DIES -- CHICAGO

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On this day Dies got to Chicago. He said Chicago is the "heart of the foreign espionage system in America." Wh en asked about the disposition of any documents seized in Chicago by his agents, Dies said that they would be sent to Washington for study and as a basis for "any prosecutions" that might develop. Dies told the reporters that with no reflection meant on its millions of loyal Americans, Chicago, through its locality and importance, is the "midwest capital of foreign espionage."

He also said that Chicago was the "heart" and core of at least midwestern subversive activities.