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V	Departmental Attorney KENNETH GRAHAM MC INTYRE furnished a rough draft copy of a memorandum from Assistant Attorney General JOHN DOAR to the Director on 8/17/65, containing requests set forth below:
110101	In connection with U.S. v Original Knights et al., Civil Action #15793, which is set for trial on September 7, 1965, it is necessary to determine exactly how many and which business establishments in Bogalusa which are situated at or near the places picketed by Negroes since approximately April of 1965 are covered by Title VII.of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Section 701 of the 1964 Act provides that persons having more than one hundred employees and their agents are covered. Please conduct the following investigation:
Doi	 (1) Determine full ownership details of each establishment at or near the area Negroes have picketed since April, 1965. (2) In those instances the business is a branch of a larger operation please obtain full details as to the ultimate ownership of the parent organization and the size of that organization's
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- (3) Obtain full details as to the type of arrangement under which the local outlets of the covered establishments operate such as a simple lease of the premises or an independent dealership, etc.
- (4) In those instances, it is determined that an establishment is covered (this to include Crown-Zellerbach) please determine the name of the company official for each who can produce records which prove the establishment to be covered by Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

Those establishments there is apparently little doubt as to coverage would seem to be: Woolworths, J. C. Penny's, Firestones, Singers, Western Auto, Montgomery Wards, Winn Dixie, Sears, Walgreens. Under possibles, the following might be checked closely: Bill's Dollar Store, American Department Store and Top Value Stamps.

MC INTYRE advised that the request for an injunction in this matter contains the allegation that the Klan has been interfering with the activities of Negroes who are picketing in the interest of securing their rights as set forth in Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 701 of this Act. He advised that the investigation requested in Items 1 - 4 above may be limited as follows:

- l. With respect to #l above, ascertain the relationship of the picketed establishments with their affiliated national (organization encompassing the period April, 1965, through the present time.
- 2. With respect to #2 above, in establishing the relationship of the Bogalusa subsidiary to the national organization the following elements of proof should be established:
 - A. That the national organization deals in interstate commerce and operates in several states
 - B. That the organization has over 100 employees nationally, including employees of organizations which have agency relationships with the national organization

- 3. With respect to #3 above, establish whether the Bogalusa subsidiary is a branch office, branch outlet, dealership, independent contractor or whatever other arrangement the relationship may entail.
- 4. With respect to #4 above, identify the individual and the records that will be necessary to establish legally admissable evidence of the relationship between the Bogalusa organization and the parent organization. For the jurisdictional elements set forth in #2, A and B above, to be encompassed in this proof, it will not be necessary to set forth the documents in detail. Sufficient identifying data to name the documents which should be subpossed and a brief description of the documents is all that will be required for report purposes.

Business establishments contacted should be assured that this is not a Title VII proceeding against them. Their involvement is necessary only for the purpose of establishing the jurisdiction of the Government in the proceeding wherein the Government seeks to enjoin the Klan and certain individuals from interference with Civil Rights activity.

In view of the time element involved and in the preparation for presentation of this matter in court, MC INTYRE requested that the investigation be given expeditious attention. The necessary preliminary contacts at Bogalusa will be made immediately. Where necessary, leads will be set forth for other offices to contact the parent organizations of companies having Bogalusa subsidiaries. FBI

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Mr. MC INTYRE stated that in the event or the present owner is able to furnish all the information desired, no further investigation need be conducted other than interview of

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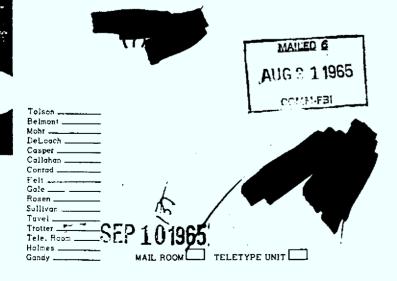
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Reference is made to New Orleans airtels 8/17/65 and 8/21/65 captioned "Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan" and New Orleans airtel 8/18/65 captioned "The Commodations, CRA, 1964."

All of these airtels set forth the details of requests from Departmental Attorney Kenneth McIntyre for investigation in connection with the suit which the Department has brought against the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in U. S. District Court, Bogalusa, for the purpose of obtaining an injunction to prevent the Klan from interfering with those seeking to exercise their rights under the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

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New Orleans, Louisiana August 26, 1965

ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, ET AL;
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The following investigation was conducted as a result of a request from Departmental Attorney, Kenneth Graham McIntyre, Bogalusa, Louisiana, who furnished a memorandum from Assistant Attorney General, John Doar to the Director, FBI, requesting that investigation be conducted to determine exactly how many and which business establishments in Bogalusa are situated at or near the places picketed by Negroes since approximately April of 1965, and which are covered by Title 7 or the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New Orleans, Louisiana 70113 September 4, 1965

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FROM NEW ORLEANS (173-201)

RACIAL SITUATION, BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA, CRA, SIXTYFOUR. RELATIVE TO DEPARTMENTAL ACTION AGAINST THE ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, ET AL, DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY ROBERT OWEN ADVISED THIS DATE THAT A SECOND AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTAL COMPLAINT FILED BEFORE DISTRICT COURT, TEN AM THIS DATE, BY DEPARTMENT AND ACCORDING TO OVEN DEFENDANTS ADMITTED TO APPROXIMATLEY EIGHTYPERCENT OF THE FACTS SET FORTH. COPY OF COMPLAINT OBTAINED AND BEING FORWARDED UNDER SEPARATE-COVER AND DEFENDANTS' ANSWERS BEING OBTAINED AND WILL BE SUBMITTED. DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY ROSENBERG ADVISED THAT GOVERNMENT CASE RESTED AND DEFENSE WILL BE PRESENTED THURSDAY, NEXT.

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From: Director, FBI

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"Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan et al., which
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airtel captioned "Racial Situation, Bogalusa, Louisiana, RM."
New Orleans airtel to Bureau dated 8/18/65 captioned
et al., Public Accommodations, Civil Rights Act of 1964."

All of these girtels and teletypes set forth the details of requests from Departmental Attorney Kenneth McIntyre for investigation in connection with the suit which the Department has brought against the original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in United States District Court, Bogalusa, for the purpose of obtaining an injunction to prevent the Klan from interfering with those seeking to exercise their rights under the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

In addition, a number of the summary teletypes and airtels under caption "Racial Situation, Bogalusa, Louisiana, Racial Matters" have information pertaining to this same matter.

Any other similar requests and results of such investigation should be reported under the caption used in this communication.

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VICTIMS; CIVIL RIGHTS ELECTION LAWS

Kenneth McIntyre, Departmental Attorney, on behalf of John Doar, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, requested that investigation be conducted to determine the text of various statements made by J. B. Stoner, Connie Lynch and Saxon Farmer at a press conference held in mid July, 1965. The purpose of this press conference was supposedly to unveil a new plan to break the back of the Civil Rights movement in the south.

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Mr. McIntyre also requested that
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three affidavits and warrants that Saxon Farmer supposedly had brought to his office.

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 The following is the text of an article appearing in the Bogalusa Deily News, dated July 12, 1965, concerning action being taken by white segregationists against Negroes:

"White segregationists turned their attention to legal action this morning, and Negroes planned another civil rights march, and Negroes paraded without incident, guarded by heavily armed state, parish and city police.

"In a press conference this morning at the Acme Cafe, Secretary George Singlemann of the Greater New Orleans Citizens Council said warrants had been issued against three local Negroes involved in the civil rights movement for violation of the state law against "common law" marriages, and arrests would be made today. A campaign against Negro common law marriages has long been listed by Singmann as one of the chief potential meapons of the Citizens Council.

"Others appearing at the press conference included J. B. Stoner and the Rev. Connictivate, who led yesterday's white march and have been condusting National States Rights Party rallies have, and Saxon farmer, ilemtified as leader of the United Commercatives of Washington Parish."

Talson UNITED STATES GO tiel oach lemorandum : Mr. Rosen DATE: September 5, 1965 Sullivan l - Mr. Sullivan Tavel. 1 - Mr. Griffith Calcat Halmes .. l - Mr. Rosen Gandy 1 - Mr. Malley SUBJECT: ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF 1 - Mr THE KU KLUX KLAN l - Mr CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964 At 4:00 p.m. on September 5, 1965, Mr. Robert Owen Civil Rights Division of the Department telephonically contacted in connection with the above Duty Supervisor captioned matter. Owen, who was calling from New Orleans, Louisiana, advised that an injunction suit is to be heard in New Orleans, Louisiana, on Tuesday, September 7, 1965. This suit is styled United States versus Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. It pertains to an injunction against the Klan organization in connection with the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Owen advised he had approximately seven typewritten documents of Klan literature obtained from the Bureau and other sources. He also has some typewritten documents of known origin. Owen would like to have the questioned documents examined to determine if they were prepared on the same typewriter and he would also like the questioned documents compared against the known typewritten specimens. Owen is having this material flown to Washington tonight and will deliver it to Room 5710 on the morning of September 6, 1965. He would like a document examiner to conduct the requested investigation and to thereafter report to New Orleans on the morning of September 7, 1965, with the documents to testify in this matter. REC 24 /--Owen can be reached in New Orleans at telephone number 527-6654 or 6655.

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For information.

ADDENDUM OF GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

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At 9:45 a.m., 9-6-65, Departmental Attorney Richard Parsons appeared at Room 5710 and turned over the material mentioned above to Special Agents and the Eaboratory Division who was handling the examination.

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New Orleans, Louisiana

August 27, 1965

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ORIGINAL KNIGHTS, RT AL, SUBJECT; ET AL - VICTIMS CIVIL RIGHTS ELECTION LAWS

Kenneth Mc Intyre, Departmental Attorney, on behalf of John Doar, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, requested that investigation be conducted to determine the names of men seen in the vicinity of Washington Parish Court House, Franklinton, Louisiana, on July 13, 1965, at the time that a group of Negroes were scheduled to arrive to register to vote. Mr. Mc Intyre requested that investigation be conducted to determine whether the officers who had identified these men would furnish the basis of their statements that the men seen talking with Saxon Farmer were Klansmen.

Attached are the results of this investigation.

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ET AL. - VICTIMS

The following investigation was conducted as a result of a request from Departmental Attorney Kenneth Graham McIntyre, Bogalusa, Louisiana, who furnished a memorandum from Assistant Attorney General John Doar to the Director of the FBI, requesting that investigation be conducted. It was requested that in connection with the Government's complaint United States vs. the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK), Civil Action #15793, Paragraph 14(a), that one the interviewed to determine if he was employed by August, 1964, and also whether he visited

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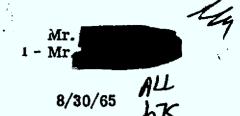
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FOR INFORMATION OF BUFFALO, DEPARTMENT HAS FILED SUIT IN USDC, BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA, SEEKING AN INJUNCTION AGAINST ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN TO PREVENT THEM FROM INTERFERING WITH PERSONS ATTEMPTING TO EXERCISE RIGHTS UNTITED CIVIL, RIGHTS ACT OF SIXTY FOUR. HEARING IS SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER SEVEN NEXT AND DEPARTMENT ADVISES.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, TO CONTACT DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEYS

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Departmental Attorney, contacted the NYO conce	alusa, Louisiana,
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made by Mr. GOLDSMITH.

On 8/27/65, Mr. GOLDSMITH furnished

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sets of Orleans Office.

Enclosed to New Orleans for Mr. GOLDSMITH are three together with one set for the New York of Orleans Office.

Mr. @IDSMITH requested delivery of to him at Bogalusa be expedited in order that they could be used in preparation for the hearing on 9/7/65.

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Mr. Conrad FROM

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On the afternoon of September 7, 1965, Assistant Special Agent in Charge J. T. Sylvester, Jr., New Orleans, called to advise that he was sending some known typewriting to the Laboratory to be compared with the typewriting on seven documents received from the Department in connection with captioned matter (see my memorandum to you dated September 6, 1965).

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The trial in this matter is now in progress at New Orleans; therefore, Assistant Special Agent in Charge Sylvester advised he was sending this material so as to arrive at Friendship Airport at 9:01 P.M. on September 7, 1965, in custody of the pilot of Eastern Airlines Flight 142. Arrangements were made for a Baltimore agent to meet this flight and deliver the evidence to the Laboratory.

This known typewriting has been received in the Laboratory and the necessary examinations made. It was determined that the typewriting on the seven questioned documents received from the Department is not identical with the known typewriting submitted by New Orleans. New Orleans has been advised of these findings by teletype dated September 7, 1965, and a confirming Laboratory report will be submitted with a copy designated for the Department.

RECOMMENDATION: None. For information.

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New Orleans, Louisiana 70113 September 2, 1965

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The following investigation was conducted as a result of a request from Departmental Attorney Kenneth Graham McIntyre, Bogalusa, Louisiana, who furnished a memorandum from Assistant Attorney General John Doar to the Director of the FBI, requesting that investigation be conducted.

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It was requested that

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New Orleans, Louisiana September 4, 1965

RACIAL SITUATION BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA

Reference is made to a letter, dated September 4, 1965, from John Doar, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division captioned U.S. v. Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan furnished at Bogalusa, Louisiana, on September 4, 1965, requesting certain documents be furnished in connection with hearing which will commence September 7, 1965, at New Orleans, Louisiana.

Item 1 of this letter requested a certified copy of Articles of Incorporation of the Original Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc.

For your information the Original Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., is in no way connected with the Klan organization operating in Washington Parish, Louisiana.

The Original Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., is one of the splinter groups which broke away from the state Klan organization with Houston Morris and Robert Fuller of Monroe, Louisiana, as its leaders. This group is located and operates in Northern Louisiana and Southern Arkansas.

In view of this the above described document is not being obtained unless advised to the contrary.

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The following investigation was conducted as a result of a request from Departmental Attorney Kenneth G. Mc Intyre, Bogalusa, Louisiana, who furnished a memorandum from Assistant Attorney General John Doar to the Director, FBI, requesting that investigation be conducted to determine the names and addresses of the food and beverage suppliers of the Yirginia Inn and Alford's Round Table Restaurant, both Bogalusa, Louisiana. It was also requested that copies of shipment invoices sent from these suppliers to the above-mentioned establishments for the months of April through July, 1965, be obtained.

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SUBJECT: ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KILKLIX KLAN CRA-1964
As the Bureau is aware, injunctive proceedings against captioned organization and various individuals were held in Federal Court in New Orleans, Louisiana, from 9/7-11/65.
The New Orleans Office is very desirous of obtaining a transcript of the testimony given during these proceedings; and as a result on 9/16/65, who was the court reporter during the proceedings, was contacted. Stated that as of this date neither the Defendants nor the Department of Justice have requested a transcript of the testimony given. Stated that the cost of securing such a transcript would amount to about \$700.00.
The Bureau is requested to contact the Department and determine if the Department is going to obtain a transcript of the testimony and if so, the Bureau is also requested to make a copy and furnish same to the New Orleans Office.
In the event the Department is not going to obtain a transcript of the testimony, Bureau authority is requested to pay for a transcript. 3-Bureau New Orleans SEP 20 1965
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The New Orleans Office feels that by having a copy of this testimony, especially the testimony given by Klan officials, this would be of great benefit in the possible development of racial informants, as well as the investigation of the Klan and Klan members.

SAC, New Orleans (105-1057)

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Rourairtel dated 9/16/65.

Contact with the Department has determined that briefs in this matter are being completed and, at current time, consideration has not been given to obtaining a transcript of proceedings; however, it is anticipated that a transcript will be required and obtained in the future. The Bureau will follow.

You are not authorized to pay the court reporter for a transcript of the testimony. If such a transcript cannot be obtained from other sources in the reasonably near future, complete justification for such an expenditure will be necessary for Bureau consideration.



New Orleans has indicated that court reporter. has not been requested to transcribe his notes by Department or defendants. Cost for transcription will amount to about \$700. It is not believed benefits to be gained from obtaining transcript would justify such San expenditure. Mr. David Robert Owen, Civil Rights Division, was contacted on 9/21/65, and stated he felt of the Department would need and obtain a transcript in the mear future. He stated he would advise when transcript

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Reference is made to Departmental memo from Mr. John Doar, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, dated 9/6/65, submitting seven questioned documents, items #1 through #7, and three known documents, items a through c, for examination in the Laboratory. Mr. Richard K. Parsons, Departmental Attorney, has requested a telephonic reply upon completion of requested examinations.

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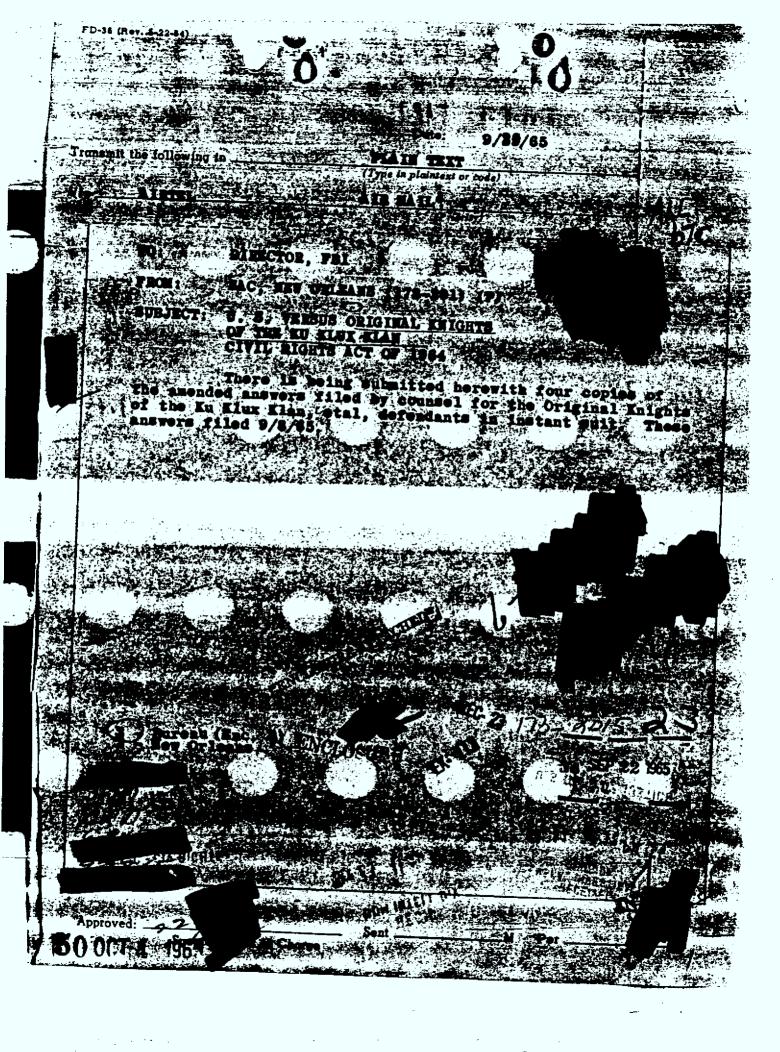
RECOMMENDATION: That this memo be forwarded to General Investigative Division for information.

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5. Sept 6, 1965

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA NEW ORLEANS DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
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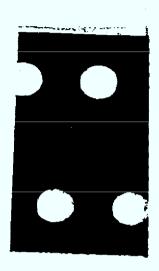
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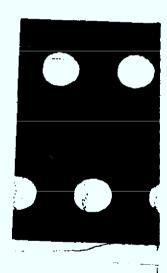
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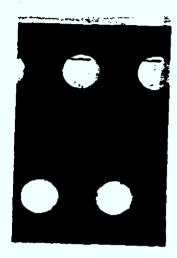
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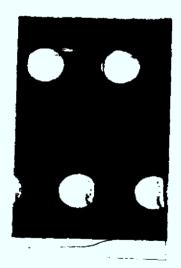
- 1. The second amended and supplemental compleint fails to state a cause of action upon which relief may be granted to the plaintiff.
- 2. Defendants deny the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 and 2 of the second amended and supplemental complaint in its entirety and domand strict proof thereof.





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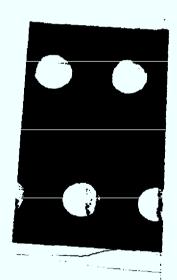




3. The defendants Russell Magee, Saxon Farmer and Charles Christmas deny the allegation contained in Paragraph 3 that they are the principle officials of the Klan. Further, the allegations that the ACCA is a front organization for the Klan differing from the Klan in name only, and that it is essentially the same in all respects to the Klan are also denied. And further, the defendant ACCA alleges that it is an organization existing independently and separately from the Klan and was organized with different goals, objectives, purposes and motives.

The defendants are informed and believe and therefore allege that the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan was an unincorporated association, the membership of which consisted largely of residents of Washington Parish, came and operated in the Bogalusa, Washington Parish environs area, and that its principle office and meeting place in the parish was the Disabled American Veterans Hall located in said purish. Defendants admit all other allegations contained in the paragraph.

- 4. Defendants admit that the allegation in Paragraph 4 of the plaintiff's complaint but dony that they are product only members of the Klan, and in further answering sold allegation admit that they either were members of the Klan or are productly dambers of the ACCA, and that each reside in Washington Parish, Louisians.
- The allegations contained in Paragraph 5 are admitted except as to Richard E. Krebs.
- 6. The allegations contained in Paragraphs 6, 7, 0, 9, 10 and 11 are admitted.
- 7. Defendants admit that it has been their objective to preserve total racial segregation in Bogolusa and Washington Parish but deny their purposes and objectives were to maintain white supremacy, and further admit the remaining other allegations in Paragraph 12 except as it relates and Explies to the present existence of the Klan.
- 8. Defendants hereby admit the allegations in Paragraph 13 of the complaint except as to those defendants' actions which are hereinafter denied, and in further enswering Paragraph 13 of plaintiff's complaint the defendants reiterate and urgs that said allegations do not constitute a claim upon which relief can be granted and are not in violation of any United States statutegand laws.



9. The desendants admit the allegations contained in Paragraph 14, subparagraphs (a), (f), (g), (i), (j), (k), (n), (r) and (s).

The allegations contained in subparagraphs (h) and (m) of Paragraph 14 are denied.

The defendants on information and belief admit the allegations in subparagraph (b) with the exception that the allegations which refer to the threats of the burning of the place of the meeting, to wit, the St. Matthews Episcopal Parish House, are denied.

The defendants admit the allegations contained in Paragraph 14(c) except as to Louis Applewhite and in that respect these allegations are denied as to him.

The defendants admit the allegations contained in Perceptagn 14(d) except as to those allegations made against Charles Christmas (Saxon Farmer and Delos-Williams and in this regard these allegations are decied.

The allegations contained in Paragraph 14(e) are admitted as to Virgil Corkern and are denied as to the remaining defendants named therein. The allegations that defendants Charles Ray Williams and James Ellis followed Negroes into the Negro section of Bogalusa are admitted but these defendants failed to see the relevancy or meteriality in such allegation.

The allegations contained in Paragraph 14(1) are admitted except as to the allegation that defendant James Burke attacked newsman observing the march, and further, he attacked a special agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation who was observing the march in connection with his duties.

The allegations contained in Furagraph 14(o) are demied.

Defendent Mervin Taylor admits only that he was present in Cassidy Park
on such occasion as alleged in his capacity as a manager or cosed of a
baseball team.

Defendants admit that the City of Bogalusa closed Cassidy
Park as alleged in Paragraph 14(p) but deny that said park was closed because of any activities alleged to have been committed by the defendant
Mervin Taylor in Paragraph 14(a).

The allogations contained in Paragraph 14(q) into war as they portain to Willis Blackwell are demied and defendant urges that any action against him would be postponed until all legal delays afforded by law to this defendant have elapsed.

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The defendants are not in a position to admit or deny those allegations referable to Richard Krebs since he is not represented by council of record for the defendants.

10. The allegations contained in Paragraphs 15, 16 and 17 are admitted except as to those defendants who have previously specifically decided any alleged violations under the Civil Righus has of 1964 and the laws of the United States; and further, defendants urge reservation of their legal argument as to Paragraph 17.

11. The allegations contained in Foregraph 18 are denied. In further answering plaintliff's complaint the defendants urgs as follows:

12. That the individual defendants sought to be emplified herein and represented by counsel herein desire that if, upon the trial of this preliminary injunction, that they should prefer herein that said individual defendants be awarded reasonable attorneys! fees as provided by applicable provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, including 42 U.S.C. 2000(a) et sec.

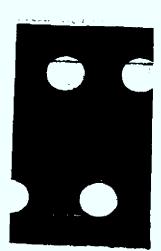
WHEREFORE, defendants demand that there be judgment in their fever and against the plaintiff denying its demand for a preliminary and permanent injunction against the defendants and that the plaintiff's second amended and supplemental complaint be dismissed and that plaintiff be east in judgment for attorneys' fees and costs.

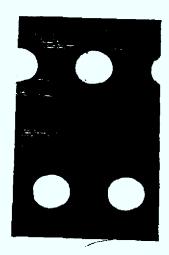
Defendants pray for all general and equitable relief.

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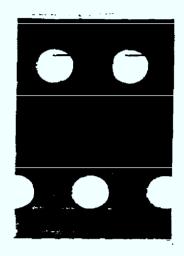


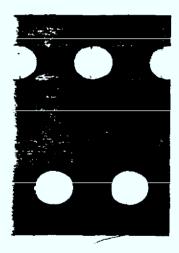


. CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that a true copy of the above Amended Ameror was served on the plaintiff by hand delivering same to the United States Atterney for the Enstern District of Louisians at 400 Royal Street, New Orleans, Louisians, this 8th day of September, 1965.







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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New Orleans, Louisiana

September 8, 1965

RACIAL SITUATION BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA RACIAL MATTERS

The following investigation was conducted at the request of Departmental Attorneys at Bogalusa, Louisiana, in connection with a hearing involving the Original Enights of the En Klux Klan (OKKKK) which will commence in New Orleans, Louisiana, September 7, 1965.

A characterization of the OKKK is attached.

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Secretary of State, State of Louisiana, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, made available a True and Correct copy of the Articles of Incorporation of ANTI-COMMUNIST CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

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WAIDE O. MARTIN, JR.

I, the undersigned Secretary of State, of the State of Louisiana

DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the annexed and following is a True and Correct copy of the Articles of Incorporation of

ANTI-COMMUNIST CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION,

A Louisiana corporation domiciled at Bogalusa,

As shown by comparison with document filed and recorded in this Office on February 15, 1965.

> In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of my Office to be affixed at the City of Baton Rouge on,

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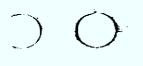
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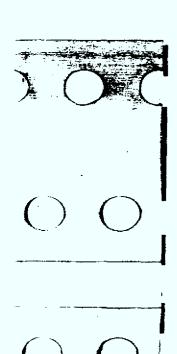
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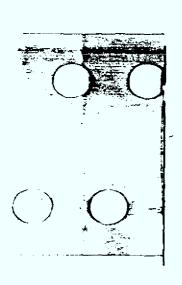
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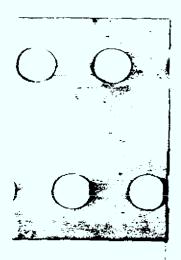
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Assistant Director W. C. SULLIVAN

DATE:

9/13/65

FROM



Inspector

SUBJECT:

INJUNCTION PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE KU KLUX KLAN AND OTHER RACIAL-TYPE ORGANIZATIONS RM

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With the completion of hearings September 11, 1965, against the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK) in New Orleans, it is apparent that the injunction is a potent weapon against the Klan and hate-type organizations. This device will, no doubt, be used further by the Department in its efforts to combat interference with Civil Rights activities.

Early consideration will probably be given by the Department to bringing similar proceedings against the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (WKKKK) of Mississippi and the United Klans of America (UKA).

In the OKKKK case, the Department was forced to act in haste owing to the critical nature of the Bogalusa situation. Uncertainty as to jurisdiction applicable to overt acts of interference with Civil Rights activities and the extent of necessary proof resulted in failure by the Department to clearly define its investigative objectives. Our investigative potential in a situation such as this is substantially greater when we program our racial coverage to attain specific goals ab initio in preference to working backwards to develop facts of incidents initially regarded in our coverage as purely local violence, as the case in Bogalusa.

On the basis of our New Orleans experience, some of the problems and areas of coverage we should be prepared to handle are outlined below:

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I. JURISDICTION

Interference with Civil Rights activity of any type, and especially in that area defined in the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (CRA, 1964), would be a possible area wherein the Department could seek injunctive relief against interference with Civil Rights workers. Particular attention is pointed to the fair employment practices section of the CRA, 1964, public accommodations and school integration areas, voter registration and any other zone of activity wherein an organized effort is made to interfere with the Civil Rights program aimed at establishing equality of races.

1. Utilization of fair employment practices section of the CRA, 1964.

In the Bogalusa situation, Negroes were picketing busine establishments claiming that they were not afforded fair employment opportunities by the picketed establishments. Police failed to adequately control the street activity while picketing was in progress and pickets were repeatedly assaulted by Klansmen and others in the city streets. On the theory that the establishments being picketed were required under Section 7, CRA, 1964, to meet the terms of this act, the Department ruled that interference with picketing seeking the opportunities permitted in the statute was in violation of the Act; hence, interference with pickets was an overt act in conflict with the provisions of CRA, 1964.

To show that a business establishment was covered by the Act, it was necessary to prove that it dealt in interstate commerce and employed over 100 people. The concept of total number of employees encompassed in the Department's theory was all employees of the parent organization. The Department indicate too, that franchise-type businesses might fall in the same categor as direct subsidiaries; therefore, proof was asked as to the applicability of CRA, 1964 to such businesses as Western Auto stores, Walgreen and Rexall outlets and similar licensed private businesses.

II. PROOF OF OVERT ACTS

The overt acts of interference with Civil Rights activity must be proved through legally admissible evidence. Thus, interference with picketing or other activity would require interviews with the subjects and victims, results of the observations of police officers and observing FBI Agents, interviews with bystanders, store owners and especially through photographs where available. The foregoing investigation would be necessary in connection with each overt act alleged. All of the evidence must be appropriately documented to establish its admissibility. Klan membership of offenders must be established through appropriate testimony such as informants or admissions of the offenders.

III. INJUNCTION TARGETS

The targets that would logically be picked in circumstances where injunctive relief was sought would be the following:

- 1. Klan and organizations organizing and/or supporting interference with programs in furtherance of Civil Rights
- 2. The leaders of the Klan and other organizations interfering with the Civil Rights program
- 3. Klan and other organization members and other individuals participating in acts of interference or violence against the Civil Rights program or its workers

IV. DATA WHICH MUST BE ASSEMBLED

To successfully initiate an injunction proceeding, the following categories of data must be assembled and available for use in a hearing.

- 1. The persons and records which will be necessary to establish jurisdiction must be identified.
- 2. Official records or certified copies of these records, such as incorporation papers of Klan organizations, must be secured.

Arrest data, including court records and bond data covering offenses against Civil Rights workers must be secured.

- 3. FBI, police, newspaper and other news media pictures of incidents, as well as activities typical of the Civil Rights program, must be assembled to show graphically the exact problem involved in arrest and interference situations. Pictures of parades, marches, picketing, Klan leaders and members who will be named in the injunction and pictures of arrests and offenses are all of value.
- 4. Documents and literature which will depict objectionable activities and programs of the organizations and persons subject to the proceedings.

In this regard, the regular literature put out by the Klan and hate groups defines their objectives, outlines their programs, elaborates on their philosophies and, if admissible, is of great value in identifying the aims, purposes and objectives of the organizations.

- 5. List of officers, meeting places, records and fund depositories, and names of individuals in possession of this data are of great value.
- 6. Publications of the organizations, such as their constitution, oath, pamphlets outlining meeting procedures, rules for programs, such as boycotts and pressure tactics are all valuable as evidence.

V. COURT PROCKEDINGS

Since an injunction proceeding is civil in nature, it is heard before a Judge or panel of Judges, as was the case in New Orleans. The Government secured direct proof of most of its allegations by subpoening Elansmen with their records. Under direct testimony, Elan functionaries made disclosures affirming or stipulating to Government charges eliminating the need for informant testimony in these areas.

Standby witnesses are necessary to inject the elements of Purjury or Contempt into the proceeding if the adverse witnesses testifying take the Fifth Amendment or resort to untruths.

Confrontation of the Klan leadership testifying with documents, Klan literature and records was an excellent means of prompting lagging memories and inducing admissions that would not have been made without prompting.

The foregoing is but a brief sketch of the problems encountered in the New Orleans injunction proceeding. This information has been set forth to show the scope of the problems involved in this type of investigation. Forearmed with knowledge as to the proof necessary to initiate an injunction proceeding, we should, with proper direction afforded to our continuing racial investigation, be able to assemble on a continuing basis the data necessary to support a plea for injunctive relief against interference with Civil Rights activities.

In the case of Klan organizations such as the WKKKK and the UKA, the Bureau probably has enough information in its files at this time to initiate successful injunction actions. Supplemental investigation will be necessary, however, to round out the evidence in those areas which we did not in our regular coverage have cause to contemplate as a phase of injunction cases. This was the same problem we faced in the New Orleans case.

It is evident that the Departmental Attorneys were pleased with their New Orleans operations. They will undoubtedly employ the injunction again in other areas to attack groups interfering with Civil Rights programs. Natchez, Mississippi, is a community Departmental Attorney D. ROBERT OWEN mentioned specifically in this regard.

A successful injunction proceeding gives the court direct power to take effective action against organizations and individuals violating its mandate. This action is powerful since it is summary in character. In the case of the Klan, it forces the organization to expose itself as to membership, programs, activities and any failure to comply with court orders will generate only more forceful action in exposing the organization's operations.

The Klan's success stems from its conspiratorial character. It stimulates in its members a feeling of security in irresponsibility and lawlessness under the cloak of hooded anonymity.

Stripping this veil of security by exposing to public censure the loutish types who thrive in Klandom's concealment will go far in reducing the volume of crimes which have confronted us in the South in recent years.

The injunction proceeding appears to have the answers to many of our Klan problems. Preparedness for additional injunction actions will be demanding in its concept and exhaustive in its manpower demands, but it will produce a net economy in operating costs by its debilitating effect on the Klan and other hate groups in the racial field.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- l. It is suggested that the Bureau discuss this program with the Civil Rights Division of the Department to identify further injunction targets. This action is particularly desireable now with the view of obtaining a maximum period for the preparation for forthcoming cases.
 - 2. Offices covering Klan and hate organizations should be briefed on the use of the injunction to counteract their interference in Civil Rights programs.

Inspector New Orleans Division

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WHITED STATES VERSUS ORIGINAL EXIGERS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964



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Reference is made to your memorandem of 9/13/65 concerning injunctive proceedings against the Elan and ginilar organizations.

The institution of injunction proceedings is of course a matter entirely within the discretion of the Department. This has been discussed with the Civil Rights Division, which advised that consideration is being given to the advisability of filing such a suit at Matches, Mississippi, but the Department does not intend to initiate a windespread program of this type and does not at this time contemplate filing any other such suits. The Department will remain alert for evidence indicating that in some other area the Klan or a similar organization may be interfering with individuals seeking to exercise their civil fights. Upon receipt of such evidence the Department will consider the advisability of initiating suit seeking injunctive relief.

Such a smit would of necessity be based upon specific instances of interference with voting activity, voter registraof 1964. Under present policy interference of this type is immediately investigated and the facts of the interference should be sufficiently established by the investigations presently being conducted. It would appear fundamental that the evidence collected during the course of such investigations will be properly documented to insure its admissibility in any request court action.

In view of existing Bureau instructions concerning the vestigation of interference with persons seeking to exercise eir civil/kights and in view of the fact that the Department 10 697

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is not considering any widespread program of filing suits seeking injunctions, it is relt that no further instructions to the field are necessary with regard to these substantive violations.

The points which you raised regarding the obtaining of Klan documents and literature during the course of Klan investigations are being separately considered at the Bureau, and you will be further advised in this regard.

NOTE:

The Department has filed a civil suit at Bogalusa, Louisiana, seeking to enjoin the Klan to prevent interference with persons seeking to exercise their rights under the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Hearings have been completed, and the matter is presently pending a decision to be made by the court after both sides have filed briefs.

Inspector the later as suggested further injunction proceedings would be desirable and has recommended it be discussed with the Department and that offices covering Klan and hate organizations be briefed on the use of the injunction to counteract their interference in civil rights programs. He also suggests that information be gathered on a continuing basis to support such suits and points out the need when a case goes to court of having evidentiary material including such items as incorporation papers of Klan organizations and other Klan documents and literature.

The Domestic Intelligence Division should advise Inspector concerning his comments dealing with the investigation of Klan and similar organizations.

Discussion with the Department was with D. R. Owen, Civil Rights Division, on 9/22/65.

Inspector Nov Orleans Division

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October 4, 1965

Director, FBI

UNITED STATES VERSUS ORIGINAL ENIGHTS OF THE EU ELUX ELAN CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1984 1 - Mr. Sullivan 1 - Mr. Rosen 1 - Mr. 1 - Mr.

Beforence is made to your memorandum dated 9/13/65 and Bureau letter dated 9/27/65, relating to injunctive proceedings against the Elan and similar organizations.

As-you are sware, current Bureau regulations for intelligence-type investigations of Klan and hate group organisations and their leaders cover the general field you mentioned. As an example, the Manual of Instructions requires that information be developed concerning the charters or incorporation papers of such organisations although actual copies meed not be obtained. It is felt that obtaining exemplified copies of these papers at the present time would be of doubtful value since there is always the possibility of challenge by defense atterneys and to avoid any successful challenge these papers should be obtained at a time more closely related to the legal proceedings in which they are to be introduced.

Injunctive proceedings by their very nature are not as clear out as to evidence needed to establish the facts as in the trials of other violations within the Bureau's jurisdiction. In such proceedings, it is to be expected that the Bepartment will examine all pertinent material and will pinpoint that pertion needed for evidence. Thereugh investigation by the field in Elan and hate group investigations can alleviate some last minute problems but since the Bepartment draws from a variety of reports and letterhead memorands submitted in many cases, it does not appear that all problems could be anticipated or climinated. The Bureau has continually emphasized the need for comprehensive, aggressive investigation. As in all Bureau investigations, the field is required to shock out as such as possible, information abtained on a confidential basis and to appropriately preserve data which may be of evidentiary value at a factor date.

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In the absence of specific action by the Department, there appears to be no present need to enlarge upon surrent Bureau procedure. The importance of these cases has been and will continue to be emphasized in communications to the field and your observations will be of assistance in discussing problems with In-Service classes.

NOTE:

Inspector memorandum set forth his observations regarding problems which arose in connection with the civil suit filed by the Department at Bogalusa, Louisiana, seeking to enjoin the Klan and certain individuals from interfering with persons seeking to exercise their rights under the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Inspector suggested further injunction proceedings might be under consideration by the Department and felt that offices covering Klan and hate organizations should be briefed on the use of the injunction. He also suggests that information be gathered on a continuing basis to support such suits. The General Investigative Division responded to his memorandum as related to the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and also contacted the Department determining that the Department has no present plans for a widespread program of this type.

The Manual of Instructions provides for comprehensive, intelligence—type investigations in these cases. These regulations appear adequate for general intelligence gathering although it is anticipated that in any specific proceeding the Department will have a number of requests for particular documents or information. The field is presently collecting literature and other documents from its sources. As pointed out in outgoing, obtaining of charter papers at the present time may preclude their admission in court, in view of lapse of time. Evidence of this nature of necessity has to be obtained at a time more closely related to a particular court action.





FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C.

To: Mr. John Doar Assistant Attorney General

September 9, 1965

Attention: Mr. Richard K. Parsons

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Bogalusa, Louisiana Public Accommodations (Interference) Civil Rights Act of 1964

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Letter 9/6/65

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 (your item 5)
- Qc6 Thermo-Fax copy of a typewritten document bearing the heading "PUBLISHED BY THE ORIGINAL EU ELUX ELAN OF LOUISIANA" and captioned "THE STORY OF THE LEOPARD'S STRIPES" (your item 6)
- Q7 Carbon copy of a two-page typewritten document bearing the heading "BOYCOTT RULES" (your item 7)

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- (your item a)

 K2 Typewritten letter dated July 8, 1965, signed
- (your item b)

 K3 Carbon copy of a typewritten letter dated July 26

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Result of examination:

The typewriting on Ql through &60most closely corresponds with the Laboratory standard for an IBM Electric Executive Model typewriter. A similar style of type is used on the Friden Justowriter heavy duty writing machine.

It was determined that the typewriting on Q2 was not prepared with the typewriter or typewriters used in the preparation of Q1 and Q3 through Q6. Due to the lack of sufficient clarity in the copies available and because of insufficient identifying characteristics, it could not be determined whether one typewriter was used in the preparation of Q1 and Q3 through Q6; however, some characteristics observed would indicate that this material may have been prepared with one typewriter.

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It was concluded that the typewriting on Q1 through Q2G was not prepared with any of the typewriters used in the preparation of K1 through K3.

It was further concluded that the typewriting on Q7 was not prepared with any of the typewriters used in the preparation of Q1 through Qc6 or K2. Because of the lack of clarity in the carbon copy available, it could not be established definitely whether the typewriting on Q7 was or was not prepared with either of the typewriters used in the preparation of K1 and K3.

Items Q1 through Q5 have been prepared by the offset printing process using a typewritten original. It could not be determined if this material was reproduced on the same machine.

Item Qc6 has been prepared with a Thermo-Fax copying machine.or similar copying device.

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Specimens Q1 through Qc6 and K1 through K3 are temporarily retained. Specimen Q7 was returned to Mr. Parsons, of your office, on September 6, 1965. Appropriate photographs have been prepared for record purposes.

NOTE: See memorandum to Mr. Conrad dated 9/6/65 captioned as above.

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

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To: Mr. John Doar

Assistant Attorney General

September 10, 1965

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Attention: Mr. Richard K. Parsons

United States versus
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Civil Rights Act of 1964

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AT APPROXIMATELY NINE AM, THIS DATE, THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS, WHO ARE LEADERS OF THE BOGALUSA VOTER'S LEAGUE (BVL), WERE ARRESTED BY THE BOGALUSA PD ON AN ORDER FROM JUDGE A. J. JONES, BOGALUSA, CHARGING THEM WITH CONTRIBUTING TO THE DELINQUENCY OF JUVENILES - ENTICING THEM OUT OF SCHOOL. THOSE ARRESTED ARE PRESENTLY INCARCERATED.

A RESTRAINING ORDER WAS SINGED BY JUDGE JIM WARREN RICHARD-SON, WASHINGTON PARISH, ON OCTOBER NINETEEN, WAST, AGAINST THE ABOVE SIX INDIVIDUALS AND IN ADDITION THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS:

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THE LEADERS OF THE MARCH ADVISED ASSISTANT COP L.C. TERRELL
THAT THEY WISHED TO MARCH TO SIXTH STREET AND THEN TO COLUMBIA
STREET, HOWEVER, SIXTH STREET IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT THE PRESENT
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SOME OTHER STREET.

THE MARCHERS REFUSED TO CHANGE THEIR ROUT OF MARCH AND AT THIS TIME CHIEF CLAXTON KNIGHT, BOGALUSA PD, ADVISED THEM THAT THE PARADE PERMIT HAD BEEN CONCELLED. CHIEF TERRELL THEN ADVISED THE

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THE OTHER NEGROES WENT INTO THE NEGRO LABOR TEMPLE. ANITA LEVINE, A WHITE CORE WORKER, ADVISED THAT THEY SHOULD ALL GO TO JAIL; HOWEVER, SHE WOULD NOT GO TO JAIL AS SHE WAS CONTACTING THE CORE ATTORNEYS IN NEW YORK, REGARDING THIS MATTER.

AT THIS TIME, THE NEGRO YOUNTH AND A FEW ADULTS CAME OUT OF THE TEMPLE AND WANTED TO GO TO JAIL. CHIEF TERRELL ADVISED THEM THEY COULD NOT VOLUNTARILY GO TO JAIL, THEY WOULD NOT BE ACCOMMMODATED BY BEING PUT UNDER ARREST UNLESS THEY WERE IN VIOLATION OF THE LAW.

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Judge Wisdom cautioned, however, that once he had completed his opinion in this matter, it would have to be reviewed by the other judges hearing the case before the matter would be completely resolved.

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, by Nicholas deB. Katzenbach, Attorney General of the United States,

Plaintiff,

CRIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, an unicorporated Associa-1 2. tion; ANTI-COMMUNIST CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, a corporation; SAXON FAFILER; CHARLES CHRISTMAS; RUSSELL MAGEE; DEWEY SMITH; VIRGIL CORKERN; ALBERT APPLEWRITE; E. J. (JACK) DIXON; DELOS WILLIAMS; JAMES M. FILIS; HARDIE ADRIAN COINGS, JR.; ESLEY FREEMAN; ARTHUR RAY APPLEMENTE; JAVES A. HOLLINGSWORTE, JR.; RANDLE C. FOUNDS; SIDNEY AUGUST WARNER; ETILY ALFORD; RAWLIN WILLIAMSON; LOUIS APPLEMBITE; WILLIS BLACKWELL; J. A. HOLLINGSWORTE, SR.; LATTIMORE MCNEESE; IRA DUNAWAY; DOYLE TYNES; CHARLES RAY WILLIAMS; FRANKLIN HARRIS; CHARLES McCLENDON; DELTON GRAVES; MILTON EARL PARKER; MERVIN TAYLOR; VAN DAY; RAY RISNER; JAMES D. TERRELL; J. D. JONES; RICHARD E. KREBS; MICHAEL R. HOLDEN; JAMES BURKE; ALBERT SIMMONS, JR., and . NOEL BALL, JR.

Defendants

CIVIL ACTION NO. 15793

13-2015.

Defore WISDOM, Corcuit Judge, and CHRISTENBERRY and AINSWORTH, District Judges.

WISDOM, Circuit Judge:

This is an action by the Nation against a klan.*

The United States of America asks for an injunction to protect
Negro citizens in Washington Parish, Louisiana, seeking to assert their
civil rights. The defendants are the "Original Knights of the Ku Klux
Klan", an unincorporated association, the "Anti-Communist Christian
I.ssociation," a Louisiana corporation, and certain individual klansmen,
nost of whom come from in and around Bogalusa, Louisiana.

The defendants admit most of the allegations of the complaint.

Their legal position is that a private organization and private persons are beyond the reach of the civil rights acts authorizing the Attorney General to see for an injunction. There is no merit to this contention.

Seeking refuge in silence and secrecy, the defendants object to the zemission of any evidence as to klan activities. We hold, however, that that the klan is and what the klan does bear significantly on the material issues and on the appropriate relief.

In deciding to grant the injunction prayed for, we rest our conclusions on the finding of fact that, within the meaning of the Civil* Rights Acts of 1957 and 1964, the defendants have adopted a pattern and practice of intimidating, threatening, and coercing Negro citizens in Washington Parish for the purpose of interfering with the civil rights of the Negro citizens. The compulsion within the klan to engage in this unlawful conduct is inherent in the nature of the klan. This is its ineradicable evil.

We find that to attain its ends, the klan exploits the forces of hate, prejudice, and ignorance. We find that the klan relies on systematic economic coercion, varieties of intimidation, and physical violence in attempting to frustrate the national policy expressed in civil rights legislation. We find that

the all namen, whether cloaked and hooded members of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, or skulking in anonymity as members of a sham organization, "The Anti-Communist Christian Association", or brazenly resorting to violence on the open streets of Bogalusa, are a "fearful conspiracy against society . . . [holding] men silent by the terror of [their acts]and 2 / [their] power for evil".

As early as 1868 General Nathan Bedford Forrest, the first and only Grand Wizard of the original Invisible Empire, dismayed by mounting, uncontrollable violence laid to the klan, ordered the klan odisband and directed klansmen to burn their robes and hoods.

General Forrest was a Confederate cavalry hero, a man without fear and, certainly to most Southerners, a man beyond reproach. He announced that he would dissociate himself from all klansmen and cooperate with public officials and the courts in enforcing law and order. But the founders of the Invisible Empire had sown dragon's teeth.

The evil that led General Forrest to disband the original Ku Klux Klan was its perversion of purposes by undisciplined klans led

4 by irresponsible leaders. The evil we find in the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is an absolute evil inherent in any secret order holding itself above the law: "the natural tendency of all such organizations . . . to violence and crime." As history teaches, and as the defendants admissions and the proof demonstrate in this case, violence and crime follow as the night the day when masked men conspire against society itself. Wrapped in myths and misbeliefs which they think relieve them of the obligations of ordinary citizens, klansmen pledge their first allegiance to their Konstitution and give their first loyalty to a cross fittingly in flames.

None of the defendant klansmen is a leader in his community. As a group, they do not appear to be representative of a cross-section of the community. Instead they appear to be ignorant bullies, callous of

the harm they know they are doing and lacking in sufficient understanding to comprehend the chasm between their own twisted Konstitution and the noble charter of liberties under law that is the twenteen Constitution.

Legal tolerance of secret societies must cease at the point where their members assume supra-governmental powers and take the law in their own hands. We shall not allow the misguided defendants to interfere with the rights of Negro citizens derived from or protected by the Constitution of the United States and now expressly recognized by Congress in various civil rights statutes. We enjoin the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, its dummy front, the Anti-Communist Christian Association, and the individual defendants from interfering with orders of this Court and from interfering with the civil rights of Negro citizens in Washington Parish. Specifically, these rights include:

- the right to the equal use and enjoyment of public facilities, guaranteed by the Fourteenth Amendment;
- (2) the right to the equal use and enjoyment of public accommodations, guaranteed by the Civil Rights Act, 42 USC 2000a;
- (3) the right to register to vote and to vote in all elections guaranteed by the Fifteenth Amendment, by 42 USC 1971, and by the Voting Rights Act of 1965; and
- (4) the right to equal employment opportunities, guaranteed by the Civil Rights Act, 42 USC 2000e.

I.

The United States sues under authority of 42 USC 1971;

42 USC 2000a-5 and e-6. Under those sections and under 28 USC 1345, this Court has jurisdiction of the action. We resolve any doubt as to the reach of these sections in favor of the Government's standing to sue in a case of this kind. In its sovereign capacity the Nation has a proper interest in preserving the integrity of its judicial system, in preventing klan interference with court orders, and in making meaningful both nationally created and nationally guaranteed civil rights.

We turn now to as detailed findings of fact.

