

Garrison Drops Charges Against U.S. Attorneys

New Orleans

District Attorney Jim Garrison, accused by the government of accepting gambling bribes, dropped his own charges yesterday against two federal attorneys.

Garrison failed in his attempt to try the attorneys in state court on charges of illegally building a case against him. U.S. District judge Herbert W. Christenberry ruled the proceedings must take place in Federal courts.

U.S. Attorney Gerald Gallinhouse charged Garrison last week with accepting bribes to protect pinball gamblers.

Garrison responded by charging Gallinhouse and John Wall with extortion, intimidation and defamation of character. The federal prosecutors had to barricade their doors to keep from being taken to Garrison's jail.

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