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## Memorandum

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DATE: 5/9/72

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L. C. MURRAY  
RM - KLAN

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SAC (44-1719)

6-22-66

SA THOMPSON BERRY WEBB

MARCH TO JACKSON, MISS.  
RM - EL

Rememo SA SAMUEL N. JENNINGS, 6-22-66.

Efforts were made this date to contact [FOIA(b)7 - (D)] (new RI Prob) at Natchez, Miss. for the purpose of, under pretext, determining his location on Saturday night 6-18-66. L. C. MURRAY Secretary, UKA Headquarters, Natchez advised that [FOIA(b)7 - (D)] had left via automobile Monday night for the state of Idaho where his wife had a sick relative. It was determined that [FOIA(b)7 - (D)] & L. C. MURRAY went to Quitman, Miss. night of 6-18-66 for a rally scheduled to start at 7:30 p.m. which actually did not get started until around 8 p.m., that there were about 500 present, and that JACK SEALE did not go as his wife had relatives from without the state visiting their home. MURRAY inferred that only McDaniel & he went from the Natchez area.

He was kidded about traveling through SAM BOWERS territory to get to Quitman and MURRAY indicated he had not seen SAM in a long time.

Noted that Quitman is about 50 miles east of the Bogue Homma Lake where the alleged meeting was held at 7 p.m.

cc - 170-184

157- (L.C. MURRAY)  
157- (MYRON WAYNE "JACK" SEALE)  
157- (UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA)

ADDENDUM: MURRAY was questioned as to whether he had picked up any information indicating any violence in connection with the above march. He answered negatively and stated in the event he did he would immediately notify the writer or in his absence the SAC.

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L. C. MURRAY was present in the United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA), office in Natchez, Mississippi when the agents contacted E. L. MCDANIEL. On occasions MURRAY would make comments or ask questions. On one occasion he commented that all members of the UKA did not attend meetings of their organization and MCDANIEL interrupted him and replied, "You talk too much-all of our members do attend meetings."

MURRAY commented that his organization is going to help make changes in the local and state public officials by use of their votes in the next elections.

MURRAY stated that his organization is trying to get rid of any "hotheads" who might be members of his organization.

On 5/12/66 at Natchez, Mississippi File # JN 157-486  
JN 157-2179 *157-2179-50*  
 by SA THOMPSON BERRY WEBB *JBW*  
SA BENJAMIN F. GRAVES:mlk Date dictated 5/18/66 *dm*

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Date 5/24/66

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E. L. McDANIEL was contacted on a downtown street in Natchez, Mississippi. McDANIEL having previously been contacted by same Agents was advised that he did not have to furnish any information and that any information he did furnish could be used against him in a court of law. He was advised that he could contact his attorney prior to furnishing any information:

McDANIEL was advised that the Agents had received information that he had been dating DENEZES WALTMAN of Ferriday, Louisiana and DOLLY HUMES of Natchez, Mississippi. McDANIEL advised that he had received a call from DENEZES WALTMAN advising him that she had been contacted by the Agents on the night of May 19, 1966. McDANIEL stated that he does not date DOLLY HUMES. He stated that he had been in the company of DOLLY HUMES on occasions in the past. He stated that he had been working as a private citizen attempting to learn something of the narcotic traffic in Natchez and DOLLY HUMES had been assisting him. He stated that DOLLY HUMES had been pointing out some of the narcotic pushers in the Natchez area to him. He stated that there seemed to be a narcotic problem in Natchez and the local police department seemed to be doing nothing about it. He stated his wife had been aware of the fact that DOLLY HUMES had been accompanying him around the Natchez area in connection with his narcotic investigation. He stated that he knew that it did not look good for him to be with this woman and to be frequenting the various lounges in the Natchez area. He stated he had terminated his narcotic investigation and had stopped frequenting the various lounges.

McDANIEL was advised that the Agents had heard that his brother, BILLY McDANIEL, was now going with DOLLY HUMES and the rumor was that his brother was going to

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On 5/20/66 at Natchez, Mississippi File #

SAs THOMPSON BERRY WEBB and  
by BENJAMIN F. GRAVES/jls

Date dictated 5/24/66

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marry this woman. He stated that his brother was not engaged to this woman and the only reason his brother was with this woman was to obtain ~~whatever~~ information she might possess regarding the narcotic business in the Natchez area. McDANIEL advised that his organization has banished about 100 members from his organization, since the first of the year, for being too radical. McDANIEL stated that he was somewhat concerned about the racial problems which might occur when the public schools open in September 1966. He pointed out he was not concerned with the members of the United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA), but he was concerned about non-Klansmen causing trouble. He stated if he thought this organization would get the blame for acts of violence in the future which would be caused by non-Klansmen, he would consider resigning his position as Grand Dragon. He stated on the other hand he had to consider that a radical individual might take his position and create a number of problems for the Klan. He stated he and other members of the UKA would like to see all grades in the public school integrated rather than only a few of the grades. He stated he thought an integration of the public school in this manner would wake the white people up quicker than the token integration of the public schools. He stated he had been in the Klan five years and the main purpose of the Klan was to fight communism and integration.

McDANIEL was asked if he knew an individual named JOHN PATRICK in the Natchez area who supposedly is Exalted Cyclops in the UKA. He stated the only PATRICK he knows in "SLUCHMOUTH" PATRICK from Jackson, Mississippi, and he is not an Exalted Cyclops. McDANIEL denied any knowledge of any majority klavern of his in the UKA going over to the White Knights.

McDANIEL was advised that the Agents had received information that he had in the recent past attended a Klan Rally in Louisiana outside of Ferriday, Louisiana,



had been accompanied by (First Name Unknown) FIELDS and (First Name Unknown) NORMAN. McDANIEL replied that he did not know these individuals. He stated that he attended school near Baton Rouge, Louisiana in the recent past and on this trip he was accompanied by the following individuals:

L. C. MURRY

JACK SEALE

ERNEST PARKER

C. D. FREEMAN

(First Name Unknown) BRYANT



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REPORTING OFFICE <b>JAN</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>JACKSON</b>	DATE <b>4/11/66</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>10/20/65 - 4/1/66</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>J. S. MURRAY</b>		REPORT MADE BY  <b>SA BILLY BOB WILLIAMS</b>	TYPED BY  <b>JKK</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)</b>	

## SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMARY

SOURCE:

Report of SA BILLY BOB WILLIAMS at Jackson, 10/20/65.

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**JACKSON**

### AT NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI:

Will continue to follow and report the activities of the

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INFORMANTS:

Identity of  
Informants

Location of  
Information Furnished

JN T-1 is

JN T-2 is

JN T-3 is

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The following are the neighborhood and business sources who would be cognizant of the subject's movements:

1. Sheriff ODELL ANDERS, Adams County, Natchez, Mississippi
2. Chief of Police J. T. ROBINSON, Natchez, Mississippi, Police Department
3. ELLA ATKINS, Manager, Credit Bureau of Natchez, Mississippi

4.

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5.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

The subject continually exhibits hostility and animosity to Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in the Natchez, Mississippi area, and it

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does not appear that he has any potential value as a racial informant.

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1 - U. S. Secret Service, Jackson, Miss.  
1 - NIS-CHARSN  
1 - OSI 9th District, Barksdale AFB, Louisiana  
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Report of: SA BILLY BOB WILLIAMS

Office: JACKSON

Date: 4/11/66

Field Office File #: Jackson 157-2179

Bureau File #: 157-3372

Title: L. C. MURRAY

Character: RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

Synopsis: Subject, J. C. MURRAY, is employed by the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, as supervisor of the State Office of that organization in Natchez, Miss., and receives \$75.00 per week, and informant advises that subject carries a gun on his person. Subject is active in recruiting activities and other phases of the UKA, Inc., in the State of Mississippi. SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:I. BACKGROUND

On March 31, 1966, CHARLES C. BAHIN, Detective Lieutenant, Natchez Police Department, Natchez, Mississippi, advised that L. C. MURRAY resides at 2809 Little Street, Natchez, Mississippi. His telephone number is 442-0524. BAHIN further advised that MURRAY owns and continually drives a 1965 Mustang Fastback, green in color, bearing 1966 Mississippi license 1B-2370.



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Detective Lieutenant BAHIN further stated that the only employment in which MURRAY engages is his employment with United Klans of America, Incorporated (UKA).

Detective BAHIN advised that MURRAY is frequently seen on the streets of Natchez engaging in recruiting activities for the UKA, Incorporated.

II. CONNECTION WITH THE UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED (UKA), KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

A characterization of the UKA, Incorporated, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, is set forth in the appendix of this report.

During the period of October 20, 1965 through April 1, 1966, Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) regularly assigned at Natchez, Mississippi, have frequently observed the subject, L. C. MURRAY, in the Natchez, Mississippi, area. He is most frequently observed standing on the sidewalk in front of Pop's Grill, a restaurant in the heart of the city, and near the UKA headquarters at the corner of Main Street and Canal Street in the city of Natchez.

On November 30, 1965, JN T-1 advised that L. C. MURRAY is supposed to be in charge of the Natchez Office of the UKA, which is the State Office, and is receiving \$75.00 a week for the supervision thereof. JN T-1 advised, however, that MURRAY is doing very little work and is rarely in the office. He spends all of his time out on the street and as a result administrative procedures of the Natchez Office are in a sad state.



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On December 8, 1965, JN T-2 advised that one person who is becoming especially despised by many members of the general public and members of the Klan itself, is L. C. MURRAY.

On December 29, 1965, JN T-1 advised that L. C. MURRAY, Natchez, Mississippi, has sworn in many of the members of the Natchez, Mississippi Police Department as secret members of the UKA, Incorporated, and that these members report to MURRAY the location of Special Agents of the FBI when they see them, and are aware that these Agents make little use of their office telephone and frequently use pay telephones for official business.

On January 10, 1966, JN T-1 advised that L. C. MURRAY carries a gun at all times and he felt that MURRAY is a source of trouble and keeps his friends "fouled up all the time."

On January 17, 1966, JN T-3 advised that L. C. MURRAY, along with UKA, Incorporated Grand Dragon, E. L. MC DANIEL, and JACK SEALE, had attended a meeting of the Yazoo City, Mississippi Chapter of the UKA, Incorporated, on January 9, 1966.



APPENDIXUNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.  
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

Records of Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, reflect that this Klan organization was granted a corporate charter on February 21, 1961, at Atlanta, Georgia, under the name United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc.

A source advised on February 27, 1961, that United Klans was formed as a result of a split in the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. According to the source, the split resulted from a leadership dispute and United Klans has the same aims and objectives as the parent group. These are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy and segregation of the races.

The first source and a second source advised in July, 1961, that United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., merged with Alabama Knights, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The merged organization established headquarters in Suite 401, the Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. (The organization is directed by Robert Shelton, Imperial Wizard, and is the dominant Klan group in the South, with units in several southern states.)

Second source advised that at a meeting at Prattville, Alabama, on October 22, 1961, the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, merged with the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Third source advised on August 4, 1965, that the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, is currently an active organization, with Klaverns in several southern states. This source said that Robert M. Shelton is the Imperial Wizard of this organization and was last elected to this position on September 5, 1964, at a National Klonvocation in Birmingham, Alabama. Source said that the activity of the UKA is increasing, and that the national office remains in Suite 401, Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.





UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Jackson, Mississippi  
April 11, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

TITLE: L. C. MURRAY

CHARACTER: RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent  
BILLY BOB WILLIAMS dated  
April 11, 1966 at Jackson

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.



SAC, JACKSON (157-471)

2/25/66

SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE

UKA, INC., REALM OF MISS.  
RM (KLAN)

On 2/14/66, Miss EUNICE JOHNSON came to the Natchez RA and advised that she is a sister of FORREST JOHNSON and that both she and her brother are attorneys who share offices at 103 S. Wall St., Natchez, Miss. Miss JOHNSON also pointed out that her brother, FORREST JOHNSON, is very closely associated with the "Miss-Lou Observer," a newspaper which is financed by her brother.

Miss JOHNSON stated that on Saturday, 2/12/66, she had been a defendant in a case brought by BILLY BEANE in which she was being sued for "malicious foreclosure" on a piece of property. Miss JOHNSON stated that during the course of the trial, individuals whom she believed to be klansmen inasmuch as these six individuals were wearing "Never" buttons in the lapels of their clothes, and since she recognized two of them as being EDDIE McDANIEL and L. C. MURRAY, she believed that the entire group were klansmen. She identified a third individual as being dressed in blue jeans with jumper and cowboy hat and whose belt buckle was a large square buckle and this individual kept on his head a black cowboy hat at all times. She stated this individual impressed her as giving the appearance that he thought he was a movie star. (It is believed this individual was JACK SEALE). Miss JOHNSON stated that these six individuals took seats at the back of the courtroom and that she observed them winking, waving, and smiling at the jury. Miss JOHNSON stated that she felt the activities of these six individuals were out of order in the court, but that Judge BONDS, who was sitting on the bench took no action whatsoever regarding the activities of these individuals at the back of the room.

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(1-157-486) (EDDIE McDANIEL)

(1-157-815) (JACK SEALE)

(1-157-2179) (L. C. MURRAY)

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Miss JOHNSON stated that she had been followed in her car by an individual driving a blue automobile (66 LN 1B2405), whom she believed was identical with the individual whose name she could not call, but who was wearing blue jeans with a blue jumper and cowboy hat who sat in the courtroom referred to above. Miss JOHNSON stated that she resides on Fourth St. in Natchez, next door to the Dean Printing Company, and that one night a few weeks ago she heard an object hit the roof of her house, which sounded to her like a beer can striking the roof and that when she went to the front door and raised the shade, she observed this individual who had been following her in the blue automobile and whom she had seen in the courtroom on 2/12/66, standing across the street directly in front of her home.

Miss JOHNSON stated that she feels she is being harassed by the klan and that she was merely reporting the foregoing information to make it a matter of record in the event anything should happen to her, but she went on to explain that she was not actually fearful for her life but was merely reporting the information as a precautionary matter.

Miss JOHNSON was asked if she had related the foregoing information to the Chief of Police in Natchez and she stated she had not as yet done so as she was fearful that the chief would report the matter to his officers, who in turn would advise the klan and in this way the klan would know that their harassment tactics were apparently successful in that she had reported the matter to the police. It was then suggested to Miss JOHNSON that she report the matter to the Chief of Police and that she should explain to the chief her concern that the matter would be related by officers of the PD to the klan and that it was felt that the Chief of Police in Natchez would use good discretion and insure that the matter did not leak back to the klan.

Miss JOHNSON was further asked if she had reported this matter to the Natchez Bar Association in view of the



fact that she herself was an attorney and a member of this association and she stated that as yet she had not reported the matter to the local Bar Association but that she would discuss the matter with her brother and other attorneys; and if they should so recommend, she would then present the matter to the local Bar Association.

Miss JOHNSON was advised that her comments would be made a matter of record.

A source advised on July 20, 1975, that on June 20, 1975, a fish fry was held at the home of James Lee on the Highway 2nd branch of Highway 101, Louisiana. Source advised that those in attendance at this time were believed to be members of the Ku Klux Klan group in the State of Louisiana or the State of Mississippi.

Source advised that each person present was a member of being considered for membership in the "Silver Dollar" group. Source advised that he believed that the members of the "Silver Dollar" group were responsible for the acts of violence that had occurred in the Natchez area of Mississippi and Florida. Source advised that he believed that these people are part of the group known as the "Silver Dollar" group and that they are responsible for the acts of violence that have occurred in the Natchez area of Mississippi and Florida. Source advised that the fish fry was held at the home of James Lee on the Highway 2nd branch of Highway 101, Louisiana. Source advised that the following individuals were present at the fish fry:

Jimmy Scarborough,

B. H. Morant,

Howard "Blue" Holloway (all known to be members of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan Territory, Louisiana).

"Buck" Norton, 157-4642

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SILVER DOLLAR GROUP

A source advised on July 20, 1965, that on June 26, 1965, a fish fry was held at the home of James Lee on the Lismore Road south of Wildville, Louisiana. Source advised that those in attendance at this fish fry were believed to be members of Ku Klux Klan groups in either the State of Louisiana or the State of Mississippi.

Source advised that each person present was a "member" or being considered for "membership" in the "Silver Dollar" Group. Source advised that he believed that the "members" of the "Silver Dollar" Group were responsible for most of the acts of violence that had occurred in the Natchez, Mississippi and Ferriday - Vidalia, Louisiana areas. Source advised that he believed that those who are part of the group carry a silver dollar with an ampersand stamped on the face of the silver dollar. Source advised that those in attendance at this fish fry attempted to make black powder; however, they were not successful. Source advised that the following individuals were present at the fish fry:

Jimmy Scarbrough,<sup>0</sup>

E. D. Morace, 157-43-13

Woodrow "Blue" Holloway (all known to be members of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Ferriday, Louisiana),

"Buck" Horton, 157-4662

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SILVER DOLLAR GROUP

Norman Head, 174-27-85

R. J. Glover of Vidalia, Louisiana, 157-2444

T. L. Torgenson,

Ernest Finley, 157-787

Ernest Parker, 157-512

Ernest Avants, 157-958

Jack Seals and 157-815

James Seals of Natchez, Mississippi, and 157-950

○ "Sonny" Taylor, Harrisonburg, Louisiana.

Source advised that Tommy Jones of Natchez, Mississippi, was arrested at Ferriday, Louisiana, while on his way to the fish fry and, therefore, did not make it there.

A characterization of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is attached hereto.



ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
(LOUISIANA)  
(OKKKK)

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A source advised on October 25, 1963, that an organization known as the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK) had been organized in the State of Louisiana at Shreveport, Louisiana, in December of 1960.

A second source advised on March 23, 1965, that this organization continues to be active and that the aims and purposes of this group are to continue to promote Americanism, the supremacy of the white race, and the continuance of segregation between the races.

APPENDIX



C. JACKSON (157-2179)

DATE: 3/16/66

BILLY BOB WILLIAMS

C. MURRAY  
CIA MATTER - KLAN

# RACIAL INFORMANT INFORMATION DISSEMINATION SHEET

On 3/22/88, FOIA(b)7 - (D) (PROB), furnished the following information regarding subject to SA LUTHER TAMM: the original detailed information is located in Jackson file FOIA(b)7 - (D)

1. Subject attended meeting of \_\_\_\_\_ Klavern on \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Subject not known to be Klansman.
3. Subject unknown to informant.
4. Subject recruited as member on \_\_\_\_\_ Klavern, on \_\_\_\_\_ date.
5. Subject sworn into \_\_\_\_\_ Klavern, on \_\_\_\_\_ date.
6. Subject elected to office of \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Subject is member of UKA, Inc., Natchez Klavern.
8. Subject resides at \_\_\_\_\_.
9. Subject employed at \_\_\_\_\_.

10. Other information or remarks:

Subject has recently appeared in public wearing cowboy  
t, blue jeans, cowboy boots and cowboy shirt with Lieutenant's  
rs on the collar. Many individuals in Natchez area consider  
TRRAY extremely childish in his activities. (For additional info.

11. See informant file for additional-detailed information. see page 2, paragraph 3 of report).

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## Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSON

FOIA(b)7 - (D)

DATE: December 1, 1965

FROM : SA BILLY BOB WILLIAMS

☐ CI☐ SI☒ PCI☐ PSI

SUBJECT: GEORGE THOMAS ROUSE

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Dates of Contact <b>11/20/65</b>		
Titles and File #s on which contacted <b>UKA, Inc., KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN #157-471</b>		
Purpose and results of contact <input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <p>The PCI advised he is continuing his efforts to enter the UKA <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 0 20px;">FOIA(b)7 - (D)</span> and his previous friendliness toward Agents of the FBI, the members of the UKA at Natchez apparently suspect him and do not appear willing to allow him membership. They continue to be friendly to the PCI and he is especially friendly to L. C. MURRAY. MURRAY has recently been very ill with eye trouble.</p> <p>The PCI stated he has participated in the recent Klan marches at Natchez and has assisted in the distribution of some Klan literature of a more or less insignificant nature.</p>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating	Coverage
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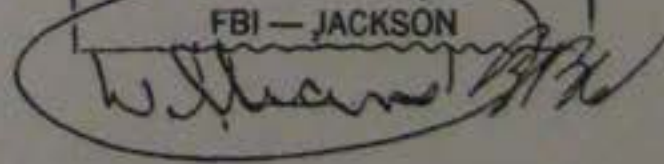
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JOE NOSSER, [FOIA(b)7 - (D)] is becoming more and more frustrated over the Negro boycott of white merchants in Natchez. NOSSER, his brothers and his father, own a string of retail supermarkets in Natchez and they are now almost bankrupt. The members of the UKA in Natchez feel that JOE NOSSER's father, Mayor JOHN NOSSER, will go along with any demands the Klan might make upon him.

The Klansmen are very disturbed over the fact that two individuals using Citizens Band Radios were recently apprehended by Natchez Police Department Officers while they were participating in a burglary. The arrests were made as a result of the Police Department monitoring the Citizens Band Radios. Many of the Klansmen had previously become "sloppy" in their Citizens Band Radio transmissions and they are now afraid police officers may have overheard information of value.

The PCI advised he has no actual criminal record although he has on occasion been disciplined by police officers for rowdiness and disturbing the peace. He stated he is not available to travel to other divisions of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and he was told to furnish information only to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. FBI jurisdiction in matters pertaining to Civil Rights, ITSMV, WSTA, ITSP, ET AL, was explained to the PCI. It was explained to the PCI that he could receive payment for information furnished if it was of significant value and he advised he would accept such payment in person. He was advised that these payments would be considered income.

The PCI stated that he understood that he was not to personally contact any office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.



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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-3372)

DATE: 12/1/65

FROM : SA SAMUEL N. JENNINGS

SUBJECT: HOUSE COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES  
KLAN INVESTIGATIONS  
RM (KLAN)

Attached hereto are Xerox copies of checks and money orders payable to the Alabama Rescue Service (identified as the name used by the UKA in Alabama) for its bank account) which information was obtained from HCUA Investigator JOHN D. SULLIVAN, Vicksburg, Miss., on 11/18/65. The original information reflected on these Xerox copies was obtained by HCUA subpoena regarding the Alabama Rescue Service (UKA) in Alabama. These checks and money orders indicate payments made to the Alabama Rescue Service by those individuals whose names are indicated below, during Sept., 1965. These payments range from \$76.50 down to \$6.75.

The photostats are being maintained in JN file 157-3372 and are to be used as an investigative aid and not utilized in the details of a report which is disseminated.

