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NEW ORLEANS, MARCH 4 (AP)-DIST. ATTY. JIM GARRISON'S PLAN TO SOLVE THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION BECAME SOMEWHAT CLEARER THIS WEEK WITH THE ARREST OF A PROMINENT NEW ORLEANS MAN, CLAY L. SHAW.

IN APPLYING FOR A WARRANT TO SEARCH THE FRENCH QUARTER HOME OF SHAW, 54, FORMER DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE MART HERE, GARRISON INDICATED HE HAS EVIDENCE OF MEETINGS WHERE THE PARTICIPANTS PLOTTED TO KILL PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY.

THE SEARCH DOCUMENTS PROVIDED THE FIRST TANGIBLE CLUES ABOUT GARRISON'S EVIDENCE. ALTHOUGH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY HAS BEEN INVESTIGATING THE ASSASSINATION SINCE LAST OCTOBER, HE HAD NOT PREVIOUSLY MADE PUBLIC ANY INFORMATION IN HIS HAND. ALL HE WOULD SAY WAS, "DON'T BET AGAINST ME, YOU'LL LOSE."

GARRISON'S APPLICATION FOR A SEARCH WARRANT, FILED LAST WEDNESDAY NIGHT, STATED THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY DESIRED ACCESS TO SHAW'S HOME TO SEIZE PROPERTY INCLUDING "GUNS, RIFLES, AMMUNITION, TELESCOPIC SIGHTS, GUNS CASES, MISCELLANEOUS GUN PARTS AND GUN CLEANING KITS." THIS MATERIAL, THE APPLICATION SAID, "HAS BEEN USED AS A MEANS OF COMMITTING AN OFFENSE OR WHICH MAY CONSTITUTE EVIDENCE TENDING TO PROVE THE COMMISSION OF AN OFFENSE."

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IN REQUESTING OFFICIAL APPROVAL TO INSPECT SHAW'S RESIDENCE, GARRISON'S OFFICE STATED:

"AFFIANT HAS EVIDENCE THAT MEETINGS WERE HELD IN THE APARTMENT OF DAVID W. FERRIE AT 3330 LOUISIANA AVENUE PARKWAY AND THE PEOPLE PRESENT WERE DAVID W. FERRIE, CLAY SHAW (ALIAS CLAY BERTRAND), AND LEE HARVEY OSWALD AND AN INFORMANT AND OTHER PERSONS. THESE MEETINGS WERE HELD IN SEPTEMBER 1963 AND THE ABOVE NAMED INDIVIDUALS... WERE DISCUSSING HOW THEY WOULD KILL JOHN F. KENNEDY, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES."

THE UNNAMED INFORMANT, THE DOCUMENTS SAID, CORROBORATED HIS STATEMENTS WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF SODIUM PENTOTHAL, COMMONLY CALLED TRUTH SERUM.

SHAW WAS RELEASED ON \$10,000 BOND AFTER BEING BOOKED FOR CONSPIRING TO COMMIT "THE CRIME OF MURDER OF JOHN F. KENNEDY."

SHAW CALLED A NEWS CONFERENCE TO DENY HAVING ANY PART IN A PLOT TO KILL KENNEDY. HE SAID HE WAS SHOCKED BY HIS ARREST, AND SAID HE NEVER KNEW EITHER FERRIE OR OSWALD, THE MAN NAMED BY THE WARREN COMMISSION AS BEING THE LONE ASSASSIN. FERRIE, A PILOT, DIED IN BED FEB. 22 WHILE UNDER INVESTIGATION BY GARRISON'S OFFICE.

AND IN WASHINGTON, ATTY. GEN. RAMSEY CLARK SAID THE FBI HAD INVESTIGATED SHAW IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE NOV. 22, 1963 ASSASSINATION AND CLEARED HIM OF ANY CONNECTION WITH KENNEDY'S DEATH. THE FBI REFUSED TO SAY WHY IT HAD QUESTIONED SHAW.

SHAW WAS ONE OF FOUR MEN SUBPOEANED BY GARRISON THIS WEEK, AND THE ONLY ONE ARRESTED. THE OTHERS--JAMES LEWALLEN, DEAN ANDREWS JR., AND DANTE MAROCHINI--WERE QUESTIONED AT LENGTH IN GARRISON'S OFFICE.

LEWALLEN, AN EMPLOYEE OF THE BOEING CO. AT THE MICHOD MISSILE PLANT HERE, ONCE ROOMED WITH FERRIE.

ANDREWS, A LAWYER, WHO ALSO IS AN ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF SUBURBAN JEFFERSON PARISH (COUNTY), REPRESENTED OSWALD ON OCCASION IN THE SUMMER OF 1963 WHEN OSWALD WAS LIVING IN NEW ORLEANS. ANDREWS TOLD WARREN COMMISSION INVESTIGATORS HE WAS CALLED BY A "CLAY BERTRAND" NOT LONG AFTER OSWALD WAS ARRESTED IN DALLAS AND REQUESTED TO DEFEND THE ACCUSED ASSIN. ALTHOUGH GARRISON STATED THAT CLAY SHAW USED THE ALIAS CLAY BERTRAND, SHAW HAS FLATLY DENIED IT.

MAROCHINI, A "PLANNING AND SPECIFICATIONS" EMPLOYEE AT THE CHRYSLER DIVISION OF THE MICHOD MISSILE PLANT, ONCE WORKED FOR THE SAME EMPLOYER AS OSWALD. THE TWO MEN WORKED IN COFFEE PLANTS A BLOCK APART ON MAGAZINE STREET.

GARRISON HAS BEEN UNAVAILABLE FOR COMMENT SINCE LAST WEDNESDAY, WHEN HE TOLD NEWSMEN AFTER SHAW'S ARREST: "THERE WILL BE MORE ARRESTS. I HAVE NO DOUBT ABOUT THE CASE."

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