

Miain $\because$ NEW ORLEANS -A Iftree-year-old rumor that ifice had Miami's Cubans dioking unederground for a Tomspirator in the Kennedy assassination turned up here Friday as a key item in the distruct attorney's revived and private probe.
investigators for prosecu.
vor Jim Garrison are scoturing Cuban coffee shops and nightclubs sceking information on moustachloed Latin of either Mexican or Cuban origin.

This is the same "mystery man" who, in late 1968, was photographed in Mexico Clty by the CIA and Identiried by thai agency as loe Harvey Oswald.

Onwald was in the Mexlcan capital at the same time supposedly making efforts to get a visa for a trip to Cuba.

Actording to the port-assassination stories, this Mexican or Cuban was part of an abortive plot known then as "The Oswald Switch."

Jowt how and why Oswald. named by the Warren Com-


#### Abstract

minsion its the sole murdecer of President Kennety, and thls waldemtifled Lath planned to exchange foents. ties never was made elear by government agents.


The plot is supposed to have hit a clinker when Os. wald was captured in a Dallas theater which was to have been his hidenut unt! dark that Nov. 22.


However, in early 1964, Miami Cuban leaders were shown the mystery man's photos and asked to help uncover hilk thiding place, at that time believed to be somewhere in Miami or Tampa.

[^0]Garrison quiecty re-opened the conspiracy phase of the Asasssination last October. He said he was prompted by "valid reports" that a plot to EIIl the President was hatched in New Orleans during the summer of 1963.

New Oricans Cuban colony. far less organized and wth less leadership than Miami's. has pulled into a shell since Giarison's new -
drive has vildded the area with public and private investigators.

## "To talk is to be ques-

 floned," sald one cafe owner Friday. "Everybody comes and tells you 'T'm working for the district attorney.""I have to laugh They talk about plots. Everybody is plotting. It's something to do. I've scen them sit here and plot to talse Fort Knox," one colfee whop owner said.
He and others aumittelt they hat' been shown reproductions of the blurred CIA photo and were asked rapest. edly if the man had been in their cafes and with whom he might have met.

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tion of this man sre avalable to Garrison, but be has not asked for them.

Nor has he changed his mind about turning over any of his inotrmition to the federal agencies.
They in turn are giving the district attorney's probthe cold shoulder and have asked for none of his lindings. Even Garrison's own homicice bureau is being kept in the dark.

Lt. Cornelins Druntm sam Priday "none of my men have been asked to take part in this Investigation and we know rothting aboat 能"

[^1]answaring quesiluns Deciause of the "poor living colsditions"s in the jabt 期d was tramederred to ita hompttal ware where beds are wofter atad fiae food somewhat betser.

A liey link in Garrison's conspiracy theury wag a 49. year-did free lance pilot namod David W Ferrie.

Ferrie died, officialty o? natural causes, last Wednes. day morning. Garrison sals he had intended to arres: him next week

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They indieate the pilots our may have been an of. inr" io meet others involved th the alleged conspiracy Coroner Nicholas I. Chel. ta released reports on the second phase of Ferries av. opsy Friday moming.

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"That's okay Noboty will ever belyeve it".
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[^0]:    Long before the Warren Commisnton report appeared, Secret Service and FBI agents diseommted the story.

[^1]:    Some of Gartison s witnes: es are getting restive, ton

    Miguel Torres once Lived a hulf block from Oewalo in New Orleans. He since has been convicted of burglary and grand larceny and was ant:! recently a prisoner beid th the ctate pententiary.

    He was returned to New itrleans two woelts tago and placed in Parish Prison, an intiquated and decrepil county 'ais here to be avatiable for Gerrison's equestioning