Should it become necessary to use information reflected in these various payments to the Alabama Rescue Service, leads should be set forth to Birmingham to obtain specific information as to the original source of this information.

- 1 - 157-3372
- 1 - 157-2728 (JOHN W. BREWER, Greenville, Miss.)
- 1 - 157-4033 (BRUCE WILLIAMSON, Louisville, Miss.)
- 1 - 157-3821 (JAMES F. ATKINS, Columbus, Miss.)
- 1 - 157-dead (ROBERT HUDATETH, Ashland, Miss.)
- 1 - 170-259 (E. P. MARTIN, Edwards, Miss.)
- 1 - 157-3909 (WOODROW SPIERS, McNeil, Miss.)
- 1 - 157-2561 (W. C. OVERBY, Raleigh, Miss.)
- 1 - 157-dead (ARCHIE BINNIX, Maben, Miss.)
- 1 - 157-3859 (JIMMY KING, Louise, Miss.)
- 1 - 157-486 (E. L. MC DANIEL)
- 1 - 157-2179 (L. C. MURRAY)

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## Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSON (Your file 157-2179) DATE: 11-3-65

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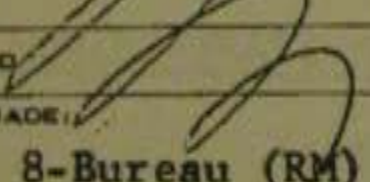
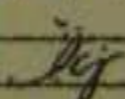
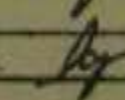
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The following are the neighborhood and business sources who would be cognizant of the subject's movements:

1. Sheriff ODELL ANDERS, Adams County, Natchez, Mississippi
2. Chief of Police J. T. ROBINSON, Natchez, Mississippi, Police Department
3. ELLA ATKINS, Manager, Credit Bureau of Natchez, Mississippi

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

It is noted that the investigative period of this report exceeds 90 days. This came about as a result of the case agent's assignment to continual expedite investigation in the matter entitled "Racial Situation, Natchez, Mississippi, Jackson file 157-3926."

The subject was interviewed by a Bureau Agent on 9/18/65 at which time he admitted that he was a member of the United Klans of American, Inc.; however the subject refused to furnish any

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additional information of value and it would appear that the subject has no potential as a racial informant.

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Report of: SA BILLY BOB WILLIAMS  
Date: 10/20/65

Office: JACKSON

Field Office File #: JN 157-2179

Bureau File #: 157-3372

Title: L. C. MURRAY

Character: RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

Synopsis: Subject L. C. MURRAY admitted to Bureau Agent on 9/18/65 he is a member of the UKA, Inc., and operates as a "Field Secretary." MURRAY continually active in UKA, Inc., affairs in Miss. and appears in robes at public functions.

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DETAILS:BACKGROUND

A communication was received at the Jackson Field Office of the FBI on May 27, 1965, from the Identification Division of the FBI, Washington, D. C. This communication reflects that no record could be found in the Identification Division of the FBI under the name L. C. MURRAY which might be identical to the subject.

CONNECTION WITH UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED,  
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

A characterization of the United Klans of America, Incorporated, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is set forth in the appendix of this report.

On May 27, 1965, JN T-1 advised SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE that L. C. MURRAY is apparently interested in



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recruiting members for the United Klans of America (UKA) from the ranks of other Klan organizations.

On June 17, 1965, JN T-2 advised SA BILLY BOB WILLIAMS that L. C. MURRAY is a member of the UKA but he is regarded by most persons who know him as a "mystery man." MURRAY's exact status in the UKA is not known.

On June 17, 1965, JN T-1 advised SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE that L. C. MURRAY had been observed monitoring Natchez, Mississippi, Police Department broadcast with a valuable frequency receiver, on June 12, 1965, prior to the commencement of a large Klan rally sponsored by the UKA at Natchez.

On July 1, 1965, JN T-1 advised SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE that L. C. MURRAY of Natchez, Mississippi, is an associate of MYRON WAYNE SEALE.

On July 15, 1965, JN T-3 advised SA BILLY BOB WILLIAMS that during the night of July 14, 1965, L. C. MURRAY and other persons believed to be members of the UKA had been observed in the process of attempting to find out what was going on at a large group meeting of Negro citizens in the downtown area of Natchez, Mississippi. One of the principal speakers at this gathering was CHARLES EVERS, Field Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). MURRAY and these other individuals utilized a Citizens Band Radio to communicate with other persons who are believed to be members of the UKA, Incorporated.

On July 15, 1965, JN T-1 advised SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE that L. C. MURRAY was present at a meeting of state officers of the UKA at Meridian, Mississippi, on July 10, 1965.

JN T-1 further advised that he has been unable to establish the connection of L. C. MURRAY with the UKA. He



stated that he has asked EDDIE MC DANIEL and has received no explanation as to why L. C. MURRAY is taken into meetings of the UKA. EDDIE MC DANIEL is the Grand Dragon of the UKA for the Realm of Mississippi. JN T-1 further advised that he does not feel L. C. MURRAY would actually do anything but that he is continually advocating and agitating for some type of disturbance.

On August 2, 1965, JN T-1 advised SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE that he had observed L. C. MURRAY and JACK SEALE wearing Klan robes on the streets of Crossroads, Mississippi, during the afternoon of July 17, 1965, and that a large rally sponsored by the UKA took place during the evening hours at Crossroads, Mississippi, the same date.

JN T-1 further advised that L. C. MURRAY had been seen at Greenville, Mississippi, on July 22, 1965, prior to the commencement of a large Klan rally which took place later the same date.

On August 19, 1965, JN T-4 advised SA BILLY BOB WILLIAMS that L. C. MURRAY, an active member of the UKA in Adams County, Mississippi, had recently been fired from his employment with the Aetna Casualty Company due to his Klan activities. A photograph of MURRAY had appeared in many Mississippi and Louisiana newspapers and after this time he was fired from his employment. MURRAY is a very outspoken individual and is regarded by many individuals as a childish troublemaker.

On October 19, 1965, Natchez, Mississippi, Chief of Police J. T. ROBINSON advised SA BILLY BOB WILLIAMS that L. C. MURRAY has been frequently seen on the downtown streets of Natchez, Mississippi, during the past 60 days. ROBINSON advised that during the past 60 days, many racial demonstrations have taken place in Natchez, Mississippi, with large numbers of Negroes as participants. ROBINSON stated that MURRAY is frequently seen observing these demonstrations but that he has never in any way attempted to interfere with the



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demonstrations. ROBINSON stated that on occasion he and other officers of his department have asked MURRAY to leave the immediate vicinity of racial demonstrations and that on occasion MURRAY has utilized a loud speaker mounted on top of his automobile to broadcast music in the downtown area of Natchez, Mississippi. The music broadcasted by MURRAY usually follows a strong segregationist line and apparently one of his favorite songs is a song entitled "Move Them Niggers North."

Chief ROBINSON further advised that MURRAY now has no other employment other than that of the UKA. MURRAY further appears to be a close confidant of E. L. MC DANIEL, Grand Dragon of the UKA in the State of Mississippi.

Chief ROBINSON advised that on October 16, 1965, MURRAY participated in a march at Natchez, Mississippi, by approximately 500 white persons, and that during this march he was accompanied by his wife. ROBINSON stated that no Klan robes were worn by any person participating in this march.

INTERVIEWS OF SUBJECT



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On September 18, 1965 L. C. MURRAY was interviewed in front of the Courthouse in Natchez, Mississippi after previous attempts to locate him at his home 2829 Little Street, Natchez, Mississippi. Prior to interview MURRAY was advised that he did not have to make any statements and that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law, and that he had the right to contact a lawyer prior to making any statement. MURRAY advised the following:

He is no longer employed by the Aetna Finance Company in Natchez, because of his Klan activities. He admitted that he is presently a member of the United Klans of America, Incorporated, (UKA). He further said that E. L. MC DANIELS was the UKA leader in Mississippi. He said the Klan office in Natchez is at 114 Main Street, however, it will not be officially opened for several days. MURRAY indicated that he will be acting like a "Field Secretary" for the UKA, however, that is not an official title. He would stay in Natchez and handle the Klan office while MC DANIELS is out of town.

MURRAY declined to name other Klan members and did not want to comment further regarding the Klan. MURRAY stated that he had no knowledge of any acts of violence in Natchez or anywhere else.

MURRAY had no further information of value to offer.

On 9/18/65 at NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI File # JN 157-2179

by SA JAMES W. AWE /jds Date dictated 9/22/65

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APPENDIX

UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.  
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (UNITED KLANS)

Records of Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, show that this Klan organization was granted a corporate charter on February 21, 1961, at Atlanta, Georgia, under the name United Klans, Nights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc.

A source advised on February 27, 1961, that United Klans was formed as a result of a split in U.S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. According to the source, the split resulted from a leadership dispute and United Klans has the same aims and objectives as the parent group. These are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy and segregation of the races.

The first source and a second source advised in July 1961, that United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., merged with Alabama Knights, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The merged organization established headquarters in Suite 401, The Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. The organization is directed by Robert Shelton, Imperial Wizard, and is the dominant Klan group in the South with units in several southern states.

On August 14, 1961, the second source advised that the organization formerly known as United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., would be known in the future as United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The second source said the name was changed by a resolution adopted by the National Klonvocation held July 8, 1961, at Indian Springs, Georgia.

Second source advised that at a meeting at Prattville, Alabama, on October 22, 1961, a majority of the Klaverns of the U.S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan merged with the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

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Character RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

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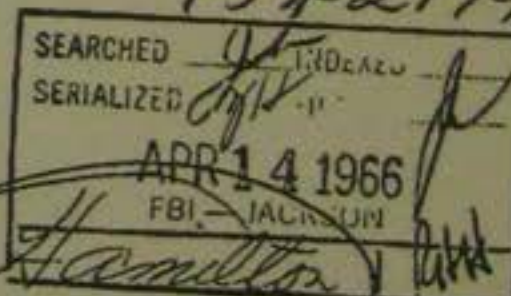
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(ETHEL MURRAY) (KATHERINE ELLARD) (FNU STEVENS)

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Source made available the following list of individuals believed to be members of the UKA in Natchez, Mississippi. This information is based directly on statements made by both L. C. MURRAY and DOYLE MURRAY, members of the UKA in Natchez, Mississippi.

L. C. MURRAY

DOYLE MURRAY

ERNEST PARKER

JACK SEALE

A. M. "JACK" TYLER, employed by Bluff City Motor Company, as automobile transmission man

ARTHUR LEWIS, oil field worker

DON WILKINSON, employed by International Paper Company, Natchez, Mississippi

JOE HARDY and wife JEAN HARDY JEAN HARDY is employed at Shady Side Grocery #2, Natchez, Mississippi. JOE HARDY is employed at International Paper Company, Natchez, Mississippi.

R. P. CARTER, owner of Amoco Service Station, located on Pineridge Road, Natchez, Mississippi

Individual believed to be HAYES DAVIDSON, employed by International Paper Company, Natchez

CECIL ROBINSON, employed by the Tiffée Radiator Company, Natchez, Mississippi. His brother, (FNU) ROBINSON is a Security Guard for the UKA.



JOE DICKINSON

Mrs. JOE DICKINSON

(FNU) STEVENS, works for International Paper Company

C. D. FREEMAN, works as independent painter in Natchez,  
and also holds the position of Security Guard in UKA.

ROGER BURR, works as credit manager for the Goodyear  
Service Store on Franklin Street, Natchez

G. S. SMITH, manager of the Goodyear Store in Natchez

ED HENSON, salesman for Gordan Auto

JOHN BARBER, salesman for McPhail Oldsmobile in Natchez

MARION HERNANDEZ, works for Yeaman Motor Company as  
a bookkeeper. It being noted that HERNANDEZ prepares  
E. L. MC DANIEL's income tax.

WENDELL TEW, believed to be a secret member of the UKA,  
employed by the U. S. Post Office

HOWARD RAY JAMES, employed as a Desk Sergeant for the  
Natchez, Mississippi, Police Department

CHARLES JAMES, brother of HOWARD RAY JAMES

ROBERT MURRAY, fireman on the Natchez Police Force

EDWARD MURRAY, Natchez Police officer

LEE CAUTHREN, police officer, Natchez Police Department



TINY LEWIS, owns a barbecue pit on 61 North

J. G. WISNER, Captain on Natchez Police Force and a  
secret member, according to confidential source

ETHEL MURRAY

KATHERINE ELLARD, employed by Western Union, Natchez,  
who keeps ETHEL MURRAY advised of all information  
relative to Western Union. KATHERINE ELLARD's husband  
is employed as a salesman for Swift and Company in  
Natchez, Mississippi

Individual referred to in last report as BILLY TYSON  
is actually named JACK TYRE. Individual referred to in last report  
as (FNU) EVANS is LEWIS EVANS.



10/14/65

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-2179) (P)  
L. C. MURRAY  
RM (KLAN)  
OO: JACKSON

Re report of SA BILLY BOB WILLIAMS at Jackson dated 6/3/65.

Jackson has previously advised the Bureau by utilization of Form O-1 that a report relating to the Subject would reach the Bureau by 10/15/65; however, due to continuous expedite racial investigation in the matter entitled, "RACIAL SITUATION, NATCHEZ, MISS., RM", Jackson File #157-3926, a report in this matter will be further delayed. The report in this matter should reach the Bureau prior to 10/30/65.

He said, "We will have 5000 gathered for the march. That asked where would he get such a large crowd he hesitated but answered as he looked he could round them up." He began to laugh and said that is a large number. He said, "You really think so?" He said, "I have called him in the weeks, and he said to him, you guys show up." He said he would not be there. He said he did not think he would.

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E.L. McDANIEL, Aka.  
RM(KLAN)

On 10/7/65, SA's JAMES W. AWE and JAMES O. INGRAM, appeared at the UKA, Headquarters at 114 Main St., Jackson. The SA's walked into the office after knocking since the office is on the second floor. E.L. MCDANIEL, JACK SEALE, L.C. MURRAY, and ERNEST PARKER were huddled on the floor around a tape recorder. JACK SEALE was wearing a holster with a .38 Caliber snub-nose in the holster. Upon observing the agents SEALE took his gun from his holster and placed the gun in his desk.

All four men were friendly and MCDANIEL said they have just been advised that CURTIS L. COLLINS, Chancellor, Adams County, Natchez issued a modification order on 10/7/65 concerning the City Injunction against the UKA, Inc., He said with this order the UKA can peacefully walk in two's on the public sidewalks in Natchez. He said the motion was filed by their att. WILLIAM RILEY, Natchez. He said he plans no marches in Natchez, at this time they would rather wait to see if U.S. District Judge COX rules against allowing any future marches by the NAACP.

MCDANIEL said if no concrete action is taken by Sat. 10/9/65 by Judge COX the Klan may stage a march themselves if the NAACP sponsors a March. His plans are not definite and they will wait and see what happens on 10/7, 8 and 9/65. He pointed out if they march on Sat. they will certainly adhere to the laws as they observed the NAACP Marchers breaking the laws as far as walking against the red lights and not always two abreast.

He said "we will have 5000 gathered for the march." When asked where would he get such a large crowd he hesitated but answered he believed "he could round them up." He began to laugh but said that is a large number. ~~xxxxx~~

MCDANIEL was asked "Do you really think ROBERT SHELTON will really come to Natchez." MCDANIEL said "I'll be damn this is the first time I have called him in two weeks, and the day I talked to him, you guys show up." "I know you have us bugged and that proves it." He said he would not comment regarding SHELTON's visiting Natchez but did not think he would.

- 1 - 157-512 (ERNEST PARKER)
- 1 - 157- (JACK SEALE)
- 1 - 157-1519 (UKA, Adams)

- ① - L.C. MURRAY 157-2179
- 1 - 157-3926 (Racial Sit. Natchez)



It is noted the SA's had received no information that  
SHELTON had been contacted but it was a chance remark and from the  
impression on McDANIEL's face as well as the others present there is  
no doubt he was in telephonic contact with SHELTON.

Concerning McDANIEL's remark his office was bugged, the  
SA's remarked that we would have no interest in bugging his office  
and he was only asked a direct question.

IN VIEW OF FACT JACK WALKER WAS OBSERVED KIXXIYANI WEARING  
SNUG-NEE PREGOLAR HE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND

.38 Cal.  
DANGEROUS.



SAC, JACKSON (157-486)

10/6/65

SA JAMES O. INGRAM - P -

E.L. McDANIEL, Aka.  
RM(KLAN)

On the morning of 10/6/65 SA's JAMES W. AWE and JAMES O. INGRAM met E.L. McDANIEL, Grand Dragon, UKA, near McDANIEL's Office, 114 N. Main St., McDANIEL advised he did not have any klansman near the meeting at the St. Peters Church, N. Commerce Ext., Natchez, held by CHARLES EVERS, Field Sec., NAACP.

McDANIEL then began to advise the Agents of the comments made by EVERS at the church during the evening of 10/5/65. McDANIEL was able to summarize the general comments made by EVERS to the extent it appears he has a very good source of information.

Since the SA's were on the scene and no Natchez Policeman were in a position to hear EVERS comments it is the opinion of the SA's that McDANIEL no doubt had a source inside the meeting. At the rally there were over 400 Negroes at the rally inside the church and about 25 standing on the outside of the church.

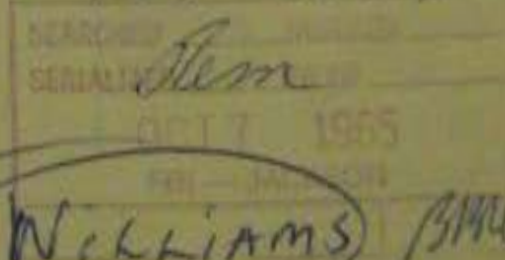
L.C. MURRAY, Field Secretary of the UKA then appeared and stated he made "one pass near the St. Peters Church" during the evening of 10/5/65 but the police had the area blocked off. McDANIEL then told MURRAY "hell I know you drove around the area more times than that."

McDANIEL further stated EVERS and the NAACP are hoping for an incident to "blow things up" but the UKA are not going to give the NAACP an opportunity to start an incident.

He and MURRAY insisted they have given strict orders to other members to stay away from the rally. He, MURRAY and JACK SEALE ~~attended~~ were present in the vicinity of the rally of the NAACP on 10/4/65 only to ~~make~~ make sure no klan members were present or get involved.

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make any statment to SA PATTERSON and he knew SA PATTERSON was upset and he could not recall SA PATTERSON's statement to them but he was angry with them. SA PATTERSON asked them to leave the area. They then proceeded to the Eola Hotel.

MURRAY was advised that the young lady in the car was the wife of SA PATTERSON and he was forcefully advised that in the future he is not to follow her and at no time should be ever attempt to harass any members of an agents family.

MURRAY said he is extremely sorry and said he will personally apologize to SA PATTERSON. He ~~insisted~~ insisted the only reason they follow the car was due to the fact he, MURRAY, has a Mustang similiar to the Mrs. PATTERSON was driving. He said they intended not to harm the woman in anyway MURRAY ~~wasnt~~ again stated he did not make any statements to PATTERSON's wife and he enjoyed his good relations with FBI Agents and he is extremely sorry over the indident.

McDANIEL said he would personally speak to DAVIDSON, and CARTER and "thoroughly chew them out over the incident." MURRAY then stated "If Mrs. PATTERSON is worried we will send men to guard her apartment." McDANIEL stated " She wouldn't need help from the likes of MURRAY and his crowd."

McDANIEL said he would talk to each UKA member and remind them ~~if~~ not to harass agents and their families because the UKA would have to suffer the consequences. He knew the FBI would stand for this type of treatment.

He told MURRAY to stay away from Mrs. PATTERSON and in angry tones told MURRAY he has no business following anyone in Natchez or any other place.

McDANIEL was extremely friendly and the SA's toured his office, as well as a list of the future UKA rallies were furnished. (This is being submitted in separate memo.)

MCDANIEL was advised that since he is the Grand Dragon of the UKA it is his responsibility to ~~advise~~ advise his members that the FBI will at no time tolerate harassment tactics in any manner. He was advised that in the event any additional indidents occur he can be sure that appropriate action will be taken and as Grand Dragon he will be held accountable for the actions of his men.



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Memorandum

TO : SAC JACKSON (157-2179) (P)

Date 9/26/65

FROM : SA On September 18, 1965 L. C. MURRAY was interviewed in front of the Courthouse in Natchez, Mississippi after previous attempts to locate him at his home 2829 Little Street, Natchez, Mississippi. Prior to interview MURRAY was advised that he did not have to make any statements and that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law, and that he had the right to contact a lawyer prior to making any statement. MURRAY advised the following:

THOMAS PINLEY - PM (KLAN)

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He is no longer employed by the Aetna Finance Company in Natchez, because of his Klan activities. He admitted that he is presently a member of the United Klans of America, Incorporated, (UKA). He further said that E. L. MC DANIELS was the UKA leader in Mississippi. He said the Klan office in Natchez is at 114 Main Street, however, it will not be officially opened for several days. MURRAY indicated that he will be acting like a "Field Secretary" for the UKA, however, that is not an official title. He would stay in Natchez and handle the Klan office while MC DANIELS is out of town.

MURRAY declined to name other Klan members and did not want to comment further regarding the Klan. MURRAY stated that he had no knowledge of any acts of violence in Natchez or anywhere else.

MURRAY had no further information of value to offer.

