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DATE: 10/27/76

FROM : STENO GOLDIE A. HOLT

SUBJECT: JAMES FREDERICK LEE RM - KLAN

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Serial Number 128: Source advised on 2/3/70, JAMES FREDRICK LEE had deposited in Adams County, Miss., some 3,000 pamphlets which had indicated that it was purportedly put out by the UKA, Post Office Box 693, Natchez, Miss.

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Serial Number 129: General information, nothing specifically regarding subject.

Serial Number 131: On 8/8/70, a barbeque was held at (FNU) TEMPLE's house in Vidalia, La., and it is noted the following individuals were present including JAMES F. LEE.

Serial Number 133: \_\_\_\_\_ advised a meeting was held at the residence of Attorney BILL RILEY on or about 4/2/71, and JAMES FREDERICK "RED" LEE was present. \_ advised a meeting

Serial Number 134:

Serial Number 135: advised that RED GLOVER has been attempting to find out who is informing on the UKA organization in Adams County, Miss. He has narrowed the people that he suspects down to JAMES "RED' LEE, CHARLIE SMITH and JEWEL LEE BURT. He thinks that RED LEE is the man that has been doing the informing because he is probably moving to Lafayette, La., suspects JEWEL LEE BURT because he has attended all of the rallies and state meeting, but could give no reasons as to why he suspects CHARLES SMITH.

It is determined that RED LEE tried to borrow \$300 but no one determined why he wanted this money. RED LEE held a party which was a type of going away party and did not invite RED GLOVER to it which upset GLOVER greatly. INDEXED ..

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Report of: SA PAUL W. ROEMER Date: 11/20/68

Office: JACKSON

Bureau File 1: 157-4490

Field Office File #: JN 157-4168

Title: JAMES FREDERICK LEE

Character: RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

Symopsis: JAMES FREDERICK LEE continues to reside at Washington, Miss., Whispering Pines Subdivision and is currently employed at Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, Natchez, Miss. Subject owns 1962 Pontiac Tempest and a 1964 Chevrolet and has 1969 Miss. license tags. Source advised subject no longer active in Klan or hate type organizations.

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#### DETAILS

Characterizations of the following Klan organizations are set forth in the appendix of this report:

White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi (WKKKKOM);

United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA);

Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (Louisiana) (OKKKK); and Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Realm of Mississippi;

Silver Dollar Group (SDG).

I. RESIDENCE

On November 15, 1968, WILLIAM T. FERRELL, Sheriff,

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Adams County, Mississippi, advised subject continues to reside in the Whispering Pines Subdivision, Washington, Mississippi.

#### II. EMPLOYMENT

On November 13, 1968, RAYMOND HUST, Personnel Department, Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, advised subject is currently employed by Armstrong.

#### III. AUTOMOBILES

On November 15, 1968, HAZEL FERRELL, Adams County Tax Office, advised the subject has a 1962 Pontiac Tempest and a 1964 Chevrolet registered to him and has made application for a 1969 Mississippi License tag.

## IV. CURRENT POSITION IN KLAN ORGANIZATIONS

On November 15, 1968, JN T-5 advised the subject holds no position and is not active in any Klan or hate type organization.

#### V. ACTIVITIES OF SUBJECT

On November 30, 1967, JN T-2 advised that information had been circulating in the Ferriday, Vidalia, Louisiana, and Natchez, Mississippi area indicating a possible feud developing between Silver Dollar Group leader RALEIGH JACKSON GLOVER and Silver Dollar Group member JAMES FREDERICK LEE. GLOVER was

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spreading a rumor indicating that LEE's wife had been working for the FBI reportedly.



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On February 6, 1968, JN T-2 advised that the bombing of GEORGE METCALFE on August 27, 1965, in Natchez, Mississippi, was a Silver Dollar Group operation. The bombing was planned by RALEIGH JACKSON GLOVER and JAMES FREDERICK LEE and the plan was perfected and carried out by LEE, JAMES HORACE, SONNY TAYLOR, and an unidentified Klansman from Ferriday, Louisiana.

On February 8, 1968, JN T-1 advised that JAMES FREDERICK LEE was still attempting to determine the identity of the individual or individuals within the Silver Dollar Group who might be furnishing information to the FBI. Source stated that LEE believes that RALEIGH JACKSON GLOVER might be furnishing information inasmuch as he has never participated in any project.

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On February 20, 1968, JN T-2 advised that after the first failure to burn REEF FREEMAN's bar on Horseshoe Lake, Louisiana, during 1964-1965, JAMES FREDERICK LEE, "YANKEE" WILSON, and JAMES FOUNT MC NEELY proceeded to FREEMAN's bar via boat timing their approach so that they would arrive at the bar at the same time the armed guard took the cooks home at the end of the night's business. On this occasion, LEE, WILSON, and MC NEELY succeeded in burning the bar to the ground and made their escape by the boat.



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On November 15, 1968, JN T-5 advised that the Silver Dollar Group has not had any meetings for almost a year and that JAMES LEE FREDERICK is no longer active in any Klan or hate type organization.

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#### APPENDIX

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

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.

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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.

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#### ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (OKKKK) REALM OF MISSISSIPPI

A source advised that at an election of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Incorporated, (OKA) held at Polkville, Mississippi, on December 7, 1967, Ernest Gilbert was elected Grand Dragon replacing Ferrall Mc Cormick, Sr.

Ernest Gilbert in reorganizing this group renamed it the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, and stated the organization will hereafter be known as such.

Gilbert stated this organization is not affiliated with any national or other state group.

Gilbert said that it will be an independent, self-supporting, organization within the State of Mississippi, whose function will be to serve the people of Mississippi.

The purpose of this organization is to promote Americanism, the supremacy of the white race, and furtherance of segregation between the races. In addition, to educate the people; for example, if changes are to be made they should be made through political means and not through violence.

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#### 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.

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#### 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 or 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.

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#### WHITE KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN OF MISSISSIPPI (WKKKKOM)

A source advised that on February 15, 1964, approximately 200 members of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan from the State of Mississippi met at Brookhaven, Mississippi. Those present decided to defect from the Original Knights 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 WKKKKOM 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.

The same source advised on May 23, 1968, that the WKKKKOM is an unincorporated, secret organization existing in the State of Mississippi and formed for the sole purpose of preserving white supremacy regardless of the cost and including the use of force and violence. The official constitution and other directives of the organization do not openly advocate the use of force or violence; however, it is generally conceded among the members that in the end force and violence will be the salvation of the white man regarding his relationship with the Negro race. The WKKKKOM is controlled by the Imperial Wizard and state officers. The state is divided into districts and provinces. There is an estimated membership as of May 23, 1968, of 400 to 600 dues-paying members of this organization. The aims and purposes of the organization continue to be the same as when the organization was created in February, 1964. L. E. Matthews, Jr., of Florence, Mississippi, was elected February 11, 1968, at a state meeting to succeed Sam Holloway Bowers, Jr., as Imperial Wizard.

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UNI.\_\_D STATES DEPARTMENT OF J \_\_TICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Jackson, Mississippi November 20, 1968

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JAMES FREDERICK LEE

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RACIAL MATTERS - KLAN

Reference :

Jackson report of Special Agent Paul W. Roemer, dated November 20, 1968, captioned as above.

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FD-376 (Hev. 8-1-66)

## 11/20/68

Director United States Secret Service Department of the Treasury Washington, D. C. 20220

Dear Sir:

The information furnished herewith concerns an individual who is believed to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning Presidential protection, and to fall within the category or categories checked.

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  - (b) 🚛 Expressions of strong or violent anti-U. S. sentiment,
  - (c) Prior acts (including arrests or convictions) or conduct or statements indicating a propensity for violence and antipathy toward good order and government.

6. Individuals involved in illegal bombing or illegal bomb-making.

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Very truly yours, John Edgar Hoover Director 2 - Bureau 1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s) U. S. Secret Service Jackson, Mississippi 2 Jackson (157-4168) PWR/pap (4) Enclosure(s) (Upon removal of classified enclosures, if any, this transmittal form becomes UNCLASSIFIED.)

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VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION CONCERNING SUBJECTS OF KLAN AND WHITE HATE-TYPE ORGANIZATIONS	
MEMORANDUM RE: JAMES FREDERICK LEE, aka.	
Office File: JN 157-4168	
The following is the most recent place of residence, employment, employment address, and organizational position of subject as contained in the files of this office:	
Residence: "Whispering Pines Subdivision off Highways 61-98-84 in the Washington, Miss. community.	
Employment:         Department 23, Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company           Address:         Natchez, Miss.	
Organization and Position: Member and leader of SDG	
It is requested the place of employment, address of employment, residence address, and organizational position of subject be verified and the proper notation made below. It should also be determined if the subject still meets the criteria for investigation as set forth in Section 122A of the Manual of Instructions.	
Date: 7/30/68 Verified by SA: PAUL W. ROEMER	
An LHM should be submitted to Bureau & interested agencies Yes No File Reviewed 4/18/64	
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TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-4168)

DATE: 2/8/68

FROM : SA REESIE L. TIMMONS

SUBJECT: JAMES FREDERICK LEE RM (KLAN)

## Re report of SA REESIE L. TIMMONS, 12/4/67.

It is noted the subject resides in the "Whispering Pines" area (two blocks long) off Highway 61 between Washington and Natchez, Miss., and continues his employment at Armstrong Rubber Co., Natchez.

In view of the writer's return to the McComb RA, it is recommended this matter be reassigned to an Agent in the Natchez RA.

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**REFERENCES**:

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Office of origin is being changed in this matter from the New Orleans Division to the Jackson Division inasmuch as the subject continues to maintain his residence in Washington, Mississippi.

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SA REESIE L. TIMMONS Office: JACKSON Report of: December 4, 1967 Dote: Bureau File #: 157-4490

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Title: JAMES FREDERICK LEE

RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN) Character:

Synopsis:

Subject continues to reside at Washington, Mississippi, and continues his employment at Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, Natchez, Mississippi. Numerous sources identify the subject as a member of the Silver Dollar Group (SDG), described as a hard-core action group made up of present and former members of the WKKKKOM, UKA, and OKKKK from Louisiana and Mississippi. Sources advised he has participated in numerous acts of violence in the past.

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#### DETAILS:

Characterizations of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi (WKKKKOM); United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA); and the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK) are contained in the appendix section of this report.

## I. RESIDENCE

SA REESIE L. TIMMONS and SA FRANK B. WATTS have, on numerous occasions during the past six months, observed the subject and his family at his residence in the "Whispering Pines" Subdivision off Highways 61 - 98 - 84 in the Washington, Mississippi, community.

#### II. EMPLOYMENT

JAMES FREDERICK LEE continues to be employed in Department 23, Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, Natchez, Mississippi.

#### III. AUTOMOBILES

Subject continues to own and operate two auto-mobiles:

-1- A 1962 blue Tempest Pontiac, four-door sedan, 1967 Louisiana License 46-972;

-2- A 1964 green Chevrolet station wagon, 1967 Louisiana License 53-002.

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#### IV. CURRENT POSITION IN KLAN ORGANIZATION

Numberous informants have identified the subject as a member and leader of the Silver Dollar Group (SDG).

JN T-1 and JN T-2, who have identified the subject as a member of the SDG, described the SDG as a hard-core action group made up of present and former members of the WKKKKOM, UKA, 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 dollar from the group organizer, RALEIGH JACKSON GLOVER.

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#### V. ACTIVITIES OF SUBJECT

A. Silver Dollar Group

JN T-2, on June 21, 1967, identified the subject as a member of the SDG employed at Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, Natchez, Mississippi, who,

He advised that an SDG meeting at the residence of LEE on June 26, 1965, was the last meeting where a number of SDG members were present.

JN T-4, on August 15, 1967, identified the individuals present at a meeting of the SDG at the residence of JAMES F. LEE on June 26, 1965.

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JN T-1, on August 1, 1967, advised that in late July, 1967, JAMES "RED" LEE suggested to other SDG members that a meeting be held in the near future.

JN T-5, on August 15, 1967, identified the subject as a member of the SDG and advised that the last big meeting of the organization was held at the residence of LEE on June 26, 1965.

JN T-2, on August 16, 1967, identified the subject as a member of the SDG from the State of Louisiana.



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JN T-4, on September 26, 1967, advised the subject attended a meeting of the SDG at the residence of NORMAN HEAD on Lake Concordia in Louisiana on September 24, 1967.

JN T-5, on September 26, 1967, identified the subject as being present at the September 24, 1967, meeting of the SDG on Lake Concordia, Louisiana.

JN T-6, on September 20, 1967, identified the subject as being a member of the SDG.

JN T-1, on October 3, 1967, identified the subject as being present at a meeting of the SDG on October 1, 1967, at a hunting lodge east of the Mississippi River Levee near Ferriday, Louisiana.


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JN T-5, on October 3, 1967, identified the subject as being present at the October 1, 1967, meeting of the SDG near Ferriday, Louisiana.

