

### **Longines-Wittnauer with Eric Johnston**

Announcer: It's time for the *Longines Chronoscope*, a television journal of the important issues of the hour. Brought to you every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. A presentation of the Longines-Wittnauer Watch Company, maker of Longines, the world's most honored watch, and Wittnauer, distinguished companion to the world honored Longines.

Frank Knight: Good evening, this is Frank Knight. May I introduce our coeditors for this edition of the Longines Chronoscope: from the CBS television news staff, Larry Lesueur and Charles Collingwood. Our distinguished guest for this evening is Eric Johnston, Special Emissary of the president to the Near East.

Larry Lesueur: Mr. Johnston you've done so much work of national importance in the last ten years under three administrations, I guess. I've probably covered more of your press conferences than almost anyone else. Now you've just returned from the Middle East where you were the Special Emissary of the president. Can you tell us exactly what your mission was there?

Eric Johnston: Yes. I went out to the Near East to present a program for the development of the Jordan Valley before the program was presented to the United Nations and perhaps summarily dismissed by the nations involved. The development of the Jordan Valley calls for the irrigation of 240,000 additional acres of land in this area for the development of 65,000 additional horsepower of electric energy. Under this program, the four nations involved in which the Jordan, which comprises the Jordan watershed, would agree upon the division of the waters of the Jordan. It would avoid future conflict between the countries involved. It would make this valley blossom such as it has never done before and probably would allay a great [...]