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## TRIAL OVER POWERS

An open trial over the American pilot-spy, Francis Harry Powers, was held in the Column Hall of the Trade Union House in Moscow. Powers was tried by a military commission of the USSR Supreme Court presided by Lieutenant-General of Jurisprudence, Borisoglebsky. The state accusation was supported by the USSR General Prosecutor Rudenko.

Powers' counsel was N. I. Griny, member of the Moscow College of Barristers.

Present in the court hall were numerous representatives of the Moscow public, members of the diplomatic corps, foreign public figures, prominent lawyers from different countries, more than 250 Soviet and foreign news correspondents.

Among those in the court room was the father, mother and wife of the indicted.

Francis Powers pleaded guilty to the charges brought against him. All progressive mankind condemn the provocative actions of the American war mongers who declared espionage to be the state policy of the United States.

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