

INTERVIEW I

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G: Let's see, you indicated that you came to the sub-college and finished your high school there--

H: Right.

G: --graduating, say, in 1925.

H: 1926.

G: 1926. And Lyndon Johnson did not arrive I guess until 1927. Or did you ever see him before then? Do you recall the first time you saw him?

H: No, I never did see him before then. The only time, like I mentioned, at this same boarding house--oh, I mean it wasn't a boarding house, a rooming house is what it was.

G: What was the name of that house?

H: Atmar [?] House is what it was called at that time. It was later sold to a man by the name of Bethke [?] and they ran it for a while.

G: Where was it located?

H: Well, I don't remember the name of the street, but it's right where the old Austin Road used to come into town, right on the corner.

After that it seems to me like they squared it around some. It used

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to face one street and now I believe they changed it around so it faced the street that went up the hill.

G: Right. Is this the one they called the Miller boarding house now I wonder?

H: I wouldn't know. I don't know anything in that. Mrs. Gates used to board us and we stayed in the Atmar House. All she had was the rooms for us.

G: Do you recall who else lived there?

H: Yes, I remember some of the fellows. Jim Palmer [?]. There was a boy by the name of Johnson that worked, oh, downtown. He went to school some, but he wasn't passing his courses so he went to work. A fellow by the name of Studne [?]. And there was another, Thompson [?], it seems like. LaPool Phillips [?] stayed there for a while. I can't think of the old boy, I saw him here in Dime Box a while back--I mean a while back, several years ago--and he's a bank examiner. I can't think what the old boy's name is.

G: Was this before you lived at Pirtle House?

H: Yes, that was in my high school years, see. Then I went to the Pirtle house. Mrs. Atmar sold this thing, and I lived with them for a while. Then I went back over on--I can't think of what the name of the street is that used to go up to the Baptist Academy. Those people's name was Malishka [?] or something like that. Her son went to school there. She had to take in boarders to kind of make ends meet, and that's why I lived there. Then from there I went to the Pirtle house.

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G: Do you recall the first time you met LBJ? Do you recall the occasion?

H: Well, I met him while he lived down in the Atmar house. But he didn't make much impression on me because he was just another boy in the group. I would never have dreamed he'd gone as far as he did. So we just casually knew each other. Then I missed him for a while. Then he pops up again after I was at the Pirtle house; that's when I began to get in contact with him quite a bit.

G: What was he like as a college student?

H: Well, he knew all the professors real well, I suppose. I thought he was a pretty good student. I never had a class with him. I suppose that he was a pretty good student. Of course, the things that he liked best was your histories and all that sort of thing, rather than any of the science field, and my work was in the science field. So I didn't have classes with him hardly at all. It seems to me like I had a class in economics with him one time, but that's been so long ago I don't recall that.

G: He did take several courses in economics.

H: Yes, I'm pretty sure he did.

G: We were talking about his dislike for P.E., physical education, before we turned on the tape. Do you recall any specifics here?

H: Well, I never did hear him say exactly anything against it, but he never would go out or hang around with those who did participate in athletics. Oh, he might casually speak to them on the campus but

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he never did hang around with them in spite of the fact that he had two football players rooming with him.

G: Was he popular with other students?

H: Oh, yes, and I don't know where he got this name. "Bull." You've heard that, "Bull" Johnson. Well, I think he probably got this name-- he didn't have the physical build at that time to make him appear like a bull, because he was tall and slender; he was a slat. He wasn't near as large a man at that time as he was later on in his years, when he became president. I think they called him "Bull" because of the amount of talk he put out.

G: Was he quite a talker?

H: Oh, you bet he was a talker. Talker and a walker. He never had any time to stand still. He had to walk and talk. He had to have somebody collared all the time. He had something on his mind that he wanted to get over, either sell them something, or convince them to do a certain thing.

G: What were his interests?

H: Politics.

G: Really?

H: Just the biggest part was politics.

G: What kind of politics was it? Was it school politics?

H: Well, school politics, of course, we had some of that. He and [Willard] Deason, since Deason was my roommate, why, he'd come there and they'd talk. They discussed state politics. They discussed

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politics in their hometown, home county. They discussed national politics. They loved it.

G: Did you get any indication of who he was for and who he was against?

H: No, not really. I never did pay that much attention to him.

G: Did you ever talk about issues like Prohibition?

H: Oh, yes, I'm sure he did discuss those things. I never did take part in them, that I can really recall hearing them definitely discussing Prohibition, but I guess they discussed nearly everything that was at issue in those days.

G: I gather his father might have influenced him some in that respect.

