

Dies Accused by Colored Of Impeding War Effort

In a recent letter to President Roosevelt, colored leaders of educational, civic and trade union circles in Washington and Baltimore accused Representative Dies, Democrat, of Texas and other "advocates of white supremacy, poll taxers and jobs-for-white-only employers" with seeking to "discourage, impede and delay that all-out, concerted offensive action by the United Nations without which there can be no victory."

The letter further stated that because of the "general disrepute"

attached to the Dies Committee, it was "unnecessary" to reply to the Texas Representative's recent "smear" attack on certain colored leaders. Mr. Dies was described as an "enemy not merely of the Negro people, but of the Nation as a whole."

In conclusion, the colored leaders urged the President to "sweep aside ruthlessly the disrupters and defeatists and to carry forward at once the opening of a second front in Europe in order that victory over the forces of evil may be won speedily."