

# News Summary and Index

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## The Major Events of the Day

### International

Wave after wave of United States war-planes blasted Hanoi's immediate outskirts yesterday in one of the severest attacks of the war, according to a French news agency report from the North Vietnam capital. The first wave of about a dozen fighter-bombers roared over their targets—believed to be about seven miles west of the center of the city—minutes after the alert was sounded. Other attacking planes struck at targets east and north of the capital. North Vietnamese MIG's were said to be aloft for the attack. [Page 1, Columns 6-7.]

In Washington, Gen. William C. Westmoreland roused Congress to enthusiastic cheers with a pledge that the American forces he commands would "prevail in Vietnam over the Communist aggressor." The four-star general, trim and starched, told a joint session that the only strategy that could defeat the enemy was "one of unrelenting but discriminating military, political and psychological pressure on his whole structure and at all levels." [1:8; Text, Page 10.]

Meanwhile, the United States, its relations with Yemen strained almost to the breaking point, announced that it planned to withdraw its aid mission from Yemen and evacuate the dependents of all American officials. The American action followed what officials in Washington described as an unprovoked attack on the American aid mission in Taiz and "totally fabricated" charges by Yemeni authorities that two American aid employes had been involved in "sabotage" explosions in Taiz. [1:6.]

In Athens, the military junta displayed George Papandreou, until recently Greece's foremost political figure, to prove that it treated its political prisoners well. Mr. Papandreou, who might have become Premier again if next month's elections had not been canceled by the coup of April 21, was shown to foreign newsmen. He was reported to have looked older than his 79 years, weak and sad. [1:5.]

Britain's partners in the European Free Trade Association gave their blessing in London to a new British move to enter the Common Market. The decision at a meeting of the association's ministers allows Prime Minister Wilson to press on toward his expected announcement next week of an application to the Market. Today and tomorrow,

Mr. Wilson will canvass the issue with his Cabinet. [1:7.]

Pope Paul VI sorrowfully acknowledged that his own position of primacy and authority was probably "the most grave obstacle" to Christian unity. But, he said, the papacy is essentially the "indispensable principle of truth, of charity, of Christian unity." He spoke to members of the Vatican's Secretariat for Christian Unity at a special audience. [1:4.]

### National

State Department officials reported in Washington that the Soviet Union had objected to a proposed United States formula for a treaty to ban the spread of nuclear weapons, particularly the safeguards provision. The Soviet position, conveyed in recent talks in Geneva, raises new complications in the United States effort to reach agreement on a draft treaty by the time the Geneva conference reconvenes on May 9. [1:8.]

Government officials asserted that efforts of groups opposed to the war in Vietnam to encourage resistance to military service is having no effect on Selective Service inductions. In fact, Selective Service headquarters in Washington reported a sharp decline in the percentage of those who fail to meet draft obligations or who, after induction, go A.W.O.L. or desert. [1:2.]

But one of the country's most noted objectors to the draft, Cassius Clay, the world heavyweight boxing champion, refused to be inducted into the armed forces in Houston. He signed a statement to that effect after refusing twice to take the symbolic step forward during induction ceremonies. His action laid him open to possible fines and imprisonment. [1:2-3.]

### Metropolitan

Frustrated in his efforts to get substantial Federal funds for a summer program, Mayor Lindsay is drawing top business and community leaders into the forefront of the city's efforts to avoid a "long, hot summer." A special citizens' summer committee has been formed to aid the city's antiriot program. [1:1.]

Dr. Carl Anthony Coppolino, who was acquitted four months ago of the murder of a neighbor in New Jersey, was found guilty in Naples, Fla., of second-degree murder in the poison killing of his wife, Carmela. [1:3-5.]