IN NEW ORLEANS INQUIRY

Grand Jury Calls Former Shaw Employe

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NEW ORLEANS — The Orleans Parish grand jury Thursday summoned a former receptionist for Clay L. Shaw who is reported to have told friends here that David William Ferrie was to enjoy "carte blanche" access to Shaw's office in the International Trade Mart.

If Mrs. Josephine Hug provided the grand jury with such information, it contradicts denials by Shaw after his arrest last week that he was acquainted with Ferrie.

Shaw, retired director of the Trade Mart, is accused by Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison of plotting in New Orleans in September, 1963, with Ferrie, Lee Harvey Oswald and "others" to assassinate President John F. Kennedy.

Garrison has called Ferrie a central figure in his controversial investigation into the assassination. Ferrie was found dead in his apartment Feb. 22. Garrison called the death a suicide. However, Coroner Nicholas Chetta ruled that Ferrie, a former airline pilot and a known homosexual, died of natural causes.

Mrs. Hug, an attractive brunette, was one of two persons subpoenaed by the grand jury Thursday, the first time Garrison's office has availed itself of the jury, impanelled last week.

The district attorney's office, which is the legal adviser to the grand jury, declined to say whether jurors acted independently or upon Garrison's recommendation.

"It's a grand jury matter and has to be kept confidential. All I can say is that the investigations are parallel," Asst. Dist. Atty. Al Oser said.

Mrs. Hug, who was questioned by grand jurors about half an hour, was a receptionist in Shaw's office until he retired 18 months ago as director of the prestigious Trade Mart.

She is reported to have told friends

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that Ferrie was a frequent visitor there. She refused to talk to newsmen before entering the jury room and after emerging from it.

Mrs. Hug, who appears to be in her late 30s, is the wife of a disc jockey here.

Also subpoenaed Thursday was Dean Adams Andrews Jr., assistant district attorney of neighboring Jefferson Parish, who testified at length before the Warren Commission.

Andrews told a commission investigator that Oswald had sought legal advice from him in May, 1963. Oswald lived in New Orleans from April to September, 1963.

Mystery Name

Andrews also was the man who introduced the name of "Clay Bertrand" into the commission's report. Andrews said that after the assassination, Bertrand called him and asked him to represent Oswald.

Garrison has accused Shaw, a prominent figure in the New Orleans civic, social and cultural circles, of being the mysterious Bertrand, a man who Andrews said interceded for "gay kids" (homosexuals) when they were arrested.

Asked Thursday if Shaw and Bertrand were the same man, Andrews, a glib, rotund man, responded, "I have no comment on that."

Andrews was subpornaed last week by Garrison and, at that time, said he was unable to say for certain whether Shaw and Bertrand are the same man.

Shaw has defiled that he ever used the name Bertrand.

Ground Rules

In another development Thursday, Criminal District Judge Bernard J. Bagert laid down the ground rules for a preliminary hearing Tuesday on the evidence Garrison claimed will prove that Shaw, 54, "participated in a conspiracy to murder John F. Kennedy."

The judge barred counsel of both sides, police officers and witnesses from making "any extrajudicial" statements about the case.

"Nothing except that which occurs in open court, adduced only in evidence and argument in open court, will be disseminated."

Judge Bagert also said that two other criminal court judges have "agreed" to sit with him during the preliminary hearing Tuesday. They are Judges Malcolm V. O'Hara and Matthew S. Braniff.

Oswald, Ferrie at Ruby Club, Man Says

DALLAS (P)—A former Dallas cab driver has told the New Orleans district attorney's office that he once drove David William Ferrie and Lee Harvey Oswald to Jack Ruby's Dallas nightclub, the Associated Press has learned.

Raymond Cummings, 35, said he contacted Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison's office after he saw a picture of Ferrie in a Dallas newspaper, and an accompanying story that said Ferrie said he had never been in Dallas, a source said.

Cummings, who was a part-time Dallas cab driver from Jan. 11, 1963, until

March 15, 1963, would not talk with reporters Thursday.

Garrison Probe

But a qualified source told his story to the Associated Press.

Garrison's office is investigating what he claims was a plot by Oswald, Ferrie and others to assassinate President John F. Kennedy.

Ruby killed Oswald two days after the assassination. Ruby died of cancer Jan. 3.

Ferrie, a New Orleans pilot, was found dead in his bed Feb. 22. The coroner said death was from natural causes. Garrison says it was suicide.