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- URGENT PERRY KAYMOND RUSSO!

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NEW ORLEANS, MARCH 1 (AP)-DIST. ATTY. JIM GARRISON ARRESTED WEALTHY CLAY L. SHAW TONIGHT AND ACCUSED HIM OF TAKING PART IN A CONSPIRACY TO ASSASSINATE PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY.

SHAW, A RETIRED EXECUTIVE, WAS BOOKED ON "CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT MURDER" AND RELEASED ON \$10,000 BOND.

"THERE WILL BE MORE ARRESTS," THE 6-FOOT-6 NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT ATTORNEY TOLD NEWSMEN. "I HAVE NO DOUBT ABOUT THE CASE. IF YOU WANT TO BET AGAINST ME, YOU WILL LOSE."

SHAW, 54, IS THE RETIRED MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE NEW ORLEANS INTERNATIONAL TRADE MART. HE WAS A DECORATED ARMY MAJOR IN WORLD WAR II.

A RUGGEDLY HANDSOME, SILVER-HAIRED MAN, SHAW WAS RELEASED AFTER BEING FINGERPRINTED AND MUGGED. HE REFUSED TO TALK TO NEWSMEN.

GARRISON'S AGENTS, ARMED WITH A SEARCH WARRANT, WENT OVER SHAW'S LUXURIOUS FRENCH QUARTER HOME FOR SEVERAL HOURS.

SHAW'S ARREST WAS ANNOUNCED BY GARRISON'S CHIEF INVESTIGATOR,
WILLIAM GURVICH. AT A TUMULTUOUS NEWS CONFERENCE IN THE ECHOING
MARBLE CORRIDOR OUTSIDE THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, HE READ THIS
STATEMENT:

"THE FIRST ARREST HAS BEEN MADE IN THE INVESTIGATION OF THE NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE INTO THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY.

"ARRESTED THIS EVENING IN THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE WAS CLAY SHAW, AGE 54, OF 1313 DAUPHINE ST., NEW ORLEANS, LA.

"MR. SHAW WILL BE CHARGED WITH PARTICIPATION IN A CONSPIRACY TO MURDER JOHN F. KENNEDY.

"IT SHOULD BE POINTED OUT, HOWEVER, THAT THE NATURE OF THIS CASE
IS NOT CONDUCIVE TO AN IMMEDIATE SUCCESSION OF ARRESTS AT THIS TIME.
HOWEVER, OTHER ARRESTS WILL BE MADE AT A LATER DATE."

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SHAW WAS SUBPOENAED TODAY TO APPEAR AT GARRISON'S OFFICE. HE ARRIVED, STRIDING ERECT AND WELL DRESSED THROUGH THE RECEPTION ROOM, AT 12:15. HIS ARREST WAS ANNOUNCED AT 5:45.

ABOUT 2 1/2 HOURS AFTER THE ANNOUNCEMENT, SHAW, WEARING HANDCUFFS,

WAS BROUGHT OUT AND DRIVEN TWO BLOCKS FROM THE COURTHOUSE TO THE CENTRAL LOCKUP FOR PROCESSING.

SHAW, WHO STANDS ABOUT 6-2 AND WEIGHS 200, SMILED BRIEFLY THROUGH
THE GLARE OF CAMERA LIGHTS. HE WAS FLANKED ON BOTH SIDES BY GARRISON'S
MEN.

AT CENTRAL LOCKUP, SHAW WAS BOOKED AND DIST. JUDGE THOMAS M.
BRAHNEY SET BOND. GARRISON HAD ASKED A BOND OF \$25,000 BUT THE JUDGE
CALLED THAT AMOUNT "EXCESSIVE."

TECHNICALLY, UNDER LOUISIANA LAW, BEING BOOKED DOES NOT MEAN BEING FORMALLY CHARGED.

GURVICH SAID SHAW "WILL BE CHARGED WITH PARTICIPATING IN A CONSPIRACY TO MURDER JOHN F. KENNEDY"--BUT THAT HE COULDN'T SAY WHEN THE FORMAL CHARGE WILL BE FILED.

