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Shaw's Nightmare Fades As Jim Garrison's Begins

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NEW ORLEANS (UPI)—Clay L. Shaw lived for two years with a "horrifying nightmare," but now that he has been acquitted on charges he conspired to kill President John F. Kennedy, a bad dream of similar proportions has begun for Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison.

Garrison was accused Sunday both by New Orleans legal officials and by the city's press of using his powers unjustly.

The New Orleans Crime Commission charged Garrison's case a "fraud" just as had Shaw's attorney F. Irvin Dymond in his final arguments in long hours of heated summations Friday night.

Shaw was found innocent by an all-male jury in the early hours of Saturday after only 54 minutes of deliberations. Their decision was reached in only one ballot.

William T. Gossett, president of the American Bar Association, said in Detroit that Shaw's attorneys could request his group to investigate Garrison and that the ABA Board of Governors had authority to recommend disciplinary action against Garrison.

New Orleans' press lined up against Garrison's actions in bringing Shaw to trial.

The New Orleans States Item called for Garrison's immediate resignation, saying he is "a man without principle who would pervert the legal process to his own ends."

The New Orleans Times-Picayune called Garrison's use of the state courts to battle the Warren Commission "improper, unjust and an unfair reflection and burden on the community which he was selected to serve."

In an official statement, the New Orleans Crime Commission said another probe should be launched in the city, one to look into allegations that Garrison "attempted bribery and intimidation" in efforts to get statements from witnesses in the Shaw case.

Shaw himself stayed in seclusion Sunday, but he appeared to have recovered from the long ordeal on Saturday when he held a news conference.

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He was all smiles during the conference except when he speculated on what his chances for acquittal might have been had he not been financially able to afford a good legal defense.

"The thought has rarely been absent from my mind during the two years what would have happened if I had been friendless, absolutely poor—as I will be soon, but am not at this time—and not in a position to defend myself," Shaw said. "And you can't keep thinking

that maybe this has happened more often than any of us realize."

Shaw said the entire two years since his arrest had been a "horrible nightmare," and said he was surprised that the press had not paid more attention to a group of New Orleans businessmen calling themselves "Truth and Consequences" which gave financial support to Garrison's investigation of the Kennedy assassination.

"I was appalled to think that a public official would accept funds from two or three rich men to investigate anybody or anything. I think this is one of the most vicious things I have ever heard of," Shaw said.

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