

PEARL HARBOR

The Pearl Harbor proceedings today were concerned largely with the various investigations of the disaster that had ^{we} been made. Former Chief-of-Staff General Marshall, ^{again} as a witness, told the joint Congressional Committee that he himself had ordered a private investigation. This was after previous inquiries. And its purpose was to end what General Marshall called - "the confusion of incidents."

A demand was made today for a part of the Pearl Harbor report made by an Army Board - a part that has never been made public. We are told that there is an eighteen page section of the Army report that was marked "top secret"; ~~that~~ ^{and} has never been let out. Today Chairman Senator Barkley kept the "top secret" ^{pages} out of evidence, ^{but} ~~and~~ indicated that ^{they} ~~it~~ might be brought into the ~~the~~ open tomorrow - along with still other confidential reports on Pearl Harbor.

General Marshall was ~~repeatedly~~ questioned today about the secret Japanese message which indicated that war would begin on December Seventh - One P.M.

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Washington Time. That is - early morning, Pearl Harbor Time. General Marshall stated that he ~~had~~ received a vital part of the intercepted message, the part that counted, on the morning of December Seventh. It was thereupon transmitted to Hawaii, too late.

The latest from the investigation is another of those "top secret" documents. This discloses that four days before Pearl Harbor, the Navy intercepted a Tokyo message informing Japanese diplomats that there was to be war with the United States, Great Britain and the Netherlands - but not war between Japan and Soviet Russia.

HURLEY

The Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate made an end to the Hurley affair today - the Committee announcing that it was dropping its investigation into the charges made by former Ambassador to China, General Pat Hurley. The Committee is making no recommendations ~~or conclusions~~ concerning the Hurley charges that American policy had been wrecked by double-dealing and pro-Communist influences in the State Department. In other words, the Senate Committee gives the State Department a vote of confidence.

PALESTINE

The Arabs ~~today~~ rejected the joint British-American inquiry into Palestine. Meeting in Cairo, the Supreme Arab Palestinian Council declared ^{today} that it was repudiating in advance any decisions that might be recommended by the British and American investigators - who are ^{to} study ~~ing~~ the problem of Zionism and Jewish immigration into the Holyland.

NUREMBERG

Things were theatrical at Nuremberg today. There was a twist of mystery - and a pageant of the spectacular. For sheer melodrama, the show was effective - but one wonders how much to the point it was in the trial of Nazi war criminals. ^{It} The twist of mystery came when it was disclosed that one of the most atrocious of war criminals was never caught - a Nazi who is rated as perhaps the greatest mass murderer in history. His name is comparatively unknown, Eric Koch. The news, during the years of Nazism, said little about him. Yet he today was charged by Soviet Russia with being responsible for the murder of ten million Ukrainians.

This revelation was made ~~today~~ when the prosecution got around to the matter of slave labor. One of the defendants facing the international tribunal is Hans Frank, who was Nazi overlord of conquered Poland during the war. ^a ~~an~~ document introduced as evidence showed that Frank was ordered to send a million Poles to Germany as factory slaves. Other evidence

pertained to the Ukraine, the overlord of which was - Eric Koch, and his activities in the conquered province amounted to wholesale extermination.

He was the villain whom the Russians wanted more than any other. They did everything they could to catch him, but Eric Koch escaped. The Allies have been combing Germany for him, but until now he has not been found. ~~not among the defendants on trial at Nuremberg~~

His whereabouts - a mystery.

The spectacular feature of the trial today was a motion picture. The prosecution, seeking to present in the most vivid form the history of Nazi power, resorted to newsreels - German newsreels. A compilation of these were thrown on a courtroom screen, and the movie show lasted for four hours. The newsreel history began with the early rise of Nazism in Germany, and carried on through the years of Hitler power, ~~victory and war~~ ~~right down to the attempt to assassinate Hitler in Nineteen Forty-Four.~~ through ~~Hitler in Nineteen Forty-Four.~~ The Nazis always did go

in for huge spectacles, immense theatrical effects - grandiose pageant with the motion picture camera. And the film shown today, made up of German newsreels, was a stunning panorama of pride and power.

What effect did it have on the defendants - on ^{the} ~~the~~ Nazi big shots ^{had} who played principal parts in the Hitler extravaganza of arrogance and crime? I wonder what effect the prosecution ~~wanted~~ wanted it to have on the defendants? Was it expected that they would be stricken by conscience or remorse - when they saw the featured production of their past glories? If so, the effect was just the opposite.

The news story states that ^{as} they watched the motion picture history of Nazism, the eyes of the Nazi big shots grew bright. They smiled with pleasure and vain glory - their morale bucked up, their spirits elated. They saw their great gamble and only regretted that they had lost.

After the movie show, Goering, former Number Two man to Hitler, spoke enthusiastically. Referring

to American prosecutor, Supreme Court Justice Robert Jackson, Goering said: "If they were to show everything, even Jackson would join the Nazi Party."

PATTON

General Patton ^{is} ~~was~~ a little better today. The latest medical report states that he is resting comfortably and is fully conscious. There is no further statement about the paralysis, caused by a broken neck - the result of ^{that} ~~an~~ automobile crash in Germany.