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JN T-4, on October 14, 1967, identified the subject as being present at the October 1, 1967, SDG meeting.

B. Acts of Violence

JN T-1, on August 21, 1967, advised that JAMES FREDERICK LEE, at the time he was Investigator for the Klan unit at Black River, Louisiana, was one of several individuals who attempted to murder Negro JAMES WHITE, SR.

JN T-1, on September 12, 1967, identified the subject as participating in the burning of REEF FREEMAN's night club and the beating of Negroes RICHARD JAMES and ROBERT WATKINS.

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Mrs. LEE stated that as far as she knew, her husband's only activities at the present time are church work and his employment at Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company in Natchez. She did advise, however, that he had recently indicated dissatisfaction in his work at the Armstrong Company. She explained that he had led her to believe that he had been unable to obtain overtime work lately and felt that he was intentionally overpassed.

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On <u>7/28/67</u> at <u>Natchez</u>, <u>Mississippi</u> File # Jackson 157-4168

by SA FRANK B. WATTS/jls B Date dictated \_ 7/29/67

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# D. Miscellaneous

JN T-2, on June 21, 1967, advised that according to JAMES F. LEE, Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company employees were talking about having a big strike if further integration of the plant is attempted. LEE also stated there was some talk of further violence but nothing specific was mentioned.



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# APPENDIX

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

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 Americaniam, the supremacy of the white race, and the furtherance of segregation between the races.

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#### UNITED KLARS' 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.

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# WHITE KNIGHTS OF THE NU KLUX KLAN OF MISSISSIPPI (MEKKKOM)

A source advised that on February 15, 1964, approximately 200 members of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan from the State of Mississippi met at Brookhaven, Mississippi. Those present decided to defect from the Original Knights 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 WikkKCM are to preserve Christian civilization, protect and promote white supremacy and the segregation of the races, to fight Communism and to extend the dignity, haritage, and rights of the white race of America.

The same source advised on August 25, 1967, that the WKAKKOM is an unincorporated, secret organization existing in the State of Mississippi and formed for the sole purpose of preserving white supremacy regardless of the cost and including the use of force and violence. The official constitution and other directives of the organization do not openly advocate the use of force or violence; however, it is generally conceded among the members that in the end force and violence will be the salvation of the white wan regarding his relationship with the Negro race. The WKKKKCM is controlled by the Imperial Wizard and state officers. The state is divided into districts and provinces. There is an estimated membership as of August 25, 1967, of 400 to 600 dues-paying members of this organization. The aims and purposes of the organization continue to be the same as when the organization was created in February, 1964. Sam Holloway Bowers, Jr., Laurel, Mississippi, continues to be the Imparial Wizard.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL RUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Jackson, Mississippi December 4, 1967

Title

JAMES FREDERICK LEE

Character

RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

Reference

Report of Special Agent Reesie L. Timmons dated and captioned as above.

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WESLEY WARREN, who is aware of the identities of the interviewing Agents and the nature of the investigation, was interviewed at his place of employment, Arnaud Ford Company, Ferriday, Louisiana. He gave the following information:

WARREN stated that he knows JAMES FREDERICK LEE as LEE used to reside in Wildsville, Louisiana, and traded at WARREN's grocery store. WARREN stated that when LEE first moved to Wildsville, he, LEE, was a member of the Ku Klux Klan in either the Vidalia, Louisiana, Unit or the Ferriday - Clayton, Louisiana, Unit. He stated that after LEE moved into his neighborhood, LEE kept trying to transfer his Klan membership to the Monterey Unit of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK), of which WARREN was the Exalted Cyclops.

WARREN stated that LEE was eventually transferred but was never trusted by the other members of the Monterey Unit and the other members seemed more comfortable on meeting nights when LEE missed the meetings. He stated that although LEE would not stand up during the meetings and actually speak in favor of violence, he, LEE, let it be known that he was prone to violence and was willing to go out on any violent act at any time.

WARREN stated that he felt that LEE's sole interest in the Monterey Unit was to gain control of the unit as he, WARREN, knew LEE was still affiliated with his previous unit.

WARREN stated that he always considered LEE a "crazy person" and never felt comfortable or safe while in LEE's company.

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WARREN stated that when LEE left the Wildsville area, he owed WARREN \$42.

WARREN stated that LEE's whole personality seemed strange since his father was a highly respected minister. MAY UNITED STATES GO-RNMENT UNITED STATES GO-RNMENT Memorandum : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-6542)

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GLOVER's shotgun was examined by Bureau Agents on October 4, 1967, and was determined to be a Stevens Model 311 double barrel shotgun, 16 gauge. The barrels had evidently been shortened by a gunsmith and were measured by Bureau Agents and found to be 21 3/8 inches long. The stock was 13 inches long, making the over-all length of the shotgun 34 3/8 inches.

The shotgun was observed to be loaded with number one buckshot. The shotgun was fired by Bureau Agents on October 4, 1967, and the empty cartridges will be retained so they may be forwarded to the FBI Laboratory later for comparison purposes.

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#### RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

Synopsis:

Subject resides Washington, Mississippi, and continues to be employed at Armstrong Tire and Rubber Co. in Natchez, Mississippi. Subject reportedly member of Silver Dollar Group, which is described as hard-core action group.made up of present and former members of the WKKKKOM, UKA, and the OKKKK from Louisiana and Mississippi.

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#### DETAILS:

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#### I. RESIDENCE

On March 20, 1967, LESLIE HOLMES, Selma, Mississippi, advised that JAMES FREDERICK LEE and family moved from his residence at Selma, Mississippi. It was determined that LEE and family moved to the W. T. Mallory Subdivision located on Highway 61 North, approximately two miles from Natchez, in the Town of Washington, Mississippi. This subdivision, which is located on an un-named street, is made up of approximately six homes and LEE resides in the third house on the right after leaving Highway 61 North.

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# II. EMPLOYMENT

JAMES FREDERICK LEE is employed in Department 23, Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, Natchez, Mississippi.

#### III. CURRENT POSITION IN KLAN ORGANIZATION

On March 28, 1967, JN T-1 advised that RALEIGH JACKSON GLOVER named "RED" LEE as one of several members of the Silver Dollar Group.

On April 4, 1967, JN T-2, and on May 3, 1967, JN T-3 described the "Silver Dollar Group" as a hard-core action group made up of present and former members of the WKKKKOM, UKA, 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.

#### IV. AUTOMOBILES

JAMES FREDERICK LEE owns and drives the following vehicles:

1962 blue Tempest, four door, sedan, Louisiana license 46-972.

1964 green Chevrolet Station Wagon, Louisiana license 53-002.

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#### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

#### Date March 4, 1967

JAMES FREDRICK LEE, Box 145, Selms, Mississippi, was interviewed at the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company Plant, Natchez, Mississippi. LEE was advised that he did not have to make any statement and that he had the right to consult with an attorney of his choice prior to making any statement, and that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law. LEE furnished the the following information:

LEE stated that he has been employed at the Armstrong Tire Company for approximately the last 20 years and is currently working as a tire builder in Department 23. LEE stated that he works on the graveyard shift from midnight to 8:00 AM each day.

LEE stated that he arrived at work at approximately 11:45 FM on the evening of Monday, Yebruary 27, 1967, and after punching in for work he learned that mother Armstrong Company employee had been killed as the result of a bomb which had been placed in his truck. LEE stated that he received this information from a co-worker, but he could not recall the identity, but stated that the incident was being discussed by all the workers at the plant.

LEZ stated that he was not acquainted with WHARLEST JACKSON, either personally or by sight. LEZ stated that he had never heard any conversation regarding JACKSON's appointment to a new job in the cament mixing plant, nor did he know of any threats against JACKSON's life. LEZ stated that he could not furnish any information whatsoever regarding JACKSON's death.

LEE advised that he has had no experience or training in the use of dynamite or blasting caps, and that he would not know how to detonate an exploring with these materials.

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LEE stated that to the best of his knowledge there is no racial friction at the Armstrong Plant. LEE advised that one or two nights ago an incident occurred in his department in which a white worker named AL NATION placed a "snake" on the conveyer belt of a Negro worker named JOHN HEAD, as a result of which HEAD filed a complaint with the company management. LEE explained that the "snake" was actually a small strip of rubber which generally resembled a snake, and that it was a common practice for the plant employees to try to scare one another through the use of this so-called "snake". LET stated that this is a common practice and that it was not done because of the fact that HEAD was a Negro. IEE further stated that as a result of his conduct NATION was laid off and he, LEE, resented the fact that HEAD had complained directly to management rather than to his supervisor or to his, LEZ, Union Steward, who would normally handle such matters on the shop floor.

LEE stated that on Monday, February 27, 1967, he went to bed shortly after he finished work at 8:00 AM and did not get up until approximately 5:00 FM. LEE then went to the Natchez High School Auditorium at approximately 7:00 FM in order to register for free classes in the University of Southern Mississippi extension program and returned to his home at approximately 8:30 FM where he remained until he went to work at approximately 11:00 FM.

LEE stated that he is not now, nor has he ever been, a member of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi (WKKKKOM), the United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA), or any other Klan-type group. LEE stated that he felt everyone at Armstrong was hurt by the bambing resulting in JACKSON's death and that if he learned of any information regarding this matter he would contact the VBL.

The following description and background information was obtained through observation and interview:

Name: Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Place of Birth: Height: Weight: Build: Hair: Education:

#### Military Service:

Military Service No.: 18204713 Present Employment: Accestrony

Past Employment:

Social Security No.: Driver's License: Marital Status: Draft Board:

Relatives: Wife: Children:

Parents:

Organizations: Automobile:

JAMES FREDRICK LEE Male White June 16, 1935 Orange, Texas 5 feet 10 inches 170 pounds Medium Red 12 grades high school, graduated June 1, 1954, St. Francisville, La., One year college, Louisiana State University. H. S. Army, 8/30/54-8/29/57, Honorable Discharge Accestrong Tire Company, Department 23-8, tire builder, July 8, 1966, Clock No. 1613 Brarm Roof, Inc., St. Francisville. Louisiana 434-48-3495 1196388 (Louisiana) Married No. 74, 116 Ferdinand Street, Su. Francisville, Louisiana

CHARLOTTE LEE KATHRINE JACQUILE DELORAS JAMES WILLIAM JEFFRY PAUL WALLACE F. LEE, born Port Arthur, Texas MILORED GORLEY, Pineville, La. Mason 1962 Tempest

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Weapons:

Residence:

Residence Phone No.: Previous Arrests: Associates: Winchester pump model .12 .22 high standard pistol revolver, Frontier, 9 shot General Delivery, Wildsville, Louisiana, P.O. Box 145, Selma, Mississippi P.O. Box 145, Washington, Mississippi None JAMES R. LEAKE, St. Francisville, Louisiana, State Representative CHARLES SHEETS, St. Francisville, Louisiana, farmer CLIFFORD WILCOX, St. Francisville, Louisiana, Mayor

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Date March 8, 1967

JAMES FREDERICK LEE was advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and volunteered that he recalled being interviewed by SA FRANK B. WATTS during September, 1965, and further advised that he was well aware of his rights but did not desire to sign a waiver of rights form. He did state, however, that he desired to furnish the following information:

LEE stated that he is not now nor has he ever been a member of any Klan organization and that he does not know anyone who is so associated.

LEE stated that he has never been a member of any group known as the "Silver Dollar Group" and does not recall ever having this mentioned to him before with the exception of when he was interviewed by Bureau agents in 1965.

LEE stated that during contact with his friends and relatives he has never heard any discussion concerning planned acts of violence and never heard the name WHARLEST JACKSON mentioned until after this individual's truck was bombed. He advised that he works the "graveyard shift" in Department 23 at Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company in Natchez and learned after JACKSON was murdered that JACKSON also worked in this department. He stated, however, that he did not know this until after this crime was committed. LEE advised he had no idea whatsoever who might be responsible for the murder of JACKSON.

LEE stated that he knew GEORGE METCALFE and that he had heard GEORGE METCALFE's name mentioned on numerous occasions at Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company but does not recall hearing any discussion in regard to planned acts of violence concerning METCALFE.

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LEE advised that he is acquainted on a social basis with R. J. GLOVER, TOMMIE JONES, JAMES SCAROBOROUGH, T. L. TORCERSON, JACK and JAMES SEALE, all of the Vidalia, Louisiane, and Natchez, Mississippi, area. He stated, however, that he has never been in any organization with these individuals and knew them only on a social basis. He volunteered that approximately a year ago he and R. J. GLOVER planned a fish fry at his (LEE's) residence in Wildsville, Louisiana. He said that most of the above-mentioned individuals were present at this fish fry but that this was mot an organizational meeting of any sort and that no discussions were had except general family matters.

