

Accused Killer's Dream-- Return to Jerusalem

Pasadena

Sirhan Bishara Sirhan always meant to go back to Jerusalem some day, Linda Massri said outside the cream-colored clapboard cottage here, where the 24-year-old accused slayer of Senator Robert F. Kennedy lived with his mother and two brothers.

"The whole family hoped to return to Jordan together and reclaim their lost land," Miss Massri added. "That was their dream and that's why most of them didn't become American citizens."

Miss Massri, an American of Syrian extraction who is a neighbor and close friend of the Sirhan family, then went inside the three-bedroom house Wednesday night to visit Sharif Sirhan, one of the suspect's elder brothers.

She emerged an hour later with two other Syrian women, saying that Shaarif Sirhan would not talk about the suspect or the shooting of Kennedy.

BROTHER

Sharif, who is said to be 30 or 31 years old, and his brother, Adel, 29 and their

mother, Mrs. Mary Sirhan, have kept the silence.

The three stayed in the family home Wednesday night, guarded by four Pasadena policemen, one of who said the family would see no one but close friends and would not talk to newsmen. Later they were all removed from the house for safety by Los Angeles police. Their hideout was not known.

A telegram sent by Mrs. Sirhan to the Kennedy family was the only break in the silence. Sent from Pasadena yesterday, it said:

"It hurts us very bad what has happened and we express our feelings with them and especially with the children and with Mrs. Kennedy and with the mother and father. I want them to know that I am really crying for them and we pray that God will make peace — really peace — in the heart of the people."

SLAYER

The accused slayer had lived quietly with his mother, Adel and a brother, Munier, who is 20, and sometimes called Joe, in the small,

one-story house. Like the surrounding houses, it is about 45 years old and has been in the family for six years.

Estimated to be worth about \$15,000, the dwelling is on East Howard street, a pleasant tree-lined street which runs through a racially mixed neighborhood.

Sirhan himself was a sometime gardener whose neighbors knew him mostly as a quiet boy who worked hard around the house, in his studies and, most recently, as a clerk in a neighborhood health food store.

However, in private conversations particularly the Arab-Israeli war last year, he was violently anti-Zionist and pro-Palestine. With friends and acquaintances of his own age he was outspokenly opposed to American support of Israel.

"But we all were," said a 28-year-old Syrian woman, a friend of Adel and Sirhan, who asked that her name be withheld. "We all had strong feelings about it, especially when we got together. He was no more active than any-