

JURY SUBPENAS

GURVICH, TWO

BROTHERS,

NEWSMAN

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Four persons, including investigator William Gurvich, today were subpoenaed to appear before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury tomorrow to testify in Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison's Kennedy death plot inquiry.

Foreman Albert V. LaBiche said he issued the subpoena for Gurvich after receiving a telegram from the detective who requested an opportunity to testify.

Gurvich's two brothers, Leonard and Louis, also were called. The brothers operate a detective agency and guard service here.

THE FOURTH SUBPENA WENT TO television news director Ed Planer of WDSU-TV, which has figured in charges and countercharges between Garrison and the National Broadcasting Co.

William Gurvich wired the foreman, asking the jury to investigate the Garrison probe.

The former Garrison special investigator declared he will give evidence and testimony to support his claim that 54-year-old Clay L. Shaw has been falsely accused of conspiring to kill John F. Kennedy.

IN ANOTHER DEVELOPMENT TODAY, Gov. John J.

McKeithen said in a news conference here his office does not intend to investigate the conduct of Garrison's inquiry.

"I'm leaving matters concerning Mr. Garrison's investigation up to the state attorney general," the governor said. "I don't feel the situation warrants an investigation by my office."

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STATE ATTY. Gen. Jack P. F. Gremillion ruled last week he has no authority to inquire into the DA's activities.

Gurvich, who said he was Garrison's "chief aide," announced he resigned yesterday because the DA would not meet with him to re-evaluate the case.

"Mr. Shaw should never have been arrested," said Gurvich, a partner in Gurvich Brothers Detective Agency.

SHAW IS charged with conspiring with Lee Harvey Oswald and the late David W. Ferrie to kill Kennedy at Dallas in 1963. He is free on \$10,000 bond awaiting trial.

Oswald, whom the Warren Commission called the lone killer of the President, was shot to death by Jack Ruby two days after Kennedy's murder. Ferrie, a former airline pilot, died at his apartment here Feb. 22 of what the coroner called natural causes.

Gurvich tried without success to see Garrison yesterday after the detective's return from New York where he gave interviews to a national television network and several newspapers.

He said he began to feel there was something wrong with Garrison's investigation as early as January and stayed with the investigation to find out the whole truth.

"The truth," he said yesterday, "is that Garrison has no case."

GURVICH'S statements yesterday contrasted sharply with what he told reporters as late as the last week in April.

Newsmen talked with Gurvich at length then and were told the detective felt the investigation was on "very solid ground."

The conversations took place

in offices borrowed from DA's investigator John Volz and Garrison. Gurvich apparently had no office of his own.

Gurvich said in late April he had been dubious about the investigation when it first began. But he asserted that, based upon his own investigation and the leads he had developed, he believed there was a very strong conspiracy case.

Yesterday, asked about the fact that he had announced Shaw's arrest, Gurvich told reporters Garrison asked him to make the disclosure and added: "I felt very sick."

In April, Gurvich described himself as being "excited" when he was given the opportunity to announce the charges against Shaw.

"I TRY NOT to get excited about these things," he said then, "but I was really excited the day Jim asked me to announce Shaw's arrest."

Gurvich said it was his birthday and added:

"Jim called me in and said, 'Bill, it's your birthday, and I'm going to give you a birthday present.'"

On an off the record basis, Gurvich showed reporters many details of evidence.

Yesterday, Gurvich told newsmen Garrison had given him a master file on the case.

"I expect to tell the grand jury everything I know, and everything I tell them can be proven," Gurvich declared.

After Gurvich's official resignation, Garrison said the detective had never been chief investigator for the DA's office, and had not been connected with the Kennedy probe for the past six weeks.

Gurvich said he was working on the case as recently as 10 days ago. He said the first person he told about his misgivings was Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, D-N. Y., because he believed "someone named Kennedy should know the truth."