

Cosmonauts land safely

MOSCOW, Friday. — Two Soviet cosmonauts returned safely to Earth today after a two-week flight in the Soyuz-3 space station, seen as a prelude to the Soyuz-Soyuz space link-up.

Go-ahead for building of 16 Concorde

France and Britain yesterday agreed to speed up the production of 16 Concorde supersonic airliners.

The decision, reached at Paris, was announced by President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing and Mr Harold Wilson.

But then he added emphatically: "As the British had considered producing none at all it is possible for the agreement to go ahead with the production of 16 to be described as a positive result."

Lawyer presents impeachment charges

WASHINGTON, Friday. — Proposed articles of impeachment, including the charge that President Nixon is still trying to cover up the Watergate scandal, were presented to the House of Representatives today.

The Watergate cover-up, authorizing improper domestic spying and the use of the CIA to spy on political opponents, raising milk price controls, and selling ambassadorships in exchange for election-campaign contributions.

Mr Doar earlier today told committee members that, in his judgment, the evidence on the President's role in the Watergate cover-up alone warranted his impeachment.

Scientists complete a continental jigsaw

NEW YORK, Friday. — Two scientists have found a missing piece of a geological jigsaw puzzle which fits between South America and Africa.

They said yesterday that deep-sea drilling on the East Coast of South America, according to Dr Robert D. Dietz, the geologist who led the expedition, has revealed a missing piece of the puzzle.

The President is quoted as saying: "I do not want to know anything about the case. Don't tell me anything about it. I am not going to be any more anti-trust actions as long as I am in the White House."

Tories oiling their Scottish vote-catching machinery

The Scottish Conservative members will go to the Shadow Cabinet next Friday for their second meeting.

Mr Edward Heath and Mr Alec Buchanan-Smith and the party's Steering Committee yesterday considered the economic aspects of the Scottish manifesto and the part to be played in Scotland's economy by off-shore oil.

Immediate exchequer relief to repay the loan is a major objective. The Government is also considering a new rate of interest on the loan to reduce the ratepayers' burden.

Loan powers improved

Greater powers have been developed on the Department of Industry's offices in Scotland and the other regions.

Review of security

Security arrangements at the Royal Naval base are being reviewed after a series of thefts there.

Pay Board abolished

The Order to abolish the Pay Board was signed yesterday by Mr Michael Foot, the Secretary of State for Employment.

Bishop faces charges in S Korea

SEOUL, Friday. — A Roman Catholic bishop has been demarried on charges of giving aid to a divisive student group involved in a plot against the South Korean Government.

Assault fleet sails from Turkey

A fleet of about 30 Turkish assault landing craft escorted by destroyers sailed from the Southern Turkish port today in the direction of Cyprus only 70 miles away.

Guerrillas cut rail link with 74 blasts

BEIRA, Friday. — Guerrillas today carried out their biggest sabotage raid on Mozambique's important Tete railway line, blowing up the track with 74 separate explosions.

The line, which carries supplies from the north to the southern town of Tete, has long been a guerrilla target. But attacks have been intensifying in recent weeks.

The track has now been seriously damaged three times since July 11, and the traffic situation on the line has been described as chaotic by informed sources here.

Troops massing, says Uganda

KAMPALA, Friday. — Tanzanian troops and guerrillas massed on the border between Uganda and Kenya early today but later pulled back to positions three miles from the border.

Assault fleet sails from Turkey

The landing craft appeared to be carrying tanks and infantry. The fleet was escorted by destroyers and sailed from the Southern Turkish port today in the direction of Cyprus only 70 miles away.

Kissing is to meet Makarios

WASHINGTON, Friday. — The US Secretary of State, Henry Kissinger, will meet Archbishop Makarios here on Monday, the second day of his two-day visit.

High Administration officials disclosed that the US Secretary of State's effort was now being directed towards deterring a Turkish attack on Cyprus.

At the same time, it was learned that the US Embassy in Athens recently had sent a cable to Dr Kissinger detailing the Greek military junta's direct involvement in the coup.

Cyprus 'too good to leave'

Dozens of British holidaymakers have ignored the ban on Cyprus because they are enjoying themselves so much.

Only about 250 returned to the island yesterday after the ban on Cyprus was lifted. Many of the tourists were holidaymakers who had been in the island for ten days, said about 50 people who were interviewed.

Explosion starts dozens of fires

DECATUR (Illinois), Friday. — A huge explosion ripped through a warehouse here today, starting no fewer than 110 fires, forcing thousands of people to flee.

Police said that the cause of the blast was not known but that it could have originated from a railway tanker loaded with highly inflammable liquid gas.

The explosion derailed more than 100 wagons in the yard and the main effect of the blast was felt 30 miles away.

Mr Jenkins visits bomb victims

The Home Secretary, Mr Roy Jenkins, yesterday visited the people still in hospital after Wednesday's Tower of London bombing.

Mr Anthony Brett, the hospital steward, said Mr Jenkins arrived at St Bartholomew's Hospital in London, after a quick telephone call to him that he was coming to visit.

New regime 'friendly to Turks'

NICOSIA, Friday. — Mr Demitris Demetrios, named as Foreign Minister after the coup, today spoke of the new Government's friendship for Turks and Ankara for talks.

His remarks came during a day which saw Greek Cypriots, fearing a Turkish attack, rushing on to the streets, shouting "The Turks are coming, the Turks are coming."

While the Turkish community — reinforced their security by the presence of their own machine-guns, Mr Demetrios told reporters that his Government would continue talks with the Turkish Cypriots with a view to settling the island's status.

ENDURANCE TEST FOR COMMITTEE

Sixteen MPs face an endurance test over the Government's Bill for the abolition of the Pay Board.

LEFTIST CONFERENCE GIVEN WARNING

The Irish Government last night issued a warning to the Leftist Conference of Militant Left-wing Organisations, due to open in London on Monday.

Junta warn Christian Democrats in Chile

SANTIAGO, Friday. — Chile's military rulers yesterday accused the Christian Democrat Party of supporting the political campaign against them.

In a toughly-worded statement, the military rulers said that the drastic measures would be taken to ensure the political process they had imposed on the country after the coup last September.

The statement went on to allege that the executive committee of the Christian Democrat Party was to permit them to be used as a platform to attack the Government, thus, in effect, joining in the military-backed campaign against them.