A. Background. The invisible realm of the Original Knights coincides with of the Ku Klux Klan/indiudes-the-eight-parishes-in the Sixth Con-This district is composed of gressional District of Louisiana. These-live/the "Florida" parishes, the area /east of the Mississippi River and north of Lake Pontchartrain claimed 7 by Spain until 1810. The events giving rise to this action took place in Washington Parish and centered in Bogalusa, the Largest municipality in the Parish. Bogalusa is on the Pearl River at a point where the river forms the boundary between Louisiana and, Mississippi. It has a population of about 14,000 white persons and 7,500 Negroes.

The Grand Dragon of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and President of the Anti-Communist Christian Association is Charles Christmas of Amite in Tangipahoa Parish. Saxon Farmer, who seems to have an uncanny capacity for being present whenever there is racial trouble in Fogalusa, is the second in command of both organizations, Grand Titan of the Klan and Vice-President of the Anti-Communist Christian Association. In February 1955 he was elected to both offices simultaneously. He is also the Exalted Cyclops of one of the Bogalusa Klaverns (local units). In 1960 this Court entered an order in the case of United States v. McElveen et als. (C.A.No. 9146) against Saxon Farmer and others enjoining them from interfering with the rights of Nagro citizens to vote. That order restored to voter registration rolls of Washington Parish the names of 1,377 Negro citizens Farmer and others, then active in the Citizens Council, had unlawfully purged from the rolls.

The evidence clearly establishes that the Anti-Communist Christian Association is not a bona fide, independent organization

but is the defendant klan thinly disquised under a respectable title. At an earlier time, the klan's dummy organization was called the Bogalusa Gun and-Righe Club. The defendants' efforts to appear respectable by association may also be reflected in the location of the klan's principal office in the Disabled American Veterans Hall.

The officers, members, internal structure, method of paying dues of the ACCA and the klan are identical. The corporate structure of the ACCA includes nothing but a charter. The governing rules and by-laws of the ACCA are the Klan Konstitution. The secret oath for admission and resignation in both organizations is the klan oath.

Nothing is required of klan members to become members of the ACCA, except identifying to the secretary of the klan unit their assigned secret klan number. Klan members are then furnished a small green card with the name Anti-Communist Christian Association printed thereon. This Court finds that the defendant klan has appeared in this cause.

The pretense that the klan does not exist, has ceased to exist, or has made no appearance in this cause is a same.

Until recently Washington Parish was segregated from cradle to coffin. After Congress adopted the 1964 Civil Rights Act, however, the Negroes in Bogalusa began a broad scale campaign to gain recognition of their rights. Working through the Bogalusa Voters League, they conducted voter registration clinics, held mass meetings to call attention to their grievances, picketed places of public accommodations to protest racially discriminatory policies, and petitioned the Mayor of Bogalusa to accord equal rights in voting, public facilities, employment, and education.

The klan has been the center of a-pattern and-practice-of unlawful activity in Washington Parish designed to interfere with the efforts of Negro citizens to gain equal rights under the law. Its objective has been to preserve total racial segregation in Bogalusa

B. <u>Defendants' Admissions</u>. An unusual feature of this litigation is the defendants' damning admission. The defendants admit that the klan's objective is to prevent Washington Parish Negroes from exercising the civil rights Congress recognized by statute. In their pleadings, the defendants concede that they furthered their objective by --

- (a) assaulting, threatening, and harassing Negroes who seek to exercise any of their civil rights, and assaulting, threatening and harassing persons who urge that Negroes should exercise or be accorded those rights;
- (b) committing, threatening to commit, and urging others to commit acts of economic retaliation against Negroes who seek to exercise these rights, and against any persons who urge that Negroes should exercise or be accorded these rights, or who permit open, free and public discussion on the issue;
- (c) threatening and intimidating public officials and businessmen who accord or seek to accord Negoges their rights without regard to race or color.

The reason for the admissions was evident at the trial and is evident in the defendants' brief. One United States subpoensed over a hundred witnesses and, no doubt, was prepared to prove every allegation in the complaint. Because of the defendants' admissions, the disputed issues were few and only a few witnesses were called. As a result, the klan avoided an airing of its activities that necessarily would have occurred had a large number of witnesses testified. Not content with the success of this maneuver, the defendants objected to the introduction of "any evidence pertaining to the activities of the Ku Klux Klan" on the grounds that (a) the klan had ceased to exist and (b) "delv[ing] into these unrelated matters" was solely "to expose" the Ku Klux Klan, an invasion of the "privacy and individual freedoms of all these defendants".

As indicated earlier, however, the nature of the klan's activities bears directly on the existence of a pastern and practice of unlawful conduct and also on the sort or decree that should be issued.

The Government subpoenaed membership lists and records of the klan. The defendants failed to produce these records and at the hearing explained that all of the records of the klan had been destroyed as a matter of klan policy after suit was filed. The Court ordered Christmas, Farmer, and John Magee, the treasurer, to compile from memory lists of officers and members. Counsel for the defendants objected to the admissibility of the lists for the reasons that: (1) there were no lists and records in the custody of the defendants; (2) the requirement was an invasion of the rights of privacy and association. The defendants did not rely on the Fifth Amendment privilege against self-incrimination; they relied on NAACP v. Alabama, 1958, 357 U.S. v. 449, 78 S. Ct. 1163 2 L. Ed 2d 1488. The Court overruled the objections.

NAACP v. Alabama does not support the defendants' position.

In that case Justice Harlan, speaking for a unanimous Court, held
that the rights of the members of the NAACP to pursue their lawful
interests privately and to associate freely with others were protected by the 14th Amendment. Accordingly, the NAACP was relieved of
the nucessity of turning over its membership list to the State of
Alabama. In reaching that decision the Court distinguished New York
the real Bryant v. Zimmerman, 1928, 278 U.S. 63, 49 S. Ct. 61,
a case
The Lind, 184 /Involving a New York Chapter of the Ku Klux Klan. A

Hew York statute required any unincorporated association which
demanded an bath as a condition to membership to file with state

officials copies of its "constitution, by-laws . . . a roster of its
In Zimmerman
nembership and a list of officers". / the Court found that the statutory
classification was reasonable, because of the "manifest tendency on
the part of one class to make the accreey surrounding its purposes

and membership a cloak for acts and conduct inimical to personal rights and public welfare. . . 'It is a matter of common knowledge that this organization [the klan] functions largely at night, its members disguised by hoods and gowns and doing things calculated to strike terror into the minds of people'. The Supreme Court reaffirmed this distinction in NAACP v. Alabama. Justice Harlan pointed out:

"[In Zimmerman] the Court took care to emphasize
the nature of the organization which New York
sought to regulate. The decision was based on the
particular character of the klan's activities, involving acts of unlawful intimidation and violence
. . . of which the Court itself took judicial notice."

Here the defendants admit that the klan's methods are lawless. Albertson Nov. 15, v. Subversives Activities Board,/1965 U.S. pretermits

the question at issue in Zimmerman and NAACP v. Alabama.

- C. Out of Their Own Mouths. (1) The Konstitution of the Original Ku Klux Klan embodies "the Supreme Law of the Realm". Article I states that one of the objects of the organization is to "protect and defend the Constitution of the United States"; but another object is to "maintain forever Segregation of the races and the Divinely directed and historically proven supremacy of the White Race". The preamble reaffirms "the principles for which our forefathers mutually pledged and freely sacrificed their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor two centuries ago"; but Article II limits the membership to "mature, Native-born, White, Gentile Men . . . who profess and practice the Christian Faich but who are not members of the Roman Catholic Church".
- (2) Printed with the Konstitution is a Proclamation stating that it must be "STRICTLY ADHERED TO." The Proclamation states that "ALL REALM work is carried on by a chain of command", establishes the organization along military lines, defines the duties of the various officers and committees, and describes "The Way of the Klavern".

"All Klaverns will have at least five armed guards with flashlights posted during regular meetings." However, "No one will be allowed
to carry a gun inside the Klavern during regular meetings except the
Knight Hawk (Keeper of the Klavern)."

A Klokan's (Klavern Investigator's) duty is "to investigate all
questituable matters pertaining to the Klavern". "Any Klausman
who is known to violate our rules, copecially those that give
information to any aliens [non-members] shall be expelled immediately,
then is to be watched and visited by the Wrecking Crew if necessary".

(Emphasis added.) Moreover, each klau unit "will set up at least
one team of six men to be used for viecking crew. These men
should be appointed by the Klokan in secrecy". As judges charged
with the duty of drawing inferences from the demeanor of witnesses,
for
we observed that a former klausman exhibited uneasiness/if-not
fear of klau reprisals, when questioned as to the function of
the klau "wrecking crew". The defendants' testimony relating to
the purpose and functions of the wrecking crew was evasive. There
however
is no doubt/that the wrecking crew performed disciplinary functions
and that the discipline could be severe.

(3) The Oath of Allegianot requires faithful obedience to the "Klan's Konstitution and Laws", regulations, "rulings and instructions of the Grand Dragon". "PROVIDENCE ALONE PREVENTING".

Klansmen must swear "forever" to "keep sacredly secret . . all ... matters and knowledge of the * * * " [one asterisk is Klanese for 'Klan'; four asterisks mean "Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan] . . . [and] never divulge same nor even cause same to be divulged to any person in the whole world". As if this were not enough, the Oath also requires klansmen to swear that they "solemnly vow and most positively swear" never "to yield to bribe, threats, passion, punishment, persecution, persuasion, nor any inticements (sic) whatever . . . for the purpose of obtaining . . . a secret or secret information of the XXXX." Section IV on "XXXX ISHNESS"

goes a little further. In this section of the oath the klansmen must swear to "keep secret to [himself] a secret of a man committed to him in the sacred bond of * manship. The crime of violating this oath, treason against the United States of America, rape, and malicious murder alone excepted." (Emphasis added.) In pure klanese, the Mansman pledges his "life, property, vote, and sacred honor" to uphold "unto death" the Constitution and "constitutional laws". (Emphasis added.) But he ends by swearing that he will "zealously shield and preserve... free segregated public schools, white SUPREMACY."

(4) The "Boycott Rules" give a good idea of the Klan's coercive tactics. For example:

"The Boycott Committee- (one member from each local unit appointed by the Exalted Cyclops) shall have exclusive investigative authority and it shall not act at any time with less than three members present. . (1) No person or subject upon whom a boycott shall have been placed shalk be patronized by any member. . Boycotts shall be imposed upon subjects who are found to be violating the Southern traditions. . Boycotts shall be placed upon all members of the Committee who publicly served with Bascom Talley in his efforts to promote the Brocks Hays meeting. Boycotts shall be placed upon any merchant using Negro employees to serve or wait upon persons of the white race. (Service Stations using Negroes to pump gas are excluded.) Boycotts shall be placed against a subject who serves Negroes and whites on an integrated basis. Boycotts shall be placed upon a subject who allows Negroes to use White rest rooms. . . . No member shall be punished for violation of the rules by a member of his family under twelve (12) years of age. Any member who shall after a hearing have been found guilty of personally patronizing a subject listed on the boycott list shall be wrecked by the wrecking crew who shall be appointed by the Committee. (Emphasis added.) . . . Second offense - If a member is found guilty of personally violating the boycott list he shall be wrecked and banished from the Klan."

It is not surprising that the attorneys for the United States 9 had difficulty extracting from klansmen answers to questions.

the Klan pumports to perform its dirty work in the new of Teau.

Christ. The first object stated in the "Objects and Purposes"

clause of the Konstitution of this anti-Roman Catholic, anti
Semitic, hate-breeding organization is to "foster and promote the

tenets of Christianity". The Proclamation requires the Kludd

(Klavern Chaplain) to "open and close each meeting of the Klavern

with prayer". Setting some kind of a record for sanctimonious cant,

the Proclamation directs the Kludd to "study and be prepared to

explain the 12th chapter of ROMANS at any time, as this is the

religious foundation of the Invisible Empire". (Emphasis added)

Saint Paul, Apostle to the Gentiles, wrote his Epistle to the Romans in Corinth, midway between Rome and Jerusalem. Addressing himself to Jews and Gentiles, he preached the brotherhood of man: "Glory, honour, and peace, to every man that worketh good, to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile: For there is no respect 10 of persons with God." In the Twelfth Chapter of Romans, Paul makes a beautiful and moving plea for tolerance, for brotherly love, for returning good for evil:

9 Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor'

that which is evil; cleave to that which is good. 10 Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another; 14 Bless them which persecute you: bless, and curse not. . . 17 Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. 18 If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. 19 Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. 20 Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink; for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. 21 Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good. "

These words must fall on stony ground in the Klaverns of a Klan.

- D. Specific Findings of Klam Intimidation and Violence.

 We select the following examples of the defendants acts of intimidation and Violence.
- (1) January 7, 1965, former Congressman Brooks Hays of Arkansas, at the invitation of religious, business, and civic leaders from Bogalusa, was scheduled to speak in Bogalusa at St. Matthews Episcopal Church Parish House on the subject of community relations. The meeting was to be open to both Negroes and whites and it was planned that seating would be on a racially non-segregated basis. After learning of the proposed appearance of Mr. Hays and the arrangements for an unsegregated meeting, the Klan and its members protested to the Mayor and the members of the Commission Council and, by means of threats of civil disorder and economic retaliation against local businessmen who supported the meeting, caused the withdrawal of the invitation to Mr. Hays to speak. December 18, 1964, before the Hays invitation was withdrawn, the Mayor of Bogalusa and Police Commissioner Arnold Spiers, in an effort to head off possible civil disorder, appeared at a Klan meeting at the Disabled Veterans Hall. The show of force at this meeting by over 150 hooded Klansmen unquestionably intimidated public officials in Bogalusa and, later, hindered effective police action against Klan violence. On the stand, Mayor Cutrer admitted that he was "frightened when he looked into 150 pairs of eyes".
- (2) Since at least January 28, 1965, the defendants, including Saxon Farmer, Russell Mages, Dewey Smith, Randle C. Pounds, Billy Alford, Charles McClendon, James Burke, and other members of the defendant Klan, have made a practice of going to places where

they anticipated that Negroes would attempt to exercise civil rights, in order to harass, threaten, and intimidate the Negroes and other persons. For this purpose, members of the defendant Klan have gone to Franklinton, Louisiana, when Negro citizens of Washington Parish were expected to apply to register as voters, have gone to restaurants in Bogalusa when Negroes were seeking or were expected to seek service, and have gone to locations in downtown Bogalusa and near the Bogalusa Labor Temple when Negroes were attempting or were expected to demonstrate publicly in support of equal rights for Negroes.

- (3) William Yates and Stephen Miller, two CORE workers, came to Bogalusa in January 1965. The Grand Dragon and Grand Titan of the Klan, defendants Charles Christmas and Saxon Farmer, appeared at the Mayor's office to ask the Mayor to send William Yates and Stephen Miller out of Bogalusa. Mayor Cutrer indicated that he could do nothing. The next day, February 3, 1965, three Klansmen, James Hollingsworth, Jr., James Hollingsworth, Sr., and Delos Williams, with two other persons, Doyle Tynes and Ira Dunaway, attempted to insure Yates' and Miller's departure. This group followed Yates and Miller and assaulted Yates.
- (4) February 15, 1965, defendant Virgil Corkern, Klansman, and approximately 30 other white persons attacked five Negro citizens and damaged the car in which they were riding. This occurred because

the Negroes had sought service at a gasoline station in Bogalusa. On that some day, Corkern and other persons gathered at Landry's Fine Foods, a restaurant in Bogalusa, to observe Negroes seeking service at the restaurant. Corkern and one other entered the restaurant brandishing clubs, ordered the Negroes to leave and threatened to kill Sam Barnes, a member of the Bogalusa Voters League, who had come to the restaurant with six Negro women.

- (5) March 29, 1965, defendants Hardie Adrian Goings, Jr., Klansman, and Franklin Harris, Klansman, shortly after meetings had been held at the Bogalusa Labor Temple, threw an ignited tear gas canister at a group of Negroes standing near the Labor Temple.

 Goings, Jr. then tried to disguise his car by repainting it and removing the air scoop from the top to prevent detection of this crime. Goings or other Klansmen used this same car in May of 1964 to burn a cross at the home of Lou Major, editor of the Bogalusa newspaper.
- (6) April 7, 1965, defendants Lattimore McNeese and

 E. J. (Jack) Dixon, Klansman, threatened Negro citizens during the course of a meeting at the Labor Temple by brandishing and exhibiting a gun at Negroes standing outside the Labor Temple.
- (7) April 9, 1965, defendants Billy Alford, Klamsman, Randle C. Pounds, Klamsman, Lattimore McNeese, Charles McClendon, and James Burke, Klamsman, with other persons, went to the downtown area of Bogalusa where Negro citizens were participating in a march to the Bogalusa City Hall to protest denial of equal rights. Pounds, McClendon, and Burke, in a group, moved out to attack the marchers. Pounds assaulted the leader of the march, James Farmer, with a blackjack; McClendon and Burke were temporarily deterred from the threatened assault, but immediately thereafter assaulted a newsman

and an FBI agent. Alford assaulted one of the Negroes participating in the march.

- (8) May 19, 1965, Virgil Corkern, Klansman, two sons of Virgil Cor)ern, and other white persons went to Cassidy Park, a public recreation area maintained by the City of Bogalusa, for the purpose of interfering with the enjoyment of the park by Negroes and white CORE workers who were present at the park and using the facilities for the first time on a non-segregated basis. The Corkern group entered the park and dispersed the Negro citizens with clubs, belts, and other weapons.
- (9) Negro members of the Bogalusa Voters League, unable to exercise their civil rights and also unable to obtain from police officials adequate protection from the Klan, filed suit June 25, Civ.Ac. No.15,727 1965, in the case of Hicks v. Knicht /in this Court. The complaint asks for an injunction requiring officers of the City of Bogalusa to open the public parks and to operate such parks without racial discrimination, and also requiring law enforcement officers of the City, Parish, and State to protect the Negro plaintiffs and other Negroes from physical assaults, beatings, harassment, and intimidation at the hands of white citizens. July 10, 1965, this Court issued an injunction in Hicks v. Knight enjoining certain city and parish law enforcement officers from failing to use all reasonable means to protect the Negro plaintiffs and others similarly situated from physical assaults and beatings and from harassment and intimidation preventing or discouraging the exercise of their rights to picket, assemble peaceably, and advocate equal civil rights for Negroes. The preliminary injunction is still in full force and effect. Even after this Court issued its order July 10, 1965, the defendant Klansmen continued to interfere with Negro citizens exercising civil rights and

interfered with performance of the duties of law enforcement officials under the injunction in <u>Hicks v. Knight</u>.

- (10) July 11, 1965, during a Negro march in downtown Eogalusa, defendants Randle Pounds, Klansman, H. A. Goings, Jr., Klansman, Franklin Harris, Klansman, and Milton E. Parker were present. Harris and Goings passed out 25-30 2x2 clubs to youths and Pounds stationed the youths along the march route. Parker was arrested by a City policeman along the route of march for disburbing the peace.
- bearing the caption, "Published by the Original Ku Klux Klan of Louisiana". These are crude, scrilous attacks on certain Bogalusa citizens who advocated a moderate approach to desegregation. For example, in one handbill an Episcopal minister is accused of lying for having said that he had received calls threatening to bomb his church; the minister's son is said to be an alcoholic, to have faced a morals charge in court, and to have been committed to a mental institution. The handbill adds:

"The Ku Klux Klan is now in the process of checking on Reverend 's [naming him] moral standards. If he is cleared you will be so informed. If he is not cleared, you will be informed of any and all misdeeds or moral violation of his in the past."

In the same handbill the Klan announced that it was "boycotting businesses which cater to integration such as Mobile Gas Stations, etc." Mobile Gas Station is a business competitor of the defendant, Grand Titan Saxon Farmer.

All of the handbills attempt to intimidate public officials, the Governor of Louisiana, the Congressman from the Sixth District, the Layor of Bogalusa, and federal judges (by name). Sometimes the attempted intimidation is by threat of violence, sometimes by

We quote, character assassination. /for example:

(a) "Or numerous occasions we have been asked by local officials to refrain from any acts of violence upon this outside scum that has invaded our city. Being a christian organization, we have honored these requests each time. How much longer can we continue??? Contrary to what the liberal element would have you think, this memorandum is not the work of racist and hate mongers or trouble makers, as Governor 'Big John' McKeithen calls us. We are God fearing white, southerners who believe in constitutional government and the preservation of our American heritage.

"If your governor would have done the right thing to start with, he would have refused to protect these local and outside agitators and did just what one great southern governor did. He refused to protect this outside element, (CORE, NAACP, SNICK, ETC.), at the expense of his state. He chose, instead, to let LBJ and Katzenbach protect them. Only after the city of Bogalusa had spent \$96,000, did he (Big John McKeithen), make any effort to ease the situation in this city."

(b) "As the people tried to preserve our Southern way of life, the Mayor and Council were slowly selling the people out at every turn. The Mayor has repeatedly GIVEN in. James Farmer did not have the support of the local Negroes. Mayor Cutrer is not giving the city of Bogalusa to the negro citizens of Bogalusa. No. He is giving the city to James Farmer and a handful of Negro Teenagers. NO PRESSURE was put on James Farmer and Dick Gregory to keep them out of Bogalusa. Not by the Mayor, the State Representative, the State Senator, or Congressman Morrison. This was not so when the WHITE CONSERVATIVES wanted to stage a Rally. Pressure was exerted from all levels, even the invited guest speakers were 'leaned on'.

"The Governor, the Congressman, Jimmy Morrison, or his com-rats, Suksty Rayborn, and Buster Sheridan. John McKeithen asked for our vote and promised to serve the PEOPLE. We now ask, Big John, isn't this TRUE? What is happening under your administration?

"Here is the list of elected officials who COULD & AND SHOULD have helped the People of Bogalusa. All these should be tarred and feathered.

MAYOR JESSIE CUTRER
REPRESENTATIVE SHERIDAN
SENATOR SIXTY RAYBORN
SHERIFF DORMAN.CROWE
CONGRESSMAN JIMMY MORRISON
GOVERNOR JOHN MCKEITHEN
SENATOR RUSSELL LONG

"Now the QUESTION. Why have these men, elected by

the WHITE people turned their back on us in our time of need?

"Is Communism so close? Who bought them? Who bought their HONOR and FOR HOW MUCH?"

- (c) "The Ku Klux Klan is strongly organized in Bogalusa and throughout Washington and St. Tammany Parishes. Being a secret organization, we have KLAN members in every conceivable business in this area. We will know the names of all who are invited to the Brooks Hayes meeting and we will know who did and did not attend this meeting. Accordingly, we take this means to urge all of you to refrain from attending this meeting. Those who do attend this meeting will be tagged as intergrationists and will be dealt with accordingly by the Knights of the KU KLUX RLAN."
- E. Summary of the Facts. We find that the defendants have admitted and the proof has shown that they intimidated, harassed, and otherwise interfered with (1) Negroes exercising their civil rights, (2) persons encouraging Negroes to assert their rights, and (3) public officials, police officers, and other persons seeking to accord Negroes their rights. These acts are part of a pattern and practice of the defendant's to maintain total segregation of the races in Washington Parish. The pattern creates an effect extending beyond the effect of any particular act or practice. A Negro who is clubbed in a public park may fear to order coffee in a segregated sandwich shop or he may decide that it is the better part of valor not to exercise voting rights. The owner of the sandwich shop who receives threatening calls for having served Negro patrons may conclude that taking care of his family comes ahead of hiring Negro employees. The intimidation or violence may be effective not only as to the particular individual against whom it is directed but also as to others who may be less courageous than the Nagroes brave enough to parade in Bogalusa or register to vote in Franklinton. The acts of terror and intimidation admitted or proved in this case, acts characteristic of a masked, secret conspiracy, can be halted only by a broad order emjoining the defendants

from unlawfully interfering with the exercise of civil rights
by Negro citizens.

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III.

The defendants contend that the complaint fails to state

a claim upon which relief can be granted. They start with the

docurrence that the 14th and 15th Amendments apply only to state

action or action under color of state law. A. This moves them

as a matter of statutory construction,

to conclude that Congress did not purport to enforce civil

rights against private persons. Moreover, so they argue, the

interference with interference with

1057 Act applies to/"voting" not to/"registering". B. And,

they say if civil rights acts do authorize enforcement against

private persons (not owners or managers of a place of public

accommodation) the statutes are unconstitutional.

Α.

(1) The Civil Rights Act of 1957. In the field of civil rights the problem of enforcement is more difficult than the problem of legislative definition. The choice of remedy determines whether an act of Congress simply declares a right or carries machinery for meaningful performance of the statutory promise. In the past, an obvious hiatus has been the lack of effective sanctions against private persons interfering with a citizen's exercise of a civil right. This lack may be explained by a number of reasons. (a) Con-

gress has been reluctant to assert affirmatively by legislation its responsibility to protect the privileges and immunities of citizens of the United States, for fear of imperiling the believes. relationship between the states and the Nation. (b) Courts have narrowly construed criminal sanctions available in Section 241 and 242 of Title 18. (c) Congress and the courts have been severely limited by the doctrine of state action, in spite of the trend toward an expansive view of what is state action. (d) Congress has been wary of using an equitable remedy in civil rights legislation. The Constitution guarantees an accused in a criminal case the right to indictment by a grand jury and trial by a jury of the vicinage. Enforcement of civil rights through the use of an injunction and the contempt power of the courts would by-pass the jury system. However, in communities hostile to civil rights and resentful against "outside", that is, federal interference, injunctive relief may be the most effective method of enforcing civil rights.

the Administration submitted an omnibus civil rights bill in 1956.

The focal issues—the contempt power, the jury system, and the relationship of the States with the Nation—produced one of the great debates in American parliamentary history. By the time the bill was cut down to a voting rights law, as the Civil Rights Act of 1957, 71 Stat.

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/Congress and the country thoroughly understood the significance of 15 the legislation. Congress had opened the door, then nearly shut, to national responsibility for protecting civil rights—created or guaranteed by the Nation—by injunction proceedings against private

Congress considered/these_and_related_cons

the pros and cons of these and many other issues when

Part III of the Administration's bill, as originally proposed, would have authorized the Attorney General to file suit against any

persons.

person who deprived or was about to deprive any citizen of any civil right.

The compromise that became the Civil Rights Act of 1957 limits civil actions to protection of opting rights in special, general, or primary elections

Where federal officers are elected.

Before the 1957 Act, Section 1971 (now 1971(a)) was enforced either by an action for damages under 42 U.S.C. §1983 and §1985(3) or by a criminal action under 18 U.S.C. §241, 242. The 1957 Act adds four subsections to 17 Section 1971, including:

"b. No person, whether acting under color of law or otherwise, shall intimidate, threaten, or coerce any other person for the purpose of interfering with the right of such other person to vote or to vote as he may choose, or of causing such other person to vote for, or not to vote for, any candidate for the office of President, Vice President, presidential elector, Member of the Senate, or Member of the House of Representatives, Delegates or Commissioners from the Territories or possessions, at any general, special, or primary election held solely or in part for the purpose of selecting or electing any such candidate.

"c. Whenever any person has engaged or there are reasonable grounds to believe that any person is about to engage in any act or practice which would deprive any other person of any right or privilege secured by subsection (a) or (b), the Attorney General may institute for the United States, or in the name of the United States, a civil action or other proper proceeding for preventive relief, including an application for a permanent or temporary injunction, restraining order, or other order. In any proceeding hereunder the United States shall be liable for costs the same as a private person."

(Emphasis added.)

The House Report on the Act--there was no Senate Report-- clearly states the purpose of the amendments to 1971:

"This section adds new matter. The provision is a further declaration of the right to vote for Federal offices. It states clearly that it is unlawful for a private individual as well as one acting under color of law to interfere or attempt to interfere with the right to vote at any general, special, or primary election concerning Federal offices. This amendment, however, does not provide for a remedy. However, the succeeding subsection of the amendment, which is designated subsection (c),

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does provide a remedy in the form of a civil action instituted on the part of the Attorney General." House Report No. 291, to accompany H.R. 6127, U.S. Code Cong. and Adm. News 1966, 1977 (1957) (Emphasis added)

Although Congress narrowed the subject matter of the statute to voting rights, there is nothing narrow about the scope of the Act as to interference with voting rights. The statute is not limited to physical acts or to direct interference with the act of voting but applies to--

"any act or practice which would deprive any other person of any right or privilege secured by subsection (a) or (b). . ."

The statute applies to "any person" who shall--

"intimidate, threaten, coerce or attempt to intimidate, threaten or coerce for the purpose of interfering with the right of such person to vote."

There is no doubt that this language applies to private individuals. And there is very little doubt that the Act protects the right to register and to engage in activities encouraging citizens to register. As discussed more fully elsewhere, registration is an integral, indispensable part of the voting process. It is also a stage that is vulnerable to abuse by the registrar or to unlawful conduct by private persons. Ever since the Supreme Court outlawed the "white" primary, it has been apparent that the main battleground in the war over Negro suffrage would be the registration office. for example, the description of the activities of the Citizens Councils and parish registrars in United States v. Louisiana, E.D.La. 1953, 22: F. Supp. 353, 378-80. Congress was well aware that a major mischief to be combatted in the 1957 Act was economic coercion and threats of intimidation by private persons that would deny or interfere with the Negro's access to registration.

Nore often than not, the economic coercion and intimidation by private persons are triggered by an educational campaign to encourage registration. United States v. Beatty, 6 Cir. 1961, 288 F. 28 653 is a case in point. The case arose in Haywood

County, Tennessee, a county in which no Negroes were registered to vote. In the spring of 1959, a newly formed Civic and Welfare League, apparently similar to the Bogalusa Voters League, initiated a campaign in Haywood and in Payette Counties to encourage Negroes to register. This led to the institution of a "white" primary in Payette; later prohibited by a consent decree in April 1960. In the face of a renewed registration drive, white businessmen in both counties retaliated by circulating a "blacklist" containing the names of the Negroes who registered and white citizens who assisted them. The businessmen induced local merchants to boycott anyone whose name appeared on the list, by denying credit and the right to buy necessities through the usual business relations. White landowners evicted sharecroppers and tenant farmers who had registered or whose names appeared on the blacklist. The Attorney General sued the businessmen and landowners, under Section 1971, for immediate injunctive relief. district judge granted a restraining order enjoining the businessmen from "interfering through intimidation and/or coercion", but refused to enjoin the landowners on the ground that the Civil Rights Act did not vest the court with authority "to adjudge contracts and property rights". 6 Race Rel. L. Rep. 200. The Sixth Circuit affirmed the judgment as to the businessmen and extended the injunction to the landlords.

In East Carroll Parish, Louisiana, cotton growers refused to gin cotton for Negro farmers who had attempted to register to vote. The Atterney General again sued under the 1957 Act. Judge Dawkins granted a restraining order, as preventive relief, against owners, operators, and managers of cotton gin businesses and certain other businesses.

The Court restrained the defendants from "refusing to gin refusing to sell goods or services, and to conduct ordinary business transactions with, any person for the purpose of discouraging or dissuading such person from attempting to vote and . . . engaging

in any attempted threats, intimidations, or coercion of any nature, whether economic or otherwise. United States v. Deal, W.I.La. 1961, 6 Race Rel. L. Rep. 474.

The parallel between the defendants' intimidation by and economic coercion in Beatty in Deal, and the defendants' boycott and other activities in this case is too patent to be spelled out. Beatty and Deal also illustrate a principle of enormous importance in the enforcement of civil rights: acts otherwise lawful may become unlawful and be enjoined under Section 1971, if the purpose and effect of the acts is to interfere with the right to vote.

In United States v. Board of Education of Greene County, Mississippi, 1964, 332 F. 2d 40, the Fifth Circuit affirmed the holding below that the government failed to prove that the alleged intimidation was for the purpose of interfering with the right to vote. But, as Judge Tuttle explained in United States v. Bruce (not yet reported, decided Nov. 16, 1965, No. 22028), the Court in the Greene County case assumed:

"Whereas a school board might, under the circumstances present in that case, have legally failed to renew a teacher's contract for any reason or for no reason at all, if it in fact declined to renew the [teacher's] certificate as a means of coercing or intimidating the teacher as to her right to vote, such conduct would be prohibited under the Act."

In <u>United States v. Bruce</u> twenty-eight white persons in Wilcox County, Alabama, notified Lonnie Brown, a Negro insurance collector, to stay off land owned or controlled by them.

As a result Brown could not reach many of his policy-holders.

Brown had been active in urging his Negro neighbors and friends to register to vote in Wilcox County, a county where no Negroes were registered. The Court held that the trial court erred in dismissing the complaint:

"The background allegations make a strong case upon which the trial court could infer the correctness of the conclusionary allegations that these defendants did in fact 'intimidate and coerce' the Negro citizens of Wilcox County, through the person of Lonnie Brown, for the purpose of interfering with their right to vote." 23:

We hold that the Civil Rights Act of 1957 applies to private persons, including the defendants impleaded in this case. We hold that the Act applies to interfering with the right to register as well as interfering with the right to vote; that the Act protects Negro citizens against the coercion, intimidation, and violence the defendants admitted or were proved to have committed in this case.

(2) The Civil Rights Act of 1964. The '64 Act creates new categories of civil rights and extends the authority of the Attorney General to protect such rights by a civil suit for injunctive relief against any person, public or private.

are those relating to (a) places of public accommodation, (b) equal employment opportunities, and (c) public facilities. As clearly as words can say, these provisions reach any person and any action that interverse with the enjoyment of civil rights secured by the Act. Thus, 42 U.S.C. \$2000a-2 of Title II, is not limited to prohibiting discrimination or segregation by the owner or manager of a place of public accommodation. The section provides:

"No person shall (a) withhold, deny, or attempt to withhold or deny, or deprive or attempt to deprive, any person of any right or privilege secured by section 2000a or 2000a-1 of this title, or (b) intimicate, threaten, or coerce, or attempt to intimicate, threaten, or coerce any person with the purpose of interfering with any right or privilege secured by section 2000a or 2000a-1 of this title, or (c) punish or attempt to punish any person for exercising or attempting to exercise any right or privilege secured by section 2000a or 2000a-1 of this title."

And to enforce the law, Section 2000a-5 (a) allows the Attorney General to sue "any person or group of persons":

"Whenever the Attorney General has reasonable cause to believe that any parson or group of persons is engaged in a pastern or practice of resistance to the full enjoyment of any of the rights secured by this subchapter, and that the pattern or practice is of such a nature and is intended to deny the full exercise of the rights herein described, the Attorney General may bring a civil action requesting such preventive relief, including an application for a permanent or temporary injunction, restraining order or other order against the person or persons responsible for such pattern or practice, as he deems necessary to insure the full enjoyment of the rights herein described. " [Emphasis supplied.]

Section 2000e-6 of Title VII, relating to equal employment opportunities, tracks the language of Section 2000a-5(a).

This suit is not one to desegregate public facilities under

Title VII of the Act. However, Section 2000-b is relevant, since

it demonstrates again the broad Congressional objective of authorizing
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Execome necessary to the grant of effective relief". The defendants' interference with the right of Negroes to use public facilities in Ecgalusa is relevant to the cause of action, for that interference was part of a pattern and practice of total resistance to the Negroes' exercise of civil rights.

(3) In sum, in the Civil Rights Acts of 1957 and 1964, Congress recongnized that when a Negro is clubbed or coerced for having attempted to register or for having entered a "white" restaurant, the action most likely to produce effective relief is not necessarily for the Negro to complain to the local police or to sue for damages or to make charges under 18 USC 241, 242. The most effective relief for him and for all others affected by the intimidation may be an injunction by the Nation against the private persons responsible for interfering with his civil rights.

Effectiveness of remedy is not the only reason for the Congressional grant of authority to the Attorney General of the United States. The Nation has a responsibility to supply a meaningful remedy for a right it creates or guarantees. As Justice Story wrote, in sustaining the constitutionality of the Fugitive Slave Act of 1793:

"If, indeed, the constitution guarantees the right, and if it requires the delivery [of the fugitive slave] upon the claim of the owner . . . the natural inference certainly is, that the national government is clothed with the appropriate authority and functions to enforce it. The fundamental principle, applicable to all cases of this sort, would seem to be, that when the end is required, the means are given . . " Prigg v. Pennsylvania, 1842, 41 U.S. (17 Pet.) 539, 614.

It is one thing when acts are mere invasions of private rights; "it is quite a different matter when Congress undertakes to protect the citizen in the exercise of rights conferred by the Constitution of the United States essential to the healthy organization of the government itself". Ex parte Yarbrough, 1884, 110 U.S. 651, 665, 4 S.Ct. 152, 18 L.Ed. 274. We turn now to the defendants' constitutional arguments.

The defendants' constitutional arguments rest on a misunderstanding of the constitutional sources for the civil Rights 24 Acrs of 1957 and 1964.

(i The Civil Rights Act of 1957: Protection of Right to Vote P om Unlawful Interference. (2) In upholding the constitutionality of the voting provisions of the 1957 Act, we need not 25 consider the Civil War Amendments. Section 1971 (b), here enforced unler 1971 (c), is limited to prohibiting interference with the right to vote in elections for federal office. Article I, Section 4 of the Constitution is an express grant of authority to Congress to regulate federal elections:

"The times, places and manner of holding elections for senators and representatives, shall be prescribed in each State by the legislature thereof; but the Congress may at any time by Law make or alter such regulations, except as to the places of choosing Senators."

As the House Committee pointed out in its report on the law, United States v. Classic, 1941, 313 U.S. 299, 61 S. Ct. 1031, 85 L.Ed. 1368, "establishes the authority in Congress to legislate concerning any and all elections affecting federal officers, whether general, special, or primary, is long as they are 'an integral part of the procedure of choice or where in fact the primary effectively controls their choice.'" U.S.Code Cong. and Adm. News, 85 Cong. 1957, p. 1977. The Supreme Court said, in Classic:

"While, in a loose sense, the right to vote for representatives in Congress is sometimes spoken of as a right derived from the states, [citations omitted] this statement is true only in the sense that the states are authorized by the Constitution, to legislate on the subject as provided by \$2 of Art. I, to the extent that Congress has not restricted state action by the exercise of its powers to regulate elections under \$4 and its more general power under Article I, \$8, clause 18 of the Constitution 'to make all laws which shall be accessed, and proper for carrying into execution the law joing powers.'"

(b) Under the "sweeping clanter, Article I, Section 8, Clause 18, Congress may enact all laws "necessary and proper" to carry out any of its powers, including, of course, its power to requlate federal elections. This provision leaves to Congress the choice of the means to execute its powers. "Let the end be legitimate, let it be within the scope of the Constitution, and all means which are appropriate, which are plainly adapted to that end, which are not prohibited, but consist with the letter and spirit of the Constitution are constitutional". McCulloch v. Maryland, 1819, 4 Wheat. 316, 421.

"There is little regarding an election that is not included in the terms 'time, place and manner of holding it'".

United States v. Munford, 1833, C. C., E.D.Va., 16 F. 223. The

Supreme Court has said:

"It cannot be doubted that these comprehensive words embrace authority to provide a complete code for congressional elections, not only as to times and places, but in relation to notices, recistration, supervision or voting, protection of voters, prevention of fraid and corrupt practices, counting of votes, during of inspectors and canvassers, and making and publication of election returns; in short, to enact the numerous requirements as to procedure and safeguards which experience shows are necessary in order to enforce the fundamental right involved." Smiley v. Holm, 1952, 285 U.S. 355, 156, 76 L.Ed. 795.

Iwo facts make it appropriats for Congress to reach registraas part of the "manner of holding elections".

"Lon/ First, registering is a preraquisite to voting. Second,

registration is a process for certifying a citizen as a qualified

voter in both federal and state elections. A law protecting the

right to vote could hardly be appropriate unless it protected the

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right to register. In Classic language, registering is a "necessary step" and "integral" in voting in "elections". In Classic,

"interference with the effective choice of the voters" in a

Louisiana Democratic primary was interference "at the only stage

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did not know about the registration process; but they did not have

in mind the selection of senators and representatives by the

direct primary. In United States v. Louisiana, E.D.La. 1963,

on other grounds,

225 F. Supp. 353, 359, aff'd./1968, 380 U.S. 145 this Court

said:

"Congressional authority [under Article I, §4] extends to registration, a phase of the electoral process unknown to the Founding Fathers but today a critical, inseparable part of the electoral process which must necessarily concern the United States, since registration to vote covers voting in federal as well as in state elections.

In United States v. Manning, W.D.Ls. 1963, 215 F. Supp. 272, one of the constitutional attacks on the Civil Rights Act of 1960 was directed at the provision for Indianal registrars. In the opinion upholding the act, the Court considered it important that--

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"For purposes of accomplishing the constitutional objective the electoral process is indivisible. The act of casting a ballot in a voting booth cannot be cut away from the most of the process. It is the last step in a process that starts with registration. Similarly, registration is an indivisible part of elections. . . There is no separate registration for followed reflections. Any interference with the qualified voter's right to register is therefore interference with a federal election." 215 F. Supp. at 253.

(c) Classic relied on three important cases that constitue the nature and extent of the power of Congress to regulate federal elections: Ex parte Siebold, 1880, 100 U.S. 371, 25 L.Ed. 717; Ex partie Yarbrough, The Ku Klum Klam cases, 1884, 110 U.S. 651, 4 s.ct. 152, 28 L.Ed. 274; and Burroughs v. United States, 1934, 290 U.S. 534, 54 S.ct. 287 , 78 L.Ed. 485. Thomas, These cases

point to the principle that a compressional statute protecting against private interference before the voting stage is necessary and proper legislation under Article I, Saction 4, whenever it is reasonably related to "protection of the integrity" of the federal electoral process. Classic, 313 U.S. at 316.

Ex parte Siebold involved a conviction of state election of conficers for ballot-stuffing in a falsaral election. The Court had before in the Enforcement Act from which Section 1971 was derived. The statute contained a number of entimative voting and registration regulations, including a provision for the appointment of federal election supervisors. These supervisors were authorized "to cause such names to be registered as uney may think proper to be so marked". In sustaining the validity of the legislation under Article I, Section 4, the Court communed:

"In is the duty of the States to elect representatives to Congress. The day and fair election of these representatives is if whe I importance to the United States. The government in the transaction than the State government is. As certainly is not bound to stand by as a parsive tractator, when duties are violated and order a as frauds are committed. It is directly increased in the faithful performance, by the officers of election, of their respective duties. Those duties are owed as well to the United States as to the State."

In Yarbrough the Court had before it the question whether

Congress could protect civil rights against private interference,

specifically klan aggression in the form of intimidation of voters.

Yarbrough and eight other members of a Georgia klan were indicted

for conspiring to intimidate a Regro in the exercise of his right

to vote for a congressional representative. It was shown that

they used physical violence and that they went in disguise upon

the public highways. They were convicted under the section of the

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inforcement Act of 1870, Revised Statutes Section 5508,/the pre-

crimina, law counterpart to 42 U.S.C. 1971. The Act forbade two or more persons "to conspire to injure, oppress, threaten or intimidate any citizen in the free exercise or enjoyment of any right or privilege secured to by the Constitution or laws of the United States" or to "go in disquise on the highway, or on the premises of another, with intent to prevent or hinder [such citizen in) his free exercise or enjoyment" of any such right; or to "conspire to prevent by force, intimidation, or threat, any citizen who is lawfully entitled to vote" from voting for presidential electors or members of Congress. Justice Miller, in a powerful opinion for the Court, sustained the conviction and held the statute valid. The opinion made it clear that the right to vote in federal elections is a privilege of national citizenship derived from the Constitution. Congress therefore "can by law protect the act of voting, the place where it is done and the man who votes, from personal violence or intimidation, and the election itself from corruption of fraud. " Nor does it matter that state and federal offices are elected in the same election. The congressional powers are not "annulled because an election for state officers is held at the same time and place". 110 U.S. at 660.

The heart of the <u>Yarbrough</u> decision is the Court's emphasis on the transcendent interest of the federal government. The violence and intimidation to which the Negro was subjected were they important because/it alloyed the purity of the federal political process. The federal government "must have the power to protect the elections on which its existence depends from violence and corruption". 110 U.S. at 658. <u>This</u> implied power arises out of governmental necessity. The Court said:

"The porer in either case arises out of the circumstance that the function in which the party is engaged or the right which he is about to exercise is dependent on the laws of the United States.

"In both cases it is the duty of that government to see that he may exercise this right freely and to protect him from violence while so doing or on account of so doing. This duty does not arise solely from the interest of the party concerned, but from the necessity of the government itself, that its service shall be free from the adverse influence or force and fraud practiced on its agents, and that the votes by which its members of Congress and its President are elected shall be the <u>free</u> votes of the electors, and the officers thus chosen the free and uncorrupted choice of those who have the right to take part in that choice."

Since it is the purity of the federal political process that must be protected, the protection may be extended against interference with any activity having a rational relationship with the federal political process. Thus, the "rationale of Yarbrough indicates congressional power over voting, though limited to federal elections, extends to voter registration activities", including registration rallies, voter education classes, and other activities intended to encourage registration.

election practices which go far beyond the act of voting in an Filed Conset on the campaigning stage rather than election. There is operate on the campaigning stage rather than the voting stage and apply to private persons having no part in the election machinery. In Burroughs the contention was made that under Article II, Section 1 the states control the manner of appointing presidential electors; Congress is limited to prescribing the time of choosing electors and the day on which they cast their votes. In upholding the validity of the Federal Corrupt Practices Act of 1925, the Court, relying on Yarbrough, said:

"While presidential electors are not officers or agents of the federal government . . ., they exercise federal functions under, and discharge

duties in virtue of authority conferred by, the Constitution of the United States. The president is vested with the executive power of the nation. The importance of his election and the vital character of its relationship to and effect upon the welfare and safety of the whole people cannot be too strongly stated. To say that Congress is without power to pass appropriate legislation to safeguard such an election from the improper use of money toinfluence the result is to deny to the nation in a vital particular the power of self-protection. Congress undoubtedly, possesses that tower, as it possesses every other power essential to preserve the departments and institutions of the general government from impairment or destruction, whether threatened by force or ly corruption." 110 U.S. at \$45

the states' power over the manner of appointing presidential electors is similar to the states reserved power to establish voting qualifications. Notwithstanding this unquestioned power in the states, "Burroughs holds that 'Congress' has the implied power to protect the integrity of the processes of popular election of presidential electors once that mode of selection has been chosen by the state." There is an obvious parallel between corruption of the federal electoral process by the use of money and corruption of the same process by acts of violence and intimidation that prevent voters from getting on the registration rolls or, indeed, from ever reaching the registration office.

Classic involved federal indictments against state election commissioners for falsely counting ballots in a Democratic party primary. The Court held that under Article I, Section 4 and the necessary and proper clause, Congress had the implied power to regulate party primaries. The "interference [was] with the effective choice of voters at the only stage when their choice is of significance. . . . The primary in Louisiana is an integral part of the procedure for the popular choice of Congressmen". The right to choose is a right "secured by the Constitution". 313 U.S. at 314.

Moreover, "since the constitutional command is without restriction or limitation, the right, unlike those guaranteed by the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments, is secured against the action of individuals as well as of states." The at 315 Mr. Justice Stone, for the Court, spelled out the rationale:

"The right to participate in the choice of representatives for Congress . . . is protected just as the right to vote at the election, where the primary is by law made an integral part of the election machinery. . . . Unless the constitutional protection of the integrity of 'elections' extends to primary elections, Congress is left powerless to effect the constitutional purpose. . . " 313 U.S. at 318, 319.

The innumerable cases in this Circuit involving civil rights speak eloquently against the use of economic coercion, intimidation, and violence to inhibit Negroes from applying for registration. This interference with nationally guaranteed rights, whether by public officials or private persons corrupts the purity of the political process on Which the existence and health of the National Government depend. No one has expressed this better than Judge Rives in United States v. Wood, 5 Cir. 1961, 295 F.2d 772; cert. denied 369 U.S. 850(1962). In Wood the interorganizer ference was in the form of groundless prosecution of a Negro/who had set up a registration school in Walthall County, Mississippi, where no Negroes had ever registered. He was not even qualified to vote in the county where the intimidatory acts occurred; he was a resident of another county. In reversing the district judge's refusal to stay the state prosecution, the Fifth Circuit noted that the alleged coercion was of the kind the 1957 Act was intended to reach. Judge Rives, for the Court, said:

"The foundation of our form of government is the consent of the governed. Whenever any person interferes with the right of any other person to vote or to vote as he may choose, he acts like a political termite to destroy a part of that foundation. A single termite or many termites may pass unnoticed, but each damages the foundation, and if that process is allowed to continue the whole structure may crumble and fall even before the occupants become aware of their peril. Bradication of political termites, or at least checking their activities, is necessary to prevent irreparable damage to our Government."

We hold that the defendants' acts of economic coercion, intimidation, and violence directed at Negro citizens in Washington Parish
for the purpose of deterring their registering to vote strike at the
integrity of the federal political process. The right to vote in
federal elections, a privilege of national citizenship secured by the
United States Constitution, includes the right to register to vote.
The right to register to vote includes the right to be free from
public or private interference with activities rationally related to
registering and to encouraging others to register.

(2) The Civil Rights Act of 1964: Public Accommodation.

The Supreme Court has upheld the constitutionality of Title II as it applies to motels and restaurants. Atlanta Motel v. United States, 1964, 379 U.S. 241, 85 S. Ct. 348, 13 L.Ed. 2d 258; Katzenbach v. McClung, 1964. 379 U.S. 294, 85 S. Ct. 377, 13 L.Ed. 2d 290.

The defendants are left, therefore, only with the contention that the Act, for reasons not articulated, should not reach private persons.

The defendants are really arguing against the judgment of Congress in selecting injunctive relief against private persons as one method of enforcing congressional policy. Once it is conceded that Congress has the power, under the commerce clause, to forbid discrimination in public places, there is little doubt that injunctive relief against any person seeking to frustrate the statutory objective is appropriate.

In this Circuit, relying on <u>In re Debs</u>, 1895, 158 U.S. 564, 15 S. Ct. 900, 39 L. Ed. 1092, the courts have held that when private persons burden commerce to the detriment of the national interest, the Nation may enjoin such persons even without enabling legislation. On two occasions courts have issued

injunctions against klans and klansmen engaged in intimidation and violence burdening commerce. United States v. U.S. Flans, H.D. kla. 1961, 194 F. Supp. 897; Plummer v. Brock, M.D.Fla. 1964, 9 R.Rel.L. Rep. 1399. See also United States v. City of Jackson, 5 Cir. 1963, 318 F.2d. 1.

