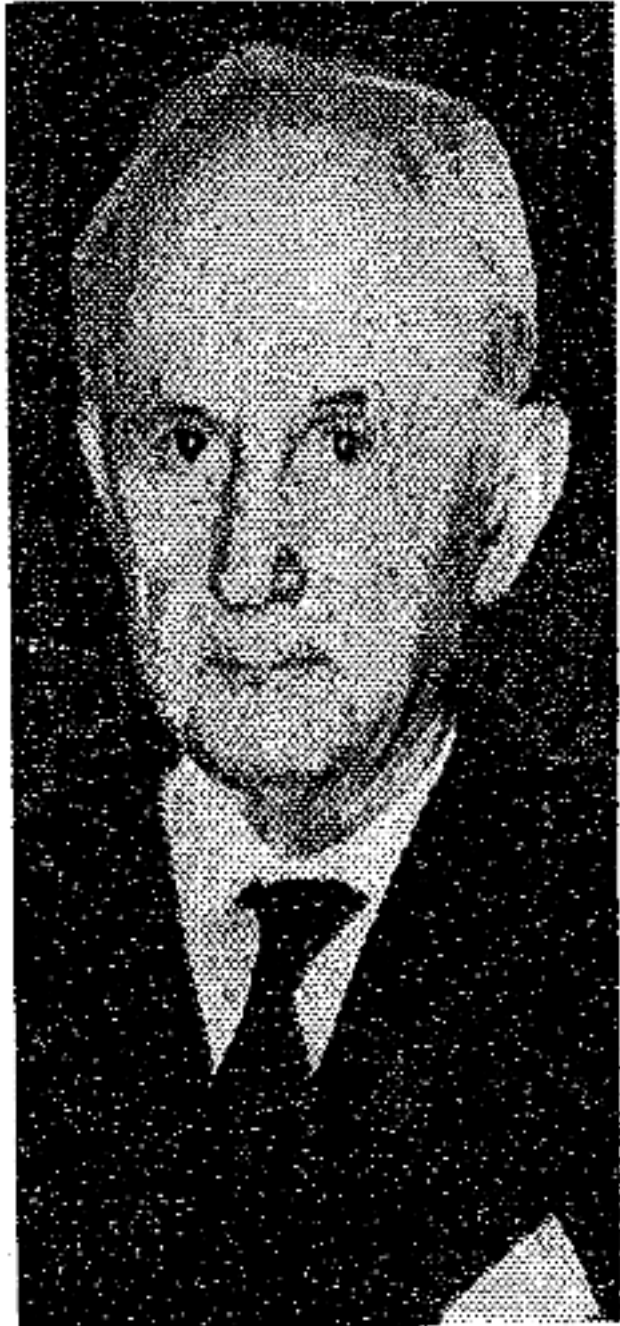


Doenitz May Be Tried In Wartime Execution



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BONN, Sept. 2—Former Grand Adm. Karl Doenitz, who succeeded Hitler as Chancellor of Nazi Germany in the closing days of World War II, may have to stand trial because of his role in the conviction and execution of a German naval officer.

The public prosecutor at Flensburg, Schleswig-Holstein, said today that he had opened investigatory proceedings against Doenitz in connection with the execution of Capt. Asmus Jepsen on May 6, 1945.

According to a prosecutor's spokesman, Doenitz has admitted in interrogations that he remembered the case as one in which he approved a death sentence. The officer was court-martialed and sentenced on charges of desertion and plundering.

The West German judiciary dropped similar proceedings against Doenitz in 1950, following Allied refusal to let German investigators interrogate the former admiral. At the time Doenitz was serving a 10-year prison term.

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