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The Major Events of the Day

International

South Vietnamese Government troops were reported today to be holding at least two strong points in the embattled provincial capital of Phuoc Binh, which was said to have been invaded several times by North Vietnamese troops and tanks. The Saigon military command said the defenders had repulsed an apparently light attack by the North Vietnamese. The command again denied reports that the town had fallen and said that radio communication with the provincial headquarters was being maintained. [Page 1, Column 1.]

Insurgents launched fresh assaults against a besieged Cambodian Government force on the Mekong River two miles east of Phnom Penh in what observers said might be a prelude to an all-out offensive against the capital. They have fired about 36 rockets into Phnom Penh since New Year's Day, killing or wounding 40 persons. President Lon Nol visited a battlefield and ordered field commanders to fight the rebels "at all costs in order to achieve a military victory." [2:6-8.]

Overwork among wives with jobs outside the home is being recognized worldwide as a "serious problem," according to a study by the International Labor Organization, an agency of the United Nations based in Geneva. "A more equitable sharing of the burden of housework and the care of children between men and women," is one approach to the problem of the overworked wife, the study said, and such a sharing is one of the "prerequisites of sexual equality." The study was prepared for a meeting of the I.L.O.'s 125 member nations in Geneva in June, with the hope that its recommendations would become national laws. [1:1-3.]

National

President Ford named an eight-member commission headed by Vice President Rockefeller to investigate allegations of domestic spying by the Central Intelligence Agency. Ron Nessen, the White House press secretary, said that the eight had been chosen as respected citizens who had no former connection with the C.I.A. He said the completion date for the commission's report is April 14 and that it would eventually be made public. [1:8.]

Congressional leaders made it clear that President Ford's appointment of a commission to investigate the Central Intelligence

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"I accept this assignment from the President with a deep sense of responsibility as to the need for public confidence in our governmental institutions, the vital necessity of preserving our national security and the basic concepts of freedom and human dignity."—Vice President Rockefeller, on being named head of the commission to investigate the C.I.A. [1:8.]

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