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Final jurors chosen for Spence's trial

After 3½ weeks, attorneys selected the final two jurors Wednesday to hear testimony in the capital murder trial of David Wayne Spence.

The two chosen Wednesday will alternates, but will join the 12 regular jurors in listening to testimony, which could last up to three weeks.

Testimony in the trial, which is being held in Bryan on a change of venue, is scheduled to begin Oct. 8 in Judge W.T. (Tom) McDonald Jr.'s 85th District Court in Bryan.

Although jury selection is completed, McDonald is scheduled to attend a judicial conference next week in McAllen, prompting the delay in the start of testimony.

Spence is being tried for the July 1982 stabbing death of Kenneth Franks. Franks was one of three teen-agers found murdered at Speegleville Park on Lake Waco.

More than 250 potential jurors reported on the first day of jury selection. McLennan County District Attorney Vic Feazell and defense attorneys Walter Reaves of West and W.W. (Bill) Vance of Bryan questioned individual poten-

tial jurors.

The trial is expected to be the last of the Lake Waco triple murder trials. Spence already has been convicted and sentenced to die for the murder of Jill Montgomery.

The bodies of Miss Montgomery, Franks and Raylene Rice were discovered at Lake Waco's Speegleville Park. They had died from multiple stab wounds.

According to a scenario unveiled during previous trials, Muneer Mohammad Deeb hired Spence and brothers Anthony and Gilbert Melendez to kill Franks and Deeb's former girlfriend, Gayle Kelly, so that Deeb could collect on a \$20,000 accidental death insurance policy.

But prosecutors believe Spence mistook Miss Montgomery for Miss Kelly on the night of the murders.

During a trial in Cleburne in March, Deeb was convicted in the death of Miss Montgomery and sentenced to die.

The Melendez brothers pleaded guilty in the deaths of Miss Montgomery and Franks, and each was sentenced to two concurrent life prison terms.