The following physical description of LEE was obtained during this interview:

Name: Residence: Race: Sex: Height: Weight: Eyes: Heir: Complexion: Date of Birth: Place of Birth: T Automobiles:

Employment:

JAMES FREDERICK LEE Selma, Mississippi White Male 5' 10" 170 Blue Red (receding) Ruddy (freckles) June 16, 1935 Orange, Texas 1962 blue Tempest, fourdoor sedan; 1964 green Chevrolet station wagon Department 23, Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, Natchez, Miss.

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JAMES FREDERICK LEE, resident of Rural Selma, Mississippi, acknowledged the identity of the interviewing Agents, and volunteered that he understood his rights completely, but that for personal reasons he did not desire to sign a Waiver of Rights form.

LEE continued to deny any membership at the present time in any klan group. He did state, however, that he had in the past had some affiliation with klan groups, but he did not desire to further identify these groups and would not furnish any specifics thereof.

LEE emphatically denied any participation or knowledge of the bombing of WHARLEST JACKSON's truck in Natchez, Mississippi, on February 27, 1967. He stated that he did not know WHARLEST JACKSON prior to his murder, but had heard him described as a "good Negro." LEE volunteered that he knew GEORGE METCALFE as a local Negro National Association for the Avancement of Colored People worker and that he knew that METCALFE had been riding with JACKSON to work at the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company. He further described METCALFE as an "agitator" and volunteered that he felt that because it was generally thought that METCALFE was an "agitator" and that JACKSON was a "good" Negro, that the bombing of JACKSON's truck was actually meant for METCALFE. LEE advised this was his cwn thinking and that he had never heard this fact discussed in his presence.

LEE stated that on the day this act occurred he had been at home all day until approximately 4:00 p.m., at which time he traveled to Natchez High School where he is enrolled in an adult education course and that he had remained there until approximately 7:00 p.m. He stated he went directly home arriving at 7:30 p.m.

LEE advised he has no idea whatsoever who might be responsible for the bombing of WHARLEST JACKSON's truck.

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JAMES FREDIRICK LEE, Resident of W. T. Mallory Subdivision, Mighway 61 North, Matchez, Mississippi, acknowledged the identity of the interviewing Agent and stated he was com-pletely aware of his rights but did not desire to sign any form.

IEE stated he had given considerable thought to the possibility that he night have heard discussed in his presence plans of boabing WHARLEST JACKSON's truck or any other act of violence. LEE stated he does not recall ever hearing any act of violence planned in his presence. He reiterated that he had never known WHARLEST JACKSON prior to the bombing of his truck on February 27, 1967.

LYE also reitorated that he was never a member of any group known as the Silver Dollar Group and even though he associates with numerous individuals whom he believes might have Klan background, he belongs to no organization.

LEE also reiterated that he had no prior knowledge whatseever of the bombing of EMARLEST JACKSON's truck on February 27, 1967.

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Date April 1, 1967

JAMES FREDERICK LEE, Route 5, Box 70, Natchez, Mississippi, furnished the following information after being advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents and of the nature of the investigation:

He stated that on February 27, 1967, he, along with his mother and aunt, attended a "class organization meeting" at the Natchez High School auditorium, at 7:00 p.m. This meeting was organized by the University of Southern Mississippi, Natchez Sesident Center. LEE continued that it is his ambition to get a college degree in history and possibly go into the field of teaching. He further stated that during the meeting he spoke to BILL W. CORE, Director, University of Southern Mississippi, Natchez Resident Center, concerning several courses which he was interested in taking. LEE said that his conversation with Mr. GORE did not last more than 15 or 20 seconds and that he did not speak with him or any other school official after the meeting terminated.

LEE continued that although he had been accepted to the Resident Center as a student for the present semester, he subsequently decided not to attend because of financial reasons. He advised that he personally contacted BILL W. GORE for the purpose of informing him of his current situation.

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#### Date \_\_\_\_ April 22, 1967

JAMES FREDERICK LEE, a resident of the W. T. Mallory Sub-Division, Highway 61 North, Natchez, immediately acknowledged the identity of the interviewing Agent and volunteered that he was completely aware of his rights and, even though he did not desire to sign any waiver of rights form, he had no objections to talking with the interviewing Agent.

LEE stated that he has heard no discussion concerning the bombing of WHARLEST JACKSON's truck on February 27, 1967, which would indicate the identities of those individuals responsible. He stated that there has been considerable discussion concerning this matter at his place of employment, Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, but reiterated that he has learned nothing which would tend to indicate those responsible.

LEE at this interview continued to deny any participation in a group known as the Silver Dollar Group and volunteered that he has had no "recent" Klan activity. He advised that he has had no time for any activity other than taking care of the responsibilities of his family. He further advised that he has never participated in making any kind of explosives to be used in harming anyone.

LEE stated that during June of 1965, he entertained several of his friends at a fish fry at his residence in Wildsville, Louisiana, and even though he could not now recall who was present, he did recall that no Klan activity was discussed and that no dealings whatsoever with explosives took place at this fish fry.

LEE stated that he believes now that such an act of violence against WHARLEST JACKSON was wrong in

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view of the fact that he believes all civil rights groups have gained far more than anyone else. He stated that Negroes interested in integration have gained financial aid and otherwise, whereas white people who are interested in segregation lost. He volunteered that he believes that such acts will continue and that another "incident" will take place within three to six months. He stated that the reason he believes this is that he feels the people responsible do not understand that Negroes gain and whites lose in regard to finances, civil rights legislation, and additional membership in civil rights groups at such time as these incidents happen.

LEE continued that in view of his feeling that such an incident is wrong, and not helping the South's cause, that he would give serious consideration to doing what he could to prevent this from happening again.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date \_\_May 6, 1967

JAMES FREDERICK LEE, resident of Highway 61 North, Natchez, Mississippi, acknowledged the identity of the interviewing Agent and stated he was completely aware of his rights, but did not desire to sign any waiver of rights form. He stated, however, he had absolutely no objections to talking to the interviewing Agent.

LEE volunteered that he had had in the past some Klan association, was at present a segregationist, but now feels that the crime committed against WHARLEST JACKSON in February, 1967, and GEORGE METCALFE in September, 1965, was a "wrong thing to do." LEE, upon being questioned concerning his past Klan association, stated he would rather not elaborate on this at this time. LEE continued to deny any prior knowledge or participation in either the METCALFE or JACKSON bombings.

Concerning RALEIGH JACKSON GLOVER, LEE stated that this was an individual who "would probably do anything to further his feelings in regard to segregation." He stated he knew GLOVER to be a man of loose morals. LEE stated that for over a year now GLOVER has been dating one EDNA PENNINGTON, a resident of Vidalia, Louisiana, and employed on the same shift as GLOVER at Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company in Natchez. He stated that GLOVER had become involved in a fight with one BOBBY ANDERS (brother of the present Adams County Sheriff), a fellow employee at Armstrong, last week over the dating of EDNA PENNINGTON. LEE stated, however, he did not know any particulars concerning this fight.

According to LEE, GLOVER has not been speaking to LEE, and LEE stated he does not know why. LEE stated they were close buddies and he was to help GLOVER move from Vidalia, Louisiana, to Kentwood, Louisiana, a couple of weeks ago and that GLOVER did not call on him to help.

LEE stated he did not know if GLOVER was involved in the bombing of WHARLEST JACKSON, but did feel, based on

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his knowledge of GLOVER, that GLOVER will attempt to kill anyone who furnished damaging information against him to the FBI. LEE stated he has heard recently from an unrecalled source that GLOVER has told his friends not to even talk to FBI Agents.

LEE stated that he intends to continue his association with GLOVER as they are "old friends."

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On March 6, 1967, JN T-2 advised that about one and one-half years ago, RALEIGH JACKSON GLOVER invited E. D. MORACE to what GLOVER called a "special meeting" at the home of JAMES F. LEE in Wildsville, Louisiana. This meeting was in reality a fishfry.

On March 6, 1967, JN T-4 advised that J. F. LEE, Post Office Box 145, Washington, Mississippi, was a member of the OKKKK.

On March 8, 1967, JN T-1 advised that three individuals living in the Natchez, Mississippi, area are members of the Silver Dollar Group and they are T. L. TORGERSEN, JAMES FREDERICK LEE and TOMMIE L. JONES.

On March 9, 1967, JN T-2 advised that in early 1966 or late 1965, a long cylinder shaped bomb was thrown at a Negro's house in Ferriday, Louisiana, but failed to explode. JAMES "SONNY" TAYLOR, member of the Silver Dollar Group; JAMES FREDERICK LEE, formerly of Wildsville, Louisiana, and a member of the Silver Dollar Group, were involved in this attempted bombing.

On March 6, 1967, JN T-3 advised that in the Summer of 1965 JAMES HORACE TAYLOR, JR. was invited to a fishfry held at the home of JAMES FREDERICK LEE in Wildsville, Louisiana. At that time TAYLOR was a member of the OKKKK, State of Louisiana, and the others attending the fishfry were the more close mouthed, tough members of this and other Klan groups. Among those attending were RALEIGH J. GLOVER, known as RED GLOVER, from Vidalia, Louisiana, and E. D. MORACE from Ferriday, Louisiana.

On January 20, 1967, JN T-4 advised that "RED" LEE formerly belonged to a Klan group in Louisiana.

On March 23, 1967, JN T-l advised that at one time JAMES FREDERICK LEE supposedly knew where explosives were kept.

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The source does not have current information on who has the explosives or where same might be located.

Source stated that RED'LEE and TOMMIE JONES are close associates.

On March 20, 1967, JN T-3 advised that the fishfry that was held at the home of JAMES LEE in Wildsville, Louisiana, about one and one-half years ago was attended by approximately 20 persons. The source stated that the following individuals were known to be at this fishfry:

> SONNY TAYLOR E. D. MORACE JAMES SCAROBOROUGH BLUE HOLLOWAY JAMES SEALE JACK SEALE JAMES LEE SCOTTIE WRIGHT R. J. GLOVER

Source stated that JAMES LEE invited most of the guests to this particular fishfry and it was understood by all those in attendance that everyone in attendance was a member of the Silver Dollar Group.

On March 28, 1967, JN T-2 advised that the fishfry was held on June 26, 1965, at the home of JAMES LEE in Wildsville, Louisiana. The fishfry was actually held in the back yard of LEE's home and there were other homes in the immediate vicinity. Also there was a store close by.' Present at the fishfry were the wives of BLUE HOLLOWAY,

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JAMES SCAROBOROUGH and JAMES LEE. The wives were involved in the food preparation but were aware of what had taken place at the fishfry.

The fishfry began at about 1:30 PM and terminated shortly before dark.

No silver dollars were given out at the fishfry and it was the understanding of the source that the fishfry was a gathering of special men. These men were members of the Silver Dollar Group, or people who had helped the Silver Dollar Group in the past.

On March 21, 1967, JN T-2 advised that concerning the fishfry at the home of LEE on June 26, 1965, that JAMES and JACK SEALE were present.

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On March 29, 1967, JN T-1 advised that JAMES FREDERICK LEE is a member of the Silver Dollar Group.

On March 29, 1967, JN T-3 advised that in connection with the fishfry held by the Silver Dollar Group on June 26, 1965, at the home of LEE, there were approximately 17 to 20 men present and three of these brought their wives. Several present at this fishfry arrived early to prepare food and begin cooking the fish for the others who were to arrive in the early afternoon. There were several in attendance who came early in the afternoon and several left early; however, the majority stayed until just before dark.

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On April 17, 1967, THORE LEE TORGERSEN, 1405 Westwood Street, Natchez, Mississippi, advised that to the best of his knowledge, a fishfry was held at the residence of LEE in Wildsville, Louisiana, in the latter part of June, 1965. Those present were R. J. GLOVER, ERNEST FINLEY, ERNEST PARKER, E. D. MORACE, JACK SEALE, JAMES SCAROBOROUGH, and himself.

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On April 18, 1967, TORGERSEN advised that he was invited to the fishfry at the home of LEE by R. J. GLOVER. He arrived at the LEE residence at approximately 1:00 PM and remained until 2:30 or 3:00 PM. He did not recall any discussion of Klan activity while he was present, nor did he recall LEE mentioning to him any Klan-type activity having taken place at the fishfry.

On April 13, 1967, JN T-5 recognized a photograph of LEE and stated that he was a Klansman.

On April 11, 1967, JN T-2 identified a photograph of LEE as a definite member of the Silver Dollar Group and who was the host of a fishfry at his home on June 26, 1965.

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Hrs. M. A. FCRMAN, SE., owner of Forman Market and Grosery Store, located on Louisiana State Route 565, Wildsville, Louisiana, voluntarily furnished the following information:

Nrs. FCNMAN stated that she recalled that JAMES LEE was a former towart of hers who resided in the wooden frame two-story house located adjacent to her store. She recalled that LME and his family resided in her house during the period Hay 1965 to sometime in August 1966. She stated she was not sure of the dates and thought she might be mistaken by a month or so, but to the best of her hnowledge this is the correct time in which LEE resided on her property.

