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SHAW TRIAL IS SET TO BEGIN ON JAN. 21

Witnesses Contacted by Reporters-DA's Office

By ROBERT USSERY
The district attorney's office announced Monday that it will instigate an Orleans Parish Grand Jury investigation into complaints that two reporters for Newsweek magazine and a private detective have contacted state witnesses in the Clay Shaw case.

A criminal district court judge made a Jan. 21 trial of Shaw on a charge of conspiring to murder President John F. Kennedy, a virtual certainty by refusing to grant two defense motions the same day.

Judge Edward A. Haggerty Jr. denied a motion to quash Shaw's conspiracy indictment and a motion requesting a change of venue that would have moved the trial at least 100 miles from New Orleans.

JOINT MOTION MADE
Assistant District Attorney James L. Alcock and defense attorney F. Irvin Dymond entered into a joint motion making Jan. 21 the trial date.

District Attorney Jim Garrison last year publicly announced that he would set that date, but Judge Haggerty pointed out that the date could not be officially set until all pleadings were disposed of.

Alcock later announced that he will recommend grand jury action in connection with complaints by some of his witnesses.

He accused Newsweek reporter Hugh Aynesworth and another reporter whom he could only identify as "Biffel," also of Newsweek, of approaching witnesses the state intends to use in the trial of Shaw.

QUOTING STATEMENTS
He said that in some cases the reporters were able to quote the witnesses from state-
"they gave to the DA's of-

Alcock said he is interested in how the newsmen discovered the identities of some witnesses, and how they obtained their statements.

"I'm talking about witnesses that many members of our own staff don't know," Alcock said.

Alcock said that William Gurvich, a private investigator, has also contacted some witnesses.

Gurvich was an aide to Garrison in the early stages of the assassination investigation in 1967.

CHARGED WITH THEFT

He was charged with theft of a secret file after he and Garrison broke their relationship in the summer of that year. The charge still pends in criminal court.

Alcock also alleged that someone who accompanied Aynesworth claimed to be from the DA's office. He said Gurvich and Aynesworth were questioning witnesses together, but would not say he suspected Gurvich of claiming to be from the DA's office.

Many statements, Alcock said, were made after Gurvich left the DA's office.

Asked about the possibility of a leak in the DA's office itself, Alcock responded, "We're looking into that too."

Alcock said at least 10 witnesses have been contacted by the reporters or Gurvich.

He said the jury probably will not be able to take up the matter this week.

Alcock supplied the clerk of Criminal Court with a typewritten list of the names of 11 witnesses he wants to testify in the Shaw trial.

Most have already come to light in other phases of Shaw's prosecution. The DA's office is expected to produce many witnesses without issuing subpoenas.

The witnesses revealed Monday follow:

Regis L. Kennedy, 227 Home-
stead ave., Metairie.
Connie T. Kaye, 711 Royal.
Vernon J. Bundy Jr., 4039
Athlis.

Dr. Esmond A. Fatter, 1043
Robert E. Lee blvd.
Frank Hayward, 1241 Lake
ave., Metairie.

John F. Reilly, 1143 St. Mary.
Perry Raymond Russo, 5807
Elysian Fields ave.
Peter Schuster, 5776 Warring-
ton dr.

Lewis E. Hopkins, 7116 Ithaca,
Metairie.

Ray B. Hiatt, 4777 Maitigny.
Charles Davis, 6609 Glendale,
Metairie.

Hopkins and Davis operate
Travel Consultants Inc. in the
International Trade Mart.

Hopkins said he did not know
why he was being subpoenaed.

He said Shaw was, in effect,
his landlord for 12 years while
the Shaw was managing director of
the Mart.

Shaw was arrested on March
1 of that year.

BOUGHT TICKETS

During that time Shaw bought
tickets from him and another
agent in connection with trips,
Hopkins said.

Miss Kaye, a singer, said
she was questioned by the
DA's office after she revealed
she had a "run-in" with ac-
cused assassin Lee Harvey
Oswald in 1963.

Oswald supposedly objected
to some "Cuban material" in
her night club act.

Hiatt was listed in the city
directory as a laborer.

Russo, an insurance man of
Baton Rouge, and Vernon
Bundy, a former convict, were
the state's main witnesses dur-
ing a preliminary hearing for
Shaw in March, 1967.

Shaw was arrested on March
1st of that year.

Russo testified that he over-
heard Shaw plotting the assassi-
nation of Kennedy with Oswald
and a pilot, David Ferrie, in
Ferrie's apartment in Septem-
ber, 1963.

Bundy said he saw Shaw and
Oswald together on the New Or-
leans lakefront.

Kennedy, an agent of the
Federal Bureau of Investiga-
tion, testified before the grand
jury in connection with Garri-
son's probe in May, 1967.

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Being Investigated

However, no audio broadcast of the proceedings to the sheriff's office will be permitted.

Heyd said Monday he needs television and sound broadcast to help maintain security.

His office was equipped with an electronic device enabling him to hear what was going on in the court room. Apparently it will have to be removed.

OTHER RULES

Some other rules set out in Judge Haggerty's guidelines follow:

—Names and addresses of jurors selected can be released and published after selection.

—No photographs of jurors at any time or place shall be taken without permission of the court.

—“No cameras, recording devices or registering devices, or any other electronic or mechanical equipment shall be used within the court house premises . . . excepting those necessary devices already in daily use in other trials or offices . . .”

—“The court will permit sketches and drawings to be made within the courtroom . . .”

—Each person will be searched before entering the courtroom.

—No teletype machine or telephone equipment not already in operation will be installed.

—No one will be allowed in the courtroom unless he has a seat, and no one will be permitted to enter or leave during testimony or argument.

—Credentials for news media shall not be transferable.

—Exhibits will be handled only by attorneys and persons authorized by the court.

—Sheriff Heyd will be in charge of security and seating arrangements.