

Thereupon MELVIN C. HOLLIDAY resumed the stand and testified further as follows:

FURTHER EXAMINATION OF PROSPECTIVE JUROR MELVINC. HOLLIDAY:

BY THE COURT:

Q You are Mr. Holliday, Prospective Juror No. 6? L

A Yes, sir.

Q And I take it that you received this communication that has just been mentioned here now?

A Yes, sir.

THE COURT: All right. Mr. Mahon, please.

MR. CORRIGAN: This is the letter?

PROSP. JUROR HOLLIDAY: Yes, it is.

MR. CORRIGAN: Mr. Holliday, handing you --

THE COURT: Mr. Mahon.

MR. CORRIGAN: Go ahead, John. Do you want to ask some questions?

MR. MAHON: Yes.

FURTHER EXAMINATION OF PROSPECTIVE JUROR MELVIN C. HOLLIDAY:

BY MR. MAHON:

Q Mr. Holliday, do you know this man who sent this letter?

A No, sir, I do not.

Q Norbert F. Connors, do you know him?

A No, sir, I do not.

Q In this letter he complains about being convicted in this court, doesn't he?

A Yes, sir.

Q Is that right?

A Yes, sir.

Q He claims it was unjust?

A He does.

THE COURT: Let me clear that.

That was on the basis, on a charge of swindling.

That is what he said.

MR. MAHON: No, that doesn't say that, Judge.

MR. GARMONE: He claims that he was swindled by Joe Silbert.

MR. CORRIGAN: He was swindled by the Judge, he says.

THE COURT: Not this Judge.

(Thereupon a discussion was had between Court and counsel off the record, after which the following proceedings were had on the record:)

BY MR. MAHON:

Q Mr. Holliday, this Norbert Connors, whose name is signed to this letter, claims about his being convicted in this Court

before Silbert, Judge Joseph Silbert; isn't that right?

A Yes.

Q He doesn't say what he was convicted of?

A No.

Q But I am familiar with it, and I will tell you that he was convicted for assault and battery on his wife, and he claims it was unjust.

Now, would that influence you in any way in this case?

A No, sir, it would not.

Q You could disregard any thoughts in this matter at all?

A I'm positive.

MR. MAHON: Your Honor, I think that this man should be brought in. I think this is contempt of Court.

THE COURT: There is one question that occurs in the Court's mind. While perhaps it is pretty close to it, it has nothing to do with the Sheppard case in any way, shape or manner, in any event.

MR. MAHON: That's right, but he did send this letter.

THE COURT: You have no idea, do you, Mr. Holliday, that the Sheppard family or any of their friends had anything to do with that?

PROSP. JUROR HOLLIDAY: No, none whatsoever.

THE COURT: Of course not.

Mr. Corrigan, did you want to ask him any questions?

MR. CORRIGAN: I haven't any questions.

THE COURT: Thank you, Mr. Holliday.

You would not be influenced at all by that?

PROSP. JUROR HOLLIDAY: No, not at all.

MR. MAHON: If your Honor please, I wonder if we may inquire of the other members of the jury if they received that letter?

THE COURT: I was going to inquire into that, but I have one other matter first.

Mr. Barrish, would you be kind enough to come up here?

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