

Summers hearing . . .

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June and since then has been housed in county jail.

His preliminary hearing has been postponed several times because of the huge amount of evidence in the case and because Summers has had several attorneys.

Municipal Court Judge John Kennedy Tuesday accepted the motion for a closed hearing, which was made by Summers' attorney, Tim Guhin.

Despite objections to the motion by The Sun, Kennedy said he saw "no overriding reason" to keep the hearing open. He said he felt "pretty strongly" that Summers' right to a fair trial should be preserved and was concerned about the "horrible impact" writing about the judicial process could have on that right.

He also said that what happened at the hearing could be learned at its end.

The hearing is expected to take at least five weeks. Among wit-

nesses to be called are Claude Wise, the dead woman's husband and Tiffani's father.

It was he who discovered his wife dead and the girls missing when he came home from work.

Of the four other persons charged in the case — with charges ranging from felony child concealment to perjury to accessory to murder and kidnapping — one has been convicted and is on probation. Another — Summers' sister — may be extradited here from Virginia and the other two are awaiting trial.

Weather . . .

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fell in both the Lake Arrowhead and Big Bear regions Tuesday, but the combined moisture reached only trace amounts.

According to weather observers in Big Bear, snow was a possibility Tuesday night as temperatures plummeted to a "high" of 36