

IN YOUR PORTFOLIOS...

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

HAVE YOU EVER SAID OR DONE ANYTHING IN THE PAST (EVEN SMALL OR INSIGNIFICANT THINGS) THAT HAVE BEEN USED AGAINST YOU TODAY? EXPLAIN.

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UNITED STATES

HISTORY

with Mr. Willis

UNIT 7 - DAY 4

McCaRThyISM

AFTER WWII, AMERICANS WERE FEARFUL THAT COMMUNISTS HAD INFILTRATED AMERICA!

The SOVIETS had come to dominate EASTERN EUROPE w/ The COMMUNIST BLOC



The SOVIETS had ALSO developed an ATOMIC BOMB BY STEALING US SECRETS



finally, China and North Korea had fallen to COMMUNISM RATHER easily



AND THAT LEADS TO...

MCCARTHYISM

Headed by Republican Senator **JOSEPH MCCARTHY**, it was a **WITCH HUNT** to root out suspected **COMMUNISTS** in America by accusing them w/o **hard evidence**



IMPORTANT EFFECTS OF MCCARTHYISM

MILLIONS OF AMERICANS WERE **INVESTIGATED**, HAD THEIR REPUTATIONS **RUINED**, & WERE FORCED TO TAKE **LOYALTY OATHS**

AMERICANS **CIVIL LIBERTIES** WERE VIOLATED, **FREEDOM OF SPEECH** TRAMPLED, AMERICANS WERE AFRAID TO SPEAK OUT DUE TO **PARANOIA**

INVESTIGATING THE GOV.



By 1947, **COMMUNIST PARANOIA** IN THE US GOVERNMENT **RAN RAMPANT** IN RESPONSE, **TRUMAN AND CONGRESS** CREATED TWO AGENCIES TO INVESTIGATE

LOYALTY REVIEW BOARD

Investigated backgrounds of **fed. employees** for **suspicious pasts**

3000 WERE FIRED OR RESIGNED B/C THEY WERE "RISKS" W/O ANY HARD EVIDENCE

HUAC

The **House UN-American Activities Committee** left the biggest impact

COMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF HOLLYWOOD
MOTION-PICTURE INDUSTRY—PART 4

HEARINGS

BEFORE THE

COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

EIGHTY-SECOND CONGRESS

FIRST SESSION

SEPTEMBER 17, 18, AND 19, 1951

HUAC & HOLLYWOOD



HOLLYWOOD

AMERICANS.....
DON'T PATRONIZE REDS!!!!

YOU CAN DRIVE THE REDS OUT OF
TELEVISION, RADIO AND HOLLY-
WOOD.....

THIS TRACT WILL TELL YOU HOW.

WHY WE MUST DRIVE THEM OUT:

HUAC made itself famous by going after **COMMUNIST subversion in film**

IT BELIEVED COMMUNISTS IN HOLLYWOOD WERE SNEAKING PROPAGANDA INTO MOVIES

HUAC subpoenaed 43 witnesses from film to testify on the matter

33 OF THESE ACTORS, WRITERS, DIRECTORS WERE "FRIENDLY" & GAVE HUAC INFO

10 WITNESSES REFUSED TO TESTIFY B/C THEY FELT THEIR RIGHTS WERE VIOLATED

These "**HOLLYWOOD TEN**" were put in jail for ignoring Congress

INVESTIGATION OF UN-AMERICAN
PROPAGANDA ACTIVITIES IN THE
UNITED STATES

SPECIAL
COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEVENTY-EIGHTH CONGRESS

FIRST SESSION

ON

H. Res. 282

TO INVESTIGATE (1) THE EXTENT, CHARACTER, AND
OBJECTS OF UN-AMERICAN PROPAGANDA ACTIVITIES IN

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Appendix
Pt 7





***ANALYZE:* THE HUAC HEARINGS**



INFRINGING ON RIGHTS

Next, acts were taken that persecuted citizens, trampled rights with communist paranoia at fever pitch, the witch hunts intensified

