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NEW ORLEANS, APRIL 4-(AP)-CLAY L. SHAW, ACCUSED WITH CONSPIRING TO KILL PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, SMILED AND CHATTED EASILY WITH NEWSMEN LAST NIGHT AT A LENGTHY PRESS CONFERENCE THAT SEEMED SOMEWHAT LIKE A RECEPTION.

THE DEBONAIR SHAW FIELDED A BARRAGE OF QUESTIONS THAT TOUCHED ON HIS PHILOSOPHY, HIS WORK AND HIS VIEWS ON POLITICAL AND WORLD AFFAIRS.

AS TO THE CHARGE MADE AGAINST HIM BY DIST. ATTY. JIM GARRISON, SHAW SAID ONLY, "GOD WILLING, I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO THE TRIAL. I EXPECT TO WIN."

THE MEETING WITH THE PRESS CAME JUST TWO DAYS BEFORE SHAW'S ARRAIGNMENT.

THE TWO-HOUR SESSION WITH NEWSMEN AND PHOTOGRAPHERS WAS HELD IN THE SPACIOUS paneled DEN AT THE HOME OF ONE OF HIS LAWYERS. A BARTENDER ON DUTY BEHIND THE BAR STAYED BUSY.

THE LAWYERS SET UP THE RELAXED NEWS CONFERENCE TO PERMIT OUT-OF-TOWN REPORTERS AND CAMERAMEN TO GET ACQUAINTED WITH THEIR CLIENT.

SHAW SAID HE CONSIDERS HIMSELF AN "OLD-FASHIONED LIBERAL OF THE WILSON-ROOSEVELT PERSUASION," WHO ADMIRERED KENNEDY FOR CARRYING ON THIS TREND IN GOVERNMENT. HE SAID HE IS WORKING ON A PLAY, CONSIDERS HIMSELF RELIGIOUS "BUT NOT WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF A RELIGION," AND THAT THE UNITED STATES IS REACHING A "MODUS VI

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HIS PHILOSOPHY, SAID SHAW, IS "TO DEVELOP ONE'S POTENTIAL TO THE FULLEST" WHILE "MAKING IT A POLICY NOT TO HARM ANYONE ELSE."

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