"SPECIAL CASES TAKE SPECIAL HANDLING," HE SAID.

IT WAS THE FIRST ARREST IN GARRISON'S 5-MONTH-OLD INVESTIGATION.
HE HAS VOWED HE WILL PROVE THAT A CONSPIRACY BORN IN NEW ORLEANS
"CULMINATED IN THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY" IN DALLAS
NOV. 22, 1963.

THE INVESTIGATION, BACKING THE BELIEF OF MANY THAT A PLOT WAS INVOLVED IN THE SHOOTING, AROUSED INTERNATIONAL INTEREST.

GARRISON'S CLAIM OF CONSPIRACY IS IN DIRECT OPPOSITION TO THE OFFICIAL REPORT OF THE WARREN COMMISSION.

THE COMMISSION SAID LEE HARVEY OSWLAD, A FORMER NEW ORLEANS RESIDENT, FIRED THE BULLETS THAT KILLED THE PRESIDENT AND WOUNDED TEXAS GOV. JOHN CONNALLY--AND THAT THERE WAS NO CREDIBLE EVIDENCE THAT ANY ONE ELSE WAS INVOLVED.

THE WARREN REPORT CONTAINED NO MENTION OF CLAY SHAW.

GARRISON SAID SHAW, ETC., 21ST GRAF (1ST GRAF A129NU)

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NEW ORLEANS, MARCH 1 (AP)-THE RETIRED DIRECTOR OF THE NEW ORLEANS INTERNATIONAL TRADE MART, CLAY SHAW, WAS ARRESTED BY DIST. ATTY.

JIM GARRISON TODAY AND ACCUSED OF TAKING PART "IN A CONSPIRACY TO ASSASSINATE PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY."

NO IMMEDIATE CHARGE WAS FILED.

"THERE WILL BE MORE ARRESTS," THE 6-FOOT-6 DISTRICT ATTORNEY
TOLD NEWSMEN. "I HAVE NO DOUBT ABOUT THE CASE, AS I HAVE SAID BEFORE.
THE ARRESTS WILL HOLD UP. IF YOU WANT TO BET AGAINST ME, YOU WILL
LOSE."

NOT MADE A STATEMENT. HE SAID SHAW HAD BEEN QUESTIONED PREVIOUSLY. Garris Commenced of \$25,000 mesons.

ABOUT TWO AND A HALF HOURS AFTER THE ARREST WAS ANNOUNCED, SHAW WAS BROUGHT OUT, HANDCUFFED, AND TAKEN TO CENTRAL LOCKUP. HE SMILED THROUGH THE GLARE OF CAMERA LIGHTS. DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S MEN FLANKED HIM ON BOTH SIDES.

POSTED. BRAHNEY SAID HE FELT THAT GARRISON'S RECOMMENDATION OF \$25,000 BOND WAS EXCESSIVE.

SHAW WAS BOOKED -- BUT NOT FORMALLY CHARGED -- WITH "CONSPIRACY
TO COMMIT MURDER." IN LOUISIANA, A CHARGE IS NOT FORMAL UNTIL IT
HAS BEEN ACCEPTED BY A DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

A LAWYER FOR SHAW, EDWARD F. WEGMANN, SAID: "WE WILL HAVE A STATEMENT -- BUT NOT TONIGHT."

WILLIAM GURVICH, CHIEF INVESTIGATOR, SAID SHAW "WILL BE CHARGED WITH PARTICIPATING IN A CONSPIRACY TO MURDER JOHN F. KENNEDY"--BUT HE COULDN'T SAY WHEN THE FORMAL CHARGE WOULD BE FILED.

"SPECIAL, ETC., 3RD GRAF A110NU.

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NEW ORLEANS, MARCH 1 (AP)-DIST. ATTY. JIM GARRISON TODAY ARRESTED CLAY SHAW, 54, ONE-TIME ARMY MAJOR AND RETIRED DIRECTOR OF THE NEW ORLEANS INTERNATIONAL TRADE MART, AND ACCUSED HIM OF TAKING PART "IN A CONSPIRACY TO ASSASSINATE PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY."

