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## ANSWER JARS SHAW JURORS

Man Who Knew Defendant  
And Oswald Disqualified

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New Orleans, Feb. 4—Three or four of the jurors already chosen were beginning to drift off, lulled by the steady drone of questions to more prospective jurors in the Shaw conspiracy trial, when one of those being questioned declared abruptly:

"I don't think I could be objective. I know both Lee Harvey Oswald and Clay Shaw."

The jurors jerked awake. Max Lorenzo Philpott Hill, 50-year-old art gallery owner, had made in a single sentence what the prosecution hopes to prove—a connection between Mr. Shaw, a retired business man accused of plotting to assassinate President Kennedy, and Oswald, the assumed assassin.

### Togetherhness Not Meant

Mr. Hill later explained that he knows Mr. Shaw, 50, as a fellow resident of the French Quarter, that Oswald applied for a job at his gallery and picture framing shop in September, 1963, the time of the alleged conspiracy, and that he did not mean to imply that he knew them together.

Mr. Hill was one of 136 prospective jurors who trooped through the court today and were excused for one reason or another. As a result selection of the second of two alternate jurors was delayed until tomorrow and the start of the trial until Thursday, a week later than originally expected.

Mr. Hill said after court that he decided against hiring Oswald because he seemed "wish-washy, sort of preoccupied . . . he was an undecided character, ingratiating and plausible, but he just didn't know what he

wanted to do."

### Applied For Several Jobs

Mr. Hill said that Oswald applied for several jobs at several art galleries and photographic studios around the French Quarter in the later summer and early fall of 1963. His description of Mr. Shaw as neat and clean-shaven varies with that of prosecution witnesses, who have said he wore a beard and dressed as a "beatnik."

"I don't know whether (Oswald and Mr. Shaw) ever met," he added, "but knowing the type of people they are, they could have easily known each other. In fact, the French Quarter is such a small place, it is hard to live there for even a month or two and not know someone else."

Most of the jurors excused today said they either would not be paid if selected as jurors for the long trial or that they had already formed opinions on the much-publicized case.

### Many "Fixed Opinions"

In just over an hour this afternoon, 40 prospective jurors were sworn in only to declare they had "fixed opinions." This morning at the rate of one a minute, prospective jurors were excused on the basis of financial hardship.

"Well," signed Judge Edward A. Haggerty, Jr., at the end of the short work day, "Many are called, but few are chosen. We'll try again tomorrow."

Numa V. Bertel, Jr., the assistant district attorney handling the prosecution's running legal battle with the federal government for witnesses and evidence, said this evening that no decision had been made whether to push a fight in Washington for 69 photographs and x-rays taken at President Kennedy's autopsy.

The prosecution has been given until 10 A.M. tomorrow by Judge Charles W. Halleck of the District of Columbia Court of General Sessions to prove that the x-rays, photographs and other exhibits sought from the archives of the United States are related to the conspiracy charge against Mr. Shaw.