

# Order Arrest Of Witness In Bribe Case

BATON ROUGE (AP)—East Baton Rouge Parish Dist. Atty. Sargent Pitcher said today he has issued an all points bulletin for the arrest of Aubrey Young as a material witness in the public bribery trial of New Orleans contractor Dalton Smith.

Pitcher said the parish sheriff's office has been unable to serve a subpoena on Young for Smith's trial which starts Thursday.

"We've issued an APB (all points bulletin) for his arrest to get all police departments looking for him," Pitcher said.

Pitcher said Young was last seen at a labor convention in New Orleans last week.

In a related development, Dist. Judge Elmo Lear today withdrew an order directing Pitcher's office to release certain information to Smith's attorney Ossie Brown.

Yesterday, Lear ordered the DA to answer a bill of particulars by noon Thursday on an indictment charging Smith with offering a \$55,000 bribe to Baton Rouge official Edward Grady Partin.

He withdrew the order today, Pitcher said, because the judge had earlier recused himself from the case.

Smith goes on trial on a charge of offering Young, then an aide to Gov. John McKeithen, \$25,000 to arrange a meeting between Smith and Partin.

Brown said information

about the Partin-Smith charge is necessary to defend his client.

The charge involving Partin alleges that Smith offered Partin the bribe to change his testimony in connection with the federal jury tampering conviction of Teamster Union president James R. Hoffa.

Brown said such questions as where the offer was made and what testimony Smith allegedly sought to get changed have gone unanswered for more than a year.