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The Major Events of the Day

International

Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger, speaking in Zambia in what was billed as the major policy speech of his African visit, advanced a program of American actions aimed at forcing the white minority Government of Rhodesia to accept majority rule. He said he would urge Congress to repeal the legislation permitting importation of Rhodesian chrome in contravention of United Nations sanctions. Many African leaders were most impressed by his aim of urging other industrial nations to comply strictly with the sanctions. [Page 1, Columns 1-3.]

Prime Minister Ian D. Smith of Rhodesia announced a "new initiative" that would include blacks in his white minority government for the first time. He said four tribal chiefs would be sworn in today and that six other blacks would become deputy ministers. They were not named. Black nationalist leaders called the move "irrelevant," since the four chiefs already receive government salaries and it appeared doubtful that any of the others would represent the nationalists who demand immediate majority rule. [1:3.]

Pope Paul VI appointed 19 new Roman Catholic cardinals, including one American, Archbishop William Wakefield Baum of Washington, a native of Texas who has stressed the church's duty to combat racism and all other forces threatening human life and liberty. The names of two other new cardinals were not made public—a practice sometimes used for appointments made in Communist countries. [1:2.]

National

Jimmy Carter appeared from an early lead to be headed for victory in the pivotal Pennsylvania Democratic Presidential primary. Senator Henry M. Jackson seemed to have finished second with Representative Morris K. Udall a poor third and Gov. George C. Wallace, who hardly campaigned in the state, apparently trailing. The strong showing of the former Georgia Governor was achieved despite efforts by organized labor on Senator Jackson's behalf. A New York Times/CBS News poll of voters who had just cast ballots showed Mr. Carter with even stronger support among union members than Senator Jackson. [1:5-8.]

An American Airlines 727 jet crashed on landing at St. Thomas in the United States

of the 85 persons on board had been killed.

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Metropolitan

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The Other News

Quotation of the Day

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Singer taken on at Kennedy International Airport in New York. [1:4.]

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