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Ruby's Execution Doubted by Judge

Brown Sees Slayer's Sentence Being Commuted to Life Term

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Dist. Judge Joe B. Brown predicted Tuesday that Jack Ruby will never die in the electric chair, and a visiting judge said he plans a hearing next week to decide whether Judge Brown should be taken off the case.

Judge Brown said he believed Ruby's death sentence, if affirmed by higher courts, would eventually be commuted by the Board of Pardons and Paroles to a life sentence.

The judge who tried the Ruby case told The Times Herald his views when asked about a report that he would ask that Ruby's sentence be commuted.

DENIES PLANS

He emphatically denied he had any plans to recommend that the sentence be changed. He did say he believed the sentence eventually would be reduced to life. He said he did not feel that public opinion favored the execution of Ruby.

"After all, we are talking about a man who killed the man who assassinated President Kennedy," he said.

Meanwhile, the visiting judge who heard the arguments over Ruby's attorneys Monday said he plans a hearing next week to decide if Judge Brown should be taken off the case.

Montague Judge Louis T. Holland removed Jasper attorney Joe Tonahill from the case Monday after a one-day hearing during which Ruby himself delivered a

rambling, 45-minute discourse, which was sometimes contradictory.

WROTE BOOK

Judge Brown said Tuesday he would welcome the opportunity to testify at the hearing on his qualifications. Defense attorneys contend he should step down because he has accepted money for writing a book about the case and because of his conduct of the trial.

The judge says he is in the process of writing the book, for which he has received a \$5,000 advance. He said he wanted to explain why he is writing the book.

"I want to clear up the distortion, the exaggeration and the untruths which have been printed about the Jack Ruby trial," he said.

Judge Holland said the hearing probably will be held June 4 on the effort to disqualify Judge Brown.

Ruby, apparently without prompting, rose from his chair near the close of Monday's hearing and asked permission to testify. He denounced Mr. Tonahill

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and said he should have thrown himself on the mercy of the court during his murder trial rather than have Melvin Belli of San Francisco and Mr. Tonahill represent him.

The pale, balding defendant also declared at one point that he is sane.

"If I am insane, the whole world is crazy," he said.

Ruby said his body "was full of dope" when he gunned down presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald in the basement of City Hall Nov. 24. He said he had taken about 30 antibiotic pills for a bronchial cough plus some weight control drugs. At one point, Ruby said: "I anticipated I would do away with him."

He denied vehemently that he had any intention of killing Os-

wald the Friday night following the assassination when Ruby mingled with newsmen at City Hall.

Ruby repeatedly described himself as "a lost cause" and said he was a victim of a "bizarre conspiracy" attempting to link him with Oswald.

He said he had "walked into a trap" the moment he walked down the ramp to the basement of City Hall.

"I could never be a hero because I wasn't clean enough with my background and I had been to Cuba," he said.

Tonahill's removal leaves William Kunstler of New York and

Sam Houston Clinton of Texas, both of the American Civil Liberties Union, Sol Dann of Detroit, Elmer Gertz of Chicago and Phil Burleson of Dallas as Ruby's attorneys.