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## Brunauers, McCarthy Targets, Suspended From U. S. Posts

Stephen Brunauer and his wife, who were targets of Senator Joseph R. McCarthy's communism-in-Government charges, have been suspended from their Navy and State Department jobs, it was announced yesterday.

The Brunauers were suspended pending the outcome of loyalty and security checks on the husband.

The Navy said the Hungarian born Brunauer was suspended "as a security risk." Deputy Undersecretary of State Carlisle H. Hynsel said he automatically suspended Brunauer's wife Esther upon being informed that the Navy had suspended her husband.

A Navy spokesman said Brunauer can appeal his suspension and has 30 days to answer the charges against him. He added that the charges have been presented to Brunauer and he can make them public if he chooses. Brunauer was in Massachusetts and is expected back Thursday.

Mrs. Brunauer told a reporter that her husband has been visiting two defense plants near West Hanover, Mass., that she talked to him by telephone about their suspension, and that he is coming home immediately. She expressed "hope that everything will get straightened out."

Brunauer was employed by the

Navy's explosive research division in the Bureau of Ordnance and had been officially cleared for secret work. He received a Navy letter of commendation and the order of the British Empire for his work in the field of high explosives during the war.

Mrs. Brunauer was employed as a liaison officer between the State Department and the United Nations Economic and Social Council.

McCarthy leveled most of his charges against Mrs. Brunauer, but also included her husband. He said the wife had been a member of several Communist fronts and that her case was "one of the most fantastic cases" he ever heard of.

In New York, Brunauer said he thought someone made a mistake in suspending him. He told newsmen:

"I do not know for what reason I was suspended. I think someone made a mistake. I telephoned Washington and a Navy spokesman said he did not know the reason for the suspension. I do not want to comment further on anything."

McCarthy's charges were investigated by a Senate Foreign Relations Subcommittee headed by former Senator Millard E. Tydings (D., Md.). The Democratic ma-

majority of the subcommittee cleared Mrs. Brunauer on July 18, 1950.

McCarthy and other Republicans charged the investigation was a "whitewash."

After McCarthy made his charges, Mrs. Brunauer issued a statement in which she said: "I am not, never have been and couldn't possibly be a Communist. It would be completely foreign to my character."

She also defended her husband as a "thoroughly loyal American and vigorously anti-Communist."

