

'RESTING' IN HOSPITAL

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Shaw Awaits New Move by Garrison

The public and attorneys for Clay L. Shaw today awaited the next move by Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison in his probe of what he says was a plot to assassinate President John F. Kennedy.

The DA was expected to file a bill of information this week charging Clay L. Shaw with participation in the plot.

MEANWHILE, Shaw was "resting well" in his room at Southern Baptist Hospital. The former director of International Trade Mart checked into the hospital Saturday afternoon for rest and unspecified treatment.

A three-judge Criminal District Court panel ruled Friday after a tense four-day hearing that the district attorney's office had presented "sufficient evidence" to establish probable cause that a crime has been committed.

Dr. Martin Palmer, Shaw's physician, said his patient was not under an oxygen tent as had been rumored.

The doctor said the 54-year-old Shaw would be hospitalized long enough to run medical tests.

EDWARD WEGMANN, one of Shaw's attorneys, said his client is "resting well" in the

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hospital for a regular check-up and rest. He also said Shaw suffered a recurrence of back trouble stemming from an old injury.

During the spectacular hearing covered by an international corps of reporters, Garrison put two witnesses on the stand to testify they saw Shaw with Lee Harvey Oswald, the man cited by the Warren Commission as having acted alone in the assassination of the President.

Garrison disputes the Warren version. He contends there was a plot, and Shaw was part of it.

PERRY R. Russo, a 25-year-

old Baton Rouge insurance salesman, testified he was in the room during September of 1963 when Shaw, Oswald and David W. Ferrie plotted to kill Kennedy.

The other major witness presented by Garrison was Vernon Bundy Jr., 29, a paroled drug addict. Bundy told the court he was preparing a shot of heroin when he saw Shaw meet Oswald at the Lake Pontchartrain seawall and hand over what looked like a roll of money.