

News Summary and Index

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The Major Events of the Day

International

James R. Schlesinger, the former Defense Secretary, said in a Washington speech that the Ford Administration was undermining American "moral support" for Israel by undue pressure for Israeli concessions to the Arabs. He said that Israel, like South Vietnam in 1972-73, was being blamed for failure to make progress toward a settlement. Without mentioning Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger, he seemed to be criticizing his negotiating tactics. [Page 1, Columns 1-2.]

Prime Minister Ian D. Smith's bringing four African chiefs into his Cabinet appears unlikely to aid a political settlement of the Rhodesian crisis. Opposition has come from blacks, liberals, the right wing and, reportedly, from the more conservative elements of his own ruling party, the Rhodesian Front. Insofar as the chiefs oppose both guerrilla warfare and more moderate aspirations for black majority rule, their installation is seen as a sign that Mr. Smith's own position has hardened. [1:1.]

National

Ronald Reagan apparently defeated President Ford in the key Republican Presidential primary in Indiana, and also scored his expected victory in Georgia. The challenger's performance in Indiana was his best to date in a Northern state, adding momentum to his campaign against the incumbent, Jimmy Carter won the Indiana Democratic primary, a task made easier by the withdrawal of Senator Henry M. Jackson, whose name remained on the ballot. Gov. George C. Wallace of Alabama was running second, but with only a threadbare reprise of his 41 percent of the Democratic vote in 1972. [1:5-8.]

Mr. Carter swept to victory in the non-binding Presidential preference primary in his state of Georgia, and appeared to be taking all or most of the 50 delegates in a separate vote. In the Republican primary, which is binding for all 48 delegates, Mr. Reagan defeated Mr. Ford. [1:5.]

The Senate passed the measure to revive the Federal Election Commission as the backlog of primary subsidies requested by candidates rose to nearly \$3.8 million. The final vote was 62 to 29. White House sources indicated the President would decide within a day or two whether to sign or veto it, with approval likely. The House of Representatives had passed the bill by 291 to 81. The

chief claimants for matching funds are Mr. Ford, who said he was due \$500,000, and Mr. Carter who seeks \$521,000. [1:6-7.]

The Continental Grain Company was fined \$500,000 by a Federal judge in New Orleans after pleading no contest to an indictment accusing it of making false declarations on the weights of foreign shipments when scales which were used to weigh the cargoes had been rigged. [1:5.]

Metropolitan

The strike of building service employees, which began primarily in Manhattan, spread to apartment houses in Brooklyn and Queens with no signs of an early settlement. The leader of the striking local said that 2,500 of the 4,000 buildings where its members worked had been struck and that the walk-out would be expanded to Staten Island today. The dispute does not affect Bronx apartments, where workers are represented by a different local. [1:4.]

New Jersey's Environmental Protection Commissioner, David J. Bardin, said the state would try to block construction of the world's first floating nuclear plants, off Atlantic City, unless the Federal Government carefully analyzed the risks involved in the event of a major accident. Acknowledging that a major catastrophe was extremely unlikely, he nevertheless said the innovative technology "demands careful assessment both of benefits and of detriments, including any novel risks." [1:3.]

Eugene Hollander, the nursing-home operator who had pleaded guilty to a charge of inflating Medicare reimbursement claims by more than \$100,000, was sentenced to spend nights in a Federal jail for up to six months and ordered to sever all connections with nursing homes. He was fined \$10,000, and received a suspended five-year prison term and five years' probation which was contingent on his repaying all illegally obtained money and assets. [1:3-4.]

Members of the City Council's Finance Committee, prodded by parent groups at a hearing, indicated that they intended to assert their authority to change priorities in the education budget for the first time since the school system was decentralized in 1970. They said they planned a shift from the central New York City Board of Education of up to \$27 million to community school districts to bolster instruction. [1:1-2.]

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"I'm so glad it was you instead of King Kong." — Mary Beame, presenting key to city to Helga Eilers as the 50 millionth visitor to the Empire State Building Observatory. [4:5.]

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CORRECTIONS

It was erroneously reported in The New York Times yesterday that the Giant food chain was one of two that had refused to guarantee that it would continue to mark prices on individual food items. The chains that refused to make such a guarantee were Lucky Stores Inc. of California and Winn-Dixie.

Robert N. Butler, winner of the Pulitzer Prize for general nonfiction was incorrectly identified in yesterday's issue of The Times. He is director of the National Institute on Aging.