

Grand Jury Hears Drugs Bureau Aide

The Orleans Parish Grand Jury yesterday heard the deputy director of the Federal Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs for the New Orleans area in its continuing probe of organized crime.

Jim Bland appeared in the place of Jerry Jenson, director of the bureau here. The jury had invited Jenson to appear.

Owen Neff, a special attorney in the Organized Crime and Racketeering Section of the U.S. Justice Department also was invited to appear. However, he wrote a letter to Assistant District Attorney Numa Bertel saying he did not think the attorney general would approve his revealing the contents of Justice Department files.

Neff referred to the jury to a speech he made at the recent awards banquet of the Metropolitan Crime Commission regarding organized crime.

Bertel and two other assistant district attorneys, James L. Alcock and Alvin V. Oser, were present during Bland's appearance.

Alcock said more witnesses will be invited to appear.