

Good evening everybody. In the strife-torn Arab world, a day of dramatic events. Starting out with the crash of an Iraqi jet - at Jeddah Airport in Saudi Arabia; carrying to their deaths three Iraqi emissaries - to the new pro-Communist revolutionary government of Sudan. This almost coinciding with the buzzing of a British airliner + by Libyan jets; with the big aircraft - finally forced to land at Benghazi; where two key members of Sudan's new revolutionary council - bound home from London - were forcibly removed and taken into custody.

And shortly after - an outbreak of fighting near the Sudanese Presidential Palace in Khartoum. The start of a counter-coup - by military forces still loyal to ousted President Jaafar Numeiry, who was deposed three days ago. Numeiry himself - later taking to national radio. Announcing his restoration to power - and calling upon his people to hunt down all Communists as "traitors." Observers later explaining Libya's hand in all this - on the grounds that

**Libya's Premier - Colonel Moammar Khadafy - is strongly anti-Communist. Libya's action drew a strong protest from London.**

**As for the leaders of Monday's coup against Numeiry - the coup that failed today - the Sudanese radio says all of them have been arrested.**

*At the peace table in Paris - an enemy rejection today of the re-stated American and South Vietnamese proposal - for a controlled ceasefire. The Communist side calling it an "absurd" proposition - again demanding total U.S. withdrawal this year.*

*And then - at a news conference - an enemy spokesman laughing off the possible effects - of President Nixon's planned trip to Red China. Observing that China backs "fully" - Hanoi's latest peace offer. Adding that the President's visit - would have no bearing on the peace talks.*

*In private though - a Communist source later indicated that North Vietnamese delegates - would be in Peking at the same time as the President; and would be willing to talk - if he so wished.*

## TAIPEI-MANILA

*From Chiang Kai-Shek of Nationalist China - a message addressed to the World Anti-Communist League - currently meeting in Manila. President Chiang charging that the goal of the Red Chinese remains the same - no matter how friendly they may appear; and that goal - he said - is to divide and conquer" the free world - "through infiltration and subversion." Though he failed to mention it directly - this clearly a reference to President Nixon's planned visit to Red China.*



**PEKING FOLLOW TAIPEI-MANILA**

*Reverse side - a blast from Peking; calling attention to South Vietnam's latest offensive - in eastern Cambodia; which is said to indicate that "U.S. imperialism - has further intensified its war of aggression against Indochina." Thus Peking also calling attention to the fact - that it has never ceased attacking U.S. involvement in Vietnam - Presidential visit or no.*

## SAIGON FOLLOW PARIS

*The war continues to wind down - as evidenced by the latest casualty report from Saigon; which sets the number of American combat deaths over the past week at eleven - the lowest figure in six years.*

*At the same time, both South and North Vietnamese losses - also showing a marked drop; with a U.S. spokesman adding that fighting in Vietnam is now at its lowest level - since Nineteen-Sixty-Five.*

ADD SAIGON

*But the figures notwithstanding - death is ever close at hand; as shown by the loss of twenty-one South Vietnamese Rangers - in the crash of a big U.S. helicopter in Quang Tin Province. This coming in the midst - of a routine ferrying operation; the worst helicopter accident in Indochina - in nearly a year. - blamed on mechanical trouble.*

## **MINH FOLLOW SAIGON**

**On the political front - an admission from General Duong Van Minh - that he really does not want to be President of South Vietnam. The famed "Big Minh" explaining: "You get criticized from everywhere." Adding: "My wife doesn't want to live in the Presidential Palace, anyhow."**

**Then why is he running? Because - said "Big Minh" - "we have to show the people that we can have honest elections". And "the question is not whether I win or lose" - said he - "but what I can do for my country."**



## **SENATE**

**Defense Secretary Melvin Laird spent more than three hours today - with the Senate Armed Services Committee.**

**Discussing the present military situation - in Southeast Asia in general and Laos in particular.**

**That done - Laird later told newsmen that Congressional failure to enact a new draft bill by September - could cause "serious" personnel shortages. But these would not show up - till sometime in Nineteen-Seventy-Two - said he. Adding that in any event - they would not affect U. S. capabilities in Vietnam.**

## **WHITE FOLLOW SENATE**

**Elsewhere on Capitol Hill - "George White's"**

**scandals - part two. Mystery witness "White" - an alias**

**- telling Senate probers that organized crime has infiltrated**

**many financial institutions; so deeply - said he - that "you**

**could place orders for stolen securities - just as you would**

**a car." With the result - he added - that underworld**

**influence now affects "the whole economy of the United States!"**

**ZWEIG**

**Martin Zweig - former chief administrative aid to John McCormack when McCormack was Speaker of the House - entered Federal prison at Lewisburg, Pennsylvania this afternoon - to begin a thirty-month sentence. Zweig was convicted of lying to a Federal grand jury investigating influence peddling and mis-use of the Speaker's office.**

# **SUGGESTED LEAD-IN TO THOMAS TAPE "SAN FRANCISCO"**

**Next - Lowell Thomas; reporting tonight on the  
latest in tattooed ladies - and not in the circus either.**

**Lowell...**



Here's one - a story today from San Francisco ~~about~~ telling of "the perfect gift" to give the "lady of your life;" one ~~identifiable~~ that's "inexpensive, tasteful, unusual - and indelible;" namely - a tattoo. Except you don't call it that. <sup>In</sup> San Francisco ~~Lyle Tattle~~ <sup>^</sup> the city's last established tattoo artist observing that women ~~for~~ prefer to think of it as body jewelry. <sup>we hear</sup> Whatever the name though <sup>^</sup> it's a growing fad. With more and more of the West Coast ladies - getting themselves adorned with dainty flowers, lacy butterflies and so on; on their shoulders, wrists, ear-lobes and elsewhere. ~~But~~ The biggest seller - ~~we are told~~ <sup>^</sup> tiny red heart - appropriately located. <sup>R</sup> A local psychiatrist -- attempting to explain the fad; saying women use tattoos "as they do clothes - to titillate and suggest." But he also urges caution - noting that the cost of removing a tattoo - is generally about five times what it cost to put it on.

ST PAUL

July 22, 1971  
Allen Jackson

**From Armour and Company - St. Paul division - an order today recalling all the firm's "Genoa Salami" - now on grocery shelves across the nation. This - at the request of the Department of Agriculture; a precautionary measure - following nine cases of illness apparently caused by tainted salami. And that's no baloney!**