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HOUMA, LA. (AP)--GRAND JURIES MET IN HOUMA AND NEW ORLEANS WEDNESDAY TO STUDY SEPARATE ASPECTS OF DIST. ATTY. JIM GARRISON'S KENNEDY ASSASSINATION PROBE.

THE TERREBONNE PARISH GRAND JURY CONSIDERED GARRISON'S CHARGE THAT GORDON NOVEL, SERGIO ARCACHA SMITH, THE LATE DAVID W. FERRIE AND OTHERS CONSPIRED TO BURGLARIZE A HOUMA MUNITIONS BUNKER IN 1961.

NOVEL IS A FORMER NEW ORLEANS BAR OWNER, SAID BY GARRISON TO BE CONNECTED WITH THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY. HE IS CURRENTLY IN COLUMBUS, OHIO. ARCACHA, ONE-TIME LEADER OF A NEW ORLEANS-BASED ANTI-CASTRO CUBAN ORGANIZATION, IS IN DALLAS. BOTH HAVE SUCCESSFULLY RESISTED EXTRADITION EFFORTS BY GARRISON.

FERRIE, A BIZARRE FREE-LANCE PILOT WHO DIED EARLIER THIS YEAR, WAS NAMED BY GARRISON AS A PARTICIPANT IN A PLOT TO KILL PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, ASSASSINATED IN DALLAS IN 1963.

THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY HAS IMPLIED A CONNECTION BETWEEN THE ALLEGED MUNITIONS THEFT PLOT AND AN ANTI-CASTRO TRAINING CAMP THAT WAS SUPPOSEDLY OPERATING IN THE NEW ORLEANS AREA PRIOR TO THE ASSASSINATION. GARRISON CONTENDS A GROUP OF ANTI-CASTRO RADICALS USED TACTICS LEARNED AT THE CAMP TO ASSASSINATE THE PRESIDENT.

CRIMINAL COURT IN HOUMA EXCUSED GARRISON FROM A SCHEDULED APPEARANCE WEDNESDAY, BUT HE IS UNDER SUBPOENA TO TESTIFY.

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THE TERREBONNE GRAND JURY HAS ALSO CALLED SEVERAL OTHER PERSONS CONNECTED WITH THE INVESTIGATION, INCLUDING RANCIER B. EHLINGER, WILLIAM GURVICH AND MARLENE MANCUSO.

MISS MANCUSO, NOVEL'S EX-WIFE, TESTIFIED WEDNESDAY. GURVICH ONCE WORKED AS A SPECIAL INVESTIGATOR FOR GARRISON. HE CLAIMED LATER THAT THE INVESTIGATION WAS A FRAUD AND THAT GARRISON WAS LONG ON THEORIES AND SHORT ON MATERIAL EVIDENCE.

HE WAS ASKED WHY HE THOUGHT HE HAD BEEN SUBPOENAED FOR THE GRAND JURY APPEARANCE.

"ONE THING THAT COMES TO MIND IS THAT THEY ARE POSSIBLY INTERESTED IN KNOWING THE TRUTH ABOUT CERTAIN EVENTS," GURVICH SAID.

EHLINGER, WHO ALREADY HAD TESTIFIED BEFORE THE ORLEANS GRAND JURY, IS A FORMER BUSINESS ASSOCIATE OF NOVEL.

MEANWHILE, THE ORLEANS GRAND JURY HEARD TESTIMONY FROM JOSEPHINE HUG AND MIGUEL TORRES.

MRS. HUG WORKED FOR THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE MART IN NEW ORLEANS DURING CLAY SHAW'S TENURE AS ITS MANAGING DIRECTOR. SHAW, 54, HAS BEEN INDICTED FOR CONSPIRACY TO MURDER KENNEDY.

TORRES IS A CUBAN EXILE AND A CONVICTED BURGLAR. HE HAS SAID PUBLICLY THAT GARRISON TRIED TO BRIBE HIM IN RETURN FOR HELP WITH THE INVESTIGATION.

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