FORMAN stated that during LEE's residence on her property, he paid all utilities in his mane. FORMAN also related that LNE left her property owing her some money, and as a matter of fact, she and her daughter, hrs. HVIA MAE WATEON, went to Matches, Mississippi, approximately two weeks ago to see the LEE's in an attempt to secure payment on the debt could them. FORMAN stated that she did not converse with JAMES LEE regarding the money that he could her, however, she and her daughter did converse with Mrs. LEE who stated that she did not have enough money to pay the bill, but they would attempt to pay the debt as soon as possible. In conversation Mrs. FORMAN related that LEE still oved her \$159.00.

Hrs. FORMAN further solated that prior to LEE's moving into her house he lived on the WINSON's place "up the highway."

Mrs. FCHAN stated that the utility company responsible for furnishing electrical service to the area in which she is located has offices in Ferriday, Louisiana. She stated it is her understanding that the LEES departed the Wildsville Community owing the light company some money. She stated that a day before they were supposed to move out, the light company had discontinued service to the LEES.

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Mrs. FORMAN recalled that at sometime shortly after LEE moved into her house a group of individuals, all friends of the LEEs, had gathered to hold a "fish fry." She stated she distinctly remembered this event taking place, however, she could not recall the exact date. She stated further she had no idea as to how many people were in attendance and furthermore did not pay any attention to the event. She stated, however, that no local people attended the gathering and she assumed that they were friends of the LEEs from other places away from Wildsville. She stated she assumes this to be so since the LEEs had not been residents in the area too long and were consequently not acquainted with so many people in the Wildsville area. Mrs. FORMAN could furnish no additional information regarding the events or identities of individuals who attended the fish fry in the back yard of her property.

In conclusion Mrs. FORMAN was agreeable to having Bureau Agents photograph the house and her property located adjacent to her business.

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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 fishefry cames into her store and purchased some sun hats. She stated she

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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.

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Date \_\_\_\_\_ March 27, 1967

Mrs. ANNIE L. HUNTER, Secretary to BILL W. GORE, Director of the University of Southern Mississippi, Natchez Resident Center, furnished the following information after being advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent:

She stated that JAMES F. LEE signed the attendance roster at the "class organization meeting", which was held in the auditorium of the Natchez-Adams High School on February 27, 1967. Mrs. HUNTER continued that this meeting was held between 7:00 PM and 8:00 PM and that she specifically recalls LEE signing the register because of the extremely rapid speed with which he did so.

She further advised that registration for courses was held two weeks later and that LEE failed to sign up for any courses. She said that his wife, who is taking nursing courses at the Resident Center, informed her that her husband, JAMES, would not be taking any courses this semester because his work hours had just been changed at the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company.

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BILL W. GORN, Director of the University of Southern Mississippi, Natchez Resident Center, furnished the following information after being advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent:

He stated that a review of his files reflected that JANES FREDERICK LTE was in attendance at a "class organization meeting" at the Natchez-Adams High School Auditorium on February 27, 1967. GORE continued that this meeting was held between 7:00 FM and 8:00 FM and that he recalls that LEE spoke with him about some courses he was interested in following the meeting. In addition, GORE advised that LEE, in fact, registered for admission to the Resident Campus on the evening of February 27, 1957, and was subsequently accepted. He finally advised that his files failed to reflect that LEE ever in fact registered for any classes two weeks later.

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Mrs. ELLA ATKINS, Credit Bureau of Natchez, Natchez, Mississippi, on April 7, 1967, assisted SA REESIE L. TIMMCNS in a search of the records of the Credit Bureau of Natchez.

Records of the Credit Bureau contained the following information regarding JAMES F. LEE:

Address:

Wife: Date of birth: Employment:

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General Delivery, Wildsville, Louisiana CHARLOFTE June 16, 1935 Armstrong Rubber Company, Natchez, Mississippi, since 1958 at approximately \$500 per month.

As of December 1966, JAMES LEE had the following outstanding debts: \$133.78 unpaid telephone bill; \$108.00 unpaid doctor bills.

LEE's credit rating was listed as slow to unsatisfactory.

# APPENDIX

## ORIGINAL ENIGHTS OF THE RU KLUX KLAN (LOUISIANA) (OREER)

A source advised on October 25, 1963, that an organization known as the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKEK) 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 OXXXX continues to be active within the State of Louisiana, and that the sims 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.

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

Records of Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, reflect that this Klan organization was granted a corporate charter on February 21, 1951, at Atlanta, Georgia, under the name United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klau of America, Inc.

A source advised on February 27, 1961, that United Klans was formed as a result of a slip 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 perent group. These are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation of the races.

The first source and a second source advised in July, 1951, 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, Alaton Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. (The organization is directed by ROSERT 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 im Prattville, Alabama, on October 22, 1961, the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, mergad with the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klam.

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

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## WHITE KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN OF MISSISSIPPI (WKKKKOM)

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 Klen 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 August 10, 1966, that the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi is on . unincorporated secret organization existing in the State of Mississippi and dedicated to the preservation of white supremacy at any cost, including the use of force and violence. The official constitution and other directives of the organization do not show any advocation of force or violence, but it is generally conceded among the members that in the end force and violence will be the only salvation of the white man with regard to his relationships with the Negro race. The White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is controlled by the Imperial Wizard and other State Officers and the State is divided into districts and provinces. There is an estimated membership, as of August 10, 1965, of 800 to 1000 dues-paying members of this organization. The aims and purposes of the organization continue to be the same as when the organization was created in February, 1964. Sam H. Bowers, Jr., Laurel, Mississippi, continues to be the Imperial Wizard.

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RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

Reference

Report of Special Agent ROBERT T. BAUTER dated June 21, 1967, at Jackson, Mississippi.

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SAC, JACKSON (157-4168)

JAMES FREDERICK LEE, aka RM (KLAN)

Re Non-prosecutive Supplemental Summary Report of SA ALOYSIUS J. McFALL dated 12/12/66 at New Orleans.

Subject now resides at Washington, Mississippi, and is employed at Armstrong Rubber Company in Natchez, Mississippi.

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JAMES FREDERICK LEE, Highway 61, north, immediately acknowledged the identity of the interviewing Agent and stated he was completely aware of his rights and further would not object at all to talking to the interviewing Agent. This interview was conducted in the presence of LEE's wife, CHARLOTTE.

LEE volunteered that he and his wife had again discussed his past association with RALEIGH JACKSON "RED" GLOVER and had, in fact, discussed his past Klan activity. LEE stated he had previously talked with his wife and told her that he, "in the past," had some association with the Klan. He made reference to the fact that the interviewing Agent had, three or four weeks ago, told his wife of his possible involvement in the Klan so he then discussed this matter with her. LEE stated he then had a long talk with his wife and even though his wife felt he should possibly cooperate with the FBI in regard to past Klan activity and past association with "RED" GLOVER, he had decided to "forget" about his past. He stated he felt it was too dangerous for him and his family to become so involved and that he had explained to his wife that he had previously discussed this situation with his father and two brothers and all agreed he should not become involved in talking about others to the FBI.

LEE did state, however, that he had decided to disassociate himself completely with "RED" GLOVER. Mrs. LEE commented that she was sure her husband would no longer have any association with GLOVER or any Klan organization. They both agreed that this "association" had caused a bit of friction between them. They advised that even though they both consider themselves segregationists, they do not believe in harassment, murder, etcetera, and that LEE himself would have no additional association with the Klan or known Klansmen.

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LEE emphasized that it was not his intentions to convey, by virtue of not becoming involved in determining facts regarding the JACKSON and METCALFE bombings, that he had anything to do with either matter. He reiterated that he had nothing to do with either of these matters and had no prior knowledge of such. Mrs. LEE commented that she believes, after considerable discussion with her husband, that he was not, in fact, involved in these matters.

LEE commented only vaguely in response to questions as to why he is disassociating himself with "RED" GLOVER. He stated that GLOVER has certain characteristics which he, LEE, did not agree with. One of these he said was the fact that it was common knowledge that GLOVER was having extramarital relationship with one EDNA PENNINGTON of Vidalia, Louisiana.

LEE continued, however, that he also knew that the Sheriff of Adams County, Mississippi, has a brother employed at Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company in Natchez who is also currently "living" with a woman other than his wife and "no one seems to care."

LEE stated he did not desire to comment further regarding GLOVER's characteristics.

LEE stated that he had cooperated to some degree with regard to his personal background with interviewing Agent but that in view of the fact that he intends to disassociate himself with the Klan and known Klansmen, he does not desire to comment further. The Logican

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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 womenDCXED who she assumed were in attendance at the fish fry teamer into her store and purchased some sun hats. She stated she

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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. FD-302 (Rev. 4-15-64)

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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

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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 SCAROBOROUGH - 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

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date \_\_\_\_\_ April 22, 1967

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JAMES FREDERICK LEE, a resident of the W. T. Mallory Sub-Division, Highway 61 North, Natchez, immediately acknowledged the identity of the interviewing Agent and volunteered that he was completely aware of his rights and, even though he did not desire to sign any waiver of rights form, he had no objections to talking with the interviewing Agent.

LEE stated that he has heard no discussion concerning the bombing of WHARLEST JACKSON's truck on February 27, 1967, which would indicate the identities of those individuals responsible. He stated that there has been considerable discussion concerning this matter at his place of employment, Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, but reiterated that he has learned nothing which would tend to indicate those responsible.

LEE at this interview continued to deny any participation in a group known as the Silver Dollar Group and volunteered that he has had no "recent" Klan activity. He advised that he has had no time for any activity other than taking care of the responsibilities of his family. He further advised that he has never participated in making any kind of explosives to be used in harming anyone.

LEE stated that during June of 1965, he entertained several of his friends at a fish fry at his residence in Wildsville, Louisiana, and even though he could not now recall who was present, he did recall that no Klan activity was discussed and that no dealings whatsoever with explosives took place at this fish fry.

LEE stated that he believes now that such that such that the believes now that such that is 1967

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view of the fact that he believes all civil rights groups have gained far more than anyone else. He stated that Negroes interested in integration have gained financial aid and otherwise, whereas white people who are interested in segregation lost. He volunteered that he believes that such acts will continue and that another "incident" will take place within three to six months. He stated that the reason he believes this is that he feels the people responsible do not understand that Negroes gain and whites lose in regard to finances, civil rights legislation, and additional membership in civil rights groups at such time as these incidents happen.

LEE continued that in view of his feeling that such an incident is wrong, and not helping the South's cause, that he would give serious consideration to doing what he could to prevent this from happening again. FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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## Date \_\_ April 17, 1967

JAMES EDWARD WATTS was contacted at his residence, which is 134 Lee Avenue, Vidalia, Louisiana. He was advised as to the identity of the Agents by SA BENJAMIN F. GRAVES. He 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. He advised that he would talk with the Agents without his attorney being present and thereafter furnished the following information:

He advised RALEIGH JACKSON GLOVER of 113 Lee Avenue, Vidalia, Louisiane, is his stepfather. He denied having any information that GLOVER is, or has been in the past, a member of any Klan group. He denied having any information about the Silver Dollar Group, or having ever heard of this group. He denied having ever seen GLOVER with any silver dollars.

WATTS stated he first learned about WHARLEST JACKSON's death when he arrived for work at the Armstrong Rubber Company, Natchez, Mississippi, about 11:00 PM on the night of February 27, 1967. Many of the employees at the plant were discussing the explosion, which had occurred earlier that night. He could not recall any particular individuals who were discussing the explosion. The talk was general in that there had been an explosion and that a Negro had been killed. 15.7-4168-39

WATTS stated he stopped at GLOVER's residence about 9:00 AM on the morning of February 27, 1967. Schand Windexted while there GLOVER asked him to help him bleed theubrakes and on a 1956 GMC pickup truck. WATTS got into the truck, 31967 depressed the brakes, and when he learned there was he JACKSON

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resistance in the brake pedal, he assumed the master cylinder was "gome." He related his opinion to GLOVER and GLOVER commented he, GLOVER, was ill and he would not work on the brakes at that time. He stated GLOVER did have a head cold on that date.

WAITS stated after this he visited with his mother a few minutes and then went to his home.

He stated he does not know anything about GLOVER's whereabouts on the night of February 27, 1967, but he assumes GLOVER was home asleep because he had to report for work at the Armstrong Rubber Company for his 12 midnight to 8:00 AM shift.

WATTS stated GLOVER purchased the above-mentioned blue truck about nine months ago from one of his friends in Kentwood, Louisiana. WATTS does not know the identity of this individual, however, he did recall that GLOVER paid \$165.00 for the vehicle.

He stated that in January, 1967, he helped GLOVER put new wiring in this truck. The new wiring went to the coil, generator, distributor, and the starter or ignition. This vehicle had stopped on GLOVER one day as he was en route to Ferriday, Louisiana, and GLOVER discovered the problem as being poor wiring, so they added the new wire as indicated above.

