

# SENATOR SAM ERVIN SAYS



Washington — There is room for honest disagreement as to the approach for legislation in the labor field.

**Effective Bill**  
This being so, I have attempted to pursue a course in the matter that will produce an effective bill for prompt action by Congress in the area of labor corruption, astounding conditions that have been shown by the McClellan Committee on which I have served for two years. The bill that I have co-sponsored with Senator Kennedy meets this need. There is also wide agreement between the Kennedy-Ervin and Administration bills, but the controversy arises over the inclusion of certain Taft-Hartley revisions which I am convinced must be considered in separate bills.

The New York Times recently expressed it this way:  
"But, after all, these are matters (picketing, secondary boycotts, etc.) that primarily involve the power and external relations of labor unions, not how they manage their own affairs. Doesn't this mean that amendments to the Taft-Hartley law should be made through a separate, and carefully considered, over-all measure? They seem like excess baggage which might well be temporarily jettisoned now for the sake of reaching the main and immediate objective: Greater democracy, honesty and efficiency within American labor unions."

**Testimony**  
Last week I testified before the Labor subcommittee considering the proposed bills. I related the need for corrective legislation. My position is that the Kennedy-Ervin Bill effectively prohibits the misuse of union funds, provides an effective method of control by local union members, prohibits felons from holding union office and is a good labor reform bill. As I have stated before, I favor eliminating all Taft-Hartley law revisions from a labor reform bill and including them in separate bills. Congress ought to act with haste and wisdom in adopting labor reform legislation. The conditions are a disgrace to our country.

**Practical Consideration**  
Mr. Arthur Krock, a distinguished journalist, recently discussed in his column the various views on proposed legislation, including the Kennedy-Ervin Bill. He concludes his article with the following:  
"There is, of course, a practical consideration which supports the Kennedy-Ervin approach. This is that any progress toward curbing the excessive power of the unions is worth making; that the Kennedy-Ervin measure provides this, will surely be approved, but may fail if amending it as the administration proposes leaves organized labor with the choice of all or none."  
"This consideration appeals to many Members of Congress who cannot be fairly tagged as pawns of the unions. And naturally it appeals to others: Those for whom it is politically safe to vote for the Kennedy-Ervin bill but not for the administration amendments; and those who, welcoming progress in the field of industrial relations, sincerely oppose the curbs in the administration's draft."

**Steps Must Be Taken**  
Whatever the Congress gets in the way of legislation will have to be the result of most penetrating debate and study. Steps must be taken to put democracy in unions.

## CIVIC CALENDAR

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**Edenton Woman's Club** will sponsor the fifth Pilgrimage of Colonial Edenton and Countryside Friday and Saturday, April 17 and 18.

Revival meetings in progress at the Edenton Methodist Church will end Friday night of this week.

Edenton Chapter No. 302, Order of the Eastern Star, will meet Monday night, February 16, at 8 o'clock.

Chowanoke Council No. 54, Degree of Pocahontas, will meet tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock in the Red Men hall.

Edenton Jaycees will meet tonight (Thursday) at 7 o'clock at the Edenton Restaurant.

An emergent communication of Unanimity Lodge No. 7, A. F. & A. M., will be held Thursday night, February 19, at 7:30 o'clock.

Lenten services will begin tonight (Thursday) at St. Paul's Episcopal Church with services scheduled to be held each Thursday night until Easter.

A Valentine dance will be held at the Edenton Teenage Club Saturday night, February 14 from 8 to 11 o'clock.

Stockholders of the Edenton Building & Loan Association will meet in the association's office this (Thursday) afternoon at 4 o'clock to consider changing the name of the association.

Sponsored by the Edenton Tea Party Chapter of the DAR, February is being observed as American History Month.

A dance will be held at the VFW home on the old Hertford road Saturday night from 9 to 12 o'clock.

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet Tuesday night, February 17, at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. W. W. Porter on North Broad Street.

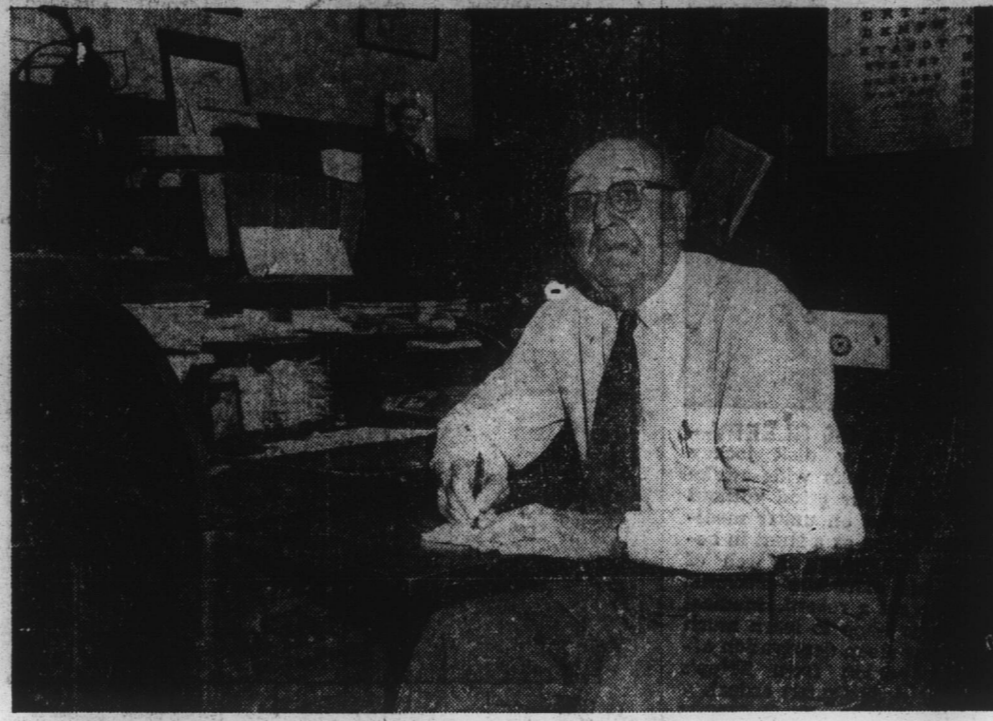
Edenton's Rotary Club will meet this (Thursday) afternoon at 1 o'clock in the Parish House. Chowan Tribe of Red Men will meet Monday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Edenton Lions Club will meet Monday night at 7 o'clock.

