

Garrison Again Denied Extradition Request

Second Californian's Surrender Turned Down by Judge in Kennedy Investigation

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New Orleans Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison received his second setback in three days Friday in his attempt to secure two Southern Californians as material witnesses in his probe of President John F. Kennedy's assassination.

Superior Judge Richard Schauer, after a short hearing, denied Garrison's request for the return of Lawrence J. Howard Jr., 33, of El Monte, who admittedly once trained Cuban anti-Castro guerrillas in Florida.

Wednesday Kern County Superior Judge P. R. Borton refused to return Lorán F. Hall, 33-year-old Kernville bartender, to New Orleans.

Judge Schauer's action kept Garrison's losing streak intact. No state has surrendered one of its residents to Garrison nor has any out-of-state person sought by the colorful

prosecutor agreed to set foot in New Orleans.

The burly, moustached Howard called as a surprise witness to bolster his defense against having to make the trip to Louisiana, Edgar Eugene Bradley, 49, of North Hollywood, who has been charged with conspiracy to kill Mr. Kennedy.

Bradley, himself fighting extradition to New Orleans, testified that he had never met Howard, and had no knowledge of any involvement Howard may have had with any alleged conspiracy to kill the late President.

In denying Garrison's request for the return of Howard, Judge Schauer said the conclusions contained in the certificate supporting the request for Howard's return were not as "persuasive" as the testimony of witnesses he heard in court.

Howard, put on the

stand by his attorney, Bruce P. Wolfe, testified the only time he ever was in New Orleans was in June, 1963, when he stopped for gasoline. He said he had never met David Ferrie, linked to the assassination by Garrison, and had never been to an address in the Louisiana city assertedly used as a headquarters by Lee Harvey Oswald and Ferrie.

Denies Conspiracy

Howard denied ever conspiring with anyone, including Ferrie, Oswald, Jack Ruby or Clay Shaw, to kill Mr. Kennedy. He said he was working in Montebello when Mr. Kennedy was shot.

Under cross-examination by Dep. Dist. Atty. Joseph L. Carr, Howard said he was in Dallas in late September and early October, 1963, but only in connection with a free Cuba movement.

He said that both U.S. policies in connection with the Bay of Pigs and Mr. Kennedy were discussed, but not in a derogatory manner.

Bradley is scheduled to appear in court here Monday for an extradition hearing, but his attorney, George J. Jensen, said he will ask for a continuance.

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