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# Dies' Committee Group Makes Report on WRA

## Declare Japs Should Not Be Freed From Relocation Centers

Representative Costello, Democrat from California and chairman of a House subcommittee that has just completed an investigation of Japanese relocation camps, told the House Monday that release of Japanese from these centers "should be stopped at once."

The head of the Dies' Committee group which made a two weeks' tour of the centers and held hearings at Los Angeles, said "There has been absolutely no genuine effort to determine the fitness of the Japanese being released."

"Even those Japanese who originally had been interned by the F. B. I. at the outbreak of the war and who have been released to the relocation centers," Costello said, "are today eligible to be released anywhere in the United States except the restricted area of the Pacific coast."

### Papers Published in Japanese

"Speakers have been allowed to visit the various centers and address the evacuees in Japanese. The papers published at each of the centers is largely written in Japanese. In spite of all this, there is practically no one connected with the War Relocation Authority who understands or speaks Japanese.

"It is quite apparent that the disloyal Japanese have assumed the ascendancy and have dominated the operation and control of the centers. They have endeavored to influence the thinking of all the Japanese and to force a sentiment favorable to Japan to be expressed by all the evacuees."

Costello was assisted in the investigation by Representatives Eberharter, Democrat from Pennsylvania, and Mundt, Republican from South Dakota, also members of the Dies Committee.

"These conditions not only need remedial treatment," Costello continued, "but they never would have occurred had a more definite policy and a more vigorous direction emanated from Washington.