

Shaw Trial Date

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New Orleans

District Attorney Jim Garrison yesterday set January 21—the day after Richard Nixon is sworn in as President—for the beginning of the trial of Clay L. Shaw on charges of conspiring to assassinate President John F. Kennedy.

Shaw, 55, will go on trial in Orleans parish Criminal District Court in a jury trial presided over by Judge Edward Haggerty.

The United States Supreme Court earlier this week denied a restraining order asked by Shaw against Gar-

ison which would have prohibited the district attorney from prosecuting him.

"The moment of truth has arrived in this case," Garrison told a news conference. "Even if I'm killed the Clay Shaw case will go to trial."

Shaw, former director of the New Orleans International Trade Mart, is accused of conspiring with Lee Harvey Oswald and "others" to kill Mr. Kennedy a few months before the President was shot to death in Dallas on November 22, 1963. Shaw has denied all the charges.

The Warren Commission

concluded that Oswald alone killed the President. Garrison contends the assassination was the result of a conspiracy, and that Oswald may not even have been the assassin.

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