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Probe Figure Changes Mind, To Appear Here

A California man who fought extradition as a witness has now volunteered to come to New Orleans and testify in District Attorney Jim Garrison's probe of the Kennedy assassination.

Lawrence Howard Jr. of El Monte, Calif., is expected to testify before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury this week.

He left Los Angeles for New Orleans Saturday night.

Howard, an unemployed welder, was subpoenaed by Garrison. He first said he would come here to testify, then later changed his mind. Superior Court Judge Richard Schauer denied Garrison's extradition request after a short hearing Jan. 27.

In his subpoena, Garrison said Howard was registered at the Young Men's Christian Association in Dallas Nov. 22, 1963, the day President John F. Kennedy was killed.

Howard said he was in Los Angeles that day.

Howard said over the weekend: "I am hoping that if Mr. Garrison is on the right track, and I assume he does have something that I can perhaps enlighten him or help out in some way... bring certain facts to light."

"I am not saying I have anything I can help with, but

in any way I can, I will.
He did not say what day
he is to appear before the jury.

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