

Hitler's Pal Wiedmann Accused as Spy Link in U. S.

San Francisco Consul General's
Arrest Urged as Conspirator

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LOS ANGELES, July 8 (C.T.P.S.)—Capt. Fritz Wiedemann, Hitler's glamour boy in the United States, was denounced by a United States commissioner here today as a conspirator with Nazi spies, who ought to be arrested.

The dashing Fritz, consul gen-

eral at San Francisco since March 1939, was accused of aiding and hiding the espionage activities of Herbert Hoehne. The latter, a German citizen, was arrested in Los Angeles by the FBI last week, charged with failing to register as a German agent.

After Hoehne was held for trial, Commissioner David B. Head turned to U. S. Attorney William Palmer and said:

"I suggest a complaint be filed against Wiedemann. A consular representative has diplomatic immunity so long as he does not step outside his consular duties. The facts here show, however, that Hoehne personally delivered mail to several German consulates.

"Wiedemann must have known he had not registered. In view of these overt acts, he has denied himself any consular courtesies which may be extended."

Head also demanded a warrant be issued for "a Mr. Loeper," said to be chancellor of the German consulate at San Francisco.

Hoehne, when arrested, bore a letter signed by Wiedemann. The letter explained that he was carrying mail to the consulates at Mexico City, Panama and Guatemala; that the packs were sealed, and thus immune to search.

Wiedemann was sent to San Francisco personally by Adolf Hitler. He was Hitler's captain in the World War and, until his transfer abroad was Hitler's personal adjutant. He is a chum of the mysterious "Princess Steffie" Hohenlohe, who once was liaison agent between the Nazi leaders and British appeasers.