

Washington—The Senate last week voted 75-12 to send the Flanders resolution and all amendments thereto to a select committee.

The Committee
I was highly pleased with the appointment of the bi-partisan committee. It is made up of three Democrats and three Republicans. They are Senators Watkins, Case, Carlson, Johnson of Colorado, Stennis, and my colleague from North Carolina, Senator Sam J. Ervin, Jr. They are men of integrity, character, and exceptional ability.

North Carolinians know of the outstanding judicial record of Senator Ervin, who left the Supreme Court bench in June to succeed the late Senator Hoey. He brought to the Senate a distinguished record of service, which will be of great value to this select committee.

No Fanfare
My best judgment is that the matter of the so-called Flanders resolution and amendments, which include the charges against Senator McCarthy, will be investigated on a judicial level without regard to emotionalism, hysteria, fanfare or political influence. I also believe that the committee will be able to resolve these matters within a reasonable length of time.

I want a chance to vote on this matter based on evidence obtained by judicial inquiry. This is the overwhelming sentiment of the Senate. I did not want to see charges hurled without documentation which would resolve the matter without precedent, using the same tactics that Senator McCarthy is charged with using. I believe in orderly procedure and justice. The people of the country, on both sides of this controversial issue, must realize that justice must not be trampled in wild emotionalism—that right will prevail once reasonable men seek to reach the facts of the situation void of political implications.

In the meantime, I am hopeful that the people of the country will let the committee members conduct this investigation with dignity and ultimate service to the nation. Certainly it must be resolved at this session of the Congress. To permit the issues joined in the controversy to be carried over to another Congress would be unfortunate.

Farm Bill
I supported and voted for 90 per cent of parity for basic agricultural commodities where production can be controlled. As you know, North Carolina is the number one state in the

country in the number of farmers. Anything that would cripple our farm economy would hit at the heart of the whole economy of North Carolina.

Foreign Aid
My vote was cast to whittle down foreign economic aid by one billion dollars. We lost that but did manage to knock out a half-billion dollars. The conference committee restored three hundred million of that. I am glad to see the Senate come to the realization that unlimited foreign economic spending must be abolished.

Marshall
When the President spoke out in General George Marshall's defense in his press conference last week, it gave me immeasurable pride. General Marshall spends many months of each year in North Carolina. We recognize his patriotism. I was glad to take note of this on the Senate floor and insert in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD the remarks by the President and an editorial giving the late Secretary Stimpson's high regard for General Marshall.

Average Student Books Cost \$3.49 Per Year

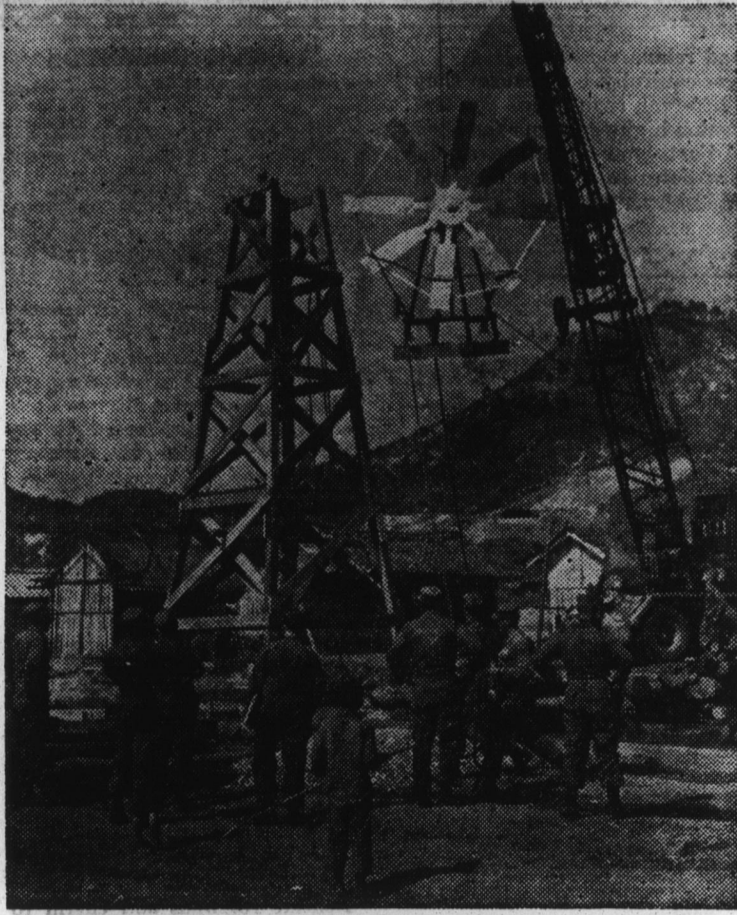
The nation spent \$3.49 for textbooks for each elementary and high school student during 1953. This is 5.4% more per pupil than in 1952, less than 1% of the total education budget, according to the American Textbook Publishers Institute.

Total secondary school textbook sales increased 11.3%, but school enrollments also increased tremendously in the same period. An estimated total of \$125,700,000 was spent in 1953 for elementary and high school texts.

The Textbook Institute estimates that 45,254,730 elementary textbooks, 70,619,000 elementary workbooks, 16,289,391 high school textbooks and 10,062,963 high school workbooks were sold during 1953.

The average value of an elementary textbook is \$1.26, of elementary workbooks 39c. The average value of a high school textbook is slightly higher at \$2.12 and high school workbooks average 62c.

How many deeds of deathless virtue and immortal crime the world had wanted had the actor said, "I will do this tomorrow."
—Lord John Russell.