On 9/18/65 at NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI File # JN 157-2179-22

by SA JAMES W. AWE /jds

Date dictated 9/22/65

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC JACKSON FOIA(b)7 - (D) (P)

DATE: 7/26/65

FROM : SA BAILEY BOB WILLIAMS

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SUBJECT: GEORGE THOMAS ROUSE

Dates of Contact	
7/16/65	
Titles and File #s on which contacted	
ERNEST FINLEY - RM (KLAN)	157-
ERNEST PARKER - RM (KLAN)	157-
L.C. MURRAY - RM (KLAN)	157-2179
Purpose and results of contact	
<p><input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE PCI advised that on 7/14/65, during the evening hours, he was in the Eola Hotel, Natchez, Mississippi when ERNEST PARKER, ERNEST FINLEY, AND L.C. MURRAY asked him to ride around town with them in FINLEY'S automobile. These individuals were interested in what was taking place at a large gathering of Negro citizens in the downtown area. One of the principal speakers at this gathering was CHARLES EVERS of the NAACP.</p> <p>FINLEY was in possession of a rifle which he carried in the front seat of his auto. FINLEY also used a radio in his car to communicate with other persons who were also in the area of the meeting. When EVERS left the meeting FINLEY broadcast the message, "the cow is out of the sandbar" over his radio.</p> <p>These individuals made no comments which would indicate they intended to do harm to EVERS or any other Negro leader.</p> <p>PCI stated he does not regularly associate with this group and could not explain why they picked him up on this particular occasion.</p>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating very good
Personal Data	Coverage unchanged
unchanged	

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TITLE OF CASE <b>L. C. MURRAY</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA BILLY BOB WILLIAMS</b>	TYPED BY <b>js</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)</b>	

## SUMMARY

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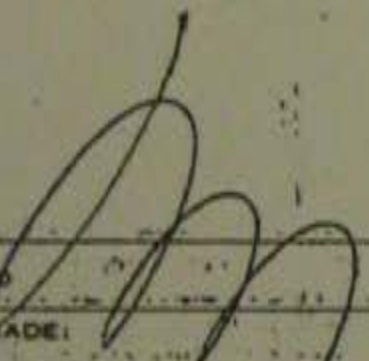
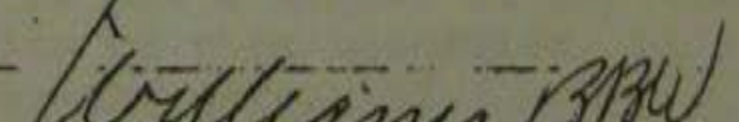
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### JACKSON DIVISION:

#### AT NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI:

1. Will continue to follow and report the activities of the subject.
2. Will obtain a photograph of the subject.

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INFORMANTS:

IDENTITY OF  
INFORMANTS:

LOCATION OF  
INFORMATION FURNISHED:

JN T-1 is Records, Local Board  
Number One, Selective Service  
System, Natchez, Mississippi,  
made available by Clerk GEORGE  
EYRICH

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JN T-4 is

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The following are the neighborhood and business sources  
who would be cognizant of the subject's movements:

1. Sheriff ODELL ANDERS, Adams County, Natchez,  
Mississippi
2. Chief of Police J. T. ROBINSON, Natchez,  
Mississippi, Police Department
3. ELLA ATKINS, Manager, Credit Bureau of Natchez,  
Mississippi
4. FOIA(b)7 - (D)

ADMINISTRATIVE:

A Form FD-9 has been submitted to the Identification  
Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to obtain the  
contents of any criminal record pertaining to subject.

MURRAY was interviewed by Bureau Agents on 3/26/65, at  
which time he refused to admit that he was a member of any klan  
type organization. Based upon results of this interview, it  
would appear that MURRAY has no informant potential.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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ONI, CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA  
INTC, 111TH INTC GROUP, FORT MC PHERSON, GEORGIA

Copy to:

Report of:  
Date:SA BILLY BOB WILLIAMS  
JUNE 3, 1965

Office: JACKSON

Field Office File No.:

JACKSON 157-2179

Bureau File No.:

Title:

L. C. MURRAY

Character:

RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

Synopsis:

L. C. MURRAY, white male, born 10/17/38, at  
Quentin, Mississippi, presently resides in  
Natchez, Mississippi, where he is employed by  
a finance company. Informants have advised  
MURRAY is a member of the United Klans of  
America, Inc. MURRAY interviewed 3/26/65, and  
denied membership in any Klan organization or  
knowledge of any acts of violence. Informant  
advises MURRAY advocates killing the Imperial  
Wizard of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan  
of Mississippi, a rival Klan organization.  
Background information and description of MURRAY  
set forth.

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DETAILS:I. BACKGROUNDA. True Name and Aliases

On May 13, 1965, Mrs. TINA WARREN, Secretary  
to the Registrar, Natchez, Adams County High School,  
Natchez, Mississippi, advised the records of the  
Natchez, Adams County High School reflect a true name  
L. C. MURRAY for the offspring of DOYLE MURRAY,  
2150 Second Street, Natchez, Mississippi. Mrs. WARREN  
said she is acquainted with L. C. MURRAY, and he is not

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known by any other name. He commonly is referred to as L. C.

B. Residence Address and Mailing Address

On May 13, 1965, Mr. WILL BURNS, Executive Vice President, City Bank and Trust Company, advised L. C. MURRAY resides at 2829 Little Street, Natchez, Mississippi, and mail addressed to him at that address is not returned by United States Post Office Department.

C. Marital Status

On May 13, 1965, Mr. WILL BURNS, Executive Vice President, City Bank and Trust Company, Natchez, Mississippi, advised that L. C. MURRAY is married to the former SANDRA HUBER. SANDRA MURRAY is presently an employee of the City Bank and Trust Company, and she was married approximately one year previous to the interview. Mr. BURNS complimented MURRAY on her proficiency and stated she is a highly thought of and excellent employee in all respects.

D. Occupation

On April 15, 1965, Mr. REYNOLDS ATKINS, Retail Credit Corporation, Natchez, Mississippi, advised L. C. MURRAY is presently employed as a Field Representative for the Aetna Finance Company, Natchez, Mississippi. He was employed approximately April 7, 1965, and has an income of \$350 per month.

E. Employment Address

On April 15, 1965, Mr. REYNOLDS ATKINS, Retail Credit Corporation, Natchez, Mississippi, advised that L. C. MURRAY is employed by the Aetna Finance Company at 415 Main Street, Natchez, Mississippi.

F. Education

On May 13, 1965, Mrs. TINA WARREN, Secretary to the Registrar, Natchez, Adams County High School, Natchez, Mississippi, advised Special Agent EDWARD M. HARGRAVE that



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L. C. MURRAY graduated from Natchez, Adams County High School on May 22, 1958.

G. Citizenship Status

The files of Jackson T-1, another Government Agency which maintains personnel type records, reflect that L. C. MURRAY was born on October 17, 1938, at Quentin, Mississippi, and he is an American by birth.

H. Military Record

The files of Jackson T-1, another Government Agency which maintains personnel type records, reflect that L. C. MURRAY has never been a member of the United States Armed Forces. He is presently registered for Selective Service and has Selective Service Number 22-1-38-167.

I. Local Criminal Check

On January 7, 1965, Officer J. J. MC NEAL, Records Officer, Natchez Police Department, Natchez, Mississippi, and Deputy Sheriff HENRY WHITEHEAD, Adams County Sheriff's Office, Natchez, Mississippi, advised they could locate no record identifiable with L. C. MURRAY in the files of their respective Departments.

J. Credit Check

On April 15, 1965, Mrs. ELLA ATKINS, Manager, Credit Bureau of Natchez, Natchez, Mississippi, advised her records reflect that L. C. MURRAY presently resides at 2829 Little Street, Natchez, Mississippi, with his wife, SANDRA. Mrs. ATKINS further advised that the files of her organization reflect that MURRAY presently owes a back payment of \$155 to the Statndard Oil Company as a result of credit card purchases. There is no other derogatory information in the file except that a notation is present indicating that he is involved in Klan activity.



K. Automobile

On May 13, 1965, Chief of Police J. T. ROBINSON, Natchez Police Department, Natchez, Mississippi, advised L. C. MURRAY owns and drives a 1965 Ford Mustang, Fastback automobile, a "mustard green" in color, and bearing 1965 Mississippi license, 1B-2355.

L. Available Weapons

On May 13, 1965, Chief of Police J. T. ROBINSON, Natchez Police Department, Natchez, Mississippi, advised L. C. MURRAY associates with numerous individuals who own and use hunting firearms. He stated that MURRAY would have available to him an untold number of firearms.

M. Physical Description

The files of Jackson T-1, a Government Agency which maintains personnel type records reflect the following personal description of L. C. MURRAY:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Nationality	American
Date of Birth	October 17, 1938
Place of Birth	Quentin, Mississippi
Height	5'11"
Weight	157 pounds
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Light Brown
Complexion	Ruddy
Scars and Marks	Small scar, center of forehead



On March 26, 1965, L. C. MURRAY was observed by Special Agent BILLY BOB WILLIAMS at Natchez, Mississippi, and his estimated present height and weight are 6'2", and 220 pounds respectively.

N. Photograph

A current photograph of L. C. MURRAY has not been obtained.

O. Special Abilities

On May 13, 1965, Chief of Police J. T. ROBINSON, Natchez Police Department, Natchez, Mississippi, advised he is personally acquainted with L. C. MURRAY. He considers MURRAY to be "an overgrown kid" and stated that MURRAY does not possess any special abilities. He is customarily employed as a salesman or clerk.

P. Associates

On May 13, 1965, Chief of Police J. T. ROBINSON, Natchez Police Department, Natchez, Mississippi, advised L. C. MURRAY customarily associates with the following individuals:

JACK SEALE  
ERNEST FINLEY  
PAUL FOSTER  
ERNEST PARKER

Chief ROBINSON stated that all of the above named individuals reside at Natchez, Mississippi.

II. CONNECTION WITH THE UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.  
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

A characterization of the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, is set forth in the appendix of this report.



On October 20, 1964, Jackson T-2 advised Special Agent WILLIAM F. DUKES and Special Agent THOMPSON BERRY WEBB that he had determined through a confidential source of information that L. C. MURRAY is a member of the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan at Natchez, Mississippi. Jackson T-2 further advised that the same confidential source of information has reported that L. C. MURRAY was one of several individuals involved in the bombing of the home of Natchez Mayor JOHN NOSSER during late September, 1964.

On February 17, 1965, Jackson T-3 advised Special Agent CLARENCE G. PROSPERE that one JACK SEALE had admitted to him that SEALE and L. C. MURRAY were members of the United Klans of America, Inc., in Natchez, Mississippi.

On March 9, 1965, Jackson T-4 advised Special Agent BILLY BOB WILLIAMS that L. C. MURRAY is not known to have ever been a member of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi.

A characterization of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi is set forth in the appendix of this report.

### III. STATEMENTS OR ACTIONS CONCERNING VIOLENCE OR ACTS OF VIOLENCE

On February 17, 1965, Jackson T-3 advised Special Agent CLARENCE G. PROSPERE that he had received information that on February 10, 1965, JACK SEALE and L. C. MURRAY from Natchez, Mississippi, had contacted a member of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi, and had alleged that SAM BOWERS, Imperial Wizard of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi, had a sheet in his home hanging on the wall. Beneath these sheets were photographs of KRUSCHEV, MUSOLINI, CASTRO, and HITLER. SEALE wished to have a check made into this matter to determine if BOWERS did in fact have a sheet hanging on his wall covering the mentioned photographs, and if it were true, SEALE suggested that BOWERS be killed. MURRAY indicated agreement with SEALE.



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On May 13, 1965, Chief of Police J. T. ROBINSON, Natchez Police Department, Natchez, Mississippi, advised he is well acquainted with L. C. MURRAY. He stated he has no proof that L. C. MURRAY has engaged in any acts of racial violence but that he is a strong suspect in each and every incident of racial violence occurring in the Adams County, Mississippi, area.

On April 27, 1965, Sheriff ODELL ANDERS, Adams County Sheriff's Department, Natchez, Mississippi, advised he has heard no rumors concerning L. C. MURRAY'S Klan activity.

#### IV. INTERVIEWS OF SUBJECT



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Date 4-8-65

L. C. MURRAY, Aetna Finance Company, Natchez, Mississippi, furnished the following information:

MURRAY was immediately advised by SA BILLY BOB WILLIAMS who identified himself as a Special Agent of the FBI that he was not required to make any statement and that any statement he did make could become testimony in a court of law. He was further advised that he had the right to consult with an attorney of his own choosing prior to making any statement whatsoever.

MURRAY stated he is not affiliated with any Klan type organization and has no knowledge of Klan type activities. He stated he had no knowledge of any acts of violence committed in the area of Natchez, Mississippi, or the State of Alabama and he stated he had no knowledge relating to the placing of several bombs in the Birmingham, Alabama, area recently or the death of a white female civil rights worker near Selma, Alabama.

MURRAY stated he has recently returned from the State of California after having travelled to California in an effort to find work. He advised he has only recently been employed by the Aetna Finance Company at Natchez.

He advised he is the owner of a 1965 Mustang automobile which bears 1965 Mississippi License 1B-2355. This vehicle is yellow-green in color and is the fastback model.

MURRAY declined to furnish a description of himself and the following description was obtained through observation:

On 3-26-65 at Natchez, Mississippi File # Jackson 157-2179  
by SA BILLY BOB WILLIAMS  
SA LEON ROSS GRABEN/pag/js Date dictated 4-1/65

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	Approximately 25
Height	6 feet, 2 inches
Weight	220 pounds
Hair	Light brown, crew cut



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APPENDIX

ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
(LOUISIANA)  
(OKKKK)

A source advised on October 25 1963 that in December, 1960, a group was organized at Shreveport Louisiana, known as the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK). The purpose of this organization was to promote Americanism, white supremacy, and the maintaining of segregation.

This source further advised on October 25, 1963, that the OKKKK continues to be active and that the aims and purposes continue to be the same.

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WHITE KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN OF MISSISSIPPI

A source advised that on February 15, 1964, approximately 200 members of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK) from the State of Mississippi met at Brookhaven, Mississippi. Those present decided to defect from the OKKKK and to form their own Klan group in Mississippi to be known as the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi.

This source advised that the aims and purposes of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi are to preserve Christian civilization, protect and promote white supremacy and the segregation of the races, to fight communism and to extend the dignity, heritage and rights of the white race of America.

A second source advised on February 4, 1965, that the present membership of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi (WKKKKOM) is between 1,000 and 1,500 members and the organization has continued to operate in the State of Mississippi as an independent Klan organization with the same aims and purposes as when it was created in February, 1964.

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Date 4-8-65

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On 3-26-65 at Natchez, Mississippi File # Jackson 157-2179 -12  
by SA BILLY BOB WILLIAMS  
SA LEON ROSS GRABEN/pag/jn Date dictated 4-1-65

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Race  
Sex  
Age  
Height  
Weight  
Hair

White  
Male  
Approximately 25  
6 feet, 2 inches  
220 pounds  
Light brown, crew cut



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To: DIRECTOR, FBI

Attention: Identification Division

Date

Re

*L. C. Murray*

Furnish The Known Identification Record of the Following:

Name

*L. C. Murray*

FBI No.

Other No.

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Sex

Race

Birth Date

Birthplace

Residence

*male*

*white*

*10/17/38*

*Quentin, Mississippi*

*Natchez, Mississippi*

Height

Weight

Build

Hair

Eyes

Complexion

Age

*5'11"*

*200*

*heavy*

*lt Brn*

*blue*

*ruddy*

*26*

Fingerprint Classification

Scars, marks and tattoos

Also Furnish:

- ☐ Photo  
☐ Fingerprints  
☐ Handwriting Specimens

Identification Division's Reply

- ☒ On basis of information furnished, unable to identify:

☒ Criminal Files ☒ Civil Files ☐ All Files

- ☐ Record Attached  
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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-574) (P)

DATE: 4/27/65

FROM : SA EDWARD E. HARGRAVE

SUBJECT: WHITE KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN OF MISSISSIPPI (ADAMS CO.)

On 4/27/65, ORRILL ANDERS, Sheriff of Adams County, Mississippi was interviewed by SA EDWARD E. HARGRAVE. The activities of the Ku Klux Klan in Adams County was discussed and Sheriff ANDERS opined that the citizens of Adams County have not been plagued with racial problems recently. ANDERS stated that the Klan has been quiet lately, and it was his wish that it would continue to be so.

Sheriff ANDERS was questioned concerning his knowledge of various individuals alleged to be, or have been active in Klan activities.

VICTOR McLEAN is well known to ANDERS as McLEAN has had some minor altercations with the law. ANDERS described as trying to act the "big shot", stated he was a gambling type, who has not gotten into anything big enough for ANDERS to crack down on. ANDERS was unaware of any racial activity on the part of McLEAN.

RAPHAEL LEONARD "Lenny" SCHUCHS - works for Scarborough Pump Co., Natchez. ANDERS believes SCHUCHS is a Catholic, and finds this hard to reconcile with Klan membership. ANDERS described SCHUCHS as a radical. SCHUCHS lives on Foster Mound Road, Adams County. No known Klan activities attributable to SCHUCHS.

J. B. RANKIN is living in the Cloverdale section of Natchez, is now driving a bulldozer for Dale Polk Construction. No recent Klan activity noted by Sheriff ANDERS.

L. C. MURRAY is believed by Sheriff ANDERS to be working for a local Loan Co., name unrecalled. No rumors heard concerning MURRAY's Klan activity.

HENRY L. MOORE is working for "TINY LEWIS" at LEWIS' barbeque stand. MOORE recently broke his leg. ANDERS could supply no pertinent information concerning MOORE's racial activity.

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- 1 - 157-2178
- 1 - 157-2179
- 1 - 157-2181

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	Approximately 25
Height	6 feet, 2 inches
Weight	220 pounds
Hair	Light brown, crew cut



Date received 3/9/65 Received from (name or symbol number) FOIA(b)7 - (D) Received by SA BILLY BOB WILLIAMS

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Dictated 3/10/65 to mb (Elizabeth C. Sparrow)

Date of Report

3/9/65

Transcribed 3/15/65

Date(s) of activity

March, 1965

Authenticated  
by Informant

Brief description of activity or material

Meeting of state officers, WKKKKOM, 3/7/65, near Tenny, Mississippi. Planned meeting of state officers and Province Bursers, 3/20/65. Plans by Imperial Wizard SAM BOWERS to stall FBI investigations. Cooperation with WKKKKOM by members, UK of American, McComb, Miss.;

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~~Re: McComb~~ Organization of new klan-type organization at Greenville, Miss.; identity of person burning cross near Natchez, Miss.; Identification of known members of the Original Knights of the KKK of Concordia Parish, La.; President ROLAND SCOTT, APWR, is not a known klansman. E. L. MC DANIEL, Grand Dragon, UK of American, advocates the idea that SAM BOWERS, WKKKKOM, is a communist.; Description of Province 10, WKKKKOM.

2- FOIA(b)7 - (D)

- 1- 157- (White Christian Protective and Legal Defense Fund)
- 1- 157- (SAM SEVELL)
- 1- 157- (SAM BOWERS)
- 1- 157- (JULIUS HARPER)
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1- 157- (J. K. GREER)  
1- 157- (CLYDE SEALE)  
1- 157- (FNU) COOL (ph)  
1- 157- (FNU) STRINGER)  
1- 157- (UK of America, Pike County)  
1- 157- (Operator, Tops Grill, McComb, Miss.)  
1- 157- (DOUGLAS BYRD)  
1- 157- (Rev. BILBO)  
1- 157- (GERALD D. BURK)  
1- 157- (WKKKKOM; Jefferson County)  
1- 157- (JOE MC CURLY)  
1- 157- (ROLAND SCOTT)  
1- 157-36 (APWR)  
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1- 157- (WKKKKOM, Hinds County)  
1- 157- (WKKKKOM, Copiah County)  
1- 157-511 (EARL MC GAUGHEY)  
1- 157-556 (APWR, Jefferson County)  
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1- 157-1445 (ROLAND THORNTON)  
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1- 157-1460 (LEE EDWARD JONES)  
1- 157-1610 (FRANK PRIEST)  
1- 157-1611 (W. J. HARRIGILL)  
1- 157-1635 (HERMAN RAY WHEELER)  
1- 157-1636 (GERALD GRAY PHARES)  
1- 157-1662 (JIMMY D. MITCHELL)  
1- 157-1710 (C. L. JORDAN)  
1- 157-1812 (VICTOR MCLEAN)



- 1- 157-2170 (ALTON ROBERTS)
- 1- 157-2173 (RAPHAEL LEONARD SCHUCKS)
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- 1- 157-2175 (W. M. TEMPLE)
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- 1- 157-2198 (J. B. CRAWFORD)
- 1- 157-2205 (WILLIAM WALLACE HAVARD)
- 1- 157-2206 (JOHN D. DRUETTA)
- 1- 157-2212 (CHARLES ALFRED COX)
- 1- 157-2627 (JOHN NOSSER)
- 1- 157-2364 (CARROLL SMITH)
- 2- New Orleans (RM)



FOIA(b)7 - (D)

Remarks:

Information contained in the enclosed report, if used in a report being prepared for dissemination should be suitably paraphrased in order to adequately protect the identity of this informant.

On March 9, 1965, FOIA(b)7 - (D) furnished one copy of the Constitution of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of the Sovereign Realm of Mississippi, one copy of the Kloran of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (WKKKKOM); one throw-away handout distributed by the WKKKKOM entitled, "Should Local School Boards Sign," one copy of a throw-away type handout featuring news clippings from the "Jackson Daily News," the Jackson "Clarion-Ledger", and the "Meridian Star." These items have been designated for inclusion in the substantive file relating to the WKKKKOM.



March 9, 1965

MEETING OF STATE OFFICERS, WKKKKOM,  
MARCH 7, 1965, TERRY, MISSISSIPPI

A regular meeting assembly place has been designated in Jackson, Mississippi, for individuals attending state conferences relating to the White Christian Protective and Legal Defense Fund (WCPALDF). The meeting place is at Shoney's Restaurant in Westland Plaza, Jackson, Mississippi, and the interested parties are to go to this restaurant at 5:00 p.m. on the first Sunday and the third Saturday of each month, where they will be contacted by a high state officer and given further instructions to reach the appointed meeting place.

On Sunday, March 7, 1965, a meeting was held near Terry, Mississippi. The meeting was held in a house belonging to one SAM SEVELL (phonetic), who resides about two miles west of Terry on a paved road. His house is on the right side of the road, facing west. He is an old bachelor and approximately 55 years of age.

Present at this meeting were SAM BOWERS, JULIUS HARPER, BILLY BUCKLES, ERNEST GILBERT, J. K. GREER, CLYDE SEALE, and a man whose first name is not known, but whose last name is believed to be COOL (phonetic) from Kosciusko, Mississippi. There were two unidentified men from Vicksburg in attendance, along with four unidentified men from Jackson, two unidentified men from Rankin County, one unidentified man from Simpson County, one unidentified man from Harrison County, one unidentified man from Walthall County, and one unidentified man from Brookhaven, Mississippi.

The individual from Simpson County made the comment that the FBI had recently been interested in him and had told the Sheriff of Simpson County that he was responsible for a recent burning or other act of violence. This man also started to talk about something



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which had happened with regard to the state officers, but E. S. GILBERT quickly shut him up by reminding him that there might be informants of the FBI present.

The password for this meeting was "Coffeeepot". The two individuals from Jackson, Mississippi, each had a walkie-talkie and rotated on guard duty with one man outside and one man inside the building.

