

# Hoffman to Testify In Axis Propaganda Inquiry Today

## House Member Notifies Justice Department of Intention to Appear

Representative Hoffman, Republican, of Michigan notified the Department of Justice that he would appear before the grand jury investigating Axis propaganda activities today, Special Assistant to the Attorney General William Power Maloney announced.

Representative Hoffman was "requested" to appear, but no subpoena was issued. The legislator, who had been out of the city, called the Justice Department this morning to inform Mr. Maloney that he would appear.

Mr. Hoffman has been an outspoken critic of the administration's foreign policy. While the prosecutor did not reveal what he wanted to question Mr. Hoffman about, it was expected the subject would be the wide distribution of a speech which the Michigan member made, called "Roosevelt Is a Judas." Assertedly this speech was distributed by subversive organizations.

Appearing before the grand jurors this morning was Mrs. David Stanley of Cleveland, Ohio. Mrs. Stanley was reportedly formerly affiliated with an isolationist group called the United Mothers of America.

### Other Probable Witnesses.

Others slated as probable witnesses today were the Rev. Gerald B. Winrod, Wichita (Kans.) evangelist; Charles B. Hudson, Nebraskan, editor of America in Danger, and E. J. Garner, editor of Publicity, a Kansas publication.

Hudson is in District Jail, where Justice Jennings Bailey committed him last week for contempt. He was charged with refusing to tell the grand jury who printed a post card he distributed. Justice Bailey sentenced the witness to three months, but gave him 10 days in which to purge himself of the contempt by giving the grand jury the information it wanted.

### Went Back Before Jury.

Hudson went back before the jury Friday and answered further questions.

Mr. Maloney said today there were no new developments in the Hudson case. The prosecutor said he did not think it necessary to bring Hudson before Justice Bailey again in the present case unless the publisher refuses to answer further questions. Waiting in an anteroom this morning were Hudson's wife and son, William.

It was disclosed today that Attorney General Biddle has directed Mr. Maloney, a special assistant, and others in the Criminal Division of the Justice Department to proceed vigorously against any subversive or defeatist publications or circulars that may be uncovered.