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Shaw Case Postponed Again

For the first time the federal courts intervened in the presidential assassination trial of Clay L. Shaw, invalidating the scheduled June 11 commencement. Federal District Judge Frederick J. R. Heebe issued a temporary restraining order against DA Jim Garrison and his two principal assistants. The order was sought in a suit filed by Shaw's attorneys, in which they also asked that a special three-judge federal court be convened and that preliminary and permanent injunctions be issued against further prosecution.

The suit additionally asks that the Warren Commission on the assassination of President Kennedy be declared valid and binding on all courts in the nation. In his restraining order, Judge Heebe held that Shaw's complaint alleging violation of his constitutional rights "raises real issues of alleged deprivations of liberty through the actions of the state."

Under federal procedure, Judge Heebe will ask the chief judge of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals to designate two other judges to sit with him to hear the Shaw complaints.

Meanwhile, in a separate ruling, Judge Heebe signed an order allowing attorneys for Shaw to take depositions from members of the DA's staff and others who have been involved in investigation of the case.

Garrison, in a subsequent news conference, attacked the restraining order as "another example of federal interference" with his inquiry, "and a power play by the government to suppress the facts." He released a photograph of accused killer Lee Harvey Oswald in a Civil Air Patrol uniform, and another which the DA said shows the late David L. Ferrie in fatigues, together with a group of unidentified persons assertedly taken at a Civil

Air Patrol function. The DA claims that the federal government has attempted to suppress the Oswald picture, and that Ferrie initiated Oswald into the CIA through the CAP.