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Mock Trial Of Oswald

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NEW HAVEN (Conn.) -(UPI) - A fascinated crowd of 500 spectators watched into the early hours yesterday morning as a mock court went through the motions of trying Lee Harvey Oswald for assassinating President Kennedy.

The proceedings ended in a hung jury.

The simulated trial, which began Friday night and con-

began Friday night and continued for seven hours, was stag ed by the Yale Law School.

The jury deliberated 50 minutes before returning, deadlocked on two possible murder wordists. murder verdicts.

Polled by Jacob D. Fu-chsenberg, a New York City lawyer acting as judge, the jury reported a 6-6 standoff on a first degree murder conviction and another 6-6 dead-lock — but with the jurors switching their allegiance from the first charge — on a question of assault with intent to kill the President.

Dswald, portrayed by first-year law school student John A. Straitt of San Francisco, testified in his own defense.

He said he was a "scape-goat" the Dallas police were looking for shortly after the President was fatally wounded by a sniper.

He was defended by two seniors — Walter Rockenstein of Morgantown, W. Va., and Charles Baisdell of New York. John Bush of Summit, N.J., and Kevin McInerney of Washington, D.C., were prosecuting attorneys.

The prosecution was de-nied cross-examination of Oswald.

Oswald's attorney appealed to the jury on the grounds there was reasonable doubt Oswald was the actual assassin.