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Garrison Subpoenas 2 Californians, 1 Other

Three Summoned as Material Witnesses in Assassination Inquiry Offered Immunity

New Orleans Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison subpoenaed three men Friday, two of them Southern Californians, as "material witnesses" in his controversial investigation of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

The two Californians, Lawrence Howard Jr. of Los Angeles and Loran E. Hall of Kernville, were questioned three years ago by FBI agents and cleared.

The FBI's interest in them resulted from testimony given the Warren Commission by a Dallas woman, a Cuban refugee, which later was discounted.

The third man subpoenaed Friday was Thomas Beckham of Omaha. The subpoenas said all three would be granted immunity from arrest for anything happening before their entry into Louisiana. It set Feb. 1 and 2 as their appearance dates before the Orleans Parish (County) grand jury.

Bradley Surrenders

The subpoenas followed by a week Garrison's request that Los Angeles authorities arrest Edgar Eugene Bradley, 49, of North Hollywood.

Bradley, accused by Garrison of conspiring in the assassination, surrendered to Sheriff Peter J. Pitchess early this week, and is preparing to fight extradition to Louisiana.

The Hall subpoena said Garrison had information that Hall had checked into the Dallas YMCA in October, 1963, and remained there until the assassination Nov. 22, 1963.

It also contended that Hall met in Dallas with Jack Ruby and other individuals believed to be involved in the assassination, including Lee Harvey Oswald. It also said he brought a weapon to Dallas shortly before the assassination and that he was "arrested and jailed briefly in Dallas in October (1963)."

According to the document, Hall associated in

New Orleans with the late David Ferrie, an eccentric pilot who, before his death last February, was the chief target of Garrison's controversial investigation, and who, Garrison claimed, plotted with New Orleans civic leader Clay Shaw and Oswald to kill Mr. Kennedy.

Shaw and Bradley are the only two men whom Garrison has formally charged with plotting the assassination.

The subpoenas said Howard associated with Ruby, Ferrie and Oswald and Beckham with Oswald and Ferrie, and that Howard also arrived in Dallas in October, 1963, and remained there until the slaying.

Investigates Hall

The FBI investigated Hall and Howard after Mrs. Sylvia Odio told of being visited at her Dallas apartment by three men seeking her help in the anti-Castro movement. Two, she said, gave Spanish names, while the third was introduced as "Leon Oswald."

She later told a Warren Commission investigator she recognized the third man as Lee Harvey Oswald when his picture appeared on television after the assassination.

As the Warren Report was going to press, FBI agents found Hall and identified him as one of Mrs. Odio's three visitors.

Hall said he had indeed visited Mrs. Odio with two other men whom he identified as Howard and a William Seymour, an Arizonan, and said they had asked for assistance in the anti-Castro movement.

Howard admitted to agents he had visited Dallas in September, 1963, but denied going to Mrs. Odio's apartment, as did Seymour, who said he was in Miami Beach at the time.

Hall later told agents he had been mistaken about the visit to Mrs. Odio's, and the Warren Commission concluded Oswald was not at her apartment, as she had claimed, in September, 1963.

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. DeLoach _____
- Mr. Mohr _____
- Mr. Bishop *RB*
- Mr. Casper _____
- Mr. Callahan _____
- Mr. Conrad _____
- Mr. Felt _____
- Mr. Gale _____
- Mr. Rosen _____
- Mr. Sullivan _____
- Mr. Tavel _____
- Mr. Trotter _____
- Tele. Room _____
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"You're kiddin'," ex-
claimed Hall, a bartender
in Kernville, 125 miles
northeast of here, when
informed of the subpoena.

He admitted being in
Dallas during the time
noted on the subpoena and
that he had been active for
one year in the "Free
Cuba" movement.

But he denied ever
meeting Oswald, Ruby,
Ferrie or anyone else
involved in the assassina-
tion or anyone ever men-
tioned by Garrison or any-
one else.

He said he was in Dallas
for two days about two or
three months before the
assassination. I was driv-
ing through on my way to
Miami. . . He said he had

been collecting equip-
ment for the "Free Cuba"
movement from Califor-
nia, Texas and Florida,
and "executing raids on
Cuba—blowing up bridg-
es, starting fire in sugar
cane fields, knocking out
radio antennas—anything
we could do like that."

Howard could not be
reached for comment. It is
believed he may have
moved from an East Los
Angeles address, listed on
the subpoena, to El Monte.