Mrs. Patton is with the General ^{now} ~~tonight~~, she having made ^{an} ~~a dangerous and~~ adventurous trip from the United States to Heidelberg; The danger and adventure ~~case~~ in Europe. ^{TP} The Army transport plane, flying from Washington, was scheduled to land in Paris - but Paris was shrouded by dense fog. And, after circling for twenty minutes, and trying vainly to land, the plane flew south to Marseilles. ^{TP} There Mrs. Patton transferred to another plane, and started for Frankfurt. But the weather was bad at Frankfurt too; - ^t ~~that~~ airport closed. So Mrs. Patton was forced to land at Mannheim. There the flying field was closed by snow, and we hear that the plane had to make a landing in a meadow. The remainder of the trip was made by automobile to Heidelberg, where tonight Mrs. Patton, coming from the

bedside of her husband, stated optimistically: "Well, I have seen Georgie in these scrapes before, and he always came out of it all right."

LABOR

The steel strike, which has been threatening, will begin on January Fourteenth - unless the demands of the Union are met. This was announced today by Philip Murray, President of the C.I.O., who named the date.

The Union ~~is not~~ has flatly turned down President Truman's request for a thirty day delay, so that a fact-finding board could investigate the dispute. The strike would affect the nation's steel, aluminum and iron ore industries, with eight hundred companies and seven hundred thousand workers.

In the automobile field - the word is ^{that} the Ford Company is favorable to the Union offer to curb wildcat strikes. Ford wanted the Union to take responsibility for unauthorized walkouts, and the Union countered with an offer to let the Company penalize union members for wildcat strikes, penalize them with fines and dismissal.

MURDER

In Chicago, the police are on a new line of investigation in the crime that is being called the "lipstick murder." They now believe the killer may have been a woman. They point to the salient fact in the maniac murder of Frances Brown, recently discharged from the Waves - the major clue is a message written in lipstick on a wall, a printed message. It reads: "For heaven's sake - catch me before I kill more. I cannot control myself."

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~~The~~ Chicago detective on the case today stated the belief that for a man to have written a message with lipstick would have been, what he called - "out of the ordinary." It would ^{have been} quite natural for a woman. He argued likewise that the phrase "for heaven's sake" was common among women, but rarely used by men. Also - the murderer tried to wipe up blood in the bathroom, cleaning up - and this, reasons the detective, "was a feminine thing to do."

The hunt is now on - for fingerprints.

GEO. MCMANUS

L.T. And now about an anniversary. This is the thirty-third year of that famous couple, Jiggs and Maggie. For all of thirty-three years, BRINGING UP FATHER has been a favorite feature of the comics -- it's the longest continued funny paper strip drawn by the same artist. Here, obviously, is a great success story -- the success story of George McManus. How did he achieve his rise to fame and fortune? I have George McManus here to tell us a thing or two about his story of success. For example, George, did you show great promise as a child?

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G.M. Very great promise, Lowell. I ran away from home when I was six, and nobody could find me -- because they didn't look for me. So I came home -- and my parents ran away.

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L.T. That was Bringing Up Father -- and mother, too. Had you any particular ambition as a child?

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G.M. Yes, I studied the violin once -- but I found you could balance a glass of beer better on a piano. So I gave up the fiddle.

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L.T. And the world lost a violinist -- but gained a beer drinker. Tell us how you got your first job.

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G.M. Well, I was downtown one day, in my home town of St. Louis, with my father, We saw a sign which read -- "Intelligent Boy Wanted." My father said: "Go in anyway." I did, and asked to see the editor. The office boy said the editor was out. And I said: "Who's next to him?"

The office boy replied: "We all are." Well, I eventually got a job as an artist -- because the editor couldn't see. He was blind.

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L.T. It's a great success story. But tell us, George, have you any great ambition today?

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G.M. Yes, I have. My ambition in life would be to be able to drop the Rocky Mountains on Idaho -- because I love mashed potatoes.

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L.T. Rocky Mountain mashed Idaho potatoes -- Jiggs would like that, but I wonder what Maggie would say.

DIVINE

And George, tonight we

~~belly~~ ~~now~~ ~~we~~ know all about this atomic energy

business. We know who started it and who has the problem

Who? Why,
solved. - ^ Father Divine.

In his Philadelphia newspaper today, the negro Evangelist admitted full responsibility. "I am the author and finisher of the atomic energy," he proclaims, and adds: "I've harnessed it. I am bringing all of the atomic energy into subjection, and I am bringing out many inventions."

~~Not including the inventions pointed~~

~~in the newspapers~~ The atomic bomb! Peace, it's wonderful.

GOLF

Let's go on to an appropriate news story - George
~~McLane~~ ^{you} being quite a ~~grip~~ golfer, I hear. We have
tonight some oddities of the golf season of Nineteen
Forty-Five - quirks and twisters collated by Fred
Cocoran, Tournament Director of the Professional Golfers
Association. ^{Cocoran} He bestows, for example, a kingly crown
and a ~~packet~~ ^{bouquet} of raspberries on that monarch of golf,
Byron Nelson. All money records were shattered by
Nelson in Nineteen Forty-five - his tournament winnings
came to sixty-four thousand dollars. At the same time,
to deserve the ~~packet~~ ^{bouquet} of raspberries, Nelson missed the
shortest putt of the year. At the Los Angeles Open,
all he needed to gain a tie for first place was to make
a six inch putt - and he missed it. ^{And now Hugh}
~~who never misses a putt.~~
Nelson figures in two low score records. At the
Seattle, Washington Open, he made the ~~lowest~~ ^{years} lowest score for
seventy-two holes -- two hundred and fifty-nine. And
he is credited with the lowest eighteen hole score -
sixty-two. On the other hand, the widest margin of
victory for the year went to Ben Hogan - who, at the