

Panther Case Probed By Black Congressmen

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CHICAGO, Dec. 20 (UPI)—Spectators booed and jeered a Negro alderman as a "spokesman" for Mayor Richard J. Daley today when he appeared at a public hearing called by five black Congressmen to investigate a police raid on a Black Panther apartment.

Rep. Charles C. Diggs Jr. (D-Mich.) repeatedly rapped for order and asked the crowd of about 500 persons, almost all Negroes, to allow Democratic Alderman Ralph Metcalfe to continue his address. "Who wrote that speech for you, Dick Daley?" several persons in the audience shouted.

Metcalfe, a former U.S. Olympic track star, said that "every evidence must be displayed" in the black Panther investigation, and "all double standards of justice erased . . . so that we can get on with our business of building our society."

The unofficial congressional inquiry heard a parade of witnesses and then left to view the West Side apartment where Black Panther leaders Fred Hampton, 21, and Mark Clark, 22, were shot to death in pre-dawn police raid on Dec. 4.

The results of the official

police investigation were announced Friday in a two-paragraph statement. It found the raiding party innocent of any wrongdoing.

Diggs said the hearing was an "effective use of black power" because since it had been announced, a number of other investigations, federal and local, have been planned.

Rep. Adam Clayton Powell (D-N.Y.) said the black congressional panel is the only investigative body "entitled to go into the serious problem facing us because we don't think the Justice Department is worth a damn."

William Clay (D-Mo.) said Negro members of Congress are discriminated against "just like the poor people of our nation" and that he did not expect improvement in their lot because "we also have a racist now in the highest office of the land."

Reps. Shirley Chisholm (D-N.Y.) and Gus Hawkins (D-Calif.) did not appear at the hearing.

Eviction Notice Posted On Panthers' Building

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20 (AP)—The Black Panther Party has been given 30 days to get out of its local headquarters building, badly damaged in a four-hour shootout with policemen.

County marshals who posted the notice to vacate said the building seemed abandoned. The marshals also posted a notice demanding past-due rent.

City building inspectors declared the two-story building unsafe after the Dec. 8 shootout in which six Panthers and three policemen were wounded.