

Garrison Claims Oswald Tipped FBI

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison claimed Tuesday that Lee Harvey Oswald tipped the FBI more than two months ahead of time that an attempt would be made to assassinate President Kennedy in Dallas.

Oswald has been identified by the Warren Commission as the man who fired the fatal bullets.

At a news conference, Garrison, who has been conducting a probe into the assassination for more than a year, said Oswald was a Central Intelligence Agency agent. He added that he had evidence the final meeting of the conspirators took place on Sept. 17, 1963.

"That day," Garrison said, "the FBI sent out a TWX (interbureau telegram) announcing that on Nov. 22, an attempt will be made to assassinate John F. Kennedy in Dallas."

The telegram, he claimed, "went to J. Edgar Hoover (FBI director). What came down to President Kennedy was can judge for yourself in that he was allowed to ride without a bubbletop (on his car) in that parade in Dallas."

He said Edgar Eugene Bradley, 49, of North Hollywood, Calif., one of the two men he has charged with conspiracy to assassinate President Kennedy, had in 1964 tried to work up support in California to elect Hoover president.

Garrison repeated claims that President Johnson has "actively concealed evidence about the murder of his predecessor." He added that "he can't be allowed to get away with it."

Asked by a reporter what evidence he had to prove the

existence of the FBI telegram, he said, "If you and I were in a closed room, I could prove it. But I'm not going to allow any evidence to get out now."

Besides Bradley, Garrison has filed conspiracy charges against Clay L. Shaw, retired New Orleans businessman. Shaw's trial is set for February.

Bradley has not yet been arrested. California authorities are awaiting arrival by mail of an arrest warrant from Garrison.

Garrison said Loran Hall of California had inside knowledge of the assassination the day it happened. He said government officials never called Hall before the Warren Commission.

Loran Eugene Hall of Johnsville, Calif., is mentioned in the Warren Commission report. He told the FBI that in September of 1963 that he was in Dallas soliciting aid in connection with anti-Castro activities.



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Dist. Atty. Garrison, right, at Tuesday's press conference. At left is William Turner, former FBI agent who recently wrote an article on the assassination, supporting Garrison's newest claim.