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Ends State's

Shaw Case

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NEW ORLEANS (UPI)—Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison wound up his case against Clay L. Shaw today by producing a handwriting expert who testified it was "highly probable" that Shaw signed the name "Clay Bertrand" in an airline guest book in 1966.

The testimony of Mrs. Elizabeth McCarthy of Boston contradicted that of a defense handwriting expert, Charles A. Appel Jr. of Washington, who had said it was his positive opinion Shaw did not write the name in the guest book.

The state charges Shaw used the names Clay and Clem Bertrand as aliases while conspiring with Lee Harvey Oswald and David W. Ferrie in September, 1963, to murder President John F. Kennedy.

Testimony in the Shaw trial came to an end at noon at the 33rd trial day and the 19th day of presenting evidence.

Garrison in person questioned Mrs. McCarthy in one of his infrequent courtroom appearances, and when he had finished, Judge Edward A. Haggerty Jr. asked him, "Do you have any more witnesses?"

"No, your honor," Garrison replied.

It was final resting by the state, after having presented seven rebuttal witnesses. It had called 43 witnesses in its direct case and the defense had presented 16.

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