

"It's Okay—We're Hunting Communists"



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"You Disloyal American!
You Communist!"
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by self-appointed censors with no particular qualifications beyond ownership of pencils, scissors, and red-white-and-blue hatchets. But the most ambitious attempt at literary review came in the spring of 1952, when a U.S. congressman proposed that all the books in the Library of Congress should be screened to purge that institution of "subversive" reading matter. This vigilant soul evidently wanted to make sure that none of his colleagues would be led astray in case any of them should some time walk into that hotbed of public informa-

"You Read Books, Eh?"

