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Newsman *6:30*
Demanded by
Accused by
Sheldon Russo
Garrison
volunteer
 New Orleans *7-12-67*

District Attorney Jim Garrison yesterday filed charges accusing a newsman of attempting to bribe and intimidate a witness in Garrison's probe of the assassination of President Kennedy.

Richard Townley of WDSU in New Orleans, had worked on a National Broadcasting Co. special program last month which criticized methods used by Garrison's staff in obtaining testimony against businessman Clay L. Shaw.

Garrison has charged Shaw with conspiring to assassinate Mr. Kennedy.

Last week Garrison issued an arrest warrant charging NBC reporter Walter Sheridan, attempted to bribe insurance salesman Perry Raymond Russo.

The bill of information said Townley offered Russo lodging in California, a guarantee of job security, payment of legal services, protection from Garrison's office and service "as an intermediary to influence cross-examining trial attorneys." **United Press**