He stated GLOVER painted the truck inside and outside with a spray can about four months ago. This is the reason the paint job is of poor quality.

GLOVER sold this truck to an unknown individual in the Vidalia area a fer weeks ago.

WATTS could not recall having ever done any other work in connection with the wiring system on this vehicle and to his knowledge, GLOVER had not done any other wiring work on this vehicle.

He stated that about 10% years ago GLOVER quit his job at Anustrong Rubber Company and operated a dairy which was located on the Gilsberg Road near Magnolia, Mississippi. This life did not work out and he returned to the Armstrong firm.

At the present time his mother and GLOVER are buying about ten acres of land in Kentwood, Louisiana, and they plan to move there when GLOVER retires. His mother's relatives live in the Kentwood area and his mother would like to return to that area.

WATTS edvised he knows JAMES FREDERICK LEE as the Shop Steward at the Armstrong Rubber Company. He helped LEE move from Wildsville, Louisiana, to Selma, Mississippi, a few months ago.

He stated he knew nothing about a fish fry which supposedly occurred at LEE's Wildsville residence in the Summer of 1965.

He knows ELDEN CLEN HESTER of Meadville, Mississippi, as an individual who works at the Arnstrong firm in the capacity of a scrapman. During the Summer of 1966, he saw HESTER at GLOVER's residence on one or two occasions. He thought HESTER had been driving an old cream or beige Buick when he visited at GLOVER's residence.

WATTS denied having any information regarding the murder of WHARLEST JACKSCN.

He stated he would be willing to talk with the Agents at any time.

He denied that he is, or has ever been, a member of any Klan-type group; however, he stated a couple of years ago he inquired at the office of the United Klans of America, Inc., in Natchez about joining that organization and he was advised he would have to join the organization in Louisiana. He stated he did not make any further efforts to join this organization.

The following description was obtained by observation and interrogation:

Name :	JAMES EDWARD WAITS
Alias:	Pete Watts
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Age:	23
Date if Birth:	FOIA(b)6
Place of Birth:	and the second se
Height:	5 feet 9 inches
Weight:	170 pounds
Hair:	Brown
Residence Phone No.:	336-5004
Residence:	134 Lee Avenue, Videlia,
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Former Residence:	109 Lee Avenue, Vidalia,
	Louisiana
Education:	Graduated Videlia High School,
	Videlia, Louisiana, in
	1963; attended 9th end
	10th grades at Washington,
	Mississippi; attended 11th
	grade at the Natchez,
	Nississippi High School.
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	May, 1963).

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Marital Status: Married Immediate Relatives: Wife: MARBARA ANN TAYLOR (Married by a Justice of the Peace in Washington, Mississippi, on October 21, 1962). Wife graduated from Washington,

Mother:

Father:

Stepfather:

Children:

Military Service: Drait Status:

Social Security No.: Arrests: Weapons:

Automobile:

Mrs. RALEIGH JACKSON GLOVER, 113 Lee Avenue, Vidalia, Louisiana.

Mississippi, High School.

JAMES ETHAN WATTS (deceased) - Killed in Korean War.

RALEIGE JACKSON GLOVER, 113 Lee Avenue, Vidalia, Louisiana.

Son - JAMES RUSSELL (age 4) Daughter - six months of age.

Mone 3-A, Local Draft Board No. 1, Natchez, Mississippi

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Denies any Ruger Carbine, .44 Magnum, (Serial No. 59976); .12 gauge Browning Automatic; .22 Marlin Automatic.

White 1966 Pontiac bearing 1966 Louisiana license 46E593.

Identification Record Request FD-9 (Rev. 4-28-65) INSTRUCTIONS Indicate office for reply in lower right corner only. Also list in lower right corner all offices which should receive copies of available records. Include carbon of FD-9 for each office receiving copies and forward with original to Bureau. 1. This form may be submitted in legible hand printing. 2. Use separate form for each individual on whom record is requested. 3. Make effort to furnish FBI identification number, law enforcement identification number, or military service number. 6. Do not fill in block in lawer left carner. 4. Furnish descriptive data and fingerprint classification only when FBI number not available. Date 4-11-67 Attention: Identification Division To: DIRECTOR, FBI Field File No. /57- 4168 WHARBOM Furnish The Known Identification Record of the Following: FBI No. FREDERICIL JAMES LEE Other No. AJN- 18204713 SOCIAL SECURITY - 434-48-3495 SELECTIVE SERVICE # - 16- 74-35- 32 Jimmy Jim KED Residence RT 5, BOX 70 Bace thplace WASHINGTON, Miss. ORANGE, TEXAS M 4 6 Weight Height 10" RED KUDDY FRECKLES STOCK SLUE 175 Ingerprint Classification 1" SCAR ON BASE OF LEFT PHIM Also Furnish: Photo Fingerprints Handwriting Specimens Identification Division's Reply 4-18-67 Return Reply to: 157-4168 ALIGON On basis of information furnished, unable to identify: Criminal Files Civil Files All Files Send Copies To: Record Attached CN Photo Attached 4168-38 Photo Not Available Fingerprints Attached Handwriting Specimen Attached SERIALIZED 9 APR 2 0 196 Only record available attached.

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<sup>TO</sup> : SAC, JACKSON (157-4168) (P)

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Mrs. ELLA ATKINS, Credit Bureau of Natchez, Natchez, Mississippi, on April 7, 1967, assisted SA REESIE L. TIMMONS in a search of the records of the Credit Bureau of Natchez.

Records of the Credit Bureau contained the following information regarding JAMES F. LEE:

Address:

Wife: Date of birth: Employment: General Delivery, Wildsville, Louisiana CHARLOTTE June 16, 1935 Armstrong Rubber Company, Natchez, Mississippi, since 1958 at approximately \$500 per month.

As of December 1966, JAMES LEE had the following outstanding debts: \$133.78 unpaid telephone bill; \$108.00 unpaid doctor bills.

LEE's credit rating was listed as slow to unsatisfactory.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 6, 1967

Mrs. M. A. FORMAN, SR., owner of Forman Market and Grocery Store, located on Louisiana State Route 565, Wildsville, Louisiana, voluntarily furnished the following information:

Mrs. FORMAN stated that she recalled that JAMES LEE was a former tonant of hers who resided in the wooden frame two-story house located adjacent to her store. She recalled that LEE and his family resided in her house during the period May 1965 to sometime in August 1966. She stated she was not sure of the dates and thought she might be mistaken by a month or so, but to the best of her knowledge this is the correct time in which LEE resided on her property.

FORMAN stated that during LEE's residence on her property, he paid all utilities in his name. FORMAN also related that LEE left her property owing her some money, and as a matter of fact, she and her daughter, Mrs. NYLA MAE WATSON, went to Matchez, Mississippi, approximately two weeks ago to see the LEEs in an attempt to secure payment on the debt owed them. FORMAN stated that she did not converse with JAMES LEE regarding the money that he owed her, however, she and her daughter did converse with Mrs. LEE who stated that she did not have enough money to pay the bill, but they would attempt to pay the debt as soon as possible. In conversation Mrs. FORMAN related that LEE still owed her \$159.00.

Hrs. FORMAN further related that prior to LEE's moving into her house he lived on the WILSON's place "up the highway."

Mrs. FCRMAN stated that the utility company responsible for furnishing electrical service to the area in which she is located has offices in Ferriday, Louisiana. She stated it is her understanding that the LEE's departed the Wildsville Community owing the light company some money. She stated that a day before they were supposed to move out, the light company had discontinued service to the LEEs.

157-4168-27A On 4/5/67 at Wildsville, Louisiana File # Jackson 4 SA REESIE L. TIMIONS and SERIALIZED FU FILED by SA DONALD J. CHSARM \_\_\_\_\_Date dictated \_\_\_\_\_4/5/401 1 7 1967 DJC/2cp This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

Mrs. FORMAN recalled that at sometime shortly after . LEE moved into her house a group of individuals, all friends of the LEEs, had gathered to hold a "fish fry." She stated she distinctly remembered this event taking place, however, she could not recall the exact date. She stated further she had no idea as to how many people were in attendance and furthermore did not pay any attention to the event. She stated, however, that no local people attended the gathering and she assumed that they were friends of the LEEs from other places away from Wildsville. She stated she assumes this to be so since the LEEs had not been residents in the area too long and were consequently not acquainted with so many people in the Wildsville area. Mrs. FORMAN could furnish no additional information regarding the events or identities of individuals who attended the fish fry in the back yard of her property.

In conclusion Mrs. FORMAN was agreeable to having Bureru Agents photograph the house and her property located adjacent to her business. FD-302 (Rev. 4-15-64)

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date March 27, 1967

BILL W. GORE, Director of the University of Southern Mississippi, Natchez Resident Center, furnished the following information after being advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent:

He stated that a review of his files reflected that JAMES FREDERICK LEE was in attendance at a "class organization meeting" at the Natchez-Adams High School Auditorium on February 27, 1967. CORE continued that this meeting was held between 7:00 PM and 8:00 PM and that he recalls that LEE spoke with him about some courses he was interested in following the meeting. In addition, GORE advised that LEE, in fact, registered for admission to the Resident Campus on the evening of February 27, 1967, and was subsequently accepted. He finally advised that his files failed to reflect that LEE ever in fact registered for any classes two weeks later.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date \_\_\_\_\_\_ March 27, 1967

Mrs. ANNIE L. HUNTER, Secretary to BILL W. GORE, Director of the University of Southern Mississippi, Natchez Resident Center, furnished the following information after being advised of the identity of the interviewing Agent:

She stated that JAMES F. LEE signed the attendance roster at the "class organization meeting", which was held in the auditorium of the Natchez-Adams High School on February 27, 1967. Mrs. HUNTER continued that this meeting was held between 7:00 PM and 8:00 PM and that she specifically recalls LEE signing the register because of the extremely rapid speed with which he did so.

She further advised that registration for courses was held two weeks later and that LEE failed to sign up for any courses. She said that his wife, who is taking nursing courses at the Resident Center, informed her that her husband, JAMES, would not be taking any courses this semester because his work hours had just been changed at the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company.



3/23/67 at Natchez, Mississippi

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JAMES FREDERICK LEE, resident of Rural Selma, Mississippi, acknowledged the identity of the interviewing Agents, and volunteered that he understood his rights completely, but that for personal reasons he did not desire to sign a Waiver of Rights form.

LEE continued to deny any membership at the present time in any klan group. He did state, however, that he had in the past had some affiliation with klan groups, but he did not desire to further identify these groups and would not furnish any specifics thereof.

LEE emphatically denied any participation or knowledge of the bombing of WHARLEST JACKSON's truck in Natchez, Mississippi, on February 27, 1967. He stated that he did not know WHARLEST JACKSON prior to his murder, but had heard him described as a "good Negro." LEE volunteered that he knew GEORGE METCALFE as a local Negro National Association for the Avancement of Colored People worker and that he knew that METCALFE had been riding with JACKSON to work at the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company. He further described METCALFE as an "agitator" and volunteered that he felt that because it was generally thought that METCALFE was an "agitator" and that JACKSON was a "good" Negro, that the bombing of JACKSON's truck was actually meant for METCALFE. LEE advised this was his own thinking and that he had never heard this fact discussed in his presence.

LEE stated that on the day this act occurred he had been at home all day until approximately 4:00 p.m., at which time he traveled to Natchez High School where he is enrolled in an adult education course and that he had remained there until approximately 7:00 p.m. He stated he went directly home arriving at 7:30 p.m.

LEE advised he has no idea whatsoever who might be responsible for the bombing of WHARLEST JACKSON's truck.

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Date March 8, 1967

JAMES FREDERICK LEE was advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and volunteered that he recalled being interviewed by SA FRANK B. WATTS during September, 1965, and further advised that he was well aware of his rights but did not desire to sign a waiver of rights form. He did state, however, that he desired to furnish the following information:

LEE stated that he is not now nor has he ever been a member of any Klan organization and that he does not know anyone who is so associated.

LEE stated that he has never been a member of any group known as the "Silver Dollar Group" and does not recall ever having this mentioned to him before with the exception of when he was interviewed by Bureau agents in 1965.

LEE stated that during contact with his friends and relatives he has never heard any discussion concerning planned acts of violence and never heard the name WHARLEST JACKSON mentioned until after this individual's truck was bombed. He advised that he works the "graveyard shift" in Department 23 at Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company in Natchez and learned after JACKSON was murdered that JACKSON also worked in this department. He stated, however, that he did not know this until after this crime was committed. LEE advised he had no idea whatsoever who might be responsible for the murder of JACKSON.

LEE stated that he knew GEORGE METCALFE and that he had heard GEORGE METCALFE's name mentioned on numerous occasions at Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company but does not recall hearing any discussion in regard to planned acts of violence concerning METCALFE.

