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UNITED NATIONS

On June 30th, 1936, Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia stood before the League of Nations in Geneva, appealing for help to save his country from conquest by Mussolini's armies. His plea went unanswered. Ethiopia fell and so did the League of Nations. Today, the 71-year-old conquering Lion of Judah addressed the United Nations General Assembly, and spoke of the past - as well as the future. Emperor Selassie said he told the League in 1936 that "undertakings are of little worth if the will to keep them is lacking". The United Nations Charter, he said expresses the noblest aspirations of man - but the value of these words depends wholly on our will to honor them and give them meaning. Looking to the future, the Ethiopian Emperor declared, if we are to survive this organisation must

survive. To survive it must be strengthened. Its executive must be vested with greater authority. The U.N. delegates were solemnly aware of this moment in history - they gave Emperor Selassie a standing ovation both before and after his address.

INTRODUCTION TO TAPE

*Lowell Thomas is in Sidney, Australia -
wending his way toward the Soviet Union. Earlier
this week, he met up with a horse trainer in Africa.
Lowell*

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(Racing)

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Hello Dick. Good Evening Everybody. As you have heard me say, you can't avoid meeting interesting people, as you move about the world. On the West Coast of Africa, at Ghana, a tall, striking, ruddy-faced man put out his hand and said: "I'm Wally Dunn, from California. I'm on my way down to South Africa to take a look at a horse."

Then he explained that the sensation of the year in the South African racing world was a horse by the name of Colorado King, winner of 12 out of 15 races - including the \$40,000 Durban Handicap; he won about \$90,000 in one season - which no other race horse has ever done in South Africa.

Wally Dunn, a six foot two Irishman, has been a horse trainer, for more than 30 years. His father and his brothers, are or were - all of them, in the racing world. Wally works for a Texas oil millionaire, William Hann, of Dallas, who in addition to having

a stable of race horses, is building 30,000 homes near San Diego, at a place called Escondita. Hann has taken an option on the South African sensation, Colorado King. Wally Dunn said he would look the horse over and if he found him O.K., would have him flown to the USA, which a few days later he did.

A stunning horse. Rather affectionate. Will put out its tongue so the jockey will tickle it.

As we flew on South to Johannesburg and on to Cape Town he told me about horses he has trained, and his favorite at the moment, "Rapido", a 3year old from New Zealand, that has won 10 out of 20 races for his millionaire boss. Nearly all of them with veteran jockey Johnny Longden in the saddle; who has won more races than any jockey in history, and who recently was immortalized by election to the Racing Hall of Fame, at Saratoga, New York.

If you are one of the many optimists who thinks he can play the races and win you probably know that the average racing life for a horse bred to run is only two or three years, with an occasional exception like Kelso, who goes on and on.

Wally Dunn tells me they had a 55-day season at the Hollywood race track this year and that

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BRAZIL

during that time \$148,000,000 was taken in at the track pari-mutual windows. He says that the United States is far and away the number one racing country, today. And here's a startling figure:- he says that when he left Canada, 30 years ago, and became a trainer in the USA, the top purse was \$5,000. Now it's \$237,000. - the purse for one race - "The Garden State" - in New Jersey.

I like the name of the new horse he has just bought here in South Africa for \$50,000 -- "Colorado King." Keep your eye on him, Dick, - maybe tickle his tongue - S-L.

BRAZIL

The Brazilian Constitution provides that a state of siege can be proclaimed in the event of grave internal disturbances, or when there's evidence that disturbances are about to erupt. President Joao Goulart today asked the Brazillian Congress to enact such a state of siege - for the next 30 days - saying the present situation endangers democratic institutions and political order. Economic chaos in Brazil has brought on a wave of strikes and political unrest from soaring inflation. One example - the government today settled a strike of bank workers, by agreeing to wage increases totaling 105 per cent. Goulart's request - backed by the armed forces - is expected to be voted quickly.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The United States formally announced suspension of aid and diplomatic relations with Honduras today - declaring that the overthrow of any government in this part of the world tends to erode the general stability of the area and the pursuit of the Alliance for Progress. The wording of the State Department announcement reflected increasing pessimism over events in Latin America. Washington officials are trying to decide what - if anything - they can do to prevent similar coups in other Latin countries.

NIGERIA

Some residents of Eastern Nigeria are having problems - witch doctors and rain makers are getting out of hand again. The unhappy people have written a letter to the head of their clan, charging that rain makers have threatened to produce rain during a big football series unless sports officials pay them off to keep the weather sunny. Mask or no mask - the Nigerian football fans want those witch doctors duly registered with the clan leaders - so their so-called "improper activities" can be halted.

PRESIDENT

On the second floor of the White House - in the area used as the President's living quarters - there's a room furnished with delicate pieces of the early 19th century. It's wall paper resembles deep green velvet. It is curtained in the Victorian manner. This is the Treaty Room - and President Kennedy will use it next Monday morning to sign what is called the Instrument of Ratification of the partial nuclear test ban treaty.

Mr. Kennedy has been using the chamber as a waiting or meeting room. Monday's ceremony will be the first significant event to take place there since the treaty of Peace with Spain was signed 65 years ago. The ratified copies of the nuclear treaty will be deposited simultaneously in Washington, London and Moscow on October 10th. That will put the treaty legally into effect.