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D.A. TO SUBPENA KENNEDY X-RAYS

New Procedure Set for Garrison Probe

Upon request by Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison, a private attorney in Washington, D.C., is expected to file a subpoena early next week for the appearance here of Dr. James B. Rhoads, archivist of the United States.

To be filed in the Court of General Sessions, the subpoena will ask Rhoads to appear and bring with him all of the X-ray and photographic records connected with the autopsy conducted on the body of President John F. Kennedy after he was assassinated in Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963.

The move was a new legal procedure by Garrison to obtain the X-rays and photographs of the autopsy for use in the January trial of Clay Shaw, a New Orleans businessman accused by Garrison of conspiring to kill President Kennedy.

In a previous attempt, Garrison had asked for the appearance of a United States attorney in New Orleans to provide the records, but this request was turned down.

The district attorney and other critics of the Warren Commission investigation of the assassination contend there is some doubt about the number of bullets fired at Kennedy. The X-rays and photographs bear on the controversy.