

NEW ORLEANS

A *Said Ordered by Union Chief* **Partin Aide Admits Shooting**

BUTTE, Mont. (AP) — Burly Wade McClanahan, a 36-year-old "strong arm" and trusted lieutenant of Edward Grady Partin, says he shot a construction worker at Plaquemine on orders of Partin, a Louisiana Teamsters Union official.

The 36-year-old McClanahan, 6-feet-4 and 250 pounds, told a federal court jury he shot and wounded W. O. Bergeron, a contractor doing business with a competitor of convicted conspirator Ted F. Dunham Jr., after Partin instructed him to create a disturbance at Bergeron's job site.

McClanahan, charged with criminal conspiracy, described himself as a "trusted lieutenant of Partin" and testified about beatings, shootings, sabotage and other means of "solving problems" for Partin.

McClanahan said he and the late Jerry Sylvester led an armed attack on the Plaquemine construction site. He said both men were members of Local 5 in Baton Rouge, paid dues, but had no duties other than strong-arm jobs as needed and ordered by Partin.

The Plaquemine attack, McClanahan said, was at a job by Bergeron, who had bought concrete pipe from Roland Stevens of Baton Rouge.

On Jan. 16 and 17, 1968, McClanahan said, he and Edgar Coleman of the Teamsters local hampered and obstructed the job.

ON JAN. 18, Bergeron ignored the picketing and went to work, McClanahan said, while Partin organized the attack at the Teamsters Hall at Baton Rouge.

Partin said, "Run them out of there," McClanahan testified.

"We done what he said," the witness added. "We put a pretty good whuppin' on 'em."

The witness admitted he

shot one man, a heavy equipment operator, who was wounded in the leg.

Previously, Judge W. D. Murray had instructed the ju-

rors that McClanahan under federal law is immune from prosecution for any act admitted in the course of his present testimony.