

Judge Bars Warren Report

NEW ORLEANS, March 26 (UPI) — Criminal District Judge Edward Haggerty Jr. has dismissed the Warren Commission report from the trial of Clay L. Shaw, charged with conspiracy in an alleged plot to assassinate President Kennedy.

Haggerty concluded: "The Warren Report is full of hearsay evidence and the witnesses who testified before the Warren Commission are not available for confrontation in this trial."

Shaw's lawyers tried to get the report into evidence at an earlier hearing in the case.

Haggerty made the statement yesterday. The case was assigned to his section of the court by lot.

Last week the Orleans Parish Grand Jury indicted Shaw, a retired business executive, for conspiracy after hearing from witness Perry Raymond Russo, who said he heard Shaw, the late David W. Ferrie and Lee Harvey Oswald plot President Kennedy's assassination after a party at Ferrie's apartment here in September 1963.

Russo testified he went to the party with a girl he identified as Sandra Moffit, who left the apartment before he did.

This testimony has now been challenged by an Omaha, Neb., minister's wife who claims she was the Sandra Moffit in question. Mrs. Harold McMains told the Omaha World Herald she had been a close friend of Russo's at the time, but did not attend the party and did not meet Ferrie until 1965.

She said she could only speculate why Russo brought her name into it. "He probably thought 'Good old Sandy, she'll stand up for me because she loves me,'" Mrs. McMains said.