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Wade Says Ruby Receiving Mental Treatment in Jail

By CARL FREUND
 Jack Ruby is receiving "treatment for his mental condition" in his county jail cell, Dist. Atty. Henry Wade said Tuesday.
 Wade and Sheriff Bill Decker said they did not know what doctors had prescribed for the condemned slayer. Judge Joe B. Brown told reporters later, "I believe they are giving him 'happy pills' (tranquilizers) or something."

Wade said psychiatrists hope to "snap Ruby out of his depression."

Wade said he would not object to hospital treatment for Ruby. But, the district attorney said, he would oppose a defense plea for a sanity hearing before a jury at this time.

Wade confirmed a Dallas News story which reported that a court-appointed psychiatrist, Dr. Robert Stubblefield, believed Ruby mentally ill.

The story said:
 —Dr. Stubblefield advised Judge Brown that Ruby needed treatment, preferably in a hospital, for his mental condition.

—The psychiatrist noted that, since medical and legal standards differ, a man may be legally sane although doctors regard him as mentally ill.

—Psychiatrists believe Ruby suffers from a mental condition known as "depression" and, in addition, has a persecution complex.

Wade said:
 "It is my understanding this condition is fairly common among men sentenced to the electric chair—that it is more the rule than the exception. Dr. Stubble-

field's report certainly does not mean Ruby is legally insane. Judge Brown said he wants to study other reports and confer with psychiatrists before deciding whether to order a sanity hearing. Defense lawyers said Ruby has "deteriorated" behind jail bars since a jury sentenced him to die for the murder of Lee Harvey Oswald, the Marxist accused of killing President John F. Kennedy and policeman J. D. Tippit.

The lawyers said they want an early hearing.

If Judge Brown does decide to order a hearing, prosecutors say, he should not schedule it before September or October.

By that time, they say, his condition should have improved or worsened to such an extent that there is little doubt about his sanity.

If a jury ruled Ruby insane, the verdict would "freeze" court action on his appeal. But, if Judge Brown sent him to a hospital for treatment without having a hearing before a jury, the courts could act on the appeal.

Judge Brown said at an April 29 hearing, however, that he doubts he has the power to send Ruby to a hospital.

Dr. Stubblefield said he expects Ruby's condition to alternately improve and worsen.

The psychiatrist said that, like many men sentenced to death, Ruby does not trust his lawyers.

Dr. Stubblefield said Ruby feels also that he is being blamed for the assassination of President

Kennedy here and wants to take a lie detector test to prove he was not a part of any conspiracy.

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