SAM BOWERS opened the meeting with a word of prayer and general comments regarding the WKKKKOM.

State Grand Giant, BILLY BUCKLES made a talk regarding his recent aircraft accident. He requested that all klan bursters be present at the next meeting, and SAM BOWERS indicated that he would insure their presence at the meeting. BUCKLES stated he wished to obtain a financial statement and turn in money to the klan.

E. S. GILBERT made a speech in which he stated he felt it would be a good plan to start a school for teen-agers throughout the State of Mississippi, which would teach them the evils of communism.

JULIUS HARPER made a very lengthy speech which rambled and generally regarded the fact that "Christ was not a Jew."

SAM BOWERS spoke for 42 minutes regarding the activities of the FBI. He produced a book entitled, "The FBI Gets its Man" and suggested that all members of the klan read this book in an effort to learn the pattern and techniques of the FBI and how the organization operates. He used several illustrations from the book during his talk.

BOWERS stated that he had a plan which would stall and overload any FBI investigation. He stated that the FBI had the names of approximately 3,000 known members



of the Ku Klux Klan, and that after an act of violence, the Bureau would have 3,000 suspects. He stated that if everyone questioned by the FBI refused to talk and acted guilty in the matter, this would confuse and frustrate the FBI in trying to figure out which individual was an actual suspect.

SAM BOWERS told a story about a gun which he claimed had been stolen from him by the FBI or a representative of the FBI during a recent trip to Meridian, Mississippi. He stated that this gun was later found in the possession of two Negroes, whom he described as Black Muslims, who were arrested after killing a filling station operator at Laurel, Mississippi. He stated the only thing that had saved him was that he had immediately reported the gun stolen at Meridian after discovering its loss.

The representative from Walthall County stated that a McComb disc jockey named STRINGER, is a member of the United Klans of America, but has pledged any help needed to the WKKKKOM. STRINGER is also pushing the WCPALDF.

The individual from Walthall County further stated that the man who operates Topps Grill, McComb, Mississippi, is a member of the United Klans of America, but has also pledged to assist the WKKKKOM in any way necessary.

It was pointed out that MEREDITH TATUM and ELMORE GREAVES were not present at the meeting.

One of the representatives from Jackson, Mississippi, stated that the "Midnight Messenger", a newspaper-type publication, had been thrown out in Jackson, Mississippi during the previous week, and would again be distributed in Jackson during the coming week. He also stated that 10,000 blank bank drafts, payable to the WCPALDF and drawn on the Jackson-Hinds Bank, had been burned because the bank did not wish to be publicly affiliated with the WCPALDF. He stated that every prominent



businessman in Jackson, Mississippi, had been mailed a letter relating to this fund and asking for a contribution. He stated that not one single reply had come in.

SAM BOWERS gave the various province reports relating to the money collected for the WCPALDF. The collections for the fund appeared generally poor.

CLYDE SEALE told a story about a jug placed for the fund at the Crossroads Grocery in Franklin County, Mississippi. He stated that the lady who owns the Crossroads Grocery had told him that of the approximately \$12.00 in the jar, Negroes had put in at least half. SEALE further stated that the jars are not doing well in Franklin County. He advised that Unit #1 of Franklin County is now meeting on Saturday nights.

The other province representatives each gave a general talk, during which nothing of any particular significance was mentioned.

SAM BOWERS discussed the integration of the schools in Mississippi, and handed out two throw-away type handbills to be distributed.

#### NEW KLAN-TYPE ORGANIZATION AT GREENVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

On March 8, 1965, DOUGLAS BYRD was overheard telling J. K. GREER that he had been contacted by a man from Monroe, Louisiana. This individual had approached him to go to Greenville, Mississippi, and assist in the further organizing of a new klan-type organization. This man stated he has already started a unit at Greenville, but needed additional help. He described the organization as much like the "old national" klan, and stated that there are several units of the same type around Monroe, Louisiana.

#### STATE GRAND CHAPLAIN, WKKKKOM

The Reverend BILBO from either Lawrence or Walthall County is presently the State Grand Chaplain.



RECENT BURNING OF CROSS IN ADAMS COUNTY,  
MISSISSIPPI

GERALD D. BURKE, a resident of Fayette, Mississippi, and several other white employees of the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company recently burned a cross in the front yard of a fellow Negro employee. The cross was burned in the Negro's yard because he had been recently promoted to a "white man's job." The Negro thereafter reported the incident to his superiors at the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, and they subsequently called in the individuals responsible and made it emphatically known to them that these actions would not be tolerated. This action on the part of the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company had a very sobering effect on the individuals involved and they will not apparently engage in such activities in the future.

A fellow klansman of GERALD D. BURKE is JOE MC CURLY, who operates MC CURLY's grocery in Jefferson County on Mississippi Highway 28, near Fayette.

MEMBERS OF THE ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN OF CONCORDIA PARISH, LOUISIANA

The following individuals are members of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Concordia Parish.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Employment</u>	<u>Residence</u>
J. T. MC CLERKIN	International Paper Company, Natchez, Miss. (IPC)	Ferriday, Louisiana
(FNU) RAVEN	IPC, Natchez, Miss.	Ferriday, Louisiana
(FNU) GUTHERIA	IPC, Natchez, Miss.	Ferriday, Louisiana



<u>Name</u>	<u>Employment</u>	<u>Residence</u>
W. C. POOLE	IPC, Natchez, Mississippi	Ferriday, Louisiana
J. B. TEMPLE		Ferriday, Louisiana
(FNU) MOROK (phonetic)	Carpenter Hudnall Motor Company, Natchez, Mississippi	Louisiana

#### PHYSICAL CONDITION OF GRAND GIANT, BILLY BUCKLES

BILLY BUCKLES has not returned to his employment since his recent aircraft accident but is progressing satisfactorily and is expected to return to work in a few weeks.

#### AMERICANS FOR THE PRESERVATION OF THE WHITE RACE

ROLAND SCOTT, the President of the Americans for the Preservation of the White Race (APWR), who resides in Natchez, Mississippi, is not known to have ever joined any klan-type organizations. He is very sympathetic toward these organizations, but is regarded by most klansmen as offering "too little, too late." The klansmen of Adams County, Mississippi, regard the APWR as being a very ineffective organization, and it is not well received.

#### E. L. MC DANIEL, GRAND DRAGON, UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

E. L. MC DANIEL states that he had conducted extensive investigation regarding the past activity of SAM BOWERS, the Imperial Wizard of the WKKKKOM. MC DANIEL openly states that BOWERS is a communist and has previously been affiliated with the Communist Party.



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ACTIVITIES OF THE WKKKKOM IN ADAMS, JEFFERSON,  
AND WILKINSON COUNTIES, MISSISSIPPI

There have been no recent meetings of the WKKKKOM in Adams County, although there is much interest in the organization and continual contacts among the individual members. There are no regular meetings being held in Jefferson or Wilkinson Counties.

PROVINCE 10, WKKKKOM

A new province has been organized in the State of Mississippi. This province is known to include Rankin, Madison, Hinds, and Copiah Counties. There are possibly other counties also included in this province.

ACTIVITIES OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF THE WKKKKOM

The following individuals are not known to be or ever have been, members of the WKKKKOM:

EARL MC GAUGHEY  
MILFRED CUPSTID  
ROLAND THORNTON  
JOHN SMITH  
F. J. RATCLIFF  
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HERMAN RAY WHEELER  
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CHARLES ALFRED COX  
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L. P. RUSHING is a former member of the original Adams County Unit, which is now out of existence and his present activities are not known.



THOMAS FELTER is the Exalted Cyclops of the Wilkinson County Unit of the WKKKKOM. He is employed as a crane operator at the International Paper Company, Natchez, Mississippi.

C. L. JORDAN is an elderly individual who resides in Claiborne County near Patterson, Mississippi, and is believed to operate a grocery store in that area. He was originally appointed as the Acting Exalted Cyclops during the formation of the WKKKKOM, but no meetings were ever held and this group was never active. There is no WKKKKOM activity in Claiborne County.

ALTON ROBERTS was a former member of the original Adams County Unit, which is now out of existence.

MORRIS RAY SULLIVAN recently moved from the Natchez, Mississippi area to Franklin County, Mississippi and it is not known whether or not he is active in any Franklin County unit.

JOE LOUIS is employed by the Johns-Manville Products Corporation, Natchez, Mississippi, and is a former member of the original Adams County Unit.

J. D. CRAWFORD is the Constable of District 5, Adams County, Mississippi. He is not an active member of the WKKKKOM and never has been a member of the WKKKKOM.

JOHN D. DRUETTA is possibly a member of the United Klans of America. He was formerly with the original Adams County Unit. He is employed in the power plant of the International Paper Company, Natchez, Mississippi.

ACTIVITIES OF MAYOR JOHN NOSSER, NATCHEZ,  
MISSISSIPPI

Mayor JOHN NOSSER of Natchez, Mississippi, is very friendly with E. L. MC DANIEL, the Grand Dragon of the State of Mississippi of the United Klans of America. MC DANIEL publicly states that NOSSER has been



judged wrongly by the white population of Natchez, and that he is doing the best he can under the circumstances.

The members of the WKKKKOM in the Natchez, Mississippi area generally feel that Mayor NOSSER is taking the side of the Negroes in the integration struggle.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-4)

DATE: 3/11/65

FROM : SA BENJAMIN F. GRAVES

SUBJECT: INVESTIGATION OF KLANSMEN  
RACIAL MATTERS

Bureau airtel dated 2/24/65 instructed the Jackson Office to submit supplemental nonprosecutive summary reports immediately regarding the following categories of Klansmen:

1. All national officers
2. All state officers
3. Top officials of each klavern or local unit, such as the Exalted Cyclops and Chief Investigator
4. Any individual Klansmen who exert effective influence and leadership within the Klan and/or have a propensity toward notoriety or involvement in racial violence.

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- (2 - 157-914) (LOUIS ANTHONY DI SALVO)
- (2 - 157-676) (TRAVIS F. AINSWORTH)
- (2 - 157-582) (ASA F. WEATHERS)
- (2 - 157-1181) (DAYTON HOUSTON GILLESPIE)
- (2 - 157-1492) (TOM THRASHER)
- (2 - 157-486) (EDDIE MC DANIEL)
- (2 - 157-606) (EDWIN LEWIS)
- (2 - 157-987) (BILLY WOODS)
- (2 - 157-1435) (ROGER SMITH)
- (2 - 157-2627) (JOHN NOSSER)
- (2 - 157-2179) (L. C. MURRAY)
- (2 - 157-14) (DOUGLAS A. BYRD)
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(2 - 157-1037) (TILLMAN MYERS)  
(2 - 157-1202) (LEONARD MC KEE)  
(2 - 157-1707) (BILLY JOE LEE)  
(2 - 157-1750) (WINSTON DUCKSWORTH)  
(2 - 157-1581) (DENSON LOTT)  
(2 - 157-1918) (MILTON JAMES)  
(2 - 157-1987) (KEITH DYKES)  
(2 - 157-2390) (PAUL WEST)  
(2 - 157-2121) (RETUS G. BILBO)  
(2 - 157-608) (A. C. HERRINGTON)  
(2 - 157-450) (GEORGE H. BIRDSONG)  
(2 - 157-1113) (PETE (JAMES) HARRIS)  
(2 - 157-1226) (JAMES C. RUTHLEDGE)  
(2 - 157-19) (JAMES NOLEN FORTENBERRY)  
(2 - 157-216) (GORDON MIMS LACKEY)  
(2 - 157-946) (JULIUS HARPER)  
(2 - 157-571) (HOWARD MC LEMORE)  
(2 - 157-1009) (CHARLES SOJOURNER)  
(2 - 157-1703) (Q. B. RUTLAND)  
(2 - 157-483) (W. R. MANGUM)  
(2 - 157-1441) (JASPER BUFORD)  
(2 - 157-1719) (J. LESTER PHILLIPS)  
(2 - 157-1440) (RALPH EDWARDS)  
(2 - 157-458) (EVERETT D. WIGGS)  
(2 - 157-470) (WALTER ANDERSON BAILEY)  
(2 - 157-1420) (S. T. SHOOK)



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The following format should be used in preparing these nonprosecutive summary reports:

1. Residence
2. Employment
3. Current position in organization
4. Automobile
5. Activity of subject
6. Miscellaneous information concerning subject

In those instances where a summary report has not yet been submitted to the Bureau regarding a Klansman in the above enumerated categories, an up-to-date nonprosecutive summary report should be submitted immediately using the following format:

1. Background
  - a. Birthdate
  - b. Citizenship status
  - c. Education
  - d. Marital Status
  - e. Residence ✓
  - f. Employment ✓
  - g. Military service
  - h. Credit and criminal record
  - i. Physical description
  - j. Make and model of automobile used by ✓  
subject and description including body style, color and license number.  
Description of other vehicles to which subject has access.
  - k. Special abilities of subject, including knowledge of weapons, explosives, radio and electronics
  - l. Associates, both business and social
  - m. Up-to-date picture of subject



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In preparing both the initial and supplemental nonprosecutive reports under these instructions, emphasis should be placed on including pertinent information regarding the individual's present position, his current activities, and his propensity for violence.

This Bureau airtel instructed that by 3/5/65, the Bureau was to be advised of the identities of Klansmen on whom reports will be submitted under these instructions. These reports should be submitted as they are prepared (original and six copies). Bureau has set the deadline of 4/30/65 to complete the submission of these reports.

The names of the subjects of the various files receiving copies of this memorandum were furnished to the Bureau by airtel dated 3/8/65, as coming within one of the above-mentioned categories. Consequently, a summary report or a supplemental nonprosecutive summary report should be written in compliance with above-mentioned Bureau instructions.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-63)

FROM : SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE

SUBJECT: WHITE KNIGHTS OF THE  
KU KLUX KLAN OF MISSISSIPPI  
RACIAL MATTERS

DATE: 3/2/65

Informant:

Date of Report:

Dates of Activity:

Date Received:

Location of the Original

Information:

FOIA(b)7 - (D)

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FOIA(b)7 - (D)

On 2/17/65, FOIA(b)7 - (D) who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished the following information to SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE:

EXTREME CARE SHOULD BE USED IN DISSEMINATING THIS INFORMATION SINCE IT MIGHT DISCLOSE THE INFORMANT'S IDENTITY AND PLACE HIS LIFE IN JEOPARDY.

- 1 - FOIA(b)7 - (D) 2 - New Orleans (RM)
- 1 - 44-1
- 1 - 157-63
- 1 - 157-471
- 1 - 157-815
- ① - 157-L. C. MURRAY *no main 157-*
- 1 - 157-SAM BOWERS
- 1 - 157-JULIUS HARPER
- 1 - 157-Klan Activity, Fla. Parishes, La.  
(6th Congressional District of La.)
- 1 - 157-J. M. FOSTER (Brookhaven, Miss.)
- 1 - 52-Burglary Armory, Brandon, Miss.
- 1 - 157-COFO Headquarters Burning, Laurel, Miss.
- 1 - 157-White Christian Protective and Legal  
Defense Fund (Enc. *157-2179-6*  
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- 1 - 157-1519
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*William B. B. W.*



RFD, Baton Rouge, La.  
2/17/65

Informant advised that he had received information that on 2/10/65, MYRON WAYNE "JACK" SEALE and L. C. MURRAY, from Natchez, Miss., came to the home of ERNEST GILBERT and these two individuals advised that SAM BOWERS had a sheet in his home hanging on the wall. Beneath this sheet are photographs of KRUSCHEV, MUSSOLINI, CASTRO and HITLER. SEALE wanted GILBERT to check into this to determine if BOWERS did, in fact, have a sheet hanging on his wall covering the above-mentioned photographs and if it were true SEALE suggested that GILBERT kill BOWERS. GILBERT was heard to invite SEALE and MURRAY to go with him to Laurel to check the home of SAM BOWERS. At this point a phone call was received by GILBERT which apparently necessitated his going to work and he advised SEALE and MURRAY that he would be unable to go to Laurel, Miss., to the home of SAM BOWERS at this time but that he would have a trusted individual check into this matter.

GILBERT subsequently telephoned JULIUS HARPER and told HARPER what SEALE and MURRAY had told him regarding SAM BOWERS having a sheet hanging in his home covering the photographs of KRUSCHEV, MUSSOLINI, CASTRO and HITLER. Informant advised that he subsequently determined that GILBERT had checked with HARPER to determine if HARPER had taken any action and that HARPER had advised he had not been to Laurel to check into this matter.

Informant advised that during the course of the meeting between GILBERT, JACK SEALE and L. C. MURRAY at the home of GILBERT on 2/10/65, that JACK SEALE admitted that he and L. C. MURRAY were members of the United Klans of America in Natchez, Miss. No mention was made by either SEALE or MURRAY of any other members in the Natchez Unit. SEALE did make the statement that the members of the United Klans of America in Natchez are meeting in groups of about five people at individual's homes to avoid informants and to be in a better position to locate any "leaks".

Informant advised that J. M. FOSTER, brother of PAUL LAFAYETTE FOSTER, had arranged for a meeting of Klansmen from



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the Florida Parishes which comprise the Sixth Congressional District of La., to meet at the home of ERNEST GILBERT.

Informant advised that on Sunday, 2/14/65, approximately 12 individuals from the Sixth Congressional District of La. came to the home of ERNEST GILBERT. Four of these individuals are identified as follows:

- 1) SAXON FARMER, insurance business, Bogalusa, La., phone RE2-9441.
- 2) H. W. NICKENS, Miller Buick Company, Baton Rouge, La., phone 358-1826.
- 3) CHARLIE CHRISTMAS, Brumfield Motor Company, Amite, La.
- 4) SIDNEY A. BROCK, Franklinton, La., phone VE9-4306.

These approximately 12 representatives from the Sixth Congressional District of La., advised that they had taken the constitution of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi (WKKKKOM) and changed the name of Mississippi to Louisiana, and that they are forming their own Klan in the Sixth Congressional District of Louisiana, which comprises the Florida Parishes of Louisiana. They stated they were originally associated with the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Louisiana (OKKKKOL) and had pledged allegiance to ROYAL V. YOUNG, but that they now wished to disassociate themselves from ROYAL V. YOUNG and the OKKKKOL.

This group then asked J. M. FOSTER and ERNEST GILBERT for information to avoid trouble, at which time GILBERT advised them they should not kill anyone and that they should have no violence. J. M. FOSTER, who was also present at the meeting, suggested that the organization in Louisiana organize klaverns of only 25 members instead of 40 and also suggested that the klaverns of 25 meet in small groups.



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Informant received no information as to the approximate membership or identity of any officers of this new group in the Sixth Congressional District of Louisiana. There was no mention of the official name which was to be used by this group.

J. M. FOSTER has been heard to make the statement that there is a group of the United Klans of America in Brookhaven, Miss.

Informant advised that he would attempt to obtain information concerning the burglarizing of the Armory at Brandon, Miss., but that to date he had received no information regarding this incident.

Informant advised that there was to be a meeting on Saturday, 2/20/65, of state officers and province officers at Jackson, Miss. He pointed out the first meeting place was to be in the parking lot of Primos which is located on State Street, near Sears and Roebuck, and that from this point they would be led to the final meeting place.

Informant advised that at this meeting in Jackson on 2/20/65, he contemplated confronting SAM BOWERS with the information regarding the sheet in his home which covers the pictures of KRUSCHEV, MUSSOLINI, CASTRO and HITLER and pointing out that although BOWERS uses the excuse that the pictures are to remind him of what they are fighting for, that actually other members of the Klan believe that he is a communist and has been leading them down the road in line with the communist desires as other members of the Klan believe that the leadership of BOWERS has played directly into the hands of the communists.

Informant advised that he has received no information regarding the meeting which had previously been held at Brookhaven, Mississippi, and that he has made inquiry of JULIUS HARPER, who advised that he had heard nothing regarding such a meeting. Informant was of the opinion that if there was a meeting at Brookhaven, Miss., that it was possibly A. C. HARRINGTON, who called the meeting for the United Klans of America.



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Informant pointed out that when J. M. FOSTER was told about the sheet in the home of SAM BOWERS which covered the pictures on the wall, that FOSTER made the statement "Don't worry, I know all about it and someone over there is taking care of that."

Informant advised that he has received no information regarding the burning of COFO Headquarters at Laurel, Miss.

Informant advised that he had also received no information of any activity on the part of the Klan in Jefferson County, Mississippi. He pointed out that he had previously reported that the Klan had disbanded in Jefferson County and he stated he is still of the opinion that the Klan has no organization or activity in Jefferson County.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-2179) (P)

DATE: 2/18/65

FROM : SA R. MICHAEL THEVENIN

SUBJECT: L. C. MURRAY  
RM

Re memorandum of SA R. MICHAEL THEVENIN dated  
1/21/65.

It is recommended that this case be re-assigned  
to another Agent for the purpose of determining subject's  
past and possible present activity in any Klan-type  
activities and for any other information which might be  
of value. Subject should also be interviewed in any racial  
potential determined.

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FORD O'NEAL, Investigator, Identification Bureau of the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol, confidentially advised SAs WILLIAM F. DUKES and THOMPSON BERRY WEBB on October 20, 1964 of the results of contact of a confidential informant of the MHSP:

Investigator D. B. CROCKETT of the MHSP reported that on the night of October 13, 1964 the informant reported as follows:

Members of the United Klan of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan are ERNEST FINLEY, JACK SEALE, EDDIE MC DANIEL, L. C. MURRY, LENNIE SCHUCHS, THOMAS YOUNG, TOMMY JONES and PAUL FOSTER, Exalted Cyclops, this group having pulled away from another Klan group as a result of the NOSSER brothers joining the Klan.

Informant reported that MYRON WAYNE "JACK" SEALE, L. C. MURRY and JAMES SEALE bombed MAYOR JOHN NOSSER'S Home, as well the residence of WILLIE WASHINGTON. Further, it was reported that shortly before the NOSSER bombing, a brown 1963 or 1964 Chevrolet and a white Volkswagen were seen circling the block around the mayor's home. Informant reported that his source of this information came from a member of the Klan, who is a friend of the NOSSERS.

Informant reported that a civil rights worker's car was shot into near Fayette, Mississippi about six months ago; that JAMES SEALE did this with a .38 calibre pistol owned by "JACK" SEALE, his brother. JACK was the driver of the car at the time.

It was informant's information that JACK SEALE had set fire to the Negro Union Hall in Natchez, Miss., after members of SEALE's group learned that COFO workers were meeting in this hall.

