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Ambassador Jacques Senard shouts from window of French Embassy in the Hague, where he is held hostage by terrorists.



The gunmen demanded freedom for a Japanese terrorist, Yutaka Furuya, held in a French prison since July. In photo above, Mr. Furuya steps from plane at Amsterdam airport where he was flown from Paris.

Critics Now Cooperative As Nadjari Ends 2d Year

By MARCIA CHAMBERS

Two years ago when former Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller appointed Maurice H. Nadjari to supersede the city's five District Attorneys in corruption cases in the criminal-justice system, the appointment triggered wide controversy, distrust and hostility among policemen, politicians and prosecutors.

The late Frank S. Hogan, furious at the implication that in his 32 years as Manhattan District Attorney he had not devoted sufficient energy in the pursuit of capturing corrupt law-enforcement officials, led the other District Attorneys in opposing creation of the post.

Now, as the special prosecutor completes his second year

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Most Saudis Benefiting From Economic Boom

By JUAN DE ONIS

JIDDA, Saudi Arabia, Sept. 9 — While Western countries struggle with inflation, recession and sagging stock markets, Saudi Arabia is enjoying an economic boom that benefits both the rich and the poor.

The oil revenues flooding into the state treasury, which are expected to be more than \$26-billion in this fiscal year, are being spread out to the greatest extent that this relatively primitive economy can absorb.

When Hassan Bishawi, a Government employe, drives his Datsun into a service station, he can fill his tank for less than 52¢ at the reduced price of 16 cents a gallon for high-test gasoline.

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KISSINGER CALLED CHILE STRATEGIST

He Is Said to Have Directed Economic Fight Against Allende Personally

By SEYMOUR M. HERSH

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14 — Secretary of State Kissinger personally directed a far-reaching Nixon Administration program designed to curtail economic aid and credits to Chile after the election of President Salvador Allende Gossens in 1970, well-informed Government sources said today.

These sources said that after the election of Dr. Allende, Mr. Kissinger, who was then serving as President Nixon's adviser on national security, took charge of a series of weekly interagency meetings at which Administration officials worked out a policy of economic sanctions—or "retaliation," as one source put it—against Chile.

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Negotiations Stall As Terrorists Hold 9 in Hague Embassy

By TERRY ROBARDS

THE HAGUE, Sunday, Sept. 15 — Tense negotiations for the release of the French Ambassador and eight other hostages held by Japanese terrorists in the French Embassy here were at an impasse today, and the condition of the captives remained unknown.

Ambassador Jacques Senard, 54 years old, and the others were seized in the embassy just before 5 P.M. Friday by the armed men, who later identified themselves as members of the Japanese Red Army, an extremist group.

They demanded the release from a French prison of a man identified as Yutaka Furuya, who had been arrested July 21 at Orly Airport near Paris carrying \$10,000 in counterfeit money and three passports.

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U.S. DRAFTS RULES FOR CITIES TO GAIN RAPID-TRANSIT AID

Criteria Expected to Require Cost Justification of New System Over Alternatives

By ROBERT LINDSEY

The Ford Administration has drafted the first national criteria for determining which cities across the country will receive Federal aid to build modern, fixed rapid transit systems and which will have to settle for buses.

The standards, which are expected to have a major impact on the development of many American cities, were approved last week by senior Department of Transportation officials and are scheduled to be sent to Secretary of Transportation Claude S. Brinegar tomorrow for final approval.

The criteria are likely to disappoint many cities that expected Washington to pay 80 per cent of the cost of futuristic commuter lines, such as the \$1.6-billion San Francisco Bay Area transit system that is scheduled to open in its entirety tomorrow after two years of limited operation.

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Northeast Warned It Faces Winter Natural Gas Crisis

Experts Say Shortages Will Be Acute in Other Regions Also—Con Ed Evinces a 'Guarded Optimism'

By EDWARD COWAN

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14 — The Northeast and some other regions of the United States are moving toward a natural gas shortage this winter that will be the worst yet, according to industry and Government experts.

These experts say the shortage will be still greater in 1975-76 and even more acute in the winter of 1976-77.

Of the 42 principal interstate pipelines, 17 have told the Federal Power Commission that they will be unable to meet 11 per cent of their contractual delivery commitments during the November-to-March heating season, compared with 7.2 per cent during the "energy crisis" of last winter. The estimated shortage of 768 billion cubic feet is 81 per cent higher than last winter's.

Deficiencies, according to the commission, range up to 40 per cent for the United Gas Pipe Line Company, an important supplier to the Southeast. Serious shortages are also expected in the upper Middle West.

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F.P.C. IS ACCUSED OF IMPROPER ACTS ON GAS PRICE RISES

G.A.O. Also Says Agency Officials Owned Stocks in Regulated Companies

SEVEN JUDGES ARE CITED

Commission Denies It Acted Wrongly, Blaming Poor Record Procedures

By MICHAEL C. JENSEN

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14 — The General Accounting Office, following a 10-month investigation, has accused the Federal Power Commission of acting improperly in allowing a number of the nation's natural gas producers to raise prices to millions of their customers.

