

News Summary

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International

Breaking a longstanding policy, the Carter Administration will allow four Soviet trade unionists to visit the United States despite the opposition of the strongly anti-Communist A.F.L.-C.I.O. The Russians were invited by a Chicago-based organization known as Trade Union for Action and Democracy. They will arrive Tuesday and will spend two weeks visiting Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland, Pittsburgh and New York. [Page 1, Column 3.]

Fifteen men died in Uganda before a firing squad. They were teachers, businessmen and former Government officials. Twelve were convicted of having plotted to overthrow President Idi Amin in January. One was convicted of treason, and two were convicted of murder charges. President Amin ignored pleas of Islamic leaders to call off the executions. [1:2.]

The trial of eight Moluccans who seized a train and a school in the Netherlands in May ended. The defendants neither denied their guilt nor entered a plea. The verdict is expected to be announced on Sept. 22. Seven of the defendants face a maximum prison term of 10 years. [6:3.]

National

Bert Lance may have backdated \$196,426 in checks this year so that he could improperly take a tax deduction for last year, Senator Charles H. Percy suggested. Mr. Percy, Republican of Illinois, is the ranking minority member of the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee investigating Mr. Lance's financial affairs. He said it was also possible that Mr. Lance wrote the checks when he had less than \$28,000 in two Georgia checking accounts on Dec. 31, 1976, when the checks were dated. [1:1-2.]

A 1978 Federal budget of \$459.2 billion was approved by the Senate after it

had rejected Republican efforts to provide for an across-the-board tax cut. The Senate, however, approved an amendment by Senator William V. Roth, a Delaware Republican, that would provide a special tax credit for college tuition. [9:1.]

A criminal investigation of Bert Lance was terminated after his lawyer called the United States Attorney in Atlanta to ask about the case, according to a report by Internal Revenue Service inspectors. A sworn affidavit was given to the inspectors by former Judge Sidney O. Smith Jr., who handled Mr. Lance's preparation for nomination as budget director, in which Judge Smith said that he had called John Stokes, the United States Attorney, to ask about an open investigation of Mr. Lance's overdrafts. [1:2.]

Metropolitan

I. Koch and Mario M. Cuomo, victors in the New York City Democratic mayoral primary, began preparing for the Sept. 19 runoff with public campaigning and private efforts to line up support. Both telephoned Mayor Beame, who finished a close third in the seven-candidate race. The Mayor said he would "reflect on the candidates for the next few days" before deciding if he would support one. [1:6.]

Buffalo's Democrats nominated Assemblyman Arthur O. Eve, a militant civil rights leader, for mayor in an upset. He is the first black nominated for Mayor of Buffalo by either party. He had not been given more than an outside chance of winning by pollsters and political experts. He defeated Senator James D. Griffin and Leslie G. Foschio, Corporation Counsel and the Democratic organization's candidate. [1:4-5.]

A new three-year contract was agreed on by the Metropolitan Opera Company and its musicians, virtually assuring that the opera's 93d season will start on schedule next month. [1:1.]

Business/Finance

Stock prices fell sharply in the biggest single-day tumble in six weeks. The Dow Jones industrial average dropped 11.09 points to 857.07, its low for the session. Its total loss for the week was 15.24 points. The market's weakness, analysts said, was caused by an unexpected \$3 billion surge in the nation's weekly money supply and the possibility of another interest-rate increase by the Federal Reserve. [31:5-6.]

The British Ford Company, after long consideration of other places in Europe, had decided to build its new engine manufacturing plant in Wales. West Germany, France, Belgium and Spain had also been competing for the plant. The decision to build in Britain was regarded so seriously that Henry Ford 2d and Prime Minister James Callaghan eventually became involved. British Ford is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Ford Motor Company of Detroit. "I can hardly overstate the importance of this decision," the Prime Minister said. The plant will be built in Waterton in southern Wales. It will cost about \$435 million and is expected to provide 2,500 jobs in the area where unemployment, at 8 percent, is one-third higher than Britain's national average. [31:6.]

A substantially weaker bill for conversion to the use of coal—the first part of President Carter's energy program—was approved by the Senate, 74 to 8. There was uncertainty over whether the bill would be effective in encouraging industrial and utility concerns to use abundant coal for fuel rather than oil and natural gas. The bill eliminates the requirement, proposed by the President and approved by the House, that industry convert to coal. It prohibits only the use of natural gas by existing power plants after 1990. [31:1.]

Major American copper companies are cutting back or closing down mining operations in an attempt to cut costs and reduce inventories. Prices are so low that producers are believed to be losing as much as 10 to 15 cents on every pound of copper sold. Kennecott announced that it was eliminating 10 percent of the more than 10,000 jobs in four mining divisions. Duval, a subsidiary of Pennzoil, will close two of its four production plants. Asarco has suspended all its mining operations, putting 1,300 people out of work. [31:1-4.]

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"I don't believe what the City of New York wants is compromise—someone who cuts the baby in half, but rather someone who will distribute services equally and on merit."—Edward I. Koch. [14:2.]

"What we have in this city is a magnificent mosaic and it must be harmonized. Abrasiveness must be avoided."—Mario M. Cuomo. [14:4.]

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CORRECTIONS

A caption on a photograph that appeared in The Times on July 13—and an article that accompanied the picture—incorrectly identified a demonstrator arrested at Kent State University on July 12 as Martin Scheuer, whose daughter was killed at Kent State in 1971. The person pictured was Albert Canfora, whose son was wounded on the same occasion.

A map depicting the Alcan Pipeline that appeared yesterday was inaccurate in some respects. A corrected map appears on Page 35.