(3) The Civil Rights Act of 1964: Equal Employment Opportunities. Title VII, like Title II, is based upon the commerce clause. The term "industry affecting commerce" used in Title VII parallels the definition of "industry affecting commerce" in the LMRDA (29 U.S.C. 402 (c)). This in turn incorporates the definition of "affecting commerce" in the NLRA (29 U.S.C. 152 (7)). The National Labor Relations Act represents an exercise of congressional regulatory power to "the fullest jurisdictional breadth constitutionally permissible under the Commerce Clause," NLRB v. Reliance Fuel Corp., 1963, 371 U.S. 224, 225; Polish National Alliance v. NLRB, 1944, 322 U.S. 643, 647, a conclusion equally applicable to Title VII.

The sweeping regulations in the NLRA and LMRDA covering the terms, conditions, and policies of hiring and bargaining do not differ in any essential respect from this legislation prohibiting discrimination in hiring practices and on the job assignments. The employer-employee relationship has, of course, direct effect upon the production of industries which are in commerce and upon the practical utilization of the labor force and the power of Congress to regulate these activities cannot be doubted. NLRB v. Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp., 1936, 301 U.S. 1; NLRB v. Fainblatt, 1939, 306 U.S. 501, 606; Mabee v. White Plains Publishing Co., 1946, 327 U.S. 178.

Defendants admit that they beat and threatened Negro pickets to prevent them from enjoying the right equal employment opportunity.

The diffect of course is to prevent Regross from gaining free access to potential employers. Such acts not only deter Negroes but intimidate employers who might otherwise wish to comply with the law but fear retaliation and economic loss. This is precisely what the klan's Boycott Rules are designed to Go.

The United States has alleged, the defendants have admitted, and the proof has shown that the defendants have intimidated, harassed, and in other ways interfered with the civil rights of Negroes secured by the Constitution. The admission and proof show a pattern and practice of interference.

Protection against the acts of terror and intimidation committed by the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and the individual defendants can be halted only by a broad injunctive decree along the lines of the order suggested by the United States.

The Court will promptly issue an appropriate order.

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FOOTNOTES

- * Although this order is cast in the form of an opinion, it represents the Court's findings of fact and conclusions of law.
- 1. Counsel for the individual defendants take the position that the defendant klan does not exist. The proof shows that the klan continues to exist and to function as a klan in the benign name of the "Anti-Communist Christian Association". See Section II, A of this opinion.
- Report of the Joint Select Committee to Inquire into the Condition of Affairs in the Late Insurrectionary States (Wash. 1872),
 28. (Majority Report.)
- 3. Testimony of General Forrest before the Joint Select Committee. Note 2, p. 6-14, 449-51.
- 4. In January 1869 General Forrest issued an order to disband which began "Whereas, the order of the Ku Klux Klan is in some localities being perverted from its original honorable and patriotic purposes... Davis, Authentic History: Ku Klux Klan, 125-28, (N. Y. 1928); Carter, Tre Angry Scar, 216 (N. Y. 1959).
- 5. "There is no doubt about the fact that great outrages were consisted by bands of disguised men during those years of lawlessness and oppression. The natural tendency of all such organizations is to violence and crime; hence it was that General Forrest and other men of incluence in the state, by the influence of their moral power, included them to disband." Report of the Joint Select Committee, Note 2, p. 463. (Minority Report.)
- 6. In United States v. Raines, 1959, 362 U.S. 17, 27, 80 S. Ct. 519, 4 L.Ed. 5:4 upholding the constitutionality of the Civil Rights Act of 1957 in a suit on behalf of private persons against public officials, the Court said: "It is urged that it is beyond the power of Congress to authorize the United States to bring this action in support of private constitutional rights. But there is the highest public interest in the due observance of all the constitutional guarantees, including those that bear the most directly on private rights, and we think it perfectly competent for Congress to authorize the United States to be guardian of that public interest in a suit for injunctive relief."
- 7. The parishes of Washington, Tangipahoa, St. Tammany, St. Helena, Livingston, Ascension, East Feliciana, West Feliciana, East Baton Rouge, West Baton Rouge, Pointe Coupee, and Iberville.
- 8. Aff'd. sub. nom. United States v. Thomas 1962, 362 U.S. 58 S.Ct. L.Ed.

which means public officials, and the activities of private persons and organizations designed to disenfranchise voters in Federal or State elections on account of race or color are not covered by the present provisions of 1971. And so we say that the statute fails to alford the voters rull protection from discrimination which was contemplated by the Constitution, especially the 14th and 15th amendments.

"Also this section 1971 is defective in another respect, because it fails to lodge in the Department of Justice and the Attorney General any authority to invoke civil remedies for the enforcement of voting rights. And it is particularly lacking in any provision which would authorite the Attorney General to apply to the courts for preventive relief against the violation of these voting rights.

"And we think that this is also a major defect. The ultimate goal of the Constitution and the Congress is the safeguarding of the free exercise of the voting right, acknowledging of course, the legitimate power of the State to prescribe nucessary and fair voting qualifications. And we believe that civil proceedings by the Attorney General to stop any illegal interference and denial of the right to vote would be far more effective in achieving this goal than the private suits for damages which are presently authorized by the statute, and far more effective that the criminal proceedings which are authorized under other laws which, of course, can never be used until after the harm has been actually done.

"No preventive measures can be brought under the criminal statutes. So I think--and I believe you will agree with me--that Congress should now recognize that in order to properly execute the Constitution and its amendments, and in order to perfect the intended application of the statute, section 1971 of title 42, United States Code, should be amended in three respects:

"First, by the addition of a section which will prevent anyone, whether acting under color of law or not, from threatening, intimidating or coercing an individual in his right to vote in <u>any election</u>, general, special, or primary, concerning candidates for <u>Federal office</u>.

"And second, to authorize the Attorney General to bring civil proceedings on behalf of the United States or any aggrieved person for preventive or 9. On two occasions, the Court found it necessary to warn the witnesses of the penalty for perjury. The Court recessed the hearing to allow time for the witnesses to rafresh their recollection, and to find, if possible, any membership lists. On one occasion, a witness pleaded the 5th Amendment when, in a colloquy with the Court, it was apparent that he was afraid of klan reprisal for testifying as to klan records; he withdrew his plea of privilege and testified.

10. Romans, Chap. II, v. 10-11.

11. See United States v. Cruikshank, 1975, 92 U.S. 542, 23 L.Ed. 588; Slaughter-House Cases, 1873, 16 Wall 36, 21 L.Ed. 394.

12. In 1894 Congress repealed most of the provisions dealing with federal supervision of elections. Two general provisions for criminal sanctions were left standing: 42 U.S.C. 5241 (originally Section (of the Civil Rights Act of 1870, later Section 5508 of the Revised Statutes) providing criminal sanctions against conspiracies to deprive any citizen of any right secured by the Constitution and laws of the United States; and 42 U.S.C. \$242 (originally Section 2 of the C: vil Rights Act of 1866, later Section 5510 of the Revised Statutes (1873), as amended in 1909, 35 Stat. 1092 by adding the word "wilfully") providing criminal sanctions against the deprivation of constitutional rights, privileges, and immunities under color of state lav. See United States v. Williams, 1951, 341 U.S. 70, 7] S.Ct. 581, 95 L.Ed. 758 restricting Section 241 to those cases in which the right allegedly violated is an incident to national citizenslip. See also Screws v. United States, 1945, 325 U.S. 91, 65 S.Ct. 1031, 89 L.Ed. 1495 construing Section 242 as requiring specific intent to deprive a person of the right made specific by the Constitution or laws of the United States. Sections 241 and 242 are now hefore the Supreme Court again. United States v. Price, . Nos. 59, 60, October Term, 1965; United States v. Quest, No. 65, October Cerm, 1965.

13. See Civil Rights Cases, 1883, 109 U.S. 3, 3 S.Ct. 18, 27 L.Ed. 835; United States v. Reese, 1876, 92 U.S. 214, 23 L.Ed. 478.

14. Hence the compromise affecting jury trials in the 1957 Act: criminal contempt cases arising under the act may be tried by district courts without juries, except where a person convicted is fined more than \$300 or imprisoned for more than 6 months. 71 Stat. 638 (1957), 42 U.S.C. §1995.

15. President Truman's Committee on Civil Rights submitted equally broad recommendations. See Report, To Secure These Rights, 151-161 (1947).

16. In a hearing before the House Judiciary Committee on the Civil Rights Bill, Attorney General Herbert Brownell explicitly explained the purposes and scope of the proposed amendments to Section 1971 of Title 42:

"The most obvious one of these defects in the law is that it does not protect the voters in Federal elections from unlawful interference with their voting rights by private persons—in other words, 1971 applies only to those who not in other color of law!

other civil relief in any name covered by the statute.

"And third, an express provision that all State administrative and judicial remedies need not be first exhausted before resons to the Federal courts." [Hearings before Subcommittee No. 5 of the Committee on the Judiciamy, 85th Cong. 1st Sess., p. 570 (1957)]

17. Section 1971(a) derived from the Civil Rights Act of 1870, defined voting rights as follows:

"(a) All citizens of the United States who are otherwise qualified by law to vote at any election by the people in any State, Territory, district, county, city, parish, township, school district, municipality, or other territorial subdition, shall be entitled and allowed to vote at all such elections, without distinction of race, color, or previous condition of servitude; any constitution, law, custom, usage, or regulation of any State or Eccritory, or by or under its authority, to the contrary notwithstanding".

- 13. See Section III, B, (1), (b) of opinion.
- 19. See Key, Southern Politics 555(1949); Civil Rights Commission Faport 133-38(1961).
- 20. In a note, Beatty, Private Economic Coercion and the Civil Rights Act of 1957, 71 Yale L. Jour. 536, 543(1962), the author points out:

"The Circuit Court's construction of the 1957 act to apply to economic coercion in general and to economic coercion involving contract and property rights in particular seems correct. In requesting legislation to protect voting rights. Busident Zisenhower noted: 'It is disturbing that in sorn localities allegations persist that Negro citizens are being deprived of their right to vote and are likewise being subjected to unwarranted economic purchasures. ' Senator Douglas, a sponsor of the bill, assembed that the legislation was directed at demials of upting rights 'by economic pressure' as well as by other means. And Representative Celler, a House sprison, indicated that if 'the milk dealer, the coal dealer, the butcher, the baker and the candlestick maker . . . agree . . . to boycott' persons who try to vote, the agreement would violate the proposed law."

21. The Attorney General brought a similar suit to enjoin "intimidation, threat, and coercion" in Tayette County. United States v. Atkinson, et als, Civ.Ac. 4121, 6 R. Tall. L. Tep. 200(1962). See Mendelson, Discrimination (Prop. 1911 1918) 21. And see United States v. Ellis, W.D.S.C. 1942, 43 F. Step. 1911, 324.

22. The Sixth Circuit said:

"If sharecropper-tenants in possession of real estate under contract are threatened, intimidated or coerced by the landlords for the purpose of interfering with their rights of franchise, containly the fact that the operation relates to land or contracts would furnish no excuse or defense to the landlord for violating the law." 288 F. 2d 653, 656.

23. Judge Tuttle added:

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"Thus, although the defendants here may have had an almost restricted right to invoke the Alabama trespass law to keep all persons from entering upon their property after warning, in the exercise of a desire to exercise exclusive ownership and proprietary interest in their property, and could not legally invoke the right of excluding Lonnie Brown, who had previously been given free access to the property, as a threat or means of coercion for the purpose of interfexing which his litett or the right of others whom he represented in exercising their right to register and vote."

24. The Supreme Court has affirmed the constitutionality of various provisions of the 1957 Act on other grounds than those at issue here. United States v. Thomas, 1960, 362 U.S. 58, 80 S.Ct. 612, 4 L.Ed. 26 535; United States v. Raines, 1960, 362 U.S. 17, 80 S.Ct. 519, 4 L.Ed. 28 524; Hannah v. Larche, 1960, 363 U.S. 420, 80 S.Ct. 1502, 4 L.Ed. 24 1307.

21. Although a statute that is "necessary and proper" legislation to carry out the power of Congress to regulate elections for federal office may also be "appropriate legislation" to "enforce" the provisions of the 15th, 14th, and 13th amendments. The predecessor of Sittion 1971(a) withstood attack on constitutional grounds. In religie, 8 Fed. Cas.C.C.D.Md. 1877, 716, No. 4,488. It was held to be a valid exercise of congressional power under the 15th Amendment. Chapman v. King, 5 Cir. 1946, 154 F. 2d 460, cert.denied, 327 U.S. 800; Kellogg v. Warmouth, C.C.D.La. 1872, 14 Fed.Cas. 257, No. 7,667.

The Voting Rights Act of 1965 rests, in part, on Section 2 of the 15th Amendment.

26. "An abundance of judicial dicts and holdings in analogous situations make clear that the federal power to regulate elections extends equally to the registration process. Any matter affecting the character or choice of the federal electorate is so integrally related to the election ultimately held as to come within the 'holding' of the election under article I, section 4." Van Alstyne, Anti-literacy Test Legislation, 61 Mich. L. Rev. 805. 815(1963).

28. Comment, Pederal Civil Action Acainst Private Individuals for Crimes Involving Civil Rights. 7. Valo L. Jour. 1462, 1470(1965). And see Maggs and Wallace, Congress on Literacy Tests, 27 Duke L. & Cont. Prob. 510, 517-521(1962).

29. In that case Hardy, allegno total control of Tennessee, a member of the "Student Non-Violent Coordination" for the particle, was in Walthall County, Mississippi for the purpose of court along Magness of that county to register and vote. Hardy engage I in an argument with the registrar. The registrar ordered him to leave the office. As he got to the door, the registrar struck him on the back of the head with a revolver. Hardy was arrested and changed with a breach of the peace. The Court hurdled (I) the fact that Handy was not eligible to register and therefore his right to vote was not interfered with; (2) the appeal was from a denial of a reguest for a temporary restraining order, generally an unappealable order under 28 U.S.C. 1291, 1292; (3) the prosecution was a state criminal court proceeding, protected by the doctrine of comity and Section 2283 severely restricting federal injunctions of state proceedings.

30. The Court finds that on the admissions and on the evidence adduced at the hearing, a preliminary injunction should not issue against Charles Ray Williams, Louis Loplowhite, and Willis Blackwell. The Court does not enter a judgment of dismissal as to these defendants, because the United States expressly recarved the right to introduce additional evidence at the hearing for permanent relief, as to these and other defendants. At the time of the hearing, Blackwell had not been correctly served. We find that Cames Ellis, Sidney August Warner, and Albert Applewhite are members of the klan-ACCA or were members until recently, and therefore should be enjoined. The frequest for dismissal of the action as to these named defendants and their request for attorneys fees are denied.

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NOTE: Based upon the results of FBI investigation, the Department of Justice filed civil suit against the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, the Anti-Communist Christian Association, and 38 individuals in an around Bogalusa, La., including top leaders of the Original Knights of the KKK.

The suit sought injunctive relief to prevent the defendants from interfering with persons seeking to exercise Constitutional rights.

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On 12/1/65, a three-judge Federal court issued an opinion in this matter to the effect that the defendants have adopted a pattern and practice of intimidating, threatening and coercing Negro citizens in Washington Parish for the purpose of interfering with the civil rights of Negro citizens. In view of the fact that this matter is being included in the Director's budget message, New Orleans is being instructed to follow this matter very closely.

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- 3. THE RIGHT TO REGISTER TO VOTE AND TO VOTE IN
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION New Orleans, Louisiana December 27, 1965

UNITED STATES VERSUS ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

The United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana on December 22, 1965, handed down a preliminary injunction enjoining the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK), Anti-Communist Christian Association (ACCA) and other defendants from assaulting, threatening, harassing, interfering with or intimidating, or attempting to assault, etc., any Negro in the exercise of his right to the equal use and enjoyment of public facilities and places of public accommodation, of his right to vote free from racial discrimination, or his right to equal employment opportunity.

The Court enjoined defendants from injuring, etc., any official or employee of the City of Bogalusa or Washington Parish on account of employee having accorded Negroes equal treatment. The Court also enjoined defendants from physically assaulting or beating any Civil Rights demonstrators or inflicting upon any person harassment or intimidation which prevents or discourages Civil Rights demonstrators right to picket, assemble peaceably or advocate equal Civil Rights for Negroes.

The Court ordered the OKKKK, ACCA and all unit or group leaders during the time of injunction to maintain membership records and to post conspicuously at all meeting places of said organizations a copy of the Court Decree; the Decree is to be posted at all times and during all meetings. Defendants are to file with the Clerk of Court fifteen days from the date of the Decree a report that postings have been made; thereafter, defendants should file report on or before the fifteenth of each month stating that the Decrees are posted and have been continuously posted since the date of the last reporting period. The Court ordered the United States Marshal to serve copies of the Decree upon each defendant.

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APPENDIX

ANTI-COMMUNIST CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION (ACCA),
ALSO KNOWN AS
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In February, 1965, ACCA filed Articles of Incorporation with the Secretary of State's Office in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

A hearing was held in the United States District Court, Eastern District of Louisiana, New Orleans, during the week of September 11, 1965, wherein the ACCA and various individuals were held to answer a Justice Department petition seeking a temporary injunction against interference with the activities of civil rights workers in the Bogalusa, Louisiana, area.

Charles H. Christmas of Amite, Louisiana, identified as the Grand Dragon of this organization, told the court that the Klan went out of existence four months previously and was succeeded by the ACCA. In reorganizing, ACCA retained as its officers the existing Klan officers, bylaws, and basic organization, according to Christmas. He further told the court that the ACCA membership was restricted to the Sixth Congressional District of Louisiana. Every oath in the ACCA was the same as that of the Klan, and the meeting places were often the same.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff, CIVIL ACTION NO. 15793 ٧s ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, et al.,

Defendants.

PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION

Pursuant to the Opinion, the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law entered in this cause, it is the ORDER, JUDGMENT and DECREE of this Court that:

- 1. The defendants Original Knights of the Ku Klux Man, Anti-Communist Christian Association, Charles Christmas, Saxon Parmer, Russell Magee, Dewey Smith, Virgil Corkern, Albert Applewhite, E. C. (Cack) Dixon, Delos Williams, Hardie Adrian Goings, Jr., Esley Freeman, Arthur Ray Applewhite, James A. Hollingsworth, Jr., James A. Hollingsworth, Sr., Randle C. Pounds, Ray Risner, Billy Alford, Rawlin Williamson, Lautimore McNeese, Ira Dunaway, Doyle Tynes, Franklin Harris, Charles McClendon, James D. Terrell, Delton Graves, Milton Earl Parker, Van Day, Mervin Taylor, J. D. Jones, Richard-E-Krebs, Michael R Holden, James (Jimmie) Burke, Albert Simmons, Jr., Noel Ball, Jr., their agents, employees, officers, members, successors, and all those in active concert or participation with them be preliminarily enjoined from:
- (a) Assaulting, threatening, harassing, interfering with or intimidating, or attempting to assault, threaten, harass, interfere with or intimidate any Negro in the exercise of his right to the equal use and enjoyment of public facilities and places of public accommodation, of the exercise of his right to vote free from racial discrimination, or of his right to equal employment opportunity; or assaulting, harassing, interfering with, or intimidating, any other person for the purpose of discouraging Negro citizens from exercising such rights;

having accorded or sour to accord Negroes equal treatme in the use of public facilities in Willington Parish;

- (a) Injuring, oppressing, threatening or intimidating any businessman, proprietor or other person having accorded or sought to accord Negroes equal treatment in the use and enjoyment of any restaurant, theatre, hotel, motel or other place of public accommodation, or in employment;
- (d) Physically assaulting or beating any civil rights demonstrators or inflicting upon any person harassment or intimidation which prevents or discourages or is intented to prevent or discourage his exercise of his right to picket, assemble peaceably or advocate equal civil rights for Negroes, or otherwise interfere with the duty of the city and its officials under this Court's order of July 10, 1965, in the case of <u>Hisks</u> v. <u>Knight</u>.
- 2. The defendant Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Anti-Communist Christian Association, Charles Christmas, Saxon Farmer and all unit or group heads of said organization shall during the pendency of this action maintain membership records.
- 3. Defendants Original Knights of the Ku Klum Man, Anti-Communist Christian Association, Charles Christmas, and Saxon Farmer shall during the pendency of this action post conspicuously at all meeting places of said organizations a copy of this Court's decree. Said decree shall be posted at all times and during all meetings. Said defendants shall file with the clerk of this court, 15 days from the date of this decree, a report, with a copy to the plaintiff, that postings required by this paragraph have been made, and thereafter said defendants shall file such report on or before the 15th day of each month during the pendency of this action stating that the decrees are posted in accordance with this paragraph and have been continuously posted since the date of the last reporting period.

It is further Ordered that the United States Marshal or Deputy
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the defendants enjoined by this decree, upon Louis Applicabilite, James M.
Ellis, Sidney August Warner, and upon each of the persons listed in Attachment B
attached to this decree.

This Cou retains jurisdiction of this c to grant such additional relief as may be required and grants costs and disbursements of this action against the defendant organizations and individual defendants enjoined, for which execution may issue.

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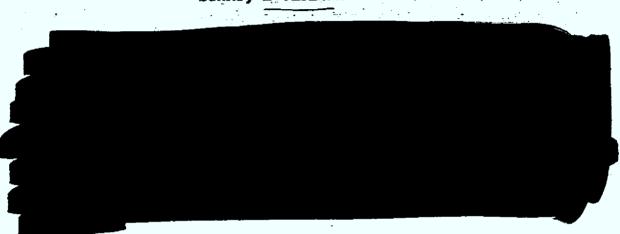
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The newspaper account of the incident in the November 17, 1963, issue of the "Monroe Morning World," a newspaper published at Monroe, Louisiana, reports that "A spokesman for the Sheriff's Department stated that the assembly was orderly and under the observation of the parish's law enforcement agencies."

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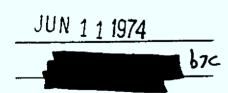
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X	Departmental Attorney KENNETH GRAHAM MC INTYRE furnished a rough draft copy of a memorandum from Assist Attorney General JOHN DOAR to the Director on 8/17/65, containing requests set forth below:	ant
16464	In connection with U.S. v Original Knights et Civil Action #15793, which is set for trial on Sept 1965, it is necessary to determine exactly how many which business establishments in Bogalusa which are uated at or near the places picketed by Negroes sin approximately April of 1965 are covered by Title VI the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Section 701 of the 1 Act provides that persons having more than one hund employees and their agents are covered. Please contine following investigation:	ember 7, and sit- ce Ilof 964
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- (3) Obtain full details as to the type of arrangement under which the local outlets of the covered establishments operate such as a simple lease of the premises or an independent dealership, etc.
- (4) In those instances, it is determined that an establishment is covered (this to include Crown-Zellerbach) please determine the name of the company official for each who can produce records which prove the establishment to be covered by Title VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

Those establishments there is apparently little doubt as to coverage would seem to be: Woolworths, J. C. Penny's, Firestones, Singers, Western Auto, Montgomery Wards, Winn Dixie, Sears, Walgreens. Under possibles, the following might be checked closely: Bill's Dollar Store, American Department Store and Top Value Stamps.

MC INTYRE advised that the request for an injunction in this matter contains the allegation that the Klan has been interfering with the activities of Negroes who are picketing in the interest of securing their rights as set forth in Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 701 of this Act. He advised that the investigation requested in Items 1 - 4 above may be limited as follows:

- 1. With respect to #l above, ascertain the relationship of the picketed establishments with their affiliated national organization encompassing the period April, 1965, through the present time.
- 2. With respect to #2 above, in establishing the relationship of the Bogalusa subsidiary to the national organization the following elements of proof should be established:
 - A. That the national organization deals in interstate commerce and operates in several states
 - B. That the organization has over 100 employees nationally, including employees of organizations which have agency relationships with the national organization

- 3. With respect to #3 above, establish whether the Bogalusa subsidiary is a branch office, branch outlet, dealership, independent contractor or whatever other arrangement the relationship may entail.
- 4. With respect to #4 above, identify the individual and the records that will be necessary to establish legally admissable evidence of the relationship between the Bogalusa organization and the parent organization. For the jurisdictional elements set forth in #2, A and B above, to be encompassed in this proof, it will not be necessary to set forth the documents in detail. Sufficient identifying data to name the documents which should be subpossed and a brief description of the documents is all that will be required for report purposes.

Business establishments contacted should be assured that this is not a Title VII proceeding against them. Their involvement is necessary only for the purpose of establishing the jurisdiction of the Government the in the proceeding wherein the Government seeks to enjoin the Klan and certain individuals from interference with Civil Rights activity.

In view of the time element involved and in the preparation for presentation of this matter in court, MC INTYRE requested that the investigation be given expeditious attention. The necessary preliminary contacts at Bogalusa will be made immediately. Where necessary, leads will be set forth for other offices to contact the parent organizations of companies having Bogalusa subsidiaries.

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Investigation requested by Mr. MC INTYRE is being conducted.

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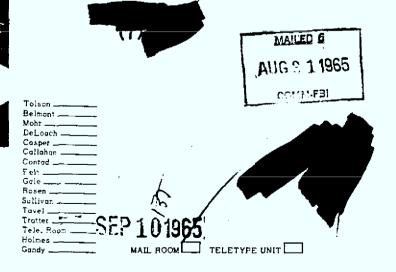
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Reference is made to New Orleans airtels 8/17/65 and 8/21/65 captioned "Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan" and New Orleans airtel 8/18/65 captioned "Management et al.; Public Accommodations, CRA, 1964."

All of these airtels set forth the details of requests from Departmental Attorney Kenneth McIntyre for investigation in connection with the suit which the Department has brought against the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in U. S. District Court, Bogalusa, for the purpose of obtaining an injunction to prevent the Klan from interfering with those seeking to exercise their rights under the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

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New Orleans, Louisiana August 26, 1965

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The following investigation was conducted as a result of a request from Departmental Attorney, Kenneth Graham McIntyre, Bogalusa, Louisiana, who furnished a memorandum from Assistant Attorney General, John Doar to the Director, FBI, requesting that investigation be conducted to determine exactly how many and which business establishments in Bogalusa are situated at or near the places picketed by Negroes since approximately April of 1965, and which are covered by Title 7 or the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New Orleans, Louisiana 70113 September 4, 1965

> RACIAL SITUATION BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA RACIAL MATTERS

The following investigation reveals arrest data of 19 individuals from Washington Parish, Louisiana, who were involved in the injunction proceedings to commence at New Orleans, Louisiana on September 7, 1965:

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RELATIVE TO DEPARTMENTAL ACTION AGAINST THE ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, ET AL, DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY ROBERT OWEN ADVISED THIS DATE THAT A SECOND AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTAL COMPLAINT FILED BEFORE DISTRICT COURT, TEN AM THIS DATE, BY DEPARTMENT AND ACCORDING TO OWEN DEFENDANTS ADMITTED TO APPROXIMATLEY EIGHTYPERCENT OF THE FACTS SET FORTH. COPY OF COMPLAINT OBTAINED AND BEING FORWARDED UNDER SEPARATE COVER AND DEFENDANTS ANSWERS BEING OBTAINED AND WILL BE SUBMITTED. DEPARTMENTAL ATTORNEY ROSENBERG ADVISED THAT

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All of these airtels and teletypes set forth the details of requests from Departmental Attorney Kenneth McIntyre for investigation in connection with the suit which the Department has brought against the original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in United States District Court, Bogalusa, for the purpose of obtaining an injunction to prevent the Klan from interfering with those seeking to exercise their rights under the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

In addition, a number of the summary teletypes and airtels under caption "Racial Situation, Bogalusa, Louisiana, Racial Matters" have information pertaining to this same matter.

Any other similar requests and results of such investigation should be reported under the caption used in this communication.

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New Orleans, Louisiana September 1, 1965

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VICTIMS; CIVIL RIGHTS ELECTION LAWS

Kenneth McIntyre, Departmental Attorney, on behalf of John Doar, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, requested that investigation be conducted to determine the text of various statements made by J. B. Stoner, Connie Lynch and Saxon Farmer at a press conference held in mid July, 1965. The purpose of this press conference was supposedly to unveil a new plan to break the back of the Civil Rights movement in the south.

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Mr. McIntyre also requested that be contacted regarding three affidavits and warrants that Saxon Farmer supposedly had brought to his office.

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"White segregationists turned their attention to legal action this morning, and Negroes planned another civil rights march, and Negroes paraded without incident, guarded by heavily armed state, parish and city police.

"In a press conference this morning at the Acme Cafe, Secretary George Singlemann of the Greater New Orleans Citizens Council said warrants had been issued against three local Negroes involved in the civil rights movement for violation of the state law against "common law" marriages, and arrests would be made today. A campaign against Negro common law marriages has long been listed by Singmann as one of the chief potential meapons of the Citizens Council.

"Others appearing at the press conference included J. B. Stoner and the Rev. Connic Lynch, who led yesterday's white march and have been conducting National States Rights Party rallies here, and Saxon rarmer, lientified as leader of the United Conservatives of Washington Parish."

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ADDENDUM OF GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

9-6-65

At 9:45 a.m., 9-6-65, Departmental Attorney Richard Parsons appeared at Room 5710 and turned over the material mentioned above to Special Agents of the Laboratory Division who was handling the examination.

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New Orleans, Louisiana

August 27, 1965

ORIGINAL ENIGHTS, ET AL, SUBJECT; ET AL - VICTIMS CIVIL RIGHTS ELECTION LAWS

Kenneth Mc Intyre, Departmental Attorney, on behalf of John Doar, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, requested that investigation be conducted to determine the names of men seen in the vicinity of Washington Parish Court House, Franklinton, Louisiana, on July 13, 1965, at the time that a group of Negroes were scheduled to arrive to register to vote. Mr. Mc Intyre requested that investigation be conducted to determine whether the officers who had identified these men would furnish the basis of their statements that the men seen talking with Saxon Farmer were Klansmen.

Attached are the results of this investigation.

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New Orleans, Louisiana 70113 August 30, 1965

ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, ET AL;

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The following investigation was conducted as a result of a request from Departmental Attorney Kenneth Graham McIntyre, Bogalusa, Louisiana, who furnished a memorandum from Assistant Attorney General John Doar to the Director of the FBI, requesting that investigation be conducted. It was requested that in connection with the Government's complaint United States vs. the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK), Civil Action #15793, Paragraph 14(a), that one the interviewed to determine if he was employed by during August, 1964, and also whether he visited

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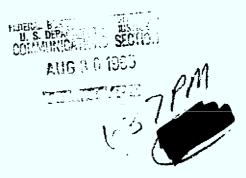
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On the afternoon of September 7, 1965, Assistant Special Agent in Charge J. T. Sylvester, Jr., New Orleans, called to advise that he was sending some known typewriting to the Laboratory to be compared with the typewriting on seven documents received from the Department in connection with captioned matter (see my memorandum to you dated September 6, 1965).

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The trial in this matter is now in progress at New Orleans; therefore, Assistant Special Agent in Charge Sylvester advised he was sending this material so as to arrive at Friendship Airport at 9:01 P.M. on September 7, 1965, in custody of the pilot of Eastern Airlines Flight 142. Arrangements were made for a Baltimore agent to meet this flight and deliver the evidence to the Laboratory.

This known typewriting has been received in the Laboratory and the necessary examinations made. It was determined that the typewriting on the seven questioned documents received from the Department is not identical with the known typewriting submitted by New Orleans. New Orleans has been advised of these findings by teletype dated September 7, 1965, and a confirming Laboratory report will be submitted with a copy designated for the Department.

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New Orleans, Louisiana 70113 September 2, 1965

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The following investigation was conducted as a result of a request from Departmental Attorney Kenneth Graham McIntyre, Bogalusa, Louisiana, who furnished a memorandum from Assistant Attorney General John Doar to the Director of the FBI, requesting that investigation be conducted.

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New Orleans, Louisiana September 4, 1965

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Reference is made to a letter, dated September 4, 1965, from John Doar, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division captioned U.S. v. Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan furnished at Bogalusa, Louisiana, on September 4, 1965, requesting certain documents be furnished in connection with hearing which will commence September 7, 1965, at New Orleans, Louisiana.

Item 1 of this letter requested a certified copy of Articles of Incorporation of the Original Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc.

For your information the Original Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., is in no way connected with the Klan organization operating in Washington Parish, Louisiana.

The Original Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., is one of the splinter groups which broke away from the state Klan organization with Houston Morris and Robert Fuller of Monroe, Louisiana, as its leaders. This group is located and operates in Northern Louisiana and Southern Arkansas.

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New Orleans, Louisiana

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The following investigation was conducted as a result of a request from Departmental Attorney Kenneth G. Mc Intyre, Bogalusa, Louisiana, who furnished a memorandum from Assistant Attorney General John Doar to the Director, FBI, requesting that investigation be conducted to determine the mames and addresses of the food and beverage suppliers of the Virginia Inn and Alford's Bound Table Restaurant, both Bogalusa, Louisiana. It was also requested that copies of shipment invoices sent from these suppliers to the above-mentioned establishments for the months of April through July, 1965, be obtained.

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Contact with the Department has determined that briefs in this matter are being completed and, at current time, consideration has not been given to obtaining a transcript of proceedings; however, it is anticipated that a transcript will be required and obtained in the future. The Bureau will follow.

You are not authorized to pay the court reporter for a transcript of the testimony. If such a transcript cannot be obtained from other sources in the reasonably near future, complete justification for such an expenditure will be necessary for Bureau consideration.



New Orleans has indicated that court reporter has not been requested to transcribe his notes by Department or defendants. Cost for transcription will amount to about \$700. It is not believed benefits to be gained from obtaining transcript would justify such an expenditure. Mr. David Robert Oven, Civil Rights Division, was contacted on 9/21/65, and stated he felt the Department would need and obtain a transcript in the mar future. He stated he would advise when transcript as available.

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Reference is made to Departmental memo from Mr. John Doar, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, dated 9/6/65, submitting seven questioned documents, items #1 through #7, and three known documents, items a through c, for examination in the Laboratory. Mr. Richard K. Parsons, Departmental Attorney, has requested a telephonic reply upon completion of requested examinations.

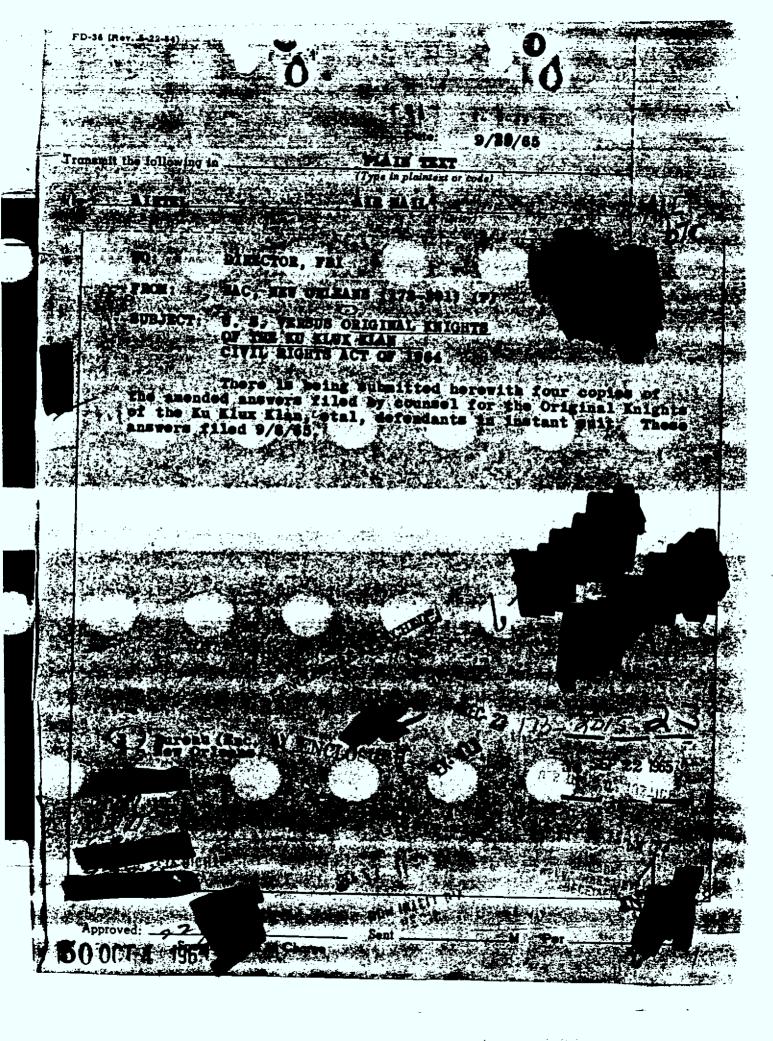
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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTAICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA NEW ORLEANS DIVISION

UNITED SPATES OF AMERICA,
Plaintiff,

CIVIL ACTION NO. 15793 DIVISION "D"

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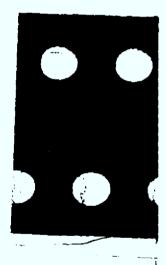
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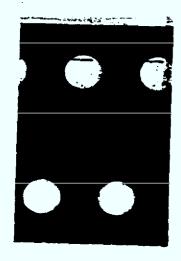
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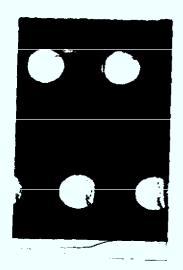
- 1. The second amended and supplemental complaint fails to state a cause of action upon which relief may be granted to the plaintiff.
- 2. Defendants deny the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 and 2 of the second amended and supplemental complaint in its enth-cty and domand strict proof thereof.

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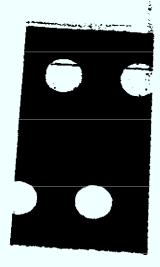


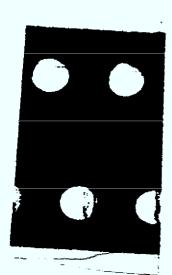
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- 3. The defendants Russell Magee, Saxon Farmer and Charles Christmas deny the allegation contained in Paragraph 3 that they are the principle officials of the Klan. Further, the allegations that the ACCA is a front organization for the Klan differing from the Klan in name only, and that it is essentially the same in all respects to the Klan are also denied. And further, the defendant ACCA alleges that it is an organization existing independently and separately from the Klan and was organized with different goals, objectives, purposes and motives.
- The defendants are informed and believe and therefore allege that the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan was an unincorporated association, the membership of which consisted largely of residents of Washington Parish, came/and operated in the Bogalusa, Washington Parish environs area, and that its principle office and meeting place in the parish was the Disabled American Veterans Hall located in said purish. Defendants admit all other allegations contained in the paragraph.
- 4. Defendants edmit that the allegation in Paragraph 4 of the plaintiff's complaint but dony that they are piral of y members of the Klan, and in further answering sold allegation admit that they either were members of the Klan or are proceedly declars of the ACCA, and that each reside in Washington Parish, Louisiana.
- 5. The ellegations contained in Paragraph 5 are admitted except as to Richard E. Krebs.
- 6. The allegations contained in Paragraphs 6, 7, 0, 9, 10 and 11 are admitted.
- 7. Defendants admit that it has been their objective to preserve total racial segregation in Bogalusa and Washington Parish but dany their purposes and objectives were to maintain white supremacy, and further admit the remaining other allegations in Paragraph 12 except as it relates and implies to the present existence of the Klan.
- 8. Defendants hereby admit the allegations in Paragraph 13 of the complaint except as to those defendants' actions which are hereinafter denied, and in further ensuring Paragraph 13 of plaintiff's complaint the defendants reiterate and unge that said allegations to not constitute a claim upon which relief can be granted and are not in violation of any United States statute; and laws.





9. The defendants admit the allegations contained in Paragraph 14, subparagraphs (a), (f), (g), (i), (j), (k), (n), (r) and (s).

The allegations contained in subparagraphs (h) and (m) of Paragraph 14 are denied.

The defendants on information and belief admit the allegations in subparagraph (b) with the exception that the allegations which refer to the threats of the burning of the place of the meeting, to wit, the St. Matthews Episcopal Parish House, are denied.

The defendants admit the allegations contained in Paragraph 14(c) except as to Louis Applewhite and in that respect these allegations are decied as to him.

The defendants admit the ellegations contained in Paragraph 14(d) except as to those allegations made against Charles Christmas (Saxon Farmer and Delos Williams and in this regard these allegations are denied.

The allegations contained in Paragraph 14(e) are admitted as to Virgil Corkern and are denied as to the remaining defendants named therein. The allegations that defendants Charles Ray Williams and James Filis followed Negroes into the Negro section of Bogalust are admitted but these defendants failed to see the relevancy or materiality in such allegation.

The allegations contained in Paragraph 14(1) are admitted except as to the allegation that defendant James Burke attacked newsman observing the march, and further, he attacked a special agent of the Pederal Bureau of Investigation who was observing the march in connection with his duties.

The allegations contained in Paragraph 14(0) are denied.

Defendent Mervin Taylor admits only that he was present in Cassidy Park on such occasion as alleged in his capacity as a manager or coach of a baseball team.

Defendants admit that the City of Eogalusa closed Cassidy

Park as alleged in Paragraph 14(p) but deny that said park was closed because of any activities alleged to have been committed by the defendant

Mervin Taylor in Paragraph 14(o).

The allegations contained in Paragraph 14(q) into our as they pertain to Willis Blackwell are denied and defendant urges that any action against him would be postponed until all legal delays efforded by law to this defendant have elapsed.

The defendants are not in a position to admit or demy those ellegations referable to Richard Krabs since he is not represented by counsel of record for the defendants.

10. The allegations contained in Paragraphs 15, 16 and 17 are admitted except as to those defordants who have previously specifically decided any alleged violations under the Civil Rights hat of 1964 and the laws of the United States; and further, defendants unge reservation of their legal argument as to Paragraph 17.

12. The allegations contained in Peragraph 18 are denied.

In further enswering plaintiff's complaint the defendants urgs as follows:

12. That the individual defendants sought to be empoined herein and represented by counsel herein desire that if, upon the trial of this preliminary injunction, that they should prefer herein that said individual defendants be awarded reasonable attorneys' fees as provided by applicable provisions of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, including 42 U.S.C. 2000(a) at sec.

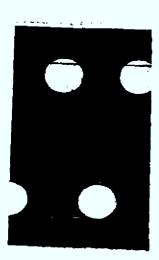
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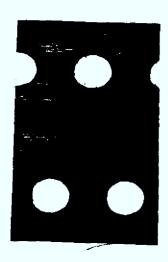
Defendants pray for all general and equitable relief.

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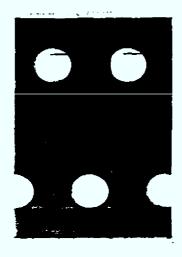


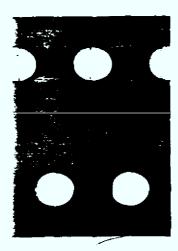


. CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that a true copy of the above Amended Inswer was surved on the plaintiff by hand delivering same to the United States Attendey for the Eastern District of Louisians at 400 Royal Street, New Orland, Louisians, this 8th day of September, 1965.







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RACIAL SITUATION BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA RACIAL MATTERS

The following investigation was conducted at the request of Departmental Attorneys at Bogalusa, Louisiana, in connection with a hearing involving the Original Knights of the En Klux Klan (OKKK) which will commence in New Orleans, Louisiana, September 7, 1965.

A characterization of the OKKK is attached.

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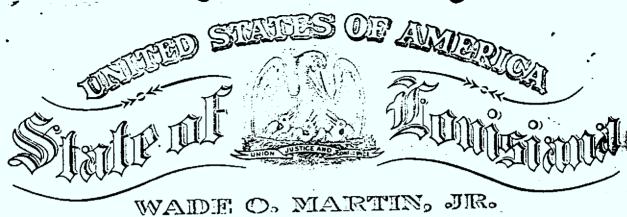
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Secretary of State, State of Louisiana, Raton Rouge, Louisiana, made available a True and Correct copy of the Articles of Incorporation of ANTI-COMMUNIST CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

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I. the undersigned Secretary of State, of the State of Louisiana

DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the annexed and following is a True and Correct copy of the Articles of Incorporation of

ANTI-COMMUNIST CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION,

A Louislana corporation domiciled at Bogalusa,

As shown by comparison with document filed and recorded in this Office on February 15, 1965.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of my Office to be affixed at the City of Baton Rouge on,

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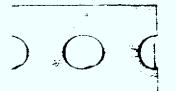
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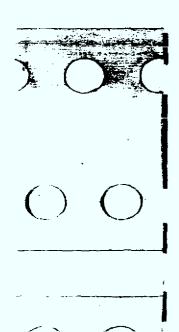
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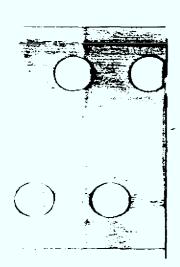
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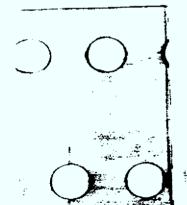
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INJUNCTION PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE KU KLUX KLAN AND OTHER RACIAL-TYPE ORGANIZATIONS

With the completion of hearings September 11, 1965, against the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK) in New Orleans, it is apparent that the injunction is a potent weapon against the Klan and hate-type organizations. This 'device will, no doubt, be used further by the Department in its efforts to combat interference with Civil Rights activities.

Early consideration will probably be given by the Department to bringing similar proceedings against the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (WKKKK) of Mississippi and the United Klans of America (UKA).

In the OKKKK case, the Department was forced to act in haste owing to the critical nature of the Bogalusa situation. Uncertainty as to jurisdiction applicable to overt acts of interference with Civil Rights activities and the extent of necessary proof resulted in failure by the Department to clearly define its investigative objectives. Our investigative potential in a situation such as this is substantially greater when we program our racial coverage to attain specific goals ab initio in preference to working backwards to develop facts of incidents initially regarded in our coverage as purely local violence, as the case in Bogalusa.

On the basis of our New Orleans experience, some of the problems and areas of coverage we should be prepared to handle are outlined below:

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I. JURISDICTION

Interference with Civil Rights activity of any type, and especially in that area defined in the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (CRA, 1964), would be a possible area wherein the Department could seek injunctive relief against interference with Civil Rights workers. Particular attention is pointed to the fair employment practices section of the CRA, 1964, public accommodations and school integration areas, voter registration and any other zone of activity wherein an organized effort is made to interfere with the Civil Rights program aimed at establishing equality of races.

1. Utilization of fair employment practices section of the CRA, 1964.

In the Bogalusa situation, Negroes were picketing busine establishments claiming that they were not afforded fair employment opportunities by the picketed establishments. Police failed to adequately control the street activity while picketing was in progress and pickets were repeatedly assaulted by Klansmen and others in the city streets. On the theory that the establishments being picketed were required under Section 7, CRA, 1964, to meet the terms of this act, the Department ruled that interference with picketing seeking the opportunities permitted in the statute was in violation of the Act; hence, interference with pickets was an overt act in conflict with the provisions of CRA, 1964.

To show that a business establishment was covered by the Act, it was necessary to prove that it dealt in interstate commerce and employed over 100 people. The concept of total number of employees encompassed in the Department's theory was all employees of the parent organization. The Department indicate too, that franchise-type businesses might fall in the same categor as direct subsidiaries; therefore, proof was asked as to the applicability of CRA, 1964 to such businesses as Western Auto stores, Walgreen and Rexall outlets and similar licensed private businesses.

II. PROOF OF OVERT ACTS

The overt acts of interference with Civil Rights activity must be proved through legally admissible evidence. Thus, interference with picketing or other activity would require interviews with the subjects and victims, results of the observations of police officers and observing FBI Agents, interviews with bystanders, store owners and especially through photographs where available. The foregoing investigation would be necessary in connection with each overt act alleged. All of the evidence must be appropriately documented to establish its admissibility. Klan membership of offenders must be established through appropriate testimony such as informants or admissions of the offenders.

III. INJUNCTION TARGETS

The targets that would logically be picked in circumstances where injunctive relief was sought would be the following:

- 1. Klan and organizations organizing and/or supporting interference with programs in furtherance of Civil Rights
- 2. The leaders of the Klan and other organizations interfering with the Civil Rights program
- 3. Klan and other organization members and other individuals participating in acts of interference or violence against the Civil Rights program or its workers

IV. DATA WHICH MUST BE ASSEMBLED

To successfully initiate an injunction proceeding, the following categories of data must be assembled and available for use in a hearing.

- 1. The persons and records which will be necessary to establish jurisdiction must be identified.
- 2. Official records or certified copies of these records, such as incorporation papers of Klan organizations, must be secured.

Arrest data, including court records and bond data covering offenses against Civil Rights workers must be secured.

- 3. FBI, police, newspaper and other news media pictures of incidents, as well as activities typical of the Civil Rights program, must be assembled to show graphically the exact problem involved in arrest and interference situations. Pictures of parades, marches, picketing, Klan leaders and members who will be named in the injunction and pictures of arrests and offenses are all of value.
- 4. Documents and literature which will depict objectionable activities and programs of the organizations and persons subject to the proceedings.

In this regard, the regular literature put out by the Klan and hate groups defines their objectives, outlines their programs, elaborates on their philosophies and, if admissible, is of great value in identifying the aims, purposes and objectives of the organizations.

- 5. List of officers, meeting places, records and fund depositories, and names of individuals in possession of this data are of great value.
- 6. Publications of the organizations, such as their constitution, oath, pamphlets outlining meeting procedures, rules for programs, such as boycotts and pressure tactics are all valuable as evidence.

V. COURT PROCEEDINGS

Since an injunction proceeding is civil in nature, it is heard before a Judge or panel of Judges, as was the case in New Orleans. The Government secured direct proof of most of its allegations by subpoening Klansmen with their records. Under direct testimony, Klan functionaries made disclosures affirming or stipulating to Government charges eliminating the need for informant testimony in these areas.

Standby witnesses are necessary to inject the elements of Purjury or Contempt into the proceeding if the adverse witnesses testifying take the Fifth Amendment or resort to untruths.

Confrontation of the Klan leadership testifying with documents, Klan literature and records was an excellent means of prompting lagging memories and inducing admissions that would not have been made without prompting.

The foregoing is but a brief sketch of the problems encountered in the New Orleans injunction proceeding. This information has been set forth to show the scope of the problems involved in this type of investigation. Forearmed with knowledge as to the proof necessary to initiate an injunction proceeding, we should, with proper direction afforded to our continuing racial investigation, be able to assemble on a continuing basis the data necessary to support a plea for injunctive relief against interference with Civil Rights activities.

