

Dies, Hearst Lashed At Liberties Rally

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CHICAGO—Those behind the present move to destroy American civil liberties are the reactionaries who have always sought to deny the rights of the Negro people, Alderman Earl B. Dickerson, 2nd Ward, told a rally for civil rights, held in the big Orchestra Hall here. *11/18/39*

The meeting, sponsored by the Chicago Civil Liberties Committee, was a resounding answer to congressional efforts to clamp down on all progressives under cover of war hysteria.

Speaker in Attack

Speakers assailed Congressman Martin Dies' red scare and William Randolph Hearst's attacks on free speech in this city in connection with the strike of Hearst newspaper workers.

Dickerson declared the denial of civil rights is as old as the South and described how the poll tax denies Negroes and poor whites the right to vote.