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LOS ANGELES AP — Defense efforts to suppress material seized in the home of Sirhan Bishara Sirhan failed Tuesday.

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But Russell E. Parsons, attorney for the man accused of slaying Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, told newsmen afterwards that "sometimes when a judge rules against you it can be very helpful."

He said "our attention might now be directed to a more careful search and study why these things were said and done," adding that the notebooks and other materials found in Sirhan's room "may indicate something" about the 24-year-old Jordanian to psychiatrists.

Superior Court Judge Herbert V. Walker said he was not ruling on the admissibility of the evidence, but only on whether it should be suppressed. He said police had "reasonable authority" to enter the home without a search warrant because one of Sirhan's brothers gave consent.

Among items seized and marked for identification Tuesday were notebooks that included, according to Mayor Sam Yorty's comment shortly after the assassination,

"a direct reference to the necessity to assassinate Sen. Kennedy before June 5, 1968."

Chief Deputy Dist. Atty. Lynn D. Compton, who also held a news conference after the hearing, said he and co-prosecutors would use whatever documents seized at the Sirhan home they decided are helpful and relevant. Asked if a memo relating to the assassination fell into that category, Compton replied: "That would be a significant piece of evidence."

Kennedy was shot fatally just after proclaiming victory in California's June 4 Democratic presidential primary.

Sirhan's brother, Adel, 29, confirmed in Tuesday's hearing police testimony that he had approved the search: "I said something to the effect, 'It's okay with me'."

But a younger brother, Munir, 21, denied two policemen's testimony that he also had approved. He said police questioned him but that there was no conversation about searching the family house in suburban Pasadena.

And Mary Sirhan, the mother, testified, "It is my house; I am buying it"—and that she, too, gave no permission to enter it.

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