

Calif. Young Democrats Demand Peace, Hit Dies

Two-Day Convention Heals Breach in Ranks;
Delegates Urge Full Civil Liberties; Score
Anti-Alien Attacks

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 6 (ICN).—A two-day state convention of the California Young Democrats practically healed the split in its ranks as new officers were elected and resolutions adopted bitterly condemning the Dies Committee and voicing a strong plea for the protection of civil liberties and peace.

Called under the aegis of the national convention to unite two groups, Young Democrats of America and California Young Democrats, Inc., the conference concluded partially healed the breach in a unity move toward the 1940 elections.

Rep. Martin Dies was scored in a resolution demanding discontinuance of his witch-hunting committee and expressing opposition to any effort to vote it further funds.

Another resolution demanded absolute, American neutrality in the present European war and effective enforcement of neutrality laws.

The resolution on civil liberties demanded American efforts to keep peace and to allow all groups, regardless if they are in the majority or in minority, to continue to exercise the rights of free speech, press and assembly, lest denial of any one group become contagious and spread until constitutional privileges are lost.

Allen Moore, president of the liberal group, declared the elected officials of the welded group will apply for a national charter and predicted it would be granted by the Young Democrats' national committee in February.

Other resolutions passed demanded public ownership of all public utilities, including radio and railroads; called for a national social security program, vigorous support of Governor Olson's pension program, for a production-for-use program based on the Richards Plan, for a special program for the migratory problem, for a state housing authority; opposed return of relief administration to the counties, opposed all future anti-alien bills unjustly curbing civil rights, and urged that full publicity be given the LaFollette Civil Liberties Committee hearings starting in California.