Cuban Says ‘Warren Report Will Crumble’

Does District Attorney Jim Garrison really have a solid investigation brewing into an alleged New Orleans plot which led to the assassination of President Kennedy in Dallas?

The world was waiting for an answer Sunday.

The ‘greying’ 44-year-old district attorney remained incommunicado over the weekend following his explosive disclosure two days ago that his office had uncovered a presidential assassination plot involving Cubans and that “arrests will be made.”

Meanwhile, a press dispatch from Miami Sunday quoted a Cuban exile as admitting he has made several trips between Miami and New Orleans in connection with the Garrison probe.

The exile, 32-year-old Bernardo Torres, predicted that “The Warren Report and the FBI report (on the assassination) will crumble when the investigation is released.”

Torres, a private detective, helped the Secret Service guard.

Press Calls Pour From Over Globe

News offices of The Times-Picayune were besieged with calls Sunday from newspapers across the country and in Europe. Foreign correspondents based in New York and Paris said public interest in Europe had been considerably stirred by the New Orleans developments. Some of these reporters were being dispatched to New Orleans for on-the-scene news gathering.

President Kennedy when the

Chief executive was in the Florida metropolis four days before this assassination on Nov. 22, 1963.

HELPED GUARD JFK

Torres said he was one of 10 Cubans who helped protect Kennedy in Miami, which has a large Cuban colony. He claimed the Secret Service had asked trusted Cubans to spot suspicious Cubans, because it was “definitely expected” that an attempt would be made on the President’s life.

The exile said Garrison had engaged him to look into the background of some Cubans reported to have been with Oswald shortly before the Dallas tragedy. Torres said he had seen photographs of Oswald with some Cubans, although he was not acquainted with them.

The photographs in question reportedly were taken in New Orleans shortly before the assassination.

Torres refused to discuss a report that Oswald had visited Miami to talk with Cubans.

Chief

IN PUBLIC INTEREST

Stressing that the Warren Report will be proved wrong, Torres said he was helping Garrison’s investigation “in the public interest” without pay, receiving only expense money.

Garrison, alarmed by the public notice his investigation has received, could not be contacted Sunday for any new developments in the case.

The district attorney had been questioned by the district attorney’s office in recent weeks, ostensibly to find out if Oswald was ever seen in the company of certain persons. Those questioned include a co-worker in a coffee plant on Magazine st., Oswald’s landlady, and a garage operator who befriended Oswald.

MOVED TO N.O. JAIL

Other developments in the Garrison probe involved a 26-year-old Cuban, Miguel Torres (no relation to the Miami exile), who was serving a jail term at Angola State Penitentiary for burglary and who was transferred to the Orleans Parish prison last month by request of the district attorney.