

Dies Group Considers Star 7-10-43 Disfranchising Japs

By the Associated Press.

The Dies Committee considered today a recommendation that Americans of Japanese ancestry be disfranchised unless they renounce all loyalty to Japan.

The committee is studying the administration of war relocation centers for Japanese. The committeemen conferred yesterday with War, Navy and Justice Department officials and indicated they would issue a report in about two weeks.

Kilsoo K. Haan, Washington representative of the Korean National Front Federation, said in a statement to the committee that all Japanese-Americans, even those born in the United States, should be deprived of American citizenship unless they renounce Japanese nationality. Mr. Haan said about 75 per cent of Japanese-Americans hold legal status in Japan as citizens of that country.

Mr. Haan said the War Department recommended two years ago that persons of dual citizenship be disfranchised, but Congress failed to act.