***Good Night and Good Luck* and *The Crucible*: Newspaper Project**

**Assignment**

You have traveled back, back, back in time to the 1600’s AND the 1950’s.

FIRST imagine you are a member of the staff of the local Salem newspaper in 1692. You have been very busy lately because the town faces a historic crisis. Hundreds of people have been accused and arrested of witchcraft. The town is anxious to read the next edition of your newspaper! Of course, you are obligated to abide by a few publication guidelines:

1. Every report, article, photo, and info graphic must stay related to the theme of the newspaper: the plot, characters, and symbolism in *The Crucible.*
2. This newspaper has been in your family for years, meaning you take great pride in this publication. You must write with details and specific language. You must also scrutinize your grammar and conventions because there is nothing more embarrassing than publishing a newspaper with spelling/punctuation errors.

SECOND imagine you are a member of a major established news team from a renowned newspaper organization in the 1950’s. (Think: New York Times, Washington Post, The Chicago Tribune, etc.). You have witnessed several Americans face Joseph McCarthy in the HUAC Senate Hearings. You feel it is your duty to report the events even though you may be considered a “pinko” for going against McCarthy. You must follow the same guidelines as The Crucible newspaper assignment:

1. Every report, article, photo, and info graphic must stay related to the theme of the newspaper: the plot, characters, and symbolism in *Good Night and Good Luck.*
2. You take your role as a reporter quite seriously. Even though you risk the wrath of Joseph McCarthy for casting him in an unfavorable light, you are a professional and cannot bear to be embarrassed with poor grammar, punctuation, or spelling.

**Requirements: Title EACH of your Newspapers**

EACH Newspaper must have the following: (you are encouraged to have more than the minimum):

1. **2 Typed Reports.** As a reporter, summarize **two** major events from EACH major work for a total of four articles **(30 Points)**
   1. These **reports** need to be a minimum of 150 words, typed.
   2. These **reports** should summarize two *crucial* events in the play and film. Make sure your reports are accurate, and detailed with relevant information from the event (who, where, what, when, why).
   3. Remember you are writing these as a reporter, meaning these need to be written in third person, not first person **(No “I,” “we,” or “you” pronouns)**. Address characters with “Goody,” “Reverend,” or “Excellency” when necessary.
2. **2 Info Graphics**. Select 3 of the following options to embellish your newspaper: **(30 points)**
   1. A paparazzi photo catching a character out and about in Salem. **This photo must have a caption.**
   2. A classified section advertising a minimum of 3 available jobs in Salem.
   3. An advertisement for a product someone would need in Salem in 1692.
   4. An editorial cartoon accentuating a character’s sins or virtues.
   5. A letter from an anonymous, or identified, *Crucible* character or townsperson asking for advice.
3. **2 “Fillers:”** These can be photos, illustrations, horoscopes, word puzzles, real estate ads, weather reports, etc. to enhance your newspaper. **(10 Points)**