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Deputies Get No Overtime Pay for Long Hours at Shaw Trial

They also serve who stand and wait.

These were the criminal sheriff's deputies who stood guard in the Clay L. Shaw trial that concluded so dramatically early

Saturday morning.

For hours and hours, deputies of Criminal Sheriff Louis A. Heyd contributed their time. And that is what it was—a contribution. They were not paid for overtime hours they put in, even those who were with jury members day in and day out of the 39-day trial. There simply were not funds for overtime pay.

Veteran newsmen who covered criminal trials across the nation were high in their praise of the tireless work and efficiency of the deputies, most particularly Sal Brocato, who handled seating of the press and spectators, and Mrs. Nina Sulzer, whose duty it was to pass on each spectator and newsman.

Brocato often had to referee spats between newsmen and sketch artists. Judge Edward A. Haggerty suggested that sketch artists be given the front row so they could see expressions and gestures of the trial's participants, and it was Brocato's chore to arbitrate when newsmen tried to claim the front row.

After the first days of controversy and strict enforcement of the ruling, Brocato yielded in his stand and tried to let newsmen have a few portions of the new.

When it was finally over early Saturday morning, genial Brocato, who stood in the courtroom scanning spectators during testimony from 9 a.m. Friday to 1 a.m. Saturday, was apologizing to a newsman. "I was serving two masters," said Brocato.