News Summary

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The Primaries

The closest Democratic mayoral primary in years brought Mario M. Cumo, New York's Secretary of State, and Representative Edward I. Koch in a neck-too-neck position for the mayoral nomination. Both maintained one-two positions throughout the evening, but the incumbent Mayor remained just behind them. [Page 1, Column 6.]

State Senator Roy M. Goodman, the Republican organization candidate, won the party's nomination for Mayor of New York City. He will, however, have to campaign three more months against Brrry aFrber, the Conservative Party candidate, who got the vote of about four of every 10 Republicans. [Al:5.]

Assemblyman Andrew J. Stein and Councilman Robert F. Wagner Jr. were only several hundred votes apart in their race for Manhattan Borough President as nearly 10 percent of the polling places had counted their votes. David N. Dinkins, the City Clerk, and Ronnie M. Eldridge, an aide to John V. Lindsay when he was Mayor, were far behind the front runners. [B8:6.]

Nassau County's Republican voters appeared to have selected their party's regular candidate, Francis T. Purcell as their nominee for County Executive over the incumbent, Ralph G. Caso. Democrats seemed to have picked their party's official designee, Irwin Landes, over an insurgent, as their County Executive candidate. [Al:4.]

International

France's promise to sell a nuclear fuel reprocessing plant to Pakistan is apparently irrevocable despite the strong opposition of the United States and some of its allies. Foreign Minister Louis de Guiringaud, who completed talks in Paris with Agha Shahi, Pakistan's Foreign Minister, said he had confirmed that France would honor the contract, [A1:3.]

A battle over the ratification of the Panama Canal treaties began in Congress, with leaders of both parties in the Senate and House taking sides. The legislative struggle is certain to be long and rancorous. Ratification would require 67 Senate votes. A Democratic senator said, "Right now you can't count 34 votes against the treaties, but neither can you count 67 for them." [A3:1.]

The 1971 attempt to kill Mao Tse-tung by China's late Defense Minister Lin Piao utilized warships, bombers and flame throwers, a government bureau that was responsible for guarding Mao said in a newspaper article. Staff members of the Central Committee's General Office wrote the article published by the newspaper Jenmin Jih Pao to mark the first anniversary of Mao's death. The article also accused Chiang Ching, Mao's wife, of trying to sabotage the bodyguard unit. [A5:1.]

National

Bert Lance and his family were accused by the Comptroller of the Curtency of abusing their influential positions in a Georgia bank by overdrawing their accounts for "personal gain." Comptroller John G. Heimann at a hearing of the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee was more critical of Mr. Lance than he had been in his Aug. 18 report. He also characterized Mr. Lance's management of the family-controlled Calhoun First National Bank as "faulty," saying that his "attention to detail left something to be desired." [Al:1-2.]

South Korea will not accede to the American demand for an early return of Tongsun Park to the United States. Foreign Minister Park Tong Jin told South Korean reporters that it was up to Mr. Park to decide whether to go to Washington, where he has been indicted on charges of attempting to bribe members of Congress, to testify at a Justice Department hearing. The Foreign Minister had previously indi-

cated that his Government was cooperating with American officials. [A1:1-2.] Zero Mostel, the actor, died at a Philadelphia hospital, where he was being treated for an upper respiratory disorder. He was 62 years old, He was in Philadelphia for a pre-Broadway performance of Arnold Wesker's new play, "The Merchant." The opening was postponed when Mr. Mostel entered the hospital last weekend. [A1:4-6.]

Metropolitan

The New York State police were charged by the Justice Department in a civil suit with illegally discriminating against women, blacks and persons with Spanish surnames and asked a Federal court to order the police to recruit and hire from these groups. The department also asked the court to issue an order blocking the appointment of troopers unless at least 40 percent were black or Spanish surnamed and at least 20 percent were women. [B2:1-3.]

Business/Finance

A plan to bar oil companies from acquiring any more of the nation's coal and uranium reserves was rejected by the Senate, by 62 to 30. The measure was an amendment attached by Senator Edward M. Kennedy to one of the five bills that make up the Senate's version of the Administration's national energy package. The amendment's defeat was seen as a strong signal that Congress would probably not come to grips this session with the issue of barring oil companies from competing energy businesses. [D1:5-6.]

Stock prices dropped sharply in anticipation of another credit-tightening move by the Federal Reserve. The Dow Jones industrial average lost 8.23 points, finishing at 868.16. Glamour issues and basic industrial stocks in chemicals, steel and aluminum, which had been doing well, declined. [D1:6.]

An agreement on a pipeline to carry Alaskan natural gas across Canada to the United States was announced in Washington by President Carter and Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau. The trans-Canada pipeline, known as the Alcan project, was an alternative to an "all-American route" that would have carried the gas from Alaska by tanker. [DI:1.]

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"I have lived as I believed I ought to have lived."—G. Gordon Liddy, at a news conference on his first full day of freedom after serving 52½ months for Watergate offenses. [A18:1.]

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CORRECTIONS

In some editions of The Times yesterday, a front-page headline on an article about Bert Lance said the budget director "Received \$3.5 Million Loans at Allied Bank." The phrase "allied bank" referred to the bank in Georgia with which Mr. Lance's Calhoun, Ga., bank had a correspondent relationship, and not to Allied Bank International, an international bank with headquarters in New York. Allied Bank International had no connection with any of Mr. Lance's banking or lending operations.

The Times reported incorrectly yesterday that the Employee Retirement Income Security Act covered only pension plans involving 25 or more workers. It covers all pension plans.