

Mass Trial Spectator Remanded to Hospital

Mrs. Edith Turner, a spectator at the sedition trial who caused a scene in the courtroom two weeks ago when she tried to wave a crude banner, was remanded to the psychopathic ward of Gallinger Hospital today after she was taken before Justice James W. Morris in District Court on a writ of habeas corpus.

Mrs. Turner's attorney, John T. Bonner, explained to Justice Morris that since the court had signed a later order committing the woman for a sanity examination the previous habeas corpus writ had no standing.

The Commission on Mental Hygiene has 20 days to determine Mrs. Turner's mental condition. If she is declared of unsound mind her attorney has the right to demand a jury trial.

Mrs. Turner served a 10-day sentence for contempt of court, imposed by Chief Justice Edward C. Eicher, presiding at the sedition trial, before she was taken to the municipal hospital Friday.

The banner, which she tried to display in Justice Eicher's courtroom related to a grievance against two American consuls in Europe. She was unable to explain to the judge why she made the demonstration. She said she was from Vienna, Austria, and was married to a man who lives at Newport News, Va.

The sedition trial will be resumed at 10 a.m. Wednesday.