

# Trial Told of Miss Davis's Rush to Plane

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SAN JOSE, Calif., May 9—An airline ticket agent testified today at the murder-conspiracy trial of Angela Davis that she saw the defendant rushing to catch a plane shortly after the shootings Aug. 7, 1970, during an attempted breakout at the Marin County Courthouse.

But the witness, Mrs. Marcia Lynn Brewer, conceded under cross-examination that when interviewed just a week after the incident, in which three San Quentin convicts seized five hostages and attempted a getaway, that she could not even recall selling Miss Davis a ticket.

Mrs. Brewer said today that she only remembered after checking her records, but added that she told investigators this at the time.

"I told them I couldn't be specific," she said.

In the shootings outside the courthouse, a judge and three of the kidnapers were slain.

Mrs. Brewer was the state's 87th witness. On the day of the escape attempt, she was employed as a ticket agent at the San Francisco International Airport by Pacific Southwest Airlines.

Records were produced that showed she had sold Miss Davis, a black former philosophy instructor at the University of California, Los Angeles, a ticket for passage from San Francisco to Los Angeles. Miss Davis paid by check.

### Questioned on Purchase

In direct testimony, Mrs. Brewer said that Miss Davis, a 28-year-old avowed Communist, was "hurried" when she approached the ticket counter. When asked if Miss Davis was carrying luggage, Mrs. Brewer said that she could not recall.

The witness also said during cross-examination that the flight that day, scheduled for 2 P.M., was late. Her records showed that the flight left at 2:20 P.M. She said that Miss Davis might have been told when she got to the airport that if she hurried she could have gotten aboard a flight that was being delayed.

After Mrs. Brewer's testimony

early this afternoon the trial was recessed until tomorrow, when the state is expected to begin the final phase of its case — attempting to prove that Miss Davis fled California just after the escape attempt that she is accused of helping plot.

Albert Harris Jr., the prosecutor, estimated at the end of today's proceedings that he would rest his case some time next week.

The testimony of Mrs. Brewer ended the phase of the state case that attempted to link Miss Davis with Jonathan Jackson, the younger brother of one of the convicts, George Jackson, who has been identified as the youth who smuggled guns into the courtroom where the escape attempt originated.

Just before Mrs. Brewer took the stand, the state called N. K. Patel, San Francisco motel operator, as a witness. Mr. Patel

testified that he had rented a room to a person who used the name Jonathan Jackson and said that the room had been for two persons.

However, Mr. Patel said that he had not seen the other person. He said that he could not say where that person was black or white or whether it was a man or a woman.

The opening phase of the state's case against Miss Davis dealt with the events of Aug. 7, 1970. The second phase was designed to establish motive.

In that, the state attempted to show that the defendant was so much in love with George Jackson that she helped plot the raid on the courtroom to extort his release from prison.