

# Kent State Defense Rests After Replay of Tapes

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CLEVELAND, Aug. 18—Defense attorneys in the \$46-million Kent State University civil trial rested their case today after six days of testimony from 21 witnesses.

After two National Guard officers testified, the defense showed the Federal District Court jury a six-minute television videotape of scenes from anti-war disturbances on campus that preceded a rally on

May 4, 1970, when National Guard men shot and killed four students and wounded nine.

Lawyers for the victims are suing for damages individual Guard men and state officials, including Gov. James A. Rhodes, contending that all were negligent and reckless in the performance of their duties.

Attorneys for the victims dropped charges against three former Guard men. Defendants now total 27 Guard men, two state officials and a former

Kent State president, Dr Robert White.

Tomorrow the jury will hear witnesses for the plaintiff aimed at countering the testimony of Joy Bishop, a former student who testified that she saw a civilian open fire seconds before Guard men started shooting at student demonstrators.

The closing arguments are expected Wednesday; the jury charge Thursday.