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DALLAS, May 22. - (AP) A sanity trial for convicted slayer Jack Ruby has been scheduled for Monday, June 13, in Dallas. District Judge Louis T. Holland

of Montague set the date after conferring with state and defense lawyers. He also set June 10 as the date for any pre-trial motions.

Holland, who replaced Judge Joe B. Brown in the controversial case, took the action after the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals called last week for the sanity hearing "without delay."

Assistant District Attorney Bill Alexander said the trial will take "about two or three weeks, depending on how many witnesses are called."

Ruby was sentenced to death for the Nov. 24, 1963, slaying of Lee Harvey Oswald, the man the Warren Commission identified as the assassin of President Kennedy.

The Appellate Court presuma-bly will consider Ruby's appeal of the conviction if the sanity jury finds him sane. If found insane, he would be committed to a state mental hospital until he

regained his faculties. The only matter to be con-sidered at the June 13 proceedings will be the state of Ruby's mind, not his guilt or innocence. It is expected that most witnesses at the trial will be psychiatrists and jail personnel. Ruby has been in jail in Dallas since he shot Oswald.