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## FOREIGN AID

**Good Evening Everybody:**

**A big surprise in Washington this evening - a major upset in the Senate - which spent a day in stormy debate on the foreign aid bill - charging that it failed to promote democracy and friends for the U.S. - as it was intended. And so - the Senate voted - forty-one-to-twenty-seven - to kill foreign aid altogether. What next? It's too early to tell - possibly an attempt later in the year to revive the program - perhaps a motion continuing aid temporarily at last year's level.**

## UNITED NATIONS

*If there remained any doubt whether Communist China would actually claim its hard-won seat at the United Nations - that doubt was finally dispelled today. Peking's Acting Foreign Minister - Chi Peng-Fei - sent a cable to U.N. Secretary General U Thant; serving notice that "the People's Republic of China - will send a delegation in the near future" to the current session of the General Assembly.*

*This was the U.N.'s first direct communication from Communist China - since Nineteen-Fifty; when Peking sent over a representative - to discuss the Korean War.*

*It might also be noted that the Chinese communication - was rather terse and straight to the point; ignoring the usual diplomatic amenities - except for its last sentence. And there - Chi Peng-Fei told U Thant: "Please accept the assurances - of my highest consideration." For those who make a study of such things - that's an encouraging sign - at least, a start.*

## WHO FOLLOW UNITED NATIONS

*Elsewhere at the U.N. - the case for DDT; as presented today - by Dr. A.W.A. Brown of the World Health Organization; who agreed that the use of DDT - might endanger certain species; but he called it, nevertheless, the cheapest and most effective weapon against malaria - the world's most widespread killing and debilitating disease.*

*Dr. Brown added that for humans - "DDT has proved fantastically safe - just about as safe as you can get." He further stated: "DDT has never killed anybody - but it has saved fifty million people from dying of malaria in the past twenty-five years."*

## WHITE HOUSE

*It may be true that neither snow, rain, heat nor night - can stay the mailman from his appointed rounds. Ah, but the prospect of a Senate seat - well, that may be something else again.*

*At any rate, Postmaster General Winton Blount - resigned today from the U.S. Postal Service; amid reports that he plans to return to Alabama - there to seek the Senate seat now held by veteran Democrat John Sparkman.*

**TITO**

*In Washington - a tribute to President Nixon. Josip Broz Tito of Yugoslavia calling the President - "a statesman who has boldly undertaken major policy initiatives - for important and necessary contracts." This - in a speech at the National Press Club.*

*SUGGESTED LEAD-IN TO THOMAS TAPE "LONDON #2"*

*Next - Lowell Thomas - the original "man-in-motion";  
discussing tonight - for him - a rare traveling treat.*

*Lowell...*

**SUGGESTED FOLLOW TO THOMAS TAPE "LONDON #2"**

**Thank you, Lowell.**

**More - after this.**



## SINGAPORE

*Singapore - a final dress parade - at Britain's Far East Command headquarters. Sir Brian Burnett reviewing his troops for the last time - as Britain closed down its last military base "East of Aden."*

*This ended, for all practical purposes, a British military presence in Asia - that spanned more than a century. But Sir Brian told his men - with a quote from Wordsworth; "Not in entire forgetfulness - and not in utter nakedness - but trailing clouds of glory do you go."*