

SUSPECT IN 'PLOT' GIVES UP ON COAST

Will Start Move to Prevent
Extradition to Louisiana

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LOS ANGELES, Dec. 27 —

Edgar Eugene Bradley, 49-year-old field representative for an Eastern evangelist, voluntarily surrendered to the authorities today in response to a New Orleans warrant charging him with conspiring to assassinate President Kennedy.

Insisting that the charge was at best a case of mistaken identity, Mr. Bradley was arraigned in Municipal Court before Judge David Ainsenson.

He was released on his own recognizance until Jan. 29 to give him time, under state law, to prepare formal opposition to his extradition to Louisiana.

The complaint originated with District Attorney Sam Garrison of New Orleans, who has been in the news for months with his assertion that President Kennedy's death involved persons other than Lee Harvey Oswald, the officially recorded assassin.

Mr. Garrison has named as another participant in the alleged plot Clay Shaw, a retired New Orleans businessman.

Charge Denied

Mr. Bradley, who lives in suburban North Hollywood, is a regional representative of Dr. Carl McIntire, of Collingswood, N. J., director of the American Council of Christian Churches, whose regular radio programs are known for their conservative orientation.

Mr. Bradley has said that he never was in New Orleans until last spring, and at the time of the assassination was on a bus bound from Tulsa to El Paso.

District Attorney Evell J. Younger of Los Angeles County, who issued a fugitive warrant for Mr. Bradley on receipt of the complaint from New Orleans, said he had no alternative under state law and that his action implied no judgment of the merits of complaint or of Mr. Bradley's innocence or guilt.

The defendant's lawyer, George Jensen, said that proceedings to resist extradition would be instituted both in the courts and with Gov. Ronald Reagan.



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SURRENDERS: Edgar Eugene Bradley, charged in a New Orleans warrant with conspiring to kill President John F. Kennedy, entering Los Angeles Sheriff's office.

Mr. Bradley, who has lived here since 1941, walked into the office of County Sheriff Peter Pitchess this morning accompanied by Mr. Jensen and 20 friends and neighbors.

Asked by reporters about his being drawn into the case, he said:

"I understand there is another Bradley, a man going by the name of Gene Bradley, as I understand it, brought here through some kind of exchange with Cuba."

Oswald was active in the pro-Castro "Fair Play for Cuba Committee," operating out of New Orleans.