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SLUG (THOMAS GRP)

INJURED NEWSCASTER RETURNS WITH MESSAGE FOR TRUMAN...
NEW YORK.....NOTED AUTHOR AND NEWSCASTER LOWELL
THOMAS (CENTER), WHO WAS INJURED WHEN HE WAS THROWN
BY A HORSE ON A TIBETIAN MOUNTAIN PASS, IS SHOWN
BEING GREETED BY HIS FATHER, DR. HARRY C. THOMAS, ON HIS
ARRIVAL, WITH HIS SON, LOWELL, JR. (LEFT), AT LAGUARDIA
AIRPORT TODAY. THOMAS TOLD NEWSMEN THAT AFTER
HIS INJURY, HE WAS CARRIED FOR 16 DAYS AND NIGHTS
BY NATIVE BEARERS TO A TOWN WHERE HE COULD RECEIVE
MEDICAL AID. ALTHOUGH HIS INJURY HAS BEEN DIAGNOSED
AS A BROKEN THIGH BONE, HE IS ABLE TO WALK ON CRUTCHES.
ALSO, THOMAS IS CARRYING A PERSONAL MESSAGE FROM THE
TIBETIAN GOVERNMENT TO PRESIDENT TRUMAN ALONG WITH
AN OFFICIAL SCROLL FROM THE DALAI LAMA, THE BOY
RULER OF THE INACCESSIBLE NATION. THOMAS IS BELIEVED
THE FIRST WESTERNER IN HISTORY TO BE GIVEN SUCH A
MESSAGE FROM THE RELIGIOUS RULERS OF TIBET.

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