

Judge Brand Finds Trial Views Vary; 'Lost in Pentagon'

(Editor's note—Following is the first of a series of periodic stories by and from James T. Brand, associate justice of the Oregon supreme court, who was given a legislative leave of absence to accept an invitation to act as trial judge in Nuremberg, Germany. The stories, with their invaluable background of history-in-the-making, will be in the form of letters from Judge Brand, who arrived in Germany yesterday, as well as from Mrs. Brand who leaves Friday to join her husband. They are written at the specific request of, and exclusively for, The Oregon Statesman.)

EN ROUTE TO WASHINGTON VIA TRAIN—I must commence with expressions of sincere gratitude to my associates on the (supreme) court, the governor, the legislature and my friends for their assistance and encouragement. Without both I could not have accepted the opportunity which has arisen to serve on a war crimes tribunal in Nuremberg.

Since leaving home I have been busy sampling public opinion as to the wisdom and probable results of the Nuremberg trials, past and future. Many good lawyers disapprove of the procedure because it smacks of ex post facto legislation.

On this train are a number of air corps officers, some of whom helped to bomb Germany. They think the trials and execution of German officers "who only did their duty" is "bad taste." What if we lose the next war, they ask? **Felt Like a Witness**

The most penetrating discussion took place at the home of Peter Odegaard, president of Reed college. I went innocently enough to a quiet dinner there, on the night before leaving for Washington, and found myself in the presence of a 150 mm battery of topnotch economists and political scientists, and can they cross-examine! I felt like a witness being taken apart by Clarence Darrow or Dan Mahoney. But I got back at them when my turn came. The majority favored the war crimes trials and believed they would serve a good purpose. An impressive minority disagreed. They feared the trials were motivated by vengeance, not justice. All were men of learning and idealism. I think all felt that trials conducted in part at least by neutrals or under the United Nations would have been preferable to trial by representatives of the victors alone. There is a good subject for debate. We will come back to it some day.

Mild Shell-shock
WASHINGTON (en route to Nuremberg)—I have survived the first barrage of orders and directives—result, mild shell-shock. At times I have felt like the 9th and 10th legions in Caesar's Gallic war when they "charged in the opposite directions with Caesar at their head. I have already received two different APOs (governmental addresses) and an interesting variety of instructions. However, the war department has been most efficient and courteous. They have done everything except send me some of the good stuff. The future is full of interest and hard work.

Lost in Pentagon
WASHINGTON, Jan. 21—I have been lost in the catacombs of the Pentagon building for two days. It houses an office population equivalent to the entire population of the city of Salem. Also, I have at last been sworn in as a judge of a "war crimes tribunal" and expect to sit with Judge Marshall, formerly chief justice of the supreme court of Ohio, and Judge Blair of Texas. The "processing" and "briefing" is an interesting affair. We have been shot in the arm, tested and X-rayed. I was required to sign an affidavit that I would not "strike against the government," a most serious limitation on a judge! There was some snickering over that. Police investigators interviewed themselves in every event of our lives, and then start in on our parents and relatives. It is a great system.

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11 Perish In Crash Of B-29

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Jan. 27.—(AP)—Eleven men were killed today when an army B-29, carrying restricted equipment, crashed in flames as it tried to take off from Kirtland field on a routine mission.

Col. Perry M. Hoisington, commanding officer, said two of the crew of 12 were taken from the flaming wreckage alive but one of them died shortly after reaching the base hospital. He declined to say whether the plane was attached to Sandia air base, which is connected with the atomic bomb project. Hoisington said there were few witnesses to the crash and that he was having trouble piecing details together. One witness, he stated, said one of the engines caught fire before the huge craft cleared the field. Then shortly after the plane became airborne it smashed into an arroyo about one-fourth mile south of the runway and flames quickly swept through the fuselage.

Most of the crew lived in Albuquerque. The plane was still afire when Hoisington arrived at the scene about 15 minutes after the crash. It burned an estimated 30 minutes and witnesses said there was little left except "a lot of heavy equipment."

Six Killed as 'Fencing Wire' Derails Train
WALTON, Ind., Jan. 27.—(AP)—Six persons were killed and almost a score injured when a Pennsylvania railroad passenger train from Cincinnati to Chicago was derailed here tonight.

In Chicago, the railroad announced its official investigation showed the derailment was caused by "a large bale of fencing wire" that had fallen or had been placed" on the track. The railroad said the bale rolled and bounced along the track in front of the locomotive for some distance before it caught in a switch at Walton, causing the derailment. An investigation is underway.

