

U.S. Bar Asks Probe of Garrison's Motive

DETROIT — (AP) — The American Bar Association will recommend an investigation of New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison and the Clay Shaw conspira-

cy trial, its president said yesterday.

William Gossett of Detroit said the ABA will ask the Louisiana Bar Association to consider disciplinary action against Garrison as a result

of the Shaw trial, which Gossett called a charade.

Garrison's motives in bringing Shaw to trial must be investigated, Gossett said, adding he was sure there was a "a feeling of outrage"

among people in Louisiana over "what appeared to be an unjustified attack" on Shaw.

In New Orleans, Garrison's resignation was demanded in a front-page editorial by the

New Orleans States-Item. "He has shown himself unfit to hold the office," the newspaper said.

"He has perverted the law rather than prosecuted it." The States-Item said the "persecution" of Shaw was "a perversion of the legal process such as has not been often seen."

Curiously it was the States-Item which first reported Garrison's investigation — before Garrison had made public statements about it. The newspaper had long supported Garrison.