In the case of Klan organizations such as the WKKKK and the UKA, the Bureau probably has enough information in its files at this time to initiate successful injunction actions. Supplemental investigation will be necessary, however, to round out the evidence in those areas which we did not in our regular coverage have cause to contemplate as a phase of injunction cases. This was the same problem we faced in the New Orleans case.

It is evident that the Departmental Attorneys were pleased with their New Orleans operations. They will undoubtedly employ the injunction again in other areas to attack groups interfering with Civil Rights programs. Natchez, Mississippi, is a community Departmental Attorney D. ROBERT OWEN mentioned specifically in this regard.

A successful injunction proceeding gives the court direct power to take effective action against organizations and individuals violating its mandate. This action is powerful since it is summary in character. In the case of the Klan, it forces the organization to expose itself as to membership, programs, activities and any failure to comply with court orders will generate only more forceful action in exposing the organization's operations.

The Klan's success stems from its conspiratorial character. It stimulates in its members a feeling of security in irresponsibility and lawlessness under the cloak of hooded anonymity.

Stripping this veil of security by exposing to public censure the loutish types who thrive in Klandom's concealment will go far in reducing the volume of crimes which have confronted us in the South in recent years.

The injunction proceeding appears to have the answers to many of our Klan problems. Preparedness for additional injunction actions will be demanding in its concept and exhaustive in its manpower demands, but it will produce a net economy in operating costs by its debilitating effect on the Klan and other hate groups in the racial field.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. It is suggested that the Bureau discuss this program, with the Civil Rights Division of the Department to identify further injunction targets. This action is particularly desireable now with the view of obtaining a maximum period for the preparation for forthcoming cases.
 - 2. Offices covering Klan and hate organizations should be briefed on the use of the injunction to counteract their interference in Civil Rights programs.

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Reference is made to your memorandem of 9/13/65 concerning injunctive proceedings against the Klan and similar organizations.

The institution of injunction proceedings is of course a matter entirely within the discretion of the Department. This has been discussed with the Civil Rights Division, which advised that consideration is being given to the advisability of filing such a suit at Matches, Mississippi, but the Department does not intend to initiate a visidespread program of this type and does not at this time contemplate filing any other such suits. The Department will remain alert for evidence indicating that in some other area the Elan or a similar organization may be interfering with individuals seeking to exercise their civil rights. Upon receipt of such evidence the Department will consider the advisability of initiating suit seeking injunctive

Such a smit would of necessity be based upon specific instances of interference with voting activity, voter registra-tion activity, or rights established under the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Under present policy interference of this type is ismediately investigated and the facts of the interference should be sufficiently established by the investigations presently being conducted. It would appear fundamental that the evidence collected during the course of such investigations will be properly documented to insure its admissibility in any Poquent court action.

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is not considering any widespread program of filing suits seeking injunctions, it is relt that no further instructions to the field are necessary with regard to those substantive violations.

The points which you raised regarding the obtaining of Klan documents and literature during the course of Klan investigations are being separately considered at the Bureau, and you will be further advised in this regard.

NOTE:

The Department has filed a civil suit at Bogalusa, Louisiana, seeking to enjoin the Klan to prevent interference with persons seeking to exercise their rights under the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Hearings have been completed, and the matter is presently pending a decision to be made by the court after both sides have filed briefs.

Inspector the state of the suggested further injunction proceedings would be desirable and has recommended it be discussed with the Department and that offices covering Klan and hate organizations be briefed on the use of the injunction to counteract their interference in civil rights programs. He also suggests that information be gathered on a continuing basis to support such suits and points out the need when a case goes to court of having evidentiary material including such items as incorporation papers of Klan organizations and other Klan documents and literature.

Inspector concerning his comments dealing with the investigation of Klan and similar organizations.

Discussion with the Department was with D. R. Owen, Civil Rights Division, on 9/22/65.

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Reference is made to your memorandum dated 9/13/65 and Bureau letter dated 9/27/65, relating to injunctive proceedings against the Elan and similar organizations.

As-you are sware, current Bureau regulations for intelligence-type investigations of Elan and hate group organizations and their leaders cover the general field you mentioned. As an example, the Mannal of Instructions requires that information be developed concerning the charters or incorporation papers of such organizations although actual copies need not be obtained. It is felt that obtaining examplified copies of these papers at the present time would be of doubtful value since there is always the possibility of challenge by defense atterneys and to avoid any successful challenge these papers should be obtained at a time more closely related to the legal proceedings in which they are to be introduced.

Injunctive proceedings by their very nature are not as clear out as to evidence needed to establish the faces as in the trials of other violations within the Bureau's jurisdiction. In such proceedings, it is to be expected that the Department will examine all pertinent material and will pinpoint that pertion needed for evidence. Thereging investigation by the field in Elan and hate group investigations can alleviate some last minute problems but since the Department draws from a variety of reports and letterhead memorands submitted in many cases, it does not appear that all problems could be anticipated or eliminated. The Bureau has continually emphasized the need for commencents, aggressive investigation. As in all Bureau investigations, the field is required to shock out as much as possible, information obtained on a confidential basis and to appropriately preserve data whill shy the of evidentiary value at a latter date.

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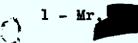
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In the absence of specific action by the Department, there appears to be no present need to enlarge upon current Bureau procedure. The importance of these cases has been and will continue to be emphasized in communications to the field and your observations will be of assistance in discussing problems with In-Service classes.

NOTE:

Inspector memorandum set forth his observations regarding problems which arose in connection with the civil suit filed by the Department at Bogalusa, Louisiana, seeking to enjoin the Klan and certain individuals from interfering with persons seeking to exercise their rights under the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Inspectar suggested further injunction proceedings might be under consideration by the Department and felt that offices covering Klan and hate organizations should be briefed on the use of the injunction. He also suggests that information be gathered on a continuing basis to support such suits. The General Investigative Division responded to his memorandum as related to the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and also contacted the Department determining that the Department has no present plans for a widespread program of this type.

The Manual of Instructions provides for comprehensive, intelligence—type investigations in these cases. These regulations appear adequate for general intelligence gathering although it is anticipated that in any specific proceeding the Department will have a number of requests for particular documents or information. The field is presently collecting literature and other documents from its sources. As pointed out in outgoing, obtaining of charter papers at the present time may preclude their admission in court, in view of lapse of time. Evidence of this nature of necessity has to be obtained at a time more closely related to a particular court action.





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Examination requested by: Addressee

Reference: **Letter 9/6/65**

Examination requested:

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- Q7 Carbon copy of a two-page typewritten document bearing the heading "BOYCOTT RULES" (your item 7)

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- K2 Typewritten letter dated July 8, 1965, signed your item by
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NOTE: See memorandum to Mr. Conrad dated 9/6/65 captioned as above.

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AT APPROXIMATELY NINE AM, THIS DATE, THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS. WHO ARE LEADERS OF THE BOGALUSA VOTER'S LEAGUE (BVL). WERE ARRESTED BY THE BOGALUSA PD ON AN ORDER FROM JUDGE A. J. JONES. BOGALUSA, CHARGING THEM WITH CONTRIBUTING TO THE DELINQUENCY OF JUVENILES - ENTICING THEM OUT OF SCHOOL. THOSE ARRESTED ARE PRESENTLY INCARCERATED.

A RESTRAINING ORDER WAS SINGED BY JUDGE JIM WARREN RICHARD-SON, WASHINGTON PARISH, ON OCTOBER NINETEEN NAST, AGAINST THE ABOVE SIX INDIVIDUALS AND IN ADDITION THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS

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THIS RESTRAINING ORDER ENJOINS THESE INDIVIDUALS FROM INTER-FERRING AND ENTICING THE NEGRO YOUTH OF BOGALUSA FROM ATTENDING SCHOOL. THE ORDER IS "ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE ON TWENTYSEVEN, OCTOBER, NINE THIRTY AM, WHY A PRELIMINARY WRIT OF INJUNCTION SHOULD NOT BE ISSUED HEREIN PENDING TRIAL OF THE PLAINTIFF'S APPLICATION FOR A PERMANENT JNJUNCTION."

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SOME OTHER STREET.

THE MARCHERS REFUSED TO CHANGE THEIR ROUT OF MARCH AND AT
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THE OTHER NEGROES WENT INTO THE NEGRO LABOR TEMPLE. ANITA LEVINE, A WHITE CORE WORKER, ADVISED THAT THEY SHOULD ALL GO TO JAIL; HOWEVER, SHE WOULD NOT GO TO JAIL AS SHE WAS CONTACTING THE CORE ATTORNEYS IN NEW YORK, REGARDING THIS MATTER.

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On November 2, 1965, Judge John Wisdom, United States District Judge, Eastern District of Louisiana, was contacted concerning the case of the United States versus the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. Judge Wisdom advised that he was presently drafting his opinion in this matter and was striving to complete this opinion by the end of the present week.

Judge Wisdom cautioned, however, that once he had completed his opinion in this matter, it would have to be reviewed by the other judges hearing the case before the matter would be completely resolved.

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE

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MEN CRIEANS DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, by Nicholas deB. Katzenbach, Attorney General of the United States,

Plaintiff,

CRIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, an unicorporated Association; ANTI-COMMUNIST CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, a corporation; SAXON FARMER; CHARLES CHRISTMAS; RUSSELL MAGEE; DEWEY SMITH; VIRGIL CORKERN; ALBERT APPLEWHITE; E. J. (JACK) DIXON; DELOS WILLIAMS; JAMES M. ELLIS; HARDIE ADRIAN COINGS, JR.; ESLEY FREEMAN; ARCHUR RAY APPLEMBITE; JAVES A. MOLLINGSWORTE, JR.; RANDLE C. FOUNDS; SIDNEY AUGUST WARNER; ETLLY ALFORD; RAWLIN WILLIAMSON; LOUIS APPLEMHITE; WILLIS ELACKWELL; J. A. HOLLINGSWORTE, SR.; LATTIMORE MCNEESE; IRA DUNAWAY; DOYLE TYMES; CHARLES RAY WILLIAMS; FRANKLIN HARRIS; CHARLES McCLENDON; DELTON GRAVES; MILTON EARL PARKER; MERVIN TAYLOR; VAN DAY; RAY RISNER; JAMES D. TERRELL; J. D. JONES; RICHARD E. KREBS; MICHAEL R. HOLDEN; JAMES BURKE; ALBERT SIMMONS, JR., and NOEL BALL, JR.

Defendants

CIVIL ACTION NO. 15793

113-2015.

Before WISPOM, Corcuit Judge, and CHRISTENBERRY and AINSWORTH, District Judges.

WISDOM, Circuit Judge:

This is an action by the Nation against a klan.*

The United States of America asks for an injunction to protect
Negro citizens in Washington Parish, Louisiana, seeking to assert their
civil rights. The defendants are the "Original Knights of the Ku Klux
Klan", an unincorporated association, the "Anti-Communist Christian
Lessociation," a Louisiana corporation, and certain individual klansmen,
Dost of whom come from in and around Bogalusa, Louisiana.

The defendants admit most of the allegations of the complaint.

Their legal position is that a private organization and private persons are beyond the reach of the civil rights acts authorizing the Attorney General to see for an injunction. There is no merit to this contention.

Seeking refuge in silence and secrecy, the defendants object to the admission of any evidence as to klan activities. We hold, however, that that the klan is and what the klan does bear significantly on the material issues and on the appropriate relief.

In deciding to grant the injunction prayed for, we rest our conclusions on the finding of fact that, within the meaning of the Civil* Rights Acts of 1957 and 1964, the defendants have adopted a pattern and practice of intimidating, threatening, and coercing Negro citizens in Washington Parish for the purpose of interfering with the civil rights of the Negro citizens. The compulsion within the klan to engage in this unlawful conduct is inherent in the nature of the klan. This is its ineradicable evil.

We find that to attain its ends, the klan exploits the forces of hate, prejudice, and ignorance. We find that the klan relies on systematic economic coercion, varieties of intimidation, and physical violence in attempting to frustrate the national policy expressed in civil rights legislation. We find that

the mainsmen, whether cloaked and hooded members of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, or skulking in anonymity as members of a sham organization, "The Anti-Communist Christian Association", or brazenly resorting to violence on the open streets of Bogalusa, are a "fearful conspiracy against society . . [holding] men silent by the terror of [their acts]and22 / [their] power for evil".

As early as 1868 General Nathan Bedford Forrest, the first and only Grand Wizard of the original Invisible Empire, dismayed by mounting, uncontrollable violence laid to the klan, ordered the klan 3 to disband and directed klansmen to burn their robes and hoods.

General Forrest was a Confederate cavalry hero, a man without fear and, certainly to most Southerners, a man beyond reproach. He announced that he would dissociate himself from all klansmen and cooperate with public officials and the courts in enforcing law and order. But the founders of the Invisible Empire had sown dragon's teeth.

The evil that led General Forrest to disband the original Ku Klux Klan was its perversion of purposes by undisciplined klans led 4 by irresponsible leaders. The evil we find in the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is an absolute evil inherent in any secret order holding itself above the law: "the natural tendency of all such 5 organizations . . . to violence and crime." As history teaches, and as the defendants' admissions and the proof demonstrate in this case, violence and crime follow as the night the day when masked men conspire against society itself. Wrapped in myths and misbeliefs Which they think relieve them of the obligations of ordinary citizens, klansmen pledge their first allegiance to their Konstitution and give their first loyalty to a cross fittingly in flames.

None of the defendant klansmen is a leader in his community. As a group, they do not appear to be representative of a cross-section of the community. Instead they appear to be ignorant bullies, callous of

the harm they know they are doing and lacking in sufficient understanding to comprehend the chasm between their own twisted Konstitution and the noble charter of liberties under law that is the marrison Constitution.

Legal tolerance of secret societies must cease at the point where their members assume supra-governmental powers and take the law in their own hands. We shall not allow the misguided defendants to interfere with the rights of Negro citizens derived from or protected by the Constitution of the United States and now expressly recognized by Congress in various civil rights statutes. We enjoin the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, its dummy front, the Anti-Communist Christian Association, and the individual defendants from interfering with orders of this Court and from interfering with the civil rights of Negro citizens in Washington Parish. Specifically, these rights include:

- the right to the equal use and enjoyment of public facilities, guaranteed by the Fourteenth Amendment;
- (2) the right to the equal use and enjoyment of public accommodations, guaranteed by the Civil Rights Act, 42 USC 2000a;
- (3) the right to register to vote and to vote in all elections guaranteed by the Fifteenth Amendment, by 42 USC 1971, and by the Voting Rights Act of 1965; and
- (4) the right to equal employment opportunities, guaranteed by the Civil Rights Act, 42 USC 2000e.

I.

The United States sues under authority of 42 USC 1971;

42 USC 2000a-5 and e-6. Under those sections and under 28 USC 1345,
this Court has jurisdiction of the action. We resolve any doubt as
to the reach of these sections in favor of the Government's standing
to sue in a case of this kind. In its sovereign capacity the Nation
has a proper interest in preserving the integrity of its judicial
system, in preventing klan interference with court orders, and in
making meaningful both nationally created and nationally guaranteed
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civil rights.

We turn now to me detailed findings of fact.

A. <u>Background</u>. The invisible realm of the Original Knights coincides with of the Ku Klux Klan/includes-the-eight-parishes-in the Sixth ConThis district is composed of gressional District of Louisiana. These-cre/the "Florida" parishes, the area /east of the Mississippi River and north of Lake Pontchartrain claimed ?

by Spain until 1810. The events giving rise to this action took place in Washington Parish and centered in Bogalusa, the largest municipality in the Parish. Bogalusa is on the Pearl River at a point where the river forms the boundary between Louisiana and; Mississippi. It has a population of about 14,000 white persons and 7,500 Negroes.

The Grand Dragon of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and President of the Anti-Communist Christian Association is Charles Christmas of Amite in Tangipahoa Parish. Saxon Farmer, who seems to have an uncanny capacity for being present whenever there is racial trouble in Fogalusa, is the second in command of both Organizations, Grand Titan of the Klan and Vice-President of the Anti-Communist Christian Association. In February 1955 he was elected to both offices simultaneously. He is also the Exalted Cyclops of one of the Bogalusa Klaverns (local units). In 1960 this Court entered an order in the case of United States v. McElveen et als. (C.A.No. 9146) against Saxon Farmer and others empining them from interfering with the rights of Nagro citizens to vote. That order restored to voter registration rolls of Washington Parish the names of 1,377 Negro citizens Farmer and others, then active in the Citizens Council, had unlawfully purged from the rolls.

The evidence clearly establishes that the Anti-Communist

Christian Association is not a bona fide, independent organization

but is the defendant klan thinly disguised under a respectable title.

At an earlier time, the klan's dummy organization was called the

Bogalusa Gun and-Righe Club. The defendants' efforts to appear

respectable by association may also be reflected in the location of

the klan's principal office in the Disabled American Veterans Hall.

The officers, members, internal structure, method of paying dues of the ACCA and the klan are identical. The corporate structure of the ACCA includes nothing but a charter. The governing rules and by-laws of the ACCA are the Klan Konstitution. The secret oath for admission and resignation in both organizations is the klan oath.

Nothing is required of klan members to become members of the ACCA, except identifying to the secretary of the klan unit their assigned secret klan number. Klan members are then furnished a small green card with the name Anti-Communist Christian Association printed thereon. This Court finds that the defendant klan has appeared in this cause.

The pretense that the klan does not exist, has ceased to exist, or has made no appearance in this cause is a sham.

Until recently Washington Parish was segregated from cradle to coffin. After Congress adopted the 1964 Civil Rights Act, however, the Negroes in Bogalusa began a broad scale campaign to gain recognition of their rights. Working through the Bogalusa Voters League, they conducted voter registration clinics, held mass meetings to call attention to their grievances, picketed places of public accommodations to protest racially discriminatory policies, and petitioned the Mayor of Bogalusa to accord equal rights in voting, public facilities, employment, and education.

The klan has been the center of n-publicum and-practice-tounlawful activity in Washington Parish designed to interfere with the
efforts of Negro citizens to gain equal rights under the law. Its
objective has been to preserve total racial segregation in Bogalusa

B. <u>Defendants' Admissions</u>. An unusual feature of this litigation is the defendants' damning admission. The defendants admit that the klan's objective is to prevent Washington Parish Negroes from exercising the civil rights Congress recognized by statute. In their pleadings, the defendants concede that they furthered their objective by --

- (a) assaulting, threatening, and harassing Negroes who seek to exercise any of their civil rights, and assaulting, threatening and harassing persons who urge that Negroes should exercise or be accorded those rights;
- (b) committing, threatening to commit, and urging others to commit acts of economic retaliation against Negroes who seek to exercise these rights, and against any persons who urge that Negroes should exercise or be accorded these rights, or who permit open, free and public discussion on the issue;
- (c) threatening and intimitating public officials and businessmen who accord or seek to accord NegOges their rights without regard to race or color.

The reason for the admissions was evident at the trial and is evident in the defendants' brief. The United States subpoensed over a hundred witnesses and, no doubt, was prepared to prove every allegation in the complaint. Because of the defendants' admissions, the disputed issues were few and only a few witnesses were called. As a result, the klan avoided an airing of its activities that necessarily would have occurred had a large number of witnesses testified. Not content with the success of this maneuver, the defendants objected to the introduction of "any evidence pertaining to the activities of the Ku Klux Klan" on the grounds that (a) the klan had ceased to exist and (b) "delv[ing] into these unrelated matters" was solely "to expose" the Ku Klux Klan, an invasion of the "privacy and individual freedoms of all these defendants".

As indicated earlier, however, the neture of the klan's activities bears directly on the existence of a partern and practice of unlawful conduct and also on the sort or decree that should be issued.

The Government subpoensed membership lists and records of the klan. The defendants failed to produce these records and at the hearing explained that all of the records of the klan had been destroyed as a matter of klan policy after suit was filed. The Court ordered Christmas, Farmer, and John Magee, the treasurer, to compile from memory lists of officers and members. Counsel for the defendants objected to the admissibility of the lists for the reasons that: (1) there were no lists and records in the custody of the defendants; (2) the requirement was an invasion of the rights of privacy and association. The defendants did not rely on the Fifth Amendment privilege against self-incrimination; they relied on NAACP v. Alabama, 1958, 357 U.S. v. 449, 78 S. Ct. 1163 2 L. Ed 2d 1488. The Court overruled the objections.

NAACP v. Alabama does not support the defendants' position.

In that case Justice Harlan, speaking for a unanimous Court, held
that the rights of the members of the NAACP to pursue their lawful
interests privately and to associate freely with others were protected by the 14th Amendment. Accordingly, the NAACP was relieved of
the nucessity of turning over its membership list to the State of
inlabama. In reaching that decision the Court distinguished New York

on rel. Bryant v. Zimmerman, 1928, 278 U.S. 63, 49 S. Ct. 61,
a case
The L.M. 184 /involving a New York Chapter of the Ku Klux Klan. A

New York statute required any unincorporated association which
themanied an path as a condition to membership to file with state

officials copies of its "constitution, by-laws . . . a roster of its
In Zimmerman
nembership and a list of officers". / the Court found that the statutory
classification was reasonable, because of the "manifest tendency on
the part of one class to make the sucreey surrounding its purposes

and membership a cloak for acts and conduct inimical to personal rights and public welfare. . . 'It is a matter of common knowledge that this organization [the klan] functions largely at night, its members disguised by hoods and gowns and doing things calculated to strike terror into the minds of people'. The Supreme Court reaffirmed this distinction in NAACP v. Alabama. Justice Harlan pointed out:

"[In Zimmerman] the Court took care to emphasize the nature of the organization which New York sought to regulate. The decision was based on the particular character of the klan's activities, involving acts of unlawful intimidation and violence... of which the Court itself took judicial notice."

Here the defendants admit that the klan's methods are lawless. Albertson Nov. 15,
v. Subversives Activities Board,/1965 U.S. pretermits the question at issue in Zimmerman and NAACP v. Alabama.

- C. Out of Their Own Mouths. (1) The Konstitution of the Original Ku Klux Klan embodies "the Supreme Law of the Realm". Article I states that one of the objects of the organization is to "protect and defend the Constitution of the United States"; but another object is to "maintain forever Segregation of the races and the Divinely directed and historically proven supremacy of the White Race". The preamble reaffirms "the principles for which our forefathers mutually pledged and freely sacrificed their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor two centuries ago"; but Article II limits the membership to "mature, Native-born, White, Gentile Men . . . who profess and practice the Christian Faith but who are not members of the Roman Catholic Church".
 - (2) Printed with the Konstitution is a Proclamation stating that it must be "STRICTLY ADHERED TO." The Proclamation states that "ALL REALM work is carried on by a chain of command", establishes the organization along military lines, defines the duties of the various officers and committees, and describes "The Way of the Klavern".

"All Klaverns will have at least five armed guards with flashlights posted during regular meetings." However, "No one will be allowed
to carry a gun inside the Klavern during regular meetings except the
Knight Hawk (Keeper of the Klavern)."

A Klokan's (Klavern Investigator's) anty is "to investigate all questituable matters pertaining to the Klavern". "Any Klansman who is known to violate our rules, especially those that give information to any aliens [non-mambers] shall be expelled immediately, then is to be watched and visited by the Wrecking Crew if necessary". (Emphasis added.) Moreover, each klan unit "will set up at least one team of six men to be used for wrecking crew. should be appointed by the Klokan in secrecy". As judges charged with the duty of drawing inferences from the demeanor of witnesses, we observed that a former klansman exhibited uneasiness/if-not fear of klan reprisals, when questioned as to the function of the klan "wrecking crew". The defendants' testimony relating to the purpose and functions of the wrecking crew was evasive. There is no doubt/that the wrecking crew performed disciplinary functions and that the discipline could be severe.

(3) The Oath of Allegiance requires faithful obedience to the "Klan's Konstitution and Laws", regulations, "rulings and instructions of the Grand Dragon". "PROVIDENCE ALONE PREVENTING". Klansmen must swear "forever" to "keep sacredly secret . . all ... matters and knowledge of the * * * * [one asterisk is Klanese for 'Klan'; four asterisks mean "Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan] . . . [and] never divulge same nor even cause same to be divulged to any person in the whole world". As if this were not enough, the Oath also requires klansmen to swear that they "solemnly vow and most positively swear" never "to yield to bribe, threats, passion, punishment, persecution, persuasion, nor any inticements (sic) whatever . . for the purpose of obtaining . . a secret or secret information of the XXXX. "Section IV on "XXXX ISHNESS"

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goes a little further. In this section of the oath the klansmen must swear to "keep secret to [himself] a secret of a man committed to him in the sacred bond of * manship. The crime of violating this oath, treason against the United States of America, rape, and malicious murder alone excepted." (Emphasis added.) In pure klanese, the kinsman pledges his "life, property, vote, and sacred honor" to uphold "unto death" the Constitution and "constitutional laws". (Emphasis added.) But he ends by swearing that he will "zealously shield and preserve... free segregated public schools, white SUPREMACY."

(4) The "Boycott Rules" give a good idea of the Klan's coercive tactics. For example:

"The Boycott Committee (one member from each local unit appointed by the Exalted Cyclops) shall have. exclusive investigative authority and it shall not act at any time with less than three members present. (1) No person or subject upon whom a boycott shall have been placed shall be patronized by any member. . Boycotts shall be imposed upon subjects who are found to be violating the Southern traditions. . Boycotts shall be placed upon all members of the Committee who publicly served with Bascom Talley in his efforts to promote the Brooks Hays meeting. Boycotts shall be placed upon any merchant using Negro employees to serve or wait upon persons of the white race. (Service Stations using Negroes to pump gas are excluded.) Boycotts shall be placed ugained a subject who serves Negroes and whites on an integrated basis. Boycotts shall be placed upon a subject who allows Negroes to use White rest rooms. . . . No member shall be punished for violation of the rules by a member of his family under twelve (12) years of age. Any member who shall after a hearing have been found guilty of personally patronizing a subject listed on the boycott list shall be wrecked by the wrecking crew who shall be appointed by the Committee. (Emphasis added.) . . . Second offense - If a member is found guilty of personally violating the boycott list he shall be wrecked and banished from the Klam."

It is not surprising that the attorneys for the United States 9 had difficulty extracting from klansmen answers to questions.

the Klan pumports to perform its dirty work in the first object stated in the "Objects and Purposes" clause of the Konstitution of this anti-Roman Catholic, anti-Semitic, hate-breeding organization is to "foster and promote the tenets of Christianity". The Proclamation requires the Kludd (Klavern Chaplain) to "open and close each meeting of the Klavern with prayer". Setting some kind of a record for sanctimonious cant, the Proclamation directs the Kludd to "study and be prepared to explain the 12th chapter of ROMANS at any time, as this is the religious foundation of the Invisible Empire". (Emphasis added)

Saint Paul, Apostle to the Gentiles, wrote his Epistle to the Romans in Corinth, midway between Rome and Jerusalem. Addressing himself to Jews and Gentiles, he preached the brotherhood of man: "Glory, honour, and peace, to every man that worketh good, to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile: For there is no respect 10 of persons with God." In the Twelfth Chapter of Romans, Paul makes a beautiful and moving plea for tolerance, for brotherly love, for returning good for evil:

9 Let love be without dissimulation. Abhor' that which is evil; cleave to that which is good. 10 Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another; . 14 Bless them which persecute you: bless, and curse not. . . . 17 Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. 18 If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. 19 Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. 20 Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink; for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. 21 Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good. "

These words must fall on stony ground in the Klaverns of a Klan.

- D. Sperific Findings of Klan Intimidation and Violence.

 We select the following examples of the defendants acts of intimidation and violence.
- (1) January 7, 1965, former Congressman Brooks Hays of Arkansas, at the invitation of religious, business, and civic leaders from Bogalusa, was scheduled to speak in Bogalusa at St. Matthews Episcopal Church Parish House on the subject of community relations. The meeting was to be open to both Negroes and whites and it was planned that seating would be on a racially inon-segregated basis. After learning of the proposed appearance of Mr. Hays and the arrangements for an unsegregated meeting, the Klan and its members protested to the Mayor and the members of the Commission Council and, by means of threats of civil disorder and economic retaliation against local businessmen who supported the meeting, caused the withdrawal of the invitation to Mr. Hays to speak. December 18, 1964, before the Hays invitation was withdrawn, the Mayor of Bogalusa and Police Commissioner Arnold Spiers, in an effort to head off possible civil disorder, appeared at a Klan meeting at the Disabled Veterans Hall. The show of force at this meeting by over 150 hooded Klansmen unquestionably intimidated public officials in Bogalusa and, later, hindered effective police action against Klan violence. On the stand, Mayor Cutrer admitted that he was "frightened when he looked into 150 pairs of eyes".
- (2) Since at least January 28, 1965, the defendants, including Saxon Farmer, Russell Mages. Dewey Smith, Randle C. Pounds, Billy Alford, Charles McClendon, James Burke, and other members of the defendant Klan, have made a practice of going to places where

they anticipated that Negroes would attempt to exercise civil rights, in order to harass, threaten, and intimidate the Negroes and other persons. For this purpose, members of the defendant Klan have gone to Franklinton, Louisiana, when Negro citizens of Washington Parish were expected to apply to register as voters, have gone to restaurants in Bogalusa when Negroes were seeking or were expected to seek service, and have gone to locations in downtown Bogalusa and near the Bogalusa Labor Temple when Negroes were attempting or were expected to demonstrate publicly in support of equal rights for Negroes.

- (3) William Yates and Stephen Miller, two CORE workers, came to Bogalusa in January 1965. The Grand Dragon and Grand Titan of the Klan, defendants Charles Christmas and Saxon Farmer, appeared at the Mayor's office to ask the Mayor to send William Yates and Stephen Miller out of Bogalusa. Mayor Cutrer indicated that he could do nothing. The next day, February 3, 1965, three Klansmen, James Hollingsworth, Jr., James Hollingsworth, Sr., and Delos Williams, with two other persons, Doyle Tynes and Ira Dunaway, attempted to insure Yates' and Miller's departure. This group followed Yates and Miller and assaulted Yates.
- (4) February 15, 1965, defendant Virgil Corkern, Klansman, and approximately 30 other white persons attacked five Negro citizens and damaged the car in which they were riding. This occurred because

the Negroes had sought service at a gasoline station in Bogalusa. On that seme day, Corkern and other persons gathered at Landry's Fine Foods, a restaurant in Bogalusa, to observe Negroes seeking service at the restaurant. Corkern and one other entered the restaurant brandishing clubs, ordered the Negroes to leave and threatened to kill Sam Barnes, a member of the Bogalusa Voters League, who had come to the restaurant with six Negro women.

- (5) March 29, 1965, defendants Hardie Adrian Goings, Jr., Klansman, and Franklin Harris, Klansman, shortly after meetings had been held at the Bogalusa Labor Temple, threw an ignited tear gas canister at a group of Negroes standing near the Labor Temple.

 Goings, Jr. then tried to disguise his car by repainting it and removing the air scoop from the top to prevent detection of this crime. Goings or other Klansmen used this same car in May of 1964 to burn a cross at the home of Lou Major, editor of the Bogalusa newspaper.
 - (6) April 7, 1965, defendants Lattimore McNeese and

 E. J. (Jack) Dixon, Klansman, threatened Negro citizens during the course of a meeting at the Labor Temple by brandishing and exhibiting a qun at Negroes standing outside the Labor Temple.
- (7) April 9, 1965, defendants Billy Alford, Klansman, Randle C. Pounds, Klansman, Lattimore McNeese, Charles McClendon, and James Burke, Klansman, with other persons, went to the downtown area of Bogalusa where Negro citizens were participating in a march to the Bogalusa City Hall to protest denial of equal rights. Pounds, McClendon, and Burke, in a group, moved out to attack the marchers. Pounds assaulted the leader of the march, James Farmer, with a blackjack; McClendon and Burke were temporarily deterred from the threatened assault, but immediately thereafter assaulted a newsman

and an FBI agent. Alford assaulted one of the Negroes participating in the march.

- (8) May 19, 1965, Virgil Corkern, Klansman, two sons of Virgil Corkern, and other white persons went to Cassidy Park, a public recreation area maintained by the City of Bogalusa, for the purpose of interfering with the enjoyment of the park by Negroes and white CORE workers who were present at the park and using the facilities for the first time on a non-segregated basis. The Corkern group entered the park and dispersed the Negro citizens with clubs, belts, and other weapons.
- (9) Negro members of the Bogalusa Voters League, unable to exercise their civil rights and also unable to obtain from police officials adequate protection from the Klan, filed suit June 25, Civ.Ac. No.15,727 1965, in the case of Hicks v. Knicht/in this Court. The complaint asks for an injunction requiring officers of the City of Bogalusa to open the public parks and to operate such parks without racial discrimination, and also requiring law enforcement officers of the City, Parish, and State to protect the Negro plaintiffs and other Negroes from physical assaults, beatings, harassment, and intimidation at the hands of white citizens. July 10, 1965, this Court issued an injunction in Hicks v. Knight enjoining certain city and parish law enforcement officers from failing to use all reasonable means to protect the Negro plaintiffs and others similarly situated from physical assaults and beatings and from harassment and intimidation preventing or discouraging the exercise of their rights to picket, assemble peaceably, and advocate equal civil rights for Negroes. The preliminary injunction is still in full force and effect. Even after this Court issued its order July 10, 1965, the defendant Klansmen continued to interfere with Negro citizens exercising civil rights and

interfered with performance of the duties of law enforcement officials under the injunction in <u>Hicks v. Knight</u>.

- (10) July 11, 1965, during a Negro march in downtown Eogalusa, defendants Randle Pounds, Klansman, H. A. Goings, Jr., Klansman, Franklin Harris, Klansman, and Milton E. Parker were present. Harris and Goings passed out 25-30 2x2 clubs to youths and Pounds stationed the youths along the march route. Parker was arrested by a City policeman along the route of march for disburbing the peace.
- bearing the caption, "Published by the Original Ku Klux Klan of Louisiana". These are crude, scrrilcus attacks on certain Bogalusa citizens who advocated a moderate approach to desegregation. For example, in one handbill an Episcopal minister is accused of lying for having said that he had received calls threatening to bomb his church; the minister's son is said to be an alcoholic, to have faced a morals charge in court, and to have been committed to a mental institution. The handbill adds:

"The Ku Klux Klan is now in the process of checking on Reverend 's [naming him] moral standards. If he is cleared you will be so informed. If he is not cleared, you will be informed of any and all misdeeds or moral violation of his in the past."

In the same handbill the Klan announced that it was "boycotting businesses which cater to integration such as Mobile Gas Stations, etc." Mobils Gas Station is a business competitor of the defendant, Grand Titan Saxon Farmer.

All of the handbills attempt to intimidate public officials, the Governor of Louisiana, the Congressman from the Sixth District, the Exyor of Bogalusa, and federal judges (by name). Sometimes the attempted intimidation is by threat of violence, sometimes by

We quote, character assassination. / for example:

a) "On numerous occasions we have been asked by local officials to refrain from any acts of violence upon this outside scum that has invaded our city. Being a christian organization, we have honored these requests each time. How much longer can we continue??? Contrary to what the liberal element would have you think, this nemorandum is not the work of racist and hate mongers or trouble makers, as Governor 'Big John' McKeithen calls us. We are God fearing white, southerners who believe in constitutional government and the preservation of our American heritage.

"If your governor would have done the right thing to start with, he would have refused to protect these local and outside agitators and did just what one great southern governor did. He refused to protect this outside element, (CORE, NAACP, SNICK, ETC.), at the expense of his state. He chose, instead, to let LBJ and Katzenbach protect them. Only after the city of Bogalusa had spent \$96,000, did he (Big John McKeithen), make any effort to ease the situation in this city."

(b) "As the people tried to preserve our Southern way of life, the Mayor and Council were slowly selling the people out at every turn. The Mayor has repeatedly GIVEN in. James Farmer did not have the support of the local Negroes. Mayor Cutrer is not giving the city of Bogalusa to the negro citizens of Bogalusa. No. He is giving the city to James Farmer and a handful of Negro Teenagers. NO PRESSURE was put on James Farmer and Dick Gregory to keep them out of Bogalusa. Not by the Mayor, the State Representative, the State Senator, or Congressman Morrison. This was not so when the WHITE CONSERVATIVES wanted to stage a Rally. Pressure was exerted from all levels, even the invited guest spakers were 'leaned on'.

"The Governor, the Congressman, Jimmy Morrison, or his com-rats, Suksty Rayborn, and Buster Sheridan. John McKeithen asked for our vote and promised to serve the PEOPLE. We now ask, Big John, isn't this TRUE? What is happening under your administration?

"Here is the list of elected officials who COULD & AND SHOULD have helped the People of Bogalusa. All these should be tarred and feathered.

MAYOR JESSIE CUTRER
REPRESENTATIVE SHERIDAN
SENATOR SIXTY RAYBORN
SHERIFF DORMAN CROWE
CONGRESSMAN JIMMY MORRISON
GOVERNOR JOHN MCKEITHEN
SENATOR RUSSELL LONG

"Now the QUESTION. Why have these men, elected by

the WHITE people turned their back on us in our time of need?

"Is Communism so close? Who bought them? Who bought their HONOR and FOR HOW MUCH?"

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- (c) "The Ru Klux Klan is strongly organized in Bogalusa and throughout Washington and St. Tammany Parishes. Being a secret organization, we have KLAN members in every conceivable business in this area. We will know the names of all who are invited to the Brooks Hayes meeting and we will know who did and did not attend this meeting. Accordingly, we take this means to urge all of you to refrain from attending this meeting. Those who do attend this meeting will be tagged as intergrationists and will be dealt with accordingly by the Knights of the KU KLUX KLAN."
- E. Summary of the Facts. We find that the defendants have admitted and the proof has shown that they intimidated, harassed, and otherwise interfered with (1) Negroes exercising their civil rights, (2) persons encouraging Negroes to assert their rights, and (3) public officials, police officers, and other persons seeking to accord Negroes their rights. These acts are part of a pattern and practice of the defendants to maintain total segregation of the races in Washington Parish. The pattern creates an effect extending beyond the effect of any particular act or practice. A Negro who is clubbed in a public park may fear to order coffee in a segregated sandwich shop or he may decide that it is the better part of valor not to exercise voting rights. The owner of the sandwich shop who receives threatening calls for having served Negro patrons may conclude that taking care of his family comes ahead of hiring Negro employees. The intimidation or violence may be effective not only as to the particular individual against whom it is directed but also as to others who may be less courageous than the Natroes brave enough to parade in Bogalusa or register to vote in Franklinton. The acts of terror and intimidation admitted or proved ir this case, acts characteristic of a masked, secret conspiracy, can be halted only by a broad order enjoining the defendants

from unlawfully interfering with the exercise of civil rights by Negro citizens.

III.

The defendants contend that the complaint fails to state

a claim upon which relief can be granted. They start with the

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at a matter of statutory construction,

to conclude that Congress did not purport to enforce civil

rights against private persons. Moreover, so they argue, the

interference with interference with

1057 Act applies to/"voting" not to/"registering". B. And,

they say if civil rights acts do authorize enforcement against

private persons (not owners or managers of a place of public

accommodation) the statutes are unconstitutional.

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(1) The Civil Rights Act of 1957. In the field of civil rights the problem of enforcement is more difficult than the problem of legislative definition. The choice of remedy determines whether an act of Congress simply declares a right or carries machinery for meaningful performance of the statutory promise. In the past, an obvious hiatus has been the lack of effective sanctions against private persons interfering with a citizen's exercise of a civil right. This lack may be explained by a number of reasons. (a) Con-

gress has been reluctant to assert affirmatively by legislation its responsibility to protect the privileges and immunities of citizens of the United States, for fear of imperiling the Delensed relationship between the states and the Nation. (b) Courts have narrowly construed criminal sanctions available in Section 241 and 242 of Title 18. (c) Congress and the courts have been severely limited by the doctrine of state action, in spite of the trend toward an expansive view of what is state action. (d) Congress has been wary of using an equitable remedy in civil rights legislation. The Constitution guarantees an accused in a criminal case the right to indictment by a grand jury and trial by a jury of the vicinage. Enforcement of civil rights through the use of an injunction and the contempt power of the courts would by-pass the jury system. However, in communities hostile to civil rights and resentful against "outside", that is, federal interference, injunctive relief may be the most effective method of enforcing civil rights.

Congress considered/these-and related considerations 15

the Administration submitted an omnibus civil rights bill in 1956.

The focal issues—the contempt power, the jury system, and the relationship of the States with the Nation—produced one of the great debates in American parliamentary history. By the time the bill was cut down to a voting rights law, as the Civil Rights Act of 1957, 71 Stat.

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/Congress and the country thoroughly understood the significance of 16

the legislation. Congress had opened the door, then nearly shut, to national responsibility for protecting civil rights—created or guaranteed by the Nation—by injunction proceedings against private persons.

the pros and cons of these and many other issues when

part III of the Administration's bill, as originally proposed, would have authorized the Attorney General to file suit against any

person who decrived or was about to deprive any citizen of any civil right.

The compromise that became the Civil Rights Act of 1957 limits civil actions to protection of otting rights in special, general, or primary elections where federal officers are elected.

Before the 1957 Act, Section 1971 (now 1971(a)) was enforced either by an action for damages under 42 U.S.C. §1983 and §1985(3) or by a criminal action under 18 U.S.C. §241, 242. The 1957 Act adds four subsections to 17 Section 1971, including:

"b. No person, whether acting under color of law or otherwise, shall intimidate, threaten, or coerce any other person for the purpose of interfering with the right of such other person to vote or to vote as he may choose, or of causing such other person to vote for, or not to vote for, any candidate for the office of President, Vice President, presidential elector, Member of the Senate, or Member of the House of Representatives, Delegates or Commissioners from the Territories or possessions, at any general, special, or primary election held solely or in part for the purpose of selecting or electing any such candidate.

"c. Whenever any person has engaged or there are reasonable grounds to believe that any person is about to engage in any act or practice which would deprive any other person of any right or privilege secured by subsection (a) or (b), the Attorney General may institute for the United States, or in the name of the United States, a civil action or other proper proceeding for preventive relief, including an application for a permanent or temporary injunction, restraining order, or other order. In any proceeding hereunder the United States shall be liable for costs the same as a private person." (Emphasis added.)

The House Report on the Act--there was no Senate Report-- clearly states the purpose of the amendments to 1971:

"This section adds new matter. The provision is a further declaration of the right to vote for Federal offices. It states clearly that it is unlawful for a private individual as well as one acting under color of law to interfere or attempt to interfere with the right to vote at any general, special, or primary election concerning Pederal offices. This amendment, however, does not provide for a remedy. However, the succeeding subsection of the amendment, which is designated subsection (c),

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does provide a remedy in the form of a civil action instituted on the part of the Attorney General." House Report No. 291, to accompany H.R. 6127, U.S. Code Cong. and Adm. News 1966, 1977 (1957) (Emphasis added)

Although Congress narrowed the subject matter of the statute to voting rights, there is nothing narrow about the scope of the Act as to interference with voting rights. The statute is not limited to physical acts or to direct interference with the act of voting but applies to--

"any act or practice which would deprive any other person of any right or privilege secured by subsection (a) or (b). . ."

The statute applies to "any person" who shall--

"Intimidate, threaten, coerce or attempt to intimidate, threaten or coerce for the purpose of interfering with the right of such person to vote."

There is no doubt that this language applies to private individuals. And there is very little doubt that the Act protects the right to register and to engage in activities encouraging citizens to register. As discussed more fully elsewhere, registration is an integral, indispensable part of the voting process. It is also a stage that is vulnerable to abuse by the registrar or to unlawful conduct by private persons. Ever since the Supreme Court outlawed the "white" primary, it has been apparent that the main battleground in the war over Negro suffrage would be the registration office. for example, the description of the activities of the Citizens Councils and parish registrars in United States v. Louisiana, E.D.La. 1963, 22! P. Supp. 353, 378-80. Congress was well aware that a major mischief to be combatted in the 1957 Act was economic coercion and threats of intimidation by private persons that would deny or interfere with the Negro's access to registration.

Note often than not, the economic coercion and intimidation by private persons are triggered by an educational campaign to encourage registration. United States v. Beatty, 6 Cir. 1961, 288 F. 28 653 is a case in point. The case arose in Haywood

County, Tennessee, a county in which no Negroes were registered to vote. In the spring of 1959, a newly formed Civic and Welfare League, apparently similar to the Bogalusa Voters League, initiated a campaign in Haywood and in Fayette Counties to encourage Negroes to register. This led to the institution of a "white" primary in Fayette; later prohibited by a consent decree in April 1960. In the face of a renewed registration drive, white businessmen in both counties retaliated by circulating a "blacklist" containing the names of the Negroes who registered and white citizens who assisted them. The businessmen induced local merchants to boycott anyone whose name appeared on the list, by denying credit and the right to buy necessities through the usual business relations. White landowners evicted sharecroppers and tenant farmers who had registered or whose names appeared on the blacklist. The Attorney General sued the businessmen and landowners, under Section 1971, for immediate injunctive relief. district judge granted a restraining order enjoining the businessmen from "interfering through intimidation and/or coercion", but refused to enjoin the landowners on the ground that the Civil Rights Act did not vest the court with authority "to adjudge contracts and property rights". 6 Race Rel. L. Rep. 200. The Sixth Circuit affirmed the judgment as to the businessmen and extended the injunction to the landlords.

In East Carroll Parish, Louisiana, cotton growers refused to gin cotton for Negro farmers who had attempted to register to vote. The Atterney General again sued under the 1957 Act. Judge Dawkins granted a restraining order, as preventive relief, against owners, operators, and managers of cotton gin businesses and certain other businesses. The Court restrained the defendants from "refusing to gin . . . refusing to sell goods or services, and to conduct ordinary business transactions with, any person for the purpose of discouraging or dissuading such person from attempting to vote and . . . engaging

in any attempted threats, intimidations, or coercion of any nature, whether aconomic or otherwise". United States V. Deal, W.I.La. 1961, 6 Race Rel. L. Rep. 474.

The parallel between the defendants' intimidation by and economic coercion in Beatty in Deal, and the defendants' boycott and other activities in this case is too patent to be spelled out. Beatty and Deal also illustrate a principle of enormous importance in the enforcement of civil rights: acts otherwise lawful may become unlawful and be enjoined under Section 1971, if the purpose and effect of the acts is to interfere with the right to vote.

In United States v. Board of Education of Greene

County, Mississippi, 1964, 332 F. 2d 40, the Fifth Circuit

affirmed the holding below that the government failed to
prove that the alleged intimidation was for the purpose
of interfering with the right to vote. But, as Judge

Tuttle explained in United States v. Bruce (not yet reported, decided Nov. 16, 1965, No. 22028), the Court in

the Greene County case assumed:

"Whereas a school board might, under the circumstances present in that case, have legally failed to renew a teacher's contract for any reason or for no reason at all, if it in fact declined to renew the [teacher's] certificate as a means of coercing or intimidating the teacher as to her right to vote, such conduct would be prohibited under the Act."

In <u>United States v. Bruce</u> twenty-eight white persons in Wilcox County, Alabama, notified Lonnie Brown, a Negro insurance collector, to stay off land owned or controlled by them.

As a result Brown could not reach many of his policy-holders.

Brown had been active in urging his Negro neighbors and friends to register to vote in Wilcox County, a county where no Negross were registered. The Court held that the trial court erred in dismissing the complaint:

"The background allegations make a strong case upon which the trial court could infer the correctness of the conclusionary allegations that these defendants did in fact 'intimidate and coerce' the Negro citizens of Wilcox County, through the person of Lonnie Brown, for the purpose of interfering with their right to vote." 23:

We hold that the Civil Rights Act of 1957 applies to private persons, including the defendants impleaded in this case. We hold that the Act applies to interfering with the right to register as well as interfering with the right to vote; that the Act protects Negro citizens against the coercion, intimidation, and violence the defendants admitted or were proved to have committed in this case.

(2) The Civil Rights Act of 1964. The '64 Act creates new categories of civil rights and extends the authority of the Attorney General to protect such rights by a civil suit for injunctive relief against any person, public or private.

or jurposes of this proceeding, to most pertinent provisions are those relating to (a) places of public accommodation, (b) equal employment opportunities, and (c) public facilities. As clearly as words on say, these provisions reach any person and any action that interverse with the enjoyment of civil rights secured by the Act. Thus, 42 U.S.C. \$2000a-2 of Title II, is not limited to prohibiting discrimination or segregation by the owner or manager of a place of public accommodation. The section provides:

"No person shall (a) withhold, deny, or attempt to withhold or deny, or deprive or attempt to deprive, any person of any right or privilege secured by section 2000a or 2000a-l of this title, or (b) intimidate, threaten, or coerce, or attempt to intimidate, threaten, or coerce any person with the purpose of interfering with any right or privilege secured by section 2000a or 2000a-l of this title, or (c) punish or attempt to punish any person for exercising or attempting to exercise any right or privilege secured by section 2000a-l of this title."

And to enforce the law, Section 2000a-5 (a) allows the Attorney General to sue "any person or group of persons":

"Whenever the Attorney General has reasonable cause to believe that any useson or group of persons is engaged in a pastern or practice of resistance to the full enjoyment of any of the rights secured by this subchapter, and that the pattern or practice is of such a nature and is intended to deny the full exercise of the rights herein described, the Attorney General may bring a civil action requesting such preventive relief, including an application for a permanent or temporary injunction, restraining order or other order against the person or persons responsible for such pattern or practice, as he deems necessary to insure the full enjoyment of the rights herein described. " [Emphasis supplied.]

Section 2000e-6 of Title VII, relating to equal employment opportunities, tracks the language of Section 2000a-5(a).

This suit is not one to desegregate public facilities under
Title VII of the Act. However, Section 2000-b is relevant, since
it demonstrates again the broad Congressional objective of authorizing
the Attorney General to sue as defendance "such parties as are or

Decome necessary to the grant of effective relief". The defendants' interference with the right of Negroes to use public facilities in Bogalusa is relevant to the cause of action, for that interference was part of a pattern and practice of total resistance to the Negroes' exercise of civil rights.

