

GREMILLION IS INDICTED
ON 5 COUNTS OF PERJURY

Louisiana Attorney General Jack P. F. Gremillion was indicted today by a federal grand jury here on five counts of perjury resulting from his testimony before a former grand jury investigating matters of the Louisiana Loan and Thrift Corp.

The indictment charges that Gremillion testified falsely on certain matters under oath after appearing voluntarily at his own request on or about Jan. 21, 1969.

It is charged that the attorney general "knowingly and willfully" made untrue statements in his testimony when he made the following denials:

1. That he owned stock in the Louisiana Loan and Thrift Corp.

2. That he had an "economic interest" in the corporation.

3. That he granted a proxy for his shares of LL&T stock for a July 11, 1967, LL&T shareholders' meeting.

4. That he testified falsely when he stated that the April 15, 1967, \$700 LL&T check noted "Dividend No. 1" which he received was a campaign contribution.

One count of the indictment was a general count.

THE INDICTMENT was returned before Judge Herbert W. Christenberry. At the re-

quest of Julian R. Murray Jr., assistant U.S. attorney, no warrant of arrest was issued against the state attorney general.

Murray told Judge Christenberry he would promptly advise attorneys for Gremillion of the grand jury's indictment and Gremillion would be permitted to sign a personal recognizance bond of \$1,000 before the U.S. commissioner in Baton Rouge.

Today's true bill was the second against Gremillion in connection with the financial troubles of LL&T, now in federal bankruptcy proceedings in federal court.

PREVIOUSLY INDICTED for alleged conspiracy, mail fraud and fraud in the sale of securities along with Gremillion were State Rep. Salvador Anzelmo of New Orleans, a former LL&T attorney; Ernest A. Bartlett Jr., Fort Smith, Ark., former chairman of the LL&T board of directors; Charles H. Ritchey, former LL&T president, and Joseph Kavanaugh, Baton Rouge attorney.

Federal District Judge Frederick J. R. Heebe has under advisement more than 70 motions by the defendants in the fraud case, including motions to dismiss the indictment and for severances, or separate trials.



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