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Psychiatrist Arrives for Ruby's Trial

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Dr. Manfred Guttmacher, first in a series of psychiatric experts expected to testify in the Jack Ruby trial, arrived in Dallas Sunday night.

Dr. Guttmacher, court psychiatrist for the Superior Bench in Baltimore, Md., told reporters at Dallas Love Field that Ruby has "personality disturbances associated with psychomotor epilepsy."

The psychiatrist would not say if he definitely believes Ruby suffers from that condition. "He didn't have an attack while I was examining him."

The defense has hinted that an attempt will be made to prove that Ruby suffered brain damage due to illness or injury. Dr. Guttmacher would not comment other than to say, "I want to study the brain wave tracings."

He said psychomotor epilepsy is not what people normally think of an epilepsy.

"Psychomotor epilepsy involves activities of the thinking centers as well as the motor centers," he said.

A tall gray man, Dr. Guttmacher was carrying two heavy

books when he stepped from an American Airlines jet flight from Washington.

One book was Dr. Karl Menninger's "The Vital Balance." The other was Dr. Guttmacher's own "Psychiatry and the Law."

He said, "They hold you responsible for anything you've written."

Expected to arrive in Dallas in the next day or two are Dr. Roy Schafer, Yale University psychologist, and Dr. Walter Bromberg, clinical director of Pinewood Psychiatric Hospital in New York.

Both tested Ruby prior to his bond hearing last year.

Melvin Belli, Ruby's chief counsel, says his client's condition has worsened.

Belli said Sunday that he will ask for additional peremptory challenges Monday for use in striking prospective jurors that do not meet his approval.

Judge Joe B. Brown of Criminal District Court No. 3 has already granted the defense three challenges in addition to the normal 15. Defense lawyers have used all but one, however.

Proceedings begin at 9 a.m. Monday with the probability that a complete panel of 12 jurors will be found before the middle of the week. Ten jurors had been accepted by the close of proceedings Saturday.

Defense attorneys talked with Ruby in his jail cell Sunday. They spent the weekend mapping out the case they will offer in an attempt to prove that Ruby was insane when he gunned down Lee Oswald, accused assassin of President Kennedy, in the Dallas police station.

Dr. Guttmacher said he wanted to resume examining Ruby either before proceedings begin Monday or after court adjourns.

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