School District Merger Wins, Polk Units Out
SHERIDAN, Jan. 27.—A favorable vote in a school district election held here tonight will facilitate the merger of the Sheridan district with the Beaverton, Upper Gopher and McKinley school districts.

Propless Plane Lands Safely With 2 Aboard
John Lamb, 665 Norway st., managed to glide his plane and passenger, Roy Maden, 2450 S. Cottage st., to safety after the plane threw its propeller in flight over the North Santiam pass Monday.

Power Dam Set on Umpqua
License for construction of the proposed \$3,500,000 California-Oregon Power company hydroelectric project on the Umpqua river in the Umpqua national forest 50 miles east of Roseburg, was issued by the state hydroelectric commission Monday.

Salem Rent Office Under New Head
Rent control offices in northwestern Oregon, including Salem, will be under the direction of A. Bendettini, former OPA rent director in Oakland and San Jose, according to the Oregon office of temporary controls Monday.

Weather
Salem — Max. 45, Min. 30, Precip. 0.00
Portland — 51, 36, trace
San Francisco — 51, 44, trace
Chicago — 51, 36, 0.02
New York — 53, 35, 0.00
Willamette river 13.1 feet.
FORECAST (from U.S. weather bureau): Monday, cloudy to overcast; cloudy today and tonight with scattered showers with rain or snow; Tuesday, decreasing; Wednesday, light change in temperature with high to day 41, low tonight 36.

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Remains of Molten Wreckage Tell of Tragedy



COPENHAGEN, Den., Jan. 27.—This wreckage (foreground) was all that remained of the Royal Dutch airlines plane, which crashed yesterday on its take-off from Kastrup airfield here on a flight to Stockholm, causing the deaths of opera singer Prince Gustav Adolf of Sweden and 20 other persons. (AP Wirephoto via radio from Stockholm to the Statesman.)

Jews Kidnap British Judge From Bench
JERUSALEM, Jan. 27.—(AP)—British officials issued an ultimatum to Jewish leaders tonight that military control would be imposed on portions of Palestine unless kidnapers released two prominent British subjects abducted within 18 hours of each other.

2 Japan A-Bombs Exhausted Supply, Stimson Declares
NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—(AP)—Former Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson disclosed today that the atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in August, 1945, were the only two the United States had ready at the time.

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Solon Claims Red A-Plant in Urals
WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—(AP)—A warning that "we may be in mortal danger" from atomic bombs—that "it seems obvious" the Russians are building an "atomic fission plant" now behind the Ural mountains—was delivered in the senate today by Senator McMahon (D-Conn.).

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Bill Asks Pension Increase

By Wendell Webb, Managing Editor, The Statesman

Twenty-five new bills, ranging from a request to bar all fire-works in Oregon to an appeal for an old age pension minimum of \$50 a month, hit the floors of the 44th biennial assembly at the start of its third week Monday.

The anti-fireworks bill was filed in the house by Rep. Paul Hendricks and others. In the house, too, were introduced new measures to add Good Friday afternoons to the list of state holidays, bar minors from premises where liquor is sold for consumption thereon, and authorize the governor to dispatch any fire-fighting equipment in the state wherever it is needed.

A proposed memorial also was dropped in the house by Rep. R. A. Bennett who seeks abolition of the civilian production administration. The fate of such memorials was in doubt, however, after the house committee on state and federal affairs refused Monday to vote out one asking no increase in immigration quotas. The committee acted on a suggestion that a vote be withheld until congress appeared ready to change such quotas. It was indicated memorials would be held to a minimum.

The house adopted a resolution putting Soda Mineral springs in Linn county under the state highway production administration. The board of control, and passed four bills—one making a 12-in-square flag mandatory at the end of overhanging truck loads, giving the secretary of state added reasons for revoking drivers' licenses and letting his authorized representatives revoke licenses thereon, and making an emergency deficiency appropriation of \$14,390 for the state board of health.

Speed-up Protested
The action came on suspension of the rules to place the measure on final passage immediately. The affirmative vote, with four dissenting, was given after Dr. F. H. Dammasch, chairman of the house ways and means committee, said the money was essential because the health board was forced to move its Portland offices. Objections centered on the contention that such appropriation bills should be given more consideration.

Gov. Earl Snell's recommendation for boys' camp for delinquents appeared in bill form (SB 110) before the Oregon senate Monday. The legislation would enable cities or counties or combinations of such to establish camps for delinquents, 12 to 18 years old. State funds would support such camps at \$50 per month per boy.

The municipal affairs committee also dropped three new bills on off-street parking into the senate hopper Monday. Senate bills 103, 104 and 105 specify the cities' rights to establish off-street parking areas, including the right to institute condemnation proceedings.