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LEE advised that he is acquainted on a social basis with R. J. GLOVER, TOMMIE JONES, JAMES SCAROBOROUGH, T. L. TORGERSON, JACK and JAMES SEALE, all of the Vidalia, Louisiana, and Natchez, Mississippi, area. He stated, however, that he has never been in any organization with these individuals and knew them only on a social basis. He volunteered that approximately a year ago he and R. J. GLOVER planned a fish fry at his (LEE's) residence in Wildsville, Louisiana. He said that most of the above-mentioned individuals were present at this fish fry but that this was not an organizational meeting of any sort and that no discussions were had except general family matters.

The following physical description of LEE was obtained during this interview:

> Name: Residence: Race: Sex: Height: Weight: Eyes: Hair: Complexion: Date of Birth: Place of Birth: Automobiles:

Employment:

JAMES FREDERICK LEE Selma, Mississippi White Male 5' 10" 170 Blue Red (receding) Ruddy (freckles) June 16, 1935 Orange, Texas 1962 blue Tempest, fourdoor sedan; 1964 green Chevrolet station wagon Department 23, Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, Natchez, Miss.

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# Date \_\_\_\_\_ March 4, 1967

Jackson 44-2044

JAMES FREDRICK LEE, Box 145, Selma, Mississippi, was interviewed at the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company Plant, Natchez, Mississippi. LEE was advised that he did not have to make any statement and that he had the right to consult with an attorney of his choice prior to making any statement, and that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law. LEE furnished the the following information:

LEE stated that he has been employed at the Armstrong Tire Company for approximately the last 20 years and is currently working as a tire builder in Department 23. LEE stated that he works on the graveyard shift from midnight to 8:00 AM each day.

LEE stated that he arrived at work at approximately 11:45 PM on the evening of Monday, February 27, 1967, and after punching in for work he learned that another Armstrong Company employee had been killed as the result of a bomb which had been placed in his truck. LEE stated that he received this information from a co-worker, but he could not recall the identity, but stated that the incident was being discussed by all the workers at the plant.

LEE stated that he was not acquainted with WHARLEST JACKSON, either personally or by sight. LEE stated that he had never heard any conversation regarding JACKSON's appointment to a new job in the cement mixing plant, nor did he know of any threats against JACKSON's life. LEE stated that he could not furnish any information whatsoever regarding JACKSON's death.

LEE advised that he has had no experience or training in the use of dynamite or blasting caps, and that he would not know how to detonate an explosion with these materials.

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Un	SA BRENT W. WARBERG and	157-4168-12
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LEE stated that to the best of his knowledge there is no racial friction at the Armstrong Plant. LEE advised that one or two nights ago an incident occurred in his department in which a white worker named AL NATION placed a "snake" on the conveyer belt of a Negro worker named JOHN HEAD, as a result of which HEAD filed a complaint with the company management. LEE explained that the "snake" was actually a small strip of rubber which generally resembled a snake, and that it was a common practice for the plant employees to try to scare one another through the use of this so-called "snake". LEE stated that this is a common practice and that it was not done because of the fact that HEAD was a Negro. LEE further stated that as a result of his conduct NATION was laid off and he, LEE, resented the fact that HEAD had complained directly to management rather than to his supervisor or to him, LEE, Union Steward, who would normally handle such matters on the shop floor.

LEE stated that on Monday, February 27, 1967, he went to bed shortly after he finished work at 8:00 AM and did not get up until approximately 5:00 PM. LEE then went to the Natchez High School Auditorium at approximately 7:00 PM in order to register for free classes in the University of Southern Mississippi extension program and returned to his home at approximately 8:30 PM where he remained until he went to work at approximately 11:00 PM.

LEE stated that he is not now, nor has he ever been, a member of the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Mississippi (WKKKKOM), the United Klans of America, Inc. (UKA), or any other Klan-type group. LEE stated that he felt everyone at Armstrong was hurt by the bombing resulting in JACKSON's death and that if he learned of any information regarding this matter he would contact the FBI.

The following description and background information was obtained through observation and interview:

Name: Sex: Race: Date of Birth: Place of Birth: Height: Weight: Build: Hair: Education:

Military Service:

Military Service No.: 18204713 Present Employment: Armstrong

Past Employment:

Social Security No.: Driver's License: Marital Status: Draft Board:

Relatives: Wife: Children:

Parents:

Organizations: Automobile: JAMES FREDRICK LEE Male White June 16, 1935 Orange, Texas 5 feet 10 inches 170 pounds Medium Red 12 grades high school, graduated June 1, 1954, St. Francisville, La., One year college, Louisiana State University. U. S. Army, 8/30/54-8/29/57, Honorable Discharge Armstrong Tire Company, Department 23-8, tire builder, July 8, 1966, Clock No. 1613 Brarm Roof, Inc., St. Francisville, Louisiana 434-48-3495 1196388 (Louisiana) Married No. 74, 116 Ferdinand Street, St. Francisville, Louisiana

CHARLOTTE LEE KATHRINE JACQUILE DELORAS JAMES WILLIAM JEFFRY PAUL WALLACE P. LEE, born Port Arthur, Texas MILDRED CORLEY, Pineville, La. Mason 1962 Tempest

Weapons:

Residence:

Residence Phone No.: Previous Arrests: Associates:

Winchester pump model .12 .22 high standard pistol revolver, Frontier, 9 shot General Delivery, Wildsville, Louisiana, P.O. Box 145, Selma, Mississippi P.O. Box 145. Washington, Mississippi None None JAMES R. LEAKE, St. Francisville, Louisiana, State Representative CHARLES SHEETS, St. Francisville, Louisiana, farmer CLIFFORD WILCOX, St. Francisville, Louisiana, Mayor

Memorandum Memorandum

DATE:

TO : SAC, JACKSON (157-4168) (P)

FROM : SA JAMES R. MCGEE

SUBJECT:

JAMES FREDERICK LEE, aka. RM - (KLAN)

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For information of Jackson Agents contacting informants in the Natchez, Miss. area, subject, as reported by New Orleans Racial sources was a leader of the Monterey Unit of the OKKKK. Subject has recently moved from Wildsville, La. to Washington, Miss. and is employed at Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, Natchez, Mississippi.

Subject is described as a white male, date of birth 6/16/35, place of birth Orange, Texas, height 5' 10", weight 175 pounds, hair, reddish, eyes, blue, build, stocky.

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to determine if subject is active in Klan matters around Natchez, Mississippi.

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An extra copy of this report is being furnished the Bureau for dissemination to Secret Service, Washington, D.C., in view of the fact that subject falls within category 5 (C), agreement between Secret Service and the FBI concerning Presidential protection.

An extra copy of this report is also being furnished Secret Service, MIG, and NISO, New Orleans, as well as OSI, Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana, in view of their interest in Klan matters.

The investigative period of this report reflects only the date of file review and not dates of actual investigation.

This case is being placed in a closed status in view of the fact that no information has been received from informants that the subject continues to be active in any Klan organization. In the event the subject resumes his Klan activities and meets the existing criteria for active investigation, this case will be re - opened and a supplemental summary report will be submitted.

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Report of	SA ALOYSIUS J. MC FALL	Office: NEW

Date: DECEMBER 12, 1966

Field Office File #: NO 157-4592

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Title

RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

JAMES FREDERICK LEE

Synopsis:

LEE has moved from Wildsville, Louisiana, to Washington, Mississippi. LEE is employed at the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company in Natchez, Mississippi. No information has been received that LEE is currently active in any Klan type organization.

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# DETAILS:

A characterization of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK) will be found as an appendix to the report.

I. BACKGROUND:

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A. Residence

NO T-2 advised on November 18, 1966, that LEE moved from Wildsville, Louisiana,

B. Employment:

NO T-2 advised further that LEE is known to continue to work at the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company in Natchez, Mississippi.

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#### C. Automobile Data:

LEE has been previously reported to drive a 1962 light blue Pontiac sedan, which vehicle bears 1966-67 Louisiana license plate 46 E 972.

D. Miscellaneous:

NO T-2 advised on November 18, 1966, that LEE is very untrustworthy and anyone dealing with him "should not turn their back" on him.

II. AFFILIATION WITH KLAN OR HATE TYPE ORGANIZATIONS:

NO T-1 advised on May 4, 1966, that LEE, who was at one time active in the Klan is not known presently to be affiliated with any klan group.

NO T-1 advised on June 20, 1966, that the OKKKK had been meeting in Ferriday, Louisiana, area.

No information has been received that LEE continues to be active in any klan organization.

Sources have previously reported that the subject was one of the leaders of the Monterey, Louisiana, Unit of the OKKKK.

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APPENDIX

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

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.

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New Orleans, Louisiana December 12, 1966

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This case is being placed in a pending inactive status for a period of six months. At the conclusion of six months, informants will be contacted to ascertain if there has been any acts of violence perpetrated by the subject or any Klan activity on his part.

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JAMES FREDRICK LEE

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157-4592

RACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

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The subject esides at Wildsville, Louisiana, and is employed by the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, Natchez, Mississippi. Subject is not known to be active in any Klan activity in Corpordia Parish at this time.

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# DETAILS:

I. BACKGROUND:

# A. RESIDENCE:

Subject resides at Wildsville, Louisiana, his mailing address is General Delivery, Wildsville, Louisiana.

B. EMPLOYMENT:

Subject is employed at the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, Spitchez, Mississippi.

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# C. CURRENT POSITION IN ORGANIZATION:

On May 4, 1966, NO T-1 advised that the subject is not known to be active in any Xlan group in Concordia Parish, Louisiana.

# D. AUTOMOBILE DATA:

Subject owns 1962 light blue Pontiac Temptest, bearing 1966-67 Louisiana License 462972.

Subject also owns a 1954 Chevrolet one-half ton pick-up truck, bearing 1966 Louisiana License 78 895.

#### E. ACTIVITY OF SUBJECT:

NO T-1 advised that the subject was observed in the Ferriday, Louisiana, area on the night the attempted bombing of DAVID WHATLEY'S house was made. DAVID WHATLEY, is a Negro Civil Rights worker in Ferriday, Louisiana.

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By communication dated January 19, 1966, the Jackson Division made available two photographs of the subject which were taken on September 3, 1965. Subject was described as follows:

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Sex Race Date of Birth June 16, 1935 Place of Birth Orange, Texas Hair Red (rec. ding) Eyes Blue Eyes Height Weight Complexion Address

Male White Blue Blue 5 feet 10 inches 170 pounds Ruddy (freckles) General Delivery, Wildsville, Louisiana

# III. INTERVIEW WITH SUBJECT:

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JAMES FREDERICK LEE, General Delivery, Wildsville, Louisiana, was interviewed at his residence.

At the outset of the interview, he was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents and was further advised by SA DONALD J. MC GORTY, that he did not have to make a statement and that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law. He was further advised by SA MC GORTY that he had the right to consult with an attorney of his choice, prior to making any statement.

LEE stated that he knew nothing of the attempted bombing of DAVID WHATLEY's house nor did he in any way participate in the attempt. He stated that he sometimes stops off in Ferriday, Louisiana, on his way to or from work, to have a drink and he could very well have been in town the night of the attempted bombing. He stated that someone must have it in for him because every time something happens in the Ferriday, Louisiana, and surrounding areas, he is always the one who is a suspect.

He stated that inasmuch as he knew nothing about this incident, he did not wish to make any further statement.

The following description of LEE was obtained by observation and interview:

Name		JAMES FREDERICK LEE,
Sex		Jimmy Lee, Jim Lee Male
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Place of Birth Height	9 <sup>- 1</sup>	Orango, Texas 5'10"
Weight		175 pounds
Eyes Hair		Blue Reddish
Build		Stocky

3/18/66, Wildsville, Louisiana File # 174-133 SA's DONALD J. MC GORTY and DAVID V. BUCKLEY/srl/com

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Ruddy (freckles) General Delivery, Wildsville, Louisiana Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, Natchez, Mississippi Married - wife, CHARLOTTE

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New Orleans, Louisiana

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JAMES FREDRICK LEE FACIAL MATTERS (KLAN)

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Subject resides at Wildsville, Loud and, and is employed by the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, Natchez, Mississippi. He is reported to be one of the leaders of the Monterey Unit of the OKKKK. Eachground information set forth.

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#### DETAILS:

This investigation is predicated upon information received that JAMMES FREDRICK LEE is a leader of the Monterey Unit of the OKANK.

A characterization of the OKKKK can be found in the Appendix section of this report.

The following background information was obtained by a review of LEE's employment and credit records.

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I. BACKGROUND

A. Birthdate

Subject was born June 16, 1935, at Orange, Texas.

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B. Citizenship Status

American by birth.

C. Education

Louisiana State University, one year.

D. Marital Status

Married, wife CHARLOTTE, and has children.

E. Residence

General Delivery, Wildsville, Louisiana.

F. Enployment .

Employed at the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, Natchez, Mississippi. 

