
HALT WOULD 'RAISE DOUBTS'

Let Garrison Finish Probe--McKeithen

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BATON ROUGE—Let Jim Garrison complete his investigation, Gov. John J. McKeithen told a press conference here yesterday.

To do otherwise would be to "confound and confuse the people of the world," McKeithen said of the New Orleans district attorney's investigation of President Kennedy's assassination.

The investigation has come under increasing fire from a wide variety of sources, including the Metropolitan New Orleans Crime Commission, which urged Atty. Gen. Jack P. F. Gremillion to step into the case.

M'KEITHEN WAS ASKED whether he thought Gremillion should reconsider his decision not to investigate the investigation, and the governor said no.

"If the attorney general goes in and stops it . . . as the Metropolitan Crime Commission wants . . . it would raise even more doubts not only in the nation but in the world."

On other matters, the governor said he plans to appoint Garland May of Monroe as the next state fire marshal, a district supervisor, will