Insurance Bills Passed
Passed by the senate were three insurance bills which Sen. Walter E. Pearson (Portland), insurance committee chairman, said were in anticipation of not-yet-effective federal public law permitting federal control of insurance where states do not have adequate regulations or where states have too many barriers to out-of-state insurance firms.

The so-called big truck bill is expected to come up for final action in the house today. It did not appear yesterday as scheduled. Also possibly up for vote in the house today will be the measure designed to segregate the mentally-enfeebled from the mentally-diseased in Oregon state hospitals.

Meanwhile, Rex Putnam, state superintendent of public instruction, Monday advised the joint ways and means committee by letter that approximately \$2,000,000 more than originally estimated would be required to provide \$50 a pupil under the basic school support law approved by the voters at the last general election.

It originally was estimated that \$30,000,000 would be required for the 1947-49 biennium. Putnam predicted that school population would increase at the rate of 15,000 annually for two years. (Other legis. news page 12)

March of Dimes Totals Hit \$5,516
A total of \$5,516 has been collected by the local March of Dimes infantile paralysis drive, Harlan Brock, committeeman, said yesterday.

Army recruiters collected \$177 at the booth on Liberty street Saturday, he said, bringing the booth's total to \$1,559. Community and industrial contributions amounted to \$2,265, he declared, and Highland school contributed \$100. Other county school contributions have reached \$315.92.

Emergency Air Strip Planned Near Mill City
An emergency air strip will be constructed near Mill City, the state board of aeronautics announced Monday. The strip is one of 35 emergency strips listed by the board to aid cross-country civilian aircraft flights.

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Drifts Pile High at Astoria

The heaviest snowfall in years snarled highway traffic in the lower Columbia river area yesterday as a new storm began moving toward Oregon from the Pacific ocean and was scheduled to hit Salem some time today, according to the McNary field weather bureau.

Although sunny skies greeted Salem Monday, the weather bureau forecast cloudy skies and low temperatures again for today and tonight, with the snow storm which hit at Astoria yesterday to bring snow or rain showers locally.

Snow hit Astoria at 8 a.m. yesterday and by noon several inches thick on city streets. Many workers, caught without chains, left their automobiles at the foot of Astoria's steep hills.

The new storm, 700 miles off the coast yesterday, was expected to bring most rain and snow to the western part of the state today. Winds are expected to be heavy along the coast but moderate inland.

The Santiam river, which flooded briefly at Jefferson last weekend, was within its banks today, and the weather bureau said there was no danger of floods on any Oregon stream.

R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, said that more snow was due on Cascade mountain roads Monday night and Tuesday, in his road report Monday.

Baldock's road report included: **Government Camp**—Clear with 6 inches new snow. **Santiam Summit**—Clear with packed snow. New snow over the weekend. **Odeil Lake**—Four inches new snow over weekend. Short section of one-way traffic due to small rock slide. **Siskiyou Summit**—Normal conditions.

Fish Winner of Future Farmers Speech Contest
SILVERTON, Jan. 26.—(Special)—Tom Fish was the winner of the Future Farmers of America speaking contest given as a feature of the lecture hour arranged for Friday night at the Silverton grange. Fish's subject was "History of Agriculture," and he will enter the contest at Junction City on February 4. Winning second place Friday was Robert Barnes, with Harland Kraus as third place winner. Judges were Paul Dickman, Howard Mader and Don Jacquet.

Charles Wicklander, state deputy from Portland, spoke to the vocational agricultural students in attendance at the grange. He was introduced among 12 guests present. George Busch, master, made the introductions among who were Mrs. Floyd Fox, Union Hill, co-deputy; W. F. Krenz, Union Hill master, and Mrs. Romney Lais, former member now making her home at Winston, California.

Committee reports included those of Leonard Hudson on agriculture, and Frank Porter on legislative. Charles and Mabel Linblad from the Washington state grange, were transferred to the Silverton grange and Mrs. George Busch was given the third and fourth degree.

Commitments included Thekla McClure to the youth committee and Mrs. Carl Specht, press representative. Busch also announced the meeting of the home economics club at the home of Mrs. Frank Porter on February 27, with Eleanor Trindle as speaker and the local grange visitation to Union Hill on February 21.

Snell Lauds 'Dime' March
Liberal contributions to the March of Dimes campaign, for the elimination of infantile paralysis, was urged by Gov. Earl Snell here Monday.

"The help we give now will contribute much to the rehabilitation of thousands who suffer from paralysis and the research made possible by these funds will help in finding the cause and cure. I should like to urge that all Oregonians cooperate fully in this fine humanitarian cause," he said.

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