

July 30, 1971  
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Good evening everybody. With less difficulty than most of us have parking a car on a city street, two Americans landed a spacecraft on the moon a while ago. Gary Shepard reports:

It was the climax of a journey that began on Monday morning at Cape Kennedy, when Dave Scott, Jim Irwin, and Al Worden blasted off on a trip that would take them a quarter of a million miles into space. It ended about Forty-Five minutes ago, when Scott and Irwin, inside the lunar lander, Falcon, set down in the rugged Hadley-Appennine region, on the surface of the moon. Here's the way it sounded, as Falcon slowly lowered itself down, the final Twenty-Five feet.

(Tape)

30 sec...cue...No doubt about it. We had contact!

Within ~~the~~ the hour, Dave Scott will open the hatch of Falcon, poke his head out the door, and take a look. The first actual moon exploration, scheduled for tomorrow morning.

## **DRAFT**

*For a month now, the country has had no draft law, because a number of anti-war Senators have refused to go along with an extension of the draft unless the bill also calls for a total withdrawal within nine months of American troops from Vietnam.*

*Today, House and Senate negotiators broke that impasse, approved a bill providing for two more years of Selective Service, and declaring that it is the "sense of Congress" that the President negotiate a date for ending the war.*

*But that's not quite as strong as many Senators would like. Some still want a firm nine-month deadline - and they want it declared "national policy" - not merely the "sense of Congress" - so while the House is expected to approve this compromise, it's not yet certain what the Senate will do, and therefore, the fate of the draft bill is still in doubt.*

## LOCKHEED

The proposal to offer government loan guarantees to Lockheed Aircraft Corporation, is also still finding rocky going in the Senate. The House seems headed toward a vote - perhaps tonight - which could approve help for Lockheed and other ailing corporations, but the Senate voted for a third time today not to choke off a filibuster being waged against the bill.

# WHITE HOUSE

(At The White House - President Nixon met today with rail negotiators; personally urging an early end to the nation's spreading railroad strike - before it affects the <sup>nation's</sup> entire economy. The President quoted as saying that "this industry - can, should and is able to solve its own problems - through the collective bargaining process." But Labor Secretary James Hodgson - who was also present - added that the situation in hardest-hit areas - already "ranges from critical <sup>to</sup> disastrous."

And the threat of a second major strike - as of midnight tomorrow <sup>is</sup> now said to be equally "grim." The United Steel Workers rejected <sup>ed</sup> today - management's latest offer, Calling it - in a word, "stingy."

## MORIOKA

*In the wake of that mid-air collision at Morioka, Japan - the worst plane crash in aviation history - a charge of "professional negligence;" has been filed against - the only survivor of the tragedy; the young student pilot of a Japanese air force jet - who bailed out just before it struck a crowded All Nippon airliner. The resulting death toll, a hundred and sixty-two.*



## **VIETNAM**

*On the war front - Indochina - a flurry of ground action today - in South Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia, all three. Enemy forces also downed two U.S. helicopters - flying cover for a South Vietnamese river convoy en route to ~~Dien~~ Phnom Penh.*

*On the political front - a group of South Vietnamese provincial officers - charged that they were coerced into supporting President Thieu for re-election; when the man they really want - they now maintain - is Vice President Ky.*

## **UNITED NATIONS**

*Here in New York - a report today that U.N.*

*Secretary General U Thant - has appealed secretly to members of the U.N. Security Council; attempting to build support for U.N. intervention - in the present dispute between India and Pakistan. U Thant quoted as saying the world body can no longer ignore - this "potential threat to peace and security."*

# **JERUSALEM**

*In the Middle East - U.S. diplomatic trouble-shooter*

*Joseph Sisco - met today with Israeli Premier Golda Meir;*

*reportedly bringing with him - a message from Egypt's*

*President Anwar Sadat; who is said to want to continue efforts*

*- to reach an interim Mideast peace agreement. But Madame*

*Meir's reaction to that - well, we'll have to wait and see.*



## TRIPOLI FOLLOW JERUSALEM

Reverse side - a meeting of six Arab leaders at

Tripoli. An attempt to determine what, if anything, they can

do - to get Jordan to ease up <sup>9</sup> its campaign against

Palestinian commando groups. ~~But~~ Arab sources admitting,

however - <sup>9</sup> ~~that~~ the answer to that is probably "very little."

## KHARTOUM

At Khartoum in the Sudan - a bad case of jitters today;  
with government officials - fearing the possibility of another  
attempted leftist coup; ~~therefore~~ <sup>They</sup> instituting the strictest  
of security precautions - including a careful examination of  
all diplomatic pouches entering and leaving the country;  
in effect - a partial suspension of diplomatic immunity. And  
this - we are told - on the ground that ~~these~~ <sup>They think those</sup> pouches - may  
have been used in gun-smuggling operations.

The daughter of Sigmund Freud - herself a noted psychiatrist - <sup>who</sup> the guest of honor today at the Twenty-Seventh International Psychoanalysis Convention in Vienna. Dr. Anna Freud - at age seventy-six - returning to her native city for the first time since Nineteen-Thirty-Eight; when she and her father - as Jews - were forced to flee for their lives; a fact which figured prominently - in her few brief remarks.

Dr. Freud <sup>told</sup> ~~telling~~ her colleagues: "My visit to Vienna has recalled all the work I did here. But at the same time I ask myself the question - where would we be today if we had not been forced to interrupt our work in Vienna?"

~~Where, indeed?~~

Next - Lowell Thomas. But first this.

# SUGGESTED LEAD-IN TO THOMAS TAPE "SIRIUS"

**Now —**

~~Next~~ Lowell Thomas; getting set for those "dog

days" - soon to come. Lowell...

SIRIUS

With the approach of another no doubt sweltering August - this next is perhaps of special note. The time is upon us when the brightest visible star in the heavens is nearest the earth; the star Sirius - of the constellation Canis Major, "the Greater Dog;" which accounts for the fact that the Greeks used the expression, the "dog days."

It was not too long ago that parents forbade their children to swim during "dog days" - and with good reason; for many ponds and lakes were covered with heat-induced algae - and thus badly polluted. It's also said that a tree slashed during "dog days" - will die no matter how slight the injury seems to be. Down through the ages, "dog days" have also been blamed for field-withering droughts - the death of farm animals - and unexplained mid-summer sickness.

However, we are told that fewer dogs develop rabies during the "dog days" than either in Spring ~~and~~ or Fall; so it's not true - that mad dogs go out in the noonday sun



during "dog days." And what with their Empire gone, I  
suppose Englishmen no longer go out in the mid-day sun.