

## ANTARCTIC IS GOAL OF NEW EXPEDITION

20 Last minute preparations at South Boston speeded up  
as sailing time approached for the new explorers of the  
South Polar regions. Latest equipment included three  
helicopters. 35 scientists and 234  
officers and men will sail on the ice breaker Atka  
3 Famous South Pole explorer Admiral Byrd inspected  
them. His thoughts must have turned to Little America,  
40 the station he <sup>first</sup> established ~~down there~~ <sup>near the Pole</sup> in 1929.  
He spent years urging the Government to develop the  
oil, coal and uranium deposits which are believed to  
be enormous in the Antarctic. His <sup>farseeing</sup> propaganda has  
60 borne <sup>fruit, especially at, today,</sup> ~~fruit~~ uranium is an even greater magnet  
than was gold at the end of last century. Uranium  
means atom <sup>ic</sup> power, 7 When this expedition returns  
80 America will know a lot more about minerals near the  
South Pole. So Atka set out on her very important  
voyage of scientific exploration.

### AND NOW A BRITISH EXPEDITION LEADER EXPLAINS OBJECTS

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Dr. Fuchs, 45, Cambridge geologist, will lead his men  
across the Antarctic, via the South Pole.

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#### NEW EXPEDITION TO THE ANTARCTIC

The Navy icebreaker Atka, as it prepared for the hour of sailing from the shipyard in South Boston. One-hundred tons of food go aboard for a journey to the Antarctic on orders from President Eisenhower. The five-month trip to the vastness of white at Little America will be under Commander Glen Jacobsen, 38-year-old submarine veteran, and, more recently, an Arctic voyager. He'll have the most modern equipment at his disposal, including three two-place helicopters of the HTL-5 type. The crew numbers 234 officers and men, and 35 scientist-technician passengers. Admiral Richard E. Byrd, renowned hero of the Antarctic has parting advice for the voyagers. He speaks of his "old home" Little America — in the wind-swept snowy wastelands, where lie untapped sources of oil, coal and uranium. A vast continent, as big as the U.S. and Europe, for which Admiral Byrd (shown here) has long sought to promote interest. Today, his government sees it as of great potential strategic importance.

So the penguins in their full dress suits will again witness the arrival of polar pioneers.

And back in the United States, we see the Atka, pulling away from her berth. A modern scientific expedition is under way, for exploration at the ends of the earth!