

Kohn Again Contends DA Should Be Probed ^{7/7}

Aaron M. Kohn, managing director of the Metropolitan Crime Commission, today reiterated his contention that the governor and attorney general should investigate methods used by District Attorney Jim Garrison in his investigation of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

Kohn cited a number of laws under which he said this authority is provided and added the MCC executive committee has under consideration another communication to the governor asking for such action.

KOHN ALSO TOLD the Young Men's Business Club, meeting at the Roosevelt Hotel, that the state is badly in need of the creation of career jobs in the DA's office, rather than having good, competent people replaced in a change of administration.

He also suggested that the term of the Orleans Parish Grand Jury be extended whenever it is necessary to complete an investigation; that grand jurors be paid; and that the jurors be provided money to hire their own investigators.

KOHN SUGGESTED that a 1934 law which was held unconstitutional in 1943 should be reinstated and give the attorney general the right to supplant a DA for nonperformance of his duties or for malfeasance.

He said the law was declared invalid because the DA had no

GARRISON SETS UP CONDITIONS FOR TV

Asks Hour on NBC to Reply
—Balks at Panel Format

District Attorney Jim Garrison of New Orleans set two conditions last night for his acceptance of an invitation by the National Broadcasting Company to reply to its criticism of his investigation of the Kennedy assassination.

Speaking in a telephone interview, Mr. Garrison said he would agree to rebut the criticism only if he received a full hour at prime time rather than the 30 minutes offered, and only if no panel took part in the program.

He said he would give this information to NBC today either by letter or by telephone. Mr. Garrison received the network's invitation in a telegram last Thursday from Donald Meaney, vice president for news. Mr. Meaney is said to have suggested a panel as one possible format.

Criticisms of the Garrison inquiry appeared on "The J.F.K. Conspiracy: The Case of Jim Garrison," a special news program telecast last June 19.

Opposes Panel Format

Mr. Garrison, reached at his home, said:

"I'll take an hour at the same time but only on my conditions."

He said the network had offered him the half-hour at 8 P.M. on July 15.

Mr. Garrison said he did not want to appear with a panel "because I will have to spend half my time educating them

because they have not read the Warren Commission report."

Mr. Meaney declined to comment on the matter until he had discussed it with Mr. Garrison.

During the hour-long program, NBC produced the former owner of a Turkish bath who said Mr. Garrison's representatives had offered him money if he could remember that Clay L. Shaw, a retired businessman indicted on a charge of conspiracy to kill President Kennedy, had once frequented his establishment using the name "Clay Bertrand" and accompanied by a young man named "Lee."

Mr. Garrison has asserted that Mr. Shaw used the name "Clay Bertrand" and met with Lee Harvey Oswald and others to plot the murder of President Kennedy. The Warren Commission said Oswald acted alone in the assassination.

Charges Against Garrison

NEW ORLEANS, July 4 (UPI)—Aaron Kohn, Director of the New Orleans Metropolitan Crime Commission, said yesterday that 22 criminal allegations had been made against Mr. Garrison and his staff in the course of the district attorney's investigation of the Kennedy assassination.

Mr. Kohn, speaking before the New Orleans Press Club, said it was essential for the state Attorney General, Jack Gremillion, to look into the allegations.

He said Mr. Garrison had been accused of criminal conspiracy, attempts to intimidate and bribe witnesses, inciting such felonies as perjury, battery or conspiracy to commit battery, criminal defamation and public bribery.

He said the charges had been made by Newsweek, the Saturday Evening Post, NBC, CBS and local news media. **TNP**

Andrews Quits Jeff DA Post

Dean Adams Andrews Jr., for the past four months a central figure in Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison's Kennedy death plot probe, has resigned his post as assistant district attorney of Jefferson Parish.

Jefferson District Attorney Frank H. Langridge announced Andrews' resignation yesterday, but gave no reason for the decision. He has been replaced by Kenner attorney Samuel W. Ethridge.

