

### The Red Scare

Theme: American and National Identity

**Learning Objective 8.C:** Explain the causes and effects of the Red Scare after World War II.

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KC-8.1.II.A: Americans debated policies and methods designed to expose suspected communists within the United States...

- Republicans win control of Congress in 1946
  - Push Truman to set up \_\_\_\_\_ (1947-1950)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (1940) outlaws advocating overthrow of government, upheld in \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ (1950)
  - Outlaws support for establishment of totalitarian gov.,
  - Restricts movement of Communists, authorizes detention camps
- \_\_\_\_\_ (1938) investigates everyone/anyone
  - Hollywood actors who did not testify \_\_\_\_\_
  - Playwright Arthur Miller write \_\_\_\_\_ (1953)
- Sen. Joseph McCarthy (R) - Claimed to have lists of communists who infiltrated US Gov.
  - Televised army hearings portrayed him as paranoid bully (1954)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ declines as economic boom continues

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KC-8.1.II.A: ...even as both parties supported the broader strategy of containing communism.

- Fueled by actual communist spies
  - \_\_\_\_\_ - state department official, alleged to give Soviets documents, questioned by Rep. Nixon. Convicted for perjury.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ - Manhattan Project scientist helped steal technology from US
  - \_\_\_\_\_ - convicted and executed for spying on behalf of Soviet Union - secret info on radar, sonar, jet engines, nuclear tech.

**Recap**

- The United States adopted several different policies to keep communism out of the country
- The tactics of the policies were contrary to civil liberties
- A paranoid, witch-hunt atmosphere developed in the era of McCarthyism
- The discovery of several high profile communist spies continued to fuel the Red Scare

**Part II**

**Short Answer Questions**

Answer the following in AT LEAST three sentences.

1. Explain the causes of the Red Scare after World War II.

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2. Explain the effects of the Red Scare after World War II.

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**Arthur Miller Testifies at HUAC hearing, June 21, 1956**

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Mr. Arens (counsel for HUAC and a former aide to Senator McCarthy): This is about the end of the hearing. We have only a few more questions. The record reflects that this witness has identified these meetings as the meetings of the Communist writers. In the jurisdiction of this committee he has been requested to tell this committee who were in attendance at these meetings.

Mr. Walter: Mr. Miller, what has this to do –

Mr. Miller: I am trying to elucidate my position on the relation of art.

Mr. Arens: Was Arnaud D'Usseau chairman?

Gordon Scherer (HUAC member and former House Representative from Ohio): Just a minute. Mr. Chairman, may I interrupt?

Mr. Walter: Yes.

Mr. Scherer: There is a question before the witness; namely, to give the names of those individuals who were present at the Communist Party meeting of Communist writers. There is a direction on the part of the chairman to answer the question. Now so that the record may be clear, I think we should say to the witness – Witness, would you listen?

Mr. Miller: Yes.

Mr. Scherer: We do not accept the reasons you gave for refusing to answer the question and that it is the opinion of the committee that, if you do not answer the question, that you are placing yourself in contempt. That is an admonition that this committee must give you in compliance with the decisions of the Supreme Court. Now, Mr. Chairman, I ask that you again direct the witness to answer the question.

Mr. Walter: He has been directed to answer the question and he gave us the answer that we just do not accept.

Mr. Arens: Was Arnaud D'Usseau chairman of this meeting of Communist Party writers which took place in 1947 at which you were in attendance?

Mr. Miller: All I can say, sir, is that my conscience will not permit me to use the name of another person (Miller confers with his lawyer). And that my counsel advises me that there is no relevance between this question and the question of whether I should have a passport or there should be passport legislation in 1956.

Mr. Arens: Mr. Chairman, I respectfully suggest that the witness be ordered and directed to answer the question as to whether or not Arnaud D'Usseau – A-r-n-a-u-d. The last name is D-'U-s-s-e-a-u – was chairman of the meeting of the Communist Party writers in New York City in 1947 at which you were in attendance.

Mr. Walter: You are directed to answer the question.

Mr. Miller: I have given you my answer, sir.

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APUSH

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Arens: I ask you now, sir, whether or not Sue Warren was in attendance at this meeting of the Communist Party writers held in New York City in 1947?

Mr. Miller: I have given you my answer.

Harold Velde (HUAC member and former House Representative from Illinois): Do you know Sue Warren?

Mr. Jackson: Did you decline to answer the question?

Mr. Miller: (Miller confers with his lawyer) I tell you, sir, that I have given my answer.

Mr. Jackson: I am not satisfied with that. That is entirely too vague. What I want is a positive statement as to whether or not you will answer that question.

Mr. Miller: (Miller confers with his lawyer) Sir, I believe I have given you the answer that I must give.

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