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The Major Events of the Day

International

Hearings in the House of Representatives will be held next month on the political activities in the United States of the religious movement of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon, the wealthy Korean industrialist and evangelist. Mr. Moon's central organization in the United States is the Unification Church, which claims 30,000 American members. According to former South Korean and American officials and former members of the Moon organization, a number of persons and organizations connected with Mr. Moon have intimate ties with and have received assistance from the South Korean Government and the South Korean Central Intelligence Agency. Representative Donald M. Fraser, Democrat of Minnesota, whose subcommittee on international organizations has been investigating the operation of the Korean C.I.A. in the United States, said that "our information shows a pattern of activity that raises serious questions as to the nature and purpose of Moon's various organizations." [Page 1, Columns 6-7.]

National

In what was regarded as a landmark victory for the consumer movement, the Supreme Court ruled 7 to 1 that states may not forbid pharmacists from advertising the prices of prescription drugs. The Federal Trade Commission staff said last year that lifting restrictions on drug-price advertising could save consumers over \$300 million a year. The Court also ruled that advertising in general—even when it is "purely commercial" with the sole purpose of offering a product for sale—is entitled to at least some protection under the First Amendment's guarantee of free speech. This was regarded as a major reinterpretation of the free speech guarantee. [1:8.]

On the eve of six crucial primaries, 119 New York Republican delegates—77 percent of the state delegation—voted to endorse President Ford. This gave Mr. Ford a 156-delegate lead over Ronald Reagan. The lead is probably large enough to enable Mr. Ford to stay in front despite his possible loss of five of today's six primaries. [1:3-4.]

Britain and France, barred from landing their Concorde jets in New York over a dispute on noise, began flights from London and Paris to Dulles International Airport near Washington, their second-choice des-

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"The Concorde has met and passed with ease all safety and technological requirements. It is clearly a technological triumph and we look forward with you to the 16-month test period."—John W. Barnum, Under Secretary of Transportation welcoming British and French aviation officials. [10:6.]

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CORRECTION

The name of a member of the White House staff was given incorrectly in an article and an accompanying photograph caption that appeared in The Times yesterday. The correct name is Michael Raoul-Duval.