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McCARTHY -- ARMY BARUCH -- Aarseth

In the crowded Senate caucus room, the McCarthy-Army dispute reaches a showdown. Army Secretary Stevens insists McCarthy used improper pressure on the Pentagon. The Wisconsin Senator, arriving with his wife, sticks to his charge that the Army blackmail to halt his probe of "Communist coddling."

Briefcases bulging with documents relating to the charges are entered in evidence as Mr. Stevens bolsters his charges and McCarthy and Roy Cohn -- accused of threatening to wreck the Army -- strike back.

Tennessee attorney Ray Jenkins acts as counsel, Senator Mundt as chairman during the hearings, which attract an overflow crowd.

The fireworks mount as McCarthy clashes frequently with the Army Secretary. Senator Mundt struggles to root out the truth in Washington's big battle of 1954.