

'This May Be Confusing Now—But You'll  
 Get It In The End'

Heavy Congressional Artillery  
 To Open Up On U. S. Labor

By DORIS FLEESON

WASHINGTON  
**L**ABOR is headed for a rough year before a special Senate investigating committee with a Democratic chairman, John McClellan of Arkansas, and a vigorous counsel, Robert Kennedy. These men are lacking the housecleaning job too many big unions would not do for themselves. The committee is getting the cooperation of responsible labor leaders. Nor are senators customarily described as pro-labor intending to defend any indefensible labor practices.



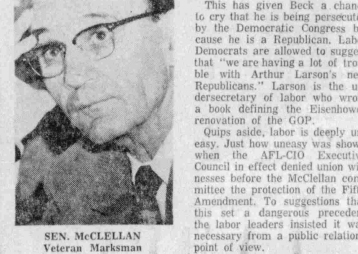
TEAMSTER BECK  
 Elmer Target

Since President Eisenhower has no personal connections with labor, the stage is set for an unsurpassed examination of its frailties. There will be political pressures brought to bear against the White House and the Senate leaderships, but they will originate in the states and big cities where the unions under fire have staunch political alliances both Republican and Democratic.

**AFI IN TROUBLE**

This will appear clearly in the investigation, perhaps surprising some people who think labor is monolithically pro-Democratic. It appears now, too, that the American Federation of Labor, generally viewed as more settled and respectable in contrast to the turbulent CIO with its colorful leaders, is in the greatest trouble.

Yet the reason is obvious. The long entrenched senior branch of labor has piled up the greatest collection of vested interests, especially in the mushrooming cities of the nation. These interests are rich and powerful, with vast trou-



SEN. MCCLELLAN  
 Venerable Marksman

People's Platform

Letters should be brief. The writer's name and address must be given, but may be withheld from publication in the discretion of the editors. The News reserves the right to condense.

Will The Country  
 Ever Get Its Fill?

Charlotte  
**E**DITORS, THE NEWS:  
 DURING the 1956 political campaign, Democratic spokesmen repeatedly warned the nation concerning the impending crisis in the Middle East—a crisis brought on partly by the failure of the Eisenhower administration to see forth any specific policy in that area.

Following the election, the American public was assured that the prospects for peace were never brighter and that expansion of imperialism communism had been halted.

Snepp The Politico  
 Is A Babe In Arms

Charlotte  
**E**DITORS, THE NEWS:  
 THERE is always a silver lining—so we are told. And from the Democratic turmoil of the past week emerges one or two good gleams.

That Was No Angel;  
 That Was The Devil

Editors, The News:  
 YOU please, I want space for just a few lines to let the IQ writer Jan. 8 know that the scripture he had in mind, Rev. 20: 2, doesn't give the angel's name. Neither does Rev. 9: 11 which, of course, is an altogether different being. Who was the angel come down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit?

Israel's Back Door

What Israel did at the time her own ships were banned from the Suez Canal, this had the same force as the recent U.N. resolutions calling upon Israel to withdraw from the Gaza Strip and from the small islands in the Gulf of Aqaba. However, no sanctions were applied to force Egypt to obey, and Israel lacked the economic whip which Col. Nasser now holds over the West by threatening to close Suez.

Nasser's Strategy

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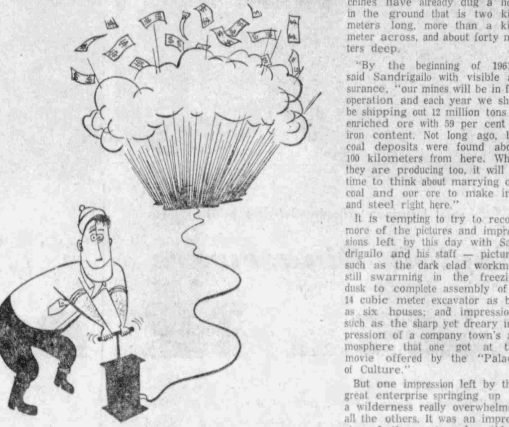
Ivan Strikes It Rich  
 Wealth On The Wild Frontier

By JOSEPH ALSPO

Geological Survey moved swiftly to map the ore bodies the young pilot had discovered. The ore deposit was estimated at above one billion tons of magnetic ore with 48 per cent of iron content. The Sokolovsky deposit was found to be almost equally large.

The report was then transmitted to the Ministry of Black Industry, which controls all iron and steel production in the Soviet Union. The ministry decided that the discovery should be exploited, and ordered a project drawn up by its elite of experts at "Lengypruda" in the Leningrad Institute of Ore Projects. The project officer at Lengypruda in turn called for help from 14 other project planning agencies, ranging from the Leningrad City Planning Institute to the Leningrad Industrial Project Institute.

**HUGE OPERATION**  
 The result was a massive combined plan for two enormous open cast iron mines at the Sarii and Sokolovsky deposits, an ore enrichment plant using a magnetic separation process situated halfway between the mines, a small city and a lesser town to house the miners and enriching plant workers; two new railroad lines to carry the ore to the enrichment plant; a local narrow gauge rail system large enough to require



Siberia's Soil Hid A Billion Tons Of Magnetic Ore

Drew Pearson's  
 Merry-Go-Round  
 Eisenhower Doesn't Know His History

WASHINGTON  
**T**HE President still seems handicapped by a lack of intimate knowledge regarding important events in the civilian world.

Ignorant Of Resolution

"I am not aware of any resolution the U.N. has enacted to do anything about it," the President replied.