H: Oh, yes. A lot of times he'd refer to his daddy. He was quite proud of his daddy being in politics. Yes, he would often refer to what his daddy did in politics, and how his daddy thought about certain issues and so on. Yes, he'd talk about those things. I never did meet his daddy. I don't know when he died. After he died I think then the mother and the two daughters and Sam Houston and Lyndon moved to San Marcos, I believe. I don't know. I thought they lived there in town, unless they were just renting.

G: I think they did live there for a while.

H: I think they lived there.

G: But I believe it was when he was still alive.

H: Well, maybe so. I can't recall. I never did meet him, but I met their mother. I knew the girls well and I knew Sam Houston well.

G: Did LBJ have an interest in debate?

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H: Oh, yes, you bet. He was on the debate team and quite successful.

G: Can you recall any trips that he went on?

H: No, I sure can't, but the old Pedagogs would bear that out. A fellow could look at one of those and get information about it, but I can't remember.

f: How about the various jobs that he held?

H: Well, so far as I know, he worked on campus like I did, hoeing weeds and that sort of thing. I knew that he did that. But he didn't stay at that very long. He was kind of progressive. That took so much of his time, he'd rather be with people. So that's when he got into Real Silk hosiery, selling that. He did quite well, because he'd collar a lot of the profs, you know. You bet! He'd sell them that stuff, too. He wouldn't only sell it to kids on campus..

G: How about people in the business community? Did he ever sell to people in town?

H: I don't know whether he did or not. I really don't know. See, at that day and time the college was located way away from the business district, and if you lived up on the hill you knew very little about the other unless you went down there for something, had to buy something. We didn't go down there much.

G: Did he have a car?

H: No. Not that I know of. I never did see him have a car. But he could outwalk anybody. Those long strides, and he swinging his arms, that's the best I can remember. Always, as long as I can remember, he wore a hat like he wore when he was president.

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G: A Stetson hat.

H: Yes.

G: Is that right?

H: Yes. He had it sitting on top of his head like a mushroom, sitting way at the back, and walk and all that kind of--[like an] ostrich going. Always in a hurry.

G: Do you recall his working for President [Cecil] Evans?

H: Yes. Yes, I do. Yes, I remember when he worked for him. President Evans thought quite a bit of him, to the best I understand.

G: Really?

H: Yes. Yes. I remember when he worked for him. All his duties and whatever he did and so on, I don't know.

G: I guess he worked on the student newspaper some.

H: Sure he did, yes.

G: Have any memories of that? Writing editorials?

H: No, I don't. I sure don't.

G: What would he usually do for social entertainment?

H: I don't really know. You know, socially, I saw him, he had a date now and then, but we didn't have much social [activity].

G: Did you have dances?

H: Well, finally we broke them down to allow us to have dances in the gym, he'd go to that. But other than that we didn't have any socials of any kind. Oh, once in a while some of these ladies' organizations would invite some of the boys as their guests and so on. But outside of that there wasn't much. All of us were broke.

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When we had a date, a lot of times we didn't have money enough to take them to the picture show nor buy them anything to drink. We just walked them and we'd sit down on a rock bench somewhere and talk. That's about it. That's some dating, wasn't it?

G: Cheap date.

H: Yes, cheap date. We had to; we had nothing.

G: Were there any campus places like the Bobcat--

H: Yes, yes.

G: --where people would gather? Any other places?

H: Yes. Some kids had money that they could buy sandwiches and the like, and we'd go down--I'd stand around and smell because I didn't have any money. Some people you know--yes, they gathered. The Bobcat was a pretty popular place.

I never will forget when I first lived in San Marcos, I was a country boy and this fellow that they put in the room with me, he was about as country as I was, but he was from San Benito, if I remember right, down in that neighborhood. I remember we were in a little old cubicle, that was our room, stuffed in there like. I looked out the window and saw a light up on the hill, bright light, and I asked him, "What is the bright light up there?" He said, "That's the Bobcat." I said, "Uh huh." Well, I didn't know what he meant. I knew what bobcats were back home. We caught them and trapped them. But I didn't have any idea, and I didn't want to expose my ignorance any further, so I said, "Uh huh," and then later discovered that was the place where the kids went.



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G: In 1928 LBJ went down to that National Democratic Convention in Houston when Al Smith was nominated. Do you remember that? Did he ever talk about that?

H: No, I don't remember hearing [about that]. I imagine he talked with Deason about it, but he didn't me, because he knew I wasn't interested. I wasn't much of a politician and I didn't care for it. Too dumb I guess, I don't know.

G: Who else did they talk politics with? Who was interested?

H: Well, I would think--I know that they talked to fellows like Dick Spinn and some of those, even though they were on different sides of the fence. There was a [Ernest?] Morgan, I don't remember what his given name was. I know that he talked with him quite a bit about it. And he would discuss a lot of times politics with like Professor [H.M.] Greene and [M.L.] Arnold--Arnold was also a history teacher. He talked a lot with them. But we were mostly all country kids. I imagine Lyndon was interested in politics because his dad had been involved in politics. That's what got him started.

