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- Henry Lenga: “Can I walk out?...Can I fix your watch?”
- Leslie Iles: So hungry; the denial of the reality by the townspeople.

What is the St. Louis connection to the Nuremberg trials?

- Whitney Harris was a prosecutor, representing the Americans
- Joseph Pulitzer was an eye witness to Nazi atrocities at Dachau and reported on them in the *Post-Dispatch*: “99% of what has appeared in the American press has been an understatement.” [1945]

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- Conspiracy to wage aggressive war
- Waging the aggressive war
- Wartime killing not justified by military necessity
- Crimes Against Humanity

What other trials were held at Nuremberg?

- *Einsatzgruppen*
- Physicians

What is the legacy of the Nuremberg Trials?

- The Universal Declaration of Human Rights, adopted by the United Nations
- The International Court at the Hague (World Court)
- The Nuremberg Protocols (medical research guidelines)

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