

'Red Network' Author Fails to Appear Here For Arraignment

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Mrs. Dilling to Petition
For Supreme Court
Review, Maloney Says

Mrs. Elizabeth Dilling of Chicago, author of "The Red Network," failed to make her scheduled appearance in District Court at 10 o'clock this morning, and her arraignment on a charge of conspiring to undermine the morale of the armed forces was put off for an indefinite period.

Justice James M. Proctor continued the matter after William Power Maloney, special assistant to the Attorney General, told him that he understood Mrs. Dilling had petitioned the Supreme Court for a review of a recent Chicago removal proceeding. The United States Circuit Court of Appeals in Chicago yesterday dismissed an appeal from an order that she be removed to Washington to stand trial with the 27 other defendants in the case.

After she had failed to answer the call of Clerk Jim Menendez, Mr. Maloney stated he had been notified by the United States attorney in Chicago that she had been ordered to appear here. Subsequently, Mr. Maloney said, he learned she had appealed to the Supreme Court.

Mrs. Dilling is seeking to be tried in Chicago, as she has put it, "among friends," and not in Washington, where she has "only enemies."

Charles B. Hudson, Omaha editor of American in Danger, another defendant in the alleged plot, was before Justice Proctor today in connection with the matter of counsel. Mr. Hudson told the court that "because of finances" he has been unable to secure an attorney. Justice Proctor told him he must do so by Tuesday in order that any preliminary motions that may be filed in his behalf can be argued.

Since he presided over today's proceeding, it is believed that Justice Proctor will be the trial jurist. No date has been set for the trial.

The 28 persons were indicted here July 23 after an investigation by a special District grand jury that extended over several months. They are accused of plotting a weakening of the Nations armed forces through propaganda. Most of the other defendants already have been arraigned.