G. Military Service

The service record of LEE was reviewed, and the following information was obtained:

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JAMES FREDRICK LEE, SN 18204713, enlisted in the U. S. Army August 31, 1954. He served on active duty until August 30, 1957, when honorably released from service as Specialist 3rd Class, Fort Ord, California, and transferred to U. S. Army Reserve when he served inactive until July 31, 1962, when honorably discharged.

Army records failed to disclose any information indicating LEE has or had specific knowledge in the fields of demolitions or explosives. Records also failed to disclose any mental or nervous disorder.

The following background information and description was also obtained:

Date of Birth Place of Birth Height Weight Race Sez Hair Eyes Blood Type Scars and Marks Education Hilitary Occupation

Address -

Relatives

June 16, 1935 Orange, Texas 5'-10" 180 pounds White Male Red Blue Blue Group A 1 inch scar on the base of left palm four years of high school Administrative Specialist General Delivery St. Francisville, Louisiana (August, 1957) Wife - CHARLOTTE J. LEE Father - WALLACE PAUL LET Mother - MILDRED LOUISE LEE (All of Epx 397, St. ) (Francisville, La., August,) (1957.

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#### H. Credit and Criminal Record

Chief Deputy RAYMOND KRATELEY, Concordia Parish Courthouse, Vidalia, Louisiana on July 30, 1965, advised that JAMES LNE is unknown to him and there is no record of LNE in his files.

MARGARET MING, Credit Bureau, Ferriday, Louisiana, on July 20, 1965, advised that her records reflect a report on one JAMES F. LEE, White Male, General Delivery, Wildsville, Louisiana, dated September 23, 1960. LEE was then employed by Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, Natchez, Mississip, P-had a wife, CHARLOTTE, and two children and was years of age in 1959. LEE is the son of Reverend WALLY P. LET, Evangelist Church, Wildsville, Louisiana.

Chief of Police ROBERT V. WARREN, Ferriday, Louisiana, on July 31, 1965, advised that he did not know JAMES LEE, however, there is an arrest record for one JAMES FREDERICK LEE of Wildsville, Louisiana. LEE, not otherwise identified, was arrested in 1959 for a minor traffic violation.

Mrs. E. ATKINS, Manager, Credit Bureau of Natchez, Mississippi, furnished the following information from files of that office concerning JAMES F. LNE, General Delivery, Wildsville, Louisiana:

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LEE has been employed by the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, Natchez, Hississippi since December 3, 1953. His birthdate was recorded as June 16, 1935. As of 1959, his wife's name was CHARLOTTE and they had three children. Information in the file reflected that LEE trades principally at Jonesville and Ferriday, Louisiana, and also indicated a reference from July, 1962, at Fidelity Credit and General Notors Acceptance Corporation at Alexandria, Louisiana. Associates Discounts at Honroe, Louisiana, inquired concerning LEE in 1962. The file reflected that in November, 1962, he was \$41.49 overdue on an account with the J. C. Penney Company, where his account was unsatisfactory. As of September, 1964, he was four phyments behind on an account with Actine Finance, Natchez, Mississippi. The Singer Sewing Machine Company, Natchez, Mississippi, also reported a bad debt on LEE in September, 1963. The Last inquiry on LEE in the file was by Britton and Koostz Bank, Natchez, Mississippi, September, 1964. A suit for \$288,78 by the Wilkon Service Store, July 6, 1962, hes been satisfied, according to the file.

# I. Physical Description

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Sex Race Date of Birth Place of Eirth Height Weight Build Complexion Eyes Hair Malo White June 16, 1935 Orango, Texas 5'-7" 185 pounds Stocky Ruddy Brown Brown Brown (receding)

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Mother

Father

MTLDRED LEE Wildsville, Louisiana WALIACE P. LEE Wildsville, Louisiana 434-48-3495

Social Security Number

J. Automobile Data

A 1962 light Blue Pontiac Tempest bearing 1965 Louisiana License Number 368850.

A 1954 Chevrolet 1/2 Ton pickup bearing 1965 Louisiana License Number 78-895.

K. Special Abilities of Subject

Unknown. It is not known if subject owns weapons.

L. Associates

E. D. MORACE, J. L. SCARBOROUGH, R. J. GLOVER, these individuals are reported to be members of the OKKKK.

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M. Photograph

Not available at present.

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# II. CONNECTIONS WITH KLAN OR HATE-TYPE ORGANIZATIONS

On May 13, 1965, NO T-2 advised that JAMES LEE was the investigator for the Monterey Unit of the OKKKK.

On June 2, 1965, NO T-1 advised that JAMES LEE was the acting investigator for the Monterey Unit of the OKKKK.

On June 3, 1965, NO T-1 advised that JAMES LEE is one of the individuals who had taken charge of the Monterey Unit of the OKKKK.

On June 22, 1965, NO T-2 advised that at a State meeting of the OKKKK held at Winnsboro, Louisiana on June 19, 1965, JAMES LEE represented the Monterey Unit of the OKKKX.

NO T-2 further advised on June 22, 1965, that JIM LEE of the Horseshoe Lake area was one of the individuals who was involved in the dynamiting of a Negro church at Sicily Island, Louisiana during September, 1964.

On July 20, 1965, NO T-2 advised that JAMES LEE was in attendance at a state meeting of the OKKKK held at Winnsboro, Louisiana on July 17, 1965.

NO T-2 advised that he had heard that on August 23, 1965, JAMES LEE telephoned E. D. MORACE and told MORACE that he would like to talk to him. That same date MORACE went to the home of LEE. LEE told MORACE that they had attempted an experiment that they had attempted to set off a charge in an oak stump. LEE stated they wired the charge to the spark plugs on an automobile and that it did not go off. He stated they then touched the wires to the coil on the auto and the charge blew the stump to bits. LEE asked MORACE if the electric charge in the coil was constant and MORACE told him yes. LEE wanted to know if the coil was charged with

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electricity with the switch of the car off and MORACE stated no. LEE wanted to know if the coil on a six cylinder Chevrolet could be reached by a person lying underneath the car. MORACE told LEE he did not know as he had never attempted to reach the coil from underneath a car.

JAMES LEE has been reported by this informant as being a member of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, having been a member of the Monterey Unit in Concordia Parish. LEE has also been reported by informant as being a member of the "Silver Dollar Group" which group informant described as being composed of persons residing in Mississippi and Louisiana who would probably commit acts of violence.

NO T-2 advised on August 24, 1965, that he had learned that SONNY TAYLOR of Harrisonburg, Louisiana had been in contact with E. D. MORACE, at which time TAYLOR mentioned the blowing up of an Oak stump. TAYLOR has been reported by NO T-2 as probably being a member of the "Silver Dollar Group!"

R. J. GLOVER of Vidalia, Louisiana, who is employed at the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, has been reported by NO T-2 as being a member of the "Silver Dollar Group" and as having been a member of the OKKKK at Vidalia, Louisiana.

In addition to the above, the informant has reported the following as being members of the "Silver Dollar Group":

JIMMY SCARBOROUGH, Exalted Cyclops of the Ferriday Unit of O.K.

WOODROW "BLUE" HOLLOWAY, KBI, Ferriday, Louisiana
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BUCK HORTON and NORMAN HEAD, both of Vidalia, Louisiana

T. L. TORGENSON ERNEST FINLEY (deceased) ERNEST PARKER ERNEST AVANTS TOMMY JONES and

JACK SEALE, Natchez, Mississippi area

NO T-2 advised Special Agent in Charge ROY K. MOORE and Special Agent ELMER B. LITCHFIELD on September 7, 1965, that E. D. MORACE had been in contact with R. J. GLOVER of Vidalia, Louisiana on September 1, 1965. MORACE had asked GLOVER about the explosion in the car of GEORGE METCALFE at the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company and GLOVER stated that he did not know a thing about the explosion. GLOVER advised that he had worked through his lunch hour on the night before the explosion. GLOVER mentioned to MORACE that "RED" LEE (JAMES LEE) had asked him, GLOVER, for some electric dynamite caps and MORACE had told LEE that he did not have any.

GLOVER told MORACE that he was worried about LEE as LEE had not been "acting right lately."

NO T-2 advised that on September 1, 1965, E. D. MORACE telephonically contacted JAMES LEE and asked LEE to contact him at his place of employment. On the morning of September 2, 1965, MORACE and LEE met at MORACE's job at which time MORACE reminded LEE of the Klan meeting that was to be held on Monday night, September 6, 1965, in Clayton, Louisiana. NO T-2 advised that he had heard LEE previously mention blowing up a Oak tree and that LEE had remarked in general conversation that they had a Negro they wanted to get.

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NO T-2 advised that on the morning of September 2, 1965, LEE and MORACE were talking when MORACE said "I see you got your nigger." LEE asked MORACE what he was talking about and MORACE stated, "The one at Armstrong." MORACE and LEE did not discuss this any more, but went across the street and had a cup of coffee. During the course of having a cup of coffee MORACE mentioned to LEE that the police would possibly be checking for clues in the explosion. MORACE said to LEE that anyone that had anything to do with it should burn their clothes and other things, at which time LEE mentioned that JAMES SEALE was a good man and that he "didn't blink an eye." LEE mentioned to MORACE two or three times that SONNY TAYLOR and (FNU) FORD were good men as they would go anywhere, anytime and do anything. LEE did not further describe MORACE nor did MORACE mention anything concerning FORD.

NO T-2 stated that in view of the conversation heard between LEE and MORACE he was quite sure that LEE had knowledge of the explosion and that possibly JAMES SEALE, SONNY TAYLOR, and the unknown individual by the last name of FORD were possibly implicated.

NO T-2 advised that JAMES LEE and SONNY TAYLOR are to testify for JAMES SEALE in a matter which SEALE has brought against a member of the Mississippi Highway Patrol. NO T-2 further advised that on the night before the explosion in METCALFE's car, a number of members of the Ku Klux Klan from the Natchez, Mississippi area had gone to some place in Mississippi over a 150 miles from Natchez. Source stated that it was his

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JAMES IME, Ceneral Delivery, Wildswille, Louisians, who wesides in the Black Hiver section, was interviewed at his residence. SA TONY J. SEABAUGH adviced LEE that he did not have to make a statement and that any statement made could be used against him in a court of law. LEE was also reminded that he had the right to consult his attorney before contineing with the interview.

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LEE related that he was bern 6/16/35, in Grange, Texes, and is the son of WALLACE P. LEE, currently minister of the Evangline Baptist Church of Wildsville. LEE mentioned that he served in the U.S. Army from 6/31/54 until 8/30/57. as an chlisted man in the infantry. He reportedly received an honorable discharge. At present, LEE is married to CHARLATTE LEE, and they have three small children.

With regard to motor vehicles, LEE said he cums and drives a 1952 light blue Pontias Tempest bearing Louisians 36x350, and a 1955 Chourdlet & ton pickup bearing Louisians 78 895. LEE added that he has been employed et the Amstrong Fire & Rubber Company, Natchez, Mississippi, during the past seven years and at present is working the night shift.

LEE stated that he is not now and has nover been a member of the No Mum Men; however, he is in complete agreement with aims and purposes of the Mian. LEE churacterized himself as a "acgregationist" and a "conservative" and said, "No outsider is going to come in here and tell me what to do." LEE continued that he believed that the U. S. Covernment has gone so far "socialistic" that it cannot be turned back without some port of violence. LEE said he had been trained to will while in the Army, but declined to connent as to what he meant by this statement. He added, however, under repeated questioning that he did not condene violence unless someone were attempting to harm you or your femily.

LEE was questioned in detail regarding the explosion at the Hipe Well Reptist Church in Sicily Island, Louisiane, in September, 1954, and he maintained that he had not heard of the incident.

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LEE continued that he knew nothing concerning this incident and did not believe that anyone he know would be involved. LEE caid he had been through Sicily Island twice, but did not know anyone there.

LEE stated that he does not object to the Negrees marching or demonstrating as lobs as they do not interfere with moraal business operations such as "sit-ins." He added that he know of he one who would engage in violence to provent such marches or demonstrations.

The following is a description of LNE as obtained through observation and interview:

Mano Addato	SAMES LEE
SOE	Male
Raco	White
Date of Birth	Juno 16, 1935
Place of Eirth	Orango, Texas
Height	50 3"
Weight	180 - 190 pour
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JAMES FREDRICK LEE was interviewed at his residence in the Lismore Community, Ferriday, Louisiana, after being advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents and after being advised by SA FRANK B. MATTS that he did not have to make a statement, that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of lew and that he had the right to consult with an attorney before making any statement. No threats or promises of any sort were made to him in connection with this interview.

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LEE stated that he resides in the Lismore Community of Ferriday, Louisiana, with his wife and four children and is employed in Department 23 of the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, Natchez, Mississippi, currently on a 12 midnight-to 8 A.M., shift. He advised that he has been employed at Armstrong in this capacity for the past seven years.

