Emphasizing that the Sun, and not he, had made the charges, he quoted the story as saying that Mr. Mayne told Rhea Whitely, counsel for the Dies Committee, that Mr. Hook intended attacking Mr. Dies on the House floor.

"If Mr. Whitely know this," he added, "I submit that counsel engaged in this conspiracy just as much as Mr. Mayne."

As further quoted, the story stated The Sun had learned that representatives of the Dies committee, with "false papers to be turned over," working with private detectives, "arranged a plant in New York in which $4,000 was offered by a magazine editor."

Although voicing incredulity, Mr. Marcantonio said:

"But this committee is not a scared cow. Any members has the right to oppose it or to investigate it. The New York Sun and the committee will have to thrash it out. The integrity of the House is at stake. An investigation should be made now. Otherwise, no member is safe in attempting to find out anything about any committee."

Voorhis Absolves Committee

Representative Voorhis of California, as chairman of a Dies sub-committee named to find Mr. Pelley, said he had authorized payment of expenses for Mr. Mayne to go to North Carolina to induce Mr. Pelley to testify about the Silver Shirts.

He said he did not know, and did not think any other member of the committee knew, of the alleged forged Pelley letters until they were made a part of the committee's testimony, which, he added, did not show that any one had paid money for false letters knowing they were forgeries.

"There is no doubt in my mind that the letters are forgeries," he said, "but I say also that great care should be spent by any one, including the Dies Committee, when any one's reputation is concerned."

Representative Dempsey of New Mexico, a member of the Dies Committee, stated that the Federal Bureau of Investigation had established

ished that the letters were written on Mr. Mayne's typewriter.

He said also that the notary before whom the Mayne affidavit in Mr. Hook's possession had been made had stated that he did not acknowledge it and did not know Mr. Mayne.

Gardner Jackson, legislative representative of Labor's Non-Partisan League, asserted in a statement that the Dies Committee, to impugn his motives, had "distorted" the facts of his testimony yesterday when he was heard along with Harold Weisberg, who, Mr. Mayne swore had paid him $105 for the letters.

In executive session again today, the committee heard Marvin K. Hart, president of the New York State Economic League, testify that he had never heard of the Christian Front until after a meeting of his counsel addressed by Mr. Dies in New York. The alleged forged Pelley letters had sought to show that Mr. Hart had knowledge of the Christian Front.