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The Major Events of the Day

International

Gen. Vasco Gonçalves, forced out as Premier of Portugal a week ago because of his pro-Communist leanings, was stripped of all authority yesterday. Facing the open defiance of the army and the air force as well as the opposition of the major political parties, General Gonçalves on his own gave up his appointment as Chief of Staff of the armed forces. [Page 1, Column 1.]

Two persons were killed and 63 injured when a bomb exploded shortly after noon in the crowded lobby of the Hilton Hotel in London. The Hilton was filled to capacity with 750 guests, many of them American tourists. The bombing was one of a number in London in the last two weeks, and some officials believe that a fringe group of the Irish Republican Army did it. [1:4.]

National

A young woman in Sacramento, Calif., pointed a .45-caliber automatic pistol at close range at President Ford, who was there to address the California Legislature, but a Secret Service agent saved Mr. Ford from possible harm by grabbing the gun and forcing it from the woman's hand. A White House spokesman said that the pistol contained a magazine with bullets in it but that there was no bullet in the woman's chamber when it was seized. The woman was identified as Lynette Alice Fromme, a 26-year-old former associate of Charles M. Manson, the leader of a group convicted of murdering Sharon Tate, an actress, and six others in 1969. Mr. Ford delivered his speech, in which he urged a nationwide effort to curb rising violent crime. [1:8.]

The White House said that Lynette Alice Fromme, who was charged with the attempted assassination of President Ford, was not on the Secret Service computer list of persons regarded as a potential danger to the President's security. The chief spokesman for the Secret Service, John W. Warner Jr., would not comment on how Miss Fromme was able to get so close to Mr. Ford with a gun despite all its security precautions, which have been increased many times since the assassination of President Kennedy. [1:7.]

More than a half dozen advertisers withdrew their commercials from last night's CBS telecast of a news documentary on

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