William H. Coffield, Jr., Post No. 9280, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will meet Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

**RED MEN MEETING**  
Chowan Tribe of Red Men will meet Monday night, February 16, at 7:30 o'clock. Leroy Harrell, sachem, urges a full attendance.

# 'Women Better Patients,' Says Family Doctor of Year



Dr. Lonnie A. Coffin, 68, of Farmington, Iowa, back at work after being named General Practitioner of the Year by the American Medical Association.

"Women are better patients than men," according to Dr. Lonnie A. Coffin, Family Doctor of the Year. "They'll do what you tell them, but men won't." At 68, Dr. Coffin is a warm and happy man, busy with the health needs of more than 3,000 people in and around rural Farmington, Iowa. Enriched by 46 years of country doctoring, he is also a man who speaks his mind, a philosopher with concise and witty views on life. Here are a few of them:

**On smoking:** "It's undoubtedly bad for you. I gave it up after my coronary, and—he stopped to light one of his six daily cigars—"I've given it up several times since then."

**On health:** "The work of the voluntary health agencies makes me confident about the future. The National Foundation, for instance, which helped us eight years ago when a polio epidemic hit Farmington [three of Dr. Coffin's four grandchildren were stricken], is now applying its March of Dimes funds to problems like arthritis and birth defects. That's good news, and good health."

**On sickness:** "If you're sick, do what you can to get well, but try not to worry about it. If you worry, you'll feel worse and so will everybody around you."

**On being sick at night:** "We'll get sicker at night. That's

because we have more time to think about ourselves."  
**On drinking:** "There are only certain people who should drink. Those who can both control it and afford it."

**On fishing:** "You can fish sitting down and I like that. If you catch something, fine. If you don't, exaggerate."

**On being a doctor:** "I try to take care of people no matter what the hour, no matter where they live, no matter who they are. Where or when they get sick is not their fault."

**On being a doctor named "Coffin":** "Well, it's true that's what they carry you off in, but the fact is my name hasn't scared off too many patients."

Usefulness is doing rightly by yourself and others. We lose a percentage due to our activity when doing the work that belongs to another.  
—Mary Baker Eddy.

I believe the West will eventually win the world to its side, because of its belief of the freedom and the dignity of the human personality.  
—Arnold J. Toynbee.

## Mass X-Ray Survey For Four Counties Is Being Planned

The second pre-planning conference for the mass X-Ray survey was held at the Health Department in Elizabeth City on February 6. Dr. William A. Smith, chief of the Tuberculosis Section, State Board of Health, gave detailed information to a group of prominent people of the four counties about setting up the two mobile units from April 4 to May 2. The units will be operating for 22 working days and are equipped to take 22,000 X-Rays, or an average of 500 per unit per day, the cost being defrayed by the four counties.

The tuberculosis situation in the United States and North Carolina has improved during the last 20 years as to the number of deaths, but cases have not declined in the same proportion as deaths.

Because of the increased rate of tuberculosis in the older age group, everyone over 20 years of age is urged to have a chest X-ray.

**POCAHONTAS MEETING**  
Chowanoke Council No. 54, Degree of Pocahontas, will meet tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock in the Red Men hall. Mrs. Barbara Farless, Pocahontas, urges all members to be present.

## Townsend Speaker For Woman's Club

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At the 16th District meeting held here in October, 1958, it was decided to hold a symposium in the area and the Edenton club was informed this month the symposium will be held in the fall of 1960 at Chowan College in Murfreesboro. Efforts are now under way to engage a nationally known speaker to talk on world affairs.

During the business session a letter of thanks was read from the Elementary School teachers for a recent gift by the club for the lounge, and a letter of commendation from the national president of Federated Women's Clubs on the Edenton contribution to the children of Greece was read. It was pointed out the Edenton club was the only 16th District organization to contribute to this project.

The club voted to meet at the Edenton Restaurant beginning in September, after having been notified by the St. Paul's Church Guild it would be unable to continue to serve the luncheon.

Guests at the meeting included Mrs. Rupert Riley, Mrs. Robert Powell and Mrs. S. F. Hicks, Jr.

The best of all government is that which teaches us to govern ourselves. —Goethe.

## AN APPRECIATION

We would like to take this means to thank the citizens of Edenton who have patronized our beauty shop during our stay in Edenton.

We have not sold our business to anyone, but we are moving our shop to Cherry Point.

**Edenton Beauty Nook**  
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