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McCARTHY, Sen. Joseph

Sometime prior to the President's statement relating to Mr. J. B. Matthews' charges against the Protestant clergy, arrangements had been made for the signing of the bill creating the Commission on Intergovernmental Relations. As Chairman of the Senate Government Operations Committee, Senator McCarthy was invited to attend along with many others.

On the evening prior to the signing, the President issued the statement which was regarded as a blow against McCarthyism. Senator McCarthy turned up, nevertheless, for the formal affair next morning. Informal reports were to the effect that he was lost in the crowd.

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