

News Summary

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International

Spain took a big step toward elective democracy as the largely appointed Parliament inherited from the Franco era approved general elections for next year and voted itself out of existence. The vote, 425 to 59, with 13 abstentions, must be approved in a referendum, possibly in the third week of December. [Page A1, Column 6.]

East Germany clamped down on dissidents and issued new restrictive guidelines on emigration to the West in combatting a wave of discontent. Diplomatic sources in East Berlin said the new Government policy was first exercised in the exiling this week of Wolf Biermann, a dissident poet. [A1:4-5.]

A student group has become almost a shadow government in the black South African township of Soweto. Whether from fear or sympathy, residents of the community of more than a million people are generally following the young activists' policies. These have included indefinite closing of illegal bars, a one-week taxi strike, a ban against buying of Christmas goods from white-owned stores in Johannesburg and a bar against sports events. [A1:4-5.]

Middle East peace can be achieved only by the United States, Egypt's President, Anwar el-Sadat, has again been stressing, apparently with approval by other leading Arabs. Meeting with American members of Congress, Mr. Sadat urged President-elect Carter to develop a plan for an Arab-Israeli settlement. He also told other Congressmen that Arab leaders were ready to sign a peace accord with Israel without any preconditions to negotiations. [A1:5.]

National

Jimmy Carter's talent scouts have been instructed to give him the names of at least one experienced Washington insider, someone from outside the capital, a woman and a black for posts in his Cabinet. The President-elect is seeking

a representative "mix," a senior aide said. [A1:1.]

An antinoise timetable adopted by the Department of Transportation gives the nation's airlines four to eight years to replace or muffle 1,600 planes whose noise levels exceed legal limits set after they were built. The department also announced a new operational rule to diminish overall noise through new landing procedures calling for use of reduced engine power. The rule takes effect next month. [A1:2.]

Man Ray died at his studio in Paris, his adopted city. The American painter and photographer who helped create the Dadaist movement more than 60 years ago was 86 years old. [A24:1-2.]

Metropolitan

Maurice H. Nadjari, the former special state prosecutor for corruption cases, and his former chief aide, Joseph A. Phillips, were charged by the New York State Commission of Investigation with having deliberately disclosed or leaked information to the press that "improperly tarnished" many officials. The commission also accused Mr. Nadjari of "lax or nonexistent administrative controls" in preventing leaks about investigations. [A1:3.]

Samuel Bronfman 2d denied under cross-examination at the trial of his two alleged kidnapers that he had ever devised or taken part in a hoax involving a pornographic film in which he was to appear. The lawyer for one of the two men on trial contended that such a film was a scheme, planned about a year before the alleged kidnapping, in which Mr. Bronfman would seek to extort money from his father, Edgar Bronfman, chairman of the board of Seagram Distillers. [A1:2-3.]

Judge Bruno L. Leopizzi, presiding in the second murder trial of Rubin (Hur-

ricane) Carter and John Artis, issued an order barring anyone from contacting the jurors, their families or friends about the case either during or after the trial. The judge was apparently angered because someone had contacted a juror's family last week. [B2:1-2.]

A fire killed Louis G. Cowan, former president of the CBS television network, and his wife, Pauline, in their duplex apartment in Manhattan. "Smoking carelessness" may have caused the fire, the Fire Department said. Mr. Cowan was 66 years old, and his wife was 63. He was a major innovator in radio and television programming. His wife was one of the early civil rights organizer in the 1960's. [A1:1.]

Business/Finance

Arthur F. Burns, clarifying his position on taxes when the Carter Administration takes office in January, told a bankers' convention that his mind "was by no means closed" to a possible tax cut if the recovery flounders. The chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, made clear, however, that he opposed a tax cut at this time. [D1:3-5.]

Further confirmation of the "pause" in the economy's expansion was provided by figures released by the Commerce Department, which reported a modest rise in corporate profits in the third quarter and a downward revision in the gross national product. The G.N.P. rose at an annual rate of 3.8 percent in the third quarter. [D1:1.]

Defense contractors will be encouraged to increase productivity by basing their profits in part on their investment in plant and equipment under a new profit policy outlined in Congress by the Defense Department. The new policy, a result of a year-long study by the Pentagon, is a departure from the past practice of basing profits of defense contractors almost entirely on costs. [D1:1-2.]

Renewed optimism on Wall Street sent stock prices surging ahead, and more than 1,150 issues on the New York Stock Exchange gained. The Dow Jones industrial average rose 12.05 points to 950.13. [D1:6.] The Treasury sold \$2.5 billion of two-year notes at an average rate of 5.86 percent, well above the 5.70 percent that had been expected. [D3:1-2.] Soybeans and grains closed mostly uneven. [D9:5-6.]

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Quotation of the Day

"Democracy, in the Spanish state, is based in the supremacy of the law and the sovereign will of the people." —the first article of a reform bill passed in Spain's Parliament. [A1:6.]

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CORRECTION

It was incorrectly reported in The Times last Wednesday that reservations were required at the Top of the Met restaurant. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis.