

BRITISH PRESS ON EICHMANN

Under the heading "Devil in the Dock," the "Sunday Telegraph" says: "The trial of Eichmann is a vast irrelevance, like putting the Devil in the dock at Bow Street.

"The court lacks jurisdiction, the indictment is bad in law, and the crimes alleged against the prisoner are beyond retribution. The Jews of Israel have forgotten Jehovah's injunction: 'To Me belongeth vengeance and recompense.'"

Contradicting a remark attributed to the Israel Attorney General— "What we are really concerned about is to make this a criminal trial just like any other"— "The Times" says that "That is the one thing it cannot be." Eichmann is not an ordinary prisoner nor did he come into court by ordinary means. "He has become a symbol. His trial is meant to be a great educative spectacle as well as an act of justice."

The world at large, "The times" continues, will be brought "face to face again with facts which, because they are so horrible and so recent, many people prefer to minimise or ignore.

"The truth must never be forgotten. But it is at the youth of Israel in particular that the lessons are being directed." Their elders argue that they must be reminded of what their parents and grandparents suffered. They must be shocked into recognising facts.