

Promises to Arrest A

NEW ORLEANS-(UPI)-District Attorney Jim Garrison said today he has solved the assassination of President Kennedy and will arrest every individual involved. Carrie Car

Asked when arrests could be expected, he said: "Thirty or 40 years. I am

not saying that to be facetious, but we don't want to alert anyone that we are going to arrest, so there might be a repeat of what happened to David W. Ferrie."

Garrison made the startling statement on his way to a meeting with a group of local businessmen who said they will finance Garrison's investigation of a conspiracy hatched in New Orleans to kill the President.

3-MONTH PROBE

Garrison revealed less than a week ago he had been investigating the conspiracy for three months.

He promised arrests. charges and convictions.

Two days ago, the body of Ferrie - a man Garrison said was deeply involved in the conspiracy - was found in his apartment. Garrison said Ferrie killed himself and repeated his belief today.

However, Orleans Parish (county) Coroner Nicholas Chetta said less than an hour earlier it appeared Ferrie died a natural death.

Chetta ruled out violent murder and said there was no evidence of death-dealing chemicals or poisons in Ferrie's body.

SET UP FUND A group of businessmen headed by oilman Joseph Rault Jr. and automobile

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D.A. Claims He's Solved JFK Plot

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dealer Willard E. Robertson met at noon to set up a fund to pay for Garrison's probe.

Garrison said earlier in the week he would have to find another method of financing the investigation because records of his spending were public and newspapers were revealing them.

The businessmen who rallied to finance Garrison's campaign were planning to into the assassination of pledge at least \$100 each, and President Kennedy. possibly much more.

said. "There are no pledges' nedy's assassin.

He said his group might also take up money for a reward to somebody giving substantial information on the alleged plot in New Or-leans to kill Kennedy.

"Any citizen that has information — he ought to come forward," Robertson said. Ferrie, a pilot, was found dead in bed Wednesday. He

was a central figure in Garrison's current investigation

Ferrie had consistently de-"If you are going to back nied ever knowing Lee Harup a man, you ought to back vey Oswald — named by the him to the hilt," Robertson Warren Commission as Ken-

Assassination Sequel

S.F. Trip Bared Probe

named louis Ivon took a trip to San Francicso that cost the taxpayers of New Orleans \$933.

That trip, three years and three days after the assassination of President John F. Kennedy in Dallas, helped bring to light one of the strangest sequels to the assassination ever graced by official sanction.

Ivon was on the business of District Attorney Jim Garrison.

Working with his own staff and 10 policemen permanently assigned to him, Garrison started his probe in silence.

By Christmas, 1966, Garrison let Louisiana Gov. John J. McKeithen in on his

NE WORLEANS --- (UPI) doubts about the Warren re-- On Nov. 25, 1966, a man port and his plans to investi- port but cleared of any comgate.

McKeithen kept it under his hat. Garrison asked no help.

CLUES PILE UP

The investigation proceeded in secrecy for about three months. But Ivon's trip was a matter of public record, and the records of such trips began piling up.

Then a strange, pathetic figure popped up-David W. Ferrie, 49, once dismissed from an Ohio seminary as. unfit to be a priest and fired from his job as an Eastern Air Lines pilot. His hair and eyebrows once were burned off by an explosion and he wore a red toupee and false eyebrows.

Ferrie was mentioned sev-

plicity in the assassination.

Ferrie shed more light on Garrison's probe.

"Supposedly I have been pegged as the getaway pilot in an elaborate plot to kill Kennedy," he said.

Garrison said nothing when the first disclosure of the investigation was made. Then he held several news conferences in rapid succession.

Each statement was more positive, specific and sensational than the last.

By Monday, he was talking about a conspiracy, and two days later he still would be calling it that.

On Wednesday the strange figure with the red wig and false eyebrows, Ferrie, was found dead in his apartment.

PLOT ON FIDEL

Speculation about what Garrison has also includes a tale about a plot by Cuban exiles to assassinate Fidel Castro — plans that were converted to assassinating Kennedy in the hope his successor would look more favorably on a subsequent invasion of Cuba.

The story, and others circulating here, are unsubstantiated.

And whatever the outcome of the current pronouncements from New Orleans emanating like the brassy blare of Bourbon Street, only Jim Garrison at this point seems in control of what will happen next.

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Let Justice Be Done

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War II, Jim Garrison, along with many other soldiers, - Toward the end of World The eyes were lost in the deep sockets of this human who hours or days before had burst upon hideous places in mouth of an emaciated man. systematically. and children were destroyed Germany where men, women gas chamber, but not the SS machine gunner been a living skeleton. NEW ORLEANS - (AP) | left Garrison, who says it is | known," he says. He saw first the gaping The man had escaped the That memory never has This was Dachau. INDIFFERENCE has most changed his life. perhaps the one event that end product of man's inof 6 million humans was the people's troubles. Garrison - district attorney ty which said that it did not pay to get involved in other ry: The assassination of President John F. Kennedy. America's indifference to the greatest tragedy in a centuassaults what he considers of Orleans Parish (county) difference to man, of a socie-To him, the Nazi slaughter resident John F. Kennedy. to be playing into the hands justice be done "The full story is not of critics attacking the War- heavens fall." More than 20 years later, pened three years ago, forget versy started by people like who say, 'It's all over, it hap- ing to the disturbing controthe status quo, to leave been a great service to the hings as they are. nation because they've boat.' They want to maintain Ħ, yond discovery. 1 willing to forget it." truth behind the assassina-tion. I do not believe it is be-"They say, 'Don't rock the "And yet there are people Isn't he recklessly contribut-"We do not know the whole Who is this man who seems WON'T FORGET I am not tein and a host of others? ren Commission findings? "If there is one phrase which expresses what I what happened in Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963. nation because they've his 220 pounds is hardly beefy, caused people to question his penchant for wearing a what happened in Dallas on vest makes him appear heav-Mark Lane and Edward Epjustice be done though the want to call it that, it is: 'Let think, my philosophy, if you He thinks the critics have ther of five who physically seems like a cartoonist's ver-sion of a middle-aged former expect from a 45 year old faservation strangers hardly ler. as a gun-toting law man. But even his detractors say The fact he keeps a revol-ver strapped to his belt makes it easy to refer to him football player. Garrison is nobody's dummy It is this sort of literary ob-He is 6 foot 6. And although PACKS A GUN