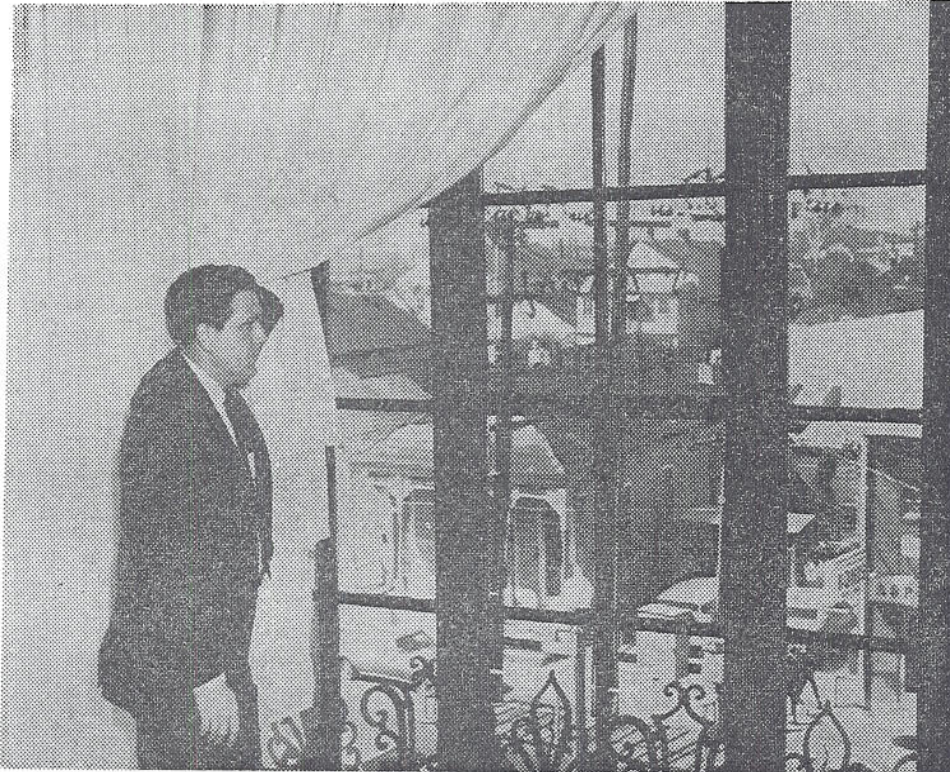


# Shaw Hearing

## 'Sniper Curtains' Up



CRIMINAL SHERIFF LOUIS A. HEYD pulls back drapes installed on the windows of the Criminal Courts Building for security reasons in connection with the appearance of Clay L. Shaw in court tomorrow. —States-Item photo.

Figures in the Clay Shaw case will have added protection from possible snipers at Shaw's court appearance tomorrow, Criminal Sheriff Louis A. Heyd said today.

A set of drapes was rented by the sheriff's office to cover a large set of windows on the S. White side of the Criminal District Court Building.

The windows, which are about 19 feet wide by 10 feet high, are directly adjacent to Judge Edward A. Haggerty Jr.'s section of court, where Shaw must be present tomorrow.

Shaw's trial on charges of conspiracy to kill President John F. Kennedy was to have begun tomorrow, but his attorneys have filed for a change of location for the trial and proceedings have been held up pending a hearing.

Tomorrow's court appearance is routine, a formal request for a trial delay which Judge Haggerty has already said he will grant, but for legal reasons Shaw himself must be present.

Heyd said the drapes are a security measure to protect not only Shaw but also everyone else connected with the trial, including District Attorney Jim Garrison.

"The window gave a perfect view from rooftops across the street from the court building," said the sheriff, who is responsible for security during tomorrow's proceeding, as well as at the change of venue hearing and the trial itself, if it is held here.

Garrison has said his life was threatened on several occasions since the assassination probe became public nearly a year ago.