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**ACHESON CENSURED
 ON SUPPORT OF HISS**

**Number of Speakers in House
 Attack Him—Truman Hit
 on 'Red Herring' Charge**

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 26—Angry criticism of Dean Acheson, Secretary of State, and of the Administration in general, over the Alger Hiss case rose today in the House.

The subject, and specifically Mr. Acheson's statement that he did not propose to "turn my back" on Alger Hiss, a former State Department official convicted in New York of perjury, was not mentioned on the floor of the Senate.

In the House, Representative Walter H. Judd, Republican, of Minnesota, asserted that if Mr. Acheson would not "turn his back" on Mr. Hiss, the President "should turn his back" on the Secretary of State.

"From the things that have happened in China and elsewhere," Representative Robert F. Rich, Republican, of Pennsylvania, said, "I don't know if we have anybody working for Joe Stalin more than the Secretary of State."

Mr. Acheson's statement on Mr. Hiss was "no surprise," Representative Eugene E. Cox, Democrat, of Georgia said, though it "might be terrifying to the American people."

The Secretary, he added, seemed "completely oblivious to the gathering storm of public indignation."

Representative James C. Davis, Democrat, of Georgia, asked "how long" would the public "retain respect for the State Department" if Mr. Acheson "hugged to his bosom" men such as Mr. Hiss.

"Cabal of Treachery" Seen

Representative John E. Rankin, Democrat, of Mississippi, asserted that if Mr. Hiss would do so, he could "unmask a cabal of treachery to this country the like of which it has never known."

Representative Richard M. Nixon, Republican, of California, a member of the Committee on Un-American Activities, whose original investigation resulted in Mr. Hiss' indictment, accused the Administration of having once considered a maneuver to prevent an effective Hiss prosecution.

He had it on "unimpeachable

authority," Mr. Nixon asserted, that in 1948 Justice Department officials were considering bringing a perjury indictment against Mr. Hiss' chief accuser, Whittaker Chambers.

This would have meant, he added, "that Mr. Hiss and the others named by Mr. Chambers as being members of an espionage group could not possibly be proceeded against due to the fact that the principal witness against them would have been an indicted perjurer."

Mr. Nixon asserted that he had in his possession photocopies of documents in the handwriting of the late Harry Dexter White, some of which were confidential.

Truman Hit on "Red Herring"

Mr. Chambers, the Californian said, had testified that he got the documents from Mr. White. Mr. Chambers is a confessed former

Communist courier. Mr. White, a former Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, died in 1948 soon after testifying before the Committee on Un-American Activities.

Mr. Nixon, saying that President Truman in 1948 had called the committee's investigation of Mr. Hiss "a red herring," accused the Administration of having dealt with reports of espionage "on a 'politics as usual' basis."

Representative W. Kingsland Macy, Republican, of New York, asserted that by the use of the term "red herring," the President "unwittingly used the prestige of his high office on behalf of one of his country's enemies."

"The effrontery of some officials in trying to help Hiss escape justice," Mr. Macy added, "has been beyond the bounds of ethical procedure."