

DA Subpenas Kentwood Preacher in Plot Probe

A Kentwood preacher and one-time candidate for governor was subpoenaed by District Attorney Jim Garrison today in his presidential assassination probe.

The Rev. Clyde Johnson, who is also a Kentwood merchant, was ordered to appear for questioning tomorrow at 10 a. m. in Garrison's office.

The subpoena was signed by Asst. Dist. Atty. James Alcock.

ALCOCK DECLINED to say why Johnson, an unsuccessful gubernatorial candidate in 1963, was directed to appear for questioning.

Kentwood is the birthplace of Clay L. Shaw, the retired New Orleans businessman accused by Garrison of plotting to kill President John F. Kennedy.

Garrison claims the plot was hatched in New Orleans in the fall of 1963 by Shaw, Lee Harvey Oswald and David W. Ferrie in Ferrie's apartment.

OSWALD WAS shot to death in the Dallas police station two days after the assassination by Dallas night club owner Jack Ruby, who later died of cancer. Ferrie died two

staff was investigating the Kennedy death.

The Rev. Mr. Johnson, while a candidate for governor, was injured in a car accident which he said was caused when someone shot at him.

He told officers he was standing by his car on a highway south of Monroe when another vehicle drove by and several shots were fired. He said he jumped into his car, hit the accelerator and the car bounded over a ditch into a bridge abutment.

Two years ago, Johnson was arrested in Baton Rouge on charges of disturbing the

peace and impersonating an officer.