(3) In sum, in the Civil Rights Acts of 1957 and 1964, Congress recongnized that when a Negro is clubbed or coerced for having attempted to register or for having entered a "white" restaurant, the action most likely to produce effective relief is not necessarily for the Negro to complain to the local police or to sue for damages or to make charges under 18 USC 241, 242. The most effective relief for him and for all others affected by the intimidation may be an injunction by the Nation against the private persons responsible for interfering with his civil rights.

Effectiveness of remedy is not the only reason for the Congressional grant of authority to the Attorney General of the United States. The Nation has a responsibility to supply a meaningful remedy for a right it creates or guarantees. As Justice Story wrote, in sustaining the constitutionality of the Fugitive Slave Act of 1793:

"If, indeed, the constitution guarantees the right, and if it requires the delivery [of the fugitive slave] upon the claim of the owner..., the natural inference certainly is, that the national government is clothed with the appropriate authority and functions to enforce it. The fundamental principle, applicable to all cases of this sort, would seem to be, that when the end is required, the means are given..." Prigg v. Pennsylvania, 1842, 41 U.S. (17 Pet.) 539, 614.

It is one thing when acts are mere invasions of private rights; "it is quite a different matter when Congress undertakes to protect the citimen in the exercise of rights conferred by the Constitution of the United States essential to the healthy organization of the government itself". Ex parte Yarbrough, 1884, 110 U.S. 651, '665, 4 S.Ct. 152, 28 L.Ed. 274. We turn now to the defendants' constitutional arguments.

The defendants' constitutional arguments rest on a misunderstanding of the constitutional sources for the civil Rights 24 Acts of 1957 and 1964.

(1 The Civil Rights Act of 1957: Protection of Right to Vote From Unlawful Interference.(2) In upholding the constitutionality of the voting provisions of the 1957 Act, we need not 25 consider the Civil War Amendments. Section 1971 (b), here enforced unier 1971 (c), is limited to prohibiting interference with the right to vote in elections for federal office. Article I, Section 4 of the Constitution is an express grant of authority to Congress to regulate federal elections:

"The times, places and manner of holding elections for senators and representatives, shall be prescribed in each State by the legislature thereof; but the Congress may at any time by Law make or alter such regulations, except as to the places of choosing Senators."

As the House Committee pointed out in its report on the law, United States v. Classic, 1941, 313 U.S. 299, 61 S. Ct. 1031, 85 L.Ed. 1369, "establishes the authority in Congress to legislate concerning any and all elections affecting federal officers, whether general, special, or primary, is long as they are 'an integral part of the procedure of choice or where in fact the primary effectively controls their choice.'" U.S.Code Cong. and Adm. News, 85 Cong. 1957, p. 1977. The Supreme Court said, in Classic:

"While, in a loose sense, the right to vote for representatives in Congress is sometimes spoken of as a right derived from the states, [citations omitted] this statement is true only in the sense that the states are sutherized by the Constitution, to legislate on the subject as provided by \$2 of Art. I, to the extent that Congress has not restricted state action by the exercise of its powers to regulate elections under \$4 and its more general power under Article I, \$8, clause 18 of the Constitution 'to make all laws which shall be necessary in proper for carrying into execution the law powers."

(b) Under the "sweeping clause, Auticle I, Section 8, Clause 15, Congress may enact all laws "nocessary and proper" to carry out any of its powers, including, of course, its power to requlate federal elections. This provision leaves to Congress the choice of the means to execute its powers. "Let the end be legitimate, let it be within the scope of the Constitution, and all means which are appropriate, which are plainly adapted to that end, which are not prohibited, but consist with the letter and spirit of the Constitution are constitutional". McCulloch v. Maryland, 1819, 4 Wheat. 316, 421.

"There is little regarding an election that is not included in the terms 'time, place and manner of holding it'".

United States v. Munford, 1833, C. C., E.D.Va., 16 F. 223. The Supreme Court has said:

"It cannot be doubted that these comprehensive words embrace authority to provide a complete code for congressional electrons, not only as to times and places, but in relation to notices, recistration, supervision or voting, protection of voters, prevention of fraud and corrupt practices, counting of votes, duties of inspectors and canvassers, and making and publication of election returns; in short, to enact the numerous requirements as to procedure and safeguards which experience shows are necessary in order to enforce the fundamental right involved." Smiley v. Holm, 1932, 285 U.S. 355, 136, 76 L.Ed. 795.

Interference with the effective choice of the voters in a Louisiana Democratic primary was interference "at the only stage"

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did not know about the registration process; but they did not have

in mind the selection of senators and representatives by the

direct primary. In United States v. Louisiana, E.D.La. 1963,

on other grounds,

225 F. Supp. 353, 359, aff'd./1961, 380 U.S. 145 this Court

said:

"Congressional authority [under Article I, §4] extends to registration, a phase of the electoral process unknown to the Fernicing Fathers but today a critical, inseparable part of the electoral process which must necessarily concern the United States, since registration to vote covers voting in federal as well as in state elections.

In United States v. Manning, W.D.La. 1963, 215 F. Supp. 272, one of the constitutional attacks on the Civil Rights Act of 1960 was directed at the provision for Latinal registrars. In the opinion upholding the act, the Court considered it important that--

"For purposes of accomplishing the constitutional objective the electoral process is indivisible. The act of casting a ballot in a voting booth cannot be cut away from the rost of the process. It is the last step in a process that starts with registration. Similarly, registration is an indivisible part of elections. . . There is no separate registration for foderal affections. Any interference with the qualified voter's right to register is therefore interference with a federal election." 215 F. Supp. at 283.

(c) Classic relied on three important cases that constitue the nature and extent of the power of Congress to regulate federal elections: Ex parts Siebold, 1880, 100 U.S. 371, 25 L.Ed. 717; Ex parts Yarbrough, The Ku Klux Klass cases, 1884, 110 U.S. 651, 4 S.Ct. 152, 28 L.Ed. 274; and Burroughs v. United States, 1934, 290 U.S. 534, 54 S.Ct. 287 , 78 L.Ed. 485. Taxon, These cases

point to the principle that a congressional statute protecting against private interference before the voting stage is necessary and proper legislation under Article I, Section 4, whenever it is reasonably related to "protection of the integrity" of the federal electoral process. Classic, 315 U.S. 1t 316.

Ex parte Siebold involved a conviction of state election of state election of conficers for ballot-stuffing in a falseral election. The Court had before it the Enforcement Act from which Section 1971 was derived. The statute contained a number of entansive voting and registration regulations, including a provision for the appointment of federal election supervisors. These supervisors were authorized "to cause such names to be registered as uney may think proper to be so marked". In sustaining the validity of the legislation under Article I, Section 4, the Court communed:

"It is the duty of the States to elect representatives to Congress. The dual and fair election of these representatives is all value importance to the United States. The govern the of the United States is no less concerne in the transaction than the State government is. It certainly is not bound to stand by as a passive testator, when duties are violated and outsetted frauds are committed. It is directly interested in the faithful performance, by the officers of election, of their respective duties. Those duties are owed as well to the United States as to the State."

In <u>Yarbrough</u> the Court had before it the question whether

Congress could protect civil rights against private interference,
specifically klan aggression in the form of intimidation of voters.

Yarbrough and eight other members of a Georgia klan were indicted
for conspiring to intimidate a Magro in the exercise of his right
to vote for a congressional representative. It was shown that
they used physical violence and that they went in disguise upon
the public highways. They were convicted under the section of the
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inforcement Act of 1870, Revised Statutes Section 5508,/the pre-

crimina. law counterpart to 42 U.S.C. 1971. The Act forbade two or more person's "to conspire to injure, oppress, threaten or intimidate any citizen in the free exercise or enjoyment of any right or privilege secured to by the Constitution or laws of the United States" or to "go in disquise on the highway, or on the premises of another, with intent to prevent or hinder [such citizen in] his free exercise or enjoyment" of any such right; or to "conspire to prevent by force, intimidation, or threat, any citizen who is lawfully entitled to vote" from voting for presidential electors or members of Congress. Justice Miller, in a powerful opinion for the Court, sustained the conviction and held the statute valid. The opinion made it clear that the right to vote in federal elections is a privilege of national citizenship derived from the Constitution. Congress therefore "can by law protect the act of voting, the place where it is done and the man who votes, from personal violence or intimidation, and the election itself from corruption of fraud." Nor does it matter that state and federal offices are elected in the same election. The congressional powers are not "annulled because an election for state officers is held at the same time and place". 110 U.S. at 660.

The heart of the Yarbrough decision is the Court's emphasis on the transcendent interest of the federal government. The violence and intimidation to which the Negro was subjected were they important because/it alloyed the purity of the federal political process. The federal government "must have the power to protect the elections on which its existence depends from violence and corruption". 110 U.S. at 658. This implied power arises out of governmental necessity. The Court said:

"The porer in either case arises out of the circumstance that the function in which the party is engaged or the right which he is about to exercise is dependent on the laws of the United States.

"In both cases it is the duty of that government to see that he may exercise this right freely and to protect him from violence while so doing or on account of so doing. This duty does not arise solely from the interest of the party concerned, but from the necessity of the government itself, that its service shall be free from the adverse influence or force and fraud practiced on its agents, and that the votes by which its members of Congress and its President are elected shall be the <u>free</u> votes of the electors, and the officers thus chosen the free and uncorrupted choice of those who have the right to take part in that choice."

Since it is the purity of the federal political process that must be protected, the protection may be extended against interference with any activity having a rational relationship with the federal political process. Thus, the "rationale of Yarbrough indicates congressional power over voting, though limited to federal elections, extends to voter registration activities", including registration rallies, voter education classes, and other activities intended to encourage registration.

Burroughs is one of a number of cases dealing with corrupt election practices which go far beyond the act of voting in an analysis. There has operate on the campaigning stage rather than the voting stage and apply to private persons having no part in the election machinery. In Burroughs the contention was made that under Article II, Section 1 the states control the manner of appointing presidential electors; Congress is limited to prescribing the time of choosing electors and the day on which they cast their votes. In upholding the validity of the Federal Corrupt Practices Act of 1925, the Court, relying on Yarbrough, said:

"While presidential electors are not officers or agents of the federal government . . ., they exercise federal functions under, and discharge

duties in virtue of authority conferred by, the Constitution of the United States. The president is vested with the executive power of the nation. The importance of his election and the vital character of its relationship to and effect upon the welfare and safety of the whole people cannot be too strongly stated. To say that Congress is without power to pass appropriate legislation to safeguard such an election from the improper use of money toinfluence the result is to deny to the nation in a vital particular the power of self-protection. Congress undoubtedly, possesses that lower, as it possesses every other power essential to preserve the departments and institutions of the general government from impairment or destruction, whether threatened by force or ly corruption. " 110 U.S. at 545

the states' power over the manner of appointing presidential electors is similar to the states reserved power to establish voting qualifications. Notwithstanding this unquestioned power in the states, "Burroughs holds that 'Congress' has the implied power to protect the integrity of the processes of popular election of presidential electors once that mode of selection has been chosen by the state." There is an obvious parallel between corruption of the federal electoral process by the use of money and corruption of the same process by acts of violence and intimidation that prevent voters from getting on the registration rolls or, indeed, from ever reaching the registration office.

Classic involved federal indictments against state election commissioners for falsely counting ballots in a Democratic party primary. The Court held that under Article I, Section 4 and the necessary and proper clause, Congress had the implied power to regulate party primaries. The "interference [was] with the effective choice of voters at the only stage when their choice is of significance. . . . The primary in Louisiana is an integral part of the procedure for the popular choice of Congressmen". The right to choose is a right "secured by the Constitution". 313 U.S. at 314.

Moreover, "since the constitutional command is without restriction or limitation, the right, unlike those guaranteed by the Pourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments, is secured against the action of individuals as well as of states." Ib. at 315 Mr. Justice Stone, for the Court, spelled out the rationale:

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"The right to participate in the choice of representatives for Congress . . . is protected just as the right to vote at the election, where the primary is by law made an integral part of the election machinery. . . . Unless the constitutional protection of the integrity of 'elections' extends to primary elections, Congress is left powerless to effect the constitutional purpose. . . " 313 U.S. at 318, 319.

The innumerable cases in this Circuit involving civil rights speak eloquently against the use of economic coercion, intimidation, and violence to inhibit Negroes from applying for registration. This interference with nationally guaranteed rights, whether by public officials or private persons corrupts the purity of the political process on which the existence and health of the National Government depend. No one has expressed this better than Judge Rives in United States v. Wood, 5 Cir. 1961, 295 F.2d 772; cert. denied 369 U.S. 850(1962). In Wood the interorganizer ference was in the form of groundless prosecution of a Negro/who had set up a registration school in Walthall County, Mississippi, where no Negroes had ever registered. He was not even qualified to vote in the county where the intimidatory acts occurred; he was a resident of another county. In reversing the district judge's refusal to stay the state prosecution, the Fifth Circuit noted that the alleged coercion was of the kind the 1957 Act was intended to reach. Judge Rives, for the Court, said:

"The foundation of our form of government is the consent of the governed. Whenever any person interferes with the right of any other person to vote or to vote as he may choose, he acts like a political termite to destroy a part of that foundation. A single termite or many termites may pass unnoticed, but each damages the foundation, and if that process is allowed to continue the whole structure may crumble and fall even before the occupants become aware of their peril. Eradication of political termites, or at least checking their activities, is necessary to prevent irreparable damage to our Government."

We hold that the defendants' acts of economic coercion, intimidation, and violence directed at Negro citizens in Washington Parish
for the purpose of deterring their registering to vote strike at the
integrity of the federal political process. The right to vote in
federal elections, a privilege of national citizenship secured by the
United States Constitution, includes the right to register to vote.
The right to register to vote includes the right to be free from
public or private interference with activities rationally related to
registering and to encouraging others to register.

(2) The Civil Rights Act of 1964: Public Accommodation.

The Supreme Court has upheld the constitutionality of Title II as it applies to motels and restaurants. Atlanta Motel v. United States, 1964, 379 U.S. 241, 85 S. Ct. 348, 13 L.Ed. 2d 258; Katzenbach v. McClung, 1964. 379 U.S. 294, 85 S. Ct. 377, 13 L.Ed. 2d 290.

The defendants are left, therefore, only with the contention that the Act, for reasons not articulated, should not reach private persons.

The defendants are really arguing against the judgment of Congress in selecting injunctive relief against private persons as one method of enforcing congressional policy. Once it is conceded that Congress has the power, under the commerce clause, to forbid discrimination in public places, there is little doubt—that injunctive relief against any person seeking to frustrate the statutory objective—is appropriate.

In this Circuit, relying on <u>In re Debs</u>, 1895, 158 U.S. 564, 15 S. Ct. 900, 39 L. Ed. 1092, the courts have held that when private persons burden commerce to the detriment of the national interest, the Nation may enjoin such persons even without enabling legislation. On two occasions courts have issued

injunctions against klans and klansmen engaged in intimidation and violence burdening commerce. United States v. U.S. Flans, M.D. Ll., 1961, 194 P. Supp. 897; Plummer v. Brock, M.D.Fla. 1964, 9 R.Rel.L. Rep. 1339. See also United States v. City of Jackson, 5 Cir. 1963, 318 F.2d. 1.

(3) The Civil Rights Act of 1964: Equal Employment Opportunities. Title VII, like Title II, is based upon the commerce clause. The term "industry affecting commerce" used in Title VII parallels the definition of "industry affecting commerce" in the LMRDA (29 U.S.C. 402 (c)). This in turn incorporates the definition of "affecting commerce" in the NLRA (29 U.S.C. 152 (7)). The National Labor Relations Act represents an exercise of congressional regulatory power to "the fullest jurisdictional breadth constitutionally permissible under the Commerce Clause," NLRB v. Reliance Fuel Corp., 1963, 371 U.S. 224, 226; Polish National Alliance v. NLRB, 1944, 322 U.S. 643, 647, a conclusion equally applicable to Title VII.

The sweeping regulations in the NIRA and LMRDA covering the terms, conditions, and policies of hiring and bargaining do not differ in any essential respect from this legislation prohibiting discrimination in hiring practices and on the job assignments. The employer-employee relationship has, of course, direct effect upon the production of industries which are in commerce and upon the practical utilization of the labor force and the power of Congress to regulate these activities cannot be doubted. NLRB v. Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp., 1936, 301 U.S. 17 NLRB v. Painblatt, 1939, 306 U.S. 501, 606; Mabee v. White Plains Publishing Co., 1946, 327 U.S. 178.

Defendants admit that they beat and threatened Negro pickets to prevent them from enjoying the right; equal employment opportunity.

The effect of course is to prevent Regross from gaining free access to potential employers. Such acts not only deter Regross but intimidate employers who might otherwise wish to comply with the law but fear retaliation and economic loss. This is precisely what the klan's Boycott Rules are designed to do.

The United States has alleged, the defendants have admitted, and the proof has shown that the defendants have intimidated, harassed, and in other ways interfered with the civil rights of Negroes secured by the Constitution. The admission and proof show a pattern and practice of interference.

Protection against the acts of terror and intimidation committed by the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and the individual defendants can be halted only by a broad injunctive decree along the lines of the order suggested by the United States.

The Court will promptly issue an appropriate order.

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FOOTNOTES

- * Although this order is cast in the form of an opinion, it represents the Court's findings of fact and conclusions of law.
- 1. Counsel for the individual defendants take the position that the defendant klan does not exist. The proof shows that the klan continues to exist and to function as a klan in the benign name of the "Anti-Communist Christian Association". See Section II, A of this opinion.
- 2. Report of the Joint Select Committee to Inquire into the Condition of Affairs in the Late Insurrectionary States (Wash. 1872), p. 28. (Majority Report.)
- 3. Testimony of General Forrest before the Joint Select Committee. Note 2, p. 6-14, 449-51.
- 4. In January 1869 General Forrest issued an order to disband which began "Whereas, the order of the Ku Klux Klan is in some localities being perverted from its original honorable and patriotic purposes... Davis, Authentic History: Ku Klux Klan, 125-28, (N. Y. 1928); Carter, Tre Angry Scar, 216 (N. Y. 1959).
- 5. "There is no doubt about the fact that great outrages were committed by bands of disguised men during those years of lawlessness and oppression. The natural tendency of all such organizations is to violence and crime; hence it was that General Forrest and other men of influence in the state, by the influence of their moral power, influence them to disband." Report of the Joint Select Committee, Note 2, p. 463. (Minority Report.)
- 6. In United States v. Raines, 1959, 362 U.S. 17, 27, 80 S. Ct. 519, 4 L.Ed. 5:4 upholding the constitutionality of the Civil Rights Act of 1957 in a suit on behalf of private persons against public officials, the Court said: "It is urged that it is beyond the power of Congress to authorize the United States to bring this action in support of private constitutional rights. But there is the highest public interest in the due observance of all the constitutional guarantees, including those that bear the most directly on private rights, and we think it perfectly competent for Congress to authorize the United States to be guardian of that public interest in a suit for injunctive relief."
 - 7. The parishes of Washington, Tangipahoa, St. Tammany, St. Relena, Livingston, Ascension, East Peliciana, West Feliciana, East Baton Rouge, West Baton Rouge, Pointe Coupee, and Iberville.
 - Aff'd. sub. nom. United States v. Thomas 1962, 362 U.S. 58
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which means public officials, and the activities of private persons and organizations designed to disenfranchise voters in Federal or State elections on account of race or color are not covered by the present provisions of 1971. And so we say that the statute fails to afford the voters rull protection from discrimination which was contemplated by the Constitution, especially the 14th and 15th amendments.

"Also this section 1971 is defective in another respect, because it fails to lodge in the Department of Justice and the Attorney General any authority to invoke civil remedies for the enforcement of voting rights. And it is particularly lacking in any provision which would authorite the Attorney General to apply to the courts for preventive relief against the violation of these voting rights.

"And we think that this is also a major defect. The ultimate goal of the Constitution and the Congress is the safeguarding of the free exercise of the voting right, acknowledging of course, the legitimate power of the State to prescribe numeratry and fair voting qualifications. And we believe that civil proceedings by the Attorney General to stop any illegal interference and denial of the right to vote would be far more effective in achieving this goal than the private suits for damages which are presently authorized by the statute, and far more effective than the criminal proceedings which are authorized under other laws which, of course, can never be used until after the harm has been actually done.

"No preventive measures can be brought under the criminal statutes. So I think--and I believe you will agree with me--that Congress should now recognize that in order to properly execute the Constitution and its amendments, and in order to perfect the intended application of the statute, section 1971 of title 42, United States Code, should be amended in three respects:

"First, by the addition of a section which will prevent anyone, whether acting under color of law or not, from threatening, intimidating or coercing an individual in his right to vote in any election, general, special, or primary, concerning candidates for Federal office.

"And second, to authorize the Attorney General to bring civil proceedings on behalf of the United States or any aggrieved person for preventive or

- 9. On two occasions, the Court found it necessary to warn the witnesses of the penalty for perjury. The Court recessed the hearing to allow time for the witnesses to refresh their recollection, and to find, if possible, any membership lists. On one occasion, a witness pleaded the 5th Amendment when, in a colloquy with the Court, it was apparent that he was afraid of klan reprisal for testifying as to klan records; he withdrew his plea of privilege and testified.
- 10. Romans, Chap. II, v. 10-11.
- 11. See United States v. Cruikshank, 1875, 92 U.S. 542, 23 L.Ed. 588; Slaughter-House Cases, 1873, 16 Wall 36, 21 L.Ed. 394.
- In 1894 Congress repealed most of the provisions dealing with federal supervision of elections. Two general provisions for criminal sanctions were left standing: 42 U.S.C. \$241 (originally Section (of the Civil Rights Act of 1870, later Section 5508 of _ the Revised Statutes) providing criminal sanctions against conspiractes sto deprive any citizen of any right secured by the Constitution and laws of the United States; and 42 U.S.C. \$242 (originally Section 2 of the Civil Rights Act of 1866, later Section 5510 of the Revised Statutes (1873), as amended in 1909, 35 Stat. 1092 by adding the word "wilfully") providing criminal sanctions against the deprivation of constitutional rights, privileges, and immunities under color of state lav. See United States v. Williams, 1951, 341 U.S. 70, 71 S.Ct. 581, 95 L.Ed. 758 restricting Section 241 to those cases in which the right allegedly violated is an incident to national citizenslip. See also Screws v. United States, 1945, 325 U.S. 91, 65 S.Ct. 1031, 89 L.Ed. 1495 construing Section 242 as requiring specific intent to deprive a person of the right made specific by the Constitution or laws of the United States. Sections 241 and 242 are now before the Supreme Court again. United States v. Price, . Nos. 59, 60, October Term, 1965; United States v. Quest, No. 65, October "erm, 1965.
- 13. See Civil Rights Cases, 1883, 109 U.S. 3, 3 S.Ct. 18, 27 L.Ed. 835; United States v. Reese, 1876, 92 U.S. 214, 23 L.Ed. 478.
- 14. Hence the compromise affecting jury trials in the 1957 Act: criminal contempt cases arising under the act may be tried by district courts without juries, except where a person convicted is fined more than \$300 or imprisoned for more than 6 months. 71 Stal. 638 (1957), 42 U.S.C. 1995.
- 15. President Truman's Committee on Civil Rights submitted equally broad recommendations. See Report, To Secure These Rights, 151-161 (1947).
- 16. In a hearing before the House Sudiciary Committee on the Civil Rights Bill, Attorney General Herbert Brownell explicitly explained the purposes and scope of the proposed amendments to Section 1971 of Title 42:

"The most obvious one of these defects in the law is that it does not protect the voters in Federal elections from unlawful indeption on with their voting rights by private persons—in other words, 1971 applies only to those who can indicate color of law!

other civil relief in any case covered by the statute.

"And third, an express provision that all State administrative and judicial memedies need not be first exhausted before resons to the Federal courts." [Hearings before Subcommittee No. 5 of the Committee on the Judiciany, 85th Cong. 1st Sess., p. 570 (1957)]

17. Section 1971(a) derived from the Civil Rights Act of 1870, defined voting rights as follows:

"(a) All citizens of the United States who are otherwise qualified by law to vote at any election by the people in any State, Territory, district, county, city, parish, township, school district, municipality, or other territorial subdividien, shall be entitled and allowed to vote at all such elections, without distinction of race, color, or previous condition of servitude; any constitution, law, custom, usage, or regulation of any State or Decritory, or by or under its authority, to the company netwithstanding".

- 13. See Section III, B, (1), (b) of opinion.
- 19. See Key, Southern Politics 555(1949); Civil Rights Commission Faport 133-38(1961).
- 20. In a note, <u>Beatty</u>, Private Economic Coercion and the Civil Rights Act of 1957, 71 Yale L. Jour. 536, 543(1962), the author points out:

"The Circuit Court's construction of the 1957 act to apply to economic coercion in general and to economic coercion involving contract and property rights in particular seems correct. In requesting legislation to protect voting rights. Frankent Zisenhower noted: 'It is disturbing that in some localities allegations persist that Negro citizans are being deprived of their right to vote and are likewise being subjected to unwarranted economic prossures. ' Senator Douglas, a sponsor of the bill, assembed that the legislation was directed at denials of woking rights 'by economic pressure' as well as by other means. And Representative Celler, a House sponson, indicated that if 'the milk dealer, the coal dealer, the butcher, the baker and the candlestick maker . . . agree . . . to boycott' persons who try to vote, the agreement would violate The proposed law. "

21. The Attorney General brought a similar suit to enjoin "intimidation, threat, and coercion" in Tayatte County. United States v. Atkinson, et als, Civ.Ac. 4121, 6 P. Tall. L. Dep. 200(1962). See Mendelson, Discrimination (Prop. 1011 102) 21. And see United States v. Ellis, W.D.S.C. 1942, 43 F. Stop. 101, 324.

22. The Sixth Circuit said:

"If sharecropper-tenants in possession of real estate under contract are threatened, intimidated or coerced by the landlords for the purpose of interfering with their rights of franchise, containly the fact that the operation relates to land or contracts would furnish no excuse or defense to the landlord for violating the law." 288 F. 2d 653, 656.

23. Judge Tuttle added:

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"Thus, although the defendants here may have had an almost restricted right to invoke the Alabama trespass law to keep all persons from entering upon their property after warning, in the exercise of a desire to exercise exclusive ownership and proprietary interest in their property, andy could not legally invoke the right of excluding Lonnie Brown, who had previously been given free access to the property, as a threat or means of coercion for the surpose of interfering with his lighth-or the right of others whom he represented in exercising their right to register and vote."

24. The Supreme Court has affirmed the constitutionality of various provisions of the 1957 Act on other grounds than those at issue here. United States v. Thomas, 1960, 362 U.S. 58, 80 S.Ct. 612, 4 L.Ed. 2d 535; United States v. Raines, 1960, 362 U.S. 17, 80 S.Ct. 519, 4 ..Ed. 2d 524; Hannah v. Larche, 1960, 363 U.S. 420, 80 S.Ct. 1502, 4 L.Ed. 2d 1307.

23. Although a statute that is "necessary and proper" legislation to carry out the power of Congress to regulate elections for federal office may also be "appropriate legislation" to "enforce" the provisions of the 15th, 14th, and 13th amendments. The predecessor of Station 1971(a) withstood attack on constitutional grounds. In re Engle, 8 Fed. Cas.C.C.D.Md. 1877, 716, No. 4,488. It was held to be a valid exercise of congressional power under the 15th Amendment. Chapman v. King, 5 Cir. 1946, 154 F. 2d 460, cert.denied, 327 U.S. 800; Kellogg v. Warmouth, C.C.D.La. 1872, 14 Fed.Cas. 257, No. 7,667.

The Voting Rights Act of 1965 rests, in part, on Section 2 of the 15th Amendment.

26. "An abundance of judicial dicts and holdings in analogous situations make clear that the federal power to regulate elections extends equally to the registration process. Any matter affecting the character or choice of the federal electorate is so integrally related to the election ultimately held as to come within the 'holding' of the election under article I, section 4." Van Alstyne, Anti-literacy Test Legislation, 61 Mich. L. Rev. 805, 815(1963).

28. Commant, Federal Civil Action Amainst Private Individuals for Crimes Involving Civil Rights, 7- Unite L. Jour. 1462, 1470(1965). And see Maggs and Wallace, Congress and Literacy Tests, 27 Duke L. & Cont. Prob. 510, 517-521(1963).

29. In that case Hardy, a Negro resident of Tennessee, a member of the "student Non-Violent Coordination for thitse", was in Walthall County, Mississippi for the purpose of county sing Negroes of that county to register and vote. Hardy engage I in an argument with the registrar. The registrar ordered him to leave the office. As he got to the door, the registrar struck him on the back of the head with a revolver. Hardy was arrested and changed with a breach of the peace. The Court hurdled (1) the fact that Mandy was not eligible to register and therefore his right to vote was not interfered with; (2) the appeal was from a denial of a request for a temporary restraining order, generally an unappealable order under 28 U.S.C. 1291, 1292; (3) the prosecution was a state criminal court proceeding, protected by the doctrine of comity and Section 2283 severely restricting federal injunctions of state proceedings.

30. The Court finds that on the admissions and on the evidence adduced at the hearing, a preliminary injunction should not issue against Charles Ray Williams, Louis Explowhite, and Willis Blackwell. The Court does not enter a judgment of dismissal as to these defendants, because the United States expressly received the right to introduce additional evidence at the hearing for permanent relief, as to these and other defendants. At the time of the hearing, Blackwell had not been correctly served. We find that Tames Ellis, Sidney August Warner, and Albert Applewhite are members of the klan-ACCA or were members until recently, and therefore should be enjoined. The request for dismissal of the action as to these named defendants and their request for attorneys fees are denied.

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Obstruction Court Order."

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NOTE: Based upon the results of FBI investigation, the Department of Justice filed civil suit against the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, the Anti-Communist Christian Association, and 38 individuals in an around Bogalusa, La., including top leaders of the Original Knights of the KKK.

The suit sought injunctive relief to prevent the defendants from interfering with persons seeking to exercise Constitutional rights.

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On 12/1/65, a three-judge Federal court issued an opinion in this matter to the effect that the defendants have adopted a pattern and practice of intimidating, threatening and coercing Negro citizens in Washington Parish for the purpose of interfering with the civil rights of Negro citizens. In view of the fact that this matter is being included in the Director's budget message, New Orleans is being instructed to follow this matter very closely.

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COURT AND FROM INTERFERING WITH THE CIVIL RIGHTS OF NEGRO CITIZENS IN WASHINGTON PARISH. COURT SPECIFICALLY STATED THESE RIGHTS INCLUDED:

- 1. THE RIGHT TO THE EQUAL USE AND ENJOYMENT OF PUBLIC FACILITIES, GUARANTEED BY THE FOURTEENTH AMENDMENT.
- 2. THE RIGHT TO THE EQUAL USE AND ENJOYMENT OF PUBLIC ASSOMMODATIONS, GUARANTEED BY THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT, FOUR TWO USC TWO ZERO ZERO ZERO A.
- 3. THE RIGHT TO REGISTER TO VOTE AND TO VOTE IN
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- 4. THE RIGHT TO EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES,

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- 1. ASSAULTING, THREATENING, AND HARASSING NEGROES
 WHO SEEK TO EXERCISE ANY OF THEIR CIVIL RIGHTS,
 AND ASSAULTING, THREATENING AND HARASSING PERSONS
 WHO URGE THAT NEGROES SHOULD EXERCISE OR BE ACCORDED
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- 2. COMMITTING, THREATENING TO COMMIT, AND URGING OTHERS TO COMMIT ACTS OF ECONOMIC RETALIATION AGAINST NEGROES WHO SEEK TO EXERCISE THESE RIGHTS, AND AGAINST ANY PERSONS WHO URGE THAT NEGROES SHOULD EXERCISE OR BE ACCORDED THESE RIGHTS, OR WHO PERMIT OPEN, FREE AND PUBLIC DISCUSSION ON THE ISSUE.
- 3. THREATENING AND INTIMIDATING PUBLIC OFFICIALS
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UNITED STATES VERSUS ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

The United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana on December 22, 1965, handed down a preliminary injunction enjoining the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK), Anti-Communist Christian Association (ACCA) and other defendants from assaulting, threatening, harassing, interfering with or intimidating, or attempting to assault, etc., any Negro in the exercise of his right to the equal use and enjoyment of public facilities and places of public accommodation, of his right to vote free from racial discrimination, or his right to equal employment opportunity.

The Court enjoined defendants from injuring, etc., any official or employee of the City of Bogalusa or Washington Parish on account of employee having accorded Negroes equal treatment. The Court also enjoined defendants from physically assaulting or beating any Civil Rights demonstrators or inflicting upon any person harassment or intimidation which prevents or discourages Civil Rights demonstrators right to picket, assemble peaceably or advocate equal Civil Rights for Negroes.

The Court ordered the OKKKK, ACCA and all unit or group leaders during the time of injunction to maintain membership records and to post conspicuously at all meeting places of said organizations a copy of the Court Decree; the Decree is to be posted at all times and during all meetings. Defendants are to file with the Clerk of Court fifteen days from the date of the Decree a report that postings have been made; thereafter, defendants should file report on or before the fifteenth of each month stating that the Decrees are posted and have been continuously posted since the date of the last reporting period. The Court ordered the United States Marshal to serve copies of the Decree upon each defendant.

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APPENDIX

ANTI-COMMUNIST CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION (ACCA),
ALSO KNOWN AS
ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (OKKKK)

In February, 1965, ACCA filed Articles of Incorporation with the Secretary of State's Office in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

A hearing was held in the United States District Court, Eastern District of Louisiana, New Orleans, during the week of September 11, 1965, wherein the ACCA and various individuals were held to answer a Justice Department petition seeking a temporary injunction against interference with the activities of civil rights workers in the Bogalusa, Louisiana, area.

Charles H. Christmas of Amite, Louisiana, identified as the Grand Dragon of this organization, told the court that the Klan went out of existence four months previously and was succeeded by the ACCA. In reorganizing, ACCA retained as its officers the existing Klan officers, bylaws, and basic organization, according to Christmas. He further told the court that the ACCA membership was restricted to the Sixth Congressional District of Louisiana. Every oath in the ACCA was the same as that of the Klan, and the meeting places were often the same.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Plaintiff,)	
vs)	CIVIL ACTION NO. 15793
ORIGINAL KNICKYS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, et al.,)	
Defendants.)	

PRELIMIKARY INJUNCTION

Pursuant to the Opinion, the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law entered in this cause, it is the ORDER, JUDGMENT and DEGREE of this Court that:

- 1. The defendants Original Knights of the Ku Klum Mich, AntiCommunist Christian Association, Charles Christmas, Saxon Former, Russell
 Magee, Dewey Smith, Virgil Corkern, Albert Applewhite, E. C. (Usek) Dixon,
 Delos Williams, Hardie Adrian Goings, Jr., Esley Freeman, Anthor Hay
 Applewhite, James A. Hollingsworth, Jr., James A. Hollingsworth, Sr.,
 Rendle C. Pounds, Ray Risner, Billy Alford, Rawlin Williamson, Lautimore
 McNeese, Ira Dunaway, Doyle Tymes, Franklin Harris, Charles McClendon,
 James D. Terrell, Delton Graves, Milton Earl Parker, Van Day, Mervin Taylor,
 J. D. Jones, Richard-E.—Krabs, Michael R. Holden, James (Jimmie) Burke,
 Albert Simmons, Jr., Noel Ball, Jr., their agents, employees, officers,
 members, successors, and all those in active concert or participation
 with them be preliminarily enjoined from:
- (a) Assaulting, threatening, harassing, interfering with or intimidating, or attempting to assault, threaten, harass, interfere with or intimidate any Negro in the exercise of his right to the equal use and enjoyment of public facilities and places of public accommodation, of the exercise of his right to vote free from racial discrimination, or of his right to equal exployment opportunity; or assaulting, harassing, interfering with, or intimidating, any other person for the purpose of discouraging Negro citizens from exercising such rights;

having accorded or sour to accord Negroes equal treatme in the use of public facilities in WE lington Parish;

- (c) Injuring, oppressing, threatening or intimidating any businessman, proprietor or other person having accorded or sought to accord Negroes equal treatment in the use and enjoyment of any restaurant, theatre, hotel, motel or other place of public accommodation, or in employment;
- (d) Physically assaulting or beating any civil rights demonstrators or inflicting upon any person harassment or intimidation which prevents or discourages or is intented to prevent or discourage his exercise of his right to picket, assemble passeably or advocate equal civil rights for Regroes, or otherwise interfere with the duty of the city and its officials under this Court's order of July 10, 1965, in the case of Hisks v. Knight.
- 2. The defendant Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Anti-Communist Christian Association, Charles Christmas, Saxon Farner and all unit or group heads of said organization shall during the pendency of this action maintain membership records.
- 3. Defendants Original Knights of the Ku Klum Man, Anti-Communist Christian Association, Charles Christmas, and Saxon Farmer shall during the pendency of this action post conspicuously at all meeting places of said organizations a copy of this Court's decree. Said decree shall be posted at all times and during all meetings. Said defendants shall file with the clerk of this court, 15 days from the date of this decree, a report, with a copy to the plaintiff, that postings required by this paragraph have been made, and thereafter said defendants shall file such report on or before the 15th day of each month during the pendency of this action stating that the decrees are posted in accordance with this paragraph and have been continuously posted since the date of the last reporting period.

It is further Ordered that the United States Marshal or Deputy

Marshal for this District serve a true copy of this decree upon each of

the defendants enjoined by this decree, upon Louis Applicabite, James M.

Ellis, Sidney August Warner, and upon each of the persons listed in Attachment B

attached to this decree.

This Cou retains jurisdiction of this c to grant such additional relief as may be required and grants costs and disbursements of this action against the defendant organizations and individual defendants enjoined, for which execution may issue.

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There is on file at

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DETAILS:

Characterizations of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, hereinafter referred to as the OKKKK and the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, hereinafter referred to as the UKA, mentioned in the details of this report are set forth in the appendix section of this report.

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B. CHARTER INFORMATION

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On April 1, 1965, Corporations Division, State of Louisiana, Office of the Secretary of State at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, informed that a check of the records of her agency contain no information identifiable with any organizations known as the CATCINHAL ENGIGETS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN; the ORIGINAL KU KLUX KLAN REALM OF LOUISIANA, or the CHRISTIAN CONSTITUTIONAL CRUSADERS.

informed that records of her agency do contain on rile a charter for an organization known as the Original Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., and she furnished a copy of this charter.

A copy of this charter furnished by is set forth on the attached pages.

January , 1965, before me, the undersigned Notary Public in and for said Parish and State, and in the presence of the two under signed witnesses, personally came and appeared the several persons whose names are horeunto subscribed, who severally declared and acknow ledged that availing themselves of the benefits and provisions of the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana relative to the organization of corporations and particularly of non-profit corporation as provided by Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, Title 12:101 - 12:115, they have united and by these presents organized themselves, their successors and assigns to form a non-trading corporation for the objects and purposes and under the covenants, stipulations, and agreements in accordance with the following Articles of Incorporation, to-w:

ARTICLE I

The name of this corporation shall be:
ORIGINAL KU KLUX KLAN OF MMERICA. INC.

ARTICLE II

The objects and purposes of this organization shall bea

To foster and promote the tenets of Christianity;

To preserve, protect and defond the Constitution of the United States against all enemies whomever, both Foreign and Domestic; $h = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}$

To teach and practice pure Patriotic Americanism;

To preserve public peace and good order; to maintain Justice under the Law and to protect the weak, the innocent and the defenseloss from the indignities, wrongs and outrages of the lawless, and from all impositions and oppressions whatsoever;

To relieve the injured and the oppressed; to succor the suffering and, especially to aid and confort those, and the widows and orphans of those, who may suffer and fall in our cause; and

To promote true responsible manhood, loyal fraternity or brotherhood, and generous mutual cooperation and assistance among ourselves; to further happiness among our people by constantly practicing and teaching our children to practice all of these objects and purposes.

To buy, il, lease, mortgage, noted town land upon which to erect buildings and other appropriate struct is in which to preach and ach and foster the above objects and purposes; and generally to do and perform any and all other business incidental to or necessary to properly carry on the business of said corporation.

ARTICLE III

This corporation is a non-profit corporation,

ARTICLE IV

This corporation is organized on a non stock basis.

ARTICLE V.

The term for which this corporation is to exist is ninety-nine (99) years from this date.

ARTICLE VI

The domicile of this corporation is declared to be 112 Texas Avenue, Monroe, Louisiana; the location of its registered office is declared to be 112 Texas Avenue, Monroe, Louisiana, and the Post Office Address of its registered office is declared to be 112 Texas Avenue, Monroe, Louisiana.

ARTICLE VII

The following persons, residents of Quachita Parish,
Louisiana, shall be the registered agents of this corporation upon
either of whom legal process or other notice or demands required or per
mitted by law to be made on this corporation, may be served, Post offic
addresses of each of them being as set out below, to-wit:

Houston P. Morris 112 Texas Avenue Monroe, Louisiana

Jack Saucier 809 South 8th Street Monroe, Louisiana

ARTICLE VIII

The full names and Post Office Addresses of the Incorporators

Houston P. Morris 112 Texas Avenue Monroe, Louisiana

Jack Saucier

ARTICLE IX

All of the corporate powers of this corporation and the management of its affairs shall be administered and exercised by a Board of Directors consisting of a president, vice president and a secretary-treasurer.

ARTICLE X

The officers of this corporation shall be as described in the above and foregoing article. They shall be elected annually by the entiremembership of Original Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., on the second day of July of each year and shall serve until their successors are elected and qualified. The said officers to be elected shall constitute the Board of Directors of this corporation. The majority shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The said officers shall have the power and authority which usually belongs to their respective offices. The following shall constitute the first officers:

George Bonner.....Vice President 1511 Alabama Street Monroe, Louisiana

ARTICLE XI

This corporation shall have the capacity to act possessed by natural persons and shall have authority to perform those acts which are necessary and proper to accomplish the purposes expressed or implied in these articles or that may be incidental thereto, and shall have all the power, authority, and capacity of a non-profit corporation as provided for by Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, Tithe 12:101 - 12:155. Without limiting said general powers, this corporation shall have power and authority to receive, hold and administor; property in trust as provided by law, to make, amend, and repeal rules and

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ARTICLE XII

This corporation owns personal property rights and credits of a substantial value; however, no paid in capital is declared.

ARTICLE XIII

This corporation and body politic shall be constituted and composed of all members in good standing now or hereafter of the Origina Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc. The qualifications of the members of this corporation will be determined on an individual basis upon application of any person for membership. There will be only one class of membership, to-wit: Hereby designated to be, ORDINARY MEMBERSHIP. Each member will be possessed of one (1) vote for the purpose of electing officers for the Board of Directors of this corporation at any annual or special meeting called for that purpose. No membership shall be transferable by assignment, sale or inheritance.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF said Incorporators have bereunto signed their names at Monroe, Louisiana, in the presence of

PIFTY REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD BE A MEMBER OF THE ORIGINAL KU KLUX KLAN. Dy

1-Because the Klan is a great, legal American Institution of Americas. 2-Because it is the only organization on earth where only native-born, White, Centile American citizens a 3-Because it is a militant Christian organization, opposed to all forms of Atheims. 4-Because it throws its strong arm of protection around your family in your absence. 5-Because it believes in and fights for White Supremacy. 6-Because it saved the South twice, and will save it again and again. 7-Because it is composed of HE men and not ally dilly humans. 8-Because it is founded deep in the tenets of the Christian religion. 9-Because it is an open supporter of the Constitution.
10-Because it is the ONE organization fighting for repeal of the Segregation ruling by the Segregation Court of the United State 11-Because it believes in and fights for sinte sovereignty. 12-Because it is neither Democratic or Republican, politically, but ALWAYS AMERICAN. 13-Because it fights for the glory of the flag and for the rights of free man. 14-Because it believes in law and order and good government. 15-Because it exalts principle above men. 16-Because it stands for segregated schools, NOW and ALWAYS! 17-Because it is opposed to intermarriages between niggers and White people. Several states have already legalized such marriages, and more are to follow. 18-Because it believes that the White race is God's race through which He wants to maintain a just civilization. 19-Because it believes the Bible doctrine of the separation of the races. Because it believes that Judiaism is not the religion of the Bible, but that it is a set of principles for the purpose of Christless Jew beyond the White races. 21-Because it has an effective program against Socialism and Communism. 22-Because it believes the highest type of citizenship is Christian chizenship. 23-Because it believes all Constitutional changes are to be made by Congress alone. 24-Because it believes in getting the United States out of the United Nations. 25-Because it believes that every preacher holding a congregation but who teach integration should retire from his pulpit, either willingly or be forced out. 28-Because it is opposed to forcing defenseless children to have nieger playmetes. 27-Because it believes in free speech and free press, as opposed further to a police state. 28-Beause we believe it to be the most effective way to fight all forms of subversion. 29-Because we oppose niggers teaching White children in public schools, which they will do in all integrated schools before long. 30-Because it is the most effective way to fight organized crime in a community. 31-Because it teaches men should love their own wives and let the other fellows alone. 32-Because it is opposed to Load Sharks charging an unlawful rate of interest to the poor people. 33...Because it believes in trials by jury. 34—Because it does not endorse either the Republican or Democratic parties politically as such, but does support candidates in both parties when said candidates stand for a 100% Americanism. 35-Because it believes that if integration is to be considered, that the issue should be submitted to the American voter for their decision Because it teaches that every school teacher in our public schools should be retired who believes in and teaches integration of the black and White races. 37-Because it stands for the disenfranchisement of all foreigners who have not been in America for the same length of time required ou own boys and girls to reach legal voting age. 38-Because it stands for segregation on immates in penal institutions, especially the juveniles. 39-Because it opposes free Communist literature being sent through the United States mail to Americans. 40-Because it is unalterably opposed to the Zionist Jew program. 41-Because it is opposed to the Anti-Defamation league in all respects. 42-Because it knows the United Nations Charter has insurped the Constitution of these United States, and we are trying to get the Unite States out of the UN. 43-Because it was here YESTERDAY, and is here TODAY, and will be here FOREVER. 44-Because it stands against UNESCO in its attempt to rewrite our American history. 45-Because it is opposed to a police state which sobs the individual of his rights. Donature it does not believe that education is THE remedy for our political file. 47-Because it is opposed to any government professing to be friendly to America, while at the same time trading with any commun dominated country. 48-Because it is opposed to taxation without representation. -Because it is opposed to the moome tax laws as presently existing.

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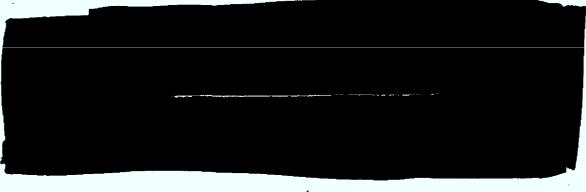
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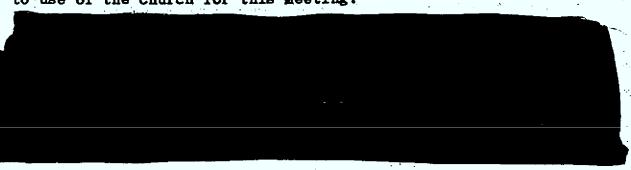
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There appeared in the "New Orleans Times Picayune" newspaper on December 27, 1964, an article which revealed that BROOKS S. HAYS, a former Congressman from the State of Arkansas, and a prominent Baptist churchman and leader had been invited to speak at Bogalusa on January 7, 1965, at St. Matthews Episcopal Church. This article indicated that Mr. HAYS had been invited to speak to Mailigfous ouprefectionable, civic and business leaders and Mr. HAYS was expected to discuss areas of special interest to local, parish, and civic groups with reference to community development.

There appeared an article on page 14A of the December 31, 1964, issue of the "Morning Advocate", a daily newspaper published at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, which was captioned "Opposition Rises to HAYS' Talk in Bogalusa". This article relates in part that hundreds of circulars had appeared in the Bogalusa area in opposition to an integrated meeting which was scheduled to be held on January 7, 1965, at St. Matthews Episcopal Church, at which former Arkansas Congressman BROOKS HAYS has been announced as the speaker. This article further related that the Church Vestry had voted to express opposition to use of the Church for this meeting.



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1350 Re Bureau airtel, 2/24/65; New Orleans radiogram. 3/30/65, and Bureau radiogram, 3/31/65,

Enclosed for the Bureau are seven (7) copies of dated April 6, 1965, the report of SA at New Orleans.

The Buded of March 31, 1965 was not met in submission of enclosed report for the following ressons:

Subsequent to referenced Bureau mirtal agent to whom captioned matter is assigned was, during this same period, engaged in preparation of organizations? reports on activities in Louisiana of the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Bufile 105-370, Sev Orleans file 105-687; National Enights of the Ka Kie Elan, Bufile 157-168, New Orleans file 157-188; Minuteme: New Orleans file 62-3395. Agent during this same period was also assisting in interviews of klansmen in connection with Greenbombs, New Orleans file 174-22,

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It is noted that the Bureau ducaline of March 31, 1945, was not not in the submission of referenced report. The Bureau realizes that the New Orleans Office has a nevere personnel consituent regarding the recial situation in Regaluse, Legisland as well as other racial matters being handled by your effice. Moneyer, you are reminded of the mood of maeting your responsibil in observing Bureau deadlines and should arrange the assignment work in your division to insure that Bureau dendlines are set.

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Reference Bulet dated 11-9-64, which advised that the Department had not reached a decision on the above-captioned ms and that New Orleans would be informed when a decision was received from the Department.

The Department has now furnished an opinion that the circular which was distributed in the City of Bogalusa, Louisia does not comtitute a Federal violation.

This circular identifies the publisher as a Klan organization and, according to the Department, constitutes a Klan attack against the "Bogalusa Daily News" rather than an attack against any Federal candidate.

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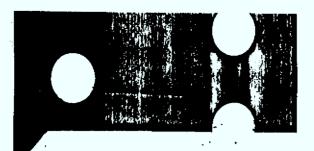
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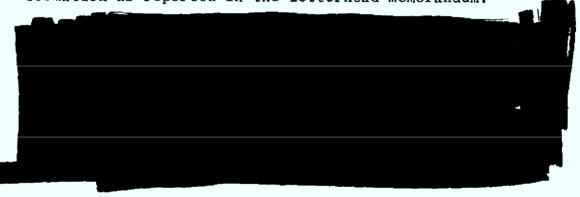
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Re New Orleans airtel to Director 4/23/65, 105-7/80/-37 enclosing letterhead memorandum reporting that at a

Offices receiving referenced letterhead memorandum were requested to contact logical informants to verify information.

