

Agnew's Fiction To See Print

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The Ladies Home Journal has agreed to serialize Spiro T. Agnew's first novel and the first excerpt will appear in the May issue, publishing industry informants reported yesterday.

The former vice president was said to have been working on the book for about four hours a day, alternately dictating and writing in pencil on yellow legal pads.

There were indications that the magazine was paying more than \$100,000 for the serial rights to the book, although it is not yet completed and there was no indication of when succeeding installments are to appear. The first excerpt, a sort of preview, is to be fewer than

5000 words long, it was understood.

At least three women characters figure in the novel, in which a vice president is deceived by Iranian nationalists who wish to force a clash between the United States and the Soviet Union, the sources said.

They are the fictional vice president's secretary, who is having a romance with the head of the Secret Service guard; the fictional vice president's wife, a society figure who spends much time in Philadelphia, and a woman who is secretary of health, education and welfare. One editor said that the outline hinted that she was having a love affair with the fictional vice president.

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