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Shaw Is Due In Court for Delay Plea

Clay L. Shaw and his attorneys were due in court today to go through the formal steps of asking for a delay in Shaw's trial on charges of conspiring to kill President John F. Kennedy.

Shaw, arrested almost a year ago, had been scheduled to go on trial today. Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison had the retired business executive arrested shortly after word leaked out that the prosecutor was probing the Kennedy assassination.

CRIMINAL District Court Judge Edward A. Haggerty ~~is~~ previously he would grant the request to delay the trial. Haggerty will hold a hearing next month on Shaw's request for a change of venue.

Attorneys for the silver-haired Shaw want the trial moved at least 100 miles from New Orleans. They say their client can't get a fair trial in New Orleans because of the publicity in the case.

To protect Shaw and other figures in the case in court, drapes were obtained to cover the large windows on one side of the courtroom.

CRIMINAL SHERIFF Louis A. Heyd had the drapes rented because "the windows gave a perfect view from rooftops across the street from the court building," he said.

The sheriff is in charge of security for the courthouse.

Meanwhile, Thomas Edward Beckham, 27, set to testify Thursday in the probe, said yesterday in Omaha he plans to run for Congress.

BECKHAM SAID he is a

registered Republican who will file for the Nebraska Second District congressional nomination when he returns from New Orleans to Omaha.

"I don't have a thing to lose even if I don't get any votes," he said.

Melvin Belli, San Francisco attorney, told the Iowa State Jaycee convention at Spencer, Iowa, yesterday that Garrison fears Shaw may be assassinated if he is brought to trial.

BELLI DID NOT elaborate on the remark. He described Garrison as a "reasonable man" but said he doubts the probe will produce any specific results.

Belli was attorney for Dallas nightclub owner Jack Ruby, who killed Lee Harvey Oswald. The Warren Commission said Oswald was the lone assassin of President Kennedy.

Belli said Ruby did not know Oswald and he is convinced there was no conspiracy.

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