The informants listed below were contacted as indicated and advised they had never received any information as reported in the letterhead memorandum.



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> The New Orleans Office will not attempt to submit a non-prosecutive summary report in this case until such time as the name of the subject can be verified and investigation instituted to ascertain information needed for such reports.

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IN VIEW OF DEMONSTRATIONS IN BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA, POSSIBILITY EXISTS DEPARTMENT MAY REQUEST IDENTITIES OF ELANSMEN IN THAT AREA, PARTICULARLY THOSE MOST ACTIVE AND WITH PROPERSITY FOR VIOLENCE. NEW CRLEAMS REQUESTED TO PREPARE LISTING OF ELANSMEN IN THE FIVE ELAN UNITS OF THE BOGALUSA ELAN, WITH IDENTIFYING DATA, AND FURNISH TO THE BUREAU IN LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM. HANDLE EXPEDITIOUSLY.

NOTE:

At 4:45 P.M. 7/13/65 Civil Rights Unit, Department, advised that Assistant Attorney General John Doar was considering having a complaint drawn for a possible injunction against Klansmen in Bogalusa Klan. Stated that he was not making a formal request for a listing from the FBI, but indicated that such a request might be forthcoming. In view of possibility, New Orleans being requested to prepare listing.

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight copies and for the other offices receiving this communication, two copies of a self-explanatory LHM.

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Offices receiving enclosed LHM should insure that its contents are brought to the attention of all personnel who may have occasion to contact members of the Klan.

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IN VIEW OF THE INTEREST OF AAG JOHN DOAR, CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION, WHO IS PRESENTLY IN BOGALUSA, IN KLAN MATTERS IN CONNECTION WITH PROPOSED INJUNCTION AGAINST KLAN INDIVIDUALS, ONE COPY OF THIS REPORT WILL BE DISSEMINATED TO AAG JOHN DOAR UPON APPROVAL BY THE BUREAU.

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Rerep covers activities of captioned organization for the period 3-2-65 to 7-6-65 and contains information re Klan activities in Bogalusa. New Orleans tel requested approval to furnish copy to Doar in view of Doar's presence and interest in Klan activitie in connection with an injunction against Klan individuals. Repor disseminated to Department, Secret Service and military intellige agencies at Bureau and New Orleans has disseminated locally to Secret Service and military intelligence agencies. Teletype sent as next radio contact is not until 3 p.m., 7-22-65. SOLITOR HEALT

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One copy of this report is being furnished to the Jackson Office for information inasmuch as information contained in this report relates to Klan activity in Washington Parish, Louisiana, which parish is bounded by the state of Mississippi.

Additional copies are being furnished to ONI, OSI, ICG, and Secret Service in view of their interest in Klan activities.

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DETAILS:

A characterization of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, hereinafter referred to as the OKKKK, mentioned in the details of this report, is set forth in the appendix section of this report.

Information contained in this report relates to the activities of the OKKKK, also known as the Anti-Communist Christian Association (ACCA), in Washington Parish, Louisiana.

As previously reported, this group is one of three factions within the OKKKK which split from the state organization in the Fall of 1964/ This group is located in Louisiana Sixth Congressional District and is headed by CHARLES CHRISTMAS of Amite, Louisiana, who holds the position of Grand Dragon; and SAXON FARMER of Bogalusa, Louisiana, who holds the position of Grand Titan.

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On June 25, 1965, Corporate Records Division, Secretary of State's Office, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, made available the file and charter on the ACCA which contains the following information:

The following persons were listed as directors and incorporators of this organization: DICKTON

W. J. WILLIAMS, Varnado, Louisiana

SAXON FARMER, Bogalusa, Louisiana

LOYD JOINER, Ponchatoula, Louisiana

Registered agents are listed as SAXON FARMER and ROBERT T RESTER, both of Bogalusa, Louisiana. The charter was filed on February 15, 1965, and the address of the organization is listed as 315 East 5th Street, Bogalusa, Louisiana. There was no further information contained in the charter.

It is to be noted that the address of 315 East 5th Street, Bogalusa, Louisiana, is the business address of Quality Enterprises, Inc., which is the business firm owned and operated by SAXON FARMER.

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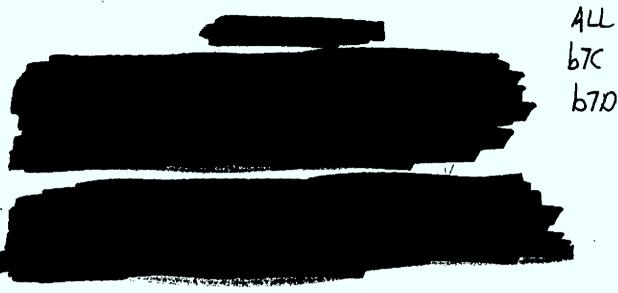
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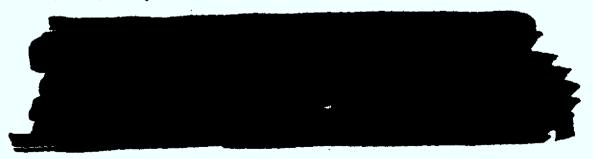
Cassidy Park

On May 19, 1965, approximately 75 Negroes, mostly teenagers, entered Cassidy Park, Bogalusa, Louisiana. This park is city owned and according to a recent statement of Mayor JESSE H. CURRER was opened to all individuals.

Subsequently, these Negroes were attacked by a group of 15 to 20 white men and fights erupted in the park and the Negroes left.

Information subsequently received was that Negroes would again attempt to test Cassidy Park on May 20, 1965.

Special Agents of the FBI observed on the afternoon of May 20, 1965, a build-up of a large group of white males in the vicinity of the National Guard Armory at Bogalusa as well as at Cassidy Park.



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There appeared an article in the March 20, 1965, issue of the New Orleans "Times Picayune", a daily newspaper, published at New Orleans, Louisiana, on page 18, captioned "Sponsors Face Pressure Claim". This article relates in part that according to RALPH BLUMBERG, the owner of radio station WBOX, Bogalusa, a program inspired by the Klab has reduced the normal 70 to 75 sponsors, who use his station to advertise, to 6.



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CHRISTIAN EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION

The Christian Educational Association of 530 Chestnut Street, Union, New Jersey, is the publisher of "Common Sense," a tabloid-size newspaper, published twice monthly except during July and August. Current issues of this paper identify the editor as Conde McGinley and the publisher as the Christian Educational Association.

On December 17, 1954, the Committee on Un-American Activities of the United States House of Representatives published a "preliminary Report on Neo-Fascist and Hate Groups" in which their growth and objectives are discussed at length. The report indicates that "Common Sense" has a circulation which fluctuates between 30,000 and 100,000 copies an issue. It describes "Common Sense" as a "hate sheet" vehicle which publishes "some of the most vitriolic hate propaganda ever to come to the attention of the Committee."

According to the report, "Common Sense" depites Communism as Judaism and devotes its pages almost entirely to attacks on the Jewish and to a lesser extent, the Negro minorities in the United States. Sympathy for the former Nazi government in Germany is also shown in the paper.

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"racial activity in the Bogalusa and Franklinton area, and who were present on the following occasions:

- a) In Franklinton, Louisiana, on 7/13/65 when Negroes applied to register to vote.
- b) In Cassidy Park on 5/19 and 20/65 on the occasion when Negroes were present and a photographer was beaten (this information has been previously requested).
- c) At the Virginia Inn and Big R Restaurants when Negroes 'tested' these establishments on 4/7/65 (see your letterhead memo relating

The names of persons involved, a brief description of the event and any police action taken with respect to any acts of interference by white persons with Negro marches, demonstrations, or picketing since 7/9/65."

Pursuant to Bureau instruction a copy of this LAM is being made available to Departmental Attorney at Bogalusa.

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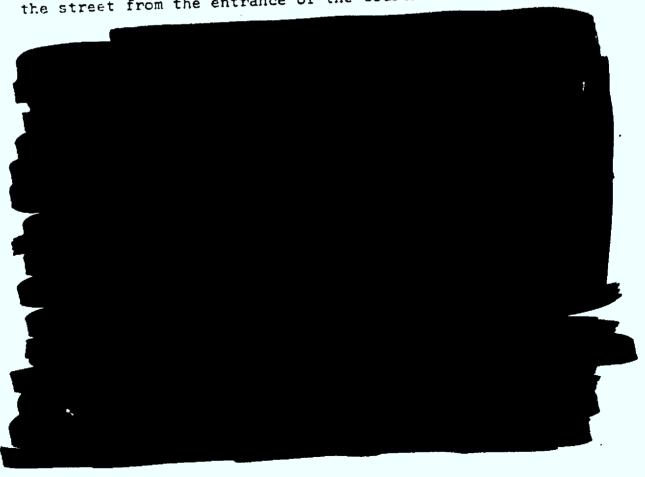
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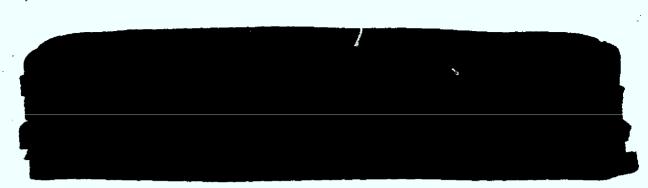
On July 13, 1965, during the period from approximately 10:00 a.m., to 1:15 p.m., observation of the Courthouse Square at Franklinton, Louisiana, was made by Special Agents

Small groups of three to six white males were observed in the areas of the Courthouse Square and across the street from the entrance of the Courthouse.



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Approximately fifteen Negroes entered the Courthouse at about noon and proceeded to the Registrar of Voters' Office on the second floor of the Courthouse. These Negroes left the Courthouse at approximately 1:02 p.m., after being served by the Registrar's Office.

The Negroes were observed to leave the Courthouse area in automobiles with escort by Louisiana State Police officers.

No apparent efforts were made by any of the groups of white individuals to prevent the Negroes from entering the Courthouse or to jam the registration line.

In addition to Franklinton City Police and Deputies of Washington Parish Sheriff's Office, approximately fifteen Louisiana State Police officers were in the Courthouse area during the time the Negroes were registering to vote.

A confidential source, with whom insufficient contact has been had to determine reliability, advised on

IDENTITIES OF KNOWN KLANSMEN AND OTHER WHITE PERSONS WHO WERE KNOWN TO BE PRESENT IN CASSIDY PARK ON MAY 19 AND 20, 1965

On May 19, 1965, a group of Negroes under the auspices of the Bogalusa Voters League entered Cassidy City Park

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At 3:50 P. M. on May 20, 1965.

bearing 1964-65 Louisiana license with a white male driver and a german shepherd dog appeared at the park entrance. The driver, who was lidentified as by Special Agent by Special Agent Federal Bureau of Investigation, stated to Special Agent (A) ederal Bureau of Investigation, "Get my license number because I am going to turn my dog loose when they arrive."

Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation observed on the afternoon of May 20, 1965, a build-up of a large group of white males in the vicinity of the National Guard Armory, Bogalusa, as well as at Cassidy Park.

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On July 12, 1965, at 1:40 p.m., two white males were observed following the pickets from their picket line on Columbia Street toward the Negro section of Bogalusa. The white males began pushing the pickets and one was arrested by Louisiana State Police. He was later identified as

On July 12, 1965, at 2:05 p.m., Washington Parish Deputy took a revolver from the seat of an automobile driven by Negro male to be a reported that the had pushed the Negro female in order to get into the car to get the weapon. Agents observing advised that this was not the case and there was no pushing at all. The merely took the gun as he had been instructed.

On July 12, 1965, at 3:10 p.m., an unknown white female assaulted a cameraman who was accompanying the Negromarch. Also seen following the march at this time were

who had been in Bogalusa observing the Negro demonstrations. No arrests were made.

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On July 13, 1965, at 11:28 a.m., an unknown white male picket was allegedly struck by an unknown white male. At this particular time and in this particular area there were nine Louisiana State Police and four FBI Agents observing, none of whom saw any incident take place.

On July 13, 1965, at 11:38 a.m.

was observed by FBI Agents and Louisiana State Police
as he hit a white male picket,

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later arrested by the Bogalusa Police Department after having run through Rosenblum's Department Store in an attempt to avoid arrest.

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On July 13, 1965, at 11:42 a.m., a white female approximately 55 years old was observed trying to choke white female picket. The white female assailant was not arrested and refused to give her name to Louisiana State Police who questioned her, however, she did list as her address because City Directory reflects that is the address of one

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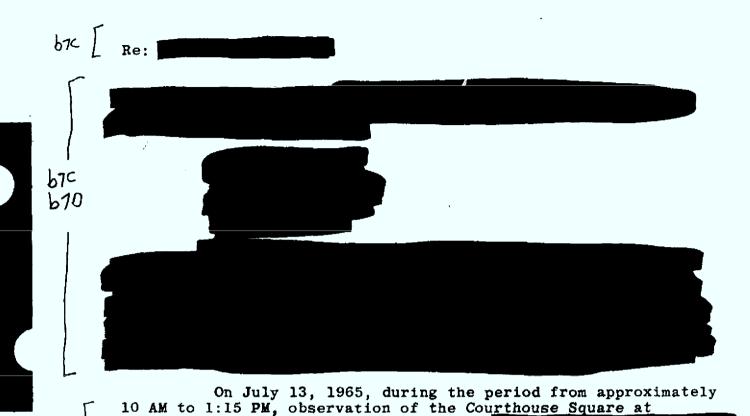
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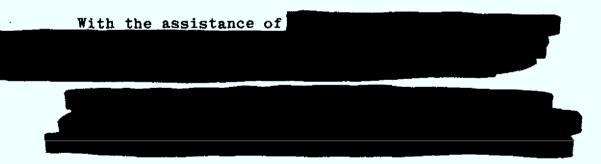


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On July 16, 1965, SA Report of the advised that he was walking from the Bogalusa City Hall toward the Pine Tree Plaza Shopping Center when he noted a gathering of people near the sidewalk in front of the La Plaza.

He saw a man, tall and slender in appearance, run toward the west side of the parking lot. As the man ran, he was arrested by several unidentified LSP officers.

The identity of the man was not known to SA from this distance.

parking lot of the Pine Tree Plaza Shopping Center on July 16, 1965. At approximately 2:56 p.m., LSP Troopers arrived at the scene and arrested one white male in front of the Winn-Dixie Store. LSP Troopers chased another white male in the parking lot. The second white male was caught and arrested. This second white male was observed striking a picket.

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Police Halt March by Negros in Bogalusa

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police to halt a Negro protest march. Police broke up
the fight, and later identified three Eogalusans—Rawlin Williamson, 36; Arbur
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On July 17, 1965, Special Agents

Bureau of Investigation, witnessed the following incident at the Pine Tree Plaza Shopping Center, Bogalusa, Louisiana:

At about 1:40 AM, varbus pickets were walking in front of stores in this shopping center. There were both Negro and white pickets present. At about 1:50 PM, two white male pickets were observed picketing on the sidewalk in front of Ray's Modern Barber Shop. Shortly thereafter, one of the barbers, who was subsequently identified as came out of the shop with a hose that was attached to a water supply within the shop. He proceeded to pour water on the sidewalk in front of the shop and remarked to some of the spectators near by that he needed to cleam up the sidewalk and referred to the pickets by use of such words as "slop," "trash," and "garbage". He began to turm the water on the two pickets and they were completely drenched.

hen obtained a bar of soap from someone inside the shop; and as the pickets passed, he began to rub soap on their arms and shoulders. He made further comments to the spectators such as "you pickets smell like 'niggers' and need a bath." Later also blocked the passage of the pickets and by pushing with his body, caused the pickets to step off the sidewalk onto the parking area. He was further heard to comment, "'Niggers' belong in the gutter."

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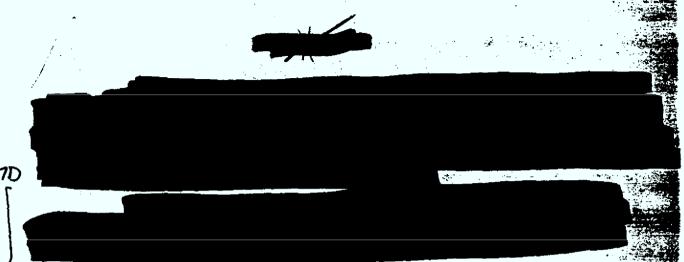
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Hall an individual by the mane of the forelusa City known for a number of years to be the time a yellow golf-type hat with a Small narrow brim. We had on a yellow T-shirt and a pair of khaki pants. We had on a yellow the area of the Pine Tree Plaza Shopping Center, which is approximately 200 yards east of the City Hall.

Within ten minutes of this time while in the Mayor's office in company with Chief of Police CLAXTON KNIGHT, a report came over the Louisiana State Police radio that there was a disturbance in the Pine Tree Plaza.

activities at that time. While standing in the Pine Tree Plaza. SA Regain noted the individual whom he knows as walking in front of Ray's Barbershop and the Brinful House. He was at this time wearing the same shirt and khaki pants, but no longer had the yellow golf-type hat.

pointed out to the reporting Agent and inquired as to whether his identity was known. SA informed Mr. ROSENBERG in the affirmative. At this point, EUSSESSES stated Mr. DOAR had seen this individual striking a picket in the picket line prior to the arrival of SA in the Pine Tree Plaza area.

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SIDNEY AUGUST WARNER, also known as Gussie Warner

On April 19, 1965, a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation observed Sidney "Gussie" Warner, an auxiliary police officer, in the downtown area of Bogalusa, Louisiana. Warner was observed wearing fatigue type blue clothing and had in his possession a silver pocket-pen type tear gas dispenser. Warner stated he also had such a tear gas dispenser for his wife.

On July 21, 1965, Mrs. D. E. McElveen, Sr., Bogalusa, Louisiana, Credit Bureau, furnished the following information from her records regarding Sidney August Warner:

Warner, whose wife's name is Marie, resides at Route 2, Box 305, Bogalusa, Louisiana. He has been on record at the Bogalusa Credit Bureau since 1953. Warner was formerly employed by Crown Zellerbach and is now an independent operator in the egg business. Warner owes a considerable amount of money to Dewitt D. Pittman for the purchase of farm equipment, but there is nothing detrimental in his credit report.

On July 21, 1965, Bob Gray, Consulting Engineer, Uniloy Corporation, Bogalusa, advised a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that Sidney August Warner had been employed as a construction worker by Uniloy since July 3, 1965. Uniloy is installing a television system in Bogalusa. He reported Warner was one of the best workers they had.

There is being submitted as enclosures to this memorandum copies of interview with Captain Dewey Norsworthy, relative to his observing Warner in the vicinity of Landry's Fine Foods at the time it was tested by a group of Negroes, as well as interviews with Warner on October 26, 1964 and March 29, 1965.

During the interview YATES made it known that he had possibly broken his right hand as a result of defending himself against this assault by these men. He also stated that he had been severely purrieled about the bead.

Reporting Agent noted that his right hand was badly spollen and that he had a scratch on the back of his hand and one on his third finger.

When the reporting Agent asked to examine YATES' head, he stated no that it would not be necessary, but that he would let the Agents look at his head at a later date in Baton Rouge, after he had been afforded medical treatment.

YATES advised that he did not inform Bogalusa authorities he was coming to Degalusa, as he felt it was none of their business. He advised he does not trust Bogalusa authorities, nor the Louisiana State Police.

Eo stated that he would contact the Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Office of the FBI on the next day and provide a written detailed statement of this incident. He stated that his prime concern at the time was to get away from Bogalusa.

The following descriptive information was obtained during the course of this interview:

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English Professor, Buffalo University and Cornell
University, New York City

RE: RANDLE COZELL POUNDS, also known as "Jelly" Pounds

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advised on June 23, 1965, that "JELLY" POUNDS is the coordinator of the klan units in the Bogalusa area.

On April 7, 1965, POUNDS allegedly attempted to assault CORE worker WILLIAM JOHN YATES while YATES was parked in the vicinity of the home of ROBERT HICKS, Bogalusa, Louisiana. POUNDS allegedly struck the automobile of YATES with a blackjack while YATES was within this automobile. YATES identified photographs of POUNDS as being identical with the person who attempted to assault him on the above date. Upon interview, POUNDS denied that he was involved in this incident. Pertinent interviews regarding this matter are included in this memorandum.

At approximately 9:30 AM, on April 9, 1965, POUNDS assaulted JAMES L. FARMER, Executive Director, CORE, at the intersection of Columbia Road and Third Street. FARMER, at the time, was leading a procession of approximately 420 civil rights marchers. POUNDS walked up to FARMER, grabbed him by the collar, and drew back his other hand in which he held a blackjack. Appropriate interviews with witnesses to this incident are included in this memorandum.

On July 19, 1965, at City Court of Bogalusa, POUNDS pleaded guilty to committing an assault with a dangerous weapon, to wit a blackjack, upon the person of JAMES FARMER and was fined \$25.00 and costs or 30 days in jail.

When interviewed January 11, 1965, and March 27, 1965, POUNDS denied being a member of the Ku Klux Klan. These interviews are included in this memorandum.

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On this date, the reporting agent was standing in mount of the First State Bank and Trust Company at Bogalusa, and the inversoction of Third Street and Columbia Streets, company a march of Civil Rights workers led by JAMES FARMER.

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At approximately 12 Noon, fifteen Negroes entered the Washington Parish Courthouse and proceeded to the Registrar of Voters Office and were subsequently observed to leave about 1:02 PM, after being served in the Registrar's Office.

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SA could see the upper portion of the body and moved directing by pointing instructions to these young and after he would make statements to than, they would walk off in the direction in which he pointed. He was not heard to make any statements, but was only seen to gesture.

Within five minutes, a large contingent of Louisiana State Police officers moved down Third Street in an easterly direction from Columbia Street and in so doing, all of the young men who had been around seemed to melt into the crowd and the clubs, sticks, and ballbats, of which there were two noted by the reporting Agent, seemed to disappear.

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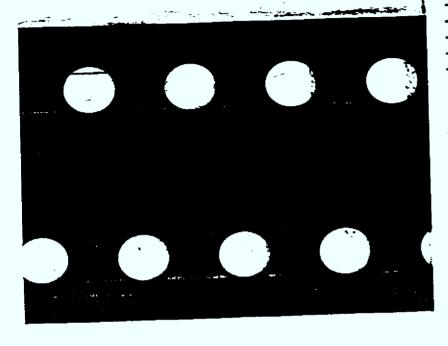
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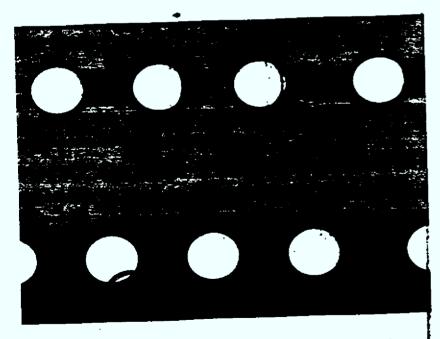
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SUBJECT:

ASSOCIATION OF ARKANSAS KLANS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN RACIAL MATTER

ReBulet to Little Rock dated 7/28/65.

There is definitely a resurgence of klan activity taking place within the Little Rock Division and the Little Rock Office has separately requested Bureau approval for the realignment of personnel in an effort to cope with this Iproblem. This new activity is centered in South Central and Southeast Arkansas and, more specifically, in the counties bordering the state of Louisiana. This resurgence of activity is resulting from recruitment activities by 2 Louisiana klan groups, namely United Klans of America, Inc., (UKA) and the Original Ku Illux Klan of America, Inc., (OKKK). The latter is a splinter group of the Original), Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK) of Louisiana.

During recent months, the OMMK, with headquarters at Monroe, La., has engaged in recruitment activities in Arkansas, and there has been a certain amount of cooperation by this organization with the UKA and the Association of Arkansas Klans of Ku Klux Klan (AAK). For example, elements of all 3 organizations have joined together to hold recruiting rallies at Hamburg, El Dorado, and Pine Bluff, Arkansas. The formal programs of these rallies were carried out entirely by speakers and masters of ceremonies furnished by Louisiana klans. In spite of the fact that there has been some cooperation between these klan organizations, there is currently strong competition between the UKA and the OKKK for the affiliation of the Arkansas klaverns being formed.

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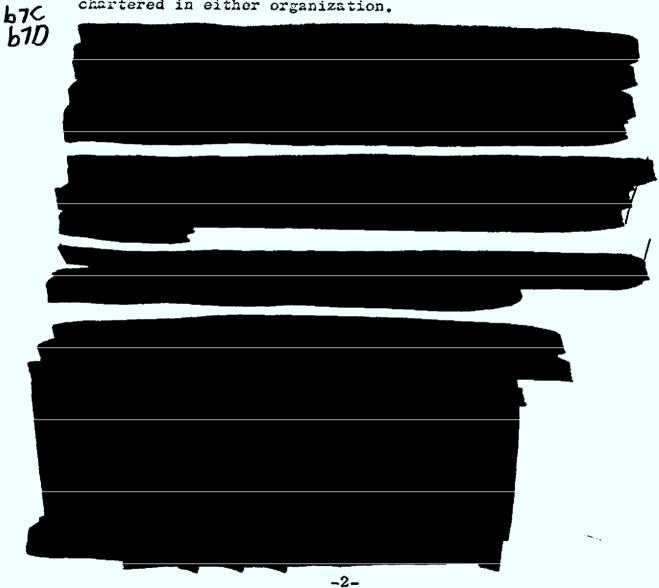
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The competition has been brought about, at least in part, by a division in the leadership of the OKKK. Although the OKKK did most of the ground work in recruiting, it appears that UKA will win a majority of the klaverns being formed. None of the klaverns listed hereafter have been officially chartered in either organization.



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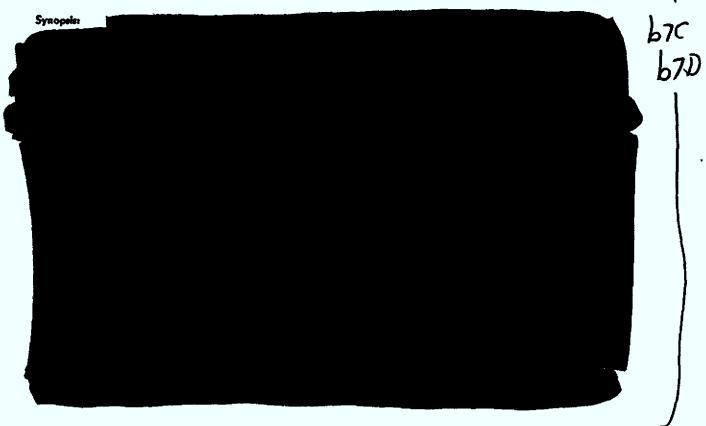
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DETAILS

Characterizations of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, hereinafter referred to as the OKKKK; the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, hereinafter referred to as the UKA; and the National States Rights Party, hereinafter referred to as the NSRP, are set forth in the appendix section of this report.

Information contained in this report relates to the activities of the CKKKK, also known as the Anti-Communist Christian Association (ACCA), in Washington Farish, Louisiana.

As previously reported, this group is one of three factions within the OKKKK which split from the state organization in the fall of 1964.

This group is located in the Louisiana Sixth Congressional District and is headed by CHARLES CHRISTMAS of Amite, Louisiana, who holds the position of Grand Dragon; and SAXON FARMER of Bogalusa, Louisiana, who holds the position of Grand Titan.

I. ORGANIZITIONAL STRUCTURE

A. Background Relating to the OKKKK and the ACCA in Washington Parish, Louisiana



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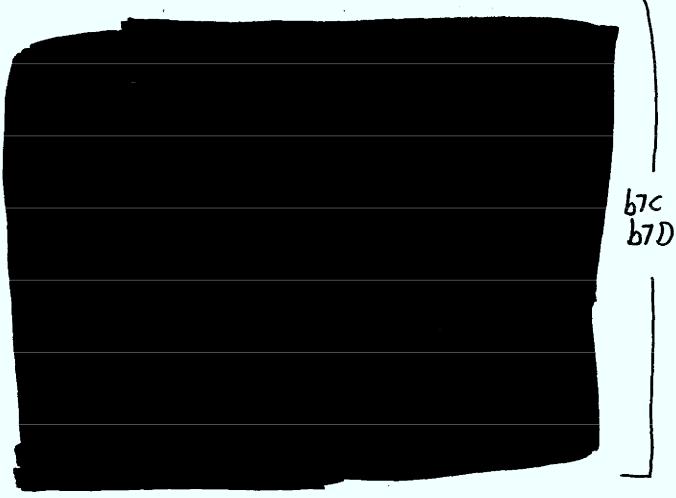
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During the march on July 11. 1965, the following activity was observed by SA

Just as the parade was passing the intersection of Third Street and Columbia Street, reporting Agent noted approximately 40 to 50 young white males walking out of the parking lot immediately east of Willoughby's Men's Store located on Third Street. Reporting Agent noted in particular two individuals known to him

Agent. They were noted to be taking what appeared to be 1 by 2 boards or planks from the rear of a 1950 blue Studebaker, which is known to be the property of

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This car was parked in the parking lot approximately 25 feet from Third Street and directly east of Willoughby's Men's Store.

Standing approximately 20 yards from the automobile better known as better known as standing and directing these young men who were carrying clubs and were moving out onto Third Street. SA could see the upper portion of body and noted directing by pointing instructions to these young men and after he would make statements to them, they would walk off in the direction in which he pointed. He was not heard to make any statements, but was only seen to gesture.

Within five minutes, a large contingent of Louisiana State Police officers moved down Third Street in an easterly direction from Columbia Street and in doing so, all of the young men who had been around seemed to melt into the crowd and the clubs, sticks, and ballbats, of which there were two noted by the reporting Agent, seemed to disappear.

As the Bogalusa Voters League parade proceeded south on First Avenue at the intersection of Third Street, the reporting Ament also noted

Slidell, Louisiana, who was

standing in the middle of Third Street talking to

Louisiana. Both of these individuals were seen over a period of ten or fifteen minutes to talk to different persons who were not known to reporting Agent, but who seemed to be either getting instructions from or just passing the time of day with them.



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TESTING OF ALFORD'S ROUND TABLE RESTAURANT, BOGALUSA, LOUISIANA, JULY 22, 1965

On the morning of July 22, 1965, nine Negroes and one white individual were observed by Special Agents of the FBI attempting to gain entrance to Alford's Round Table Restaurant at Bogalusa. After being refused admission, this group proceeded to sit down on the steps in front of the restaurant.

	b10	During this sitin, a white male, subsequently identified was arrested by police officers for striking one of the demonstrators. Later in the day, was again observed in the 400 block of columbia Street by Special Agents of the FBI during the picketing of stores in this area. was again arrested by police officers for striking the Negro male picket.
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	670	On the afternoon of July 10, 1965, a white male, later identified as was observed to grab a sign from a Negro picket in the 400 block of Columbia Street. A fight between these two persons took place and both individuals were immediately taken into custody by the Rogalusa Police Department.
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On July 8, 9, 10 and 11, 1965, rallies of the NSRP were held in an open field at Rio Grande and Union Avenues in Bogalusa on land and other Klan members were observed at these railies on the speakers platform.

XVI. COURT ACTION AGAINST THE KLAN

On July 19, 1965, the Department of Justice filed in United States District Court in New Orleans, Louisiana, a

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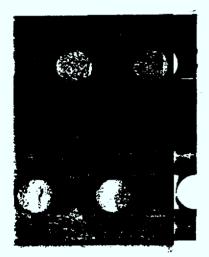
petition for an injunction to restrain the OKKKK as well as thirty-five individuals named in this petition from interfering with Civil Rights demonstrations at Bogalusa, Louisiana.

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A copy of this petition is set forth on the following pages:

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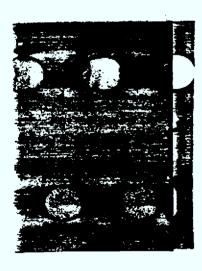


UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, by Nicholas deB. Katzenbach, Attorney General of the United States,

Plaintiff,

CIVIL ACTION NO.

COMPLAINT



ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU
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ASSOCIZTICE; SAXON FARMER;
CHARLES CHRISTMAS; RUSSELL
MAGEE; DEVEY SMITH; VIRGIL
CORKERN; ALBERT APPLEWHITE;
E. J. DIXON; O'NEAL AUSTIN
JONES; DELOS WILLIAMS;.
JAMES M. ELLIS; HARDIE ADRIAN
GOINGS, JP.; ESLEY FREEMAN;
ARTHUR BAY APPLEWHITE; JAMES
A. EOLINGSWORTH, JR.; RANDLE
C. POUNDS; SIDNEY AUGUST
WARNER; BILLY ALFORD; RAWLIN
WILLIAMSON; LOUIS APPLEWHITE;
WILLIE BLACKWELL; J. A.
HOLLINGSWORTH, SR.; LATTIKORE
MCKIESE; IRA DUNAWAY; DOYLE
TYMES; CHARLES RAY WILLIAMS;
FRANKLIN MARRIS; CHERLES
MCCLENDON; DELICN GRAVES;
MILTON EARL PARKER; DLENN
BRELAND; BENTON G. BRELAND;
MERVIN TAYLOR; VAN DAY; FILL
RAY RISNER; EAG JAHES D. TORSELL

Defendants.

The United State: of America alleges:

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 Title 42 of the United States Code. This action is also

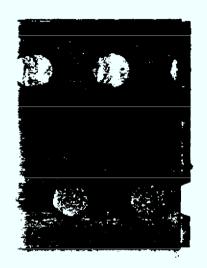
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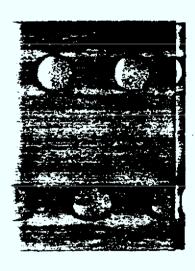
 uphold the integrity of the judicial system of the United

 States, and to prevent unlawful interference with the

 carrying out of the orders of its courts.
 - 2. This court has jurisdiction of this action under 42 U.S.C. 1971(d), 2000a-6(a) and 2000c-6(b) and under 28 U.S.C. 1345.
 - 3. The Original Enights of the En Klux Elan (herein after referred to as the Elan) is an unincorporated asnociation the membership of which largely comes from and operates in the Bogalusa and Washington Parish environs.

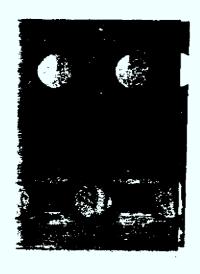
 Its principal official is defendant Charles Christmas who resides in Amite, Louisiana. Its principal officials in the Washington Parish area are defendant Saxon Farmer and Russell Magee, and its principal office and meeting place in the parish is the Disabled American Veterans Hall located in Washington Parish near Bogalusa, Louisiana.
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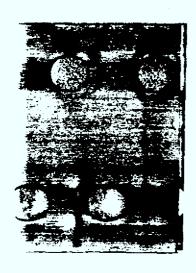


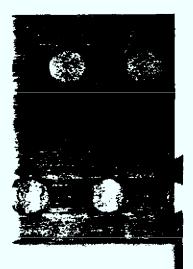


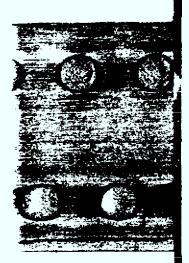
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- Doyle Tynes, Charles Ray Williams, Tranklin Hairis, Charles McClendon, Delton Graves, Milton Earl Pirker, Glenn Bre-land, James D. Terrell, Mervin Taylor, Van Day and Ray Risner are residents of Washington Parish, Louisiana.
- 6. The City of Bogalusa is located in Washington Parish, Louisiana, on the Pearl River at a point where the river forms the boundary between Louisiana and Missiscippi. There are approximately 13,943 white persons and 7,464 Negroes residing in Begalusa. There are approximately 16,804 adult white persons and 6,821 adult Megroes residing in Washington Parish. Of these, 15,521 whites and 1,594 Negroes are registered to vote.
- 7. On January 11, 1950, this Court entered an Order in the case of <u>United States</u> v. <u>McElveen, et al.</u>, (C.A. No. 9145) against defendant Saxon Farmer and others enjoining them from engaging in any acts or practices which would interfere with the rights of any sitizen of the United States to vote at any election without distinction of race or color. That Order restored to the voter registration rolls of Vashington Parish 1,377 Negro citizens who had been unlawfully purged therefrom by Saxon Farmer and other of the defendants in that action.









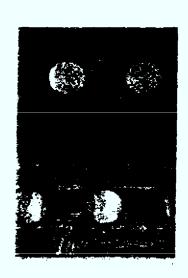
- 3. Trior to July 2, 1964, Begaluse and Washington Parish had, for many years, been reconstly segregated communities. Theatres, restaurants, hotels, schools, parks, libraries, and all other public facilities and places of public accommodation and amusement had been maintained and operated on a racially segregated basis. All elected parish and city officials in Washington Parish and Bogalusa are and traditionally have been white persons.
- 9. In January 1965, an organization known as the Bogalusa Voters League, composed largely of Negro residents of Washington Parish, commenced a campaign to gain equal rights for Negroes in Bogalusa and in Washington Parish, including rights secured to Negro citizens by the Civil Rights Act of 1954. In its campaign the Bogzlusa Voters League was supported by the Congress of Racial Equality, a national organization devoted to achieving equal rights for Negroes. The means used by these organizations in furthering this campuign included, and still include, the holding of voting registration clinics to instruct qualified Negroes on how to register to vote, the holding of mass meetings in Bogalusa to call attention to the grievances of the Negro community and to encourage Negroes to exercise their rights, the picketing of places of public accommodation, and other businesses, to project racially discriminatory policies in higing

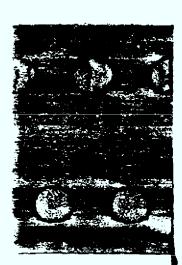
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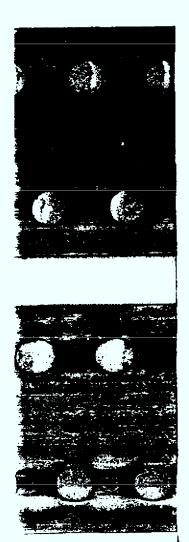
10. The Bogalusa Voters League commonly holds meetings, conducts its business and initiates its demonstration marches in the Bogalusa Labor Temple located at Third Avenue and rewenth Street in the City of Bogalusa. The use of the Labor Temple for this purpose is of general knowledge in Washington Parish and at all times herein mentioned was known to the defendants.

11. As a part of the campaign referred to in the preceding paragraphs, petitions were presented to the Mayor of Bogalusa, asking that immediate steps be taken to accord equal rights to Nagroes in Washington Parish. Among the rights referred to in these petitions were the right to vote, the right to use public accommodations, the right to use public facilities, the right to equal employment opportunities in public and private employment, and the right to equal educational opportunities in public schools. The demands of the Negrous and their effort to achieve equal rights were of general public knowledge in Washington Parish and were known to the defendants.

12. It has been and is the objective of the defendants to preserve total racial segregation and white
supremacy in Bogalusa and Washington Parish. The Klan
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this objective.



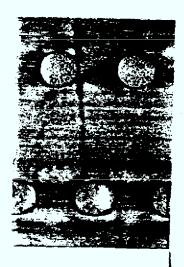




15. A port of the objective of the defendants, as described in the preceding being raph, has been to discourage, interfere with and prevent Negro altizens in Washington Parish from exercising their right to the free and equal use and enjoyment of public facilities as guaranteed by the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States; their right to the free and equal use of public accommodations as guaranteed by Title II of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000z); their right to vote and to register to vote for the election of federal candidates, free from racial discrimination, as guaranteed by the Fifteenth Amendment and by 42 U.S.C. 1971; their right to equal employment opportunities as guaranteed by Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42U.S.C. 2000e), and their right to equal public educational opportunities on a non-racial basis. In furthering this objective the defendants have adopted and used the following means among others;

- (a) Assaulting, threatening, and harassing Negroes who salek to exercise any of the above rights, and assaulting, threatening, and harassing persons who urge that Negroes should exercise or be accorded those rights.





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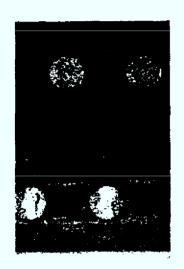
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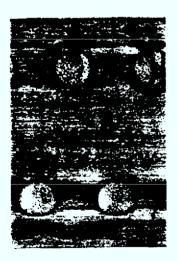
Dpiscopal Church Parish Kouse on the subject of community
relations. The meeting was scheduled to be open to both

Negroes and whites and it was planned that seating would
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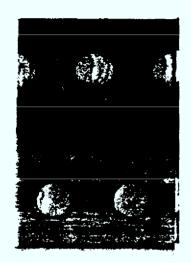


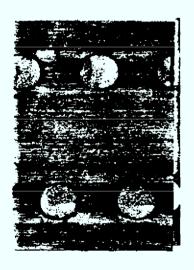


member of the Commission Council and, by morns of threats of civil disorder including through of burning the place of the meeting and economic retaliation against local businessmen who supported the meeting, caused the retraction of the invitation to Mr. Hays to speak.

c. During the period from January 28, 1965, to the present time the individual defendants and individual defendants including Saxon Farmer, Rescell Magee, Dewey Smith, Randle C. Pounds, Billy Alford, Louis Applewhite, Charles McClendon, and the members of the defendant Klan have gone to locations where they anticipated that Negroes would attempt to exercise their rights and where they anticipated that persons would publicly demonstrate in favor of equal rights for Negroes, in order that the defendants might identify, harass, threaten and intimidate such Negroes and other persons. For this purpose, members of the defendant Klan have gone to Franklinton, Louisiana, when Negro citizens of Washington Parish were expected to apply to register as voters, have gone to restaurants in Bogalusa when Negroes were seeking or were expected to seek service, and have gone to locations in downtown Begalusa and near the Bogalusa Labor Temple when Negroes were attempting or were expected to demonstrate publicly in support of equal rights for Negroes.

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- d. On February 2, 1965, members of the Klan including defendants Charles Christmas and Saxon Farmer demanded that the city officials require that William Yates and Stephen Eiller, two CORT workers who had come to work with the Bogalusa Voters League, be physically removed from Bogalusa. On February 3, 1965, defendants Doyle Tynes, James Hollingsworth, Jr., Ira Dunaway, J. A. Hollingsworth, Sr. and Delos Williams followed William Yates and Stephen Millar and assaulted Yates, all for the purpose of preventing their activity in encouraging Negro citizens to exercise and enjoy their rights under the Constitution and Federal law.
- e. On February 15, 1965, defendants Virgil Corkern, Sidney August Warner, Delos Williams, James M. Ellis, Charles Ray Williams, and Albert Applewhite, and other persons unknown to the plaintiff, gathered at Landry's Fine Foods, a restaurant in Bogalusa, to observe Negroes seeking service at the restaurant. Defendant Corkern and one other entered the restaurant brandishing clubs, ordered the Negroes to leave and threatened to kill Sam Barnes, a member of the Bogalusa Voters League, who had some to the restaurant with six Negro women. Defendants Charles Ray Williams and James Ellis thereupon followed the Negroes into the Negro section of Bogalusa.
- f. On February 15, 1965, defendant Virgil Corkern and approximately 30 other white persons unknown to the

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plaintiff, attacked five Negro citizens and vanalized the car in which they were riding shortly after the Negroes had sought service at a passion attacked in Bogalusa.

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- g. On February 17, 1965, defendant Virgil Corkern followed Reverend Jerry E. Chance by automobile for the purpose of threatening him with physical barm because of Reverend Chance having participated in the invitation extended to Brooks Hays.
- h. On March 29, 1965, defendants Hardie Adrian

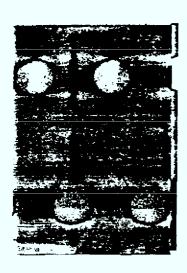
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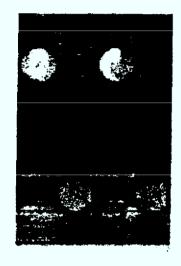
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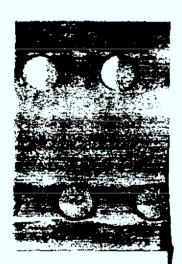
 threw an ignited tear gas canister at a group of Negroes

 standing near the Labor Temple.
- I. On April 5, 1965, the defendant Arthur Applewhite and other persons unknown to the plaintiff, threatened and attempted to intimidate CORE workers who were going from door to door in a Negro neighborhood in Bogalusa encouraging Negroes to register to vote.
- j. On April ?, 1965, defendants Lattimore McNease and Benton G. Breland, threatened Negro citizens during the course of a meeting at the Labor Temple by pointing a gun at Negroes standing outside the Labor Temple.
- t. On April 7, 1965, defendants Randle C. Pounds and Glean Breland accosted CORE worker William Yates and Pounds struck his car with a heavy object at a time when Yates was departing from the house of Robert Hicks. Vice President of the Bogalusa Voters League.







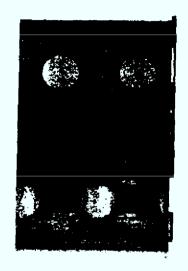


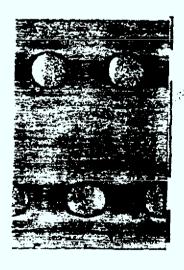
1. In the early morning of April S. 1965 defendant Randle C. Pounds, with other persons unknown to the plaintiff, smashed the rear window of an automobile belonging to CORE workers while it was parked across from the house of Robert Hicks, vice-president of the Bogalusa Voters League.

P. On April 9, 1965, defendants Billy Alford.

Randle C. Pounds, Lattimore McNeese, Charles McClendon and James Burke together with other persons to the plaintiff unknown went to the downtown area of Bogalusa where Negro citizens were participating in a march to the Bogalusa City Hall to protest denial of equal rights. While there, Billy Alford and Randle C. Pounds assaulted Negroes who were participating in the march; Charles McClendon and James Burke attacked newsmen observing the march; and defendant Burke attacked a special agent of the Pederal Bureau of Investigation who was observing

n. On April 16, 1965, defendant Willie Blackwell assaulted James Brown, a Negro who was then picketing a business establishment in Bogalusa to protest unequal employment practices.





- o. On May 19, 1965, Virgil Corbern, I the term-aged sens in Tital Corbern and other white persons unknown to picintally when to Cossidy Park, a public recreation area maintained by the City of Bogalusa, for the purpose of interfering with the enjoyment of the park by Negroes and white CORR workers who were present at the park and using the facilities for the first time on a non-segregated basis. The group of white persons of which Virgil Cockern was a member, entered the park and, dispersed the Negro citizens with clubs, belts and other weapons.
- p. On May 20, 1965, members of the defendant klan, Kenwin Taylor and other persons unknown to the plaintiff again gathered at Cassidy Park for the purpose of interfering with the use and enjoyment of the park facilities by Negro citizens. The Negroes did not appear, but a news photographer walked into the park and was assaulted, beaten by the group of whites, who confiscated his photographic equipment.
 - q. As a result of the activities described in the two preceding paragraphs, the City of Bogalusa closed Cassidy Park.
 - r. On or about May 23, 1965, the defendants Richard G. Krebs and Willie Blackwell took a can of gasoline to the area of the Ebenezar Boptist Church, located in Bogalusa, Louisiana, for the purpose of

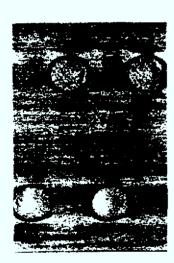
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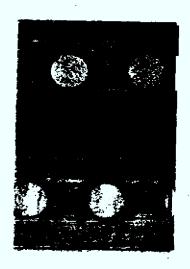
s. On May 29, 1965, defendants Arthur Ray Applewhite, J. A. Hollingsworth, Jr. and Esley Freeman with other persons unknown to the plaintiff, went to the downtown area of Bogalusa where Nagro citizens and CORE workers were picketing downtown Bogalusa business establishments. While there Arthur Ray Applewhite, J. A. Hollingsworth, Jr., Esley Freeman and others unknown to the plaintiff threatened, harassed, and attempted to intimidate the pickets.

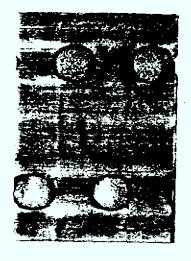
u. On May 31, 1965, defendants Billy Alford and Randle C. Pounds with other persons unknown to the plaintiff, went to the downtown area of Bogalusa where. Negro citizens and CORE workers were picketing business establishments in Bogalusa, protesting unequal and discriminatory hiring practices. While there Billy Alford, Randle Pounds and other unknown to the plaintiff, threatened, harassed and attempted to intimidate said pickets.

Voters League filed an action styled Robert Hicks, et al.
v. Clanton Knight, et al., C.A. 15727, in the United
States District Court for the Bastern District of Louisiana, seeking an injunction requiring officers of the City
of Bogolusa to open the public parks of the City and and to maintain and operate such parks without









racial discrimination, and requiring law enforcement officers of the City, Parish and Lines to protect the Regro plaintiffs and other Negross from physical assaults, beatings, harassment and intimidation at the hands of white citizens for the purpose of discouraging plaintiffs from picketing, assembling, using the public parks in Bogalusa, or exercising or advocating any other fundamental personal rights or assisting or encouraging others to do the same. On July 10, 1965, this Court issued its preliminary injunction in Robert Sicks, et al. v. Claxton Knight, et al., enjoining the defendant city or parish officers from failing to use all reasonable means to protect the Negro plaintiffs and others similarly situated from physical assaults and bestings and from harassment and intimidation which prevents or discourages the exercise of their right to picket, assemble peaceably and advocate equal civil rights for Negroes. The preliminary injunction is still in full force and effect.

16. Since this Court issued its order on July 10, 1965, as described in the preceding paragraph, the defendants have continued to interfere with Negro citizens, and others working with them, attempting to exercise the rights secured to them by the Constitution and the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Specifically their conduct has included: The following defendants on the following dates went to the downtown area of Bogalusz with persons unknown

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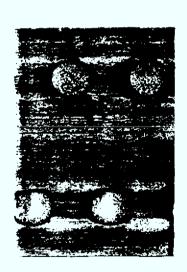


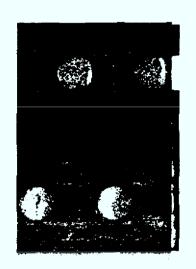
17. The conduct of the defendants as described in this complaint has been and is pursuant to a pattern and practice of resistance to the exercise of the right to equal and non-discriminatory use of places of public accommodations under Title II of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and of the right to equal and non-discriminatory employment opportunities under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

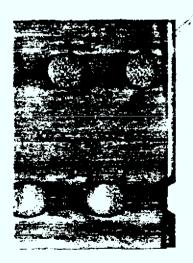
18. Unless restrained by order of this Court, the defendants will continue to engage in conduct similar to that described in this complaint.

