

# News Summary and Index

## The Major Events of the Day

### International

The Senate passed by a vote of 60 to 30 the most sweeping overhaul of the foreign military aid bill in more than 20 years. It added an amendment that would bar shipment of American-made weapons to Chile. The bill would increase the authority of Congress to approve the transfer of arms to foreign countries and decrease White House power to allow weapons sales overseas. Senator Hubert H. Humphrey, floor manager of the bill, said it heralded a new era in controlling the spread of American-made weapons. The similar House of Representatives bill was approved in committee and will probably reach the floor this month. [Page 1, Columns 5-7.]

Administration sources in Washington said President Ford would shortly announce the appointment of William W. Scranton to succeed Daniel P. Moynihan as chief delegate to the United Nations. The former Pennsylvania Governor is expected to bring a firm but less theatrical style to the American delegation. [1:1]

Interpol, the international police organization, has been warned by the United States that grain exporters in this country have been defrauding foreign customers by about \$129 million a year, according to an Interpol source. There have been complaints about the quality or quantity of American grain shipments from customers in many countries. Government auditors have found "overages" in the inventories of a number of grain companies including the three largest, indicating possession of more than they shipped or were paid for. [1:1-2.]

### National

An executive order by President Ford, effective March 1, sharply restricts the power of intelligence agencies to intrude upon the lives and activities of American citizens. The tight new regulations limit physical and electronic surveillance of Americans and bar such practices as burglaries, drug tests on unsuspecting persons and illegal use of tax return information. Infiltration will be limited to groups made up largely of foreign nationals or directly controlled by a foreign government. [1:8.]

President Ford proposed legislation to make it a felony for Government employees to disclose how the Central Intelligence Agency and other Federal agencies collect

and evaluate their information. The draft bill would extend criminal sanctions to many more individuals than at present, but does not go as far as proposed criminal code reforms now before Congress. The Ford proposal specifically exempts journalists or others who receive such secrets from criminal prosecution, but they could be called on to testify before grand juries on their sources. [1:5-7.]

The Phillips Petroleum Company, identified earlier as having made illegal contributions to the 1972 re-election campaign of President Richard M. Nixon, settled a class action stockholders' suit by agreeing to significant administrative changes following the slush-fund disclosures. The company will change the balance on its board from an overwhelming majority of insiders to at least 60 percent outside directors. [1:1-2.]

The Environmental Protection Agency ordered an immediate ban on the production of virtually all pesticides containing mercury. Its chief, Russell E. Train, cited cases of nervous system disorders caused by mercury poisoning in Japan, Iran and the United States, as evidence of an unreasonable hazard to human health. [1:2.]

Legislation to continue the Federal Election Commission was proposed by Representative Wayne L. Hays, the Ohio Democrat who had been its leading Congressional critic. He said President Ford had agreed to support most of his outlined measures. The Supreme Court had given Congress until March 1 to make all six members appointed by the President. [1:7-8.]

Metropolitan  
Governor Carey announced a regulation effective April 1 under which banks must close the geographic sites of their mortgage loans, as the first step in the state's effort to identify and eliminate "redlining." This is the alleged practice of refusing loans in particular neighborhoods regardless of the merit of the specific property or the credit standing of prospective borrowers. The regulation will enable the state's Banking Department to match the sites of bank loans with Federal census data on the economic and ethnic makeup of the area. Mr. Carey said no neighborhood should ever be sentenced to decay and deteriorate by redlining, an alleged practice that banks have denied engaging in. [1:4.]

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"It is also my hope that these steps will help to restore public confidence in these agencies and encourage our citizens to appreciate the valuable contribution they make to our national security."—President Ford, outlining his proposed changes in the structure and authority of the intelligence community. [30:1.]

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## CORRECTION

In an article on the National Council of Churches in The New York Times yesterday the word "not" was dropped from a sentence. The sentence should have read: "However, the council's communications commission said television advertising of contraceptives could not be justified until it could be proven such ads would have a significant impact on reducing venereal disease and unwanted pregnancies."