]

CORRECTION

Due to an editing error, an article in The New York Times July 10 stated incorrectly that Medicare was a health insurance program for the indigent elderly. Anyone covered by Social Security is eligible for the program.