Nazi Agent Inquiry May Hear Writer Port 1/24/44 Grand Jury Today Enters Tenth Week Of Investigation

Foreman John S. Gorrell and his 22 colleagues on the special grand jury on German agents today will begin their tenth week of probing the far-flung operations of Hitler's propaganda machine in the United States.

Through the testimony of a score of new witnesses summoned from several States the investigators will seek to uncover more of the hidden interlocking of apparently isolated centers which send out Nazi propaganda.

Special Prosecutors William Power Maloney and Edward J. Hickey, jr., declined to announce the names of the witnesses summoned to the grand jury room in the Municipal Court Building. However, it was recalled that Ralph Townsend, Scribner's commentator writer, was summoned two weeks igo and has not yet appeared.

Townsend was described in open, court as the man to whom Bessie Feagin, Scribner's promotion manager, gave a copy of the magazine's mailing list, reputedly the master mailing list of the anti-interventionists.

Besides other groups, the list was said to include names of persons who wrote to Representative Hamilton Fish, former Senator Rush D. Holt and Charles A. Lindbergh.

The prosecutors said that several other "important" witnesses would be questioned.

Prosecutors indicated that these witnesses will be persons suspected of familiarity with operations of the Nation-wide Nazi propaganda machine in New York and in the Middle West.

The "star" witness of the inquiry, Representative Hamilton Fish, who was subpenaed two weeks ago, is not believed likely to appear to tell what he knows this week.