

SHAW CASE FOLLOW-UP ^{S-1} 5/16/69

Judge Shea Draws New Andrews Trial

The perjury trial of attorney Dean A. Andrews was allotted today to Criminal Court Judge Frank J. Shea.

The hip-talking Andrews, already appealing one perjury conviction in connection with his testimony in the Kennedy assassination probe, faces two new charges.

District Attorney Jim Garrison's office yesterday filed the new charges against Andrews, contending that his testimony as a defense witness in the trial of Clay L. Shaw was "materially contradictory and inconsistent with" prior testimony before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury on March 16, 1967.

IT WAS THE third time this week that Garrison's office filed charges in the wake of Shaw's acquittal Saturday on charges of conspiring to kill President John F. Kennedy.

Thomas Bethell, once an investigator for Garrison's office, was charged Tuesday with giving a copy of the Shaw trial memorandum and a list of state witnesses to one of Shaw's attorneys last August.

On Monday, Shaw was charged with two counts of perjury. Garrison claimed Shaw lied on the witness stand when he said he never knew Lee Harvey Oswald and David W. Ferrie, alleged to be co-conspirators with Shaw.

ANDREWS SAID at the trial "my mouth ran ahead of my brain," and admitted he made up the story that a man named Clay Bertrand called him after the assassination and asked him to defend Oswald.

Of 14 pages of testimony before the Warren Commission, Andrews said it was "page after page of bull."

However, Andrews told a different story to the parish grand jury in 1967, for which he was later indicted for perjury.

"A voice that I identified as Clay Bertrand called me at the

hospital and asked me if I would represent Lee Oswald in Dallas. Nobody ever asked me about a fee or anything else. He said I would get real famous and he would get in touch with Lee Oswald so I could represent him," Andrews told the grand jury.

ANDREWS SAID he told the caller, "I was in the hospital and couldn't go."

In other matters related to the Shaw trial, Criminal District Judge Edward A. Haggerty Jr., who presided, said he would decide Monday whether to cite for contempt any of the principals in the Shaw trial.

Judge Haggerty said he would study files to see if anyone violated guidelines he laid down regarding public statements in connection with the trial.

The executive committee of the Metropolitan New Orleans Crime Commission will meet at noon tomorrow to discuss possible action against Garrison. Aaron M. Kohn, commission managing director, said the panel will explore "alternatives and what the crime commission can do" in the case.