

## **Charges Of Cannibalism Against Jap Troops**

**MANILA. —** First charges of cannibalism against Japanese soldiers were made at General Yamashita's trial as a war criminal. Pictures were produced in the court showing the mutilated victims.

It was asserted that cannibalism had been practised on small children.

A sobbing Filipino mother, Gliceria Meer Malvecino, 41, giving evidence on the massacre at Santo Tomas, said: "I saw a Jap soldier grab my baby daughter's right arm and jerk her upwards.

"He bayoneted her clean through her suspended body.

"At first I was blindfolded, and felt many children holding my dress, including my year-old son, who was bayoneted to death.

"I fainted, and when I recovered heard horrible screams."

The trial has been delayed. US Army authorities in Manila are exchanging frequent messages with General MacArthur concerning the next legal move.

Yamashita served a writ of habeas corpus on the Philippines High Court claiming that US Army authorities had no jurisdiction over the case.

An answer to the habeas corpus must be filed proving US Army jurisdiction in the case.