

## Gremillion's Aide Seen as Probe Counsel

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP)—Asst. Atty. Gen. Tom McFerrin is expected to get the nod to take over the main legal duties for the Labor-Management Commission of Inquiry.

William Redmann, who is giving up the job of chief counsel for the commission, told The Associated Press he would recommend that the work be turned over to the attorney general's office.

The specific recommendation will be for McFerrin to handle it. He has done considerable work on the ouster petition against Iberville Parish Sheriff Jessel Ourso.

The arrangement is understood to have the go ahead from Gov. John McKeithen.

Redmann said he did not think it would take a change in legislation to permit the attorney general's office to take over the commission's legal chores. Much of its activities have been centered in the attorney general's office since a crew of construction workers was attacked early this year in Iberville Parish.

Earlier, Redmann recommended State Rep. George Blue for the legal post. But Atty. Gen. Jack Gremillion ruled that Blue could not legally hold down the chief counsel's post and his seat in the legislature at the same time. Gremillion said this would violate the state's dual office holding act.

Redmann, who has engaged in a behind-the-scenes feud with commission investigators, is also executive counsel for the governor. But he plans to give up both jobs this summer to run for an appellate judgeship in New Orleans.

He is the commission's second chief counsel since it was organized last summer. The first, Camille Gravel, resigned under what he considered undue pressure from the governor and labor leader Victor Bussie.