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Sen. Symington of Missouri has suggested to Air Force generals that they might try to get perjury—if they backed down on previous testimony of limping American aviator.

Give Teachers Satisfaction & Security

**T**WO compelling reasons demand a pay raise for Tar Heel teachers. First, they deserve it. Secondly, more pay is the first requirement for keeping teachers in classrooms, bringing others in, and relieving a critical shortage of personnel in the "mother" of all professions.

Happy, the chief controversy in Raleigh seems to be over how, and not whether, to pay the teachers more. Gov. Hodges and the Advisory Budget Committee recommend a merit system for distributing raises. Teacher organizations oppose it as unworkable and conducive to schoolhouse politics.

Park Board: The Women Will Win

**W**HEN their golden nest-egg was discovered last summer, Park Board members reacted with the grand imperturbability of somewhat old hens.

Now the gentlemen must bestir themselves. The outburst of feminist zeal shaping the demand that a woman be appointed to the board is not blown over. As sure as Southern Bell stays in business, the ladies will have their way. The word, gentlemen, is "move over."

Massive Silliness At \$77 A Page

**T**HE vehemence of Sen. Albert J. Elender's attack on the whole concept of U. S. foreign aid last week was exceeded only by its wild and woolly recklessness.

The Louisiana Democrat has just taken a 28-nation global tour, courtesy U. S. taxpayers, to refresh his memory about "undesirables" abroad. He began the junket with a point of view and came back with his senatorial truculence undiminished. One can only assume that he found lands across the sea as full of foreigners as ever.

Poets Make Poor Politicians, Anyway

**I**T is alleged in a neighboring Ivory Tower that the latest utterances of Gov. Luther H. Hodges contain a new "literary quality." Seems the state's chief executive is suddenly given to "poetic adjectives" and the like.

From The Washington Post & Times Herald  
 QUICK, AHAB, THE MILTOWN!

**W**EB MAY be hopelessly old-fashioned, but we confess to a tremor of dread in reading that scientists have pumped tranquilizing drugs into that titan of the sea, the whale. The inventive scientists used a specially constructed harpoon to send the largest recorded dose of serpassil swimming through the blood of a 50-foot-long gray whale. The object of the experiment, conducted off the Catalina Islands in California, was to make an electrocardiogram of the whale—but we'll bet the whaling industry was watching with interest, too.

What would Herman Melville have said about this incredible notion? We can imagine Moby Dick rewritten today with Captain Ahab pursuing the White Whale with a needle packed with Miltown—and, in a revised climax, the great beast finally lolling affectionately alongside the Pequod, squirting playfully, and casting moony eyes as Ahab loosed the fatal harpoon. That is, if Ahab himself were not in his cabin, happily gobbling pills like popcorn.

Moby Dick, after all, was the embodiment of all evil to Captain Ahab, and Melville's simple era, even if something to get excited about. Some thinkers have speculated that the British Empire

H. Garinger, city school superintendent, the merit system just doesn't work out. The burden of proof ought to rest on the governor.

Merit systems are fine, but it can be argued that the time to install them is across the board. North Carolina has not done that for its teachers. The average Tar Heel teacher salary of \$2,300 lags \$700 a year behind the U. S. average of \$4,000 and almost as much behind the Florida average.

Further, any increase the General Assembly approves is likely to be inadequate. The state has a long way to go just to catch up, and there are fiercely competing demands for the tax dollar.

This is all the more reason for stretching salary increases to give the state maximum benefits in terms of teacher satisfaction and feelings of security.

The system that best fulfills those terms is the one that should be adopted.

One Billion Tons

**O**VER THE flat, featureless, unilluminable, snow-clad plain of this strange land of western Siberia, a young pilot was flying about six years ago toward this place, which was then a lonely railroad town of about 30,000 people.

Some seventy kilometers from here, the pilot's compass failed him utterly and in a way that indicated a strong magnetic disturbance. That was how the vast twin bodies of magnetic iron ore of Sarii and Sokolovsky were first discovered. And that was the beginning of one of the most astonishing enterprises this reporter has ever seen.

Since then the immense government-directed plough-up of the virgin plain has transferred little Kousteynoy into a roaring frontier city of more than 80,000 people.

And who is this senator who challenges for a "massive silliness failure"? He is an oratorical marathoner whose denunciation was so overblown that it took up 48 pages in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. At \$77 a page, it cost U. S. taxpayers \$3,696.

**P**oets make poor politicians, anyway.

What Was He Thinking?

**W**HAT was he thinking? How could he have fed the right pills to Sam Adams, Tom Paine, Patrick Henry and other incorrigibly dyspeptic characters.

In short, we view with misgivings the reckless use of tranquilizing drugs. Doubtless these drugs are a boon to speaker best known for straight-from-the-shoulder directness. There is a certain eloquence in simplicity, too, and Mr. Hodges has mastered the technique. Any suggestion of belles-lettres is strangely incongruous. He would better leave the republic of letters to the Adlai Stevensons and concentrate on the republic of cold-turkey facts.

A clothing store received this letter from a lady who had ordered a maternity dress: "Dear Sirs: Please cancel my order for a dress sized 44, which you were supposed to deliver. My delivery was faster than yours."—LAMAR (Mo.) DEMOCRAT.

A college teacher wins \$104,500 on a TV quiz show, which should convince discouraged teenagers that you don't have to have a talent for playing the quizzical in order to get rich.—FLORENNA TIMES-UNION.