

# Attacker Jailed

## John Marshall Gets 15 Years In Shooting

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John S. Marshall was sentenced to a 15-year prison term under the federal Youth Corrections Act yesterday for his participation in the Jan. 30 shooting and robbery of Sen. John C. Stennis (D-Miss.)

Under the provisions of the sentence, Marshall could be released at any time corrections officials decide that he has been rehabilitated. At the most, he will serve 13 years in jail since provisions of the act require his parole two years before the maximum time is served.

Marshall pleaded guilty to the shooting last April 19, five days before his 22d birthday, in order to be eligible for sentencing under the more lenient provisions of the act. If he had been sentenced as an adult, he could have been given three consecutive life terms.

When Marshall entered his plea, he did not admit that he had actually participated in the robbery and shooting, but only that the weight of the government's evidence appeared certain to foreshadow a conviction. Marshall's 19-year-old brother, Tyrone, alleged to be the actual gunman in the shooting incident, entered a similar plea earlier this week and awaits sentencing.

Because of the equivocal nature of such a plea, prosecutor Roger Adelman asked that John Marshall be sentenced to an "adult term of substantial length." He also pointed to what he called the "deliberate . . . purposeful" acts leading to the robbery and to John Marshall's active participation in the crime.

According to testimony at Tyrone Marshall's trial, the two brothers and another youth drove around Northwest

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Washington for more than an hour looking for a robbery victim before settling on Stennis. The other youth, Derick Holloway, was granted immunity for his potential testimony in Tyrone Marshall's trial and can no longer be prosecuted for the crime.

John Marshall assisted his brother in the actual robbery of Stennis, and Holloway was the getaway car driver, the testimony said.

In invoking the Youth Corrections Act in John Mar-

shall's case, U.S. District Judge Joseph C. Waddy pointed to the fact that the defendant had no previous record and to a presentence report indicating that he was a "follower . . . not a leader."