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**New Orleans DA
 Charged in Bribery**

NEW ORLEANS — (AP) — District Attorney Jim Garrison, two New Orleans policemen and two other persons were arrested today on federal charges of taking up to \$1500 a month to protect illegal gambling with pinball machines.

In Washington, Atty. Gen. John Mitchell said arrest warrants issued last night in New Orleans charged Garrison and the others with bribery, illegal gambling and obstruction of law enforcement.

Garrison came to national

attention through his attempts to prosecute businessman Clay Shaw for what Garrison said was a conspiracy to assassinate President Kennedy.

Mitchell said criminal complaints against Garrison and the four other persons who were arrested, plus five others who are being sought, resulted from a year-long investigation by the Justice Department's organized crime strike force in New Orleans.

According to an affidavit

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that accompanied the complaint, Garrison and New Orleans police officials Frederick Soule Sr. and Robert Frey received payments of as much as \$1500 a month to protect illegal gambling in coin operated pinball machine operations.

The affidavit said the government has tape recordings of some transactions between the lawmen and owners and operators of the pinball machines.

Intermediary

The Justice Department said Pershing Gervais, a former investigator for Garrison, acted as the intermediary for the payments and recorded the conversations for the government.

Named in the complaint, in addition to Garrison, Soule and Frey, were six owners or operators of amusement firms using pinball machines and the chief lobbyist for the pinball machine industry in the Louisiana state legislature.

They were identified by the Justice Department as Louis Boasberg, 60; John Elms Jr., 29; Lawrence LaGarde, 52; Harby Marks Jr., 57; Robert Nims, 40; and John Elmo Pierce, 54. The lobbyist was identified as John Callery, 63.

All Charged

Garrison, Soule, a police captain assigned to Garrison's staff; Frey, a vice squad sergeant; Boasberg and Marks were apprehended by federal agents today.

All 10 men are charged



JIM GARRISON (RIGHT) LED TO COURT
 District Attorney is charged with accepting bribes
 —AP Photo

with illegal gambling, use of bribery to obstruct law enforcement, interstate travel or transportation in aid of racketeering and conspiracy.

Gervais, chief investigator on Garrison's staff from 1962 to 1965 and a former private investigator and policeman, appears to be the government's main witness.

In the affidavit, Gervais said he had cooperated with the Internal Revenue Service

and Justice Department since June, 1969.

He claimed to be the intermediary for bribes paid by pinball machine owners and dealers to Garrison and the two policemen.

In the affidavit, Gervais said he had delivered payments ranging from \$2000 to \$3000 every two months from the lobbyist, Callery, to Garrison.