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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

The Federal Power Commission today ordered on-the-spot inspections -- by special teams of federal investigators throughout the twenty-three electrical systems -- serving the northeastern United States in an effort to find out why -- last week's blackout spread so fast and so far. Also to determine means -- if possible -- to prevent it ever happening again.

VIET NAM

A complete Communist rout -- today in Viet Nam.

America's "Flying Horsemen" annihilating the remnants of a full regiment of North Vietnamese troops -- on the slopes of Chu Pong Mountain.

This the Americans' first battlefield showdown -- with Communist regulars from Hanoi. Total enemy dead -- about thirteen hundred. Despite the victory -- American losses ^{are} also called "heavy."

COUNCIL

In Rome -- the Ecumenical Council today voted its overwhelming approval -- of a provision for strict observance of the Catholic ban on artificial birth control; ~~At~~ least -- for now. The door left open, however, for Pope Paul to revise the church position -- if and when he so desires.

The Council also condemning -- all forms of racial discrimination. As for ^a~~that~~ last-minute attempt to condemn Communism -- it failed -- by vote of about four-to-one.

RHODESIA

Queen Elizabeth today initiated a series of orders - designed to strengthen the position of her loyal Governor Sir Humphrey Gibbs -- in Rhodesia.

But at Salisbury -- Premier Ian Smith himself - when asked what he intended to do about the Governor, - Governor? merely replied "What Governor?"

What announcer tonight? Why, it's Stewart

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Metz.

WHALE

From Moscow -- news today that Soviet whalers have hooked a pure-white sperm whale. The big fish -- a thirty nine footer -- weighing nearly fifty tons. Hooked in the North Atlantic -- near the Arctic Circle. The first albino sperm whale -- in years.

The son of Moby Dick? I wonder.

At any rate tomorrow we'll hear more, I hope, direct from the plane now nearing the South Pole. In fact I hope to talk to them tonight when they circle the South Pole.

INTRO TO POLE FLIGHT

The round the world plane tonight is in the air, over the Antarctic heading for the South Pole, on the most exciting leg of the flight. Although more than half way round the world from us tonight I succeeded in getting through to the plane thanks to what is known as the Mars frequency which is controlled by our federal government. Here is a part of the conversation I just had with Lowell Jr.

UPI A60N

BUENOS AIRES, NOV. 16 (UPI)--A SPECIALLY-EQUIPPED BOEING JET TRANSPORT MAKING AN EARTH-CIRCLING POLE-TO-POLE FLIGHT STOPPED BRIEFLY HERE TODAY TO REFUEL. IT STAYED ONLY TWO HOURS BEFORE TAKING OFF AGAIN FOR A FLIGHT OVER THE SOUTH POLE TO CHRISTCHURCH, WHILE PARKED AT EZEIZA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, ARGENTINE METEOROLOGISTS GAVE THE CREW OF THE FLYING TIGERS' 707-320C THE LATEST WEATHER REPORTS AND A FORECAST OF WEATHER THEY WOULD ENCOUNTER AFTER LEAVING BUENOS AIRES.

THE BOEING JET, ABOARD WHICH IS TRAVELING 30 AMERICAN SCIENTISTS, MEDICAL AND AVIATION EXPERTS, STARTED ITS HISTORIC FLIGHT FROM HONOLULU AND MADE A NON-STOP FLIGHT OVER THE NORTH POLE TO LONDON. IT FLEW HERE FROM LISBON WHERE IT MADE AN UNSCHEDULED STOP TO PICK UP ADDITIONAL JET FUEL.

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END AFTER TAPE

Last night I have a special salute to Fred Austin and Harrison Finch, the veteran airmen who for two years had been dreaming and planning this flight. Tonight I'd like to pay my respects to Colonel Willard Rockwell, a Pittsburgh manufacturer who is also on board the plane circling the world via both poles. Captains Austin and Finch were short of funds two weeks ago. They merely needed a couple of hundred thousand dollars to pay for specially equipping the plane, and endless other expenses for this in an enormously expensive expedition. Colonel Rockwell who dreams of the aviation world, at the eleventh hour, provided the funds. It's thrilling how someone like Colonel Rockwell comes through when explorers need financial help.