

Garrison's 'Missing' Witness Discloses a Secret Meeting

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McLEAN, Va., March 25—The missing witness in the New Orleans "assassination plot" was located today and told of a secret meeting with District Attorney Jim Garrison that proved the case was a "fraud."

Gordon Norvel, 29, was found by telephone and flown to National Airport near here, then transported to McLean for a lie detector test by Lloyd Furr, a licensed investigator and graduate of the provost marshal's school in Camp Gordon, Ga.

Norvel was called "a most important and material witness" in Garrison's "plot" investigation in papers filed by the district attorney's office when it sought his arrest.

PASSES TEST

Norvel, now being sought nationwide by New Orleans police under a \$50,000 bail order, passed "satisfactorily" the test on these counts, ac-

ording to an affidavit sworn today by Furr.

● Norvel said he met with Garrison at the posh Roosevelt Hotel in New Orleans "on or about Feb. 21"—the day before David W. Ferrie, 49, identified by Garrison as a co-conspirator in the "plot," died in bed.

● At the "highly secret" meeting Garrison told Norvel that Ferrie had passed a lie detector test and according to the test was "not involved in the conspiracy to kill the President." Garrison, despite this alleged test, has charged New Orleans businessman Clay L. Shaw, 54, with conspiring with Ferrie and Lee Harvey Oswald to kill President Kennedy.

● Norvel said a "bizarre plan to obtain a confession from Ferrie" was mounted. However, Ferrie, a New Orleans eccentric and homosexual, died before any such plans went into effect.

● Norvel said he did not know Lee Harvey Oswald and the Garrison conspiracy was a "fraud," and he had no knowledge of a genuine conspiracy to kill the President.

● In order to make him cooperate with the investigation, Norvel said he was threatened. He added that at one time Garrison agreed to endorse Norvel's plan for anti-surveillance equipment and security in the district attorney's office.

● Norvel detailed the "bizarre plan" against Ferrie but it was too complicated to easily go through the lie detector process. Norvel said outside of the lie detector that he had tapes to substantiate some of his statements.

● The Roosevelt Hotel meeting in New Orleans was at the request of a Garrison "financial backer," Norvel said. He also said that a second witness, Layton Mar-

tens, 24, had been cleared by a lie detector test, according to Garrison's own statements. Martens also has been summoned before the grand jury. He formerly roomed with Ferrie.

Furr's affidavit said that the questions were phrased to elicit "yes" or "no" answers and that all "relevant questions" were asked several times and did not basically change.

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