

Dies Inquiry Wins Approval On Rules Group

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Fight for \$100,000 Fund Goes to House Floor,

Indorsement Predicted

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Continuance for another year of Representative Dies' investigation into un-American activities was approved by the House Rules Committee yesterday without a record vote.

The bitter protests against the Dies group already voiced by several liberal Democratic representatives will be carried to the floor today in the hour's debate scheduled to precede House action on the Rules Committee's recommendation.

Indictment Predicted

Well-informed members of the House said the Dies Committee will receive overwhelming indorsement today and that an appropriation of \$100,000 will subsequently be voted.

Chairman Sabath of the Rules Committee, an outspoken opponent of the Dies investigation, admitted the legislation would pass easily today, but added, "so many people

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want to attack it that I may have to forego the pleasure of speaking against it myself."

Concluding the three-day hearings with a reply to the attacks made upon him and his committee, Dies asserted that "no committee can possibly do the work it ought to do when it is harassed and denounced by members of the executive branch of this Government."

The giant blond Texan, seated at the opposite end of the committee table from 72-year-old Sabath, angrily wagged his finger as he shouted, "Some of my witnesses say that they themselves—instead of the charges they had made about un-American activities—were investigated by the Department of Justice."

In answer to accusations that he had failed to investigate Nazis and Fascists, Dies declared that it was with "deep sincerity" that the committee "went after the Nazi and Fascist angles." He claimed he had obtained "the most authentic evidence ever collected on Nazi activities in this country."