

DA HURLS MORE CHARGES AT CIA

But Lawyers Deny Getting Federal Money

District Attorney Jim Garrison leveled more charges at the Central Intelligence Agency Thursday, this time claiming the CIA is paying lawyers of persons involved in his assassination investigation.

Garrison's latest charges came during an impromptu press conference as he stepped out of a special session of the Orleans Parish Grand Jury, which spent the better part of the day hearing testimony of the author of a book critical of Warren Commission findings. The jury exited late in the afternoon without making returns.

"Naturally, they are paying lawyers involved. There's no question about that," Garrison said.

Answering a question about Burton Klein, who represents Alvin Beaubouef, a one-time roommate of key assassination probe figure David W. Ferrie, Garrison said:

"We have reason to believe that Mr. Klein has recently been to Washington, D. C."

Contacted about Garrison's statement, Klein said:

"I emphatically deny the statement made by Mr. Garrison that I contacted the CIA or

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spoke to anyone acting for that organization.

"There is no basis in fact for the statement. I am disappointed and amazed that Mr. Garrison would have uttered such an irresponsible remark.

"I am answering the statement because I have no intention of permitting Mr. Garrison to cloud the fact that a member of his staff attempted to bribe Mr. Beaubouef. The evidence is irrefutable.

"I am equally amazed that he has not contacted me so that I may give him the opportunity of reviewing the evidence."

Later in the day Supt. of Police Joseph I. Giarrusso revealed that Klein discussed the alleged bribery attempt with his office, but said he has begun no official investigation.

Giarrusso said, however, that he has begun preliminarily looking into the matter, which involves accusations against two of Garrison's investigators, who are police officers assigned to his office. Giarrusso noted that he had not received a complaint from Beaubouef.

Steven B. Plotkin, the New Orleans attorney who represents Gordon Novel, was also accused by Garrison of CIA financing.

"We know that Mr. Plotkin has been receiving money, if only through an intermediary from the CIA," Garrison said.

When told of the statement, Plotkin replied: "I have never received any money from the CIA or from any known agent of the CIA."

MARCUS TESTIFIES

Raymond Marcus, the latest author to testify, entered the grand jury room at 9 a.m. carrying a package which appeared to contain photographic enlargements.

Later, Assistant District Attorney Alvin V. Oser entered with a blown-up picture of Dealey Plaza, scene of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

After the jury disbanded Marcus was seen performing an odd experiment with a blow-up of a picture in front of the criminal courts building.

Marcus crossed Tulane ave., apparently to gain distance,

and held the large picture so that it could be seen from the district attorney's office, which is on the second floor of the courts building.

Unrecognizable as anything close up, the pattern of black and white checks at a distance was vaguely recognizable as a face.

Marcus would not comment on what the picture represents.

Marcus' book, "The Bastard Bullet," contends that a projectile found on the floor of Dallas' Parkland Hospital could not have struck either Kennedy or Gov. John Connally of Texas.

As the jury met, reworked extradition papers for the return of Sergio Arcacha Smith were on their way to the Texas attorney general.

Assistant District Attorney James L. Alcock said similar action is imminent for Gordon Novel, who is fighting extradition in Columbus, Ohio.

Both men are charged with conspiracy to burglarize a munitions bunker near Houma in August of 1961.

Both men are also wanted by Garrison as witnesses in his Kennedy death investigation.

In each case previously sent extradition papers were returned to Louisiana because of what were described as technical imperfections.

Garrison possibly wants to question the two about their associations with Ferrie and anti-Castro organizations in New Orleans. The burglary conspiracy charge said Ferrie was involved.

Arcacha established the Cuban Democratic Revolutionary Front in New Orleans at the end of 1960 and was head of it into 1961. Ferrie reportedly attended meetings of the group, and at least one witness in the Warren Commission hearings said that Federal Bureau of Investigation agent Warren C. DeBreuys attended meetings of an anti-Castro group not identified as the CDRF.

DeBreuys was one of the men for whom a grand jury subpoena was issued last week. It was not served as DeBreuys

was out of the jurisdiction of Criminal District Court.

Ferrie was one of the men accused by Garrison of plotting the death of Kennedy. The others are Lee Harvey Oswald and 54-year-old Clay L. Shaw of New Orleans.

Attorney Klein, who represents Alvin Beaubouef, said Wednesday that he has turned over to Jefferson Parish authorities a tape recording of what he describes as an attempt to bribe his client.

Klein said Beaubouef was offered \$3,000 and a job if he would "help substantiate the alleged plot" against Kennedy.

The alleged bribe attempt involved investigators Lynn Loisel and Louis Ivon, two policemen assigned to Garrison's office.

Supt. Giarrusso said Klein visited his office May 5 and discussed the matter with Deputy Supt. Presly J. Trosclair.

Klein told Trosclair that he had not talked with Beaubouef

about making a complaint, Giarrusso said.

Klein also said that he would return with Beaubouef Monday or Tuesday to make a formal complaint, but had not done so as of Thursday afternoon, Giarrusso said.

Giarrusso said he discussed the matter briefly with Loisel and Ivon Wednesday afternoon.