Informant advised that ERNEST PARKER, a well fixed financially man in the area, has been flying dynamite or explosives into the area from some place in Texas, via his personal four-place plane. PARKER has a landing strip on an island he owns, and possibly has a place on his farm where he can land also. Machine guns, determined to have defective barrels, can be purchased for \$150 each from the same location as where the explosives are obtained in Texas. Informant was of the opinion he could obtain the location in Texas, and further that if the explosives are stored in Adams County, they would be hidden on the farm of PARKER.

Reportedly a large number of carbine rifles have been purchased at a war surplus store in Vicksburg, which firm does not maintain record of serial numbers.

Members of the Mississippi National Guard have in the past furnished carbine ammunition as well as some hand grenades, however informant did not know the identity of the Guard.

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Informant reported that there are approximately 50 members of the Fayette, Mississippi Klan, each having a Burp gun (grease gun) which they bring to their meetings. Some member of the group allegedly went to Missouri and obtained these guns, returning them in his car.

Approximately 6 months ago a friend of the informants, who he would not identify found a case of 60% dynamite in a junked car and gave it to informant, who in turn gave it to JAMES SEALE. Fifteen of these sticks were used in the bombing of the Blue Flame Cafe in Eude, Mississippi in the Spring of 1964. While informant could not furnish the identity of others in on this bombing, JAMES SEALE was.

JAMES SEALE furnished the dynamite to be used in the bombing of a Negro meeting place in Louisiana, across the Miss. line. The place was guarded by Negroes resulting in a shooting scrape with both Klansmen and negroes being injured.

Investigator O'NEAL contacted the informant on the morning of October 17, 1964 at which time it was reported:

Informant did not know the identity of the owner of the 1963 or 1964 Brown Chevrolet observed circling the block the night of the bombing of the Mayor's home. He reported that JAMES SEALE owns the white Volkswagon.

With reference to the hand grenades previously mentioned, informant explained that several months ago DOUGLAS BYRD brought a suitcase into CHARLES JAMES' Service Station containing Klan robes, left the robes for klansmen to pickup. The suitcase contained two handgrenades which CHARLES JAMES placed in his safe for BYRD.

Informant reported that the night marshal in Fayette is a member of the KKK there, name unknown, meeting place unknown, and identified another member of the group not by name but as the operator of the Shell Service Station north of the Chevrolet company in Fayette.

In addition to the war surplus store in Vicksburg, he stated that there is a similar store across the street from the Heidelberg Hotel garage in Jackson, Miss. that will sell rifles, pistols and ammunition.

Informant reported that while he has never seen the explosives used by klansmen that he understands it is a liquid when poured on the floor of a building and lighted it will explode and leave no odor or other trace. It allegedly is obtained from the paper mill in Natchez.

Imperial Wizard SAM BOWERS, operator of SAMBO MUSIC CENTER

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Laurel, Mississippi stated in a Klan meeting about the time of the Philadelphia, Miss. incident "Let's get the heat off Philadelphia" and soon after the churches in Adams County were burned. This statement was made at a county meeting.

A man named DAVIS, full name unknown but who operates a barber shop in Roxie, Miss., has a bad eye, tried to get the informant to help him do away with a Negro around Roxie which he refused to do.

Informant reported that ARCHIE CURTIS, the Negro undertaker, was whipped by JACK SEALE, EARNEST PARKER, EARNEST FINLEY, and DOUGLAS BYRD.

On October 21, 1964, Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol (MHSP) Investigator FORD O'NEAL (NA), advised information had been received from a MHSP source that JACK and JAMES SEALE are close associates of ERNEST HENRY AVANTS, JAMES KENNETH GREER, JOHN WILLIAM BARBER, AND FRANK HYMAN THURMAN. O'NEAL advised that according to his source, AVANTS, GREER, BARBER and FRANK HYMAN THURMAN are allegedly involved in assault of victim PAYNE at Port Gibson, Mississippi, and that AVANTS, GREER and JACK SEALE allegedly are involved in the shooting into the automobile of PAYNE and GREENE near Fayette, Mississippi.

O'NEAL advised that his department was anxious to apprehend and prosecute the subjects involved in both the shooting into the car and the assault at Port Gibson in an effort to stop the bombings and attacks in the Natchez area and specifically to penetrate the hard core Klan group believed responsible for violence in the area. O'NEAL requested any information the Bureau might have which would facilitate their identification of these individuals and the issuance of local warrants. Accordingly, O'NEAL was furnished information as to the involvement of AVANTS, GREER, BARBER and THURMAN as reflected in Jackson file 44-406, including admissions by subjects and photograph identification by victim.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-2179)

DATE: 1-21-65

FROM : SA R. MICHAEL THEVENIN

SUBJECT: L.C. MURRAY  
RM

On 1-7-65 Officer J.J. MC NEAL, Records Officer, Natchez PD, caused his records to be searched with negative results. On this date, Deputy Sheriff HENRY WHITEHEAD, Adams County Sheriff's Office, caused his records to be searched with negative results.

On 1-8-65 ELLA FRENCH ATKINS, Manager, Retail Credit Bureau, Natchez, Miss., advised her files show L.C. MURRAY, 202 Lenton, Natchez, Miss.; wife - LAVERNE; employed - Marks and Scarf; satisfactory credit rating; no derogatory information in file.

File indicates that subject may be associated with Klan activity in the Natchez area.

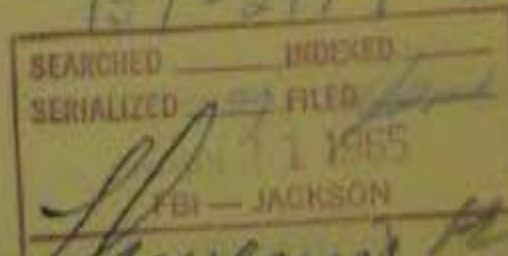
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## JACKSON DIVISION

At Natchez, Miss.

Will locate and interview L.C. MURRAY for any information he may have re Klan activity in the Natchez area.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-574)

FROM : SA TIMOTHY M. CASEY, JR.

SUBJECT: KU KLUX KLAN ACTIVITY  
ADAMS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI  
RACIAL MATTERS

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During the course of investigation conducted at Natchez, Mississippi, in regard to Klan Activities, Membership, Bombings, Burnings, etc.; the following names of individuals were developed who have, or are believed to have, affiliations with the Klan and its activities.

It is recommended that a case be opened on each of the following listed individuals:

1. ODEL ANDERS, Sheriff, Adams County, Natchez, Miss.  
(157-506, 157-817)
2. JOHN W. BARBER, 20 Beachwood Lane, Natchez, Miss.
3. J. W. BURCHFIELD, aka J. W. BIRCHFIELD, Constable, Fenwick, Miss.
4. JOHN BOSTICK
5. RODNEY BRITT, 157-354, Route 1, Old Washington Road, Box 142, Natchez, Miss.
6. DAVID RONALD CARNELL, 114 Hammett, Natchez, Miss.
7. CALVIN CLARK, 157-855, Operator of Produce Company, Natchez, Miss.
8. LEE RUSSELL COTHEREN, Natchez Police Department, Natchez, Miss.
9. J. D. CRAWFORD, Constable, Pine Ridge Area, Natchez, Miss.

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10. R. LEWIS DANTZLER, Knoxville Community, Roxie, Miss.
11. WILLIAM BRYANT DAVIDSON, 204 Dahaja Circle, Clinton, Miss.
12. FRED DAVIS, 12 Oakwood Lane, Natchez, Miss.
13. (FNU) DE MARCO, Natchez, Miss.
14. E. H. DUNN, Route 2, Box 193, Roxie, Miss.
15. W. C. DUNN, Route 2, Roxie, Miss.
16. JOHN D. DURETTA
17. DELTON V. FOSTER, 19 Hillside Drive, Natchez, Miss.
18. EDWARD WILLARD FULLER, Box 791 Liberty Road, Natchez, Miss.
19. FRANK S. GASTON, 157-624, Natchez, Miss.
20. ALEXANDER GIBSON GOZA, 104 Homochitto Street, Natchez, Miss.
21. ERNEST DANIEL GOZA, 103 Linton Street, Natchez, Miss.
22. NELSON HANEY, Natchez, Miss.
23. SIDNEY HANEY, SR., 157-694, Natchez, Miss.
24. W. J. HARRIGILL, 157-1611, Route 2, Roxie, Miss.
25. WILLIAM WALLACE HAVARD, Route 1, Roxie, Miss.
26. MARIO HERNANDEZ, Natchez, Miss.
27. MARION LEE HOUSE, Route 1, Box 353, Kingston, Miss.
28. GOVIE TAYLOR LAMBERT, 103 Rushing Street, Natchez, Miss.
29. KENNETH LEHMAN, Route 2, Box 169, Roxie, Miss.
30. GRADY LEE LEVERETTE, 157-1066, 204 LaSalle Street, Natchez, Miss.



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31. GEORGE REAS LINDSEY, Officer, Natchez Police Department, Natchez, Miss.
32. JOE LOUIS, Natchez, Miss.
33. ALLEN MC CALLISTER, Fenwick, Miss.
34. CHARLES E. MC CLURE, 306 South Rankin Street, Natchez, Miss.
35. EARL MC GAUGHEY, 157-511, Route 5, Box 57, Natchez, Miss.
36. JAMES L. MC KINNEY, Yellow Cab Owner, Natchez, Miss.
37. CHARLES MARSHALL, 157-953, Natchez, Miss.
38. FELDA COLLINS MARTIN, Officer, Natchez Police Department, Natchez, Miss.
39. HENRY L. MOORE, Natchez, Miss.
40. WILLIAM CLAYTON MURRAY, Route 3, Box 7-J, Cooverdale Community, Natchez, Miss.
41. L. C. MURRAY, 202 Linton, Natchez, Miss.
42. C. M. PEOPLES, aka "Joe", 105 Linton, Natchez, Miss.
43. GERALD GRAY PHARES, 157-1636, Route 2, Roxie, Miss.
44. FRANK PRIEST, 157-1610, Oldenberg Road, Meadville, Miss.
45. J. R. RANKIN, Deputy Sheriff (former) Adams County, Natchez, Miss.
46. ALTON ROBERTS, 1237 Magnolia Avenue, Natchez, Miss.
47. CECIL ROBERTS, 157-513, aka "Fat Boy", Natchez, Miss.
48. CELO ROBERTS, 135 River Oaks Apartments, Natchez, Miss.
49. JERRY LEE SAULS, Route 5, Natchez, Miss.



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50. RAPHAEL LEONARD SCHUCHS, Box 328A, Route 5, Natchez, Miss., Pine Ridge Community.
51. WILLIE EDWARD STROUD, 157-629, Officer, Natchez Police Department, Natchez, Miss.
52. MORRIS RAY SULLIVAN, General Delivery, Bude, Miss.
53. W. M. TEMPLE, Route 3, Box 94, Meadville, Miss.
54. FRANK HYMAN THURMAN, 204 Gayosa Street, Natchez, Miss.
55. T. L. TORGERSEN, 157-405, Natchez, Miss.
56. CURTIS WILLIAM WELCH, 157-691, Route 5, Box 375, Natchez, Miss.
57. JIMMY WHITE, Manager, Esso Station, Highway 61 By-Pass, Natchez, Miss.
58. HERMAN RAY WHEELER, 157-1635, Route 1, Rosie, Miss.
59. JAMES M. WILLIAMS, 2714 Marguette Street, Natchez, Miss.
60. J. G. WISNER, 157-634, Captain of Natchez Police Department, Natchez, Miss.

CCO is requested to attach indices search slip new cases opened.



(Title) L. C. MURRAY(File No.) 157-2179-1A

1. 7/23/65 ONE PHOTO OF L. C. MURRAY
2. 9-13-65 Two photos of a 65 Gold Mustang
3. 10-30-65 Two photos of S.C. Murray car
4. 2-9-66 four photos of L.C. Murray and negatives
5. 4-21-67 3 photos of one negative of L.C. Murray
6. 3/12/86 2 photos of L.C. Murray

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# Memorandum

SAC, JACKSON

FOIA(b)7 - (D)

DATE: 9/14/67

SA GEORGE P. GAMBLIN

SUBJECT:

FOIA(b)7 - (D)

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On 8/31/67 FOIA(b)7 - (D) was contacted by SA GEORGE P. GAMBLIN and BENJAMIN F. GRAVES at his residence, [REDACTED]

FOIA(b)7 - (D)

MRS. CARL MALCOLM BENNETT, aka  
Ethel Maddox  
"Blue Eyes"  
ITAR - PROSTITUTION

FOIA(b)7 - (D) stated that "Blue Eyes" MADDUX appeared at his restaurant during the early part of July, 1967 and went to the table occupied by VIRGINIA (LNU), a sister of LYNOL BARNES. VIRGINIA (LNU) is employed at Leighs Snack Bar located State Street in Natchez, Miss. Subsequent to this time LYNOL BARNES appeared at the restaurant and joined "Blue Eyes" MADDUX and his sister VIRGINIA (LNU).

FOIA(b)7 - (D) was not aware of the current whereabouts of "Blue Eyes" MADDUX.

JOSIE LOUISE PRIEST  
ITAR - PROSTITUTION  
JN 166-366

FOIA(b)7 - (D) stated that he is not aware of the identity or whereabouts of JESSE LOUISE PRIEST.

JACK SEALE  
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EDDIE MC DANIEL  
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L. C. MURRAY  
RM - KLAN  
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Mr. FOIA(b)7 - (D) advised that JACK SEALE, EDDIE MC DANIEL, and L. C. MURRAY frequent the Morgan's Restaurant and Lounge. In some instances they are accompanied by FRANCES WOODS and an unknown waitress who works in a cafe in Leesdale, Miss.

FOIA(b)7 - (D)



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date June 22, 1967

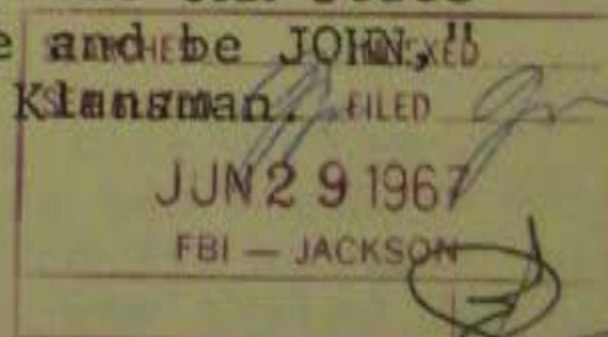
JOHN W. DAWSON, 3809 Ridgewood Road, Natchez, Mississippi, was contacted at his residence. He was advised by SA BENJAMIN F. GRAVES that he did not have to furnish any information and any information he did furnish could be used against him in a court of law. He was advised he could contact his attorney prior to furnishing any information.

DAWSON, who is a former officer of the United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA) in Mississippi, advised he had no information regarding the bombing of WHARLEST JACKSON and he had never heard of the Silver Dollar Group until the FBI began to investigate the bombing of WHARLEST JACKSON and people began to hear about the Silver Dollar Group.

He stated he had never heard MYRON WAYNE "JACK" SEALE or L. C. MURRAY, both former Mississippi UKA State Officers, advocate acts of violence.

DAWSON stated he had no information regarding RALEIGH JACKSON GLOVER and only knows him by sight.

He stated he has no interest whatsoever regarding Klan activities since he terminated his affiliation with the UKA in February, 1967. He stated he told ROBERT M. SHELTON when he, SHELTON, revoked all of the UKA State Offices in Mississippi, "I am going home and be JOHN," meaning he was through being known as a Klansman.



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6/9/67 at Vidalia, Louisiana

SA BENJAMIN F. GRAVES and  
 SA THOMPSON BERRY WEBB/BFG:bgj

Date dictated 6/15/67



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 5/13/67

Mrs. M. A. FORMAN, owner of Forman Market and Grocery Store, located on Louisiana State Route 565, Wildsville, Louisiana, was recontacted at her place of business. Mrs. FORMAN advised that JAMES FREDERICK LEE and his family moved into her two story house which is located next door to her grocery store in about May, 1965, and shortly after they moved in they had a number of individuals come to their house for a fish fry. She states she was not invited to the fish fry and she would not have attended had she been invited. She stated to her knowledge none of her neighbors were invited to this fish fry. She stated she did not know anyone who attended the fish fry and she did not know any of her neighbors who had any information regarding the fish fry.

Mrs. FORMAN was shown photographs of MYRON WAYNE "JACK" SEALE, JAMES FORD SEALE and L. C. MURRAY and she stated she did not know these individuals, she did not know if they attended the fish fry at LEE's residence in the Summer of 1965 and she could not recall these three individuals coming into her grocery store on the date of the fish fry to make any purchases. Mrs. FORMAN was asked specifically if she could recall the above three individuals coming into her store on the day of the fish fry to purchase grease or lard and she reiterated she could not recall these individuals being in her store on the day of the fish fry or any other day.

She was asked specifically if she recalled finding a klan card in her store on the day of the fish fry and she stated that in the past she had found a klan card in her store, but she could not recall any specific time when she had found this card.

Mrs. FORMAN advised she does recall that on the afternoon of this fish fry at LEE's residence two women who she assumed were in attendance at the fish fry came into her store and purchased some sun hats. She stated she

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On 5/10/67 at Wildsville, Louisiana

SA THOMPSON BERRY WEBB

SA BENJAMIN F. GRAVES/raj

Date dictated 5/12/67



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did not know the identity of these women nor could she furnish any description of them.

Mrs. FORMAN stated that she did not recall hearing any explosions in the vicinity of LEE's residence on the day of the fish fry. She stated she could not recall any unusual things which might have occurred at LEE's residence on the day of the fish fry.



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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		Character of Case  <b>RM (KLAN)</b>	

## SUMMARY

## SUPPLEMENTAL NON-PROSECUTIVE SUMMARY

REFERENCE: Report of SA RICHARD H. HAMILTON dated 11/9/66.

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Will continue to follow and report the activities of the subject.

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Report of: SA BENJAMIN F. GRAVES  
Date: May 30, 1967

Office: Jackson

Field Office File #: 157-2179

Bureau File #: 157-3372

Title: L. C. MURRAY

Character: RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

Synopsis: Subject continues to reside at 111 Brooklyn Drive, Natchez, Miss., and is employed by the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Co., in Natchez. Subject owns a 1966 maroon 4-door Oldsmobile bearing 1967 Mississippi License 1D1386. JN T-3 advised on 2/6/67 that subject's father, DOYLE MURRAY, had stated he had organized a new Klan unit and he implied that subject is a member of this unit. JN T-2 advised on 2/16/67 that subject and other UKA officers mailed copies of a letter to all Mississippi UKA Klaverns which indicated these individuals had discontinued their membership in the UKA as of 2/13/67. JN T-7 advised on 3/21/67 that subject is a member of the Silver Dollar Group. Interviews with subject set forth.

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DETAILS:

I. RESIDENCE

JN T-1 advised on May 20, 1967, that L. C. MURRAY continues to reside at 111 Brooklyn Drive, Natchez, Mississippi.

II. AUTOMOBILES

On May 12, 1967, SA THOMPSON BERRY WEBB and SA BENJAMIN F. GRAVES observed a 1966 maroon four-door Oldsmobile bearing 1967 Mississippi License 1D1386 parked in the subject's driveway. Subject has advised in the past that he owns this vehicle.



III. EMPLOYMENT

JN T-1 advised on November 23, 1966, that L. C. MURRAY was employed by the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company in Natchez, Mississippi, on the 4:00 p.m. to 12:00 midnight shift.

JN T-2 advised on January 20, 1967, that L. C. MURRAY was employed at the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company in Natchez and he works on the 12:00 midnight to 8:00 a.m. shift.

Mr. RAY HUST, Personnel Manager, Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, Natchez, advised SA BENJAMIN F. GRAVES on May 24, 1967, that L. C. MURRAY is still employed by his firm as a tire builder on the 12:00 midnight to 8:00 a.m. shift.

IV. CURRENT POSITION IN HATE-TYPE ORGANIZATIONS

Characterizations of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Louisiana, hereinafter referred to as the OKKKK; the United Klans of America, Inc., hereinafter referred to as the UKA; and the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi, hereinafter referred to as the WKKKKOM, are included in the Appendix of this report.

JN T-3 advised on February 6, 1967, that on the weekend of February 4-5, 1967, DOYLE MURRAY, father of L. C. MURRAY, made the statement that he had been organizing a new Klan unit which would be entirely separate from the UKA. JN T-3 advised that DOYLE MURRAY implied that L. C. MURRAY is a member of this new Klan group.

JN T-2 advised on February 16, 1967, that L. C. MURRAY and other former UKA officers had mailed copies of the following letter to all UKA Klaverns in the State of Mississippi:

"February 13, 1967

"To Whom it May Concern:

"After four months of deliberation, discussion and intensive heart searching, we as your former State Officers



(elected by the majority), have come to the conclusions that we owe our feelings to all the dedicated Klansmen who stood with us during our endeavor of enforcing the Constitution and By-laws of the U.K.A.

"We, the undersigned will always work for good constitutional government and the principles we believe in, but as of this date we are discontinuing our membership with the U.K.A. for the following reasons:

1. The State Board was dissolved un-constitutionally by the Imperial Office, as no charge was made against the Grand Dragon or any State Officer.
2. The Imperial Office bowed to a minority group instead of letting the majority rule.
3. The Imperial Office acted in this case realizing many of these State Officers would most likely be cited for Contempt of Congress, as they had stuck their neck out for the people of Mississippi.
4. The Imperial Office would tell one officer one thing and another officer something else.
5. Too much dissention caused by rumors from individuals who call themselves Klansmen, without the rumors being checked out.
6. Many innocent people have been hurt for no logical reason except personal grudge.
7. Many dedicated, God-fearing men realized after being in the Klan a short time that turmoil and friction would come and destroy the effectiveness of the Klan.
8. There was distrust among the Klansmen instead of brotherly love for each other.
9. Too much greed and lust for power existing.
10. Individuals not willing to live true to the oath of Klankraft.



11. Some individuals think violence will win but violence will and has destroyed and smeared the name of the Klan. The Klan was suppose to believe in self-preservation.
12. No financial help given Mississippi through the Imperial Office, so why not keep our money in Mississippi.

"Each of you may do as you like, but for us we are going to the house and be family men once again.

"The Klan could have been the greatest organization (if run by the Constitution) that ever existed. But the same thing happened when Nathan Bedford Forest was the leader and he disbanded the Klan.

"May God be with all of us.

