

'Polka Dot' Blonde Tells Sirhan Story

LOS ANGELES — (UPI) — Valeria Schulte, a long tressed blonde, testified at the murder trial of Sirhan Sirhan today that she saw him extend his arm and shoot Sen. Robert Kennedy.

Miss Schulte, 22, was the mysterious girl in the polka dot dress who has figured prominently in the investigation but who had nothing to do with the shooting except to be a witness.

The attractive girl had been head of Kennedy's campaign headquarters in Goleta and had gone to the Ambassador Hotel that night for the victory celebration. She was on crutches at the time as a

result of a skiing accident.

Girl Interrupted

The girl's testimony was interrupted after she had been on the stand less than 10 minutes.

Superior Judge Herbert Walker called a recess when a sheriff's deputy in the courtroom whispered to him that he heard a clicking noise which seemed to emanate from his desk.

The courtroom was cleared by Judge Walker and a few minutes later trial was resumed when it was found the telephone on the deputy's desk had a fluttering relay as a result of a test by the utility company.

Tension Indicated

It was indicative of the tenseness of the trial that the slightest suspicion there was an electronic listening or recording device could lead the judge to hurriedly empty the courtroom.

Miss Schulte brought to court the dress she wore the night of the assassination and she held it up so the jury could see it. It was lime green with yellow polka dots. The girl smiled brightly as she displayed it.

In her brief testimony, she said she had never known



VALERIE SCHULTE
Witnessed shooting

Sirhan at any time and had not talked to him on the night of the shooting.