

BRIBE SUSPECT ARRESTED AGAIN

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D'Alton Smith Picked Up
in Los Angeles

A former New Orleans contractor indicted Sept. 29 by the East Baton Rouge Parish Grand Jury on charges of attempted public bribery of Aubrey Young, former aide to Gov. John J. McKeithen, was arrested a second time in Los Angeles, Calif.

D'Alton Smith was released Tuesday night on a \$27,500 bond, and is scheduled for arraignment at 11 a.m. Friday.

The first arrest of Smith came on his surrender to police in Denton, Tex. At the time, he was released on \$1,500 bond. He was to have surrendered to Los Angeles police with his attorney but turned up in Texas.

A duplicate warrant for Smith's arrest was received last week by the Los Angeles County District Attorney's office from the East Baton Rouge sheriff.

Los Angeles police, earlier told by Smith's attorney that Smith was in Texas, reasoned the duplicate warrant might be a mistake. However, they checked with Baton Rouge authorities and were told the original warrant was valid.

Smith was arrested by two detectives as he was removing letters from his mail box in front of his Laurel Canyon home.

Smith, once active in Los Angeles County politics before coming to Louisiana, is charged with offering Young \$25,000 to act as an intermediary in an effort to get Baton Rouge teamster official Edward G. Partin, to change testimony he gave during the 1962 jury tampering trial of Teamster president James Hoffa.