

Good Evening Everybody:

October 29, 1969
Dallas Townsend

The Supreme Court orders immediate integration of public schools in Mississippi. Rejecting the Nixon Administration's plea for a delay, the high court said "Continued operation of segregated schools under a standard of ALL Deliberate Speed for desegregation - is no longer constitutionally permissible." The Mississippi school districts involved, the court added, may no longer operate a dual-school system based on race or color. This unanimous opinion was the first to be handed down since Chief Justice Warren Burger assumed leadership of the court. It was a blow to the administration.

Republican Senator Karl Mundt of South Dakota announces his support for the nomination of Judge Clement Haynsworth as an associate justice. Mundt revealed his stand on the CBS News broadcast Capitol Cloakroom. He says the Senate vote will be close, but he predicts that Haynsworth will be confirmed.

CHICAGO

In Chicago - the final straw today. Federal Judge Julius Hoffman sitting through another session of riotous conduct - at the trial of the "Chicago eight." When all else failed - ordering Black Panther leader Bobby Seale chained to his chair and gagged. The Judge went on to warn Seale's seven co-defendants that he would revoke their bail - if they, too, persisted in defying the court.

cooperation with the Arabs.

In Cairo - Lebanese negotiators eased their stand today - against Arab guerrillas operating out of southern Lebanon. And Al Fatah - the main Palestinian guerrilla organization - has accepted a Lebanese army proposal for a twenty-four-hour ceasefire. This - if true - is some people's

line.

JERUSALEM

In the Middle East - Jerusalem - the votes have all been counted now. Israeli Premier Golda Meir and her ruling Labor alliance - retaining control of the Israeli government; turning back a challenge - from Israeli "hawks."

One surprise - the size of that Arab turnout - in Jerusalem's simultaneous municipal election. Returning for a second term Mayor Teddy Kollek - who advocates closer cooperation with the Arabs.

In Cairo - Lebanese negotiators eased their stand today - against Arab guerillas operating out of southern Lebanon. And Al Fatah - the main Palestinian guerilla organization - has accepted a Lebanese army proposal for a twenty-four-hour ceasefire. This - it says - to save people's lives.

(SUGGESTED LEAD-IN TO THOMAS TAPE SLUGGED "FLIGHT TO
MT. HAGEN")

And now - here again is Lowell Thomas. / Reporting tonight
on the last leg of his journey / en route to the head-hunters
of New Guinea. Lowell...

2

FLIGHT TO MT. HAGEN

L. J. Sayer
undated

Good Evening Everybody:

29

At the moment I am on my way to a part of New Guinea marked in bold red letters on the map as uncharted territory. First thing this morning we made a two and a half hour flight in a jet from Brisbane up the Australian coast across the Tropic of Capricorn over the Great Barrier Reef then out over the Coral Sea to Southeastern New Guinea, a brief stop at Port Moresby, capital of this the world's largest and still the world's wildest island. Then aboard a D C 3 an old plane probably rebuilt two or three times on into the air again. Instead of flying across the Owen Stanleys as on former visits, this time we headed northwest for a three hour flight into a much higher region. And now I am at Mt. Hagen which had only a few European inhabitants, mainly Australians, when I was here six years

ago and today there are ten times as many. Even New Guinea is changing, changing fast, a new government building here, a much more modern hotel here owned by an ex-New Guinea bush pilot whom I flew with those years ago. Even a country club and a golf course as well as a new busy air field. Tomorrow, well, Mt. Hagen here in the mountains may sound as though the modern world has moved in but yesterday is still here. In an hour or two I'll be flying over the uncharted area that I spoke about where no outsider has ever been. There to meet other members of our expedition. Would you like to join us?

Solong.....

(SUGGESTED FOLLOW TO THOMAS TAPE SLUGGED
"FLIGHT TO MT. HAGEN")

Thank you, Lowell. And yes - I would like to join
you. I was in New Guinea myself - a good many years ago,
and I'd like to see those changes you mentioned.

BONN

At Bonn - Chancellor Willy Brandt won his first test of strength today - in the newly-elected West German Parliament. The Bundestag refusing by a vote of two-forty-two to two-nineteen - / to suspend debate on Brandt's just-announced government policy statement. / This over the objection of opposition leaders / who had ~~earlier~~ accused Brandt of attempting to "sell out German interests."

Of even greater significance perhaps - the winning margin of twenty-three votes. / Apparently a reflection of the working majority that Brandt can expect - at least, during his first few months in office.

PRAGUE

Across the Iron Curtain - at Prague - Czech

Communist Party Leader Gustave Husak . Reporting to the Czech people - on his just-completed eight days of talks in the Soviet Union. Husak asserting that the Czechs should welcome Soviet occupation troops - as defenders of the Communist bloc's longest border with the West. "These troops he said - are troops of friends and comrades - who helped to protect our security".

As for Czech reaction - a burst of standing applause - we are told. Official reports adding that Husak's audience then shouted over and over: "Long live the Soviet Union - long live the Soviet Army - and long live Husak."

NEW CUMBERLAND

Appropos of Halloween - which is coming up in a couple of days - this next from New Cumberland, West Virginia where a fellow by the name of Frank Daminger Junior - is suing ten of his neighbors for Fifty Thousand Dollars. The plaintiff charging defamation of character - in that the ten have accused him of being a warlock - or male witch.

This the sequel to an earlier criminal case - when Daminger himself was actually hauled into court. At the time - his accusers citing as evidence of his alleged "witchcraft" - the fact that he was supposedly carrying out various rites in a local cemetery - also, "hexing" people. However, the case was finally thrown out - when it was discovered there's now law against witches in West Virginia - or against warlocks either.

Good Night.