"We Remain Your Friends,

Ex-Grand Dragon - E. L. McDANIEL  
Ex-Grand Klaliff  
Ex-Grand Klabee - JOHN DAWSON  
Ex-Grand Kligrapp - L. C. MURRAY  
Ex-Grand Klarogo  
Ex-Grand Night-Hawk - M. W. SEALE  
Ex-Grand Klexter - ERNEST B. PARKER"

THOMAS GLENVALL ESTES of 205 John Glen Drive, Natchez, Mississippi, was interviewed at his place of employment, Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, on March 2, 1967, by SAs JOHN DENNIS MILLER and BERNARD C. LANG, in connection with another investigative matter, and he advised the only person he knows to be a member of the Klan is L. C. MURRAY because MURRAY writes letters to the Editor of a local newspaper and signs his name to the letters and beneath his name indicates he is a member of the Klan.

JN T-4 advised on March 9, 1967, that L. C. MURRAY was at one time a member of the WKKKKOM and when he got out of that organization he joined the UKA in Adams County, Mississippi.



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JN T-5 advised on March 31, 1967, that subject had been in the past a member of the following organizations: OKKKK, WKKKKKOM, and UKA.

JN T-6 identified a photograph of L. C. MURRAY on April 13, 1967, and stated he knew MURRAY to be a Klansman.

JN T-2 advised on March 3, 1967, he had heard that L. C. MURRAY might have attended one meeting of the Silver Dollar Group.

On April 4, 1967, JN T-7, and on May 3, 1967, JN T-8 described the "Silver Dollar Group" as a hard-core action group made up of present and former members of the WKKKK, UKA, Inc., and the OKKKK from Louisiana and Mississippi. No formal organizational format has been adopted by the group. Membership is attained by invitation and upon receipt of a silver one dollar coin from the group organizer, RALEIGH JACKSON GLOVER.

JN T-9 advised on March 5, 1967, that he had heard in the late summer or early fall of 1965 that ERNEST FINLEY of Natchez, Mississippi, asked JACK SEALE and L. C. MURRAY if they wanted to join a secret group.

JN T-9 advised that at that time SEALE and MURRAY had been touring the State of Mississippi in connection with their positions in the UKA and they gave FINLEY no answer to his inquiry.

JN T-9 advised he is confident he would have known if L. C. MURRAY had been a member of the Silver Dollar Group.

JN T-10 advised on March 14, 1967, that he considers L. C. MURRAY to be in the underground or action part of the Silver Dollar Group. JN T-10 advised that L. C. MURRAY was a former member of the WKKKKKOM.

JN T-9 advised on March 17, 1967, he did not think L. C. MURRAY is a member of the Silver Dollar Group.



On March 21, 1967, JN T-7 identified a photograph of L. C. MURRAY as being an individual whose name he did not know, but stated this individual is employed by the Armstrong Rubber Company in Natchez, Mississippi, and this individual had formerly been employed by the Aetna Finance Company in Natchez, Mississippi. JN T-7 advised he knows the subject as a member of the Silver Dollar Group and he attended the fish fry at the home of JAMES FREDERICK LEE, Wildsville, Louisiana, on June 26, 1965.

JN T-7 advised that some of the individuals present at that fish fry "fooled" around with some explosives which had been brought to the home of LEE.

JN T-2 advised on March 28, 1967, that he is confident that if L. C. MURRAY is or was a member of the Silver Dollar Group, MURRAY would have confided his membership in this organization to JN T-2 because they are close friends.

JN T-2 advised that L. C. MURRAY had told him he had been questioned about a fish fry at the Wildsville, Louisiana residence of JAMES LEE in the summer of 1965 and had he attended the fish fry he would have admitted same to the Agents of the FBI.

JN T-8 on March 29, 1967, was shown a photograph of L. C. MURRAY and he stated positively that MURRAY was in attendance at the fish fry which was held at the Wildsville, Louisiana, residence of JAMES LEE in the summer of 1965. Source stated that MURRAY at that time was driving a black Mustang automobile.

JN T-8 advised that during the afternoon of the above mentioned fish fry some of the individuals who attended the fish fry experimented with explosive ingredients. JN T-8 advised that these individuals were attempting to invent an explosive.

JN T-1 advised on April 13, 1967, he talked with L. C. MURRAY about the fish fry which was held at the residence of JAMES LEE in the summer of 1965 and MURRAY told him that he did not attend that fish fry.



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THORE LEE TORGERSEN, 1405 Westwood Street, Natchez, Mississippi, advised SA FRANK B. WATTS on April 13, 1967, that he attended the fish fry at the residence of JAMES FREDERICK LEE in rural Wildsville, Louisiana, on June 26, 1965, and L. C. MURRAY, whom he knows, was not present at that fish fry.

JN T-8 on April 22, 1967, identified a photograph of L. C. MURRAY and stated MURRAY was at the fish fry which was held by the Silver Dollar Group at the home of JAMES FREDERICK LEE in June 1965. JN T-8 advised that MURRAY came to the fish fry in a black fast-back Mustang automobile.

V. ACTIVITY OF SUBJECT

JN T-11 advised on October 31, 1966, that L. C. MURRAY attended the State-wide UKA Province meeting at Thomastown, Mississippi, on Sunday, October 30, 1966.

JN T-12 advised on November 2, 1966, that L. C. MURRAY attended the State meeting of the UKA at Thomastown, Mississippi, on October 30, 1966.

JN T-9 advised on March 2, 1967, that he had learned that on the night of February 28, 1967, JACK SEALE and BILL RILEY, a Natchez attorney, met with L. C. MURRAY at MURRAY's home in Natchez to pool their efforts in attempting to determine who is responsible for the murder of WHARLEST JACKSON who was killed on the night of February 27, 1967, when an explosion ripped his truck apart as he departed his place of employment, Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company in Natchez, Mississippi. This group also attempted to determine what could be done to enlist the assistance of Klansmen in solving this crime. JN T-9 advised that as a result of this meeting a news release was made requesting Klansmen to help solve this crime.

VI. INTERVIEWS WITH THE SUBJECT



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date March 1, 1967

L. C. MURRAY was contacted at his residence, 111 Brooklyn Drive, Natchez, Mississippi. MURRAY, who is aware of the agents' identity, was advised by SA BENJAMIN F. GRAVES that he did not have to furnish any information and that any information he did furnish could be used against him in a court of law. He was advised that he could have his attorney present if he so desired and if he desired not to furnish information he could stop at any time.

MURRAY stated that he would talk to the agents without his attorney being present, and he therefore furnished the following information:

He arrived home from his employment with the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company at approximately 8:00 a.m. on the morning of February 27, 1967. He stated he did not leave his home the entire day until he went to work that night at approximately 10:30 p.m. He stated his wife, SANDRA, could verify that he was home during the hours of 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on that date. He stated the first he heard of the bombing of the Negro's automobile was when BILL RILEY, a local attorney and friend, called him about 10:30 p.m. on the night of February 27, 1967, and advised him that he had just heard a news broadcast about the explosion.

MURRAY stated that even though he and WHARLEST JACKSON were both employed at Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, he had never heard JACKSON's name mentioned and he had no knowledge that JACKSON was a member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

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On 2/28/67 at Natchez, Mississippi File #

SAs THOMPSON BERRY WEBB and

by BENJAMIN F. GRAVES/BFG:elwDate dictated 3/1/67

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Date March 5, 1967

At approximately 1:15 p.m., March 4, 1967, L. C. MURRAY, a known member of the Ku Klux Klan in Adams County, Mississippi, voluntarily approached SAs LAFFERTY and WATSON who were parked in a Bureau car on South Pearl Street. He advised he had come to town earlier that day to get a haircut and take his brother-in-law, RUSSELL HUBER, to the movies. While in his 1966 red Oldsmobile on Main Street three Negro males and one Negro female driving a 1960 white Chevrolet with Jefferson County, Mississippi license tags pulled up alongside and used profane language. They challenged MURRAY to get out of the car which he did, at which time Patrolman JACK HUDD approached MURRAY and advised him not to be intimidated by such statements and further advised him to make a complaint at the Natchez Police Department headquarters.

MURRAY advised that he did not believe that a complaint by him would be accepted at the Natchez Police Department because of his known affiliation with members of the Ku Klux Klan. For this reason he further advised that he recognized the Bureau car and decided to tell the Agents about it rather than the local authorities.

On 3/4/67 at Natchez, Mississippi File # JN 44-2044-574-33  
JN 157-1519  
JN 157-2179  
 by SA FRANK B. WATTS and SA FRED B. LAFFERTY, III /acp Date dictated 3/5/67

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MURRAY advised he is not a member of the Silver Dollar Group and he has no information regarding this group. He stated if any one had advised the FBI that he was a member of this group, that individual was a liar.

MURRAY stated that he had never attended a fishfry at the residence of JAMES LEE at Wildsville, Louisiana, and he was not at LEE's residence in the Summer of 1965. He further stated that he doesn't even know where JAMES LEE resides in Louisiana.

He stated that ERNEST FINLEY, former Natchez, Mississippi, resident, died in the Fall of 1965 and a silver dollar on a chain was hanging in the center of one of the wreaths at the funeral home. He stated there was no indication on the wreath as to the identity of the sender of this wreath. MURRAY stated he thought the silver dollar had been removed from the wreath after the funeral service but he did not know the disposition of this coin.

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On 3/22/67 at Natchez, Mississippiby SA THOMPSON BERRY WEBB andSA BENJAMIN F. GRAVES/bfg:bgjDate dictated 3/24/67

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by SA BENJAMIN F. GRAVES/bfg:bjj

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APPENDIX

ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN  
(LOUISIANA)  
(OKKKK)  

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A source advised on October 25, 1963, that an organization known as the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK) had been organized in the State of Louisiana at Shreveport, Louisiana, in December of 1960.

A second source advised on August 12, 1966, that the OKKKK continues to be active within the State of Louisiana, and that the aims and purposes of this organization continue to be to promote Americanism, the supremacy of the white race, and the furtherance of segregation between the races.

APPENDIX



Date received <b>5/9/67</b>	Received from (name or symbol number) <b>FOIA(b)7 - (D)</b>	Received by <b>SA WILLIAM E. DENT, JR. SA JOSEPH G. PEGGS</b>
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Brief description of activity or material <b>Officer of Natchez, Miss. PD allegedly selling dope. Marvel Lounge operation, Concordia Parish, La., allegedly moved to Deputy Sheriff FRANK DE LAUGHTER's place, Clayton, La. Activities of Klansmen, Adams County, Miss.; possible suspect in Wharborn case.</b>		File where original is located if not attached <b>FOIA(b)7 - (D)</b>
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Alexandria, Louisiana  
May 9, 1967

Captain WISNER of the Natchez, Mississippi, Police Department recently stated that Detective RICKARD of the Natchez Police Department was suspected of selling dope and anything else he could get his hands on, and he could not be trusted.

A Mrs. SCOTT (full name unknown), who resides on Pine Ridge Road in Adams County, Mississippi, on about May 1, 1967, stated that she and her husband had some cattle down the river on the Louisiana side near the location of the Marvel Lounge. Mrs. SCOTT allegedly stated that tak in the area around the Marvel Lounge in Concordia Parish was that FRANK DE LAUGHTER, Deputy Sheriff, Concordia Parish Sheriff's Office, has moved the former operation of this lounge to his place of business, the Chicken Shack, in Clayton, Louisiana.

ARISTO GANBERRY, who operates the Shady Side Grocery, Morgantown Road and Highway 61 North, has stated that Klan members in Adams County, Mississippi, have been meeting on weekends in a shack located near Reed's Grocery on Pine Ridge Road. This shack is located on the property of a



Mr. FURR and it is believed that the Klansmen are playing cards and gambling in this shack.

JOE HARDY, REGGIE CARTER and CHARLES DAVIDSON, all three members of the Klan faction, which split away from E. L. MC DANIEL and his faction, are backing "POP" STUTZMAN for Sheriff.

L. C. MURRAY, DOYLE MURRAY and WENDEL PEW, the son-in-law of DOYLE MURRAY, who is employed at the Post Office in Natchez, Mississippi, are all backing E. L. MC DANIEL for Sheriff. The MURRAYs are related to MC DANIEL.

ERNEST PARKER, former UKA member, is playing both sides in this political race and is donating money to both campaigns.

A few days ago PHILIP BUIE, a Negro male who resides on Canal Street, Natchez, Mississippi, and who is employed as a butcher at the Shady Side Grocery, owned by ARISTO GANBERRY, advised as follows:

BUIE said that JOE HARDY had caught GANBERRY and HARDY's wife together in the store room of GANBERRY's store in a compromising position. HARDY's wife has been employed at this store for some time. The Negro employees of the store overheard talk of this incident and HARDY allegedly beat his wife over this incident. HARDY also allegedly



put pressure on GANBERRY concerning this incident and as a result GANBERRY is paying HARDY's wife an extra \$20 per week, which is not shown on the payroll books to keep the incident quiet. GANBERRY is very concerned that his wife may find out about this incident.

BUIE also stated that the Negroes in the Natchez area suspect a white man who resides on Morgantown Road near Natchez, as having been responsible for the bombing of WHARLEST JACKSON. This man allegedly has knowledge of explosives but was not identified by BUIE. BUIE stated that Negroes in the area were fearful to reveal this information because there are a number of known Klansmen who live in the area of Morgantown Road.



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date May 9, 1967

Mrs. RALEIGH J. (LAVONIA) GLOVER, contacted at her rural residence, Route 3, Kentwood, Louisiana, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents by SA REESIE L. TIMMONS who also advised her that she did not have to furnish any information, that any information she did furnish could be used in a court of law and that she could contact an attorney or anyone else at any time.

Mrs. GLOVER advised that she did not desire to talk with the FBI about anything. She stated that she had furnished the interviewing Agents at Vidalia, Louisiana, some two or three months ago all she knew about the activities of her husband on February 27, 1967.

She advised that if the FBI did not have a warrant for her arrest, she had nothing more to say.

Mrs. GLOVER advised that she was aware that the FBI had searched the residence of her son, "PETE" WATTS, in Vidalia, Louisiana. She stated that she has never seen the painting that the FBI mentioned in connection with the search of her son's residence and is certain that it was never there.

She advised she is also certain that there has never been explosives of any type at the residence of her son.

She advised she has never seen any explosives of any type in the possession of her husband. She advised that there have never been any guns in her residence at Vidalia or Kentwood, Louisiana. She advised that to her knowledge the only gun in their house is a .38 caliber pistol that she keeps for protection as her husband works the "graveyard shift" and is now staying in Vidalia, Louisiana, through the week, returning home on Saturday morning and remaining until late Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. GLOVER advised that she has no reason to believe that her husband has ever been associated with any

On 5/8/67 at Kentwood, Louisiana

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Jackson 44-2044

by SA BENJAMIN F. GRAVES and  
SA REESIE L. TIMMONS RLT/acp

Date dictated

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Klan type organization, the Silver Dollar Group, or any other organization. She advised that she has never seen him in possession of a silver dollar or a bag of silver dollars.

Mrs. GLOVER advised that RALEIGH J. GLOVER's 83 year old mother has resided with them for the past 12 to 13 years. She advised that during the past 2 or three weeks she stayed with a "grand niece" until they got settled in their new residence and she has now moved in with them. She advised that she and her husband's mother are alone at the residence from Sunday night through Saturday morning.

Mrs. GLOVER advised that she was born and raised in the Kentwood, Louisiana area. She stated that her mother's maiden name was BLADES, she married a BURT from the Brookhaven, Mississippi area, and divorced him when she, Mrs. GLOVER, was an infant.

She stated she moved to the Natchez, Mississippi area when she was a teenager, met her first husband and RALEIGH JACKSON GLOVER at the same time when both of them were in a "C.C.C. Camp" in Southwest Mississippi. She stated her first husband was killed in World War II and thereafter she married RALEIGH JACKSON GLOVER.

Mrs. GLOVER viewed photographs of the following individuals and made the following comments concerning each:

- (1) ERNEST B. PARKER - Unknown
- (2) E. D. MORACE - a close friend of her husband. She has known him four or five years, and his family often visited the GLOVER residence in Vidalia, Louisiana.
- (3) JAMES SEALE - Unknown
- (4) JAMES LEE SCARBOROUGH - Her husband has known him some three to five years; he is a welder by occupation. Her husband tried to get him to do some work for him in the past. He has visited the GLOVER residence in Vidalia several times.



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(5) JAMES F. LEE - She has known him for three to five years; he works at Armstrong Rubber Company, and is a friend of her husband. She did not go to a fish fry at his residence in 1965. She stated she has never accompanied her husband or anyone else to a fish fry.

(6) WOODROW HOLLOWAY - Unknown

(7) ERNEST AVANTS - Unknown

(8) T. L. TORGERSEN - She has known him three to five years, met him and his wife with TOMMIE LEE JONES and his wife at the Moose Lodge in Natchez, Mississippi. He has visited the GLOVER residence in Vidalia on occasions.

(9) MYRON WAYNE SEALE - Unknown

(10) JOE DANIEL HAWKINS - Unknown

(11) "BUCK" HORTON - a good friend of her and her husband. His family visited at the GLOVER residence in Vidalia frequently. His wife worked with her at the Ben Franklin Store in Natchez, Mississippi.

(12) TOMMIE LEE JONES - a good friend of her husband. She met him and his family at the Moose Hall in Natchez, Mississippi. He has visited the GLOVER residence in Vidalia, Louisiana, on occasions.

(13) L. C. MURRAY - Unknown

(14) JAMES E. BLANEY - Unknown

(15) O. C. POISSOT - Unknown

(16) ELDEN GLEN HESTER - a good friend of her husband who did live near Baskin, Louisiana. He and his family have visited the GLOVER residence in Vidalia, and the GLOVERs have visited at his residence near Baskin, Louisiana, on several occasions.



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(17) WALTER GENE HALL - Unknown

(18) DONALD HOLLAND - Unknown

(19) JAMES H. TAYLOR, JR. - She advised he lives "way out in Louisiana," and is a good friend of her husband. She has known him some four to five years. Her husband hired him to help them move to the Kentwood, Louisiana area as he had a commercial driver's license and could drive the "U-Haul It Truck."

(20) KENNETH NORMAN HEAD - a friend of the GLOVER family whom she has known some six to seven years. They have visited "back and forth" many times in the past.

(21) RAYMOND SCOTT WRIGHT - Unknown

(22) JEWEL LEE BURT - her uncle who resides near Fayette, Mississippi. She and her husband are not close to JEWEL LEE BURT and his family.

(23) W. G. WILSON - Unknown

(24) E. L. McDANIEL - Unknown

(25) JOE LEE HARDY - Unknown



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1Date March 28, 1967

L. C. MURRAY, 111 Brooklyn Drive, Natchez, Mississippi, was contacted at his residence. MURRAY, who is aware of the identity of the interviewing Agents, was advised he did not have to furnish any information and any information he did furnish could be used against him in a court of law.

MURRAY advised he is not a member of the Silver Dollar Group and he has no information regarding this group. He stated if any one had advised the FBI that he was a member of this group, that individual was a liar.

MURRAY stated that he had never attended a fishfry at the residence of JAMES LEE at Wildsville, Louisiana, and he was not at LEE's residence in the Summer of 1965. He further stated that he doesn't even know where JAMES LEE resides in Louisiana.

He stated that ERNEST FINLEY, former Natchez, Mississippi, resident, died in the Fall of 1965 and a silver dollar on a chain was hanging in the center of one of the wreaths at the funeral home. He stated there was no indication on the wreath as to the identity of the sender of this wreath. MURRAY stated he thought the silver dollar had been removed from the wreath after the funeral service but he did not know the disposition of this coin.

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On 3/22/67 at Natchez, Mississippi

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Jackson 157-2179-109by SA THOMPSON BERRY WEBB andby SA BENJAMIN F. GRAVES/BFG:bgj

Date dictated

3/24/67

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date March 1, 19671

L. C. MURRAY was contacted at his residence, 111 Brooklyn Drive, Natchez, Mississippi. MURRAY, who is aware of the agents' identity, was advised by SA BENJAMIN F. GRAVES that he did not have to furnish any information and that any information he did furnish could be used against him in a court of law. He was advised that he could have his attorney present if he so desired and if he desired not to furnish information he could stop at any time.

MURRAY stated that he would talk to the agents without his attorney being present, and he therefore furnished the following information:

He arrived home from his employment with the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company at approximately 8:00 a.m. on the morning of February 27, 1967. He stated he did not leave his home the entire day until he went to work that night at approximately 10:30 p.m. He stated his wife, SANDRA, could verify that he was home during the hours of 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on that date. He stated the first he heard of the bombing of the Negro's automobile was when BILL RILEY, a local attorney and friend, called him about 10:30 p.m. on the night of February 27, 1967, and advised him that he had just heard a news broadcast about the explosion.

MURRAY stated that even though he and WHARLEST JACKSON were both employed at Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, he had never heard JACKSON's name mentioned and he had no knowledge that JACKSON was a member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

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On 2/28/67 at Natchez, Mississippi File #by SAs THOMPSON BERRY WEBB and  
BENJAMIN F. GRAVES/BFG:elw

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date March 5, 1967

At approximately 1:15 p.m., March 4, 1967, L. C. MURRAY, a known member of the Ku Klux Klan in Adams County, Mississippi, voluntarily approached SAs LAFFERTY and WATSON who were parked in a Bureau car on South Pearl Street. He advised he had come to town earlier that day to get a haircut and take his brother-in-law, RUSSELL HUBER, to the movies. While in his 1966 red Oldsmobile on Main Street three Negro males and one Negro female driving a 1960 white Chevrolet with Jefferson County, Mississippi license tags pulled up alongside and used profane language. They challenged MURRAY to get out of the car which he did, at which time Patrolman JACK HUED approached MURRAY and advised him not to be intimidated by such statements and further advised him to make a complaint at the Natchez Police Department headquarters.

MURRAY advised that he did not believe that a complaint by him would be accepted at the Natchez Police Department because of his known affiliation with members of the Ku Klux Klan. For this reason he further advised that he recognized the Bureau car and decided to tell the Agents about it rather than the local authorities.

On 3/4/67 at Natchez, Mississippiby SA FRANK B. WATTS and  
SA FRED B. LAFFERTY, III /acp

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

DATE: 1/28/67

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-2179)

FROM : SA RICHARD H. HAMILTON

SUBJECT: L. C. MURRAY  
RM - KLAN

Reference Supplemental Non-Prosecutive Summary

Report by SA Hamilton dated 11/9/66.

Inasmuch as the captioned case is in a current status and is a P\* file, it is recommended that this case be reassigned due to the impending transfer of the case agent out of the Jackson Division.

