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The Major Events of the Day

International

Seeking to escape the bloodshed that has already taken 5,000 lives in Angola, whites are abandoning their homes, farms and jobs and are fleeing by air, land and sea. About 20,000 whites were crowded yesterday into schools and exhibit halls in Nova Lisboa, Angola's second largest city, another 20,000 were trying to reach South-West Africa, and plans were under way to airlift out 20,000 more. This is the largest exodus of whites from a black African country since the chaos in the former Belgian Congo in the early nineteen-sixties. Three black independence movements are fighting for control of Angola, which will be freed from Portugal on Nov. 11. [Page 1, Columns 2-5.]

President Francisco da Costa Gomes of Portugal swore in a new Cabinet devoid of any strong political base but leaning toward the Communists. He said the Cabinet, formed earlier in the day by Premier Vasco Gonçalves, was a stop-gap government that he hoped would provide for a political pause during which "we may construct something more definitive." He was warned on Thursday by political parties and fellow military officers of the threat of a Communist dictatorship. [1:2-3.]

Israel has submitted to the United States her latest proposals for a new agreement with Egypt, and there was increasing optimism about the chances of reaching a new accord in the next several weeks. A final, intensive round of diplomatic shuffling by Secretary of State Kissinger was believed by Israeli officials to be likely. [1:4.]

National

The Civil Aeronautics Board announced a "major liberalization" of charter rules that will make ticket-plus-hotel bargains in the United States and overseas available to anyone at prices that will "frequently be less" than the cost of a scheduled airline ticket. The new charter flights will omit the requirement that a traveler be a bona fide member of a club, society or union or other "affinity" group. The new rules become effective Sept. 13. [1:1.]

The United States Steel Corporation, the nation's largest steel producer, announced price changes that would raise the company's prices an average of 3.8 per cent between now and Oct. 1. The increases, al-

though bringing about a delay in larger price rises announced earlier this week by two smaller steel makers, confirm that there will be a general price increase. [1:6.]

Gerald R. Ford took over as President pledging to pursue the same foreign policies that had brought wide respect to Richard M. Nixon. A year later, Mr. Ford has neither altered those policies significantly nor left a discernible imprint of his own on international affairs. The fact that he has not produced a personalized foreign policy has worried White House aides who are looking toward the 1976 elections, according to the second of a series of three articles assessing Mr. Ford's first year in office. [1:1-2.]

Metropolitan

Even major New York banks have agreed to a plan that will ease the city's borrowing burden in the next 11 months, help to hold down interest costs. They will renew for one year all their city notes that will fall due between next October and June — \$550-million worth at an interest rate of 7.5 per cent. [1:8.]

Federal officials ended a two-hour meeting in Washington with representatives of the Municipal Assistance Corporation still resolutely opposed to Government backing of the corporation's municipal bonds but full of encouragement for the city's efforts at self-help. [1:7.]

Sanitation Commissioner Robert T. Groh said that in the last seven days the backlog of uncollected garbage had been reduced to 620 tons from 3,500 tons. His figures were supported by reports from the five boroughs that garbage collections had become more regular and accumulations smaller. Mr. Groh attributed the progress to improved morale among sanitationmen following the cancellation by Mayor Beame of the dismissal of 750 more men. [1:7.]

Governor Carey signed a bill requiring both parties in a divorce action to file sworn statements of net worth before the start of the trial. The bill, which had been sought by the women's movement, requires complete disclosure of all income and assets, including any transfer of assets during the preceding three years. This provision was intended to prevent a husband or wife contemplating divorce from deceptively lowering his or her net worth in a last-minute financial manipulation. [1:5.]

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CORRECTIONS

A table in last Saturday's New York Times incorrectly listed the second-quarter earnings of the Exxon Corporation for 1974 and 1975 and of the Standard Oil Company of California for 1974. The percentage changes in the companies' earnings were also incorrect. A corrected version of the table appears today on Page 25.

An article that appeared yesterday stated incorrectly that Ronald H. Brown was a member of the Urban Coalition. Mr. Brown is the director of the Washington bureau of the National Urban League.