

In his third article of the series appearing in Liberty magazine Congressman Dies refers to a conference which took place late in October, 1939, in which he met with Morris Ernst and Arthur Garfield Hays, whom the Congressman identifies with the American Civil Liberties Union, Congressman Voorhis, Jerome Frank and Adolf A. Berle. Congressman Dies says this conference was about proposed legislation. Such a meeting between Congressman Dies and persons connected with the American Civil Liberties Union points out an inconsistency in the Committee's position.

In its first report to Congress on page 82 the Committee stated, "Some witnesses list this organization as communistic while others deny that it is communistic." Then the Committee quotes six pages of testimony showing that the ACLU is such an organization and "is engaged in unAmerican activities." On page 122 of this same document all the members of the Committee stated, "We strongly urge that this organization (the ACLU) be investigated." According to Roger Baldwin, Director of the ACLU, (on January 8, 1940 transcript of Town Meeting Program broadcast, page 26) the ACLU was never allowed to appear before the Dies committee and answer charges let alone respond to an investigation by the Committee.

Congressman J. Parnell Thomas speaking before the Eighteenth Annual Luncheon Meeting of the Allied Patriotic Societies in New York City on December 11, 1939, called the ACLU a Communist-Front organization.

In its report submitted on January 3, 1940, the Dies Committee lists 11 organizations which it says are Communist Fronts and does not list the ACLU.

On page 75 of its first report, in the section dealing with front organizations (beginning on page 68) the Dies Committee lists the International Labor Defense as such an organization. However, on page ~~12345~~ 9 of its recent report, the Committee lists those organizations it finds to be "Communist Fronts", and the I.L.D. is not one of these. On pp. 8 and 9 of its second report the Committee implies that the I.L.D. has either direct or indirect connections with Moscow and thus is classified as part of the "Moscow 'solar system!'" 15

On page 82 of the first report The American Youth Congress is listed as a Communist Front organization but it does not appear in the list on page 9 of the second report.

The ^{report} ~~Committee~~ makes no mention of testimony contradicting this "evidence"