NO IMMEDIATE CHARGE WAS PLACED. WILLIAM GURVICH, THE NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S CHIEF INVESTIGATOR, SAID SHAW "WILL BE CHARGED WITH PARTICIPATING IN A CONSPIRACY TO MURDER JOHN F. KENNEDY" -- BUT HE COULDN'T SAY WHEN THE CHARGE WOULD BE FILED.

"SPECIAL CASES TAKE SPECIAL HANDLING," SAID GURVICH AT A TUMULTUOUS NEWS CONFERENCE IN THE ECHOING MARBLE CORRIDOR OUTSIDE GARRISON'S OFFICES. "FOR ALL I KNOW IT COULD BE SEVERAL DAYS."

SHAW, A HANDSOME WELL-DRESSED SIX-FOOTER WITH SILVER HAIR, WAS SUBPOENAED TO APPEAR AT THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. HE ARRIVED AT 12:15 P.M. THE ARREST WAS ANNOUNCED AT 5:45.

IT WAS THE FIRST ARREST IN GARRISON'S 5-MONTH-OLD INVESTIGATION, WHICH HE SAID WILL PROVE THAT A CONSPIRACY BORN HERE "CULMINATED IN THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY" IN DALLAS NOV. 22, 1963.

GARRISON'S PROBE AROUSED INTERNATIONAL INTEREST.

HIS CLAIM OF CONSPIRACY GOES COUNTER TO THE WARREN COMMISSION'S OFFICIAL REPORT THAT LEE HARVEY OSWALD FIRED THE BULLETS THAT KILLED KENNEDY AND WOUNDED TEXAS GOV. JOHN CONNELLY -- AND THAT THERE WAS NO CREDIBLE EVIDENCE ANY ONE ELSE WAS INVOLVED.

THE WARREN REPORT CONTAINED NO MENTION OF CLAY SHAW.

IN ANNOUNCING GARRISON'S LATEST MOVE, GURVICH READ A BRIEF STATEMENT TO NEWSMEN:

"THE FIRST ARREST HAS BEEN MADE IN THE INVESTIGATION OF THE NEW JOHN F. KENNEDY, " HE SAID:

ORLEANS DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE INTO THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT

"ARRESTED THIS EVENING IN THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE WAS CLAY SHAW, AGE 54, OF 1313 DAUPHINE ST., NEW ORLEANS, LA.

"MR. SHAW WILL BE CHARGED WITH PARTICIPATION IN A CONSPIRACY TO DER JOHN F. KENNEDY.

"IT SHOULD BE POINTED OUT, " HE ADDED, "THAT THE NATURE OF THIS CASE IS NOT CONDUCIVE TO AN IMMEDIATE SUCCESSION OF ARRESTS AT THIS TIME. HOWEVER, OTHER ARRESTS WILL BE MADE AT A LATER DATE."

SHAW'S NAME APPARENTLY DOES NOT APPEAR IN THE SUMMARY OF THE WARREN COMMISSION'S REPORT. HE IS NOT LISTED AS A WITNESS.

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NEW ORLEANS FIRST ADD PROBE BJT 2ND NL A110: DATE." (CORRECT: ELIMINATING LAST GRAF BEGINNING, SHAW'S NAME X X WITNESS.)

GARRISON SAID SHAW HAD A LAWYER WITH HIM DURING THE LONG AFTERNOON OF INTERROGATION. HE SAID SHAW WOULD BE BOOKED ON THE AUTHORITY OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

SHAW WAS SUBPOENAED TO APPEAR AT THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE THIS MORNING. ON ARRIVAL, HE WALKED QUICKLY THROUGH THE RECEPTION ROOM, PAST NEWSMEN, SAYING HE WAS "NOT SPEAKING TO ANYONE.

IN WASHINGTON, THE U.S. JUSTICE DEPARTMENT AND THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION DECLINED TO COMMENT ON THE ARREST.

