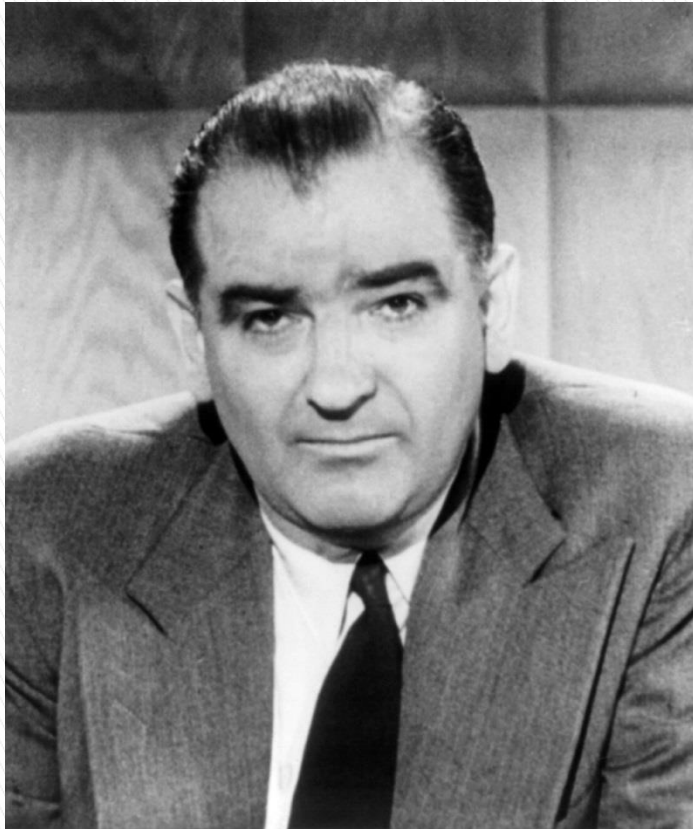


McCarthyism

The Birth of McCarthyism

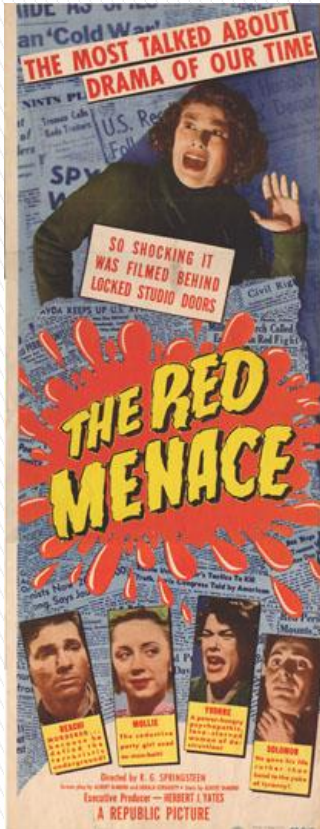


Joseph McCarthy

- ▶ 1950-little known senator from Wisconsin
- ▶ Lackluster first term
- ▶ Attracts national attention in Wheeling, WV speech
- ▶ Fear, suspicion, & scapegoating...

McCarthyism

Anti-Communist Sentiment in American Society



- ▶ Political Discourse
- ▶ Lawmaking
- ▶ Education
- ▶ The Film Industry

Movie Poster

Hysteria and Paranoia

The End of McCarthyism

- ▶ Never proved his conspiracy charges
- ▶ Final overreach: attacked the U.S. Army for sheltering Communists
- ▶ U.S. Senate passed a vote of censure against McC. in 1954
- ▶ McC. died of liver failure 3 years later



The END for Joe

What color do you think the paint would be?