

# Subpoenas For Davis Framed

BATON ROUGE, La. (UPI) —

Workmen followed U.S. deputy marshals around the State Capitol Friday, framing federal subpoenas where they fell, and Gov. Jimmie Davis solemnly denied he was trying to stay out of court.

The marshals are trying to serve Davis with subpoenas ordering him into court as a defendant in two integration suits, but after several days of trying to find him, they gave up and started serving the papers on his associates.

Davis' Secretary, Mrs. Bea Carrera, got the first one Thursday. A workman soon came into the office, measured the table top where the subpoena lay, and covered it with clear plastic.

The plastic coverings were ordered to prevent anyone from touching or moving the papers and thus strengthen the marshals' claim that they were legally served to a representative of the governor.

The marshals saw their fourth effort framed Friday. And a few miles away at the governor's mansion, Davis showed up after managing to stay at least one jump ahead of the marshals for two days.

Davis, who has personally taken over New Orleans schools to try to avoid integration, said he went fishing, caught a catfish and a turtle, and wouldn't think of trying to avoid anybody.

Two deputy marshals strode into Davis' office Friday and thrust a subpoena at Mrs. Merry Jane White, the governor's receptionist. She recoiled like the paper was a snake and the subpoena fluttered to the floor untouched.

A workman darted in and secured the subpoena to the floor under clear plastic. It joined a collection consisting of three other papers—one framed on a coffee table in the governor's office, where the deputies left it, and two others weighted down with concrete blocks on the mansion steps.

The subpoenas are for two hearings in federal court in New Orleans on Aug. 26. One suit, filed by the NAACP, asks the court to prevent anybody from interfering with integration in the New Orleans schools next month.

The second was filed by a group of 31 New Orleans citizens, asking first for a delay of the integration order. If that is not granted, the suit asks that the court prevent the schools from being closed by anybody.



—Associated Press Wirephoto.

State Capitol workers, under the scrutiny of Louisiana State Trooper Ben Skidmore, affix a clear plastic top to a table in the governor's office.

Under the plastic are federal court orders in the New Orleans school integration suit which U.S. Marshals were unable to serve.