Shaw 'Resting Well' at Hospital; Routine Checkup, Says Attorney

Clay L. Shaw, central figure in District Attorney Jim Garrison's presidential assassination probe, was reported "resting well" Sunday in his room at Southern Baptist Hospital.

Hospital authorities said the 54-year-old former International Trade Mart managing director stayed in his room most of the day. His condition was listed as "satisfactory."

Shaw's attorney, Edward Wegmann, contacted at his home, denied reports that his client had suffered a stroke or heart attack.

Wegmann claimed Shaw was in the hospital for a regular checkup and rest. He also mentioned that Shaw suffered a recurrence of "back trouble" stemming from an old injury.

Shaw was admitted Saturday to the hospital for what was described as rest and observation. His admission followed a four-day preliminary hearing last week in Criminal District Court which resulted in a three-judge panel's decision that Shaw be held for trial for participating in a plot to kill President John F. Kennedy.

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