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NEW YORK, Dec. 21—(UP)—The Army-McCarthy hearings and the subsequent condemnation of the Wisconsin senator by his colleagues headed the list of the 10 biggest news stories of 1954 chosen today by editors of the United Press.

The other stories in the 10 biggest list were, in this order:

SHOOTING of five congressmen in the House of Representatives.

PEACE in Indochina, including the fall of Dien Bien Phu and the Geneva Conference.

DEMOCRATS win control of the House and Senate in the off-year elections.

SUPREME COURT outlaws segregation of Negroes in nation's schools.

NINE-POWER London Pact gives sovereignty and arms to Western Germany.

ATOMIC developments, including adoption of President Eisenhower's atoms-for-peace plan by United Nations' General Assembly, H-bomb tests in the Pacific and resulting radioactive injuries, to far-distant

fishermen.

COMMUNIST toe-hold in Guatemala, first in Western Hemisphere, defeated.

ROGER Bannister breaks the four-minute mile.

TRIAL of Dr. Samuel Sheppard for murder of his wife.

Other big stories of the year included:

Illness of Pope Pius XII; suicide of President Vargas of Brazil; exposure of corruption in Phenix City, Ala.; three hurricanes on the East Coast; airplane crash of Author Ernest Hemingway in Africa.

Explosions of carrier Bennington kill 99; Giants win World Series in four straight from Cleveland Indians; suspension of Oppenheimer for security reasons; settlement of the Trieste question.

Congressional investigation of scandals in the housing administration; death of Emilie Dionne of the famous quintuplets, and Robert Young's successful fight for control of the New York Central Railroad System.