



5-Indonesians--Just before sailing time, the Immigration Service and the ship's captain were served with an order from the U.S. District Court to the effect that petition for a writ of habeas corpus had been filed on behalf of the Indonesians, claiming they would receive "certain imprisonment and probable death" upon reaching Batavia, Dutch East Indies, for having refused to sail ships of British or Dutch registry during the war. This made it necessary to take the more than 200 Indonesians and their hand baggage from the ship to the Immigration quarters in downtown San Francisco for detention until the Court ruled on the application for the writ. In this photograph the Indonesians are being taken by elevator to the 13th floor of the immigration building.