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The Major Events of the Day

International

The meeting of the Organization of American States in San Jose, Costa Rica, reached the expected decision which will end the embargo imposed on Cuba in 1964 for fostering Communist guerrilla activities in the hemisphere. The resolution would leave each member free to determine how it wishes to deal with Cuba. [Page 1, Column 5.]

Gen. Yakubu Gowon, Nigeria's chief of state for nine years, was deposed in a bloodless coup while he was away at the meeting of the Organization of African Unity in Kampala, Uganda. The announcement on the Lagos radio was made by Col. Nnamdi Garba, commanding the Elite Guards Brigade, who had been regarded as one of General Gowon's closest friends. Colonel Garba said that he and fellow officers had decided on removal of General Gowon as chief of state and commander in chief "after what has been happening in our country in the last few months." He did not elaborate. The announcement said that both posts had been given to Brig. Murtala Rafai Mofahammed. There had been labor and student unrest in recent months, with demands for civilian rule. [1:3-4.]

President Ford, in Poland, laid a wreath at the monument to four million victims at Auschwitz, the Nazi death camp of World War II, and wrote in the guest book that it further inspired the pursuit of peace, cooperation and security for all peoples. In a speech in Cracow he spoke of growing ties of kinship and friendship between Poland and the United States. He then went on to Helsinki for the final stage of the 35-nation Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe. [1:3-4.]

National

Congress overrode a Presidential veto for the first time this session when the House voted the \$2-billion health bill by 348 to 43, following the Senate's overriding vote of 67 to 15 on Saturday. Jubilant Democrats applauded and cheered the count, which broke President Ford's string of successful vetoes on several key issues. The new law authorizes grants to the states for public health service programs, family planning, community and migrant worker health centers, rape prevention, treatment of drug addicts and alcoholics, and education of nurses. [1:1.]

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Quotation of the Day

"This monument and the memory of those it honors inspire us further to the dedicated pursuit of peace, cooperation and security for all peoples"—
Words inscribed by President Ford in the guest book at
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CORRECTION

A headline in The New York Times last Saturday stated incorrectly that the Consolidated Edison Company was dropping plans to build a nuclear plant. The utility in question was the New York State Electric and Gas Corporation, which had planned a nuclear plant in Somerset.