

News Summary and Index

NYTimes

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1975

DEC 23 1975

The Major Events of the Day

International

A band of pro-Palestinian terrorists ended a 20-hour siege at the Vienna headquarters of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries yesterday and, taking scores of hostages and a jetliner provided by Austria, began an odyssey of Middle Eastern capitals to drop off their captives. Most of the hostages were freed unharmed at the first stop in Algiers. There was no indication where the flight would end. [Page 1, Col. 1.]

Because the company had received demands for payment of royalties from all three of the factions fighting in Angola's civil war, the Gulf Oil Corporation announced that it had temporarily suspended operations there. Most of Gulf's foreign personnel have been withdrawn, and the company is prepared to put future payments into escrow, in a special interest-bearing account. [1:4.]

Right-wing Argentine air force officers quietly ended their revolt against President Isabel Martinez de Peron, who, in a televised address, hailed the armed forces for putting down the bloodless uprising. She said she would not resign. [1:2-3.]

National

Ending a year-long stalemate with Congress over energy policy, President Ford signed into law a bill that will roll back gasoline and fuel oil prices, at least temporarily, and he announced that he was removing, effective immediately, the \$2-a-barrel import fee on crude oil that he had imposed to discourage the use of imported oil. He thus repudiated his energy policy, announced last year, that would have sharply increased domestic fuel prices to encourage production. The new law will bring about by February a reduction in the average price of crude oil produced in the United States from the current \$8.75 a barrel to \$7.66 a barrel. However, the Federal energy administrator, Frank G. Zarb, said that consumers would see little, if any, difference in the price they pay for gasoline or heating fuel. [1:8.]

President Ford announced that he would veto the construction industry picketing bill that would have extended the right of construction unions to picket a building site. The Administration had supported and helped draft the legislation. There was speculation that Secretary of Labor John J. Dun-

The Other News

lop, who had backed the bill and worked hard to get labor support for it, would resign as a result of the veto. It was believed by people who had spoken to Mr. Ford that Ronald Reagan's opposition to the bill left him no choice but to veto it. Mr. Ford, they said, did not want to alienate any more Republicans. [1:6-7.]

The American Medical Association was accused by the Federal Trade Commission of illegally interfering with the fees that physicians charge and with preventing patients from obtaining information about physicians by preventing its members from advertising. Alfred J. Dougherty Jr., deputy director of the F.T.C.'s bureau of competition, said one purpose of the complaint was to bring "to the attention of all professions—not just doctors—that there can be no dallying" in the compliance with the anti-trust laws. [1:6-7.]

Fire and casualty insurers plan to seek another round of sharp increases—averaging 10 percent nationwide on premiums for automobile and home insurance—to offset heavy losses in insurance claims this year. Starting next month, higher rates will go into effect in some states and requests for increases will be filed in others. [1:8.]

Metropolitan

A proposal to meet a state-mandated \$15 million budget cut for Yonkers by dismissing about one-fourth of its 4,500 municipal and school employees will be submitted today to the state-appointed Yonkers Emergency Financial Control Board. Branch libraries and the city jail also would be closed. The proposal was drafted by the office of the Acting City Manager. Its announcement brought an angry response from Mayor Angelo Martinelli. He said that he and the City Council had not been consulted before completion of the plan. [1:5.]

Leaders of a tenants' group that has withheld \$17 million in monthly maintenance charges at Co-op City in the Bronx were ordered by a State Supreme Court justice to turn over the funds to the co-op or face fines of more than \$500,000. The tenants were given five days to comply with the order by Justice Isidore Dollinger. Charles Rosen, head of the tenants' group, said he was prepared to go to jail rather than turn over the money "without a program for retn. stabilization." [1:6.]