LEE stated that on August 26, 1965, he arrived at the plant in Natchez and punched in at about 11:15 P.M. He stated he left the plant on August 27, 1965, punching out at about 8 A.M. LEE advised that he travels in a car pool from his residence in Ferriday, Louisiana, to the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company in Natchez each day he is employed. He advised that the other employees in his car pool are D. R. NOLAN, EDDIE JONES and T. RENFRO.

LEE advised that he was not absolutely sure who drove on August 26 - 27, 1965, to the Armstrong Plant but believes that he drove himself. He stated that when it is his time to drive, he drives his personally owned car, a 1962 blue Tempest, four-door, with Louisiana license 36X850. He stated that he, as well as other drivers in his car pool, always park in the rear parking lot of the plant behind the bigewarehouse. He advised that they always drive through the front gate as they are not permitted to go or come from the rear gate.

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LEE stated that from the time he punched in (approximately 11:15 P.M.) on August 26, 1965, until he left (approximately 8 A.M.) on August 27, 1965, he did not leave the plant for any reason whatsoever. He stated that he knows of no one else going out of the plant on this shift. "He stated he did know of a couple of employees who usually go out at breakfast break (4 A.M.) but did not desire to furnish their identities.

LEE edvised he has never eaten in the cafeteria located on the premises of the plant and that he always carries his lunch. He stated that he usually eats in the smoking area located on the floor where he works end on this particular morning, recalled that he did, in fact, eat his lunch which he brought with him in the smoking area located on the floor where he works.

He advised that as his car pool drives to and from the Armstrong Plant they do not drive by the triangle where GEORGE METCALFE was bombed. So, accordingly, LEE stated that he did not pass by the triangle either going or coming to work on August 26 -27, 1965, and therefore noticed nothing.

LEE advised that he knew nothing in regard to the explosion of GEORGE METCALFE's car and that the first he learned about it was reading it in the paper a day or so later. He stated that he knows the exact location where this car was bombed but has not observed it since this explosion occurred. He stated that he first heard details of this explosion from unrecalled employees when he returned to work the following Sunday midnight.

He advised that he does not know GEORGE METCALFE, and as far as he knows, he has never seen him before but that he is familiar with the name GEORGE METCALFE and the fact that this person was head of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) in Natchez, Mississippi. He advised

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that he gained this familiarity through conversations with other employees and reading articles in the newspaper which reflected METCALFE's activity in connection with integration. He stated that he has heard other employees, whom he does not now recall, talk about METCALFE and was told that his family had left him. He stated that that he has heard nothing additional concerning METCALFE's family life and that he knows nothing concerning METCALFE's daily habits. He advised that he knows that the Victim was not a popular person around the Armstrong Plant and that he "knows of about 5,000 people who would want to bomb him,"

LEE volunteered that dynamite is "dangerous stuff, you're really asking for it if you don't know how to handle it." LEE stated that he has never "messed" with a stick of dynamite . and did not touch even a dynamite cap.

LEE further volunteered that dynamite is not used anymore for blasting stumps, that nowedays bulldozers are used. LEE stated, "I wildn't know where to get any, and wolldn't mess with it if I had some."

LEE advised that he is not now nor has he ever been, a member of any Klan organization and has never boon asked to join. He stated that he has heard some of the employed the Armstrong Plant in Natchez, whom he has worked with, say that they were members of the Klan but that they did not elaborate on this, and that he did not desire to reveal their identities.

LEE volunteered that he did not know if the Klan was actually behind this explosion but that it possibly was and pointed out further that "lots of people" could be responsible for it.

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LEE volunteered additionally that he dislikes vehemently what Negro people are doing in regard to integration as it pertains to his social life. LEE stated that he did not mind working with a Negro, that he would "tolerate this" but he objected strongly to having his wife eat in a restaurant or have his children going to school with them. He stated elthough he objected to this strongly, he did not feel that an act of violence such as the bombing of METCALFE's car, was the proper solution to the integration matter.

LEE also volunteered that he objected to the present-day way that the union at Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company in Natchez was acquiesing to Negro demands at the Armstrong Plant. He stated, "Nowadays Negroes are holding jobs that only white people held a few years ago."

The following descriptive data was obtained through observation and interrogation of LEE at the time of this interview:

> Name Race Sex Height Weight Eyes Hair Complexion Characceristics

Date of Birth Place of Birth Automobiles White Male 5'10" 180 Pounds Blue Red, receding Ruddy (freckles) Pot belly, slightly stooped in stature, muscular arms with heavy blond reddish hair. June 16, 1935 Orange, Texas 1962 blue Tempest, four-door, Louisiana plates 36X850; 1950 white Chevrolet Pickup Truck, Louisiana plates 78-895.

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JAMES FREDERICK LEE was interviewed at the office of the Natchez, Mississippi, FBI Resident Agency after being advised of the identities of the interviewing agents and after being advised by Special Agent FRANK B. WATTS that he did not have to make a statement, that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law and that he had the right to consult with an attorney before making any statement. No threats or promises of any sort were made to him in connection with this interview.

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LEE advised that since he was interviewed by Bureau Agents on September 3, 1965, he has thought more of the bombing & GEORGE METCAIFE's car at Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company at Natchez, Mississippi, but advised that he has no information whatsoever concerning who might be responsible for this act of violence. LEE advised that he had nothing whatsoever to do with the bombing of METCALFE's car and that he knew of no one who did this or had knowledge thereof.

LEE stated that since the interview of him on September 3, 1965, by Bureau Agents he has recalled that he did not eat in the smoking area at the Armstrong Plant at the 4:00 a.m. breakfast break but instead ate his lunch on the platform area located directly behind the machine that he operates. He advised that several other individuals eat in this area but that he did not recall who ate with him at 4:00 a.m. on the morning of August 27, 1965.

LEE advised that at no time did he leave the plant grounds from the time he got to work at approximately 11:15 or 11:30 p.m. on August 26, 1965, until he left at 8:00 a.m. on August 27, 1965. He stated that he always carries his lunch to work and that he knew for a fact that he did carry his lunch on August 26, 1965, but could not recall the exact contents of his lunch.

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LEE stated that he still could not recall whether he drove to work on August 26, 1965, or whether some other individual in his car pool drove. He stated, however, that his automobile, a 1962 blue Tempest four-door, Louisiana plates 36X850, which he drives when it is his turn, was either at his home, the residence of EDDIE JONES (who is in his car pool) or at the plant from 12:00 midnight until 8:00 a.m. on August 27, 1965.

LEE advised that he has never had any association with any Klan group, is not now a member of any Klan and that the only organizations he is affiliated with is the Evangeline Baptist Church located on Route 84, Wildsville, Louisiana, and the local labor union at the Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company in Natchez, Mississippi. LEE stated that he was not an officer in any of the above organizations but that he was a Sunday school teacher at the Evangeline Baptist Church. He stated that he was not an officer in the Klan and further that he was not a member and knew no one who was a member. He stated that he did not know what KBI stood for and that he had never heard of the "Silver Pollar Club."

LEE advised that he had many associates but would name only SONNY WADE of Wildsville, Louisiana, as an associate. He stated that he knew JAMES SEALE but refused to state how long he knew SEALE and under what circumstances. He stated that he would refuse to name any other associates and would refuse to describe his social activity or that of his associates.

LEE volunteered that when he made up his mind not to talk about something he then would "die first" before talking.

LEE advised that after being questioned by agents of the FBI on September 3, 1965, he went to his employer at Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company and told him that he had nothing to do with the bombing of GEORGE METCALFE's car.

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Lee advised that he is a strong segregationist, that he did not believe in integrating public facilities, particularly schools, and disliked the activity CEORDE METCALT was involved in as it relates to chvil rights. He stated, however, that he was a Christian and did not believe in resorting to any act of violence such as killing, beating an individual or blowing up his automobile. He asserted that he has never had any experience with dynamite or any other kind of explosives. He elso stated that he did not know where to obtain dynamite or any other sort of explosive and he denied that he has recently experimented with dynamite or any other type of explosive.

LEE reiterated that he had nothing whatsoever to do with the bombing of GEORGE METCALFE's automobile on August 27, 1965, and that he had no information whatsoever pertaining to this incident or enyone else responsible for this incident. 

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## APPENDIX

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

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.

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Re New Orleans airtel to Jackson 1/11/66.

Enclosed for New Orleans are two photographs of subject taken 9/3/65.

Subject is described as follows:

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Roxie, Mississippi September 5, 1965

Informant advised that there are two separate Klan groups in Franklin County, Mississippi. He advised that one of these groups is referred to as the "River Group" and the other is referred to as the Meadville Group. He advised that he has been told that the following individuals are members of the "River Group":

> CLYDE SEALE - Exalted Cyclops JACK SEALE JAMES SEALE DON SEALE GENE SEALE ARCHIE PRATHER MARCUS SHELTON PRATHER CHARLES M. EDWARDS JIMMY DALE MITCHELL - lives in the Bunkley Community T. L. HALFORD - lives in the Bunkley Community and is a brother-in-law to ALTON HALFORD. KENNETH LEHMANN - lives in District 2 (LEHMANN is a member of the Grand Jury presently sitting in Franklin County.) BILLY BUCKLES - lives in District 2 (also a member of the above-mentioned Grand Jury) CHARLES MULLINS - lives in District 2 (also a member of the above-mentioned Grand Jury) - MULLINS drives a chip truck for the firm in which JAMES SEALE is employed. MULLINS is married to the daughter of HENRY HARRIGILL. LAMAR FELTER - lives in District 2. (FNU) HARRIGILL - LAMAR FELTER is married to this individual's sister. HENRY HARRIGILL - Resides in District 2. DANIEL MC LEMORE - a welder employed by International Paper Company in Natchez, Mississippi. WALTER GENE HALL - resides in Roxie. WILLIE TEMPLE - resides in District 5 south of Meadville (retired).

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RAY EDWARDS - lives near WILLIE TEMPLE. BUDDY HALFORD - resides in District 4. DENNIS SMITH - resides in District 4. WILLIS HAVARD - resides on Route 33. Informant stated he had heard that HAVARD had gotten out of the Klan. ROSIA DAVIS - employed Armstrong Tire and Rubber Company, resides in Eddiceton, Mississippi. JACK DAVIS - son of ROSIA DAVIS, Constable, Roxie, Mississippi LOUIS DANTZLER - Informant has heard that this individual has gotten out of the Klan.

Informant advised that he had heard that the following individuals are members of the Meadville Group:

CLYDE WENTWORTH - Informant stated he had heard that WENTWORTH was formerly the Exalted Cyclops of this group but lately he has heard that WENTWORTH is out of the Klan. BUFORD ASHLEY - resides Meadville, Mississippi LEO MULKEY - resides Meadville, Mississippi DICK CRIMM - operates Pure Service Station in Meadville. DOUG (LNU) - Referred to as "Tall Man". He is the brotherin-law of CRIMM and works at the Pure Service Station in Meadville. AUBREY BASS - resides Meadville. LESTER STROUD - resides on Highway 98 in District 3. ALFRED COTHREN - resides in District 5. WAYNE PARKER - resides in District 5 on Highway 98. ODIS GOOD JIMMY DUNN BILL WOOD CHARLES COX JAMES FREDRICK LEE PERCY SUMRALL EARL HODGES.

Informant advised that ROSIA DAVIS and his son, JACK DAVIS, Constable in Roxie, will not discuss anything about EARL HODGES's death. Informant stated that he had heard that if anyone attempts to discuss this case in their presence, they immediately

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change the subject or walk away from the individuals who are discussing the case. Informant stated that he had heard that ROSIA DAVIS hated EARL HODGES. Informant did not know the specific reason for DAVIS hating HODGES except that HODGES's wife was very close to ROSIA DAVIS and his wife and that HODGES ran around with other women and was considered a person who was almost an alcoholic. Informant advised that on August 22, 1965, LAWRENCE LEWIS, Game Warden from Fenwick, Mississippi, went to the residence of KIRBY SHELL and seemed very interested in discussing the HODGES's murder. Informant stated that LEWIS had asked SHELL if he thought that WARREN NEWMAN and EDWARD EMFINGER, residents of Bude, Mississippi, and the individuals who supposedly took HODGES home on the night of August 14, 1965, had had anything to do with HODGES's death. Informant stated that SHELL is of the opinion that (FNU) EMFINGER, a brother of EDWARD and J. C. EMFINGER and Justice of the Peace in Fenwick or Washington, Mississippi, had sent LEWIS to talk to SHELL in an effort to obtain some information about the murder. Informant advised that it is his understanding that this is the only occasion that LEWIS had ever been to the residence of SHELL.

Informant advised that the wife of LAWRENCE LEWIS is the niece of EARL HODGES.

CLYDE SEALE - Informant advised that about dusk on the night of August 14, 1965, CLYDE SEALE was seen going through Meadville toward Bude and Eddiceton, Mississippi, by Deputy Sheriff KIRBY SHELL.

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