

TRIAL "TRAGIC"

"Impact of the Eichmann trial was the most tragic thing I ever saw," Presbyterian minister, the Rev. H. Harrison, said last night.

Mr. Harrison was in Israel drawn for the people of the land on the first day of the trial from 20 years in the

"The whole tragedy of past was that the central figure was a human being," he said. "It was the most tragic thing I ever saw," he said.

"On television we watched him go into the witness box. Somebody said he looked just like an ordinary man.

"That was the tragedy of it—it was a human being involved in all this.

"The whole country was engrossed in the trial.

Tension

"A sense of strain and tension was everywhere.

"Our guide told us on the morning of the trial that if he appeared distracted we should remember that the Eichmann trial was about to start.

"As we moved along we found people watching the

trial on television in little towns and villages.

"In this trial the older people of Israel were trying to show the young what their generation had endured, to show them to what depths human depravity could go.

"Many, however, hoped Eichmann would not be hanged. They realised that hanging one would not atone for the deaths of millions.

"I realised myself that it was one of those things in life too horrible to be believed—a human being involved.

"I do not know of any other trial in history that has evoked such interest as that one.

"All the horrors were being drawn for the people of the