The office also alleged that some officials of the commission had owned securities of the companies they regulated and had failed to comply with the commission's rules designed to avoid conflicts of interest. Nineteen F.P.C. officials were directed by the commission to sell some of their securities as a result of the G.A.O. investigation, the agency said.

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terHorst Says Ford Spent 'Inordinate' Time on Haig

By TERRY ROBARDS

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14 — In his first newspaper column since resigning as President Ford's press secretary, J. F. terHorst said today that Mr. Ford was "spending an inordinate amount of time soothing his own loyalists and placating the sensitive feelings" of Gen. Alexander M. Haig Jr., the chief of staff of former President Richard M. Nixon.

Mr. terHorst said this was a time that Mr. Ford "might better devote to the task of devising a policy to bring inflation under control, shaping his Administration's domestic and foreign policies and installing his own merit in the key posts of government."

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Buddhist Group Joins Saigon Opposition

By JAMES M. MARKHAM

SAIGON, South Vietnam, Sept. 14 — The important An Quang Buddhist faction tonight threw its support behind a program of "peace and national reconciliation" amid signs that the non-Communist opposition to President Nguyen Van Thieu is beginning to coalesce into a loose front.

At a crowded ceremony at the An Quang Pagoda—which was a focus of fierce opposition to the Government in the

mid-nineteen-sixties—Vu Van Mau, a Senator, announced the formation of the National Reconciliation Force.

"Nobody has the right to monopolize politics and patriotism to destroy others," he declared to loud applause. "Let us all strive to silence the sounds of the guns and the bombs and listen to the call of our ancestors and the motherland."

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religious and political groups—a reference to a burgeoning anticorruption movement led by Roman Catholic priests.

Anti-Government Buddhists have long regarded Vietnamese Catholics with some suspicion since the Catholics have been, in the main, firm supporters of the anti-Communist governments that began when Ngo Dinh Diem came to power in 1954.

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'Lapse' Is Conceded

The investigating agency did not identify either the companies that were allowed to raise prices or the individuals who sold securities. It did say, however, that seven of the individuals were administrative law judges at the Federal Power Commission.

John N. Nassikas, chairman of the F.P.C., in response to an inquiry, heatedly denied the conclusions of the G.A.O. report on pricing matters. However, he acknowledged the problems involving conflict of interest but said he had taken aggressive action to clear them up as soon as they were brought to his attention.

Leo E. Forquer, general counsel of the commission, agreed when questioned that there had been "a lapse" in enforcing the F.P.C.'s conflict-of-interest rules, but denied that there had been any improper action in allowing price increases.

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Cup Race Becalmed

The third race of the America's Cup series between Courageous, the United States defender, and Southern Cross of Australia was abandoned yesterday off Newport, R.I., after the yachts were becalmed and could not finish within the 5½-hour time limit. Courageous leads the four-of-seven-race series, 2-0. Details in Section 5.

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Islam Today: Moslem Faith Strong in a Secular Era

War and oil have focused attention not only on the Arab world but also on its common faith—Islam. It is a religion, stretching from Africa to Asia, that is in a process of growth. This is the first of a series of articles on the growth and its impact on Islam's 530 million followers.

By EDWARD B. FISKE

CAIRO — Attendance at Friday-noon prayers is so great here that makeshift mosques are set up in the courtyards of office buildings.

In the last few years tens of thousands of Malaysian tribesmen have converted to Islam—mainly as a result of Government efforts to unify a racially and culturally diverse nation through an established religion.

Last spring a dozen people were killed in Pakistan during riots prompted by a theological dispute between two Moslem sects.

In their own way, for better or for worse, each of these events points to the major conclusion that emerged from a six-week tour of Moslem areas of the Middle East, Africa and Southern Asia:

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The faces of Islam are young and old, modern and traditional, from the Mideast and Asia, from Africa and India.

Jaworski Reportedly Ignored In Ruling to Return Nixon Tapes

By JOHN M. CREWDSON

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14 — The special Watergate prosecutor's office, although strongly opposed to the decision to return White House tapes and documents to former President Richard M. Nixon, was given no direct role in that conclusion, according to several well-placed sources.

The views of Leon Jaworski, the special prosecutor, were reportedly solicited by, and submitted to, the Justice Department lawyers who began in mid-August to hammer out a legal opinion on the ownership of the Presidential materials.

None of the sources said they knew of any consultation on the matter between the spe-

cial prosecutor and the White House, and one maintained that President Ford himself had "never even looked into the legal questions" surrounding the controversy, but had left the problem in the hands of Philip W. Buchen, the White House counsel.

A memorandum of reply said to have been prepared by Mr. Jaworski's office and sent to the department's Office of Legal Counsel reportedly recommended that custody of the tapes and documents, some of which the prosecutors believe they need to complete their work, be retained by the Government.

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