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Shaw's Kennedy Conspiracy Trial

Scheduled June 11 by Garrison

Defense Seeks U.S. Court Aid

The office of District Attorney Jim Garrison today set the trial of Clay L. Shaw for June 11. Shaw is charged with criminal conspiracy in the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

Shaw's attorneys said yesterday they intend to seek relief for their client in federal court.

Assistant DA James L. Alcock said today in a statement on the trial date that federal

courts have no jurisdiction in the case. Shaw is charged under the state conspiracy statute.

HERE IS Alcock's statement:

"Now that Mr. Shaw's defense attorneys have exhausted their pre-trial actions, the law permits the state to set the case for trial.

"Today we have set the trial of Clay L. Shaw for June 11, 1968.

"Trial of this case has been delayed unduly long and it is our hope that we can go to trial on this date.

"The state is ready for trial and will oppose any more attempts to postpone the trial.

"THE DEFENSE attorneys have stated that they intend to try and carry their pre-trial proceedings into federal court.

"Inasmuch as the federal courts have about as much jurisdiction over this case as the courts of England or In-

de, we see no basis for any additional delay of the trial on this account.

"Of course, some have said if federal courts have no jurisdiction, why have federal courts been asked to take jurisdiction where, in my judgment, no basis for jurisdiction has existed.

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Edward F. Weissen, one of Shaw's lawyers, issued a brief statement on the matter yesterday:

"In response to the state's attempt to set the trial date for June 11, 1968, the defense attorneys have stated that they intend to try and carry their pre-trial proceedings into federal court.

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