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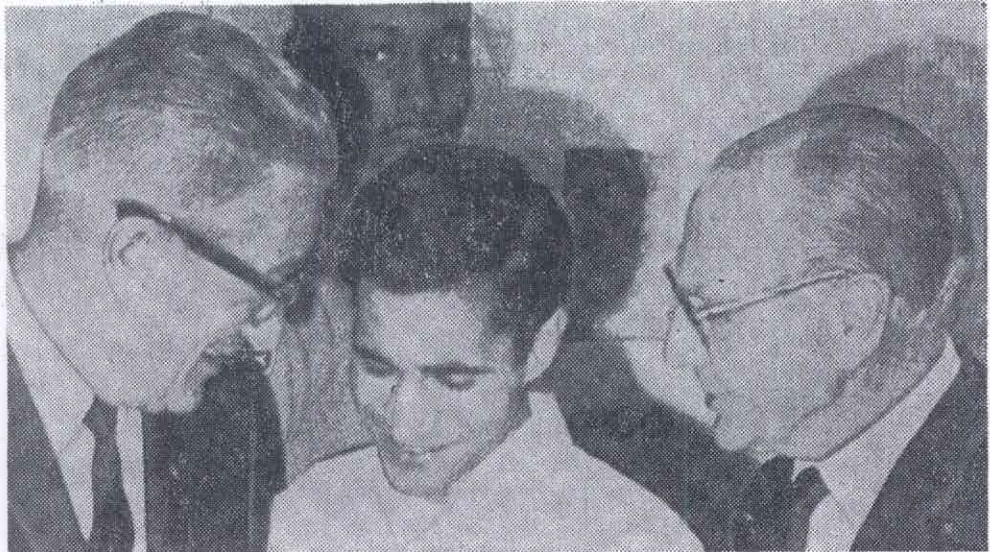
Sirhan Trial Delayed to Assist

LOS ANGELES—The trial of Sirhan Bishara Sirhan for the murder of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy has been postponed until Jan. 7.

Superior Court Judge Herbert V. Walker granted the postponement to permit a new member of the defense team, attorney Grant B. Cooper, to study the case. Cooper, a veteran criminal lawyer here, has just finished another case. The Sirhan trial had been scheduled to start on Dec. 9.

It was learned that Mrs. Ethel Kennedy, who was only a few feet away from her husband when he was shot in the Ambassador Hotel on June 5, will not be called as a witness.

The trial will be held in a steel-plated courtroom with closed-circuit television for reporters. There will not be any public television.



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Prominent criminal lawyer, Grant B. Cooper, left, gets acquainted with Sirhan B. Sirhan in a Los Angeles jail. Cooper and Russel E. Parsons, right, the other member of the defense team, won a delay of the Jordanian's trial until Jan. 7.

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