

DA Finds No Link Between Young, Crime

BATON ROUGE—New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison today said that he found no connection between former governor's aide Aubrey Young and organized crime, following an investigation by his office.

The investigation was made following a series of articles in Life magazine which cited alleged telephone calls, between Young at the state capitol and a telephone purportedly used by racketeer figure Carlos Marcello in New Orleans.

"ABOUT Aubrey Young," Garrison said. "In more than

50 hours of testimony there was not the slightest indication of any kind that this man has any connection with organized crime."

He said that Young had testified under oath and at length and that on the basis of his inquiry it was unlikely in any way that there was a connection.

"No witness was more cooperative," Garrison said. "I think it is apparent that this man is an honest man."

Young has admitted to receiving two phone calls from Marcello, but said he did not get any over the controversial phone listed by Life magazine.

GARRISON said that the Life stories were "totally and completely false."

Gov. John J. McKeithen has ordered reopened an investigation into the telephone usage, this time by the state police with a special investigator assigned to the task.