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LOS ANGELES AP — The state called one more mental expert Monday to try to show Sirhan-Bishara Sirhan's assassination of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy was a deliberate, not a demented, deed.

The testimony of psychologist Leonard Olinger was expected to wrap up the prosecution's first degree murder case against Sirhan, 30 and Arab born.

Chief Deputy District Attorney Lynn Compton said the state, in its closing arguments, will "not in so many words say to the jury, 'bring in the death penalty.'"

"We're going to suggest to them that it would be an appropriate penalty if they think so," Compton said outside the courtroom.

Olinger looked over some of the same test results which led defense experts to call Sirhan schizophrenic, and declared them "well within normal limits."

"It would seem to represent the absence of a schizophrenic presence," the slight, sandy-haired Olinger said of some facets of the psychological test data. A University of Southern California professor, Olinger did not examine Sirhan but reviewed the findings of other who did.

Sirhan is on trial for the June 5, 1968, shooting of Kennedy, who was campaigning for the Democratic presidential nomination.

The case, three months old to the day, boiled down in recent weeks to a conflict of testimony between psychologists and psychiatrists for the prosecution and defense.

The defense argued that Sirhan's mental ability was so impaired that his capacity to premeditate Kennedy's assassination was sufficiently diminished. Mature and meaningful premeditation is a requisite in a first degree murder conviction.

State mental experts conceded that Sirhan was mentally ill when he shot the 42-year-old New York senator—but contended he was not so ill that he couldn't and didn't premeditate the slaying.

Olinger was the 90th witness in the protracted trial, which began with jury selection Jan. 7. Nearly 200 exhibits have been put in evidence to help guide the jury to a verdict. The panel is expected to get the case later this week.

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