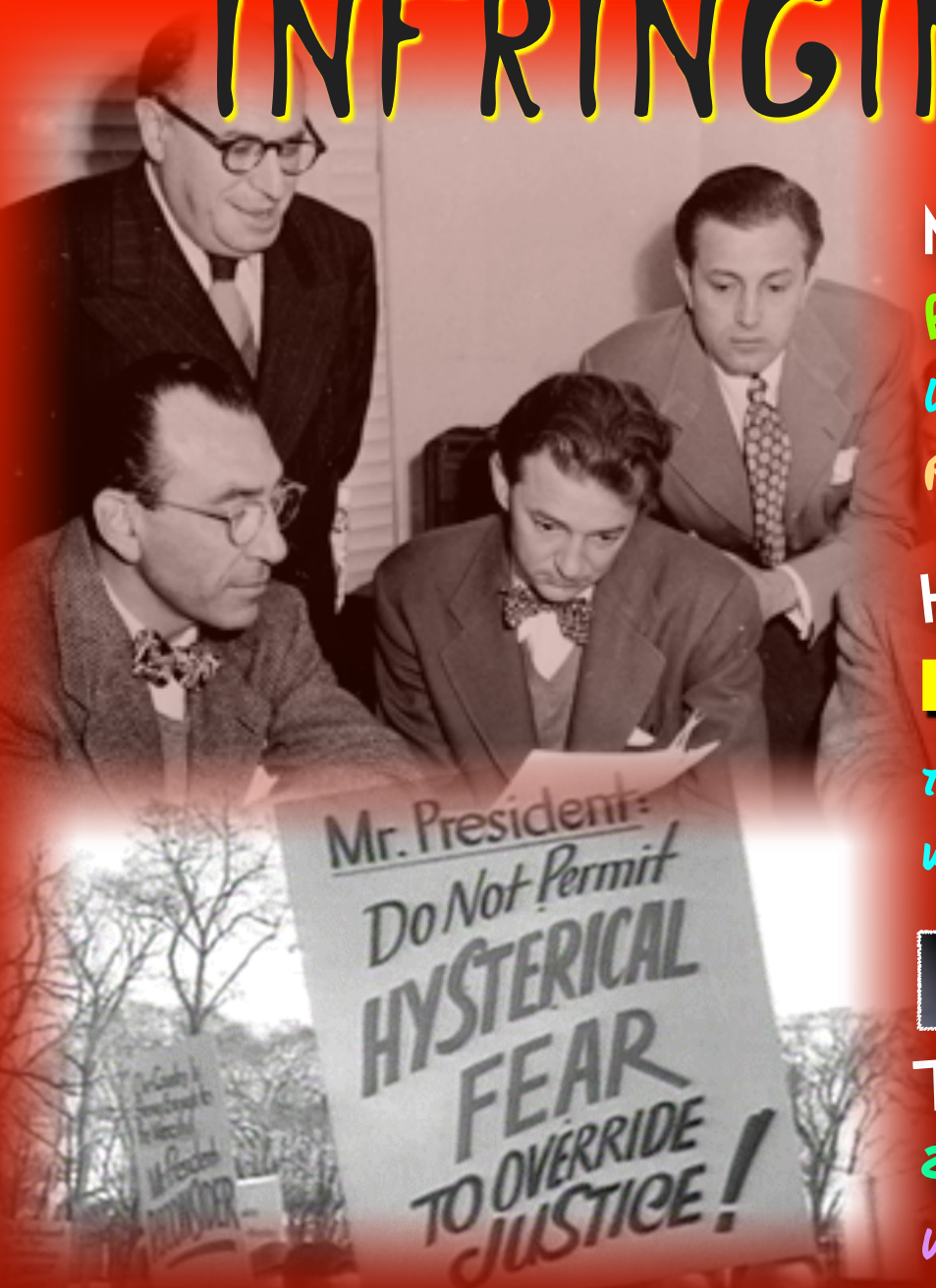
Hollywood executives enacted a **BLACK LIST** in the industry

this list of 500 suspected actors & writers denied work & ruined careers

McCARRAN ACT

This law made it illegal to plan any action that could depose the gov.

