

Ex-Police Chief Quizzed in King Probe

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Louisville Police Chief John Nevin said yesterday he was one of 21 persons questioned by congressional investigators here last week as part of the reopened inquiry into the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr.

Two representatives of the House Select Committee on Assassinations were in Louisville to investigate a retired policeman's claim that he was offered \$500,000 to kill the civil rights leader. The retired policeman, Clifton E. Baird, 50, told Rep. Gene Snyder, R-Ky., of the alleged offer in February and sent the congressman a letter in

which he named several police officers and FBI agents he claimed were involved in a conspiracy.

Snyder said he met with Baird listened to a tape recording the former policeman claimed was secretly made of the alleged offer, and heard enough about "King and money" to consider the matter serious enough to be investigated.