

*At Camp David, Maryland - a final preface today to that "new chapter" in U.S. and Chinese relations.*

*President Nixon completed his background studies - in preparation for his departure tomorrow morning for Peking. The big send-off - set for Ten O'clock, Washington-time.*

*Republicans and Democrats alike - wishing the President all success. Senate Majority Leader Mike Mansfield, for one - saying the President's trip could mark the beginning of a new era of peaceful evolution. Senate Minority Leader Hugh Scott - adding that this could be "an earth-shaking event."*

*The Democratic National Committee goes further suggesting tonight - that "something big is in the works" in Peking; possibly - the committee says an immediate end to the fighting in Vietnam; in which case - the "Democrats say they would be found the front ranks of those cheering."*

## PENTAGON

*Reverse side - from Admiral Thomas Moorer, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; in a report today - on U.S. military preparedness. Admiral Moorer contends the U.S. must be ready to fight nuclear wars - with Russia and Red China, both at the same time. He explained that "nuclear war with only one of these nations" - would necessitate "sufficient strategic forces to deter - simultaneously - a nuclear attack from the other."*

*Admiral Moorer added that "the relative military power of the United States - has clearly peaked and is now declining;" which means - that "henceforth, we will have to plot our course with much greater precision - and calculate our risks much more closely."*

BOSTON

*On the campaign trail - Senator McGovern*

*carried his White House aspirations to Boston today; there*

*suggesting that it might be best to legalize marijuana -*

*along with controls such as those now imposed on alcohol.*

*But he also suggested - with regard to marijuana -*

*"continuing and expanding educational programs aimed at*

*discouraging its use."*

# TELETYPE FOLLOW BOSTON

For Senator Jackson of Washington - a Mass.

conference today at Philadelphia, where he criticized

Senator McGowan - also. Major Lindsay of New York - now

arguing forced school leaving while sending their own children

to private institutions. Jackson added that Lindsay, in

particular, sends his children all the way to Connecticut -

is Jackson put it - so they can be "safe" from "the danger

that Lindsay has mentioned." ~~Some~~

## MANCHESTER FOLLOW TALLAHASSEE

*In Manchester, New Hampshire; three bombs were set off today - outside the city's police and fire department headquarters. This in protest - apparently - against the re-election campaign of President Nixon.*

*In any event, police later seized as suspects - a young man and a young woman; both - described as "student radicals." A leaflet found in their possession - said "The pig media has been trying to portray the coming election as a quiet affair - we have shown them what to expect."*

## LONDON

*That power crisis in Britain - caused by a nationwide coal strike - worse than ever today. British industry nearing a total shutdown - that threatens to idle, in all, more than twenty million. The government further warned that barring a settlement - all electricity to private homes will be cut off within two weeks.*



## QUITO

*In the wake of a bloodless coup of Quito in Ecuador - a three-man military junta today assumed control of that country. The new regime calls itself - a "revolutionary and nationalist" government; it imposed strict censorship in a dusk-to-dawn curfew - plus military control of vital services. Also resurrecting an outlawed Leftist Constitution - originally drafted back in Nineteen-Forty-Five.*

*As for deposed President Velasco - he's still in Panama where he was flown last night; for the fourth time in a political career spanning forty years - an exile from his own land.*

# **SUGGESTED LEAD-IN TO THOMAS TAPE "NEW GUINEA-WEWAK"**

**And now - it's time again for Lowell Thomas;  
discussing tonight a soccer game - Stone Age New  
Guinea-style. Lowell...**



NEW GUINEA-WEWAK

Occasionally you have heard me speak about a young Catholic missionary, Bishop Leo Arkfeld, from Iowa, who has devoted his life to cannibals and ex-cannibals of New Guinea. The latest word I have from out there tells about a football game. The Australians have taught them to play soccer. Two of the tribal soccer teams were lined up for the kick-off. Wewak is a team from up the Sepik River. The ball was put down on the kick-off spot. Suddenly the man who was to do the kicking called his teammates around him and a moment later he ran over to the sideline and said: "Father, we can't play this game. The Sepik team has cast a magic spell that will cause us to lose."

Bishop Arkfeld, went out to take a look. There at the kick-off spot they found the sod had been removed and bits of bamboo had been planted. This had to do with magic rites that were powerful enough to terrify the Wewak players.

However, the Bishop knelt down, made three large

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*signs of the cross over the magic spot, blessed himself  
(he said he needed it by then) made another sign of the cross,  
stood up, blessed the team, and told them the black magic  
had been removed.*

*"Play ball!" The inspired Wewak football players beat  
the Sepik opposition ten to nothing.*

*That's the football news from New Guinea.  
You might call it the Wewak Cannibal Super Bowl.*

**SUGGESTED FOLLOW TO THOMAS TAPE "NEW GUINEA-  
WEWAK"**

**Super, Lowell.**

**A final note - in a moment.**

## **HOUSTON**

*On the space front - America's final moon mission today was scheduled for blast-off December Sixth - less than nine months hence. The U.S. Apollo-Seventeen to shoot for a lunar landing - where the moon's Taurus mountain range meets the crater Littrow. According to earthbound geologists - an area perhaps containing the oldest rocks known to man.*

*The Apollo Sixteen - of course - set for blast off the middle of April - then the last of the Apollo series. Number Seventeen - in December.*

*Now for Lowell Thomas - so long until tomorrow.*