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Judge Says His Orders May Have Been Violated

Issues New Directives in
Clay Shaw Case

Criminal District Court Judge Edward A. Haggerty Jr. said Monday some persons may have already violated his court orders regarding conduct that may in-

fluence the outcome of the murder conspiracy case of Clay L. Shaw.

Judge Haggerty issued a new set of court orders, supplementing previous guidelines and orders in the case, in which he said he will take appropriate contempt action, if necessary, only after the case is concluded.

Meanwhile, Ohio Gov. James A. Rhodes asked Louisiana officials for more information Monday on their second extradition request for the return of Gordon Novel to New Orleans to face a burglary charge.

Novel, 29-year-old former French Quarter lounge owner, also has been termed an important witness in District Attorney Jim Garrison's assassination probe into the death of President Kennedy.

In his latest orders Judge Haggerty said that after the Shaw case has been concluded, "irrespective of the verdict, I shall take appropriate judicial action, if necessary, to cite for contempt those persons who have violated the orders of this court, including these orders issued today."

Judge Haggerty refused to discuss the orders at a news conference at which they were issued, saying he would be guilty of the very thing he is trying to prevent if he did.

DID REPLY

However he did reply to a reporter who asked him if he thought that some persons, up to this time, have already been guilty of contempt.

"I would not have issued this order if I did not think several people have been guilty," Judge Haggerty said.

In his latest orders, Haggerty said his action was necessary "because of the barrage of claims and counter-claims, charges and counter-charges, by many persons who were and are directly affected by said orders."

After noting that Shaw's trial has been allotted to Judge Haggerty's section of court, the orders add:

"This court is not trying the Warren Commission report, the F.B.I., the C.I.A., the Secret Service, or any other person or agency."

Shaw, 54-year-old retired New Orleans businessman, has been indicted for participating in an

alleged conspiracy to murder President John F. Kennedy.

Garrison accused Shaw of conspiring with Lee Harvey Oswald, accused presidential assassin, and the late David W. Ferrie, to kill Kennedy.

More recently Garrison has charged that the Central Intelligence Agency and the Federal Bureau of Investigation collaborated in a cover-up of the facts concerning Oswald's associations with anti-Castro elements.

NEW ORDERS

Judge Haggerty said his supplementary orders consist mainly of provisions of "a guide to news media and bar relations" adopted by the Louisiana State Bar Association and concurred in by some news media representatives in April, 1964.

These guidelines, in the interest of reconciling freedom of press and the right to a fair and impartial trial, said that the news media should among other things avoid publication of interviews with subpoenaed witnesses after an indictment is returned.

Also to be avoided is publication of the criminal record or discreditable acts of the accused after an indictment is returned or during the trial unless they are made a part of the court record.

The guidelines also cite publication of any "leaks," statements or conclusions as to the innocence of guilt of the defendant.

Among things advised against for the bar are statements by the prosecution or defense as to the guilt or innocence.

Also ruled out are out-of-court statements by the defense or prosecution to news media before or during the trial, "stating what they expect to prove, whom they propose to call as witnesses or public criticism of either judge or jury."

On the Novel extradition request, Gov. Rhodes sent a letter to Gov. John J. McKeithen asking for a clarification on whether an assistant district attorney is empowered in Louisiana to sign a bill of information charging Novel with conspiracy to commit a burglary.

Louisiana's first attempt to extradite Novel failed when Ohio officials returned the information as incomplete.

A spokesman for Rhodes said

Ohio law requires that the individual who signs an information for extradition must have personal knowledge of the alleged crime.

Garrison has said Novel, Ferrie and Sergio Archacha Smith, a former anti-Castro Cuban leader, conspired to burglarize a munitions dump in Houma.

3 EXTRADITIONS URGED BY HOUSE

La. Solons Seek Garrison Probe Witnesses

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) —

The Louisiana House of Representatives adopted three resolutions Monday urging the governors of Ohio, Iowa and Texas to expedite the return to Louisiana of witnesses wanted by Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison in his Kennedy assassination probe.

But some opposition developed among representatives who felt the House was interfering with executive functions.

A resolution requesting speedy extradition of Sandra Moffett McMaines from Iowa was approved by a 72-15 vote. Another urges return of Sergio Archacha Smith from Texas passed without opposition.

The third, urging return of Gordon Novel from Ohio, was approved by 72-12.

Rep. Lantz Womack of Franklin Parish said that he was approached to invite Novel to speak before the Legislature if Novel were granted immunity from arrest.

Womack said he wasn't going to get involved in anything involving the governor.

Womack made mention to a wire that included "startling information" by Novel. He said that Novel possibly possessed information "that could be helpful to this House. It might be helpful to Mr. Garrison."

Rep. Salvador Anzelmo of New Orleans, sponsor of the three resolutions, said that if Novel "possesses startling information, he should come here and give his information."

The earliest inhabitants of Ceylon were the Veddahs. A