G: I wonder if he ever went to Austin and watched the legislature when it was in session?

H: If he did I don't know. I wouldn't be a bit surprised, but I just don't know. I couldn't say.

G: I noticed that there was a student drive to improve Evans Field, expand it and repair the fence and everything, and he was active in that drive. Do you remember that at all?

H: Yes, I do.

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G: What happened then?

H: Well, I don't exactly know. I only know this, he helped to encourage and carry on this drive. Outside of that I don't know. But I remember when it first was talked about and then later built. But outside of that I don't know definitely anything I could say about what part he played in it. But I know he was involved.

G: When he would run for an office or when he wanted to be a Student Council representative for one of the classes, or editor of the College Star, did he actively lobby to get people to support him? How did he--

H: Well, yes. He was pretty influential with some people, and he'd try to influence them and he got them. He did a lot of lobbying to get people to drive for him, engage them into it. Like I said a while ago, he was a great hand at putting his arm around you and talking you into something or another that he thought was right. I can't ever say that he was ever for anything that wasn't right, but he was quite of a guy that could talk you into something.

G: Well, you said that you weren't interested in politics and yet you were elected president of the senior class in April of 1930. How did that come about?

H: Well, I can tell you what did that. I didn't do any politicking on my part, but this is some of the work of some of the other boys. They, of course, put me up for the place and I had no trouble being elected because I was pretty well known on the campus. I was out--going and talked to everybody. When I met them I said hi and went

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on about my business. So when they asked them to vote for me, well, they knew who they were asking to be voted on.

G: Was this part of the Alpha and Omega?

H: Yes.

G: Did they come up with a whole slate of candidates for different positions? For example, I know Hollis Frazer was the vice president, LBJ was the student councilman. It sounds like there were a number of you. Roy Swift was the Star reporter. Harvey Yoe was the freshman--it reads like the--

H: Yes, it worked. (Laughter)

G: How did you organize this election? Did you sit down and decide on your own slate of candidates for all these positions, or how did you do that?

H: Yes, that's what we did.

G: What if two people wanted to run for president, let's say?

H: Well, if they ever considered anybody else I don't know about it but they decided that, in my case, I could be the one that could win it because I knew so many kids.

G: Did they have to talk you into running or were you--?

H: Yes, they did. I told them I didn't have sense enough to do it. They assured me I could make it. I never was for anything like that. I enjoyed it after I got into it.

G: You followed Bill Deason, is that right, as president of the senior class? He was the president before you were.

H: I don't remember. Maybe so. I don't remember.

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G: And he ran against Dick Spinn and John Dezelle.

H: Yes. (Laughter)

G: Do you remember that election?

H: No, I don't.

G: That election has been written about as the one where the White Stars sort of canvassed and discovered that they were about twenty votes behind and they were going to lose. And LBJ worked all through the night to get the additional votes.

H: That could be.

G: But you don't remember?

H: No, I don't. I sure don't know anything about that. No. But it sounds right. I know he'd go out after it if it had to be done.

G: Well now, let's talk about the Alpha and Omega, how it was founded, where you met and how it was organized, just the genesis of it.

H: Well, first, it was talked about between several of us. We could see what was happening up on the hill. There was a certain group that always were elected to different positions. The girls were elected as the beauties, the Gaillardians, as they were called in the Pedagog. If there was any job or anything to be had, as members of that same--I hate to call them a clique, but that same group, would be in it. So we finally had an eye-opener. And then we got to talking and finally said the only way that we can overcome this sort of a thing, we will have to organize against them and on the sly and hit them where it hurts before they know what's going on. That's when it was set up by just a few of us, to begin with. Then

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we went out and checked people who we thought would be the kind of person we would want in our group.

G: What did you look for?

H: We looked for good, honest people who wanted to be fair about things and not go out and try to keep things selfishly to themselves. Good, old, honest country boys that wanted a fair shake, that's what we were after.

G: Was academic achievement at all a requirement?

H: No, not really. No, because I wouldn't have been in it.

G: How about representation in different groups? For example, would you try to get some people from the Y and some people from the Harris-Blairs?

H: Oh, yes. That's right. Had to get people like that so that we could cover the whole system. Otherwise we couldn't have reached out, it would have been too one-sided, so we tried to cover the whole thing.

G: Whose idea was it?

H: Well, I don't know really. I imagine Lyndon and [Vernon] Whitesides and [Wilton] Woods and [Horace] Richards and Deason were the ones that really thought of this. When they told me about it I was for it. I was in the group of them. But I didn't have anything to instigate it. After they told me what was going on I was for it, because I didn't want it one-sided.

G: How about Walter Grady? Was he an original [member]?

H: Pretty soon after the group got started Walter Grady got in it.

