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GOOD EVENING EVERYBODY:

Red China barred again today -- from the U.N. for the fifteenth time -- since Nineteen Forty Nine. The vote a forty-seven to forty-seven tie -- with twenty abstentions. A far cry -- from the necessary two-thirds majority. Nevertheless, marking the first time the United States has failed to muster ~~at~~<sup>9</sup> at least a plurality -- against the Reds.

VIET NAM

Renewed fighting today -- near bloody Chu Pong Mountain in Viet Nam. Units of the U.S. First Air Cavalry Division -- hurling back a fresh Communist attack. The enemy force supplied by elephants -- one of which was killed in the shooting.

On another front -- Communist guerrillas today overran the provincial capital of Hiep Duc, ~~Ø~~ only twenty-eight miles -- from the big U.S. Marine complex at Da Nang. Six of Vietnamese the defenders later impaled on stakes -- outside their burned-out headquarters.

## COUNCIL

At the Vatican -- the Ecumenical Council today endorsed a sweeping new church program, aimed -- at "overcoming glaring social injustices and differences." The church's "share-the-wealth" plan calling for broader welfare payments -- increased public ownership of business facilities -- worldwide farm subsidies -- and increased foreign aid for developing countries.

FRENCH

In Paris -- five men were accredited as bona fide candidates today to oppose DeGaulle in the coming French presidential election -- three virtually unknown and the other two of so little consequence -- that DeGaulle plans only one campaign speech.

## BASEBALL

Retired Air Force General William B. Eckert -- today named new Commissioner of Baseball! By Major League owners -- at a surprise meeting in Chicago. Comptroller of the Air Force at his retirement -- General Eckert has since been an official of Aerospace Industries.

ANNIVERSARY

President and Mrs. Johnson -- observed another wedding anniversary today: posing for pictures at the White House.

The President stating proudly: "It's been good to have this girl for thirty-one years." White House festivities are confined to a gala dinner tonight -- for Britain's visiting Princess Margaret.

INTRO TO TAPE

Wed Nov. 17, 1965

The flight around the world by way of both poles officially ended today with fifty one hours of flying. The plane coming in from the South Pole ~~and~~ and New Zealand across the South Seas, to Honolulu, the official starting point. While they were in the air between the Equator and Hawaii <sup>— only</sup> ~~and~~ seven thousand miles or so ~~away~~ from where I am here in New York, I again <sup>miraculously</sup> got through ~~to them~~ by radio and asked Lowell Jr., the flight historian, to ~~get xx~~ give us a few more sidelights on ~~the~~ one of the most important long range flights in the history of aviation. *See Lewis-Shope!*

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Since we had that conversation the plane arrived safely at Honolulu and then took off for Burbank, California the home airport for the Flying Tiger Airline whose President Bob Prescott had supplied the plane.

Since no one on board <sup>has had</sup> ~~got~~ more than a few hours sleep <sup>since</sup> ~~from the time~~ they left Southern California ~~early~~ Sunday morning, the co-leaders, veteran airmen Fred Austin, Harrison Finch, their eleventh hour financial backer, Colonel Rockwell and the thirty-seven other ~~scientists~~ scientists and members of the crew, <sup>"Stu"</sup> ~~until now~~; do you think they'll fall asleep while they are being greeted at Burbank? ~~Stu?~~