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Radio Station Bombing Plot Trial Begins

Houston

A self-described Ku Klux Klansman, accused of blowing up a radio station here went on trial yesterday in federal court charged with conspiring to blow up two stations of the same chain in California.

Jimmy Dale Hutto, 24, who says he is a member of the United Klans of America, is being tried before U.S. District Court Judge James Noel.

Hutto was arrested last January by FBI agents and charged with planning to blow up stations owned by the Pacifica Foundation in Los Angeles (KPFK) and Berkeley (KPFA).

In June, a state grand jury indicted Hutto and Louis R. Beam Jr., 24, another self-described Klansman, with bombing the Pacifica station here Oct. 6, 1970.

The two Pasadena, Tex., chemical workers and two other men were arrested last January by the FBI near Houston as they allegedly were driving to California.

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