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Jury Accepted For Bombing Attempt Trial

MERIDIAN, Miss. (AP)—Opposing attorneys accepted an alternate juror today to complete the selection of a panel to hear the trial of Thomas Albert Tarrants III, accused of attempting to bomb the home of a prominent businessman last summer.

The 13th juror was seated shortly before noon and the court called for opening arguments by lawyers before the beginning of testimony.

The jury seated by the court was made up of 10 men, including one Negro, and two women, with C. D. Byrd, a white man as the alternate.

The opening day of the trial yesterday was consumed by selecting a jury of 12 to hear the case and the jury was not picked until 10:40 p. m.

When Circuit Judge Lester Williamson resumed court today, there were three prospective jurors left in the box. At mid-morning, after some were

excused and others were brought in, there were five waiting to be questioned by opposing attorneys before they could reach agreement.

DEFENSE COUNSEL Thomas Haas of Mobile, Ala., twice asked the court Monday to strike the venire and declare a mistrial. The requests were denied.

The first motion came when Dist. Atty. George Warner, who is asking the death penalty, was questioning prospective jurors about their feelings toward capital punishment.

"The state says Tarrants must die. The state says Tarrants must die," Warner repeated as he shook his finger at the jurors.

THE SECOND motion came after Williamson said, "You can not expect a crazy man to lawfully, knowingly, willingly and feloniously to do anything."

TARRANTS, 22, of Mobile, was accused to attempting to bomb the home of Meyer Davidson 51, last June 30. Davidson was the leader of a drive to raise a \$75,000 reward for information on the bombing of Temple Beth Israel earlier in the year.

Tarrants also faces trial on three counts of attempted murder stemming from the alleged bombing attempt and a subsequent gunbattle with police.