Andrews was suspended by Langridge last March, just prior to his indictment for perjury before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury.

GARRISON HAD apparently wanted him to identify retired businessman Clay Shaw as the man who called Andrews a day after the 1963 assassination of President Kennedy, identifying himself as "Clay Bertrand" and asked Andrews to defend Lee Harvey Oswald, accused killer of the President.

Shaw, former director of the International Trade Mart, is awaiting trial for allegedly conspiring to murder the President.

Andrews said he resigned from the DA's office to concentrate on his private law practice, which he conducts from an office in the Maison Blanche

building.

THE ROTUND, hip-talking attorney said that as an assistant district attorney he was prohibited from acting in criminal cases.

Andrews has complained bitterly in recent weeks that Garrison's tactics, particularly the perjury indictment, have crippled his law practice.

As a result, he said, he has been forced to take on a second job, acting as master of ceremonies and sitting in on the bass fiddle at Mahogany Hall, 522 Bourbon, a traditional jazz house.

"I DON'T MIND it," he commented, "because I dig that bit."

Andrews' second son was born at 4:15 p. m. yesterday. He and his wife also have two girls.

The resignations of two other assistant Jefferson district attorneys were announced yesterday by Langridge. He said Joseph Gréfer and Gordon Bynum both wanted to devote more time to private practice. They will be replaced by James F. Quaid Jr. and James M. Lockhart Jr. **END**

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Jury Calls Gurvich, Prisoner to Testify

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William Gurvich and John "the Baptist" Cancler were subpoenaed today to appear before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury Wednesday in connection with District Attorney Jim Garrison's probe of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

The subpoena for Gurvich, a former Garrison investigative aide in the probe, was sent to his home address, 4501 Cleveland pl., Metairie.

Cancler is an inmate of Parish Prison, awaiting court action after a burglary conviction.

Gurvich defected from the DA's office a few weeks ago, after he paid a visit to U.S. Sen. Robert F. Kennedy in New York City. He returned to New Orleans, charging there was no basis for Garrison's investigation. He voluntarily testified before the grand jury last Wednesday.

In a recent National Broadcasting Co. TV special, Cancler said he was asked by a member of the DA's staff to break into the French Quarter house of Clay L. Shaw, who has been charged with conspiracy in the Kennedy slaying.

THE SUBPENAS THIS morning were ordered by Assistant DA Richard V. Burnes.

Burnes said that while subpoenas are usually issued by the foreman of the grand jury, Article 439 of the Louisiana

Code of Criminal Procedure gives the DA authority to issue them.

Asked why Gurvich had been subpoenaed, Burnes said, "He appeared voluntarily last week, but since he's not beating on the door any longer to get in, we decided to issue a subpoena just to see whether he really has any information.

"This time we want the grand jury to hear him out on a put up or shut up basis to draw out the evidence, if he has any."

ASKED WHETHER GURVICH had given significant information to the jury last Wednesday, Burnes replied "I really wish I could tell you about that, but unfortunately the secrecy of the grand jury must be preserved."

He said the private detective was being subpoenaed rather than asked to appear voluntarily "to insure his appearance. Without a subpoena, there's no guarantee that he would be available."

Cancler is awaiting a decision by Criminal District Judge Oliver P. Schulingkamp on a motion for a new trial based on another man's testimony that he, not Cancler, committed the burglary of which Cancler is accused.

The alleged confession was made subsequent to Cancler's conviction in February.

BURNES SAID THE GRAND jury subpoena is "totally unconnected with Cancler's burglary case now pending in court."

"He's just another person who professes to have knowledge of the case. This is a put up or shut up operation with him, too. He has never testified under oath to the charges he made over nationwide television. We want to give him that chance."

Asked whether in his opinion either Cancler or Gurvich would be able to supply the grand jury with any significant information, Burnes replied "positively not."

Later today, Perry Raymond Russo, star witness in a preliminary hearing for Shaw last March, showed up at Garrison's office. *END*