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FOR four months, the District Attorney of New Orleans, Jim Garrison, has been carrying on a circus-type public show of uncovering a "conspiracy" in the assassination of President Kennedy.

This week the National Broadcasting Co. did an hour documentary that at the least was a first-class job of putting the gun-toting Mr. Garrison's methods in perspective.

NBC reported flatly, after inventigation, that the man Mr. Garrison has had indicted is not the man Mr. Garrison says he is. It offered evidence that the real assassin, Lee Harvey Osweld, was not in New Orleans on the dates claimed by Mr. Garrison. NBC charged threats and inducement have been offered Mr. Garrison's witnesses.

The case against Clay Shaw, the indicted New Orleans businessman, is based on testimony

which would not pass a lie detector test, NBC said.

In summary, said the TV documentary, Mr. Garrison's efforts to date have been chiefly to "damage reputations, to spread fear and suspicion and, worst of all, to exploit the nation's sorrow and doubts about President, Kenneylu's death."

Whatever, if anything, Mr. C-turn up, this is an accur conduct to date.

We cannot say, any more than NBC that there absolutely was no conspiracy, or that Mr. Garrison may not come up with something. But the manner in which he has gone about it, the tactics and bull-ring exhibitionism he favors, do not suggest a man wholly interested in justice. We salute NBC for an illuminating documentary.

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