WHEREFORE, plaintiff prays that the Court enter a preliminary and permanent injunction enjoining the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Charles Christmas, Saxon Fermer, Russell Magee, Dawey Smith, Virgil Corkern, Albert Applewhite, E. J. Dimon, O'Neal Austin Jones, Delos Williams, James M. Ellis, Hardie Adrian Goings, Jr., Esley Presman, Arthur Ray Applewhite, James A. Hollingsworth, Jr., James A. Hollingsworth, Sr., Randle C. Pounds, Sidney August Warner, Ray Risner, Billy



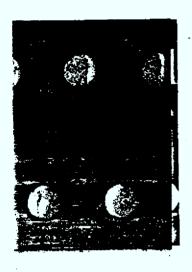


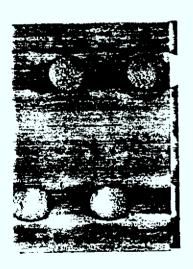




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(a) Assaulting, threatening, harasting, interfering with or invinidating, or attempting . to assault, threaten, harass, interfere with or invimidate any Negro in the exercise of his right in Washington Parish, Louisiand, to the equal use and emjoyment of public facilities and places of public accommodation, of the exercise of his right to vote free from racial discrimination, of the exercise of his right to equal and non-discriminatory . educational opportunities in the public schools, or of his right to equal employment opportunity: or assaulting, threatening, heressing, invesfering with, or intimidating any other person for the purpose of discouraging Negro citizens from emercising such rights:





- (b) Injuring, oppressing, threctening or intimidating any official or employes of the City of Bogalusa or Washington Parish on account of his having accorded or sought to accord Negroes equal treatment in the use of public facilities in Washington Parish;
- (c) Injuring, oppressing, threatening or intimidating any businessman, proprietor or other person having accorded or sought to accord Negroes equal treatment in the use and enjoyment of any restaurant, wheatre, hotel, motel or other place of public accommodation, or in employment;
- (d) Physically assaulting or beating any civil rights demonstrators or inflicting upon any person harassment or intimidation which prevents or discourages his
 exercise of his right to picket, assemble
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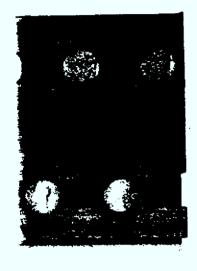
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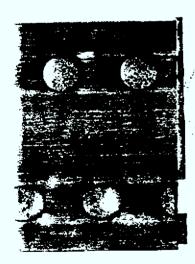
Plaintiff further prays that this Court grant such additional relief as justice may require, retain jurisdiction of this cause, and grant costs and disbursements of this action.

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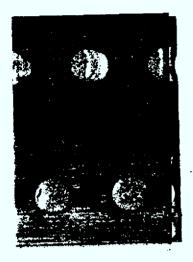
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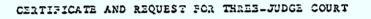
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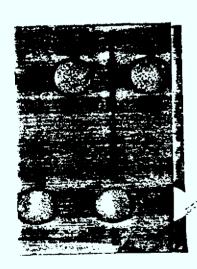
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Nicholas deB. Katzenbach, Attorney General of the United States, requests, pursuant to Sections 206(b) and 707(b) of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, that a court of three judges be convened to hear and determine the above-captioned case.

The Automory General certifies that in his opinion the above-eaptioned case is one of general public importance.

NICHOLAS dee, KATZENBACH Attorney General of the United States



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"NSRP Members actively campaigned against the race mixers in recent elections and by alerting the people, the people helped put good white men in public office.
...... It is the job of the NSRP in New Orleans to check records of each candidate then alert the people of who to vote for, and Information Director of New Orleans Mr. Randall Trudeau has been doing a good job of alerting the people."



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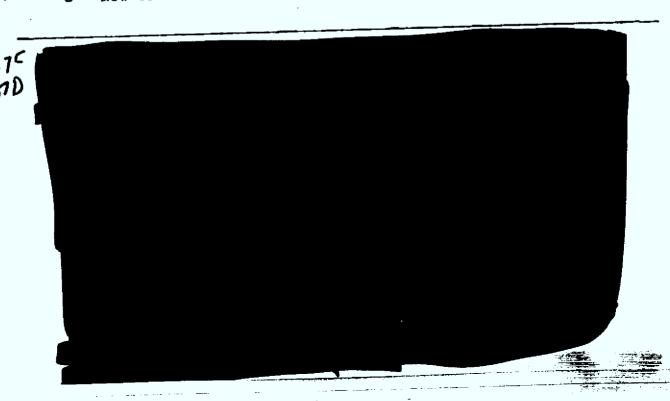
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There is not being set out in this report results of investigation concerning the OKKKK in the Bogalusa and Washington Parish area of Louisiana, inasmuch as a separate report concerning these areas was furnished on 7/14/65.

Copies of this report are being furnished to the indicated offices for informational purposes, inasmuch as there has been Klan activity in those regions covered by these offices. Copies are being furnished to ONI, OSI, ICG, Secret Service and ATTU in view of their interests in Klan activity.

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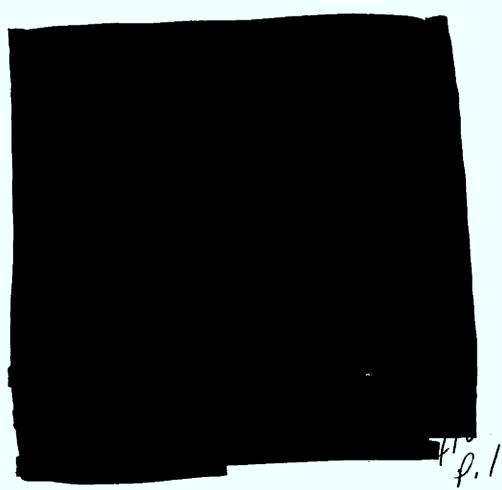
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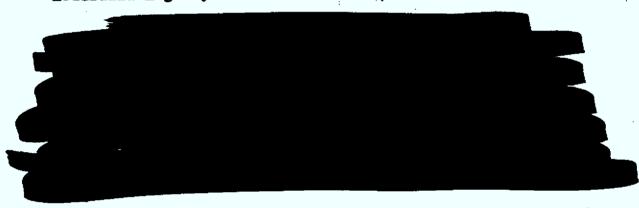
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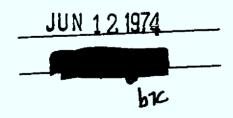
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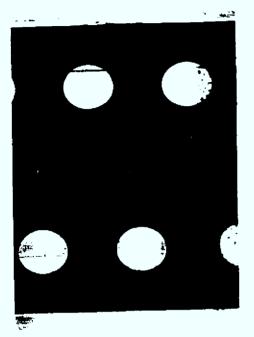
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STATE OF LOUISIANA



Hon. John J. McKeithen Governor

ACTIVITIES OF THE "KU KLUX KLAN" AND CERTAIN OTHER ORGANIZATIONS IN LOUISIANA

REGULAR SESSION, 1964

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

By: Mesars. Knowles, Tessier, Davis, Poston, Broussard. Montgomery, and Reps. Hogan, Cooper and McMillian

WHEREAS, this state and this country face grave public danger from enemies both within and without our boundaries, and

WHEREAS, these subversive groups and persons under the color of protection afforded by the Bill of Rights of the United States Constitution seek to destroy us and the ideals which we fought to preserve and subject us to the domination of foreign powers and ideologies, and

WHEREAS, Louisiana, as one of the laboratories of this great country, may study profitably this problem within its boundaries and enact remedial legislation if facts therefor are made available, and

WHEREAS, necessary and desirable legislation to meet this grave problem and to assist local enforcement officers to be effective must be based on a thorough and impartial investigation by a competent and active legislative committee.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Legislature of the State of Louisiana, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that there is hereby created the Joint Legislative Committee on Un-American Activities, which Committee shall consist of ten members, five to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives from the membership of the House and five to be appointed by the President of the Senate from the membership of the Senate, which committee shall study, investigate and analyze all facts relating directly or indirectly to the subject expressed in the recitals of this resolution; to the activities of groups and organizations which have as their objectives, or as part of their objectives, the overthrow or destruction of the State of Louisiana by force, violence or other unlawful means: to all organizations known to be or suspected of being dominated or controlled by a power seeking to impose a foreign political theory upon the government and people of the State of Louisiana, and all organizations

Jack N. Rogers, Committee Counsel Col. Frederick B. Alexander, Staff Director

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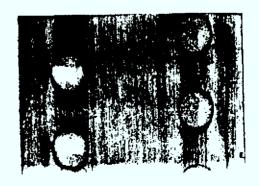
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Representative Ford E. Stinson, Vice Chairman





seeking by force, violence or other illegal means to deprive any citizens of the State of Louisiana or the State of Louisiana itself from the rights guaranteed to the citizens and the States by the Constitution of the United States; to all persons who belong to or are affiliated with such groups or organizations; to the manner and extent in which such activities affect the safety, welfare and security of this state and the citizens of this state in National Defense, the functioning of any state agency, unemployment relief and other forms of public assistance, educational institutions in this state, including but not limited to the operation, effect, administration, enforcement and needed revision of any and all laws in any way bearing upon or relating to the subject of this resolution.

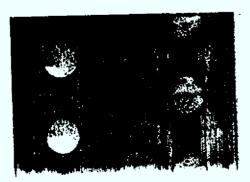
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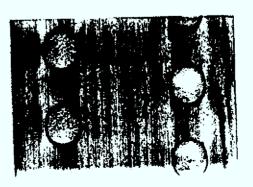
- (a) Select a chairman and a vice chairman from its membership; and to employ and fix the compensation of a secretary and such legal, clerical, investigative, expert and technical assistants as it may deem necessary.
- (b) Contract and deal with such other agencies, public or private, as it may deem necessary for the rendition and affording of such services, facilities, studies and reports as will best enable the committee to carry out the purposes for which it is created.
- (c) Cooperate with and secure the cooperation of parish, city, and other law enforcement agencies in investigating any matter within the scope of this resolution,
- (d) Cooperate with and meet with similar committees of other states and of the Federal Government, or representatives thereof, outside of this state, and expenses necessarily incurred in connection therewith by any of the members or staff of the committee, thereunto duly authorized by the chairman, shall constitute a proper charge against the sums allocated to the committee,
- (e) Do any and all other things necessary or convenient to enable it fully and adequately to exercise its powers, perform its duties, and accomplish the objects and purposes of this resolution, and
- (f) Adopt and from time to time amend such rules governing its procedure as may appear appropriate.
- Be It Further Resolved that every department, commission, board, agency, officer and employee of the State Government of Lou-

isiana and of any political subdivision, parish, city or public district of or in this state, shall furnish the committee and any subcommittee, upon request, any such information, records and documents as the Committee or subcommittee deems proper for the accomplishment of the purposes for which the committee is created; provided, however, that this provision shall not extend to, nor shall it be construed to make available to the committee or any subcommittee thereof, any record or other document which under the law is made a confidential record.

- Be It Further Resolved that the committee shall have the power and authority to hold hearings at any place in Louisiana, which meetings may be public or private, to subpoena witnesses, administer oaths, require the production of books and records pertinent to any inquiry before the Committee and to do all other things necessary to accomplish the purposes of this resolution.
- Be It Further Resolved that the Committee shall have authority to apply to any court of competent jurisdiction for enforcement of any order issued by it for the production of books, records or other documents or to compel the attendance of any witnesses subpoenaed to appear before it and, upon request of the committee, the Attorney General shall prosecute any witness who is guilty of refusal to testify or who gives false testimony, and persons guilty of false swearing or of giving false testimony shall be punished in accordance with the criminal laws of this state relating to false swearing or perjury, as the case may be, and
- Be it Further Resolved that the committee shall aubmit its findings and recommendations to the Legislature at each of its regular sessions and at such other times as the committee may deem necessary and desirable.
- Be it Further Resolved that the members of the committee created herein shall serve without compensation but shall receive the same per diem and travel allowance in the performance of their duties as is provided for members of the Legislature.
- Be It Further Resolved that the per diem and travel allowance herein authorized and all other expenses incurred by the committee shall be paid out of funds appropriated or otherwise dedicated for the use of the committee; provided, however, that the disbursements for all expenses incurred by the committee, including the payment of per diem and travel allowances for

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members as herein authorized shall be approved by the chairman of the committee.

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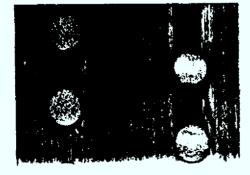
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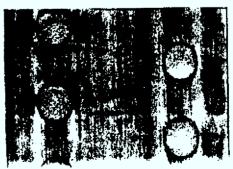
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THE RECORD OF THE HEARING OF THE JOINT LEGIS. LATIVE COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES, STATE OF LOUISIANA, HELD IN THE COMMITTEE'S OFFICE, OLD STATE CAPITOL BUILDING, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 1965, COMMENCING AT 10:30 A.M. Chairman, Hon. J. M. Knowles, Presiding.

PRESENT:

Sen. Jesse M. Knowles, Chairman

Sen. Harold Montgomery

Sen. Fieldon H. Mitchell

Sen. Danny Roy Moore

Rep. S. S. DeWitt

Rep. W. J. Richardson

Jack N. Rogers, Esq., Committee Counsel

Col. Frederick B. Alexander, Staff Director

BY SEN. KNOWLES:

Gentlemen, the Committee will now come to order. We will open this Committee Hearing with a prayer from Sen. Moore.

BY SEN. MOORE:

Our Holy Father, we thank Thee for the blessings Thou hast given to us; we thank Thee for the privilege and opportunity of assembling this Committee to do work which we feel will be beneficial and pleasing in Thy sight; and we ask Thee to bless each member of this Committee and bless each action that we take here today, that all of these things might work together for the glorification of Thee and Thy kingdom here on earth. We ask these things in Jesus' name, and for his sake, Amen.

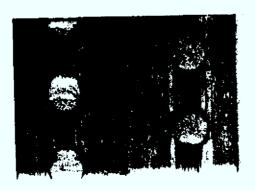
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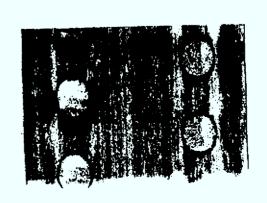
Col. Alexander, will you call the roll, please?

BY COL. ALEXANDER:

Sen. Knowles, here; Sen. Montgomery, here; Sen. Myrick, absent; Sen. Mitchell, absent; Sen. Moore, here; Rep. Stinson, absent; Rep.







Schoenberger, absent; Rep. DeWitt, here; Rep. Adams, absent; Rep. Richardson, here. Five members present and we have a quorum.

BY SEN. KNOWLES:

Gentlemen, this meeting is called particularly for a hearing on the "Ku Klux Klan." Will you proceed, Mr. Rogers?

BY MR. ROGERS:

Let the record show that Sen. Mitchell entered the hearing room at this point.

THE WITNESS, JACK N. ROGERS, ESQ., AFTER FIRST HAVING BEEN DULY SWORN TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH, AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH, SO HELP HIM GOD, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

BY MR. ROGERS:

Mr. Chairman, and gentlemen of the Committee, this investigation at the request of the Committee has been made into the current operations of the so-called "Ku Klux Klan" in Louisiana. I want to make the point clearly for the Committee, that we have strictly limited this investigation solely to those Klan groups active in Louisiana at this time. We have made no effort to go into the good or bad reports concerning the two previous manifestations of the Ku Klux Klan, or into the present Klans of any other State. There are significant reasons for this. First, the two earlier Klans which existed in the United States and in the State of Louisiana have been long since totally and completely disbanded, and are not in any way alive today, other than through the ritual connected with the great bulk of the Klan operations in the State of Louisiana. I will discuss this point later in the Hearing with further information.

Just purely for background information, as you gentlemen undoubtedly know, the Ku Klux Klan was originally organized in 1866, and was officially disbanded in 1869, although the reconstruction period and scattered Klan activities did continue in some areas of the South for an additional five or six years after that.

After the original Klan was disbanded there were no further large scale open manifestations of the Ku Klux Klan in the South until about 1915. During that year a Rev. William J. Simmons

of Georgia set up an organization called "The Ku Klux Klan, Inc.," which was chartered by the State of Georgia as a fraternal and philanthropic organization. It employed the general regalia of robe and peaked hood of the original Ku Klux Klan, and some of the officer-titles and portions of the ritual of the old Klan, as was preserved at that time in memory of some of the older men who had been in the first Klan.

The 1915 Klan probably hit its high point of public acceptance in the year, 1925. During that year about 25,000 robed and hooded Klansmen paraded on foot and in cars in Washington, D. C. The Klan at that time was broadly spread across the United States, and was not limited to the South at all. The largest single delegations, for instance, in the Washington parade that year, were from New Jersey, Indiana, Ohio, and the Virginias. The Klan had become, during those years, a very substantial political force and power in this country, and remained so until about 1928 when its power began to wane, and eventually it died out prior to World War II.

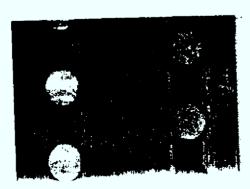
In the early part of World War II, to some minor degree, the Klan came back through some isolated organizations, primarily in the State of New Jersey, where certain meetings were held jointly by the Klan and the "German-American Bund."

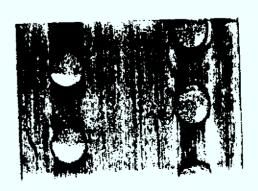
I have here a picture in a book entitled, "Undercover," by John Roy Carlson, showing a photograph taken on August 18, 1940 at a camp of the German-American Bund, depicting a joint meeting between the Ku Klux Klan of that day, and the Bund. This is the only picture which I have been able to locate of the actual meeting itself. I offer it for the Committee's examination.

This particular Klan Organization, which was in operation in New Jersey at that time, was not in any way connected with any of the Klan Organizations which are operating in Louisiana today. However, that particular incident in 1940, and some others of the same period, were the original reasons for the Ku Klux Klan being placed upon the "subversive list" of the Attorney General of the United States, as a subversive organization.

I have here a copy of that list and there are four organizations with Klan names, or Klan backgrounds, on the list. They are: "Ku Klux Klan;" "Associated Klans of America;" "Association of Georgia Klans;" and "Knights of the White Camella."

The Attorney General of the United States has determined, and officially held as an administrative determination, that these organi-





rations are such as would deny to citizens of the United States their rights under the Constitution. The actual wording of the Attorney General's determination was, in characterizing these groups, that they were: "Organizations which have adopted a policy of advocating or approving the commission of acts of force or violence to deny others their rights under the Constitution of the United States." You will note that these designations were made in the years of 1947, 1948, 1949, and 1950, and are not recent. The Klan organizations operating in Louisiana today were not in existence at that time; they are different and separate groups. Of the four such groups which operate in this State at this time, three of them are totally autonomous in the State of Louisiana, having no ties of any kind outside of the State. The fourth group does have connections outside the State, and I will go into this in detail later.

There is no such thing, gentlemen, as "The Klan." There are about 14 different groups who use the name "Klan," operating across the Southern United States, and up into the Central United States at this time. Four such groups operate in Louisiana.

According to our estimate there are some 18,000 to 19,000 members of all of the Klans in the State of Louisiana at this time. Our estimate of the total strength of Klan members in Louisiana, must of necessity be an estimate, because the Klan leaders with whom we have talked refused to disclose the numbers of their members in any of the different groups. We have made our estimate on the basis of discussions with informants who are actively participating in Klan activities, and to a very great extent from police estimates from many different police sources throughout the State of Louisiana. The Klan started in Louisiana in its most recent form around the year 1959. Immediately prior to this there was no open Klan activity in the State at all. At a later point in the Hearing, I will discuss this with the Committee, and show the Committee why this was.

The four groups in Louisiana may be described as follows: The largest and most substantial is known as, "The Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan." This group is led by Murray Martin, of Winnsboro, Louisiana, and probably has in the neighborhood of 14,000 or more members in the State. This comprises the great bulk of the Klan members within the jurisdiction of this Committee. The Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is descended from an organization which was known as, "The Old Original K K K," which first chartered a group in Louisiana in 1959 in the Monroe area. The Imperial Wizard of the group at that time was a man named Davis from Dallas,

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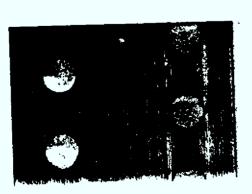
Texas; and the Grand Dragon in Louisiana was a man named Young from Shreveport. There have been certain modifications of the name and form of the organization since, until it now appears in the current configuration which I have described to you.

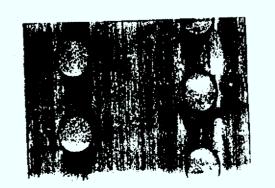
The second largest Klan Organization in the State of Louisiana at this time is called, "The United Klans of America." The Imperial Wizard of this group is Robert Shelton, of Tuscaloosa, Alabama; and the Grand Dragon in Louisiana is a Mr. J. M. Edwards, of Jonesboro, the Grand Dragon in Louisiana is a Mr. J. M. Edwards, of Jonesboro, Louisiana. This Klan group is the only one that has any definite ties, organizationally, with any other organization outside the State of Louisiana.

The third largest Klan group in Louisiana is an organization called, "The Louisiana Ku Klux Klan." We have, in our Staff studies sometimes called this group the "Feliciana Group," or the "Five Parish Group," because it operates mainly in five Parishes, all bordering on the Mississippi line to the north and east of Baton Rouge, namely: East and West Feliciana Parishes, St. Helena Parish, St. Tammany Parish, and Washington Parish. It has occasional Klaverns in two or three other Parishes, but it does not operate to any significant degree other than in the five which I have mentioned to you. The leader of this group is, to the best of our information, Charles Christmas of Amite, Louisiana. An interview was scheduled with Mr. Christmas, but he cancelled it and refused to consult with us. He did state that his answers to our questions would be substantially the same as those given by Mr. Murray Martin. The Louisiana Ku Klux Klan is actually an off-shoot of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. We don't know exactly why they left the leadership of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, but they have done so, and they are now operating a separate function entirely.

The fourth largest Klan Organization is known as "The Original Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc." The Imperial Wizard, or national head of this group is Houston P. Morris, of Monroe, Louisiana. Mr. Morris was formerly a Klan organizer from Zachary, Louisiana, in one of the other organizations, and he left the other group to form his own Klan. He became Imperial Wizard, from which office he has continued to direct his organization. His group is small, with a small bank-account of less than three figures at the time we made a check on it. His membership is confined, as far as we have been able to ascertain, generally to the Ouachita Parish-Monroe, Louisiana, area. He has extended his operations to some degree into Arkansas, but we are informed that this has not been particularly successful. We talked privately to Mr. Morris but did not formally interview him because







his group is small, and he was not agreeable to a formal interview.

We have been able to interview the two major Klan leaders in Louisiana, the first and most important of which is Mr. Murray Martin, Grand Dragon of the Original Knights Of The Ku Klax Klan. I have already reduced his staff consultation which was taken under oath on April 17 of this year, to writing, and I would like to offer it to the Committee at this time. The Committee has already heard the tape-recording of this Staff Consultation, and we would like to offer into the record the written transcript of the consultation itself.

BY SEN. KNOWLES:

Let it be accepted.

TRANSCRIPT OF STAFF CONSULTATION HELD ON APRIL 17, 1965, AT 7:22 P. M., at COLUMBIA, LOUISIANA. JACK N. ROGERS, ESQ., COMMITTEE COUNSEL FOR THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON UNAMERICAN ACTIVITIES, PRESIDING.

BY MR. ROGERS:

Under the power vested in me by Senate Resolution #12, Regular Session, 1964, and the Rules of the Committee, I now swear the first witness in this Staff Consultation.

THE WITNESS, MR. MURRAY MARTIN, AFTER FIRST HAVING BEEN DULY SWORN TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH, AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH, SO HELP HIM GOD, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. ROGERS:

Q-Please give me your name, sir?

A-Murray Martin.

Q-Where do you live, Mr. Martin?

A-In Winnsboro, Louisiana.

Q-Where and when were you born?

A-At Tioga, Louisiana, 1924, June 1.

Q-What do you do for a living?

A-I am a building contractor.

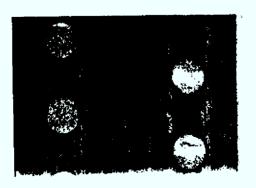
Q-What is the correct name of the Klan Organization you represent?

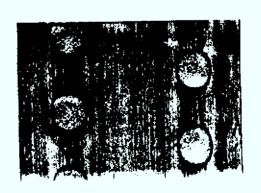
A-The Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Q-What is the title of your Klan office, and what level of leadership does that title mean?

A-I am Grand Dragon, and the level of leadership would be

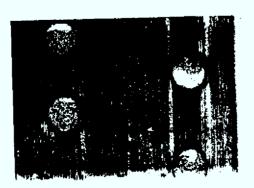






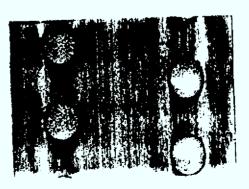
the same as the Chairman of the Board of Directors.

- Q-What geographical area does that cover?
- A-The State of Louisiana.
- Q-ls your Klan Organization connected with any other Klan Organization?
- A-We are loosely connected with another Klan Organization, yes, sir.
 - Q-If so, which one is that?
- A-We are connected with the National Association of Klans known as the Associated Klans of America.
- Q—Mr. Martin, who is the national head of your Klan Organization?
 - A-We have no national head.
- $Q \rightarrow A_B I$ understand your testimony, you are the head in the State of Louisiana, is that correct?
 - A-That's true.
- Q-How and by whom are the objectives of your organization determined?
 - A-They are determined by a Board of Officers.
 - Q-Is it a large Board?
 - A-Relatively small.
- Q-Are the people who determine your policy on this Board all citizens of the State of Louisiana?
 - A .- That is right, that is true.
- Q—Is your organization connected in any way with the Communist Party?
 - A-Definitely not.
- \mathbf{Q} —How about any other foreign party, or agency, or government?



- A-No. sir.
- Q-Would you care to elaborate on that, sir?
- A—One of our questions asked of all candidates is this: "Do you esteem the United States of America and its institutions above any government, civil, political, or ecclesiastical in the whole world?" And another one is: "Are you absolutely opposed to and free of any allegiance of any nature to any cause, government, people, sect, or ruler that is foreign to the United States of America?" Both of these questions must be answered "yes" before the candidate can proceed.
- Q-Are these questions asked your prospective members under oath?
 - A-They are.
- Q-ls any Pledge or Oath of Allegiance required of all of your members?
 - A-Yes.
- Q-Does this in any way infringe upon, or negate, complete loyalty to the Constitution of the United States?
- A-No, sir, in fact they must swear allegiance to the United States to become a member.
- Q-Would you mind telling us what words are required to do this? Can you do this?
- A—I can and I will. This is part of the Oath: "I most solemnly assert and affirm, that to the Government of the United States of America, and any State thereof of which I may become a member, I sacredly vow unqualified allegiance above any other, and every kind of government in the whole world. I here and now pledge my life, my property, my vote, and my sacred honor to uphold its flag, its Constitution, and Constitutional Laws and will protect, defend, and enforce same unto death."
- Q-Mr. Martin, what is the policy of your Organization as to law violations?
- A-I will again quote from our Oath: "I swear that I will always, and at any and all times, and in all places, help, aid, and assist the duly constituted officers of the Law in the proper perform-





Q-Would you explain what policy your Organization has toward a member who might be involved in a crime, caught, and convicted?

A-If and when he is convicted, then he is either expelled or banished from the Organization. Does that explain it pretty well?

A-Yes, sir.

Q-What are the qualifications for membership in your Organization?

A-Of course, a man must be of good character, first.

Q-How do you determine that, Mr. Martin?

A-We have a system of elections whereby a man may enter into our Organization, and he is first invited to join after having been cleared by all of the members, and his name is published in two regular meetings, and any one man in the Organization can, if he so desires, stop the admittance of any man.

Q-By "Organization" you mean on the local level?

A-On the local level.

Q-Do you have any special name for the local level group?

A-Klavern. This also is in our Oath and I would like to give that to you.

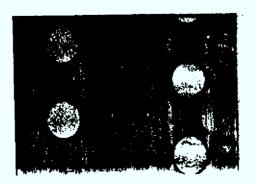
Q-Would you, please?

A—The candidate or the man being initiated has to swear that: "I will never recommend any person for membership in this Order whose mind is unsound, or whose reputation I know to be bad, or whose character is doubtful, or whose loyalty to our Country is in any way questionable."

Q-What other qualifications do you have for membership, Mr. Martin?

A—A man must first believe in the tenets of the Christian Religion. Would you like for me to give you all of the qualifying questions?

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Q-Would you, please?

A-All of these questions must be answered "yes" by any person seeking admittance into our Organization: First, "Is the motive prompting your ambition to be a Klansman serious and unselfish?" Second, "Are you a native-born white gentile American citizen?" Third, "Are you absolutely opposed to, and free of any allegiance of any nature to any cause, government, people, sect, or ruler that is foreign to the United States of America?" Fourth, "Do you believe in the tenets of the Christian Religion?" Fifth, "do you esteem the United States of America and its institutions above any other Government, Civil, Political, or Ecclesiastical in the whole world?" Sixth, "Will you, without mental reservation, take a solemn oath to defend, preserve, and enforce same?" Seventh, "Do you believe in Klanish ess and will you practice same towards Klansmen?" Eighth, "Do you believe in, and will you faithfully strive for the eternal maintenance of white supremacy?" Ninth, "Will you faithfully obey our Constitution and Laws and conform with them to all of our usages, requirements, and regulations?" Tenth, "Can you always be depended upon?"

Q-Mr. Martin, are there any other qualifications for membership other than the ones you have read to me?

A—I believe not. I would like to say that we are trying our best to eliminate any undesirables from our Organization. I would also like to state that we have no sex-perverts, or homosexuals, or beatniks in our Organization, and I defy anyone to find them.

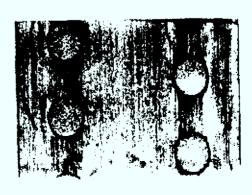
Q-Approximately how many members do you have in the State of Louisiana?

A.—This, I must respectfully decline to answer, since to answer it would put me in violation of the Oath that I have taken to the Klan.

Q-What are the objectives of your Organization?

A.—Our objectives are to return our Government to the Constitution. We believe in constitutional government. We have a set of goals, a written one that I would be glad to send you. I am sorry I do not have one with me. It lists our goals and our hopes for the future. Of course, our prime purpose is the preservation of individual and national liberty.

Q-Do you ascribe, as an organization, to this written state-



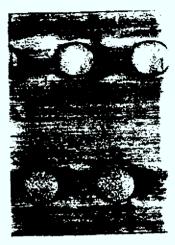


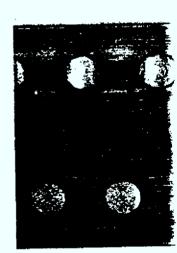
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Exhibit 3. Pages from "Kloran" used by Original Knights of the Ku-Klan.

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ment of principles that you are going to send me-this written statement of objectives?

A-Yes, I do.

Q-By what means does your Organization propose to realize these objectives?

A-Through governmental affairs, the education of ourselves and the general public as to the trend of Government towards the left and continuing headlong flight towards Communism.

Q-I understand from this that you mean primarily by education, is this correct?

A-Well, no. of course, after you educate yourself, then we will vote at the polls to remove such scalawags that propose and keep proposing legislation to sell us to the "one world government."

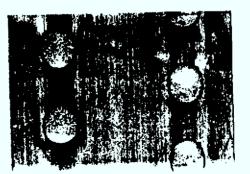
Q-Does your Organization in any way propose to achieve its goals by violence, or any means other than the political action that you are describing?

A-No. sir, we do not advocate violence.

Q-Mr. Martin, what protection have you got built into your organizational structure or procedures to protect your Organization from people who would use the cover of the existence of the Klan to commit crime?

A-Our Organization actually is based upon, and its primary function is by, Committees; such Committees as an Investigating Committee, and should this violence, or lawbreaking, or crime come to our attention, of course, this Committee would investigate, and should we be successful, we would turn the person over to the Law, or at least tell the Law who he was so that we wouldn't get the blame for it. We have gotten the blame for a lot of it in the past and we hope we can help to stop it. Our prime purpose, of course, is not to avoid the blame, but to assist the law enforcement officers in their duties. As I have already stated, that's in our Oath that we should do so, and we do.

Q-Will your furnish our Committee with samples of the literature and printed materials used by your Organization? You understand, we don't expect you to give us something that you have sworn to keep secret, but we would like samples to the limit of what you



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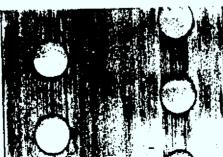






Exhibit 5. Policy statement furnished by Mr. Murray Martin.

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A-1 will be glad to furnish you with samples, a lot of which is not our own. We use other Organizations' literature, and we learn by it; but of course, we have literature of our own, and I can and will send you some of this.

Q-Mr. Martin, do you have anything you want to add to your testimony?

A-Nothing that I can think of.

 $Q\!=\!1$ would like to thank you for our Committee. This is the end of the Staff Consultation. The time is $7\!:\!48$ P. M.

DUTIES OF COMMITTEES

POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

- (4) The duty of the political action committee to to study all political activities in the parisdiction of the Klavern.
- (6) Keep the E. C. and the members of the Klavern informed on all matters of public al interest. This includes State, National and this extremal.
- (c) be well enough informed to recommend what political candidates or issues to support or oppose and give recommendations to Slavering such a.
- (d) Keep a record of all political activities within the jurisdiction of the Klavern, and be prepared to present it or any part of it to the Klavern upon request of E. C.
- (e) Stay out of other Kisvers Kisaton unless otherwise agreed by
- (f) From time to time the members of this committee will be requested to effectively contact their State Representatives and State Senator, as well as their Democratic State Central Committeemen for one or more of the following purposes:
 - (i) To determine their position on a specific matter then before them.
 - (2) To obtain their support and cooperation in either passing amending or defeating that measure, or
 - (3) To learn and report the person or persons most able to influence them on such matters.

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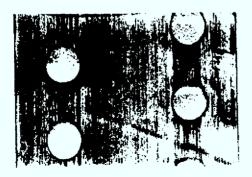
- (a) The Education Committee is responsible for the educating of the public in all matters of interest within the jurisdiction of the Klavera.
- (b) Collect and distribute any interature that they can obtain that will further the cause of our organization.
- (c) Write letters to the public on political or other issues of interest within the jurisdiction of the Kinvern.
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- [e] Write letters of protest to individuals or organizations. I h & t publicly advente integration, or communism.
- (f) Write letters of approcustion to those who are working to further Americanism. Segregation, and etc.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:

- (a) The membership committee beeps all records of the members. (Not excluding the sect.) prospective members, and rejected and/or suspended members.
- (b) See that all material and literature in the possession of an expedied or suspended member is returned to the unit.

Exhibit 6. Statement of functions of committee in Klan organizational structure, furnished by Mr. Murray Martin.









- (c) Incourage regular attendance of members.
- (d) Report on all members unable to attend regularly.
- (e) Attempt to notify all members of special events, called meetings, summons, etc.

BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE:

- (a) The Benevolence Committee is in charge of all charity activity within the unit.
- the Reports on all sick members, send flowers or cards to them and asks for any assistance that the unit might provide for same.
- (c) Reports on and asks for assistance for persons other than members where the unit can be of sesistance.

BUILDING COMMITTEE:

- (a) The building committee is in charge of the construction and maintenance of the Klavern,
- (b) Asks for or appoints members to work on the building or the grounds of same.
- (c) Sees that the building is kept clean, the grass is cut, all necessary repairs are made, and recommends changes or additions to the building.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE:

- (a) The Public Relations Committee is responsible for the relations between the organization and the non-member public,
- (b) Their duties are advisory only.
- (c) inspect all out going literature and determine if it will create a
- (d) Advise on all activities of the unit that concern the public to assure prestige and a good public image for the organization.

KLOKAN COMMITTEE:

- (a) This committee is appointed by the Klokan of the Klavern and is under the direct supervision of the Klokan.
- (b) Takes no action other than that specifically ordered by the Kio-

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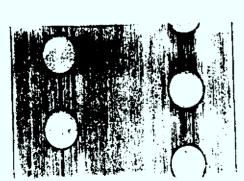
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- 2. Instruct the member in the use of the gavel.

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Exhibit 8. Excerpts from oath of Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

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TESTIMONY OF JACK N. ROGERS, JUNE 16, 1965, (CONTINUING):

BY MR. ROGERS:

The leadership of this particular Organization, The Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, as well as that of the various other Klan groups in Louisiana, appears to be composed of persons of some stature, and ability. In many of the smaller communities a significant number of community leaders are members of these organizations, and take part in their operations.

I would like to next offer the transcript of a Staff Consultation held on April 23, with Mr. J. M. Edwards, the Grand Dragon of The United Klans of America, Inc. The tape-recording of this has already been played, Mr. Chairman, for some of the members of this Committee, and we offer the transcript into the record at this point.

BY SEN. KNOWLES:

Let it be received into the record.

TRANSCRIPT OF A STAFF CONSULTATION HELD ON APRIL 23, 1965, AT 11:42 P.M., AT BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA. JACK N. ROGERS, ESQ., COMMITTEE COUNSEL FOR THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES, STATE OF LOUISIANA, PRESIDING.

BY MR. ROGERS:

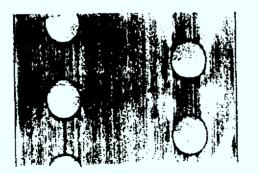
Pursuant to the power granted me under Senate Concurrent Resolution #12, Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature of 1964, and the rules of this Committee under the Law, I now swear the first witness.

THE WITNESS, MR. J. M. EDWARDS, AFTER FIRST HAVING BEEN DULY SWORN TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH, AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH, SO HELP HIM GOD. TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. ROGERS:

Q-What is your name, sir?







A-Jonesboro, Louisiana.

O-When and where were you born?

A-July 20, 1918, in Union Parish, Louisiana.

Q-What do you do for a living?

A-I practice Chiropractic.

Q-Mr. Edwards, what is the name of the Klan Organization you represent?

A-It's the United Klans of America, Inc.

Q-What is the title of your Klan office, and what level of leadership does that title mean?

A-The office that I have in the United Klaus is that of Grand Dragon of the realm of Louisiana, and it designates the highest office in the State in which that Klan operates.

Q-1s your Klan Organization connected with any other Klan Organizations, and if so, which one and how is it connected?

A-It is not connected with any other Klan Organization.

Q-Who is the national head of your Klan Organization?

A-Itobert M. Shelton, Jr.

Q-Where does he live?

A-Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

Q-As I understand your testimony, you are the head of the organization in the State of Louisiana?

A-Yes, sir.

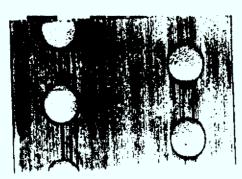
Q-How and by whom are the objectives of your organization determined?

A-By the membership itself.

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Exhibit 9. Letter from Mr. J. M. Edwards, Grand Dragon, United Klans America, Inc. in Louisiana











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AN INTRODUCTION TO THE KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

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To keep alive the memory of the original kina and the principles, fraditions and institutions which they risked their lives to preserve for themselves and for posterity, the men of today, who appreciate heir patriotic and chivaline work, have established a living, lasting memoral to them by the organization of the United Klains of America. Krights of the Ku Klux Klain. The United Klains of America, KKKK, is a national fraternal order composed of real American manhood of the nation who uncompromisingly believe in perpetual preservation of the fundamental principles, ideals and institutions of the pure Anglo-Sauon civilization and all the fruits thereof.

WHAT THE KLAN STANDS FOR

A. AMERICA FIRST: First in thought. First in affections, and first in the galaxy of Nations.

B. BENEVOLENCE In thought, word and deed based upon Justice and practically applied to all To Tight the wrong, to succor the week and unfortunate, to nelp the worth, and to releve the distressed.

C. KLANISHNESS: Real fraternity practically applied—Standing by and sticking to each other in all things homorable, encouraging, protecting, cultivating, and exemplifying the real "fraternal human relationship," to shield and enhance each other; happiness and welfare A devoted unfailing joyalty to the principles, imission and purposes of the Order in promoting the highest and best interest of the community, state and nation.

WHAT THE KLAN IS

The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is a frategral order promulgating fraternal conduct, and not merely a "social association." It is a duly incorporated, legally recognized insitiation, funest in purpose, noble in sentiment, and inactical in results that should command the hearty respect of all real Americans throughout the nation. It is an association of Real Menching worthwhile, and who are in all things 100°4 pure American Yet, it is vasily mire than merely a social fraternal order.

PREREQUISITES TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE INVISIBLE EMPIRE

This order is founded upon dependable character. It is not an ultra exclusive institution, but its membership is composed of "picked" men.

No man is allowed in this Under who hasn't manhood enough to assume a real Oath with serious purpose to keep the same inviolate.

No man is allowed in the Order who will not or cannot swear an unqualified allegiance to the Government of the United States of America, its flag and its Constitution.

No man is allowed in this Order who does not esteem the Government of the United States of America above any other government, civil, pulitical or ecclesiastical in the whole world.

No man is allowed in this Order who cannot practice real fraternity towards each and every one of his oath-bound brothers

Only native-born, white gentile, profesiant, American critizens of at least eighteen years of age, who believe in the tenets of the Christian religion, and owe no allegiantic of any degree or nature to any foreign guovernment, nation, political institution, sect, people or person, are sligible.

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Exhibit 10. Policy statement furnished by Mr. J. M. Edwards.

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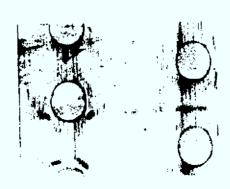


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If there be any while American citizen who owes allegiance to another flag save our American Plag, who cannot subscribe to and support those principles, let him forever hold his peace, for he is basely unworthy of the great flag and its government that guarantees to him the libertly and the pursuit of happiness. A person who actively opposes these great principles is a dangerous ingredient in the body politic of our country and an enemy to the weal of our national commonwealth.

The Kinghts of the Ku Klux Kian of today rides on, not upon the backs of the faithful steeds of yesteryear, but in the mind, heart and aud of every true American cuttern who loves our great country and who glories in the naive America, and who is honed enough as a gratefiol son to propertially importantate the heroism of our fathers and transmit the boon of our proceeds herriage unfarmined, uncorrupted and unstanded to the generations who follow us that the lastic of our age may increase in splendor.

The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, regardless of statement made to the contrary, either through ignorance or with deliberate intent to misrepresent it, has not made, is not now making and does not intend to make any light on the Roman Catholic Church as a religious institution, but it will unattenably and unequivocally uppose any move of the Catholic Church or of any other church, individual or organization, which attempts to bring about a combination of church and state in these United States.

The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan concedes to every mun the right to worship God as he sees it and in his own way, or to worship Itim not at all, and while it adheres strictly to the tenets of the Christian resignor, it seeks no quarred with any individual or organization because of religious differences.

The Knights of the Ku Kiux Klan is not the enemy of the negro It openes and will continue to oppose, the efforts of certain negro organizations and periodicals which are sowing the swits of discontent and social hatred among the negroes of this country by preaching and teaching social equality and mongrelization of the rares. We believe, it is possible for the rares to live together in peace and unity only upon condition that each race recognize the rights and privileges of the other Yet, we hold it is obligatory upon the negro race, and upon all other colored races in America to recognize that they are living in the land of the white race by courtesy of the white race; and the white race cannot be expected to aurrender to any other race, either in whole or in part, the control of its vital and fundamental governmental affairs.

There are rights which the negro race and all other colored races have as citizens of this country which the white race—the ruling race

--is bound to respect, but they must not, individually or collectively lose sight of the fact that the white time is the ruling race by right of inhoritance; and that it does not intend to surrender this right or to compromise it with any other face—blace, yellow or brown

Let the negro race and all other races lying within our borders advance and develop and prosper all that they rosy, but let it be some through their own institutions and within their own race without eneroschiment upon the rights of other races. Let their understand that in the long run the white man always has proved innself by trees freed and the softest conjuscillor of all other races in whatever hand or time the races have come in contact, and technique the races have come in contact, and technique the proposed and appears to their passions aim prejudices by wild promises that they know can never be fulfilled.

No Jew can obtain citizenship in the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan At every Klavern meeting Jesus Christ is lauded and his teachings expeunded. The constitution and regulations in the Order set forth that the living Christ is the Klansman's criterion of character Therefore, it would be unjust to allow the Jew to enter into the fellowship with the Klavern by appealing to his patronism, and then have him cease to attend because every meeting would be out of harmony with his religious convictions.

THE KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN AND COMMUNISM

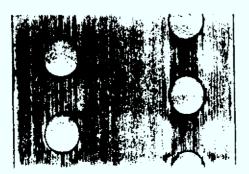
Be it known, that the Knights of the Ku Kiux Klan was YESTERDAY, is TODAY and will FOREVER be opposed to Communism in any form and to its fellow-travelor organizations. The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan will light to our last breath, using every neams at our disposal to rid our country of this insidious plague of mankind.

For further information write

United Klans of America, Inc Suite 401, Alston Building Tuscalousa, Alabama

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PROPERTY AND AREA

Q-What process is used to determine policy or objectives?

A-A democratic assembly, Mr. Rogers.

Q-1s your organization connected in any way with the Communist Party, or any other foreign party, agency or governance?

A-No, sir, it is not.

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Q-1s any pledge or oath of allegiance required of all of your members?

A-Yes, indeed.

Q-Does this oath in any way infringe upon, or negate, complete loyalty to the Constitution of the United States?

A-No. Mr. Rogers, did you say "infringe or negate?"

Q-Does the oath which your members take infringe upon their loyalty to the United States, or negate in any way their loyalty to the United States?

A-No. sir, that oath does not.

O .- Would you explain that, please?

A-- (No answer.)

Q-Can you give me the oath?

A-1 will explain that, Mr. Rogers. The oath swears unqualified allegiance to the government of the United States of America, its Constitution and laws. May I just quote the section which has to do with allegiance?

Q-Go right ahead.

A—"I most solemnly assert and affirm that to the government of the United States of America, and any State thereof of which I may become a resident, I sacredly swear an unqualified allegiance above any and every kind of government in the whole world. I here and now pledge life, property, vote and sacred honor to uphold its flag, its Constitution, and Constitutional Laws, and will protect, defend and enforce same unto death."

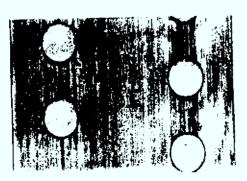
 $Q \longrightarrow Mr$. Edwards, what is the policy of your organization as to law violations? Is there anything in your oath concerning this?





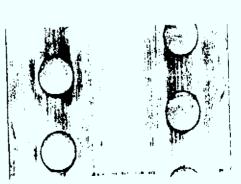


- A—The attitude of the Order concerning law violations is the same as it would be on the part of any good American citizen. I repeat that for you: "I most solemnly promise and swear that I will always, at all times, and in all places, help, aid, and assist the duly constituted officers of the law, in the proper performance of their legal duties."
- Q-What are the qualifications for membership in your organization?
- A-He must be a white man, a Protestant person who believes in the tenets of the Christian Religion, and of sane mind, of course.
- Q-Do you do any screening of people to keep out undesirable elements or people who might have criminal records, or anything like that?
 - A-The very best that it is possible to do.
- Q-What do you do after you have gotten members in if you find out that they are involved in violations of law?
 - A-(No answer.)
- Q-How do you take care of that, how do you handle that within your organization?
- A—Any member or any person, for that matter, whose unlawful acts come to the attention of our people are reported to the proper authorities. Our organization does not harbor those who commit unlawful acts.
 - Q-Are they allowed to remain in the organization?
- A—No, sir, this Order does not provide for a person who conducts himself contrary to the tenets of the law he has sworn to uphold, rather than to violate. As soon as any act of unlawfulness is discovered on the part of a member of this Order, he is immediately expelled.
- Q-Approximately how many members do you have in the State of Louisiana, Mr. Edwards?
 - A-I am not at liberty to answer that question, Mr. Rogers.
- Q-Can you tell us how many local Klaverns you have in Louisiana?



- A-No, sir, I am not at liberty to reveal that.
- Q-Why is that, are you sworn under some oath not to reveal that?
 - A-Yes, sir.
 - O-What are the objectives of your organization?
- A.—The objectives of this Order shall be to unite all white male persons, native-born gentiles of the United States who owe no allegiance of any nature to any other government, nation, institution, ruler, sect or people; to unite people whose morals are good, whose reputations and vocations are respectable, whose habits are exemplary, who are of sound mind, and 21 years of age or more, to a common oath of brotherhood of strict regulations, and also to cultivate and promote patriotism toward our civil government.
- Q—After you unite them, is the function of the organization directed solely at improving yourselves, the members, or do you have some outward manifestation of your objectives?
- A—Certainly it has as its objective to improve the individual, and I think this is best done by virtue of the fact that we hold Christ himself as our criterion of character, and never in a Klavern meeting will a person stay without hearing the name of Christ proclaimed, and His principles sounded. Then in the community, I think that you will find it hard to determine any difference in the works of the people in this Order and in any other civic service, or social organ'. Tion, because I think the efforts overlap in every one of these areas.
- Q-Do your members aim, and are the objectives of your organization in any way directed, toward political action?
- A-No, sir, I couldn't say that they are directed toward political action, but certainly men with these objectives would participate in governmental affairs; that's a responsibility of any citizen.
- Q-How do you propose to realize the objectives that you have set forth here, by any means other than education?
 - A-What other means are there?
 - Q-What is the attitude of your organization toward violence?
 - A-A member of this Order is not going to engage in violence.





violators to the local police authorities in any area? Do you know of any specific incident where this has been done?

A-1 cannot speak for any area oatside of Louisiana, but I am very happy to report that it has not come to my attention.

Q-Mr. Edwards, how are your officers of the Klan elected at the different levels?

A-Through a democratic process, by the membership.

Q-How do you get elected to the office which you hold?

