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Doenitz Gets A Whitewash

The problem of war criminals also came up for discussion in the news reports.

UP dispatch from London said that Adm. Doenitz, Hitler's successor, probably will be treated as a defeated commander-in-chief and will not be tried as a war criminal, "since he had been a naval commander without political power throughout the war." The dispatch neglected to mention the fact that Doenitz issued the order to U-boat crews to machine-gun without mercy survivors of torpedoing.

Lt. Gen. Kurt Dittmar was given a war criminal label in a Moscow-sponsored broadcast by the Free German radio. The broadcast said that "... inciters in the background are of all the people the most dangerous war criminals, and Dittmar is one of the worst . . ."

Another who is sitting on the hot seat today is Dr. Arthur Seyss-Inquart, Nazi puppet ruler of Holland, who stands high on the Dutch list of war criminals.

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