International

U.N. bids Indonesia quit Portuguese Timor. Page 2
Thirty hurt in Milan airport crash. Page 2

Five indicted for Irish gun-running. Page 3
India's high court hearing a crucial case. Page 4

Pope's message backs rights of Palestinians. Page 7
Forced adoptions of East Germans stir uproar. Page 9
Ford rebukes Israel for "leaks" to press. Page 12
Hope dying among Greek Cypriot refugees. Page 12
Lebanese leaders visit Damascus for talks. Page 12

Government and Politics
Procedural changes affected Congress. Page 22
Judge asks to inspect U.S. file on Agnew. Page 23
High court refuses to block election subsidies. Page 31
Bellini attacks plan for new health care unit. Page 32

Carey panel finds 35 cases of possible conflicts. Page 32
Zarb negotiated on energy bill for a year. Page 50
E.P.A. plans to curb PCB pollution. Page 51

General
A Fromme friend indicted in mail case. Page 23
A.C.I.U. seeks 500 entitled to damages. Page 26
Role of politics in Boston school fight. Page 26
Metropolitan Briefs. Page 29

To victor Suffolk Democrats belong the jobs. Page 29
A white Christmas swirls in on suburbs. Page 29
State ranks high as wheat grower. Page 32
Hynes upheld on nursing-home subpoenas. Page 32

Education and Welfare
U.S. rights unit acts against city schools. Page 17
Safety of contraceptive pills is studied. Page 51

Amusements and the Arts
Art Dealers Association expelled Marlborough. Page 13
Sylvia Fine's songs performed at "X." Page 14

Quotation of the Day

"We don't have any excuses. Mexico played well and deserved all the credit."—Tony Trabert, captain of the losing United States Davis Cup team. [19:7.]

"Story of Adele H." starts film run.

Judy Collins sings at Carnegie Hall. Page 15
Cynthia Gregory to retire as dancer. Page 15

Peter Serkin guest of Chamber Society. Page 16
Biography of William Carlos Williams reviewed. Page 23
NBC offers documentary on charity business. Page 51
\$511,084 pledged in Channel 13 campaign. Page 51

Going Out Guide

Family/Style
Some couples enjoy ornaments all year long. Page 30
Miniatures enthusiast collects Yule items. Page 30
A last-minute gift idea: books on crafts. Page 30

Obituaries
Conrad E. Snow, a foe of McCarthyism. Page 28
Reid Floriot, Paris criminal lawyer. Page 28

Business and Financial
Stock prices drop as economy stirs concern. Page 33
Gold sale aim held to aid poor lands. Page 33
Price of gold moves sharply higher abroad. Page 33
Unexpected witness tied to delay on Gulf report. Page 33
RCA plans sale of property subsidiary. Page 33
Holiday shoppers abroad shun the luxuries. Page 33
Smaller winter wheat crop is predicted. Page 33

Gimbel Brothers reports profit for quarter. Page 33
Merrill to trade odd lots itself. Page 33
\$2 billion in notes sold at 7.5 percent rate. Page 33
Unlawful pricing by Ford is found. Page 33

Advertising News 41
Amer. Exchange 42
Bond Sales 40
Business Briefs 38
Commodities 35
Dividends 39
Foreign Exchange 35

Grains 35
Market Indicators 34
Money 40
Mutual Funds 40
N.Y. Stock Exch 34
Over-the-Counter 43

Sports

N.C.A.A. in T-shirt business: wallpaper, too. Page 18
People in Sports: All to fight a Belgian. Page 18
Mexico ousts U.S. in cup as Connors bows. Page 19
Giants to keep rebuilding with youth. Page 19
Jets face complete overhaul in attitude, too. Page 19
Tose dismisses McCormack as Eagle coach. Page 19
2.5 favorite wins in Big A snow before 9,441. Page 19

Mckay's last U.S.C. team plays in Memphis. Page 19
Vikings' Foreman shakes off snowball injury. Page 20
Hockey a' la Russe returning on tour. Page 21

Notes on People
Man in the News
José María de Arellza, "civilized rightist." Page 8
Editorials and Comment
Editorials and Letters. Page 24
Tom Wicker assays reputed Reagan lead. Page 25
Robert Kleiman on negotiating world oil solution. Page 25
Mihajlo Mihajlov on the need for ideology. Page 25
Albert Memmi: America's attraction for France. Page 25

News Analysis
Martin Arnold on press privacy for Presidents. Page 23
Tom Goldstein on Attica-prosecution study. Page 32

CORRECTION

It was incorrectly reported in The New York Times yesterday that Stewart Rawlings Mott contributes money to candidates for public office through his philanthropic foundation. Mr. Mott says that he makes such contributions as an individual, and that the foundation contributes only to charitable organizations.