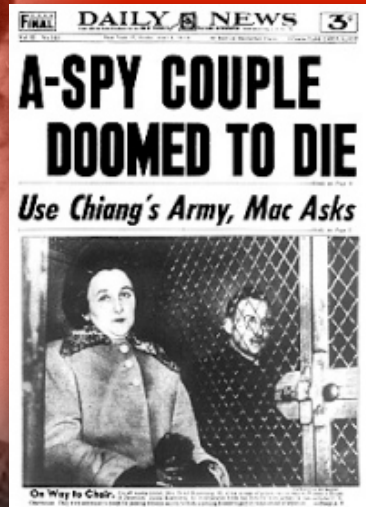
violated freedom of opinion & belief



BUT, THERE WERE ALSO

**CASES BROUGHT
AGAINST SPIES!**

COMMUNIST SPIES



Adding to the COMMUNIST paranoia were 2 cases of Soviet spies in US

ALGER HISS

1948 - HISS is arrested on suspicion of stealing gov. docs for Soviets

UNABLE TO CHARGE HIM WITH SPYING, HISS IS CONVICTED OF PERJURY AND IMPRISONED

THE ROSENBERGS

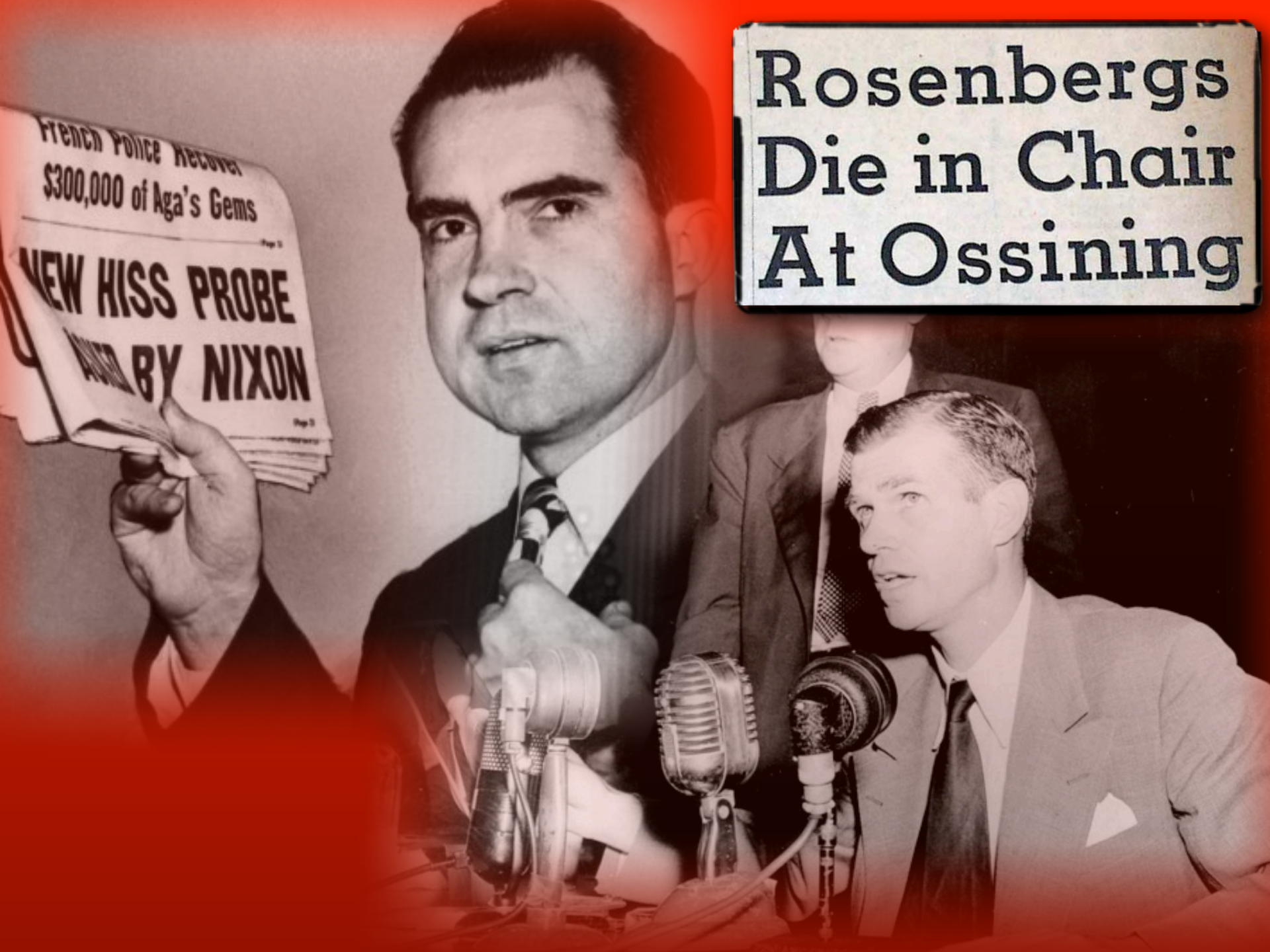
Ethel & Julius were convicted of giving the Soviets US atomic plans

THE ELDER, JEWISH AMERICAN CITIZENS
THEY WERE EXECUTED BY ELECTRIC CHAIR

Rosenbergs Die in Chair At Ossining

French Police Recover
\$300,000 of Aga's Gems

NEW HISS PROBE
LED BY NIXON



AND THEN...

The downfall!

MCCARTHYISM'S IMPACT



**JOE
MUST
GO!**

1954 - McCarthy claims to have the names of **200 spies** in **State Dept.**

HE MADE WILD ACCUSATIONS ON TV & HARASSED AND BULLIED THE WITNESSES

The **public turned on McCarthy & Senate censured him for misconduct**

MCCARTHY FADED AWAY A DISGRACED MAN, AND THE WITCH HUNTS DIED OFF

Still, the **anti-communist sentiment** continued but w/ **less intensity**

STATES PASSED LAWS LIMITING SPEECH, BOOKS WERE BANNED, PEOPLE QUESTIONED

CLOSURE

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

Does the GOVERNMENT have a RIGHT to ask you what your POLITICAL beliefs are? If you are a COMMUNIST IN AMERICA, does it MATTER today?