## SFExaminer SEP 21 1971 Angela Aide Still In Hospital

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Sheldon P. Otis, a member of Angela Davis' defense team, was in fair condition today at Berkeley's Herrick Hospital following his mysterious admittance to the emergency ward shortly before midnight Saturday.

Hospital officials refused to comment on the circumstances surrounding the admittance of the white attorney, who was charged late Friday by San Mateo County District Attorney Keith Sorensen with embezzling \$10,-000 from that county's Legal Aid Society.

Otis served as executive director of the agency in 1970 and early 1971.

## Spokesman

Informed sources, however, said that Otis was brought to the hospital late Saturday night by friends. He was reportedly suffering from a possible overdose of an unknown substance.

A hospital spokesman would only say last night that the attorney was in critical condition when admitted and that he failed to improve throughout Sunday.

He apparently improved yesterday when he was listed in fair condition in the hospital's medical intensive care ward.

Hospital officials said they could not release further information about Otis at the request of his family and private doctor.

## **Two** Counts

Sorensen filed the felony complaint in Municipal Court against Otis, charging him with two counts of embezzling \$2500 and \$7500 from the Legal Aid Society during the year in which he was executive director.

Otis resigned from the post early this year.