

DA Answers Probe Critics Tonight on TV

Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison will go on national television at 7 p. m. today to discuss his Kennedy death plot investigation.

The DA's presentation will be made in reply to a June 19 program aired by the National Broadcasting Co., which criticized Garrison's investigation.

SOURCES CLOSE to the DA's office said Garrison will use his 30 minutes of air time to give what was described as a "low key fireside chat" about the inquiry.

He is expected to spend very little time replying to charges made by the network. Most of the program will be devoted to an analysis of the Warren Commission Report, aides said.

THE NETWORK said Garrison's conspiracy case against 54-year-old retired New Orleans businessman Clay L. Shaw is based partly on unconfirmed testimony.

Since the NBC broadcast, Garrison's office has charged two TV newsmen — Walter Sheridan of NBC and Richard L. Townley of WDSU-TV—with public bribery of state witness.