jor victory in its fight to pre-vent District Attorney Jim Garrison from requiring it to produce its records. Commission today won a ma-The Metropolitan Crime

ing a subpena for the records to be produced before the Orleans Parish grand jury. District Court decision uphold-Court reversed a Criminal The Louisiana Supreme

> Associate Justice E. Howard McCalebi ruled that the sub-pena was unreasonable and The court, in an opinion by

oppressive. requested setting out in a IN THE COURTROOM when more specific fashion the recassistant district attorney, who said a new subpena would be was Mrs. Louise S. Korns, the decision was handed down

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crine, which said organized crime flourishes in New Orleans and Louisiana, Garrison contends there is no organized zine, The case grew out of a series of articles in Life magacrime in the city. which said

The crime panel, which supplied some of the information used in the Life articles, was called before the jury and was set aside today. ance of the subpena, which and its president, E. C. Up-ton Jr., resisted. Criminal District Court sustained issuquestioned. The commission

JUSTICE M'CALEB wrote

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that the commission "is required by the order to produce the names and records of every informer it may have employed . . . whether or not such informer has given any information as to the operation of organized crime."

"Thus," said the opinion, "the Grand Jury has in effect thrown out a net in which it seeks without limit to secure private information, even though much of the information sought may not relate in any way to the existence of organized crime.

"We think the data requested is highly unreasonable and oppressive and hold that the issuance of the subpena be vacated."

NINE PAGES LONG, the court's decree said that Article 732 of the new Code of Criminal Procedure provides for the issuance of such a subpena to a person to produce at a hearing or trial tangible things in his possession or under his control... "if a reasonable, accurate description thereof is given

But, said Justice McCaleb, "the court shall vacate or modify the subpena if it is unreasonable or oppressive."

The commission and Upton, said the Supreme Court, were ordered to produce all "documents, papers, records, books, accounts and information... which disclose and/or reveal the name and address of any informer... including informers being classified as confidential informers, and further all records which disclose the informers who were paid for information supplied to the Metropolitan Crime Commission... as well as the amount paid to each."