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New Orleans -- (Reuters) --- Louisians's governor today agreed to appear before the Andreanan New Olrwans grand a widespassed jury making as state officials pressed shead with an investigation of organized crime.

Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison said he had invited Gov.
Thursday
John J. McKiethen to make the appearance and tell the jury
what he knows about syndicated crime activities in this area.

The governor responded from the capital at Baten Rouge the he would be "glad to do so" if his testimony will hemp the grand jury.

Meanwhile, police at Baton Reuge announced that a contractor indicted for the attempted bribery of a former member of the governor's efficial staff had surrendered to police at Los Angeles, Colif.

The manted man is New Olrwans builder D'Alton Smith, whemthe Baten Rouge grand jury a cused of effering a \$25,000 bribe to McKiethen's former security chief, & Col. Aubrey Young.

The money was effered to Simhum Young, the jury charged, in an effort by Smith to obtain testimon that Teamsters Union by means of President James R. Hoffs was convicted thunnant hand according to a federal penitentiary after convictions of jury tampering and fredulent use of union funds.

The U.S. government's chief witness against Hedfa during a trial two years mm age was local Teamsters Union leader at Baten Reuge, Edward G. Partin.

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Cel. Young admitted introducing Smith to Partin but denied taking the bribe. His admission led to his resignation from McKeithen's staff.

Young, however, denied taking that professions money from Smith, whose indictment Friday fellowed an appearance by Young before the Baten Rouhe grand jury.

The developments were the latest in a continuing statewide erime kunt touc ed off by charges in a national magazine (Life) that Louisians is rife with organized crime controlled by the Cesa Nestra.

Three others scheduled to appear before the New Orleans grand jury Thursday are Carles Marcelle, frequently named as the syndicated crime chief of Louisiana, and his two brothers.

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New Orleans -- (Reuters) --- The prespects for an early trial for accused presidential murder conspirator Clay

L. Shaw dimmed today, and attorneys were predicting the long-awaited courtroom drams would be delayed until after Christmas.

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Lawyers for the 54-year-eld retired New Olrwans businessman last week asked the court to delay Shaw's trial at least six months or change than it to another jurisdiction.

They said that Shaw, accused by Dist. Atty. Jim

Garrison of participating in a plot to murder the late President

John F. Kennedy at Dallas, could not get a fair trial in New Orleans

"now or in the near future."

The DA's effice ebjected to a change of venue but said it would not stand in the way of a "easenable delay."

Asst. DA James L. Alcock said he did not expect the trial would begin until after the Christmas season.

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