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L. C. MURRAY

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RM

Serial 2

FD 306 by SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE  
dated 8/27/64.

On 8/24/64, SA REX POLEN advised SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE that he had developed information that L. C. MURRAY, a white male approximately 32, (in 1964) 5'11", 180 pounds, a route salesman for a peanut or potato chip company, had attempted recruitment in Copiah County, Mississippi, in the fall of 1963 and gave James' Amoco service station as his contact point.

On 8/27/64, FOIA(b)7 - (D) advised that L. C. MURRAY was the inner guard on the door for the Adams County group which formerly met at the headquarters on the Morgantown Road. MURRAY is employed at Marks and Sharp Tobacco Company, Natchez, Mississippi, and resides on Beachwood Lane in the Montevello sub-division, Natchez, Mississippi.

157-1092

UNSUBS; Explosion on Lawn  
of Residence of Mayor JOHN  
NOSSER, Natchez, Mississippi  
9/25/64  
BM

Serial 27

Memo to SAC Jackson from Supervisor  
HUNTER E. HELGESON, dated 10/12/64

On 10/12/64 SA TIMOTHY J. CURTIN telephonically requested a driver's license check for all available background on L. C. MURRAY, 202 Linton Alley, Natchez, Miss.

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Serial 89

UNSUBS; Explosion on Driveway  
of Residence of WILLIE WASHINGTON  
1144 N. Pine Street,  
Natchez, Mississippi,  
9/25/64

CALVIN CLARK, advised that on the day of the bombing of Mayor NOSSER'S home and the home of WILLIE WASHINGTON in Natchez on September 25, 1964 he observed four persons in what he described as a secretive conference at 5:30 p.m. near the intersection of Main Street and Broadway, Natchez. He identified these persons as JACK SEALE, ERNEST FINLEY, L. C. MURRAY, and LANNIE POWELL, who is also known as LANNIE SCHUCHS.

CLARKE stated that he had no proof but in his own mind he believes that the above four persons, together with ERNEST PARKER, were connected in some way with the bombing in Natchez.

CLARK advised that at the time he observed the above people L. C. MURRAY was in a white Volkswagen and he had whiskey in the car with him.

L. C. MURRAY, 202 Linton Alley, Natchez, Miss. was interviewed by SAs LANSING P. LOGAN & MARVIN E. LEWIS on 10/15/64 regarding above bombing MURRAY stated on the afternoon of 9/25/64 he engaged in conversation with JACK SEALE, ERNEST FINLEY, LANNIE SCHUCHS, HUGH KING, and CALVIN CLARK.

After the conversation ended, Mr MURRAY left in his blue Volks Wagon and drove directly home. He stated his wife SANDY was at home when he arrived. MURRAY advised sometime around 8:30 or 9:00 O'clock 9/25/66 he left his residence and drove directly to his parents home located at 823 N Pine St. Natchez, Miss. SANDY MURRAY called MURRAY'S Parents around 9:00 or 9:30p.m. and advised that a bomb had exploded near the house. Shortly after he arrived home MURRAY and his wife walked up to the vicinity of JOE PEOPLES and Mayor NASSER'S home, and then shortly afterwards returned home.

MURRAY went on to say he possessed no information whatsoever concerning the bombing on September 25, 1964, and emphatically denied being involved in any type of bombing. He related that he has never been a member of the Ku Klux Klan and is not a member of this organization at the present time. He further advised that he was approached to join the Klan; however he could not recall the identity of this individual."

Serial 176

Memo to SAC Jackson from SA WILLIAM F. DUKES  
Dated 11/16/64.



On 11/15/64, REX ARMISTEAD, advised that a MHSP informant, FOIA(b)7 - (D) stated that L. C. MURRAY was in on the shooting of JOE BUTLER (N/M) .

Serial 198      Teletype to Director from SAC Jackson  
Dated 11/17/64

An air mail copy of above teletype was sent to New Haven and St. Louis advising, "New Haven at High Standard Manufacturing Corporation, and St. Louis at Browning Arms Company Check records for repairs or modifications made to shoulder dash type weapon, emanating from Natchez, Miss. Area since July, nineteen, 1964! Particular in the name of L. C. MURRAY and other individuals from the Natchez area.

Serial 230      Teletype to Director from SAC Jackson  
dated 11/19/66

REX ARMISTEAD, MHSP Investigator, Natchez, Miss. advised ED FULLER reiterated that L. C. MURRAY and other Klandsmen in the Natchez area were involved in the RICHARD JOE BUTLER shooting and the bombing of Mayor NOSSERS home.

Serial 267      FD 306 by SAs BILLY BOB WILLIAMS and  
CLARENCE G. PROSPERE, dated 2/11/65

On 1/24/65 GULLAM COLUMBUS SCOTT advised that to the best of his recollection L. C. MURRAY is either a klanisman or SCOTT has seen his at a meeting.

Serial 625al      JAMES FORD SEALE; CHARLES  
MARCUS EDWARDS; HENRY  
HEZEKIAH DEE - VICTIM  
CHARLIE EDDIE MOORE - VICTIM

On October 21, 1964, the drivers license records of the Mississippi Highway Safety Patrol, were made available by MARY COX, Clerk. The following record was located.

"L. C. (initial only) MURRAY, drivers license #1095923, is listed as a resident of 107 1/2 Jackson Avenue, Natchez,



Mississippi, in 1954. No other addresses are given. His father is listed as DOYAL MURRAY, same address, and his mother is listed as Mrs. DOYLE MURRAU, same address. L. C. MURRAY is described as white male, born October 17, 1938, 5'8" tall, 137 pounds, blue eyes, brown hair, occupation; "store".

The file contained no further information."

157-5830      UNSUBS; MURRAY EDWARD SEALE,  
                 JR. - VICTIM; BURGER SHEP  
                 DRIVE-IN, NATCHEZ, MISS.

Serial 35      SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE's Report  
                 dated 4/22/66

L. C. MURRAY is the individual in the checked shirt in Photograph Number 11. (157-5830-1A8). MURRAY is also the individual in Photograph Number 14. (157-5830-1A8).

Cards have been consolidated.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## Memorandum

DATE: 5/9/72

SUBJECT: L. C. MURRAY  
RM - KLAN

In connection with the destruction of channelizing memoranda, the information contained on the serials listed below was incorporated in a ☒ report ☐ letterhead memorandum dated 11/9/66. Where the serial is accompanied by the file and serial number of the original informant report, the information was not used because it was of no value to the report. The review for the communication checked above was made from 78 through 87.

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Copy to:

Report of: SA RICHARD H. HAMILTON  
Date: 11/9/66

Office: JACKSON

Field Office File No.: 157-2179

Bureau File No.: 157-3372

Title: L. C. MURRAY

Character: RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

Synopsis: Subject resides at 111 Brooklyn Dr., Natchez, Miss.  
Subject owns 1966 Oldsmobile bearing 1966 Miss.  
license 1-9303. Subject formerly employed as state  
secretary, UKA, but is currently unemployed inasmuch  
as all state officers' positions have been dissolved.  
Subject has been active in all phases of the UKA in  
the State of Miss.

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DETAILS:

Characterizations of the Original Knights of the  
Ku Klux Klan of Louisiana, hereinafter referred to as the  
OKKKK; United Klans of America, Inc., hereinafter referred  
to as the UKA; and the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan  
of Mississippi, hereinafter referred to as the WKKKKOM, are  
included in the appendix of this report.

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I. RESIDENCE:

On October 28, 1966, it was observed by a Bureau agent that L. C. MURRAY currently resides at 111 Brooklyn Drive, Natchez, Mississippi.

II. AUTOMOBILE:

It was observed by Bureau agent that MURRAY owns a 1966 Oldsmobile four-door sedan, reddish-bronze in color, bearing 1966 Mississippi license 1-9303.

III. EMPLOYMENT:

Subject was formerly employed as Secretary for the state office of the UKA, however, inasmuch as the state officers of the UKA have been dissolved, the subject is currently unemployed.

IV. CONNECTION AND ACTIVITIES WITH THE UKA:

On March 7, 1966, JN T-1 advised that BILL WINDHAM and COY NEAL had flown from Louisiana to Fayette, Mississippi, to participate in a buy-in for the merchants of Fayette, Mississippi. He advised that he recognized L. C. MURRAY in Fayette during the buy-in.

On March 23, 1966, JN T-2 advised that L. C. MURRAY is currently the State Secretary of the UKA, State of Mississippi. He also stated that L. C. MURRAY's wife, ETHEL MURRAY, is allegedly the leader of the UKA Women's Auxiliary in Natchez, Mississippi. JN T-2 further advised that L. C. MURRAY attended a rally held off Highway 15 in Ferriday, Louisiana, on March 19, 1966.

On April 5, 1966, JN T-1 confirmed the fact that MURRAY had attended a UKA Rally on March 19, 1966, in Ferriday, Louisiana.



On May 2, 1966, JN T-1 advised that L. C. MURRAY was one of the security guards from the State of Mississippi, who had showed up for a rally on April 23, 1966, in Tallulah, Louisiana.

On May 9, 1966, JN T-1 advised that the subject had attended a rally of the UKA which was held on April 30, 1966, outside Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

On April 27, 1966, JN T-2 advised that L. C. MURRAY had attended a rally of the UKA at Tallulah, Louisiana, on April 23, 1966.

Source also advised that MURRAY had formerly been a member of the WKKKKOM in early 1964, but had later switched to the UKA.

On May 4, 1966, JN T-2 confirmed the fact that the subject had attended a rally of the UKA which was held on April 30, 1966, at Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

On May 11, 1966, JN T-2 advised that L. C. MURRAY and his wife had attended a banquet held by the UKA on May 7, 1966, at the Eola Hotel, Natchez, Mississippi, as well as the rally following the banquet which was held at the Liberty Bell Park, Natchez, Mississippi.

On May 11, 1966, JN T-1 confirmed the fact that MURRAY had attended the banquet and rally held on May 7, 1966, at Natchez, Mississippi, by the UKA.

On May 6, 1966, JN T-3 advised that the subject had attended a meeting in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on April 30, 1966, prior to the rally there, with ROBERT SHELTON, Imperial Wizard, UKA; E. L. McDANIEL, Grand Dragon, UKA, State of Miss.; JACK HELM, Grand Dragon, State of Louisiana; JACK SEALE, Chief Security Guard in Mississippi; and BILL WINDHAM, Assistant Grand Dragon, State of Louisiana.



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On June 9, 1966, JN T-4 advised that as of this date L. C. MURRAY is the Secretary of the UKA.

JN T-4 advised that JACK SEALE and L. C. MURRAY were upset over the fact that the newspapers had printed the name of E. L. McDANIEL and the fact that he lives in Natchez, Mississippi, and is the Grand Dragon of the UKA, at the end of an article regarding the slaying of BEN CHESTER WHITE. JN T-4 advised that SEALE and MURRAY feel that any act of violence hurts the image that the UKA is trying to portray, and, therefore, are against any acts of violence.

On July 5, 1966, JN T-5 advised that the subject had attended a meeting of the UKA on July 3, 1966, which was held near Jackson, Mississippi.

On July 7, 1966, JN T-6 advised that L. C. MURRAY and JACK SEALE had sworn SAM BOWERS into the WKKKKOM in Laurel, Mississippi, in about 1962. He also advised that MURRAY had attended a UKA Rally held on June 18, 1966, at Quitman, Mississippi.

On July 22, 1966, JN T-4 advised that the subject currently holds the position of Secretary among the State UKA Officials.

On August 11, 1966, JN T-7 advised that the subject attended a meeting on August 10, 1966, at JOE OUR's Airport, Greenville, Mississippi, for a UKA Rally, at which ROBERT SHELTON, Imperial Wizard, was the principal speaker.

On August 16, 1966, JN T-8 advised that MURRAY was supposedly "running the klan" as McDANIEL consulted him before making any decisions. He also advised that MURRAY had failed to distribute copies of the "Fiery Cross."



On August 8, 1966, JN T-7 advised that the subject had attended a province meeting at Greenville, Mississippi, on August 7, 1966.

On September 2, 1966, JN T-9 advised that JACK SEALE, Chief of the Security Guards and Grand Klorad, and L. C. MURRAY, Secretary of the State Office at Natchez, resigned their state positions but will continue their UKA membership. Source advised that MURRAY had indicated that his pay as secretary was not enough to get by on in spite of his wife's working and that he was having to get another job and could not spend all of his time in UKA Headquarters.

On August 22, 1966, JN T-10 advised that the subject was present in Philadelphia, Mississippi, for a UKA Rally held on August 20, 1966, and was in charge of the collections at this rally.

On August 15, 1966, JN T-10 advised that the subject had attended a state meeting of the UKA, which was held in Natchez, Mississippi, at the UKA Headquarters on August 14, 1966.

On August 18, 1966, JN T-4 advised that MURRAY had resigned his state position on August 14, 1966, at a meeting of the UKA in Natchez, Mississippi, because of the bickering among some of the groups.

On September 15, 1966, JN T-6 advised that L. C. MURRAY is attempting to find a job in Natchez, but since he can work only in a clerical capacity as he has no trade, he is having difficulty finding employment.

On August 23, 1966, JN T-11 confirmed the fact that MURRAY had resigned his state position at a meeting of the UKA on August 14, 1966, at Natchez, Mississippi.



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On August 23, 1966, JN T-12 also confirmed the fact that MURRAY had resigned his position on August 14, 1966, at a meeting of the UKA at Natchez, Mississippi.

On September 18, 1966, JN T-13 advised that a state meeting of the UKA had been held on September 18, 1966, near Natchez, Mississippi. Source advised that the purpose of this meeting had been to elect new state officers; and after conversing with other individuals from his unit, he had been handed a paper with the names of four people and the office they sought and was told to vote for them "if there is an election." The names were as follows:

E. L. McDANIEL	- Grand Dragon
L. C. MURRAY	- State Secretary
JACK SEALE	- Knight Hawk
BUFORD ALFORD	- Commander of the Guard

On September 20, 1966, JN T-4 advised that L. C. MURRAY is currently trying to get a job with Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company at Natchez, Mississippi, but has been unsuccessful to date.

On September 26, 1966, JN T-4 advised that at the UKA meeting in Natchez, Mississippi, on September 18, 1966, MURRAY was re-elected to his former position of secretary. Source also advised that the state officers were to meet with ROBERT SHELTON, Imperial Wizard, UKA, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, on the night of September 27, 1966, at Jackson, Mississippi.

On September 28, 1966, JN T-4 advised that the state officers of the UKA had met with ROBERT SHELTON, Imperial Wizard, UKA, on September 27, 1966, at Jackson, Mississippi. He advised that at the meeting SHELTON told the state officers that he was aware of the internal



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problems in the organization, and he thought it best to dissolve all of the state office positions, which he did. He gave as his reason for taking this action the fact that there had been too much friction within the organization.

Source advised that SHELTON had stated that he was going to operate the Mississippi organization from his office in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and in the immediate future he would elect Titans to the five congressional districts and these individuals would control those units in their particular district.

On September 29, 1966, JN T-6 and JN T-9 confirmed the fact that L. C. MURRAY had been re-elected to the position of secretary at the state meeting of the UKA held at Natchez, Mississippi.

On September 19, 1966, JN T-12 also confirmed the fact that L. C. MURRAY had been re-elected as state secretary at the meeting held on September 18, 1966.

On October 27, 1966, JN T-4 advised that within the last couple of days, the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company in Natchez, Mississippi, sent word to L. C. MURRAY through his father, DOYLE MURRAY, an employee of Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, that he should come to this firm's office and fill out an application for employment. Source advised that it appeared that MURRAY might gain employment at this firm, which employs a number of klansmen.



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Minutemen inactive. New UKA charter to be

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JN Form 2's have been issued for the following individuals:

157-7566 (ROBERT BATEMAN)  
157-9228 (DON VEAL)  
157-12559 (J. D. MONTGOMERY)  
157-12638 (WILLIAM HINSON)  
157-13045 (KENNETH PENNINGTON)

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#### MINUTEMEN

Unit #1733 of the Minutemen has been inactive since the previous report. No meetings have been held and no dues have been collected from any of the members of the organization.

#### KLAN ACTIVITY

ROBERT BATEMAN, DONALD VEAL, J. D. MONTGOMERY, WILLIAM HENSON, and KENNETH PENNINGTON, have been inactive in any klan activities during the preceding month.

A meeting was held at the residence of Attorney BILL RILEY on or about 4/2/71 and present during this meeting were the following individuals:

RALEIGH JACKSON GLOVER  
JAMES FREDERICK "RED" LEE  
CHARLES D. SMITH  
FLOP THOMAS

The purpose of the meeting was to defeat the present board of supervisors who might be running for re-election in Districts #2, #3, and #5. ERNEST PARKER is believed to want to run in District #3 and a meeting was set to be held on 4/9/71.

After the meeting "CHICKENFOOT" ROBINSON was overheard talking to DONALD WILKINSON at the Barbecue Pit and "CHICKENFOOT" mentioned something to the effect that he had applied for the new UKA charter and would hear about it very soon. WILKINSON indicated his satisfaction with this arrangement.

On 4/9/71, another meeting was held at the residence of BILL RILEY and present during this meeting were L. C. MURRAY, SLIM (LNU), who is a union shop foreman or steward at International Paper Company, R. L. MYRICK, JOHN DAWSON, DAVID LOFTON, and (FNU) HEDGLIN.

Again, discussed during the meeting was the people that the klan would support for the district supervisors' races



and in District #2, the name ADRIEN LEE was discussed. L. C. MURRAY indicated to the group that they could all count on I. J. RUDISAL to support anybody that the group wanted to and BILL RILEY indicated that he did not want JOE HARDY to be involved in the organization whatsoever.

On 4/17/71, L. C. MURRAY and DONALD WILKINSON were overheard talking at the Barbecue Pit and at that time WILKINSON was overheard to ask MURRAY to furnish him typed lists of everyone in every district that the klan could count on to support all the klan activities. It is noted that there is literature being put out at the International Paper Plant from the American Patriotic Party out of Florida and application blanks for the UKA, Inc.

On the same date, BILL RILEY and other persons were seen sitting outside of the Barbecue Pit drinking heavily. Several individuals set in on the conversation and during the conversation, BILL RILEY indicated that he was highly dissatisfied with JOE LEE HARDY because JOE HARDY was saying things to the effect that he, BILL RILEY, had not adequately defended him.

During the conversation, BILL RILEY mentioned that he knew of an organization formerly in the Natchez area which would "kill you" and mentioned the Silver Dollar Group. He stated it was a strong organization but let a pimp get into it and ruin it. He made no mention as to who this person might be. Mentioned during the conversation was the fact that a JOHN RICE BAKER might give a hard time to ERNEST PARKER because PARKER allegedly sold some property to a Negro. No further discussion was held on this matter and no plan of action was mentioned.

JOHN WILLIAM BARBER came up to the group and talked to BILL RILEY for a few minutes. RILEY is defending BARBER in a separation and divorce proceedings with his wife who is now living in Shreveport, Louisiana, with all of the children except JOHN BARBER, JR.

After that conversation was over, "CHICKENFOOT" ROBINSON and DONALD WILKINSON went into the Barbecue Pit



and were overheard talking and at that time "CHICKENFOOT" ROBINSON told WILKINSON that JOHN BORSKE is supposed to come to Natchez, Miss., on Wednesday, 4/21/71, with the charter and is also supposed to come Saturday. WILKINSON was overheard to tell "CHICKENFOOT" that he was satisfied with this arrangement and that he would like to try to see if he could not get JOHN BOSTRICK who has returned to the Natchez, Miss., area into the organization. WILKINSON also mentioned JEWELL LEE BURT, who has recently reported to be going back into the hospital for further surgery on his injured hand.

ERNEST AVANTS was overheard telling TINY LOUIS that JOE LEE HARDY had come to him and threatened to burn down his, AVANTS, place and TINY LOUIS was highly upset about this. TINY LOUIS allegedly went to REGGIE CARTER and told him to keep the clamps down on JOE LEE HARDY and he indicated that he would.



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Subject not interviewed inasmuch as he has been carried as a source. Case being closed due to fact that subject no longer active in any Klan or hate-type organizations.

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Title: L. C. MURRAY

Character: RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

Synopsis: Subject continues to reside at 111 Brooklyn Drive, Natchez, Miss., and is currently unemployed. The subject drives a 1966 maroon four door Oldsmobile bearing 1968 Mississippi License 1-7632. Source on 6/6/67 advised subject in company with other known Klansmen was attempting to start Silver Dollar Group in Natchez. On 8/15/67, source advised subject obtained membership in Silver Dollar Group.

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DETAILSI. RESIDENCE

On June 3, 1968, a check of city directory indicated L. C. MURRAY continues to reside at 111 Brooklyn Drive, Natchez, Mississippi.

II. AUTOMOBILE

On June 3, 1968, SA MICHAEL J. O'NEILL observed subject driving a 1966 maroon four door Oldsmobile bearing 1968 Mississippi License 1-7632.

III. EMPLOYMENT

On June 3, 1968, Mr. RAY HUSS, Personnel Manager,



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Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, Natchez, advised SA MICHAEL J. O'NEILL that L. C. MURRAY no longer works at Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company.

On May 13, 1968, L. C. MURRAY advised SA GEORGE P. GAMBLIN he is currently unemployed and is seeking employment.

IV. CURRENT POSITION IN HATE-TYPE ORGANIZATIONS

Characterizations of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, the United Klans of America, Inc., the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi, and the Silver Dollar Group appear in the appendix of this report. Also included is Universal Klans of America.

On May 31, 1968, L. C. MURRAY advised SA GEORGE P. GAMBLIN he no longer has membership in any Klan organizations in Mississippi.

JN T-1 on June 6, 1967, advised that L. C. MURRAY, ERNEST PARKER and JAMES SEALE went to the residence of E. D. MORACE in order to solicit MORACE's assistance in starting the Silver Dollar Group.

JN T-2 on June 28, 1967, advised that L. C. MURRAY, former state officer of the United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA) allegedly assisted E. L. MC DANIEL in disposing of Klan funds, which they would not account for.

JN T-3 on July 24, 1967, stated that L. C. MURRAY was contemplating joining the Universal Klans of America, an organization which JACK HELM was activating in the Natchez area.

JN T-4 on August 3, 1967, advised that L. C. MURRAY is a member of the Silver Dollar Group and has been attending



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meetings with JACK SEALE.

JN T-5 on August 15, 1967, advised that L. C. MURRAY was given membership into the Silver Dollar Group.