GOOD NEWS FOR KOREAN DON QUIXOTES is this windmill, first of its kind in the Land of the Morning Calm. The Third Engineer Combat Battalion of the U.S. Army's 24th Infantry Division built the structure to test practicability of pumping water by wind-power. Mrs. Syngman Rhee, wife of the President of the Republic of Korea, suggested the experiment, which appears to be successful.

Total Retail Sales Higher In 1953-1954 In North Carolina

Report Shows Sales Are \$12,000,000 Ahead For Fiscal Year

Total retail sales in North Carolina for the fiscal year ending this past June 30 were more than \$12,000,000 ahead of those for fiscal year beginning July 1, 1952, and ending June 30, 1953, according to tabulations just completed by the N. C. Merchants Association.

The figures, based on total taxable and non-taxable sales as reported monthly by approximately 70,000 retail merchants to the N. C. Department of Revenue, show total retail sales of \$3,072,845,703 for the 1953-54 fiscal year as against \$3,060,631,732 for 1952-53.

Although automotive sales were down approximately \$8,000,000 from a year previously, with furniture and household appliances off by about \$5,000,000, the food outlets — grocery stores, eating places, bakeries, etc. — ran more than \$33,000,000 over the 1952-53 fiscal year.

Maritime Museum Now Open At Cape Hatteras

A museum to tell the story of man's struggle against the sea has been opened in America's first National seashore park, the Cape Hatteras National Seashore Recreational Area on the Outer Banks Islands of North Carolina. The Maritime Museum is located on Hatteras Island near the base of the famous Cape Hatteras Lighthouse, and occupies a building which formerly housed the lighthouse keepers. The lighthouse itself, built

in 1869 and still operated by the U. S. Coast Guard to warn ships off the "graveyard of the Atlantic," is open to the public through the cooperation of the Coast Guard and the National Park Service.

At the Museum, the history of the Outer Banks is shown in pictures and extensive displays of equipment of the old U. S. Life Saving Service and its successor, the Coast Guard. Many artifacts were donated by the residents of the nearby island communities, and the exhibits were installed under the supervision of specialists from the National Park Service. The Museum, lighthouse and the nearby ranger station are accessible by a paved road connecting with the Hatteras Highway which extends from Oregon Inlet to the village of Hatteras.

Edenton Soldier In Japanese Maneuvers

An Edenton soldier, a member of the 187th Airborne Regimental Combat Team's 3d Battalion, took part in Operation Testo Blue, final phase of a training maneuver in Japan which

ended July 31. Early in the exercise, Pvt. Cecil Peterson, parachuted in and helped set up a line of defense along the Ura river near a port vacated by "aggressor" infantry troops. Private Peterson, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Peterson, Route 1, Edenton, is a rifleman in Company I. He entered the Army in April, 1953 and joined the team last December after an assignment at Fort Benning, Ga.

BABY SITTERS AT A DIME A MONTH

The baby sitting problem is solved at least for one New York community. Learn how 100 parents formed Baby Sitters Exchange whose mothers sit for one another in the helpful article in August 22nd issue of

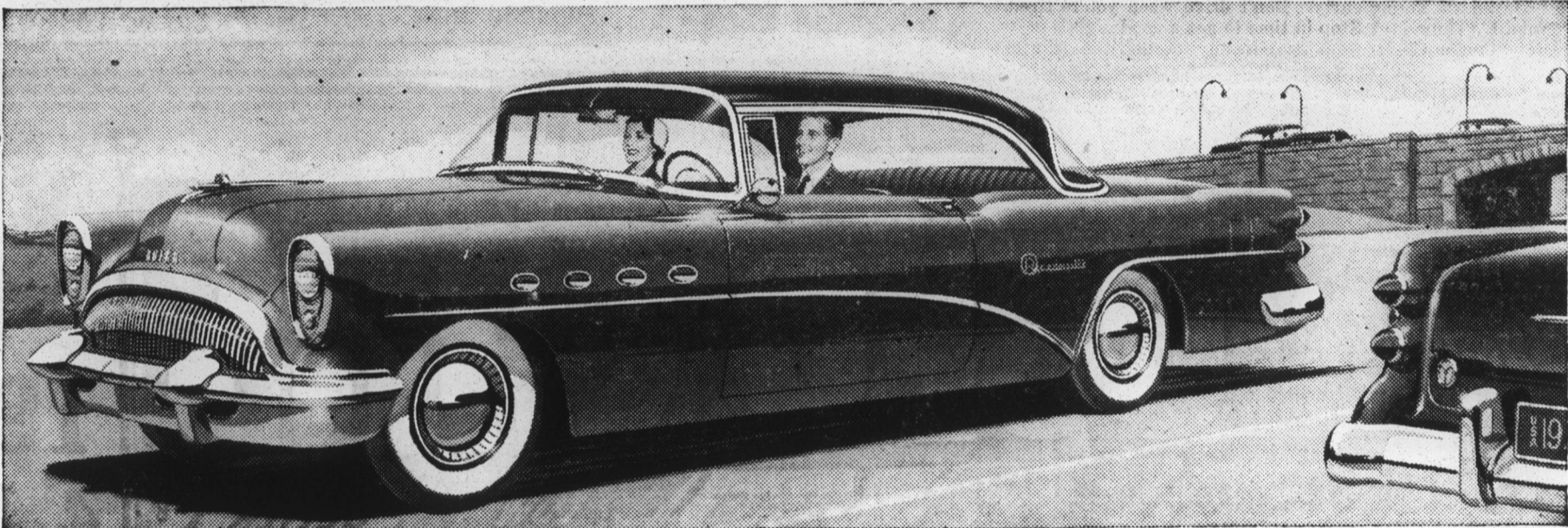
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