SHAW LIVES ON DAUPHINE ST. IN THE FRENCH QUARTER, A LIVELY TOURIST STAMPING GROUND HERE. FOR 18 YEARS HE WAS MANAGING DIRECTOR OF NEW ORLEAN'S INTERNATIONAL TRADE MART.

THE MART IS A PRIVATELY-SUPPORTED, NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION FORMED TO PROMOTE TRADE THROUGH THE PORT OF NEW ORLEANS.

SHAW RETIRED OCT. 1, 1965, SAYING THAT A NEW TRADE MART BUILDING .

ERECTED AT THE FOOT OF CANAL ST., ON THE BANK OF THE MISSISSIPPI

RIVER, WAS THE FULFILLMENT OF HIS LIFELONG DREAM.

RETIREMENT, HE SAID, WOULD GIVE HIM TIME TO PURSUE HIS PERSONAL INTERESTS AND MANAGE HIS REAL ESTATE HOLDINGS.

AT A CEREMONY MARKING HIS RETIREMENT, SHAW WAS PRESENTED A PLAQUE AND THE INTERNATIONAL ORDER OF MERIT OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS MEDAL.

DURING WORLD WAR II HE WAS AWARDED THE FRENCH CROIX DE GUERRE AND THE UNITED STATES LEGION OF MERIT AND BRONZE STAR. HE ALSO IS A CHEVALIER OF THE ORDER OF THE CROWN OF BELGIUM AND, WHILE HE WAS DIRECTOR OF THE TRADE MART, FRANCE GAVE HIM THE DISTINCTION OF "CHAVALIER DE L'ORDRE DU MERITE COMMERCIAL."

BEFORE RETURNING TO NEW ORLEANS IN 1947, SHAW WAS BRIEFLY ENGAGED IN ADVERTISING AND PUBLIC RELATIONS WORK IN NEW YORK CITY.

A NATIVE OF KENTWOOD, LA., HE MOVED TO NEW ORLEANS WITH HIS FAMILY AT THE AGE OF FIVE.

OSWALD, A FORMER NEW ORLEANS RESIDENT, SHOWED UP ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS IN FRONT OF THE OLD TRADE MART BUILDING--NOW AN OFFICE BUILDING--TO HANDOUT PROPAGANDA LEAFLETS.

AT THE TIME, THE SUMMER OF 1963, OSWALD WAS WORKING WITH A GROUP HE CALLED "FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA," A PRO-CASTRO ORGANIZATION.

IN AN INTERVIEW LAST WEEK, SAHW SAID HE ONCE SAW OSWALD DISTRIBUTING THE LEAFLETS BUT NEVER MET OR SPOKE TO HIM.

GARRISON SAID HE WOULD FILE A BILL OF INFORMATION AGAINST SHAW.

UNDER LOUISIANA LAW, A DISTRICT ATTORNEY CAN BRING A PRISONER TO TRIAL UNDER ONE OF TWO METHODS: A GRAND JURY INDICTMENT OR BY FILING A BILL OF INFORMATION WITH A JUDGE.

EARLIER TODAY, AN EX-AIR FORCE PILOT UNDERWENT QUESTIONING IN GARRISON'S OFFICE AFTER BEING SUBPOENAED.

JAMES R. THIRD GRAF PROBE BJT NL AS3NU

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NEW ORLEANS, MARCH 1 (AP) -- DIST. ATTY. JIM GARRISON'S INVESTIGATORS
QUESTIONED A FORMER MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE MART
HERE AND AN EX-AIR FORCE PILOT TODAY AS THEY PUSHED AHEAD WITH THEIR
KENNEDY ASSASSINATION PROBE.

CLAY SHAW, WHO RETIRED 18 MONTHS AGO FROM THE TRADE MART POST,
REFUSED TO TALK WITH NEWSMEN WHEN HE REPORTED TO GARRISON'S OFFICE IN
RESPONSE TO A SUBPOENA.

JAMES R. LEWALLEN, 38, AN EMPLOYE OF THE BOEING CO., ALSO UNDERWENT QUESTIONING AFTER BEING SUBPOENAED. A BATON ROUGE SALESMAN, PERRY RAYMOND RUSSO, 25, APPEARED VOLUNTARILY TO PASS ON INFORMATION HE CLAIMS TO HAVE ABOUT THE ASSASSINATION.

