

Witness Says He Was Hypnotized

Perjury Charge in La.

NEW ORLEANS, March 17 (AP) — Dean Andrews, a suspended Louisiana prosecutor who told the Warren Commission he had been approached to represent Lee Harvey Oswald shortly after President Kennedy was murdered, has been indicted on perjury charges.

Mr. Andrews, free on \$1000 bond today, was the first person connected in any way with the Garrison investigation to be indicted in the case. He was suspended Wednesday from his post as Assistant District Attorney of Jefferson Parish (county) and surrendered to authorities last night.

Meanwhile, a preliminary hearing to determine whether New Orleans Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison had enough evidence to bring businessman Clay L. Shaw to trial for conspiracy to assassinate Mr. Kennedy continued.

Perry R. Russo, 25, a Baton Rouge, La., insurance salesman, ended three days of testimony yesterday. He said he had heard Mr. Shaw Oswald and David Ferrie plot to kill the President. Mr. Russo also said Mr. Garrison had him hypnotized prior to questioning.

Mr. Andrews, in an interview with station WDSU-TV, said he did not know why he had been indicted by the New Orleans grand jury, but added he had expected it.

He had been before the grand jury yesterday and had been subpoenaed before it March 9. The grand jury indicated the alleged false statements were made during these appearances.



MR. ANDREWS

He said Mr. Garrison had him hypnotized as late as last Monday, the day before the hearing. He said Dr. Esmond A. Fatter, observed by coroner Nicholas J. Chetta, hypnotized him.

Presumably, he was hypnotized to see if he was telling the truth about the alleged plot he overheard.

Dr. Chetta testified about sodium pentothal, or "truth serum," used in some hypnosis sessions. He said a patient using the drug is "aided in recalling facts and remembers things he ordinarily would have forgotten and say things he ordinarily might hold back."

Before leaving the stand Mr. Russo testified he failed to recognize Oswald as "Leon Oswald" — the name he knew him by — for three years, not until a police artist drew whiskers on the assassin's picture.

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Garrison has an alleged plot
investigation. Mr.
Andrews said, "I have no
knowledge of such a plot. I did
the best to tell the truth."

He said "intuition" as well as
family and friends told him he
would be indicted. He said he
bet money at "8-5 odds" that he
would be indicted.

"Someone seems to feel I have
knowledge I don't have," he
said.

Mr. Andrews told Mr.
Garrison and the Warren
Commission a man who
identified himself as "Clay
Bertrand" called him shortly
after Oswald was arrested and
asked that he go to Dallas to
defend Oswald. He said he was
ill at the time and could not
take the case. 12/11/63

Mr. Garrison has claimed
Clay Bertrand and Clay Shaw
are the same man.

Meanwhile, another figure
entered the increasingly
complex atmosphere
surrounding the probe. Arthur
E. Strout, 28, a Boston
dishwasher, reportedly flew to
New Orleans last night.

The Boston Traveler said
yesterday Mr. Strout had a
picture of Oswald and Jack
Ruby together in Ruby's
nightclub a month before Mr.
Kennedy's assassination.

Mr. Russo, whose testimony
ended at 3:50 p.m. after eight
hours yesterday said he had
been hypnotized three times
before accusing Mr. Shaw of
"conspiring to kill Mr. Kennedy."