JN T-4 on August 28, 1967, advised that on August 26, 1967, L. C. MURRAY attended a Universal Klans of America Rally at Natchez, Mississippi.

On September 26, 1967, JN T-5 advised L. C. MURRAY JACK SEALE, JAMES LYNN, R. J. GLOVER met with NORMAN HEAD and E. D. MORACE at Concordia Lake, Louisiana.

JN T-1 on September 26, 1967, advised that L. C. MURRAY attended a meeting of the Silver Dollar Group at Ferriday, Louisiana, on September 24, 1967.

JN T-5 on October 17, 1967, advised that L. C. MURRAY attended a meeting of the Silver Dollar Group on October 15, 1967, at a hunting lodge on the levee near Ferriday, Louisiana.

On November 11, 1967, JN T-6 advised that JOE DANIEL HAWKINS and JOE DENVER HAWKINS met in Natchez, Mississippi, with L. C. MURRAY, E. L. MC DANIEL and JACK SEALE. The purpose of the HAWKINSES' visit to Natchez was to get assistance in selling \$10 tickets for the dinner to be held at the Travel Inn Motel in Jackson, Mississippi. The dinner was to be held November 18, 1967, the proceeds from this dinner going to the defense fund of those convicted in the MIBURN case.

On November 9, 1967, JN T-6 advised that in reference to the trial of ERNEST HENRY AVANTS and CLAUDE FULLER in the murder of BEN CHESTER WHITE, L. C. MURRAY made the statement there were eight Klansmen on the Grand Jury of this trial.

JN T-7 on November 8, 1967, advised November 6, 1967,



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L. C. MURRAY met with other members of the Silver Dollar Group at the residence of JAMES TAYLOR in Harrisonburg, Louisiana. At this meeting, RALEIGH JACKSON GLOVER discussed the plan to build four or five bunkers for the purpose of storing firearms, ammunition, and explosives which bunkers would be readily accessible to the Ferriday-Vidalia-Natchez areas.

On November 21, 1967, JN T-1 advised that L. C. MURRAY, JACK SEALE, and E. D. MORACE attended a meeting of the Silver Dollar Group on November 19, 1967.

JN T-6 on November 20, 1967, advised that at the Silver Dollar Group meeting held at Ferriday, Louisiana, on November 19, 1967, L. C. MURRAY, JACK SEALE and E. D. MORACE were discussing the location and availability of dynamite in the Adams County area.

JN T-5 on November 30, 1967, advised that L.C. MURRAY attended a meeting with BILL RILEY, Natchez attorney, at the Belmont Hotel in Natchez on November 30, 1967, wherein RILEY is trying to unite Klan groups in the Third Congressional District, in order to block vote in the upcoming special election to elect a Congressman to replace JOHN BELL WILLIAMS.

On December 13, 1967, JN T-4 advised that on December 10, 1967, L. C. MURRAY attended a political meeting at the Eola Hotel in Natchez for the purpose of uniting votes to elect a replacement for Governor JOHN BELL WILLIAMS.

On December 22, 1967, JN T-4 advised that on December 15, 1967, the following people attended a political meeting at the Belmont Motor Hotel in Natchez:

BILL RILEY  
E. L. MC DANIEL  
JACK SEALE



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L. C. MURRAY  
CHARLES SMITH  
A. C. JACKSON  
CLAUDE FULLER  
ED HUDSON  
ROWAN SCOTT  
CHARLES JAMES

On February 6, 1968, JN T-7 advised that the plan to bomb GEORGE METCALFE was a Silver Dollar Group operation. Source advised that the first aborted attempt to kill METCALFE took place during the late Spring of 1965. He stated the plan called for L. C. MURRAY and JAMES SONNY TAYLOR to station themselves behind the Armstrong Rubber Company Plant in Natchez, Mississippi, and that RED GLOVER would get METCALFE out behind the plant where he would be kidnapped, carried away, and killed by TAYLOR, MURRAY, and TOMMIE LEE JONES, who stayed in MURRAY's car to render assistance when METCALFE was brought to the car. The attempt failed due to the fact that METCALFE became suspicious and would not go outside.

JN T-6 on March 1, 1968, stated that L. C. MURRAY told him that he never heard of a plan or plot to kidnap GEORGE METCALFE.

On March 13, 1968, JN T-6 advised that L. C. MURRAY told him that he is frightened concerning his involvement in the GEORGE METCALFE case.



SILVER DOLLAR GROUP

A source on April 4, 1967, and a second source on May 3, 1967, characterized the Silver Dollar Group as a hard-core action group made up of present and former members of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi (WKKKKOM); the United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA); and Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi and Louisiana.

On August 15, 1967, a third source advised that the Silver Dollar Group was formed approximately in May or June, 1964. The secret group within the Klan was formed to further Klan activities involving the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and maintaining total segregation. Klansmen were dissatisfied with the inactivity in their respective Klan groups. The members of the new secret action unit had to be trusted Klansmen and had to vouch for each other.

No formal organization format has been adopted but group membership is obtained by invitation only and upon receipt of a silver dollar coin from the group organizer Raleigh Jackson Glover.



UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.,  
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (UKA)

Records of Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, reflect that this Klan organization was granted a corporate charter on February 21, 1961, at Atlanta, Georgia, under the name United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc.

A source advised on February 27, 1961, that United Klans was formed as a result of a split in the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. According to the source, the split resulted from a leadership dispute and United Klans has the same aims and objectives as the parent group. These are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races.

The first source and a second source advised in July, 1961, that United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., merged with Alabama Knights, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The merged organization established headquarters in Suite 401, Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. (The organization is directed by ROBERT SHELTON, Imperial Wizard, and is the dominant Klan group in the South, with Units in several Southern states.)

Second source advised that at a meeting in Prattville, Alabama, on October 22, 1961, the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, merged with the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Third source advised on May 25, 1966, that the UKA is currently an active organization, with Klaverns in several states. This source said that ROBERT M. SHELTON is the Imperial Wizard of this organization and was elected to this position on September 5, 1964, at a National Klonvocation in Birmingham, Alabama. Source stated that during April, 1966, the National office was moved from Suite 401, Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, to the carport of SHELTON's residence, #18 Lake Sherwood, Star Route, Northport, Alabama, which space he had converted into a room.

APPENDIX



A P P E N D I X

UNIVERSAL KLANS OF AMERICA  
(VKA)

A source advised on August 29, 1967, that the Universal Klans of America (VKA) was founded in the Spring of 1967, by JACK HELM following HELM's expulsion as Grand Dragon of the United Klans of America by Imperial Wizard ROBERT SHELTON.

The Universal Klans of America is not chartered under the laws of the State of Louisiana and is known to have Klan units at New Orleans and Baton Rouge, Louisiana. HELM also claims to have followers in the states of Texas and Mississippi.

The aims and purposes of the VKA are to promote Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races.

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Brief description of activity or material Furnished info re activities of SDG members JAMES L. SCARBOROUGH, JAMES F. "RED" LEE, and R. J. GLOVER. SCARBOROUGH has indicated that the La. Klansmen from Ferriday-Vidalia-Clayton, La., were not going to join the new organization of the OKA but were to operate as SDG as before.		File where original is located if not attached <b>FOIA(b)7 - (D)</b>
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SILVER DOLLAR GROUP

On March 20, 1968, JAMES L. SCAROBOROUGH and JAMES H. "SONNY" TAYLOR met at the residence of SCAROBOROUGH in Ferriday, Louisiana. SCAROBOROUGH told TAYLOR that he was against joining the Original Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc. (OKA), group in Mississippi and felt that they would be better staying in the same old group in Louisiana. TAYLOR indicated that he took this to mean the Silver Dollar Group (SDG), since he had never belonged to SCAROBOROUGH's Klan group in Louisiana. Also, SCAROBOROUGH said that he felt that they could do more damage on there own.

SCAROBOROUGH did not mention the Minutemen by name but did suggest to TAYLOR that he get all of the ammunition that he could so that they would have it if needed. He said that they were going to try to get everyone armed with a United States Army carbine so that they could all use the same type of ammunition.



SCARBOROUGH told TAYLOR that he had talked to GLOVER about the theft of TAYLOR's saw and was convinced that GLOVER was telling the truth about the saw. GLOVER told SCARBOROUGH that he had given TAYLOR a shotgun in the presence of other SDG members to show them that everything was O. K. between TAYLOR and himself. SCARBOROUGH told TAYLOR that GLOVER was real sharp and gave TAYLOR the impression that GLOVER was the leader. SCARBOROUGH told TAYLOR that he would let him know about any future meetings.

JAMES H. "SONNY" TAYLOR visited the residence of JAMES F. "RED" LEE in Natchez, Mississippi on March 23, 1968. LEE said that GLOVER had moved into his new residence in Natchez.

L. C. MURRAY is still talking about the FBI's investigation into the 1965 plan to kidnap GEORGE METCALFE.

TAYLOR and LEE discussed SCARBOROUGH's idea to stay out of the Mississippi OKA group. LEE agreed that this was a good idea. LEE indicated that he did not feel that anyone in the inner circle of the Louisiana group had told anything as yet and at least they had a group they could trust.



CROSS BURNINGS, SICILY ISLAND, LOUISIANA

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There has been no Klan activity in the Harrisonburg-Sicily Island, Louisiana, area. Source could furnish no information concerning the cross burnings in Sicily Island.

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March 26, 1968

There have been no meetings of the Silver Dollar Group. There are no planned meetings of this group and the Silver Dollar Group no longer functions as an original group.

JAMES H. "SONNY" TAYLOR visited the Ferriday, Louisiana, residence of SDG member JAMES LEE SCAROBOROUGH during the past week and he was not at home. On Sunday, March 17, 1968, TAYLOR talked with SCAROBOROUGH's son and learned that SCAROBOROUGH was out of town on business.

On Sunday, March 17, 1968, TAYLOR and his family visited with JAMES F. "RED" LEE's family in Natchez, Mississippi. LEE told TAYLOR that he had seen Mississippi SDG member L. C. MURRAY during recent past and MURRAY was very upset over the FBI investigation into the 1965 plan to kidnap GEORGE METCALFE. MURRAY indicated that someone close to the Silver Dollar Group had to be talking.

On March 17, 1968, TAYLOR and LEE tried to contact MURRAY at his Natchez, Mississippi residence and he was not at home. They also tried to contact R. J. GLOVER at his Natchez residence and he was not at home. GLOVER has recently moved into the same neighborhood as LEE.



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Brief description of activity or material <b>Furnished conversation of SDG members R. J. GLOVER and E. D. MORACE on moving explosives GLOVER now has stored to a new location. Furnished info on conversation of R. J. GLOVER and SONNY TAYLOR about a school teacher's house which was dynamited at Vidalia, La.</b>		File where original is located if not attached <b>FOIA(b)7 - (D)</b>

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SILVER DOLLAR GROUP

On the afternoon of March 8, 1968, R. J. GLOVER contacted E. D. MORACE at the home of MORACE in Vidalia, Louisiana, and requested MORACE to make a trip to Kentwood, Louisiana, with him that night. GLOVER had his wife with him and said he had nothing particular in mind, so MORACE did not make the trip.

On Saturday, March 9, 1968, about 6:30 p.m., GLOVER and his wife appeared at the home of MORACE and asked MORACE and his wife to go out to dinner. MORACE told GLOVER that he was getting ready to have a shrimp fry and his neighbor, Deputy Sheriff IKE COWEN, was coming over with his wife. The GLOVERs stayed for dinner.

After dinner MORACE and GLOVER got to one side and talked Silver Dollar Group (SDG) and Klan matters. GLOVER said JACK SEALE and L. C. MURRAY had told him and JAMES LEE that the FBI was questioning them about a Negro who they had tried to beat at Armstrong Tire Company. GLOVER wondered why SEALE and MURRAY were telling them, unless it was to let them know they might be questioned also.



GLOVER said it is apparent the Negroes will cause riots in this area this summer and he has a lot of explosives the SDG will need. These are buried and it will take about an hour and one-half to get the explosives. MORACE observed that the riot would be over by then and that the explosives should be more readily available.

GLOVER told MORACE he should obtain a waterproof can or box and they would move the explosives nearer. GLOVER did not want the explosives stored at the place where MORACE works. GLOVER said he has a whole big roll of dynamite fuse and plenty of dynamite, but needed electric blasting caps. MORACE observed that at one time GLOVER had plenty of caps and asked what happened to them. GLOVER said, "You get rid of a few here and there and run out."

GLOVER spoke of a man at the Armstrong Tire Company who had asked him for two grenades and wondered why the man thought GLOVER had grenades. GLOVER suggested that KENNETH HEAD might have mentioned to someone that GLOVER had grenades.

DYNAMITE THROWN IN YARD OF SCHOOL TEACHER AT VIDALIA,  
LOUISIANA, IN ABOUT 1964

In about 1965, on one occasion after a Klan meeting source was with R. J. GLOVER and SONNY TAYLOR, after letting JAMES SCAROBROUGH out at his home. They stopped for coffee



at the Magnolia Motel Cafe, Ferriday, Louisiana, and source went to the restroom. As source started out, he overheard TAYLOR tell GLOVER that GLOVER did not tell him about the car in the carport and he almost threw the dynamite under the car. GLOVER said it would not have hurt if he had thrown it in the house. Source realized they were discussing the dynamite thrown in the yard of the school teacher at Vidalia, Louisiana.

UNKNOWN SUBJECT;  
JOSEPH EDWARDS - VICTIM

Deputy Sheriff BILL OGDON advised source on March 11, 1968, that the FBI was diving down the river again and that they had brought out two sacks of material from the river.



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DATE: 2/27/68

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SUBJECT: FOIA(b)7 - (D)

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DATE: 2/29/68

FROM : SA BENJAMIN F. GRAVES

SUBJECT:

FOIA(b)7 - (D)

Source telephonically contacted the writer on 2/26/68 and furnished the following information:

He contacted RALEIGH JACKSON GLOVER in Vidalia, La., on the night of 2/25/68. Source stated he asked GLOVER if he ever heard that L.C. MURRAY and others planned to kidnap GEORGE METCALF prior to the time that he was a victim of a bombing in August, 1965. Source stated that GLOVER said this was a lie and that he had never heard of this plot. Source stated that GLOVER asked him what he had heard about the incident and source told him that L. C. MURRAY had told him that the Agents of the FBI had told him that they had received information that he, L. C. MURRAY, TOMMY LEE JONES, RALEIGH JACKSON GLOVER and SONNY TAYLOR, had planned to kidnap METCALF at the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Plant in Natchez. Source stated that GLOVER commented again that he had never heard of the plot.

Source stated that GLOVER is residing with his stepson, JAMES WATTS, in Vidalia, La.

Source stated that GLOVER commented that he thought that he would set up another Silver Dollar Group meeting but he did not mention any date that he planned for this meeting.

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TO : SAC, JACKSON FOIA(b)7 - (D)

DATE: 2/20/68

FROM : SA BENJAMIN F. GRAVES

SUBJECT: FOIA(b)7 - (D)

Source was contacted on 2/16/68 by SA GEORGE P. GAMBLIN and the writer.

Source advised he talked to BILLY BUCKLES on 2/15/68. Source stated that BUCKLES is upset over the lawsuit which had been filed against him by the NAACP in connection with the White Knights murder of BEN CHESTER WHITE in the Summer of 1966. BUCKLES told the source that if any kind of judgment is placed against him he is going to request all former White Knights, which at one time numbered 6,000, to donate \$150 each in order to take care of this judgment. Source stated BUCKLES then commented that he would publicly denounce or expose those White Knights who did not contribute to his cause.

Source advised that L. C. MURRAY is still having back trouble and is off from work at Armstrong. Source stated he had heard that the Armstrong firm may settle with MURRAY rather than paying him some type of compensation over a long period of time.

⑤ - Jackson  
FOIA(b)7 - (D)  
(1 - 170- BILLY D. BUCKLES)  
(1 - 157- BILLY D. BUCKLES)  
✓ (1 - 157- L. C. MURRAY)  
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Brief description of activity or material <b>Furnished identities of bombers of GEORGE METCALFE, Natchez, Miss., August 27, 1965.</b>		File where original is located if not attached <b>FOIA(b)7 - (D)</b>
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(1 - 174-27) (GEORGE METCALFE BOMBING)  
(1 - 157-613) (TOMMIE LEE JONES)  
(1 - 157-4168) (JAMES F. "RED" LEE)  
(1 - 157-7589) (JAMES H. "SONNY" TAYLOR)  
(1 - 157-2444) (RALEIGH JACKSON GLOVER)  
(1 - 157-2179) (L. C. MURRAY)  
(1 - 157-5206) (SILVER DOLLAR GROUP)

7 - New Orleans

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(1 - 44-3214)  
(1 - 174- GEORGE METCALFE)  
(1 - 157-4824) (JAMES H. TAYLOR)  
(1 - 157-6542) (SILVER DOLLAR GROUP)  
(1 - 157-4592) (JAMES F. "RED" LEE)  
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GEORGE METCALFE BOMBING  
AUGUST 27, 1965  
NATCHEZ, MISSISSIPPI

The bombing of GEORGE METCALFE on August 27, 1965, in Natchez, Mississippi, was a Silver Dollar Group (SDG) operation. The bombing was planned by R. J. GLOVER and JAMES F. LEE and the plan was perfected and carried out by LEE, JAMES HORACE "SONNY" TAYLOR, and an unidentified Klansman from Ferriday, Louisiana.

Early in the Spring of 1965, R. J. GLOVER used every opportunity to promote the elimination of METCALFE. On four or five different occasions, he discussed the elimination of METCALFE with LEE and TAYLOR. In addition to being a Negro active in the civil rights movement, GLOVER and the SDG were convinced that METCALFE was a hard core active communist.

As time passed, GLOVER became consumed with the passion to kill METCALFE and the plans were made to kill METCALFE and both failed.

The first abortive attempt to kill METCALFE took place during the late Spring of 1965. The exact date is not known but it did take place prior to the fishfry held at JAMES LEE's home in Wildsville, Louisiana, during the latter part of June, 1965. Generally, the plan called for L. C. MURRAY and JAMES "SONNY" TAYLOR to station themselves behind the Armstrong Rubber Company Plant in Natchez and GLOVER would then get METCALFE out behind the plant where he would be kidnapped, carried away, and killed by TAYLOR, MURRAY, and TOMMIE LEE JONES, who stayed in MURRAY's car to render assistance when METCALFE was brought to the car. MURRAY, TAYLOR, and JONES took their positions at the appointed time but METCALFE failed to appear. GLOVER later explained, saying that METCALFE became suspicious and would not go outside.



After the plan to kidnap METCALFE failed, GLOVER and LEE, TAYLOR and LEE, and GLOVER and TAYLOR on numerous occasions surveilled METCALFE as he arrived at the rubber plant to go to work, noting particularly where he parked his automobile and his approach to the plant gate. After they had familiarized themselves with METCALFE's movements, GLOVER then planned to have LEE and TAYLOR murder METCALFE as he parked his car, got out, and started walking toward the plant gate.

In order to get rid of the murder weapon, a .12 gauge shotgun which belonged to LEE, after the shooting, GLOVER put TAYLOR and LEE in contact with a friend and fellow employee of his, whose job would be to pick up the murder weapon and dispose of it after METCALFE had been shot. LEE and TAYLOR met this friend of GLOVER's (white male, American, 50 years of age, extremely heavy with a large stomach) at the Bar-B-Que Pit located on Highway 61 north of Natchez, Mississippi, to make arrangements with him about picking up the gun after the shooting. He agreed to help in this manner.

At about 10:00 p.m. on the night the murder was to take place, TAYLOR and LEE saw the fat man to make final arrangements about the murder weapon and at that time, the fat man backed out, saying that they would have to get rid of the gun themselves. TAYLOR and LEE were afraid they might get stopped at a roadblock after shooting METCALFE and did not want to have the murder weapon in their possession so they decided not to shoot METCALFE.

LEE and TAYLOR did drive to the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company Plant in Natchez, parked at the previously designated place, observed METCALFE arrive in his automobile, park it, and get out. TAYLOR at that time covered METCALFE with LEE's .12 gauge shotgun which was loaded with double ought buckshot but because of the difficulty in disposing of the murder weapon, again decided not to shoot him.



After the plan to shoot METCALFE failed, GLOVER then told LEE and TAYLOR that they would bomb METCALFE. Since previous surveillances had furnished them information concerning METCALFE's movements after arriving at the plant, the only thing left to do was to perfect the bombing device. LEE and TAYLOR were given this assignment by GLOVER.

Approximately two months prior to June of 1965, and long before the plan of bombing METCALFE, GLOVER brought TAYLOR a sealed grease can containing two red cans of booster powder and about eighteen white cans containing explosives which GLOVER allegedly got from an unidentified seismograph company. TAYLOR took this can and hid it in the hills near his home in the vicinity of Harrisonburg, Louisiana.

On about August 20, 1965, LEE and TAYLOR continued experiments with explosives and caps using LEE's 1952 Chevrolet. They decided to hook the electrical cap to the car coil so that it would detonate when the ignition key was turned on. First, LEE and TAYLOR experimented by successfully detonating an electrical dynamite cap in the above manner. Second, they successfully detonated an explosive charge, blowing up a large stump in the above manner.

After being successful in their experiments, they decided to use this method in blowing up METCALFE. LEE furnished the caps and TAYLOR used the remaining red booster can and the explosives previously furnished by GLOVER. GLOVER gave TAYLOR the assignment of placing the charge in the METCALFE vehicle. GLOVER and LEE planned to work so that they would have an alibi.

TAYLOR chose an unidentified Klansman from the Ferriday - Clayton Unit of the OKKKK who resides in Ferriday, Louisiana. They approached METCALFE's car at about 2:00 a.m. on August 27, 1965, and placed the charge



under the hood near the fire wall. To insure that they would not be blown up by their own charge, they first connected the electrical blasting cap to the coil of METCALFE's car. When this did not detonate, TAYLOR then inserted a cap in the red booster can and then screwed three or four white cans of explosives in place behind the red can. He then placed the charge under the hood near the fire wall and left the scene.

After the bombing of METCALFE, GLOVER, LEE, and TAYLOR, in discussing the bombing, later concluded that if the charge had been placed nearer to or under METCALFE, it would have been much more effective.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-2179)

DATE: 12/7/67

FROM : SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE

SUBJECT: L. C. MURRAY  
RM - KLAN

This case is in a pending inactive status, however, this individual has been a source in the Jackson Division.

It is suggested that this case be reassigned in view of the retirement of SA CLARENCE G. PROSPERE.

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