GARRISON APPEARED BRIEFLY OUTSIDE HIS OFFICE AND SAID HIS
INVESTIGATION WAS MOVING ON SCHEDULE. "THERE WON'T BE ANY PROBLEMS."

THE TALL DISTRICT ATTORNEY CREATED A WORLDWIDE SENSATION LAST WEEK WHEN HE SAID HE WOULD PROVE PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY WAS KILLED NOV. 22, 1963, IN DALLAS AS THE CULMINATION OF A CONSPIRACY STARTED IN NEW ORLEANS. HE PROMISED ARRESTS AND CONVICTIONS.

SHAW, A LARGE WELL-DRESSED MAN WITH SILVER HAIR, SERVED AS MANAGING DIRECTOR OF THE TRADE MART FROM LTS FOUNDING IN 6

DIRECTOR OF THE TRADE MART FROM ITS FOUNDING IN 1947 UNTIL HIS RETIREMENT OCT. 1, 1965.

LEE HARVEY OSWALD, THE ONE-TIME NEW ORLEANS RESIDENT IDENTIFIED BY
THE WARREN REPORT AS KENNEDY'S ASSASSIN, ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS PASSED
OUT PRO-CASTRO LITERATURE OUTSIDE THE TRADE MART IN THE FALL OF 1963.

SHAW SAID IN AN INTERVIEW WITH WDSU-TV LAST WEEK HE NEVER KNEW OR SPOKE TO OSWALD. SHAW DID RECALL HAVING SEEN OSWALD PASSING OUT LEAFLETS OUTSIDE THE TRADE MART.

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THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE MART IS A PRIVATELY SUPPORTED NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION FORMED TO PROMOTE TRADE THROUGH THE PORT OF NEW ORLEANS. THE TRADE MART BUILDING HOUSES IMPORT-EXPORT OFFICES AND SOME CONSULATES.

LEWALLEN'S ATTORNEY, GEORGE PIAZZA II, TOLD A THRONG OF REPORTERS OUTSIDE GARRISON'S OFFICE THAT HIS CLIENT ONCE ROOMED WITH DAVID W. FERRIE, 48, A FREE-LANCE PILOT DESCRIBED BY GARRISON AS A PARTICIPANT IN THE ALLEGED CONSPIRACY TO KILL THE PRESIDENT.

FERRIE WAS FOUND DEAD IN BED FEB. 22. THE CORONER RULED DEATH RESULTED FROM NATURAL CAUSES. GARRISON MAINTAINS FERRIE COMMITTED SUICIDE WHILE UNDER INVESTIGATION.

"LIKE MANY OTHER PEOPLE IN NEW ORLEANS, JAMES LEWALLEN KNEW DAVID FERRIE," PIAZZA TOLD NEWSMEN. HE SAID LEWALLEN EARLIER HAD TALKED VOLUNTARILY WITH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S INVESTIGATORS EARLIER IN THE PROBE AND HAD ANSWERED ALL QUESTIONS ABOUT HIS ACQUAINTANCE WITH FERRIE. THE SUBPOENA CAME "AS A GREAT SURPRISE TO US." PIAZZA SAID.

LEWALLEN, WHO IS SINGLE, HAS BEEN EMPLOYED AS AN INSPECTOR AT BOEING'S MICHOUD MISSILE FACILITY HERE SINCE 1961. COMPANY RECORDS SHOWED HE HAS A SECURITY CLEARANCE FOR CONFIDENTIAL WORK.

FOR THE PAST TWO MONTHS HE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TEMPORARILY TO NASA'S MISSISSIPPI TEST FACILITY NEAR BAY ST. LOUIS, MISS.

FERRIE WAS BURIED TODAY IN SUBURBAN ST. BERNARD MEMORIAL CEMETERY FOLLOWING SERVICES AT ST. MATTHIAS CHURCH HERE. ONLY TWO MOURNERS ATTENDED THE SERVICE.

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