

Deliberations Resumed by Partin Jury

BUTTE, Mont. (AP) — The jury resumed deliberations today in the federal conspiracy case against Teamsters official Edward G. Partin after reviewing portions of nearly 300,000 words of testimony.

The nine-woman, three-man jury was sequestered at a Butte hotel at 10 p.m. yesterday, following the initial seven-hour session which included a two-hour dinner break.

PARTIN, 46, a key figure in the jury tampering conviction of former Teamsters President James R. Hoffa, was charged with five counts of criminal conspiracy in violation of the Sherman Antitrust Act.

He is accused of wielding a strong arm of extortion to gain control of the concrete business in Baton Rouge.

Federal Judge W. D. Murray, after 90 minutes of instructions, sent the case to the jury at 3:05 p.m. Murray, who received the case on a change of venue from Louisiana, told the jury to consider separately each of the five charges.

THROUGHOUT the trial, the prosecution attempted to show that Partin, with Ted F. Dunham Jr., had "conspired to rape East Baton Rouge Parish and anybody else who bought ready-mix concrete."

Dunham, owner of a Baton Rouge concrete producing firm, was convicted at an earlier trial on two of five counts of conspiracy, and is awaiting sentencing.

The defense claimed in summation that the prosecution had failed to sustain its charges.

Defense counsel William O'Leary said the trial records showed that Partin took no action of any kind except in connection with legitimate union grievances, which his job required him to handle.