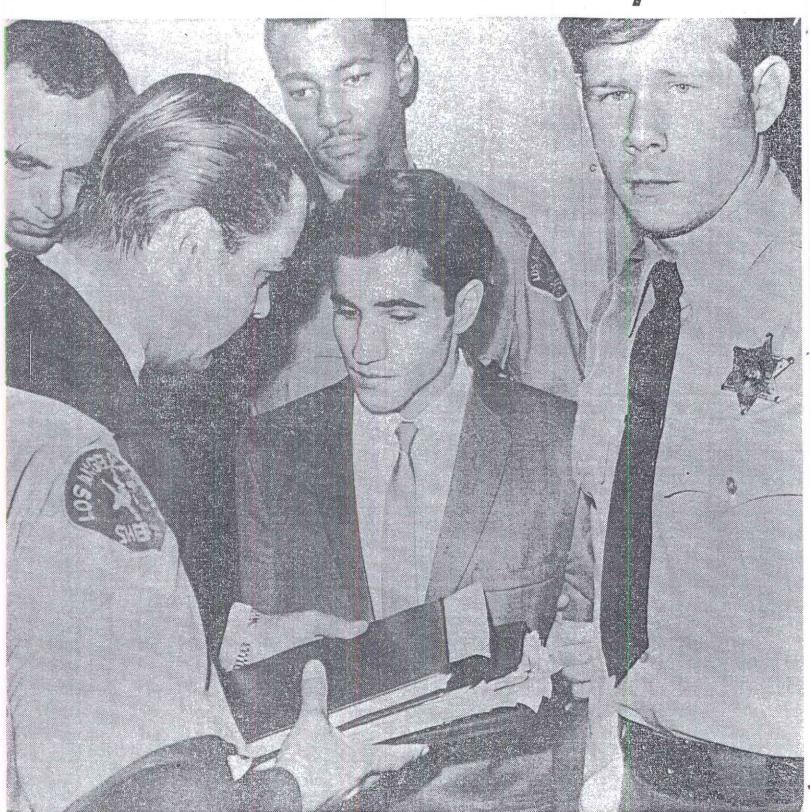
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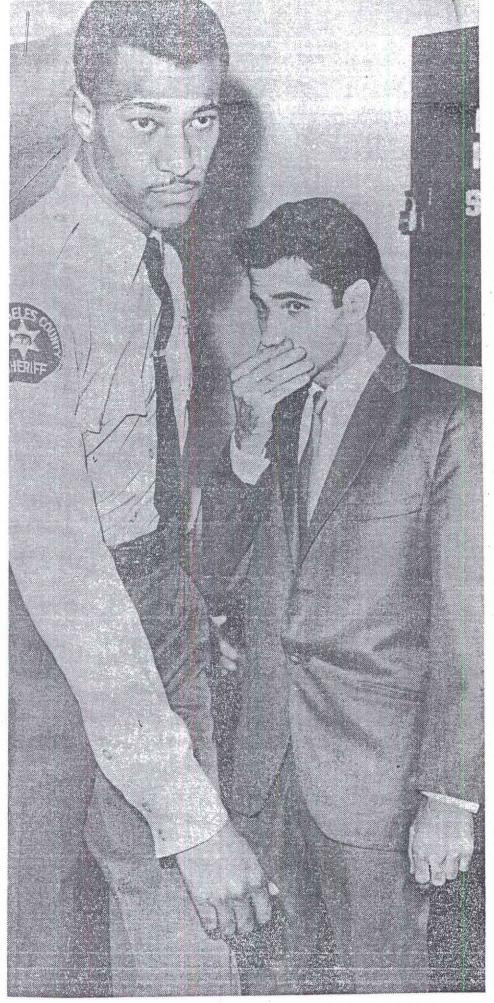


SURROUNDED — Sirhan Bishara Sirhan, ringed by deputy sheriffs, is handed documents by defense investigator Michael A. McCowan on way to courtroom.

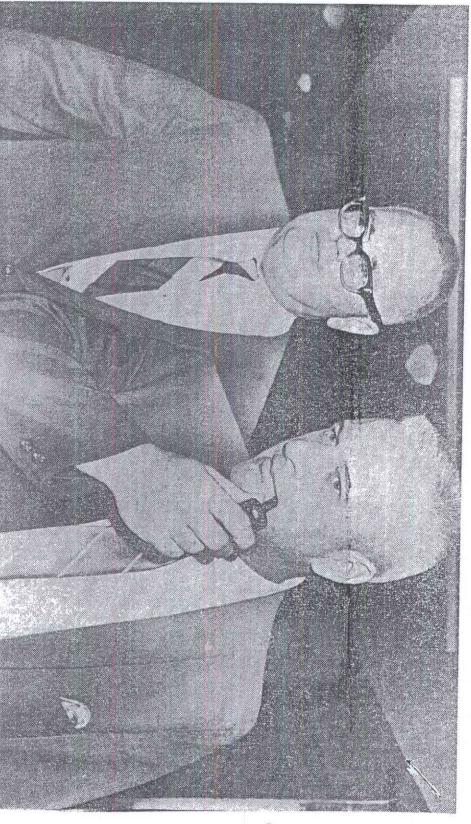


MOTHER ARRIVES—Mrs. Mary Sirhan, 55, of Pasadena, is escorted to the courtroom by another son, Munir (Joe) Sirhan, 21. They had seats in back row.

Times photos by John Malmin



LEADING THE WAY—A deputy sheriff who towers over the slightly built Sirban walks sheet as the defendant is led to courtroom for the first session.



FOR THE PROSECUTION — Chief Dep. Dist. Atty. Lynn D. Compton, with pipe, and Dep. Dist. Atty. John E. Howard arriving.

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FOR THE DEFENSE - Attorneys Grant B. Cooper, on left, with one of his two associates in trial, Emile Zola Berman of New York.