

Garrison Seeking Shaw Military Data

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NEW ORLEANS, La. (AP)— Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison Thursday subpoenaed the military records of Clay L. Shaw, a retired executive charged with conspiring to murder President Kennedy.

Shaw, 54, was a decorated Army major in World War II. The subpoena for his records

will be served on the administrator of veterans affairs in Washington.

William J. Driver, administrator, was ordered in the subpoena to have the file on Shaw ready to be produced in criminal district court here April 24.

EXCEPT FOR the subpoena, a matter of public record, Garrison's controversial probe went its secret way, trailed by rumor and enriched by an odd side-light involving the Louisiana governor's office.

In Baton Rouge, Thomas Burbank, superintendent of state police, said his department once bought "anti-bugging" electronic gear from Gordon Nove — a man Dist. Atty. Garrison is trying to pry out of Ohio for questioning in the probe.

Burbank said the equipment was purchased from a New Orleans firm headed by Novel after a 1965 report that the governor's office was being "bugged" with hidden microphones.

"We never did find any equipment in the office," said Burbank.

NOVEL SOLD HIS New Orleans lounge and hustled out of state beyond Garrison's easy legal reach, after an appearance before the grand jury probing the alleged conspiracy to kill President John F. Kennedy.

"A police state inquisition," he said, in condemning the investigation. He was arrested near Columbus, Ohio, last Saturday on warrants resulting from a burglary conspiracy charge filed by Garrison.

Free under \$10,000 bond, Novel said he will fight extradition.

The 1961 burglary involved the theft of explosives from an oil company's storage bunker near Houma, La. Its connection with the alleged assassination conspiracy, if any, was

not clear.

LAYTON P. MARTENS, a 24-year-old University of Southwest Louisiana student, posted \$2,500 bond on a perjury indictment, based on his testimony before the grand jury March 29 in regard to the burglary.

Martens told reporters previously that he lived with David W. Ferrie for a period in 1963 and was certain that Ferrie never had Lee Harvey Oswald of Shaw in the apartment.

Garrison said Shaw and Oswald met with Ferrie at the Ferrie apartment in September, 1963, to talk over an assassination plot.

Oswald was killed in Dallas. Ferrie died in his apartment last February, during Garrison's investigation.

Records in the Louisiana secretary of state's office list an Electronics Systems International as filing papers June 27, 1966, listing Novel among the incorporators.

Dean Andrews, recently indicted on a perjury charge by the grand jury in the conspiracy probe, was listed as attorney for the firm.