

Oswald Told FBI of Plot To Kill JFK, Says DA

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District Attorney Jim Garrison said here today that Lee Harvey Oswald, acting as a federal informant, told the FBI five days before the assassination of John F. Kennedy that an attempt would be made on the President's life.

Garrison speaking at a press conference at the Monteleone Hotel, said he has evidence that those involved in a conspiracy to kill Mr. Kennedy had a final meeting Sunday Nov. 17, 1963.

"That day, the FBI sent out a TWX (interbureau telegram) announcing that on Nov. 22, an attempt will be made to assassinate John F. Kennedy in Dallas."

OSWALD, WHO WAS SHOT IN DALLAS by Jack Ruby two days after Kennedy's death, was identified by the Warren Commission as the lone assassin involved in the shooting of the President.

Garrison, who has been conducting his own investigation of the president's death for more than a year, said today that Oswald was employed as an FBI informant, that those involved in the conspiracy knew Oswald was an informant and intended all along to "make him the goat."

He said the telegram containing the alleged plot information "went to J. Edgar Hoover. What came down to the President, you can judge for yourself in that he was allowed to ride without a bubbletop (on his car) in that parade in Dallas."

Hoover is director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation

Garrison said that Edgar Eugene Bradley of North Hollywood, Calif., whom he charged last week with conspiring to assassinate the President, tried in 1964 to work up support in California for Hoover as a presidential candidate.

He was unsuccessful, Garrison said, because "the assassination team just wasn't that large."

THE DA SAID THAT, while he does not believe that President Johnson was involved in the assassination, he considers him an active accessory after the fact.

He called the President the "most active person in the country in protecting the interests of President Kennedy."

Garrison said he has "mixed opinions" about accelerating his probe as an issue in the upcoming presidential campaign.

He said he thinks he is a Democrat, "but if you elect a man who knowingly concealed evidence of the death of his predecessor, you might as well let him hold office indefinitely."

THE PRESIDENT had to know, the DA said, that "Oswald did not pull that trigger and he had to know it before sunset Nov. 22, 1963."

He referred to George Orwell's novel, "1984" and quoted a passage which says, "He who controls the past controls the future." Garrison said, "That is the Johnson philosophy."

"He (Johnson) can't be allowed to get away with it," Garrison said in his attack on evidence concealed by the government.

GARRISON DECLINED to discuss his case against Bradley, the latest man charged. He said the Bradley case will

not delay the trial of Clay L. Shaw, who was charged with conspiracy in the assassination, last March 1 and is scheduled to go to trial in February.

He indicated that he does not expect any trouble getting Bradley arrested on a fugitive warrant.

Asked if he expects any trouble in getting Bradley extradited from California, Garrison said he does not know. He said he does know he has not been able to extradite anyone from "states with Democratic governors." California Gov. Ronald Reagan is a Republican.

Garrison emphasized repeatedly during the conference that when he speaks of "right-wing, militant individuals" he is not speaking about "conservatives" as such.

Bradley Seeks Hearing to Stop La. Extradition

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Edgar Eugene Bradley, free on his own recognizance, sought an extradition hearing today to avoid a Louisiana trial in connection with the Kennedy assassination.

The final decision on whether the North Hollywood public relations man will be extradited apparently will lie with Gov. Ronald Reagan of California.

As his lawyer pledged to fight extradition "every inch of the way," Bradley surrendered yesterday on a fugitive complaint based on a warrant accusing him of conspiring to assassinate former President John F. Kennedy.

THE SURRENDER came six days after Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison of New Orleans ordered the warrant sent to Los Angeles. "Believe me, I don't have a thing to hide," said Bradley as he arrived with 20 friends in the office of Sheriff Peter J. Pitchess.

Bradley was arraigned promptly in Municipal Court and released on his own recognizance. The hearing on the New Orleans fugitive complaint was continued to Jan. 29.

Bradley is the second person charged by Garrison in the 1963 assassination in Dallas, Tex. New Orleans businessman Clay L. Shaw is awaiting trial under an indictment of conspiracy to commit murder.