A-By the same process, it is not a dictatorial organization, Mr. Rogers.

Q-Are you elected by popular vote of all the members in the State, or are you elected by a Board which is elected by the members throughout the State?

A-No, sir, perhaps like people are elected on the national level, by delegates representing a certain number of people.

Q-Have you any control as Grand Dragon of the State of Louisiana over the local Klaverns?

A-Only through the people who are elected to maintain the order in those Klaverns.

Q-Do you have any veto power over the chosen officers of the local Klavern?

A-In case their conduct is contrary to the oath and the Constitution.

Q-You do?

A-Yes, sir, in that case.

Q--Have you any disciplinary powers available to you over the members in the local Klavern, if you had learned that something had gone on which was contrary to your basic rules? Could you do anything about it if the local Klavern officers did not?

A-Yes, sir.

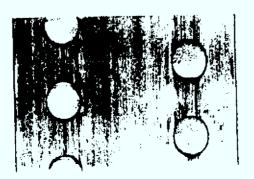
Q-Do you actively maintain responsibility over the local Klaverns to the best of your ability?

THE KLAN'S ANSWER TO LYNDON JOHNSON

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Exhibit 14, United Klans of America literature furnished by Mr. J. M. Edwards.









to carry out private crimes. There have been several reported instances of this in the State. Any individual with a grudge and a bedsheet can commit crime in Louisiana, or elsewhere throughout the South, and get the blame placed on the Ku Klux Klan.

The second weakness of the Klan seems to be the ease with which they have been infiltrated by the police.

The third weakness of the Klan is the fact that they have no centralized leadership, or coordination. They have several strengths which have aided them materially in recruiting and maintaining their organizational structure. First is the unfortunate fact of Communist infiltration into the various social and political movements which are active in the Southern United States at this time, and the fear of the average citizen over being unable to do much as an individual to combat this infiltration.

Another strength is the frustration of many of the citizens of the State with the Supreme Court's strange and sometimes inexplicable decisions which they believe do violence to well-established principles of constitutional law, and help the Communist Conspiracy.

Another reason for the strength of the Klan is the frustration of many citizens with the forced racial-mixing policies of the Federal Government at this time.

A further strength is the fact that the Klan in Louisiana at this moment is basically a "grass-roots movement," rather than a philosophy imported from abroad. It is spontaneous and based upon statements of policy which embody many of the fundamental basic political concepts of American freedom.

A further strength of the Klan in Louisiana is the fact of the historical tradition of America for the people to protect themselves when they feel they are not being properly protected by their government.

One final strength of the Klan is the innate affinity of many people for secret organizations, complicated rituals, and quasi-conspiratorial activities.

We have obtained from police sources, and from certain leaders of the Klan who supplied them to us at the time of their staff consultation, some exhibits which I think will be of interest to the Committee, and I would like to offer some of them at this time. First would like to offer from our own research, a clipping from "The Worker," the official publication of the Communist Party, U. S. A. This is an editorial entitled, "An Evil Institution," which discusses the House Committee on Un-American Activities, and its forth-

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coming investigation of the Ku Klux Klan. The Worker alleges generally that the House Committee on Un-American Activities, and the Ku Klux Klan throughout the United States, are closely in league, and that the House Committee has aligned itself with "Racists" and "Ultra-Rightists" who are blood brothers to the Klansman, and that these people dominate the House Committee on Un-American Activities. We offer this into the record, Mr. Chairman,

BY SEN. KNOWLES:

Let it be accepted.

BY MR. ROGERS:

Now, from Mr. Murray Martin, the Grand Dragon of the original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, we obtained some excerpts from policy statements contained in the secret Klan book, or manual, which is used in Klan rituals. This Book is called the "Kloran." Mr. Martin furnished us with some excerpts from it in the form of a statement of policy on one page which we offer into the record, and some excerpts from the Oath which is used by this particular Klan group which we also offer into the record, Mr. Chairman.

BY SEN. KNOWLES:

Let it be accepted.

BY MR. ROGERS:

Mr. Martin further provided us with a list of 50 reasons offered by his organization as to why a person should be a member of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, which we offer into the record.

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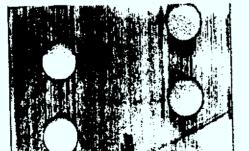
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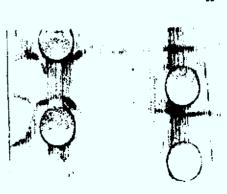
BY MR. ROGERS:

We have also obtained from Mr. Martin a copy of an application for membership in the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, which we offer into the record.

BY SEN. KNOWLES:

Let it be accepted.





An Evil Institution

The conviction in Washington last week of Mrs. Dagmar Wilson, Mrs. Donna Allen and Russ Nixon for "contempt" of Congress shows once more the great power for for evil of the House Un-American Committee.

What was the "contempt" for which they were convicted? They had refused to testify in secret session for the House Un-Americans. What was it that the House Un-Americans wanted to do? To distort an action by these peace seeking people in seeking State Department approval for a visa for a Tokyo professor to come to this country to speak at a peace meeting.

The aim of the Un-Americans undoubtedly was to reestablish the atmosphere of fear that enveloped the nation. When the Un-American and the McCarthyites had paralyzed the nation in the late 1940's and early 1950's.

Then the promotion of the cold war was the aim; today the aim is the escalation of the dirty war in Vielnam.

But Mrs. Wilson, of the Women Strike for Peace, Mrs. Allen, of the Women's International League for Peace, and Nixon, general manager of the National Guardian, courageously defied the House Un-Americans. It is for this that they have been convicted.

The House Un-Americans, the most flactant subverters of the U.S. constitution in the nation's history, want to make it a crime for citizens to contact government agencies, and for a newspaper to provide information for its readers.

In truth, this is the latest more in the House Un-Americans' continuous war against the Bill of Rights, in this case, the rights of the people to petition their government and of freedom of the gress.

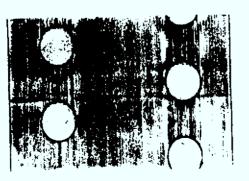
AND THIS is the committee that has grabbed for itself the job of "investigating" the Ku Klus Klan. With racists and ultra-Rightists — blood brothers to the Klansman — dominating the House Un-Americaus, the nation can expect to see the KKK sheets, which are stained with the blood of its Negro and white victums, come out clean white.

The House Un-Americans are the enemies of all that every decent American wants — peace, equality for all people, economic security. Most of the nation holds the Un-Americans in contempt. They maintain their measy existence by intimidation and threat.

Exhibit 15. Clipping from the Communist newspaper, "The Worker", concerning the Klan.

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BY MR. ROGERS:

Also, a Klan statement on "The Meaning of Americanism," which we offer into the record.

BY SEN. KNOWLES:

Let it be accepted.

BY MR. ROGERS:

Further, an excerpt from the Kloran in use by that group, showing the function of various committees in the committee-system of government used in the Klan Organizations, which we will offer into the record.

BY SEN. KNOWLES:

Let it be accepted.

BY MR. ROGERS:

And finally the complete text of a Klan booklet catled, "The Seven Symbols of the Klan," on five photographed pages which we will offer into the record. This is interesting in that it discusses the basic creed of the Klan, and the significance which the seven symbols used by the Klan have in Klan activities. This information was obtained, as I said, from Mr. Murray Martin.

BY SEN. KNOWLES:

Let it be accepted.

BY MR. ROGERS:

We also obtained from Mr. J. M. Edwards of the United Klans of America, three leaflets which we have reproduced, pictures of which I offer into the record at this time. Among others which he gave us, these are samples of the literature which is used by his particular Klan Organization. We offer them into the record.

BY SEN. KNOWLES:

Let them be accepted.

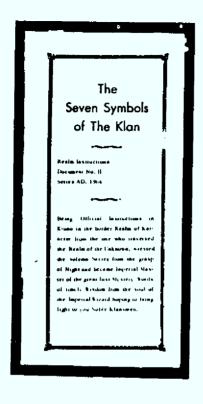
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Exhibit 16. Statement of doctrine used in the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, furnished by Mr. Murray Martin.

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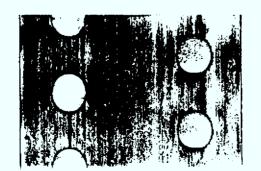
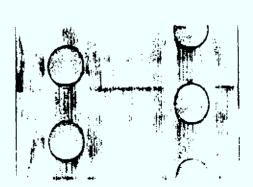


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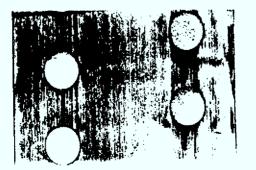
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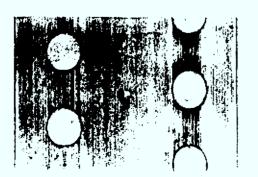
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J. M. Edwards, addressed to yourself, Mr. Chairman, dated February 19, 1965, requesting that there be some inquiry made into the function of his organization.

BY SEN. KNOWLES:

Let it be accepted.

BY MR. ROGERS:

We have obtained from police sources a copy of the secret "Kloran" used by the United Klans of America, Inc., which we offer into the record also. We have not photographed any particular pages of this because the significance of it is covered in later material, Mr. Chairman. We offer it into the record in its original form.

BY SEN. KNOWLES:

Let it be accepted.

BY MR. ROGERS:

We would like to further offer into the record at this time, three pages of photographs showing the front and back of a leaflet handed out by the Original Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., entitled, "An Introduction Into the Original Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc.," stating their policy and their membership requirements. We offer these three pages into the record, Mr. Chairman.

BY SEN. KNOWLES:

Let them be accepted.

BY MR. ROGERS:

Further from police sources, Mr. Chairman, we have obtained a copy of "The Secret Kloran of the Original Ku Klux Klan," which sets forth the Klan Creed, the Order of Business in the Klavern, the definitions of the names given to the various Klan Officers, and the full text of the Secret Oath taken by Klan members. This Kloran is the one used by the Ouachita Parish Group, which is named "The Original Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc.," and we are led to believe that the Oath which is set forth in this particular Kloran is practically the same as the Oath used by other Klan Organizations. We have been unable to obtain a full text of the Oath actually used by the other Klan groups; however, this one that we have obtained, is evidently the same or practically the same as the Oath used by





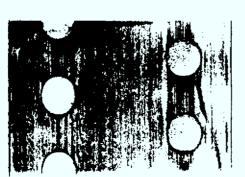


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Exhibit 21. Policy statement of the Original Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc.

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MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS OF THE ORIGINAL KU KLUN KLAN

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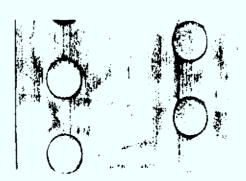
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At various times in the past, individuals have committed acts of violence wearing mask, and rubes resembling the obligating regular of the Original Ku Klus Klaa and have been classified as Klussmen of this Order. By not be mished. The Original Ku Klus Klaa of America, but, es structive a law adulting segmentation with each and every member swell to aphold the law at all times, and to assist, when necessary, the law enforcement ofto er in performing their legally constituted daties. ANY member violating this earlie will be being ged from the childer.

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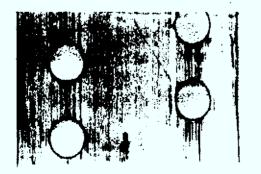
To - The Original Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc

Inasmuch as The Original Ku Klux Klan, Inc. operates entirely from dues of its members and contributions of individuals who are concerned for the future of our great nation, and receive more of the mammoth grants from the liberal foundations as does the NAACP, CORE, COFD, and others, I wish to do my part laward this great work and hereby contribute \$

Name ________Address ______

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all of the groups. As I stated to the Committee previously, this particular group from which this came is the smallest Klan Organization in the State, and it is possible that their security measures are less efficient than those of the other groups. This may be why we are able to obtain through police sources, the full text of this Oath. Mr. Chairman, we offer into the record the material which I have just discussed with the Committee.

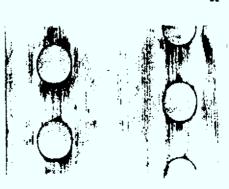
BY SEN. KNOWLES:

Let it be accepted

BY MR. ROGERS:

A prime purpose for offering this Oath is, that within the mandate of this Committee from the Legislature, the question of loyalty of citizens to the State of Louisiana, and to the United States of America, inevitably becomes a part of our investigation. The Oath of Allegiance which is shown in this particular secret book, makes quite a point of having the person who takes the Oath swear allegiance to the Government of the United States of America, and I will quote from page 62 here: "I most solemnly assert and affirm that to the Government of the United States of America, and any State thereof of which I may become a member, I sacredly vow an unqualified allegiance above any other and every kind of Government in the whole world. I here now pledge my life, my property, my vote, and my sacred honor to uphold its flag, its Constitution, and constitutional laws; and will protect, defend and enforce same unto death." It's interesting to note that in the excerpts in the Oath used by the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, given to us by Murray Martin, and also in those excerpts given us by Mr. J. M. Edwards, they both quote this particular section of the Oath from their organizations.

Now, in the course of our investigation of the Klan, Mr. Chairman, we came across several interesting facts concerning two other organizations which are not connected with the Klan, but which are carrying on certain clandestine and secretive operations in the State of Louisiana at this time. The first and most important of these organizations is one called "The Robert E. Lee Patriots." This organization is centered in New Orleans and is headed by Alvin Cobb. I have been able to interview Mr. Cobb and take from him a sworn Staff Consultation, which I have on tape here and will be glad to play for the Committee at the conclusion of my testimony. I offer into the record at this time a written transcript of this sworn Staff Consultation which was taken on the 9th of May of this year.





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Exhibit 24. Cover of the secret "Kloran" used by the Original Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc. Very similar to "Klorans" used by all Klan organizations.

Exhibit 25. Statement of policy and order-of-business contained in Exhibit





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GREAT TITAN-A title from the original Ku Klus Klan-the Chief Officer of a Pro-vince.

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KLICRAPHThe Secretory, from Kirogrov priess of the ancient Divide.

KLUDD-Choplain, from Culdge-the high KLOKARD-Lecturer as Teacher of the Klord, from Klo of Kloren, the book, and Kard, meaning a teacher or reader. KLALIFF-A successor in effice.

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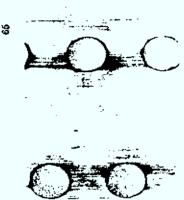
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clanishness, to assuage the billowing tide of fraternal alienation that surges in human breasts, and inspire them to achieve the highest and nobless in the defense of our country, our homes, each other and humanity, is the paramount ideal of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

When the baleful blast of Reconstruction's

storm was o'er.
The valuant. Chivalric Ku Klut rode no But ride on and on, thou spirit of that mystic klan.

In your noble mission for humanity's good; Until the clanish tie of klankraft binds man

For our country, our homes and woman-

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"Non Silbe Sed Anthor."

All sey in unison." Not for self but for others."

KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN TITLES AND EXPLANATIONS

THE INVISIBLE EMPIRE-Geographically the universal jurisdiction of the order. A REALM-A sub-division of Invisible Empire,—a state or territory of the United States.

A PROVINCE--A sub-division of a Realm,--

A KLANTON-The jurisdiction of a klan, from Canton-a corner or small district.

THE IMPERIAL KLONVOKATION—Is the Convention of the Invisible Empire and is the supreme legislative body of the order. convocation—on assembly called by higher authority.

A KLORERO--Is the Convention of a Realm from Korero--a convention.

A KLONVERSE--is the assembly of a province from converse-as in a conversation or conference.

A KLONKLAVE-Is the gathering in secret session of a klan, from conclave-to secret meeting or lacked room.

THE GOVERNMENT of the Invisible Em-THE GOVERNMENT of the Invisible Empire is vested with the Imperial Wizard, the Emperor, assisted by his lifteen Genii-the Imperial Officers constituting his official family, The government of a Realm is vested with a Grand Dragon, assisted by his nine Hydras-the Grand Officers; the government of a Province is vested with a Great Titan, assisted by his twelve Furies —the Great Officers, and a Klan is governed by an Exalted Cyclops, assisted by his twelve Terrors-the elective officers of a klan.

THE KLORAN (The Book of the Klan-Ritual and Lectures.

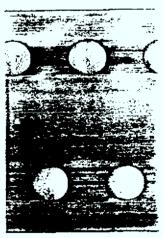
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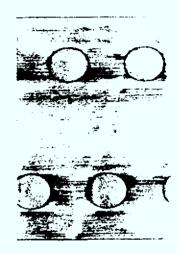
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KLEAGLE--Title of an organizer for the Order.

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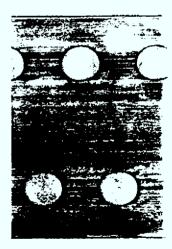
SECTION I - OBEDIENCE

In the presence of God and man-most solemnly pledge, promise and swear-unconditionally-that I will faithfully obey-the Konstitution and Laws and willingly conform to-all regulations-which do now exist-or which may be hereafter enacted-and will render at all times-loyal respect and steadfast support-to the Authority of same, and will heartily heed-all official mandates-decrees-edicts-rulings and instructions--of the Grand Dragon thereof. I will yield prompt response-to all summonses--I having knowledge of same--PROVIDENCE ALONE PREVENTING--I sweathat I will-cast my vote--in any election--in accordance--with the "Klan roles and regulations.

SECTION II - SECRECY

I most solemnly swear-that I will forever--keep sacredly secret--the signs, words, and grip--and any and all other--matters and knowledge--of the ***, regarding which--a most rigid secrecy--must be maintained--which may at any time--be communicated to me--and will never divulge same --nor even cause the same to be divulged--to any person in the whole world--unless I know positively that such person--is a member of this Order

Exhibit 28. Pages from Exhibit No. 24 containing explanations and start Oath of Allegiance, partically identicat with Oath used by all Klan organiza-



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manner wrong-the ****-a *man-nor a *man's family-nor will I suffer the same to be done--if ! can prevent it. I swear that I will be faithful in defending and protecting-the home--reputation-and physical and business-of a *man-and that of a *man's family. I swear that I will-at any time-without hesitating-20 to the assistance of a "man-a "man's family-in any way-at his call I will answer-I will be truly "ish toward a "man in all things honorable.

I swear that I will never allow--any animosity-friction nor ill will-to arise and remain-between myself-and a *man-but will be constant-in my myself-and a "man-out wire be constanted my efforts-to promote real "ishness among the members-of this Order. I swear that I will keep secure to myself-a secret of a "man-when same has been committed to me-in the sacred bond of "manship. The crime of violating this solemn against the United State of oath-treason against the United States of America-rape--and malicious murder--alone ex-

I most solemnly assert and affirm—that to the government of the United States of America—and any state Thereof—of which I may become a mem ber-I sacredly vow an unqualified allegiance-above any other-and every kind of governmentin the whole world, I here and now-pledge my

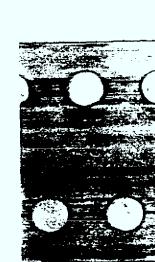
life-my property-my vote-and my sacred honor-to uphold it's flag-it's constitution-and consti-tutional laws-and will protect-defend-and enforce same unto death.

I will always, at any and all times--and in all places--help, aid and assist the duly constituted officers of the law--in the proper performance of their legal duties.

I swear that I will most zealously--shield and preserve--by any and all--justifiable means and methods-the sacred constitutional rights-and privileges of free speech-free press-separation of church and state-free segregated public schools-white SUPREMACY-just laws-against any encroachment-of any nature-by any person or persons-political party or parties-religious sect or people-native-naturalized or foreign-of any race--color, creed--lineage or longue what-

All to which I have sworn by THIS OATH--I will seal with my blood--be thou my witness Almighty AMEN!

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TRANSCRIPT OF THE STAFF CONSULTATION HELD ON THE 9TH DAY OF MAY, 1965, AT BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA. JACK N. ROGERS, ESQ., PRESIDING.

THE WITNESS, MR. ALVIN COBB, AFTER FIRST HAVING BEEN DULY SWORN TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH, AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH, SO HELP HIM GOD, TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

BY MR. COBB: (READING THE QUESTIONS TO HIMSELF.)

Q-The No. 1 question is name, where do you live, where and when were you born, what do you do for a living?

A—My name in Alvin A. Cobb, I live at 4115 Carondelet Street, New Orleans, Louisiana. I was born and reared at New Orleans where my parents are living. I handle researches, abstracts, and land recovery. I am also president of the Southern Land Recovery Corporation.

Q-Number 2 question: What is the correct name of the Klan organization you represent?

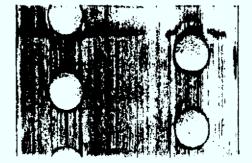
A-I never did say that I represented any Klan organization, so therefore I am not subject to give any name to something that I possibly have no connection with.

Q-Question No. 3: What is the title of your Klan office, and what leadership does that title mean?

A-It doesn't mean anything to me, whatsoever.

Q-Question No. 4: Is your Klan organization connected with any other organization?

A—I am at the head of an organization, I don't claim it to be a Klan organization, or any other organization—not that I would be ashamed of it. The reason of the fact that the Federal Government is promoting the Communist Martin Luther King, who is proceeding with his "black anarchy," which is destroying the country, and which in reality constitutes beyond a reasonable doubt the "divide and conquer plan." As Mr. Khrushchev said, he would be able to take the country without firing a shot. A part of that question is: If so, which one and how is it connected? Well, I claim no connection.







- Q-Question No. 5: Who is the national head of your Klan organization?
- A—When I belong to an organization, whatever it might be, or whatever its motive of organization, or whatever its objectives are, I don't necessarily look to a national leader, I am more or less anti-Communist, which seems to be in these days and times, considered subversive by the Federal Government which promotes Communist organizations.
- Q-Question No. 6: Who is the head of your organization in Louisiana?
- A—The head of my organization which has no connection, whatsoever, with any other organization is the "Robert E. Lee Patriots," that is my organization in Louisiana, and I am the head of it.

BY MR. ROGERS:

Q—That is the name of the group, the Robert E. Lee Patriots? A—Yes, sir.

BY MR. COBB:

- Q—Question No. 7: How and by whom are the objectives of your organization determined?
- A—The objectives of my organization are determined by all Christian citizens who are determined to be extreme and so-called extremists in their desire to stop this country from being completely taken over by the Communists, and are willing to die for what we believe in. We are strictly opposed to Communists, including the Americans For Democratic Action to which the Vice-President of the United States has been affiliated, Martin Luther King, who is now the President of the United States assisted by Lyndon Johnson, and who has the power and authority to call out the Army whenever he sees fit, and to do whatever he thinks proper in order to make the black savage race the supreme race of America, and destroy the white race.
- Q-Question No. 8: Is your organization in any way connected with the Communist Party, any other foreign party, agency or government?
- A-I would like to ask that question of the President of the United States, the Vice-President of the United States, the members

of the United States Supreme Court, and a whole lot of other pel including southern scalawags, and Judas goats who are selling country out to the Communists. This country is guilty of treason, is the rulers, the tyrants who run the country are guilty of treas because treason is defined in Webster's Dictionary as, "aiding, a ting, and giving comfort to the enemy." The President of the Uni States allows the shipment of wheat during times when the Co munist party was ready to disintegrate, that is the foreign Co munist Party, because their social-system was breaking down want of food, that they sold the food to them. This country is furni ing materials of war, which according to Webster's Dictionary treason beyond a reasonable doubt; and I personally believe that I were in a position to take the President of the United States and Vice-President of the United States, and their constituent the Neg Communist, Martin Luther King, and the members of the Unit States Supreme Court and put them on the stand, beyond reasonal doubt I could prove that they are guilty of treason; and they are a guilty of aiding, abetting, giving comfort to the enemy which Communism, and in reality, if they are not members of the Co munist party, they are Communist helpers, and they are not fit to Americans.

- Q—Question No. 9: Is any pledge of allegiance required of members of your organization, and if so, does it in any way infring upon or negate complete loyalty to the Constitution of the Unite States?
- A—The members of my organization are sworn to uphold the Constitution of the United States as it was originally written, to deal they can within their power to return the government to the people and not further the interest of the politician because the people are the ones who form the government, and the Government of the United States did not create the people. They are pledged to do all they can to re-establish and to give re-birth to this Nation so it can once again be a government of, for, and by the people.
- Q—Question No. 10: What is the policy of your organization as to law violations?
- A—We believe in upholding the laws of the land, the law as it concerns the Bill of Rights, and the rights of every American citizent to vote, the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. We will never believe in the destruction of the Constitution especially as it concerns the "Black Friday" which was brought about by the United States Supreme Court where the Constitution was practically

destroyed and our school system, for one thing, was turned over to the Federal Government, when according to the Constitution, the Bill of Rights and every law the land, the Federal Government has no right or authority to operate the school systems of the United States. Insofar as that is concerned, they have no right or authority to take over free enterprise and destroy States Rights. Now, we are not violent, yet we resent the violence of the "black anarchy"; we do not anticipate doing any sneaky business, or anything for which any other organization might be accused. The fact that certain men who resisted certain organizations which were going to destroy, and had continued to destroy the South during the carpetbagger days, because some men resorted to violence doesn't make us any more guilty today than the Roman Catholic should be held guilty as regards the Spanish Inquisition, or the Martin Luther Reformation Period, or that Mr. Lyndon Johnson should be held guilty because of the actions of Mr. Jenkins, and some of his constituents. Surely I would not give you the President of the United States as being a homosexual, despite the fact that he was so closely associated with a man who had in his hand the most secret, and the most precious secrets of the United States of America, who turned out to be a homosexual, and who was a very close friend of the President of the United States. I would not accuse the President of the United States as being a homosexual, so therefore there is no reason for all of these false accusations about violence. And another thing, if in the event the Federal Bureau of Investigation would be properly used to investigate the Communists who are taking over this country, and they have done a good job so far; if they were used to fight the Communists instead of rendering service to the Communist Negro organizer, Martin Luther King, and if the President of the United States would come out and make speeches against Communism instead of lending support, and giving the full support of our Armed Forces for immoral walks, and trips, and sit-ins, and sit-downs; if the President of the United States would break up all of this Communistic operation of Mr. Martin Luther King instead of worrying about anti-Communist organizations, he might be contributing something to good Americanism. It is a crime and a shame that the Federal Government has become servants to the "black anarchy" that now rules the land, and which is also backed up by the Zionist Jews, both national and international, headed by such people as Dombrowski, or whatever his name might be, and Javits, and the defamed defamation society that is out to destroy the purity of the white race, and to create the same as the United Nations intends to do, a one-world government, with a one-world Armed Forces, a one-world religion, and a oneworld race of mongrels. We don't intend to take it! Now, this asks

about "law violations." Violations or no violations, when the arrives to defend ourselves against this Communist invasion, t will then be that we will not accept any law to accept Com because we would rather be "dead" than "red," and at that t are ready to do what has to be done, the same as George Wash did when the white Christians walked barefooted to oppose the and were successful in the birth of this country. The same as did on Lake Erie, and MacArthur did at Pearl Harbor. We a going to have the purity of the white race destroyed, we a going to be forced by force to become a mongrel race, and we a going to accept the doctrine of Communism which began President Roosevelt and his Communist operations including Yalta deal, when he put the Communists in business. President velt called it "The New Deal." Then along came another discipl followed him, the President of the United States, John F. Ker who called it "The New Frontier." Mr. Kennedy was a Fabian a Socialist, and the lines of demarcation between Socialism and munism are so insignificant that it is pitiful. There is no diffe in my book, both of them are un-Americanism, both are destru and both constitute the cancer that is eating away this Nation now, all of which is led by the black hordes of anarchy. We don tend to be forced to be mongrels or Communists, that's my answ that question, and we don't intend to be subservient to the U Nations, we believe the American flag should once again fly in dif and respect to the whole world and not be low-rated such it is thro out the world, where every country we have beaten hates us, w our embassies are being bombed, and where all over the world are saying, "Go home Yank, go home." The Federal Government first should clean house. Charity begins at home, and we d fight Communism abroad, while the Federal Government itself contributing to Communism right here in the United States. I it were in my power to have the money to put Mr. Lyndon John and Horatio Humphrey and some of the others who claim to be g Americans, but who in reality are actually practicing the adopt of Communism, to put them on the witness stand. We don't intend be forced into this issue, and as far as law violations are concern Almighty God made us free men, the white people who built t country, those that suffered, persevered, and gave their blood build this country, and some of those white people were ancestors

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Q-Question #11: What are the qualifications for members in your organization?

A-The qualifications for membership in my organization at

(1) that the applicant must be a white Christian. (2) He must be a good American, a patriot to America, and a loyal Southerner. We are loyal to the South because it is our native land, and if we were not loyal to our native land, surely we could not be loyal to our country in which our native land is only a part; and its not a question of whether we believe more in the South than the Country, but the fact remains that its not because we love our Country less, but because we love the white Christian race in the South more. Other than that a man must have a good reputation, he must be responsible, and he must be worthy of carrying out his pledge insofar as resisting Communism which includes to the greater part the Communism which exists in this country.

Y MR. ROGERS:

Q-Are there any other qualifications, other than the ones you mentioned? How about Religion, does that play any part in qualifications?

BY MR. COBB:

A-A man, to belong to my organization, cannot serve God and Mammon. The only reason why he cannot be a Roman Catholic is the fact that the Roman Catholic Church made a deal of peaceful coexistence, the same as the Federal Government, with the Communist Party. We don't deal with Communists. He cannot be a Roman Catholic for the reason that the Roman Catholics are promoting intermarriage between whites and Negroes. We believe in the purity of the white race.

Q-Question #12: Approximately how many members do you have in the State of Louisiana?

A-How many members we have in the State of Louisiana can thus be answered: We don't give out that information to begin with, but we have enough members of the State of Louisiana to save the State of Louisiana from Communism, because we have branches of the Robert E. Lee Patriots, and we are willing and ready to defend the State of Louisiana, and might have even enough membership to help defend some other States where the people have been living in apathy like the cancer of Communism has taken over. I fear greatly the possibility in the near future of a complete take-over by the Communist Party if, and when, the Federal Government takes over the Medicare and the Federal Government takes over our voting system, and the Federal Government has taken over our schools

already, and everything else. When they take over our spirit we don't want to be in a position of being forced to write letters to Washington. to the people there. Instead of putting Washington, D. C., we will have to put Washington, District of Communism, or District of the Congo. and we are not going to take it and we will give our blood to stop it. and we have got enough men to do it, and we are willing and ready. We are not taking any more of this monkey business about Martin Luther King. He might rule the Federal Government, but we are the Government of the United States, we the people, and we are not going to tolerate any more of this business. And we are sick of the rising crime-rate like the City of New Orleans, 42% raise in crime-rate in one year, and 99% of the crime—I have the records to prove it—are committed by Negroes, armed robbery, murder, rape, dope, and everything else; we are not going to accept it. And, that means this whole business from Washington clean on down. Now, they have infiltrated the colleges, etc., where the fertilizer for this Communism is being used, and the fertilizer is homosexuality. Homosexuality breeds racemixing, and when they get so low as to do things like that, they become automatically members to the Communist Party, because if they are not loyal to their pride, their respect, and their honor, and they don't have any; when they don't believe in those things, surely they don't believe in anything when they are under the influence of dope or in a homosexual passion where they are ready to sell their country out like Mr. Johnson's friend, Mr. Jenkins. That's my answer to that.

Q—Question #13: What are the objectives of your organization?

A—The objectives of my organization are to do those things which will once again bring back America the way America was. You know this "New Deal" business by Franklin Roosevelt who started it, and then Kennedy with the "New Frontier." and now the President of the United States with "The Great Society." What great society? It appears to be a society of homosexuals, racketeers, socialists, and Communists. We don't want any great society, we are damn well satisfied with the "old time Americanism." that's the only society you want. Insofar as what we stand for, we stand for the preservation of the white Christian race, the purity of the white race, American freedom, civil-rights for white people, not Communists. I repeat, civil-rights for white people and the preservation and the purity of the white race, and freedom for the white Christian people of America. Unlike the Federal Government, we do not believe in helping the Communist Party, we believe in the destruction of Communism. Unlike the Federal Government, we think that our

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armies should be used to preserve the Monroe Doctrine, to stop this fortress of the Soviet Union known as Cuba, as we should have stopped it. Unlike the Federal Government, we don't believe in fighting our own people.

Q—Question #14 is: By what means do you propose to realize these objectives?

A-It is my opinion that the greatest power on earth is the will of the people, and from time immemorial the white race has been supreme, so therefore the supremacy of the white race, and the mentality of it cannot be contested, and the will of the people of the white race is to dispense with Communism by doing such things as voting, to dispense with Communism by complaining to these Judas goats who have been elected and sent to Washington who have forgotten that they have ever been elected by the people of Louisiana, by resisting the Communist elements led by Martin Luther King, by giving our demonstrations, by giving our meetings, by doing such things as to stop being pushed around by Communists and black Negro hordes, and to do whatever else might be necessary to defend our lives and our property from those who seek to inject us with that Godless spirit of Communism. We are going to do our best to take care of our country. It is my opinion that it is only a question of time when certain elements running the Federal Government will do as they did before and invade us, as they invaded a little school in Arkansas; and as they invaded a whole Mississippi University; where they used the United States Army. It cost millions and millions of dollars for an immorality parade of Communists and anti-Americans at Selma, Alabama; and we are going to do everything we can do to resist that kind of thing. The white people should parade to show that we are getting dammed tired of having Communism injected into us, and having our children in schools and in colleges indoctrinated and regimented, both in the public schools, the parochial schools, and in the colleges. We are sick of it, and we are going to give our own demonstrations, and we are going to declare ourselves free men, and we do not fear anything. As a matter of fact, personally, I don't fear God, I love God, I respect Him, I worship God, but I have no fear of Him, and I have no fear of the Federal Bureau of Investigation which has done such acts as might cause their name to be changed to "Federal Bureau of Integration," rendering service to Martin Luther King when it should be fighting Communism. Now, further than that I will tell you this, we are going to continue on, we don't intend to be interfered with, and this is all a smoke-screen to try to destroy the Birch society. The Minute Men.

the Paul Revere Club. the Klan. the Robert E. Lee Patriots, ar every organization that is fighting Communism which is now called subversive. Well, if they are subversive, then by the same means them being subversive, then the Government must acknowledge the they are supporting a Communist, Martin Luther King, for the pu pose of the "divide and conquer" plan so that Mr. Khrushchev can tal over without firing a shot. It is ridiculous to assume that peop fighting Communism and willing to die fighting Communism coul be subversive; whereas, the heads of the Federal Government no are only giving lip-service against Communism. They are feeding them, supporting them, sending them our tax-money, food and every thing else. What I would like to know is, what side is the Federa Government on? Our objectives are all American, real Americans, w don't want any half-business. These moderates and left-wingers-a that stuff to me should all be in jail because they are not rea Americans. If it wasn't for the Government, the churches, and thes Communistic labor-leaders promoting all of this Communism i this country, we wouldn't have any trouble, and I am more afrais of the Communism here in America than I am of them over i Russia. We can whip Russia, but we can't whip the people who ar selling us out to the Soviet Union, that's my answer to that,

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Q—Question #15: Will you furnish the committee with sample of the literature, printed materials used by your organization?

A-I will be very proud, and I will tell you that on most of our literature is these words: "My country tis of thee, once in lands of Liberty, but thee we fight, once again may our land be bright with freedom's holy light, protect us by Thy might, Great God, our King." Now, in conclusion I want to say this: This country is run by the "Establishment," the invisible government. Mr. Rockefeller proves that when he supports certain Democrats, and certain Democrats prove it when they support certain Republicans. There is an element in both of these crime-ridden parties, the Democrats and the Republicans that control the Party with their money, with their power, with Federal intimidation, persecution, etc., that is whipping America into line. They are owning and controlling the country. This country in my opinion is something like three hundred and forty billion dollars in debt. We are the only country in the world where the people, the citizens, cannot own gold coins, the only country in the world that had paper that was once good for gold. then it was good for silver, then it is not good for a damn thing. its only good to pay debts. I don't have a bank-account, but its just as good as me issuing a check without a bank-account, there isn't a dawn thing to back it up but a debt of three hundred and fifty billion dollars. I believe that any man who should give a check without having a bank-account would be no more guilty than the Federal Government dishing out a lot of paper that is not backed up by anything but the gold that is in other countries. This country has been shipping all of the paper over to these other countries, and these other countries have been taking all of our gold. I doubt very seriously whether there is any gold left in this country; there is supposed to be billions but I would have to see it to believe it.

BY MR. ROGERS:

Q-Mr. Cobb, there are one or two other things I want to ask you before we close. What is your title in the Robert E. Lee Patriots?

A-I am the head of the Robert E. Lee Patriots.

Q-Are you the President?

A-I am the President of the Robert E. Lee Patroits.

Q-Is that organization incorporated, or is it an unincorporated association?

A—Well, it was not incorporated, but it's in the process now with Mr. Wade Martin (Secretary of State) in Baton Rouge. I was President of the "Dixiecrats Democratic Association of Louisiana," so we changed it to the Robert E. Lee Patriots because we are ashamed to be Democrats when you have got such Democrats as Johnson, Humphrey, and the other scavengers running this country.

Q—How is your board of officers that decide your policy chosen? Are they elected from the membership, or how are they picked?

A—They are accepted by the people, if anybody doesn't like them they get up and say it. We have little elections, but we don't have any trouble. We are looking for leadership to lead us out of the valley of death which is the valley of Communism that we are in.

Q-Are they appointed by the leaders of the chapters?

A—No, sir, they are accepted by the group, and if anybody wants to oppose them, they do, but they are all good conscientious men who submit to leadership when in certain cases some people don't have the qualifications of bringing things about. One of our motives is to instruct the people of this city, this state, and country,

wherever we can, as to the fact that they are dying with a They have a "don't give a damn attitude." The government is to throw fear into the hearts of the people that if you fight N Luther King, or the Communists, or if you fight back at the Nethen the Federal Government is going to eat you alive, that yo going to be destroyed, persecuted, and everything else. Well, peally, they can do what the hell they want with me, and the drink my blood, but the people that belong to my outfit are myself, and don't give a continental damn. We stand for a pril and we will die for it.

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TESTIMONY OF JACK N. ROGERS, JUNE 16, 1965, (CO TINUED):

BY MR. ROGERS:

Mr. Chairman, the next group with which we have come contact in our investigation is an organization known as "I Knights of the White Camelia." This group is specifically name on the Attorney General's list of subversive organizations. It apparently dormant in Louisiana at this time. The Robert E. I Patriots are not connected with the Ku Klux Klan, they are no pa of it, whatsoever. They simply came to our attention on the ba of The Knights of the White Camelia. We have been informed police sources that Alvin Cobb is the head, or leader, of The Knigh of the White Camelia. As I have already testified, he is also the he of the Robert E. Lee Patriots, Inc. The Knights of the Wh Camelia are not holding meetings at this time, so far as we have be able to ascertain, and evidently all of their members have go completely underground, and have at least temporarily disband the organization. We are told that these men intend to remain under ground until some future situation should become so serious as require their re-organizing and bringing their organization back the surface again in an active form. Apparently it is complete dormant at this time. Now, originally, back in Reconstruction Da after the Civil War, The Knights of the White Camelia definite were a part of the Ku Klux Klan.

The Knights of the White Camelia were originally organiz in St. Mary Parish after the Civil War. They were limited in member ship at that time to men who had been officers in the Confedera Army. The Organization was primarily political in function, b there were some instances of vigilante action directed against various white carpet-baggers and scalawags throughout this part of t State. In 1868 the membership requirements of The Knights of t White Camelia were revised to include any ex-regular Confedera soldiers. The old Klan was disbanded in 1869 by Gen. Nathan Bedfo Forest, but The Knights of the White Camelia continued in existen to about 1872. The Knights of the White Camelia was well infiltrate through these years by the United States military authorities during the Military Occupation of Louisiana. Certain "Klansmen" we into The Knights of the White Camelia after the Klan was disbande in 1869. At "The Battle of Canal Street" in New Orleans abo 1872, there was an organization which took part called "The Whi Camelia Company." As you will remember this "Battle of Can Street" marked the end of carpetbagger rule, and the worst of the Reconstruction Period, in Louisiana. There was a large number of people killed in New Orleans at that time, it was an open-street battle with firearms, and very serious.

The Knights of the White Camelia originally died with the end of the Reconstruction Period. It did continue as a sentimental gesture handed down from father to son. The sons of the old Knights of the White Camelia members were invested with the secrets of The Knights of the White Camelia on their 21st birthday. During the reconstruction of the Klan in the 1915 era, about 1921, The Knights of the White Camelia was reconstituted, and when the second Klan died, The Knights of the White Camelia, so far as we are able to ascertain, is not connected at all with the third Klan, or the Klan which exists now. There is no national or even regional Klan now, of course, only the concept is national. The Knights of the White Camelia at this time, so far as we have been able to ascertain, is simply inoperative, and inactive.

Another thing that came to our attention, Mr. Chairman, during the course of this inquiry was, that there was no Klan activity at all, so far as we have been able to learn, in the Caddo Parish area of this State, this is in the Shreveport area west of Red River. The reason for this, according to the authorities in that area, and according to some Klan sources, too, is the fact that there have been some extremely strong public statements made by the law-enforcement officials of that Parish directing that the Klan stay out of the area and not carry on operations there. The Klan leaders state that they have confidence that they "are not needed" in the Caddo Parish area because of the extreme efficiency of the duly constituted police authorities in carrying out their proper function of law enforcement there.

I think that the transcripts of testimony of the Staff Consultations with the Klan leaders and the leader of the Robert E. Lee Patriots will set forth a rather significant difference of approach toward the problems of the United States, and we leave this to the readers of this report to ascertain.

As to the question of laws dealing with the Ku Klux Klan in Louisiana, there are two very significant legal points which must be considered when analyzing the regulation of the Klan, or the question of whether it should be regulated in Louisiana. The first one is that the Klan in Louisiana does not wear masks; they do in

other States, but not in Louisiana. The reason for this is the Louisiana Revised Statutes, Title 14, Section 313, which is old No. 3 of 1924, prohibits the wearing of masks or hoods in places. I would like to quote from a significant part of the State. Chairman.

"No person shall use or wear in any public place of an character whatsoever, or in any open place in view thereof a hood or mask, or anything in the nature of either, or an facial disguise of any kind or description, calculated to conceal or hide the identity of the person, or to prevent his being readily recognized."

By further terms of the Statute this does not apply to Hallo masks, or to Mardis Gras maskers, these are specifically exem There is a further exemption for educational and religious active. The penalty for violation of this Statute is not less than six mo nor more than three years in jail, which makes it a rather secrime.

The second legal point which must be considered in regain the Ku Klux Klan in Louisiana is that in 1924, by Act No. 2 Legislature passed a Statute, later embodied into our Louisians vised Statutes as Title 12, Section 401, which sought to regulat Ku Klux Klan in Louisiana by requiring that all secret organizal in Louisiana submit to the Secretary of State annually a member list, stating the names and addresses of all of the members. I this particular statute most effectively repressed the Ku Klux in Louisiana for some 37 years. In 1957 or 1958, the State of Louis applied this Statute to the National Association for the Advanced of Colored People, and the Statute was challenged in the Fed Courts at that time. In the case of "State ex rel Gremillion NAACP," (reported at 65 Supreme Court Reporter 1373,) the Ur States Supreme Court on May 26, 1961, overthrew the Louis' Statute, and declared that it was an unconstitutional violation civil rights. This particular decision has made possible the resurg of the Klan in the State of Louisiana. Not until this decision effective, was the Klan able to reorganize and gain stature, posiand strength within this State. It is ironic that the NAACP was instrument by which the Ku Klux Klan in Louisiana was given green light to reorganize and come back to some substantial stren

Without this particular Statute, at this time in Louisiana to appears to be no effective way to regulate or control the Ku Klux Kor similar activities.

survey of the District Attorneys of the State has produced a completely negative report on the question of criminal acts being performed, instigated, aided, abetted, counseled or procured by any Klan organization in the last five years. There is evidence of a strong effort by practically all Klan leaders in Louisiana to negate violence and to promote political action as the basic policy of their organizations.

The Klan groups operating in Louisiana at this time have all developed since the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in the case of "State ex rel Gremillion vs. NAACP" in 1961. The first modern Klan group chartered in Louisiana in 1959 did not prosper to any significant degree until after the 1961 decision. The legislation voided by that decision had successfully repressed the Klan for thirty-seven years in Louisiana. It appears to the Committee that since the 1961 decision, it has been, and is now, practically impossible to regulate the Klan in Louisiana by a constitutional statute. None of the Lian groups active in Louisiana today is the same as any of the four Klan groups placed on the Subversive List of the Attorney General of the United States in 1950, nor were any of these four Louisiana groups in existence at that time.

One week before this report was sent to the press, a large-circulation national magazine commented on the "secrecy" in "The Klan" on "even the smallest details about organization or recruiting." The Committee has found the Klan to be substantially less secret than many other organizations such as the Knights of Columbus or the Masonic Orders. The evidence obtained by our staff and reproduced in this report clearly shows the lack of secrecy and security in the Klan organizations.

Anti-Catholicism is evidently no longer a significant factor in the policies of the Louisiana Klan organizations. One of the four Louisiana Groups, the Old Original Ku Klux Klan, now accepts Catholics in its membership.

Why do Louisiana citizens join the Klan? What need in their lives does it fill? The answers to these questions are varied and numerous, but the basic answer is that modern society and government have not provided these citizens with adequate means of expressing their frustrations. The Klan does this to some degree. The prime factor in this problem appears to be frustration with the current national administration. Every speech by a national political figure demanding more federal control over the lives of the people, advocating appearsment of the Communists, urging some greater measure of

surrender of our national sovereignty, attacking the constitutional system of federalism or "States Rights", or denying the existence of Communist infiltration which is actually a matter of incontrovert ible fact, is a recruiting speech for the Klan. The Courts of our nation help Klan recruiting significantly with each decision that through devious and sometimes ridiculous interpretation of the Constitution weakens or destroys the basic constitutional rights of the States supports the Communist Conspiracy against the legitimate interest of free society, frees obviously guilty or even self-confessed criminal on the vaguest of technicalities or even usurps openly the law-making function of the people constitutionally carried on through the Congres and the Legislatures. Each manifestation of forced race-mixing through executive order. Court judgment or the bald-faced dictat of some Federal agency, is a help to the Klan recruiting program The frustration of citizens concerning these things, and the growing fear that the basis for such things is pure political expediency rather than a sincere interest in the welfare of the nation under the Constitution, is the reason that many Louisiana citizens hav joined the Klan. They are unable to individually do anything abou such problems, and the Klan apparently offers a means of collectiv action.

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The Klan ritual, secrecy, and stated policy, offers some measur of collective security to people who see the whole political, economicand social structure of this State under concerted and vigorous attacl Up to this time, the Klan in Louisiana has not been the vehicle for violence that it has been in various other States. The orientation of the Klan is currently shifting even further toward a political-actic group in Louisiana and will probably continue to follow this trend Much Klan activity seems to be based upon the member's liking for secrecy and intrigue along with a certain Halloween spirit that common to most Americans.

The Committee does not seek to either justify or condemn the policy statements under which the Klan organizations purport operate in Louisiana. They are contained in detail in this report and the reader may agree or disagree with them as he chooses. The Committee does take particular note of the existence of the non-Klate organizations mentioned in this report, particularly as to the different and much more militant policies of these groups. It is not the function of the Committee to criticize or praise the philosophy or orientation of any group or individual in regard to race relations, or any oth subject outside the mandate of the Committee which deals with surversive activities. The Committee does state again, as in all its page.

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reports, that "rights" for individuals, or organizations, do not exist without equal "responsibilities." The mere hiding behind a facade of high-sounding principles does not relieve any individual or organization of his or its legal and moral responsibilities as a citizen of this State and Nation. This applies to all citizens and all organizations, whatever be their name or the color of their members.

Respectfully submitted,

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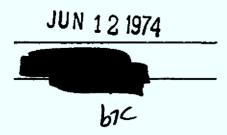
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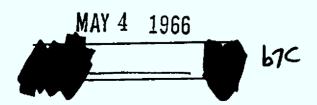
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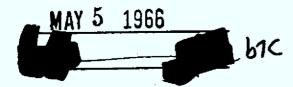
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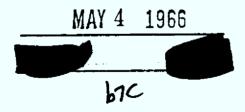
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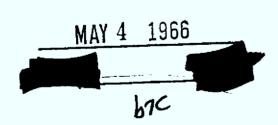
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In view of the fact that there is no indication that is presently active in the Klan, engaged in any violent activities, or a leader of the Klan, this case is being closed.

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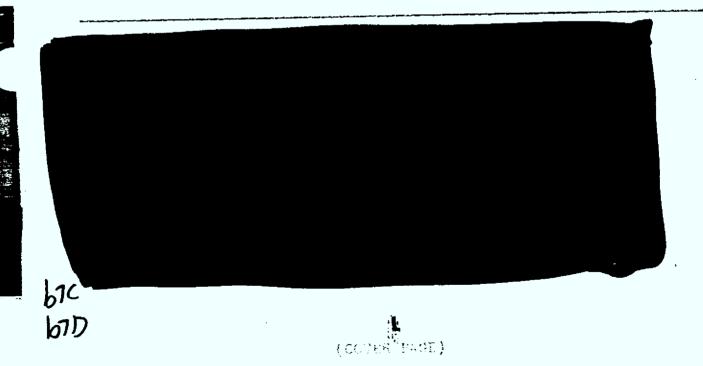
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It is noted the investigative period of this report predates that of last referenced report inasmuch as information contained herein which was obtained prior to 7/20/65 was not presented in sufficient time to incorporate in referenced report.

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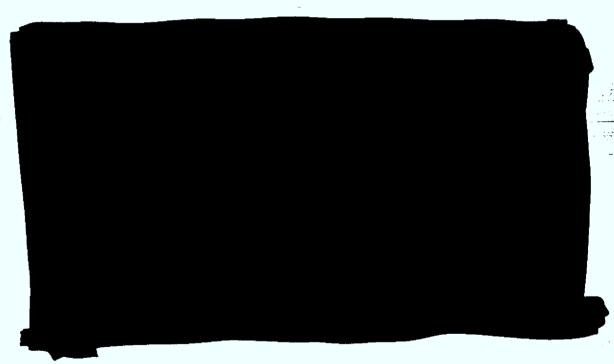
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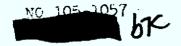
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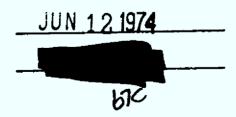
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