

June 4, 1970  
Allen Jackson

Good evening.

*Drama and danger in the sky-ways - with a TWA jetliner in control of an angry tax-payer from Arizona - a bakery truck driver of Phoenix named - Arthur G. Bailey - who is fighting a government claim for almost five-hundred dollars in back taxes.*

*Arthur Bailey began his bizarre escapade by hijacking the TWA plane over New Mexico - with fifty-nine persons aboard - demanding payment - in small bills - of a hundred-million dollars - claiming his constitutional rights were violated. The plane flew on to Washington - landed at Dulles airport - took on a canvas bag containing a little over a hundred-thousand dollars - and took off again - this time with an extra pilot aboard - qualified for overseas flight - if necessary. The plane flew south - then turned and flew north - then over New York state - it headed south again - hijacker Bailey still in charge - and angrily shouting radio orders to the ground - and to*

## HIJACKING - 2

Washington. Now - the latest - the plane is heading back to Dulles airport - with Bailey still demanding his hundred-million dollars. The rest of the story can't be told yet - it's still happening.

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## **WHITE HOUSE**

**Reaction to President Nixon's latest report on the Vietnamese war - about what you might expect. Those who support U.S. policy in Southeast Asia - generally calling it another masterful presentation of U.S. goals and ideals. Those who oppose U.S. policy in Southeast Asia, well, they still oppose it.**

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**SUGGESTED INTRO TO THOMAS TAPE SLUGGED  
"AFGHANISTAN"**

**Next up - Lowell Thomas; with another special  
report tonight - discussing some of the recent changes  
in the "Land of Shangri-La." Lowell...**

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The speed with which this world of ours is changing was brought home to me again today by Burt Hemphill, who has spent much of his life traveling in various parts of the world, and arranging for other Americans to do likewise. It wasn't long ago that Afghanistan was virtually a closed country so far as westerners were concerned. The city of Kabul was a Shangri-la that only two or three Americans had seen, one a doctor who was invited there because of an emergency. The Amir, the King, needed care and sent to Calcutta, India for an expert. Along about the same time an American nurse was allowed to enter Afghanistan to take care of the Queen.

In those days whenever an Afghan woman left her home she did so heavily veiled.

Now, Burt Hemphill of the Hemphill Travel Service tells me he has returned from a ceremony in Kabul, the official opening of a two hundred and twenty room ultra modern Intercontinental Hotel, at which the royal family and

*the Prime Minister were the hosts and served champagne to four hundred guests.*

*That champagne also sounds impossible, because only a few years ago all alcoholic drinks were forbidden in Afghanistan.*

*The hotel is on a hill above the walled city of Kabul, with the snowy Hindukush Mountains for a background. Native marble was used in the construction of the hotel, and on the floors are handsome Afghan rugs. There is even a heated swimming pool.*

*I wonder what Alexander the Great and the mogul emperors of old would say about all this?*

*Yes, we are in a fast changing world, and I wonder what our planet will look like after another fifty years have gone by*

**SUGGESTED FOLLOW TO THOMAS TAPE**

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**Thank you, Lowell. Back to the news...**

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# CRIME

WASHINGTON

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## WASHINGTON

The winner of this year's National Spelling Bee - fourteen-year-old Libby Childress of Mount Airy, North Carolina. In the final showdown today in Washington - she correctly spelled "corymb" - C-O-R-Y-M-B - a word that her last remaining opponent had just missed. Libby then spelling correctly the next word - "croissant" - C-R-O-I-S-S-A-N-T - sealing her victory.

By the way, Libby's finalist foe - fourteen-year-old Tom Moe of Denver, Colorado; who had the misfortune of spelling "corymb" - C-H-O-R-I-M-B-E. And after that Warren - it was all over, there wasn't any Moe.

## ROCKPORT

**Found - at last: A truly honest man - or a boy, anyway. Nine-year-old Mark Clatt of Rockport, Mass. - stumbled across a lost wallet that contained a Thousand Bucks; which he promptly turned over to police - much to the relief of a local businessman who quickly claimed it; in turn - presenting young Mark with a "suitable" reward.**

**Ah, but that's not all. The youngster later proved himself doubly honest - when he admitted mixed emotions about his find. Explaining: "I felt like spending it - but I felt more like taking it to the police station."**

And ~~as~~<sup>as</sup> Lowell would say - so long until tomorrow.

## CALDERA

*Venezuela's President Rafael Caldera - a living testimonial to the Biblical admonition: "Ask - and ye shall receive." The visiting Venezuelan yesterday addressing a Joint Session of Congress - making a strong pitch for an increase in Venezuelan oil quotas. A plea that he also made - in private meetings with President Nixon, both before and after. And now this: The White House announcing today that Venezuelan oil imports - will be increased during the last half of this year; the exact amount - to be announced at a later date*

**MIDDLE EAST FOLLOW WHITE HOUSE**

**A round-the-clock blitz today in the Middle East; with wave after waves of Israeli jets - attacking Egyptian targets across the Suez Canal. New fighting was also reported today - in the Southern Jordan Valley. The stepped-up action coming on the eve of the third anniversary of that so-called "six-day war" - which hasn't really ended even yet.**

# SAIGON FOLLOW MIDDLE EAST

**Meantime, the U.S. weekly casualty report from**

**Saigon - listing today a hundred-and-sixty-five Americans**

**killed in action. An increase of about fifteen per cent -**

**from the week before. U.S. officials attributing this -**

**to stepped up enemy shelling attacks in South Vietnam. At**

**the same time, disclosing seventy-one such attacks - during**

**the past twenty-four hours alone.**

But, the U.S. Navy in Washington - quickly refuted the

Communist broadcast. Saying flatly - there is "no indication"

of any U.S. involvement." Washington added that the vessel

in question was probably that of a South Korean craft - whose

capture by North Korean guerrillas was reported earlier from

South Korea.