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On January 24, 1965, the following conversation was overheard between ARVIS WARNER and PAUL COONE, both members of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK) as well as the Minutemen in Bogalusa.

WARNER stated that "JELLY" POUNDS is self-employed as a painter and his real name is RANDLE C. POUNDS, telephone RE 2-4975.

WARNER also remarked that after the Minutemen meeting on January 26, 1965, the members would go to the area of the residence of LOU MAJORS and ostensibly have a flat tire and then proceed to make a loud noise changing this tire in order to aggravate MAJORS. WARNER stated that an individual by the name of ROBERT RICHMOND, an attorney, resides next door to MAJORS and RICHMOND had been forewarned of this so that he and his family would not be concerned.

WARNER also related that he had been advised by an unknown waitress at Graham's Cafe that the owner of the cafe had been informed by Mayor JESSE CUTRER and ANDY OVERTON, the Commissioner of Finance, that during this week Negroes would be testing his establishment to see whether they would be served. WARNER stated that CUTRER and also ARNOLD SPIERS, the Commissioner of Safety, had told the proprietor of the
WARNER was overheard to tell COONE that he wanted COONE to obtain a can of spray paint and a can of spray glue which could be placed in the lock and door to the office of LOU MAJORS, BASCOM TALLEY and RALPH BLUMBERG, in order to make these doors and locks inoperable.

COONE was overheard to ask WARNER if his Minutemen unit in Bogalusa was in any way associated with the national organization of the same name and also asked WARNER for any literature on the Minutemen so that he, COONE, could give it to the members of his unit. WARNER stated that the Minutemen in Bogalusa are associated with the national organization of the same name but did not have any literature to give to COONE as this was another way in which the FBI could check on the members.

WARNER added that a second Minutemen unit has been started in Bogalusa by ALBERT APPLEWHITE and this unit has 10 members, not further identified, and their first project was placing a dead animal on the back porch of RALPH BLUMBERG's residence who is also the owner of radio station WBOX, Bogalusa.

WARNER stated that in the past Klan leaders have had to use a great deal of persuasion on "JELLY" POUNDS,