Garrison Office Accused of Prompting Witness

District Attorney Jim Garri- lous," Mr. Sciambra said. son had "prompted" a key witnedy was allegedly plotted.

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Mr. Garrison's office denied he statements

May 6 the Post said Mr. Russo ticle said. mentioned the 1963 for by investigators.

The Post article said Mr. The Post article said Mr. Russo had recalled the party Shaw, a businessman, David only after prompting, by Mr. Ferrie, a pilot and Lee Harvey Oswald plotted the President's death.

The article by James Phe-quoted a 3,500-word confference Dr. Esmond Fatter, had told Mr. central memo to Mr. Garrison from Andrew J. Sciambra, an screen in his mind and in-assistant district attorney, in structed him: which, The Post said, Mr. Sciambra said Mr. Russo at first blank, Perry-see that television and not mentioned the meeting screen again, it is very vivid-now notice the nicture on the Mr. Shaw with Oswald.

Mr. Russo, a 25-year-old insurfance salesman, later testi-rie about the alleged plot during Mr. Shaw's preliminary tant matter and there is another A three-judge panel hearing. ordered Mr. Shaw held over for trial. He has been indicted on charges of conspiring to murder Mr. Kennedy.

Mr. Sciambra said The Post was "telling a hair truth." He New Orleans, the point was said that Wr. Brelan had been fully advised of the full Russo testimony before he left Lou-Rouge of the party and con-

NEW ORLEANS, April 24 hypnotic suggestions to Perry apartment on Louisiana Avenue leged Kennedy assassination [UPI)-The Saturday Evening Russo in an effort to influence Parkway. Post said today that the office him to tell our story is ridicu-

The Sciambra memo made no reference to a party in 1963 at Mr. Ferrie's apartment at which Mr. Ferrie's apartment at which meeting in 1963 at which the assistination of President Ken-with Mr. Ferrie and Oswald the assassination, The Post said.

"There was no positive identification of Lee Harvey Oswald as 'Leon' Oswald," as Mr. Russo in an article in its issue of subsequently asserted, the ar-

"Most striking of all, when "nlot" in his initial interroga-shown a picture of Clay Shaw, Russo had said nothing what-It was only after sessions of ever, according to the memo-randum pentothal and hypnosis, randum, about having known the article said, that Mr. Russo him as 'Bertrand.'"

Scambria while under the drug, and recalled the plot when "further prodded" under hypnosis.

"Let your mind go completely now notice the picture on the screen.

"There will be Bertrand, Fertant matter and there is another man and girl there and they are somebody." assassinating

Mr. Sciambra said:

"Long before Mr. Phelan left "Mr. Phelan's inference that our office is guilty of post-Ferrie and Oswald in Ferrie's

"This in fact was verified to

"Mr. Phelan has purposely otherwise abusing him until he tried to mislead the American confessed," according to a tran-public by telling a half-truth script of a lie detector test and not showing the full pic-given to Mr. Novel on March 25. ture."

Brainwash Plan Reported

(UPI) Gordon Novel, a New gation. Orleans night club operator, Mr. Weiner challenged Mr. District Attorney Jim Garrison

plot.

"The plan to some extent was Mr. Phelan by Russo himself, shooting an atrophine dart into after Mr. Phelan made a special the unsuspecting Ferrie, taking trip to Baton Rouge to talk to Perry Russo personally.

Mr. Novel and his attorney, Jerry Weiner, held a news conference to release results of the test. Mr. Novel is wanted as a COLUMBUS, Ohio, April 24 material witness in the investi-

said today that he had heard Garrison to take a similar test Mr. Novel, 29 years old. outline plans to brainwash the charged that Mr. Garrison's in-late David W. Ferrie to make quiry was a "fraud" motivated him confess to a part in the al- by his political ambitions.

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