

Andrews Posts \$1,000 Bond on New Perjury Counts

District Attorney Aides Drop First Charge

Dean A. Andrews Jr., presently under suspension as a Jefferson Parish assistant district attorney, posted a \$1,000 bond in New Orleans Thursday in the wake of a five-count indictment charging him with perjury.

It was the second perjury indictment for Andrews handed down by the Orleans Parish Grand Jury which charged that the rotund, hip-talking attorney wilfully and knowingly lied under oath while testifying in connection with District Attorney

Jim Garrison's probe into an alleged New Orleans plot to murder President John P. Kennedy.

The first indictment, leveled against Andrews last month, was not pressed Thursday by one of Garrison's assistants.

Andrews' testimony centered around his legal dealings with Lee Harvey Oswald, whom he represented on several minor matters, and his conversations with a man who called himself Clay Bertrand. Garrison says Bertrand was used as an alias by Clay L. Shaw, 54-year-old retired International Trade Mart managing director, who is

awaiting trial on a charge of conspiring to assassinate President Kennedy.

GUILT DENIED

Sam Monk Zelden, Andrews' attorney, Thursday denied that his client is guilty of perjury, and said he found nothing "contradictory or perjurious" in Andrews' statements before the grand jury.

The first indictment was not pressed by Assistant District Attorney Andrew J. Sciambra.

In another development Thursday, the case of Gordon Novel, former New Orleans bar owner who is free on bond in Columbus, Ohio, was allotted to Criminal District Court Judge Rudolph E. Becker.

Novel, 29, was called an important material witness by Garrison. In an expanded effort to have Novel returned to New Orleans, Garrison leveled two charges of theft against him. Novel also was charged with conspiring to commit simple burglary of a Houma munitions bunker in August of 1961.

Novel stated in Ohio that he will fight extradition proceedings to the U. S. Supreme Court.

On Andrews' perjury reindictment, Zelden told newsmen Thursday that the new indictment "just means I'm going to have to start all over from scratch."

A lengthy report of the alleged perjurious testimony was released Wednesday. Zelden said, however, that portions of the testimony which may not have been revealed could hold the answer to Garrison's charges against Andrews.

"Is that the complete testimony," Zelden asked of the transcript released by the jury. "I don't think so."

After the original indictment was dismissed Thursday, Andrews predicted to newsmen

that some startling new development in the case will occur soon.

REFERS TO 'GIANT'

"There's some guys not involved down here who's been keeping a clock on the whole thing," said Andrews. "And when it comes out they're going to put the hat on the giant." The last comment was a reference to Garrison, often called the "Jolly Green Giant" by Andrews.

While at the Criminal Courts Building Thursday, Andrews posted a \$1,000 bond brought about by his reindictment.

Questioned further on the predicted new developments, Andrews commented: "I don't have nothing to do with it. I just met these two guys in a bar last week, and I ask them what they're doing down here because I know what kind of business they're in."

"They ask me what do I know about Big Jim, and I say, ho, ho, ho, what can I do for you?"

In his testimony before the grand jury, Andrews said that he could not positively identify Shaw and Bertrand as being the same man. He said that Shaw appeared to be taller than the man he knew as Bertrand.

Friend of Russo Dropped from LSU

BATON ROUGE (AP) — Steve Derby, a close friend of Perry Raymond Russo, has been dropped from the rolls of Louisiana State University, it was disclosed today.

Russo was the star witness in New Orleans Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison's investigation into the Kennedy Assassination. He testified in a hearing against Clay Shaw, who is charged with conspiring to kill Kennedy.

Derby, 20, a sophomore, lived

in an athletic dormitory but he also said he spent considerable time at Russo's apartment near the LSU campus.

A university spokesman declined to say why Derby had been dropped from school. He had been removed from the baseball team about a week ago.