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**JAWORSKI'S AIDES
PUSH TRIAL PLANS**

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**Expect That Prosecutor's
Resignation Will Have
No Effect on Case**

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 13 —

Leon Jaworski's resignation as special prosecutor later this month should have no effect on the Watergate cover-up trial, officials in Mr. Jaworski's office said today.

The Government will outline its case to the jury tomorrow, but that task and the rest of the trial proceedings were long ago assigned by Mr. Jaworski to a team of assistants, the officials noted.

Henry S. Ruth Jr., Mr. Jaworski's deputy, spent the day today in his office, going over final preparations for the trial with James F. Neal, the associate special prosecutor, who heads the cover-up prosecution team.

Mr. Jaworski, who announced yesterday that he would resign Oct. 25, was in New York for the weekend. In his letter of resignation, he recommended that Mr. Ruth be appointed his successor.

Mr. Jaworski noted yesterday that the trial, probably the special prosecutor's last major undertaking, was "now in progress" and that his work, therefore, was largely finished.

While the prosecution of the five cover-up defendants has been placed almost completely in Mr. Neal's hands, aides to Mr. Jaworski said that there were conceivable circumstances in which the special prosecutor might have been called upon to make a decision.

For example, if a defendant should change his plea, it would

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be up to the special prosecutor to decide whether to accept a plea of guilty to reduced charges.

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Even then, however, the aides said that Mr. Jaworski would almost certainly follow Mr. Neal's recommendation.

"I don't know of an instance in which Neal was countermanded by Jaworski," one official said.

Attorney General William B. Saxbe said yesterday that he would consult with the White House and then appoint a new special prosecutor before Mr. Jaworski leaves.

While the office does not require confirmation by the Senate, it was expected that the Senate Judiciary Committee would call the new appointee to testify at public hearings.

Mr. Jaworski and his predecessor, Archibald Cox, testified before the committee, and much of Mr. Jaworski's independence stemmed from a charter that he worked out with the committee.

The opening statement by the prosecution will be presented to the jury tomorrow by Richard Ben-Veniste, an assistant special prosecutor. He said that his statement describing the case against the defendants

would last for about two and a half hours.

Following Mr. Ben-Veniste's statement, lawyers for three of the defendants—John D. Ehrlichman, Kenneth W. Parkison and Robert C. Mardian—will deliver opening statements.

Lawyers for the two other defendants—H. R. Haldeman and John N. Mitchell—decided to withhold their statements until the prosecution concludes its case.

All five men are charged with conspiracy to obstruct justice by acting together to hide the facts of the burglary at the Democratic national headquarters at the Watergate complex here in June, 1972.

In addition, all but Mr. Mardian are charged with obstruction of Justice, and Mr. Haldeman, Mr. Ehrlichman and Mr. Mitchell are charged with perjury.

John W. Dean 3d, the White House counsel under former President Nixon, is expected to be the first witness for the prosecution, and his testimony is likely to begin Tuesday.

While the prosecutors and defense lawyers were making final preparations, the 12 jurors and six alternates who were selected Friday spent the weekend in seclusion at a downtown hotel.

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