Conspiracy conviction given Klansman 1 dead, 10 wounded

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here Friday convicted an admit- and San Francisco owned by the ted member of the Ku Klux Klan Pacifica Foundation. He is also of plotting to blow up radio stations in California.

Jimmy Dale Hutto, 24, of suburban Pasadena, was also convicted of two counts of federal gun violations. He said he will appeal.

The six-man, six-woman jury took just 3½ hours to find Hutto guilty. Sentencing was set for Oct. 12.

Hutto was charged with conspiracy to destroy transmitters competent.

HOUSTON (AP)-A federal jury of radio stations in Los Angeles under indictment in state court here, charged with blowing up the transmitter of the Houston

Pacifica station in 1970. Hutto was also convicted of buying and possessing a pistol despite the fact he had been committeed to a state mental institution at one time. Federal laws forbid buying or possession of a gun by a convicted felon or a person judged mentally in-

FBI agents arrested Hutto and Russell Rector, 18, and Ronford Styron, 20, last Jan. 15 as the three men drove west from Houston, allegedly toward California.

Rector and Styron testified they were also members of the local United Klans of America Klavern and were recruited by Hutto to blow up the transmitters of the Pacifica stations. They testified they decided not to go through with the plot, but instead notified the FBI.

J. B. Stoner of Savannah, Ga., fighting back."

an attorney long identified with Klan cases, represented Hutto. He told the jury in final arguments Tuesday the government was trying to destroy the Klan.

In asking for a conviction, Asst. U. S. Atty. Ellis McCullough told the jury, "The most dangerous animal in the urban guerrilla war is the terrorist. Fortunately there are not too many of them yet. But it's you and me that are going to be in the middle if the victims start

WATSONVILLE, Calif. (AP) -Rock festivals that lure thousands of fans to small towns should be banned, a sheriff said Tuesday after a Labor Day rock festival ended in violence, with one motor-

cyclist dead and 10 more wound-About 3,000 youths had listened all day Monday to music in an apple orchard just outside this coastal farming town 75

miles south of San Francisco. At dusk, some 19 motorcyclists and 250 youths began fighting with knives, wooden boards, chains and bottles, deputies said. Cyclist Peter Montera, 26, of Long Beach, Calif., died of stab wounds in the heart. Deputies said nine other cyclists were injured and a woman was treated

for a drug overdose. "I think if we banned this type

lence mars rock festival

of activity this young man could have died a natural death," said Santa Cruz County Sheriff Douglas James.

He urged the county Board of Supervisors to tighten the ordinance that now allows audiences of 5,000 at outdoor festivals. There should be a long list of strict new controls, James said, and only several hundred should be allowed as a maximum audience.

Detectives still were trying to figure out who started the brawl and why. There were no immediate arrests, said one investigator, because there were no officers at the scene when the fight broke out.

Witnesses told deputies that about 30 cyclists drove up around 7 p.m. and refused to mingle in the crowd that has been listening to the Sopwith Camel, Commander Cody and Festival of Light rock groups.

The riders, men and women, said they belonged to a "weekend family" that gathered for short trips and had just come from Yosemite National Park.

Police said they parked their bikes and refused to let anyone near them. A witness told deputies one youth shouted, "Let's get the riders!"

The cyclists formed a circle and reportedly swung chains and boards, and the fight was on, witnesses said.

About 70 deputies, police and highway patrolmen arrived, armed with a machine gun, carbines, shotguns and with dogs. Using tear gas, they separated the motorcycle band from the youths and took some 150 persons in for questioning. Youths meanwhile hurled apples at police, said Sheriff's Lt. Marvin Gangloff.

The injured were taken to Watsonville Community Hospital, where two remained in serious condition and eight were treated and released, Gangloff said.

"Both sides say the other side started it," he said. "All we know is that the youths wanted to get the bikers."

The sheriff's officers said they had not been able to determine who were the promoters of the rock fest or who owned the land where is was held.

Watson has

brain damage, doctors say

LOS ANGELES (AP)-A second physician testified Tuesday that Charles "Tex" Watson, on trial for the seven Tate-LaBianca murders, has brain damage probably caused by drug use.

Dr. Richard Walter, a UCLA neurologist, supported testimony



last Friday that Watson's performance and mental status were abnormal.

Watson in testimony last week admitted the 1969 killings, but said he was under the influence of drugs and Charles Manson. Watson was a member of Manson's clan.

Meanwhile, the second murder trial of Manson resumed Tuesday after a two-week recess. Manson and three followers have been convicted and sentenced to death in the Tate-LaBianca murders. He now is accused in the slayings of stuntman Donald "Shorty" Shea and musician Gary Hinman.

Manson's attorney, Irving Kanarek, moved for a mistrial because of recent newspaper publicity, but the motion was denied. Kanarek cited news stories on the arrests of Manson followers

after an attempted robbery of a Hawthorne gun surplus store that ended in a shootout.

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