

N.B.C. Airs Garrison Reply Next Week

District Attorney Jim Garrison of New Orleans will make a half-hour appearance on the National Broadcasting Company television network next Saturday to reply to its criticism of his conduct of an investigation into the assassination of President Kennedy.

After several days of negotiations between Charles Ward, a member of Mr. Garrison's staff, and N.B.C. lawyers, the District Attorney agreed to accept the network's offer of a half-hour of prime time to respond to its criticism of him in "The J.F.K. Conspiracy: The Case of Jim Garrison," an hour-long program broadcast at 8 P.M. on June 19. Mr. Garrison's reply will be carried from 8 to 8:30 P.M. next Saturday.

The program, on which Mr. Garrison will appear alone, will be taped next week at the studios of WDSU-TV, the N.B.C. affiliate in New Orleans. No one associated with the N.B.C. documentary about Mr. Garrison's investigation will be involved in the telecast.

The agreement represents a compromise by both sides in the controversy. After the tele-

cast on June 19, Mr. Garrison wrote to N.B.C. requesting equal time to reply to the criticism against his investigation.

N.B.C. responded on June 29 by offering Mr. Garrison a half-hour of prime time next Saturday at 8 P.M. It suggested that Mr. Garrison appear before a mutually acceptable panel.

Balked at Panel Idea

On Wednesday, Mr. Garrison's office notified N.B.C. that he would agree to appear on the network only if he received an hour of prime time rather than the 30 minutes offered, and only if no panel took part in the discussion.

He explained his opposition to the panel format to a reporter this way: "I will have to spend half my time educating them because they have not read the Warren Commission report."

During the documentary, N.B.C. produced the former owner of a Turkish bath who said Mr. Garrison's representatives had offered him money if he could remember that Clay L. Shaw, a retired businessman indicted on a charge of con-

spiracy to kill President Kennedy, had frequented his establishment under the name of "Clay Bertrand" while accompanied by a young man named "Lee."

Mr. Garrison has asserted that Mr. Shaw used the name "Clay Bertrand" and met with Lee Harvey Oswald and others to plot the murder of President Kennedy. The Warren Commission said Oswald acted alone in the assassination.

Two Subpoenaed by Garrison

NEW ORLEANS, July 7 (AP) — William Gurvich, former chief investigator for Mr. Garrison, and John Cancler, a convict, were subpoenaed today to appear next Wednesday before the Orleans Parish grand jury.

Mr. Gurvich, saying that there was no basis for the inquiry, resigned from Mr. Garrison's staff after visiting Senator Robert F. Kennedy in New York City.

Cancler, who is currently serving a burglary sentence, has said he was asked by a representative of Mr. Garrison to break into the home of Mr. Shaw.

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Garrison to Tell of 'Plot' Over NBC

NEW YORK — (AP) — New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison will appear on the National Broadcasting Co. TV network next Saturday to reply to an NBC program that criticized his conduct of an investigation into the assassination of President Kennedy.

It will be taped next week at WDSU-TV in New Orleans.

The NBC telecast-entitled "The J.F.K. Conspiracy: The Case of Jim Garrison" — ran one hour on June 19.