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From The Manchurian Candidate by Greil Marcus: BFI Film Classics:

"Those following the proceedings during the past year of the Senate Select Committee on POW and MIA Affairs have been mystified by the rabid actions of the one man on the committee who should be grateful that for nearly three decades there have been activists in America who have refused to let die the issue of the fate of Americans lost and missing in Southeast Asia from the Vietnam War.

"I am speaking of course of Senator John McCain (R-Ariz.). None of the Senators on the Select Committee have been as vicious in their attacks on POW / MIA family members and activists than the man behind the mask of war hero, former POW, and patriotic United States Senator ... Borrowing from the title of a popular movie of some years ago, many activists who have felt the fangs of this pit bull call him the 'Manchurian Candidate.'"

—— Ted Sampley, *US Veteran Dispatch*, December 1992

"At an internet startup in Michigan last week, a voter asked John McCain why he had changed his mind after 1996 and decided to run for president. McCain deadpanned: "I was sitting in a room and Angela Lansbury turned over a Queen of Diamonds."

--- Jonathan Alter, "The Old Order Closes Ranks," Newsweek, 21 February 2000







<u>Filmography: John Frankenheimer:</u> b. 1930: New York City; d. 2002: Los Angeles, CA cut his directing teeth during TV's "golden age": *Studio One*, *Playhouse 90*, etc.

1961 THE YOUNG SAVAGES

1962 ALL FALL DOWN/BIRDMAN of ALCATRAZ/MANCHURIAN CANDIDATE

1964 SEVEN DAYS IN MAY / THE TRAIN

1966 SECONDS / GRAND PRIX

1968 THE FIXER

1969 THE EXTRAORDINARY SEAMAN / THE GYPSY MOTHS

1977 BLACK SUNDAY

1996 THE ISLAND OF DR. MOREAU

1998 RONIN

2002 PATH TO WAR (TV)