

BUNDY ORDERED TO SERVE TERM

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Probation Is Ended for Probe Witness

A state's witness who claimed he saw Clay L. Shaw and Lee Harvey Oswald together on the lakefront has been ordered to serve a term for attempted theft that was previously suspended.

Vernon Bundy Jr. was given the suspended sentence May 25, 1966, on an attempted theft charge after pleading guilty to a count involving property belonging to Municipal Auditorium.

Bundy, 28, testified in a preliminary hearing on Shaw's criminal conspiracy charge in the death of President John F. Kennedy.

The suspension was revoked by Criminal District Court Judge Bernard J. Bagert after a June 13 request by Assistant District Attorney Michael Karmazin on grounds that Bundy violated provisions of probation.

Bundy was arrested Sept. 12, 1965, and was charged with theft Oct. 5, 1965. He was arraigned Oct. 15 and pleaded not guilty.

Judge Bagert suspended the sentence on condition that Bundy immediately enter the federal hospital in Fort Worth for treatment for narcotics addiction.

Bundy was discharged from the hospital Oct. 31, 1966. He surrendered himself on another charge March 4, 1967, and was placed in Parish Prison.

It was there that he told Garrison's investigators that he saw Oswald and Shaw on the lakefront in the summer of 1963.

Judge Bagert ordered Bundy to serve the full year in Parish Prison, with credit for time served.