

# News Summary and Index

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## International

Iran, stung by United States criticisms of the oil-producing countries, responded skeptically in the United Nations to Secretary of State Kissinger's new proposals for bridging the economic gap between rich and poor countries. Jamsid Amouzgar, Minister of the Interior, told the General Assembly that "proposals may appear brilliant on paper, but how they are implemented, that is the question." Delegates from developing countries gave his speech widespread applause but their prevailing mood continued favorable to the statement from Mr. Kissinger. [Page 1, Columns 1-2.]

William E. Simon, the Treasury Secretary, told the annual meeting in Washington of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank that another increase in the world oil price would seriously jeopardize global economic recovery. Most other finance ministers agreed privately but limited their formal addresses to congratulating the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries for increasing aid to the less-developed countries. Iran's Minister of the Interior, Jamsid Amouzgar, said at the United Nations that the OPEC countries would probably decide next month to raise the oil price, but not by 25 to 30 per cent, as some have suggested. [1:3.]

Gen. Carlos Fabila, chief of staff of Portugal's Army, the dominant service branch, followed the head of the Air Force in opposing the appointment of Gen. Vasco Gonçalves, the Communist-backed former Premier, as chief of staff of the Armed Forces. His statement that the appointment would divide rather than unite the Army constituted further defiance of President Francisco da Costa Gomes. [1:1.]

President Anwar el-Sadat of Egypt said he would visit Washington in late October for talks with President Ford following up the Sinai disengagement agreement. He praised Mr. Ford and Mr. Kissinger for their roles in the negotiations and said he was determined to push for other peace steps on other fronts, notably in Syria. Egyptian papers published the text of the agreement with maps of the new positions. [1:5.]

## National

Congress reconvenes today with immediate deliberations scheduled on the press issues of the Ford Administration's

## The Major Events of the Day

Middle East agreement and the price of oil. Debate on the issues is expected to dominate proceedings for the rest of the year. Most legislators were noncommittal on the Israeli-Egyptian accord pending hearing directly from Secretary of State Kissinger. [1:4.]

Astronomers are charlatans without rational basis for the ancient belief that the stars influence people's lives and forecast events, according to a statement issued by 186 prominent scientists in The Humanist magazine. The drafter, Dr. Bart J. Bok, professor emeritus of astronomy at the University of Arizona and a past president of the American Astronomical Society, cautioned the public against unquestioning acceptance of predictions and advice given by astrologers. [1:1-2.]

## Metropolitan

A stringent plan that would restructure the city's finances, provide for the possibility of its default and virtually erase the Mayor's budgetary powers was sent by the Municipal Assistance Corporation to Governor Carey and legislative leaders. The plan provides for a five-member Emergency Control Board that would assume most functions of the city's Budget Bureau and Controller. The M.A.C. described the plan as a mechanism of drastic state control over city expenditures. Its basic points appeared to represent Mr. Carey's thinking. [1:8.]

The water-supply plant of the city of Trenton broke down and by evening most of New Jersey's capital and its surrounding communities had run out of water. Governor Byrne and Mayor Arthur Holland proclaimed states of emergency. A population of 250,000 and its heavy industry were expected to be without water for at least two days and perhaps longer. [1:6-7.]

The scheduled opening of public schools in most suburbs in the three-state metropolitan area today takes place against a backdrop of budget deficits, austerity programs, staff cutbacks, declining enrollment and the possibility of a record number of strikes by teachers. [1:5-7.]

The Beame administration has decided to dismantle all nine superagencies set up to streamline government when John V. Lindsay was Mayor. The decision was prompted by the fiscal crisis, although the amount of savings was unclear. Quotas for dismissals of high-level appointees have begun. [1:6-7.]

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"And then on the last evening Kissinger came out and said, 'Gentlemen, either take it or leave it, that's it.'" —Shimon Peres, Israeli Defense Minister, discussing negotiations for a Sinai agreement with Egypt. [5:1.]

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