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**Senator Says
Nixon Broke
Powers' Act**

President Nixon broke the law when he sent American troops to rescue U.S. citizens on Cyprus last month, Sen. Thomas F. Eagleton (D-Mo.) charged yesterday.

The war powers law, enacted last November over the President's veto, requires a written report to Congress within 48 hours when U.S. forces are committed abroad. The law is intended to limit presidential power to involve the nation in a war without congressional approval.

Although the Cyprus evacuation was "an efficient, well-run operation (and) we can be proud of American military and diplomatic personnel for their accomplishments," Eagleton said in a Senate speech, the fact that it went unreported to Congress raises questions about how President Nixon would handle some "less popular, more dangerous" commitment of U.S. troops.