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VOWS EXTRADITION FIGHT

Novel's Ohio Bail Is Due to Be Set

A Columbus, Ohio, judge was scheduled to set bond today for Gordon Novel, a former French Quarter bar owner sought by Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison as a material witness in his probe of an alleged plot to kill President John F. Kennedy.

Novel was picked up Saturday on a street in Gahanna, Ohio, a suburb of Columbus.

The 29-year-old ex-bar operator was arrested as a fugitive from Louisiana after a 45-minute stakeout by Gahanna police.

NOVEL STATED after his arrest that he would "fight extradition, if necessary, to the United States Supreme Court."

Gahanna police yesterday quoted Franklin County Criminal Municipal Court Judge Dean Strabaugh as saying bond for Novel would be set at \$10,000.

Garrison had recommended that Novel's bond be set at \$55,000.

In another development in the conspiracy probe this week, Clay L. Shaw will be arraigned at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday before Criminal District Judge Edward A. Haggerty Jr.

THE 54-YEAR-OLD former international Trade Mart director will be arraigned on

charges of criminal conspiracy to murder President Kennedy.

The defendant's attorneys have said a plea of not guilty will be made. Shaw has been free on \$10,000 bond since his arrest March 1.

Novel has been sought on a locally issued arrest warrant for allegedly conspiring to commit simple burglary of a Houma munitions dump in 1961.

He is also wanted by Garrison for questioning here as a material witness in the assassination investigation.

ONE OF THE things Garrison reportedly wants to talk to Novel about is a panel truck which figures significantly in the DA's investigation.

Novel's Columbus attorney, Jerry Weiner, said last night he hoped to post bond soon after a scheduled preliminary court hearing for his client.

Weiner said the bond money was being provided by

friends of Novel in New Orleans, but did not name them.

WEINER SAID the first step in Novel's fight against extradition would be the filing of an affidavit with Ohio Gov. James A. Rhodes stating reasons why Novel does not want to come back to Louisiana.

Novel was arrested as he entered the office of a news service operated by Richard L. Paugh, a local columnist and television newsman.

Paugh denied any connection with Novel but said he had interviewed him about two weeks ago.

GAHANNA MAYOR Paul Van Auken said Novel had his suitcases stored in Paugh's office and "apparently was preparing to leave by plane Saturday night."

Van Auken said he had no idea where Novel might have been planning to go, but noted that his fiancee was out of town, possibly in Chicago.

The fiancee, Miss Abby Mulligan of Columbus, was listed as the most likely reason for Novel's being here. Her brother said Miss Mulligan, a former Bunny at the Playboy Club in Chicago, had been given a ring by Novel.

A business acquaintance said Novel was developing an "anti-bugging" device in conjunction with a local electronics firm.

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