JFK Plot Case In N. Orleans Facing a Test

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The New Orleans' investigation into an alleged plot to kill President Kennedy faces a court test today when attorneys move to quash the conspiracy indictment against wealthy businessman Clay L. Shaw.

Attorneys for Shaw, 54, will move to have the court order District Attorney Jim Garrison to return to Shaw personal belongings seized during a raid on his French Quarter home. They will also petition the court to order Garrison to file a bill of particulars stating exact times, dates and places concerning the alleged conspiracy linked to Kennedy's assassination in Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963.

Shaw's attorneys have subpenaed 33 persons for today's hearing before Criminal District Judge Haggerty. The witnesses will include the other seven judges who preside with Haggerty in the New Orleans Criminal Courts and Garrison.

Further Witnesses

Also slated to appear are the 12 grand jurors who voted the indictment and the organizers of "Truth and Consequences, Inc." a group of New Orleans businessmen who are privately financing the Garrison investigation. They reportedly have donated some $9,000 to the investigation.

Shaw is the only person indicted as an alleged conspirator.

Garrison has charged in court that Shaw conspired with Lee Harvey Oswald—named by the Warren Commission as the lone assassin of Kennedy—and David W. Farrie, a pilot now dead, in planning the assassination. Garrison has since added the name of Jack Ruby, the man who killed Oswald while the nation watched on television, to the list of conspirators.

Garrison also recently charged that Oswald never fired a shot in Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963, that the assassination was accomplished by a group of Cubans firing from a bluff along the Dallas parade route.

Influence Charged

The New York Times today published a story by Gene Roberts, their Southern correspondent, who said he had interviewed two Louisiana prisoners who signed statements that Garrison's investigators offered them leniency concessions if they would help support Garson's charges.