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The Major Events of the Day

International
Daniel P. Moynihan was about to resign as chief American delegate to the United Nations yesterday, but was dissuaded at the last moment by the White House. Close associates said he has been frustrated by insufficient support from the State Department. He has been a controversial figure at the United Nations, where there has been open criticism recently about his outspokenness, his diplomatic strategy and his over-all effectiveness. Despite his change of mind about resigning, Mr. Moynihan hinted that he would not stay long at the United Nations anyway. [Page 1, Columns 2-4.]

The United States withdrew its proposed resolution from the United Nations General Assembly calling for amnesty for all political prisoners, protesting that amendments put forward by Communist and third-world countries would make it "a travesty." [1:2.]
From early morning to late at night, tens of thousands of Spaniards filed past the bier of Generalissimo Francisco Franco in the royal palace in Madrid. The people lined the street for miles, awaiting their turn. In the meantime, a dissident group within the armed forces issued a message of caution about the monarchy that will be revived when Prince Juan Carlos de Borbón is sworn in as king today. [1:3-4.]

North and South Vietnam announced that joint elections would be held in the first half of next year to choose a National Assembly for a reunified country, which was divided in 1954 after the French Indochina war. The announcement was made at the end of talks in Saigon on reunification. [1:1.]

National

Senator Frank Church, chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, said that in the Senate's present mood he believed that it would pass legislation "before Easter" providing for strong Congressional oversight of the intelligence agencies. He said that the committee would submit its bill to outlaw assassination plots shortly before the Thanksgiving recess. [1:1.]

A spokesman for the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence confirmed that it has not responded to requests from the Justice Department for access to the evidence gathered in the committee's intelligence investigation. He said that there was "a question"

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whether the files would ever be provided to Government prosecutors investigating possible criminal intelligence activity. [17:1-3.]
Supreme Court Justice Harry A. Blackmun, who had been asked to stay a particularly broad press gag order imposed in a Nebraska murder case, ruled instead that courts may forbid the press from reporting on confessions, certain other statements and perhaps even a defendant's criminal record if it is believed such orders are necessary for a fair trial. His ruling appeared to permit substantially more restraint on newspaper reports of court proceedings than earlier decisions did. [1:5.]

Government sources said that Federal agents were investigating possible frauds against the United States in its grain-storage program as part of their broad inquiry into corruption in the grain industry. In addition, a former aide of the Bunge Corporation, a major grain dealer, has told investigators that he knew of "flagrant" cheating of poor countries receiving food from the United States. [1:7.]

Declaring that the rivers and lakes were in "mortal danger," Assistant Secretary of the Interior Nathaniel P. Reed said that the Federal Government must impose a national ban on all domestic and imported PCB's—polychlorinated biphenyls—except where they are used in transformers and capacitors. The statement, made at a conference on PCB's, was the strongest yet by a major official against their continued use. [1:7-8.]

Metropolitan

An uncomfortable State Legislature moved slowly but inevitably toward enacting a \$200 million New York City tax package that it expects will bring President Ford's approval of Federal aid for the city. The package includes a 25 percent average increase in the city income tax for resident taxpayers with incomes of more than \$7,500 a year, as well as a rise in taxes on banks, estates, cigarettes and automobiles. [1:8.]

The State Board of Regents adopted new rules setting minimum sessions for school days that could result in loss of state aid to the city if the rules were applied to the new shortened school days here. The rules set minimum five-hour daily sessions for kindergarten through the sixth grade and five and a half hours for grades seven through 12. [1:6-7.]

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"Everyone leaves eventually. I serve at the pleasure of the President."—Daniel P. Moynihan, when he was asked whether he planned to resign as the chief American delegate to the United Nations. [1:2.]

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CORRECTION

An article in yesterday's New York Times about United States banks' loans in South Korea incorrectly reported the amount of the outstanding loans held by the Fidelity Bank of Pennsylvania. Fidelity's loans to South Korean institutions total \$43 million, or 2.2 percent of the bank's loans outstanding.