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Alton W. Roberts, Left, and Cecil R. Price, Convicted of Conspiracy, Are Ordered Jailed

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New Page in History

7 Are Found Guilty in Rights Slayings

MERIDIAN, Miss. (UPI) — An all-white Federal Court jury wrote a new page in Mississippi justice Friday by convicting seven Ku Klux Klansmen of conspiracy in the 1964 slaying of three civil rights workers.

The 12-day-old trial ended on a sensational note with United States District Judge Harold Cox accusing two of those convicted, Deputy Sheriff Cecil R. Price and Alton W. Roberts, 28, of threatening to bomb him.

HE ORDERED them jailed without bond, declaring:

"I'm not going to let any wild man loose on civilized society."

Referring to Roberts, he said:

"It would be unthinkable for the jury to bring in any other verdict on this defendant. Nobody will have to be frightened or concerned about his bluster or bluff for a long time," hinting he will impose the maximum penalty of 10 years in prison and a \$5,000 fine.

Eight other white men were acquitted, and three of the 18 defendants won a mistrial when the jury — made up of seven women and five men — was unable to agree on a verdict for them.

DEFENSE ATTORNEYS said it would be "improper" for them to say whether they will appeal, but informed sources indicated motions for new trials will be filed next week.

U.S. Asst. Atty. Gen. John Doar, who has lived with the case for three years, also refused to say whether those who won a mistrial would be caught up with him.

Their bodies were found 44 days later buried under a farm pond dam after an intensive federal search.

Since murder is not a federal offense unless committed on government property, the 18 defendants were brought to trial.

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Networks Won't Cover Peace Protests Live

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NEW YORK — The three television networks will not present live coverage of today's peace demonstrations in Washington.

The Columbia Broadcasting System, the American Broadcasting Company and the National Broadcasting Co., will each have several film crews at the Lincoln Memorial and the Pentagon and plan to carry reports on their early eve-

ning news programs.

But they feel that the presence of large mobile units necessary for live coverage might induce demonstrators to "perform" for the cameras.

"All the emotions in this situation make it ripe for potential trouble," said William Sheehan, ABC television news vice president. "We don't want to do anything that would contribute to this demonstration becoming violent."

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UAW, Ford Reach Tentative Agreement on New Contract

By A. F. MAHAN
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DETROIT — The United Auto Workers Union (UAW) and Ford Motor Co. reached tentative agreement Friday on contract provisions that could increase the average worker's wages 43 to 59 cents an hour, an industry source said.

For a small minority of workers — the 20,000 skilled tradesmen among the 160,000 UAW members striking Ford for the 44th day — the wage gain could mount to 95 cents an hour over the three-year life of the pact.

THE UAW AND FORD ended a 31-hour bargaining session late Friday. Another bargaining session was set for 11 a.m. to day.

It appeared that the UAW pact may have fallen short of goals as announced by the union's president, Walter P. Reuther.

However, Reuther did get his main objective — guaranteed annual income, or a form of it.

The total value of the package could not be determined since some of the wage gains are geared to any fluctuations in the cost-of-living index in the coming three years.

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