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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Is now the time for all good men to come to the aid of the party? At any rate, the Governor of New York comes to the aid of -- the Governor of Pennsylvania. Nelson Rockefeller -- throwing his support to William Scranton -- in the hope that Scranton will somehow at the eleventh hour get that G.O.P. nomination.

Rockefeller, issuing a statement to the effect -- that this now becomes the most effective way to fight as he puts it for "progress and moderation." No mention of Senator Goldwater -- but the implication is obvious. Because Rockefeller has stated repeatedly -- that Goldwater is too far to the Right. As for Scranton, Rockefeller considers him in that mystical what they call "the mainstream of American political thought and action", and - now supports him.

Tomorrow, Rockefeller, will begin the talks --
intended to shift his delegates to Scranton. A strong bloc of
delegates -- one-hundred-and-twenty-three.

SCRANTON

The word that is being applied to Governor Scranton's campaign -- Whirlwind. At any rate, the candidate for the G.O.P. nomination, in a flurry of activity -- as he bids for eleventh hour delegate strength at the Convention. He admits that he started late; that he must hurry up and make himself familiar to the public -- in as many places as possible. Hence, he's hoping to cover the ground -- with seven league boots.

Today's schedule -- is typical. A news conference -- in Meadville, Pennsylvania. Then the commencement address - at Allegheny College. From there a plane to Des Moines, Iowa, for - an airport news conference, an address - at a Republican rally, and a session with the members of the Iowa delegate to the Convention.

From now to San Francisco -- "I'll be on the road", says the man in a hurry, Bill Scranton of Pennsylvania.

GOLDWATER

Meanwhile -- back at the ranch -- Barry Goldwater is talking about Lyndon Johnson. The front-runner for the G.O.P. nomination -- invading the President's home state, inviting Texans -- to vote Republican in November.

Meaning -- vote for Goldwater. The Arizona Conservative feels sure -- that he'll be the Republican standard bearer. With the Lone Star delegates in his pocket -- he'll be only about five short of a first ballot nomination. That is, presuming they all stay in his pocket until the balloting begins in San Francisco. Only five short of the big prize.

SUPREME COURT

Elbridge Gerry, Governor of Massachusetts -- at the beginning of the Nineteen Century, revised district boundaries so as to put voting strength into Jeffersonian districts. In so doing he made the map look like a salamander, and that caused a wit of the period -- to call it a Gerrymander?

Since then the practice has not been unknown -- F.D.R. used it to get rid of some of his enemies. It was the only way he could lick Ham Fish! But it appears to be on its way out.- after today's Supreme Court decision. Gerrymandering legislative apportionment in the states. In the future there will be no more playing fast and loose with the map to get the vote that the party in power wants. No more -- gerrymandering? Maybe the decision still doesn't do that.

BULGARIA

The miseries of Communism have finally come out in the open -- in Red Bulgaria. The Bulgar Communist party is often considered - the most subservient to Soviet interests. And the least willing to admit that the policies imposed on Sofia by Moscow - don't work.

But Premier Zhivkov has just said - exactly that. Specifically, that state control - has reduced the efficiency of Bulgarian industry. Result - inferior products. Some thirty million dollars worth of them - unusable. A grave blow to the standard of living - in Bulgaria. So says - ~~Communist~~ ^{Bulgar Premier} Zhivkov.

MONGOLIA

Red China's concessions to Outer Mongolia - are not impressing Western observers. True, Mao Tse-tung has dropped his claim to - twentyfive thousand square miles of Mongolian territory. Allowing Ulan Bator to maintain control -- of the disputed areas.

The catch of course - is this. In the words of - a Japanese expert, "Why should Mao worry about the Mongolian border - when he expects to grab outer Mongolia from the Russians?"

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MacMILLAN

The Newish War Veterans of America have just saluted a salty man of the sea, from Down East Maine -- North Pole Explorer Admiral Donald MacMillan. They held their encampment this year near Admiral "Mac's" home -- at Provincetown, Massachusetts, and they named him -- the outstanding citizen of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Admiral MacMillan -- one of the great explorers of the century. Last survivor of those who were with Peary -- during the dash to the North Pole in Nineteen Nine. At the age of ninety -- unquestionably the outstanding citizen of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. A living link with the heroic age -- when explorers mushed across Arctic ice behind a dogsled.-- Admiral Donald MacMillan.

JUDGE

We've all heard about judges - throwing the book at defendants. But suppose a defendant - throws the book at the Judge? ~~And does it - literally?~~

~~Well, that must be~~ Vera Stone of London ~~did it,~~
hurling legal tomes at their lordships on the bench.

Vera is the litigious lady of the British capital.

Sounds - pretty bad. And - it can be rather annoying.

Because "litigious" means "addicted to law suits."

Vera likes to go - to court. And ~~she~~ when she loses, -

~~well, look what she did today.~~

Lord Denning had just - ruled against the defendant. "You may appeal the decision" - said His Lordship. Vera's answer - "here's my appeal." Then she started pitching - every volume within reach.

Criminal law, Civil Law, contracts, copyright - they all bounced off the bench before the officers of the court escorted her out.

Her parting shot - "My Lord, you are cool

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under fire." Remarked His Lordship, as he adjusted his wig --

"I say, would you call this cricket?"

CROQUET

In Cambridge, England, the question of who gets the girl has been decided -- in a rather unusual way. Dave and Christ Miller, settling the claim to Naomi -- with a fast game of croquet.

The two brothers fell for -- Naomi. Naomi fell for -- both of them! Just couldn't make up - her mind. What do you know -- Dave is Captain of -- the Cambridge Croquet Team. Chris, Captain of -- the Oxford Croquet Team. So -- the way out of the dilemma was obvious.

Dave and Chris, meeting at dawn -- mallet in hand, playing -- for possession of their lady fair. Banging the ball across the lawn, and through the hoops -- to the accompaniment of sighs and lovelorn glances.

Winner -- Christ of Oxford. Getting from Dave of Cambridge the classical line -- "well played, old man!": Then Chris walking off ~~w~~ triumphantly, holding Naomi -- with one hand, his croquet mallet at the ready in the other. Dick, maybe he'd better keep that mallet handy!

CENTENARIAN

You know -- the kind of old-timer who interviewed -- on his hundredth birthday, says he owes his long life to wine, women and song, tobacco, and whiskey, and so on?

But old John Turner of London -- who is a hundred and eight years old today, says "my formula? Why, I am a teetotler, and a non-smoker." Then he added, "I don't think a man of my age should chase the girls."

Fair enough at his age -- one hundred and eight. But it makes you wonder when did old John Turner stop chasing the girls?