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DA Would Try Shaw Again--Ward

District Attorney Candidate Charles A. Ward said today that if incumbent Jim Garrison is reelected, "the citizens of New Orleans can look for him to try and retry Clay Shaw for the next four years."

Ward, addressing the Gentilly Country Club at the Vista Shores Country Club, attacked the policies of both Garrison and Har-

ry Connick, another DA candidate.

He said Garrison "doesn't represent change and doesn't even pretend to represent change."

"GARRISON HAS Clay Shaw and 13 other cases that arose out of the Shaw trial to try and you can look forward to the same old sensational press releases and bad publicity across the United States."

Shaw was acquitted of conspiring to assassinate President Kennedy in 1963.

Ward said Connick claims to be a "reformer."

"But how can Connick reform? He is backed by Aaron Kohn and the Metropolitan Crime Commission, The Times-Picayune and the States-Item."

"And do you know who Kohn, the MCC, The Times-Picayune and the States-Item backed eight years ago—they backed Jim Garrison."

WARD ALSO said Connick has two endorsements from mayoral candidates and said he wonders "How can a teammate before the election be anything but a teammate after the election?"

Ward said he is an independent candidate who refused to take part in the Shaw case when he was on Garrison's staff and now wants to bring "a pragmatic approach to law enforcement to the DA's office."

"I know when to be tough—when dealing with the mob, narcotics pushers, armed robbers and professional criminals—and when to be compassionate as with an 18-year-old first offender who would be better off in the Army than in Parish Prison."

Ward told the Rotarians that "Garrison and Connick are brought to you by the same reformers who endorsed such reformers as Jimmie Davis and John McKeithen."

HE SAID if either Garrison or Connick is elected there will be no substantial change in law enforcement in New Orleans.

"We've had a belly-full of reformers. Today Harry Connick is presenting to us the same old Garrison script of eight years ago. This time I don't think the people will be fooled," he said.