

Garrison Takes *r-p*
Early Lead *11/9/69*

New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison shot off to an early lead in Saturday's Democratic primary to elect a district attorney.

With 55 precincts of the city's 411 precincts reporting, the vote was:

Garrison	3,952
Harry F. Connick	7,634
Charles Ray Ward ...	1,023
Ross T. Scaccia	552

Garrison held a majority of 738 votes over his three opponents with the 55 precincts reporting.

If there is a second primary, it will be held Dec. 13. The Democratic nominee would then face Phil Trice, unopposed for the Republican nomination, in the April general election.