

News Summary

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International

Seeking bipartisan support for the two new Panama Canal treaties, President Carter obtained qualified endorsement from former Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger and appealed by telephone to former President Gerald R. Ford. After a White House meeting, Mr. Kissinger indicated approval but said he would withhold unconditional backing until he had had further briefing by a negotiator and a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Mr. Carter is sending Sol M. Linowitz, one of the negotiators, and Gen. George S. Brown, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to brief Mr. Ford. [Page 1, Col. 6.]

Guns sounded in Southern Lebanon on the first day of the Moslem fast of Ramadan coinciding with Christian observance of the Assumption of the Virgin. Except for two tiny Christian enclaves supplied by Israel, it is the only part of Lebanon where Palestinian guerrillas still roam freely [1:4-5.]

Leading Palestinian Arabs on the West Bank of the Jordan River expressed fears that Israel was moving to annex the area and that the step could end any chance that the drive for Arab-Israeli negotiations could lead to peace. This followed the Israeli Government's announcement that it was extending a number of social services to the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. But Prime Minister Menahem Begin said the move was motivated solely to improve the lot of Arabs under Israeli rule and was not the beginning of annexation. An Arab lawyer in Jerusalem who was once in Jordan's cabinet said he was convinced Mr. Begin meant to establish Israeli rule in the territory. [1:4-5.]

The Indian Government arrested four men who had been high in former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's Government on charges of corruption. It was the most decisive move so far against her and came at a time when her public appearances and criticisms of the

new Government are causing speculation about a possible comeback. [1:3.]

National

Park Tong Sun's mentors in his alleged role as a covert Washington lobbyist for the South Korean Government were Anna C. Chennault, long known in Washington as an advocate of the Nationalist Chinese Government in Taiwan, and Thomas G. Corcoran, an influential lawyer since his years as a New Deal aide, according to associates of Mr. Park. His operation was said to have followed in the footsteps of the China Lobby in which both had been active. [21:1.]

A search for a "knockout" drug was sponsored for six years by the Central Intelligence Agency, according to newly declassified records. Scientists were supposed to analyze spinal and other vital fluids from comatose and delirious patients to discover the causes of delirium and to develop new drugs and techniques to produce maximum levels of physical and emotional stress. Only vague results in humans are mentioned from the project, which ended in 1961 and which cost \$531,960 in C.I.A. funds to the Geschickter Fund for Medical Research in Washington. [18:1.]

Metropolitan

David R. Berkowitz, identified by the police as the .44-caliber killer, said after his arrest that he had wounded an elderly Yonkers woman with a .45-caliber gun found in his apartment, according to court documents presented to the Brooklyn grand jury. He was indicted in New York State Supreme Court there for the murder of Stacy Moskowitz and the attempted murder of her escort, Robert Violante. [1:2.]

The arrest of Mr. Berkowitz in the "Son of Sam" case was touched off when a New York City detective called the Yonkers police and asked them to contact Mr. Berkowitz as a possible witness to the killing of Stacy Moskowitz because of the parking ticket on Mr.

Berkowitz's car. The dispatcher who took the call was Wheat Carr, daughter of Sam Carr. She reportedly told the detective of her suspicions concerning Mr. Berkowitz and urged him to speak to two Yonkers patrolmen, who had been investigating Mr. Berkowitz. [1:2.]

Con Edison's fuel-cell test—the first operational experiment for this method of converting hydrogen-rich fuel into electricity and steam without pollution—faces opposition from neighbors of the plant to be used for the experiment on East 15th Street. Residents of Stuyvesant Town and Peter Cooper Village have expressed "fear and anger" through their Assemblyman, Andrew J. Stein, and Vincent J. Albano, chairman of the New York County Republican Committee. [1:5.]

Calling laetrile ineffective as a cancer treatment, Governor Carey announced his veto of two bills by the Legislature to legalize use of the controversial drug in New York State. Mr. Carey, whose wife died of cancer in 1974, said it would be "premature and unwise" to override the finding by the Federal Government that laetrile was not safe and effective. [27:1-6.]

Business/Finance

A reduced air fare of \$256 for a New York-London round trip has been agreed upon by the International Air Transport Association, subject to Civil Aeronautics Board approval. The new fare would be well below the lowest off-season roundtrip fare offered to date and far below the normal unrestricted roundtrip rate. [1:1.]

A new strain entered relations between the South African Government and the country's largest business enterprise, the Anglo American Corporation of South Africa, when the Government blocked a transaction that would have given the company control of the state-owned South African Manganese Amcor Ltd. This was seen as a rebuff to Harry F. Openheimer, who heads Anglo American and who has long opposed the country's racial policies. [55:1-3.]

Stock prices were lifted by a spirited rally in computer and other glamour issues. The Dow Jones industrial average started down but snapped back to close at 874.13, up 3.03. [49:5-6.]

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Quotation of the Day

"Whether you are for the P.L.O. or King Hussein or a United Nations trusteeship or whatever is an artificial argument. The question is whether the Israelis are going to withdraw from the territories. In view of the Israeli position, the rest is all much ado about nothing."—Anwar Nuseibeh, a Jerusalem lawyer and former Jordanian cabinet minister. [11:1.]

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CORRECTION

An article in The Times Thursday on auto production in the Andean Common Market was illustrated by an archive photograph of a General Motors plant in Lima, Peru. G.M. discontinued assembly activities there on Dec. 31, 1970.