Bradley's attorney, George J. Jensen, told newsmen he had asked Reagan's legal affairs secretary for a "full-fledged" extradition hearing on the assumption that Louisiana Gov. John McKeithen will file a request that Bradley be brought to New Orleans for prosecution.

LATER A GROUP called the Citizens' Committee of Inquiry urged Reagan by letter to extradite Bradley to permit a trial of the case. The group claims it represents 20,000 Americans.

Bradley has denied any prior knowledge that Kennedy would be killed, saying he was on a bus between Oklahoma and El Paso, Tex., at the time of the assassination.

"I know I'm not guilty of any crime. God knows I'm not guilty. That's the important thing," Bradley said after his arraignment.

Bradley lives in North Hollywood. He and his wife have a daughter and a son.

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SURRENDERS IN

Edgar Eugene Bradley surrendered today to Los Angeles authorities to face charges of conspiring to kill President John F. Kennedy and was released without posting bond.

The office of District Attorney Jim Garrison in New Orleans had recommended a \$10,000 bond for Bradley, but LA Municipal Judge David J. Aisenson released him on his own recognizance.

LA assistant DA Joseph Carr told the judge he had no objection to the release of Bradley because he had lived in the same house since 1941.

GEORGE JENSEN, BRADLEY'S ATTORNEY, reiterated his vow to "fight tooth and nail" to prevent his client's extradition to Louisiana.

Jensen accompanied Bradley to the office of LA Sheriff Peter Pitchess to surrender.

Judge Aisenson also granted Jensen a 30-day continuance to prepare his case against extradition.

Jensen, in a news conference after the arraignment proceedings, said

the defense is seeking a college student who he said sat beside Bradley on a bus traveling from Oklahoma to El Paso on Nov. 22, 1963, the day President Kennedy was shot to death in Dallas.

GARRISON HAS CHARGED THAT BRADLEY was in Dallas that day.

Jensen, a former FBI agent, issued an appeal for the student to come forward and testify. He did not give his name.

He said three other witnesses who saw Bradley that day are also being sought.

Jensen made public a letter he said he has sent to California Gov. Ronald Reagan asking him to notify Louisiana that Bradley will not be extradited until Clay Shaw is brought to trial.

THE LAWYER SAID HE BELIEVES Garrison should be made to bring his proof against Shaw into court and prove him guilty before any action is taken against Bradley.

THE EXTRADITION hearing will not be set until Gov. John J. McKeithen files a formal request with Gov. Reagan.

Jensen said yesterday he "will not let Bradley go to Louisiana."

THE LOS ANGELES district attorney's office issued a fugitive complaint yesterday against Bradley, 49, of North Hollywood.

The complaint was based on a Louisiana warrant obtained by Garrison charging Bradley with conspiracy to commit murder.

In a news conference yesterday in New Orleans, Garrison said Bradley worked in 1964 to drum up presidential support in California for FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover.

HE ALSO declared that Lee Harvey Oswald, identified by the Warren Commission as Kennedy's assassin, was an agent of the Central Intelligence Agency and that Oswald had tipped the FBI about the assassination plot five days before it happened. He said Oswald was a "patsy."



The Louisiana warrant doesn't mention President Kennedy or any other alleged victim," Dist. Atty. Evelle J. Younger told a news conference yesterday.

Younger added that the complaint "does not indicate opinion on our part as to the validity of the charge or the guilt or innocence of Mr. Bradley."

Bradley has denied Garrison's accusations, contending he knows nothing of the Kennedy killing other than what has been made public.

He is the second man Garrison has charged with conspiracy in the 1963 assassination of Kennedy in Dallas. Under indictment is a New Orleans businessman, Clay L. Shaw.

BRADLEY IS West Coast representative of Dr. Carl McIntire, a New Jersey radio broadcaster.

At his news conference, Garrison declined to discuss the charges against Bradley, saying it would prejudice his case.