

WITH POLITICS (CRITICISM)
 WASHINGTON, SEPT. 25.--(UP)--SEN. STYLES BRIDGES, R., N.Y., SAID TODAY THAT SEN. THOMAS E. DUBYA HAS BEEN "GATHERING FACTS" ABOUT THE PEARL HARBOR DISASTER AND MAY USE THEM IN A MAJOR CAMPAIGN ADDRESS ON THE JAPANESE ATTACK AND THE "RESPONSIBILITY" OF PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT AS COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

"THE DEMOCRATS ARE SCARED TO DEATH THAT THE PEARL HARBOR QUESTION WILL BE BROUGHT INTO THE CAMPAIGN MORE THAN IT HAS BEEN," BRIDGES SAID.

HE CHARGED THAT THE CURRENT ARMY AND NAVY INVESTIGATIONS OF THE CASE WERE "JUST A MEANS OF STALLING TO COVER IT UP UNTIL AFTER ELECTION." IF THE ADMINISTRATION DOES NOT COUNTENANCE A FULL REPORT, BRIDGES SAID, "SOMETHING WILL BE DONE" WHEN CONGRESS RECONVENES.

MEANWHILE, SEN. HOMER FERGUSON, R., MICH., WHO HAS ALSO BEEN ACTIVE IN DEMANDS FOR A FULL REVIEW OF PEARL HARBOR, PREDICTED THAT THE ARMY AND NAVY BOARDS WOULD MAKE THEIR REPORTS WITHIN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS.

FERGUSON SAID IT WAS "REASONABLE" TO EXPECT THE REPORTS TO BE MADE WITHIN THREE MONTHS SINCE THE ARMY HAD BEEN WORKING SINCE JULY 20 AND THE NAVY SINCE JULY 17. THE ROBERTS COMMISSION, HE NOTED, ONLY TOOK ONE MONTH TO COMPLETE ITS REPORT ON THE CASE.

FERGUSON ALSO PREDICTED THAT CONGRESS WOULD ACT IF THE REPORTS WERE NOT SATISFYING, DECLARING THAT "THE FACTS ARE THE FACTS AND THEY SHOULD BE KNOWN TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE."

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