

N.O. Jury to Hear N.Y. DA in Crime Probe

A Long Island district attorney who earlier this year exposed a \$100 million football betting ring will testify tomorrow before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury in connection with its investigation of organized crime here.

The office of District Attorney Jim Garrison, who contends there is no organized crime in New Orleans, announced that Nassau County

DA William Cahn is expected in town later today.

Cahn said in New York "The purpose of this trip is to exchange information, and to assist Garrison's office in any way with its investigation."

CAHN SAID HE will be accompanied by Norman Levy, chief of his officer's racket's bureau.

The New York DA would not expand further on what

he planned to tell the Orleans jury, but sources said his testimony will concern a college coach who allegedly placed a \$20,000 bet in New Orleans on his own team.

The sources also said Cahn will talk about a New Orleans gambler who allegedly won 19 of 20 bets last year on pro football games, in each case picking the correct point spread.

THE ORLEANS JURY, and its counterpart in East Baton

Rouge Parish, has been probing organized crime since Life magazine last month claimed racketeering is rampant in the state. The Baton Rouge jury did not meet today.

Cahn was in New Orleans last February to confer with Garrison. He predicted at the time several key figures in a nationwide sports gambling syndicate would be indicted in New Orleans and New York before the year was out. He also met with East Baton Rouge Parish DA Sargent Pitcher.

The betting ring uncovered by Cahn had a major base in New Orleans, he says, but is no longer operating here.

Charles Ray Ward, Garrison's top assistant, testified before the Nassau County jury last spring in connection with the case.



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