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G: Where did you have that first meeting?

H: Well, I don't know exactly what the name of the place was, but it might have been the old Hofheinz Hotel, I don't know. It was on the east side of the courthouse square. We were about I guess the second story up.

G: Was it in a room?

H: Yes, a room.

G: What sort of a place was it? ,

H: Well, there wasn't anything in the room where we--you mean where we took our oath of office and that sort of thing and did the organizing? There wasn't anything to it. It had a table in there and a lighted candle if I remember. That's about it.

G: Do you remember anything about the ceremony and the oath?

H: No, I really don't. It's been so long ago.

G: You said you would administer it to each other, though.

H: Oh, yes. Yes.

G: How did--you mean. . . ?

H: Well, there was a certain amount of ceremony to it. But I can't remember it. I just don't remember. It never was written out. It was by word of mouth was the way they learned it. There wasn't a whole lot to it.

G: Did the group have officers?

H: No. Oh, we had a president, the one that was the head of it.

G: Who was the first head of it?

H: You know, there's quite a bit of argument about that.

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G: I want to hear your version.

H: Well, I don't really know. I think that--I can't tell you really who it was, but I think it was either Lyndon or Whitesides. I don't know which one was the guy that was really at the head of it.

G: Was Horace Richards in contention, too?

H: Yes, you bet, and there's quite a bit of squabble about that today. Vernon says, "I was number one," and Horace says he was number one. They will argue about that the rest of their lives, I guess. (Laughter)

G: But you tend to think that Whitesides was, is that right?

H: Yes, I would think so. I would think so. However, you take Horace and Wilton Woods, they are good at conniving. Even though neither--Horace talked a lot, but Wilton, if you ever got him to talk, it had to be business. It wasn't anything fun, you know. But he was shrewd.

G: Was LBJ identified more with one or the other?

H: No, not really. Not that I knew of. Now if anything he was more identified with Deason than any one of the others.

G: And you were Deason's roommate?

H: Yes.

G: So does that explain why you were a charter member?

H: I suppose so, yes. You know, Deason and I knew each other well, we were roommates. I am pretty sure and I guess he thought that I was qualified for whatever they had in mind, so he asked me.

G: Let me ask you this. Was there any area of campus that you could represent as far as they were concerned, that might serve as your base of support?

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H: Well, about the only thing--not specifically, except since I was teaching laboratory work in the biology--see, I had a lot of contact with students.

G: Science students.

H: Yes. So through that they knew me, you see, quite a bit. Besides I always would try to be friendly with people. I liked people, whether I knew them or not.

G: Were there any other principles of the organization? It was to be secret, is that right?

H: No, not anything. There was not anything really secret about this whole thing. See, the idea was to get something started, like I said before, to combat what had been going on and hit them before they were aware that they had opposition.

G: But the Black Stars--you must have had some system for keeping the Black Stars unaware that you all were in existence.

H: Just a tight mouth I guess, that's all. But it wasn't anything written. There was no record of anything. And hand-picked people, members.

G: Did you vote on the other members?

H: Yes. Yes, we did. We'd bring them up you know, bring up the names and they'd bring in the names. Why, we'd vote on them. We sure did that.

g: What sort of balloting was this?

H: Oh, just a show of hands. And very informal.

G: Did it have to be unanimous?



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H: No, not really. But fairly so, you know. You had to have a pretty good percentage there, otherwise you would be rejected.

G: Did you have a faculty sponsor at all?

H: No, they once thought they wanted to.

G: When was this?

H: (Laughter) After the thing had been going on for a while. They thought for a while and then they hit Prof Greene, because he was a type of person, you know, that could get pretty radical if he need be. They talked about it. Now, if that ever happened I don't know about it. It might have been after my time. But I know it was talked about.

g: Do you think Professor Greene knew about the organization?

H: Well, I wouldn't be a bit surprised. He was pretty shrewd. I would guess he would have had an idea.

G: Did you all promote editors of the yearbook and college newspaper?

H: Yes, sure did. We sure did, and had good luck.

G: How about some of the beauties, the Gaillardians? Did you all sponsor, say, girlfriends or people who supported A & Os?

H: No, we took girlfriends of our members and put them up. Then of course we had the support of all the members, and then of course they would go out and drum votes for them. This is what they couldn't understand, the Black Stars, what happened. They couldn't understand what happened.

G: Can you recall any particular individuals that you all nominated in this respect?

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H: As Gaillardians, or beauties? I remember Nan Hawk. She also taught in the school there with me. She married Bill Milligan. I know there was Jay Poth, I think his girlfriend. And I think there was-- oh, what is the old boy's name, he's over at Austin now, a lawyer over there. Well, I can't think of the name. I can see their faces but I can't think of the names. But that 1930 book, I believe every one of them was friends of ours.

G: How about spending student funds, the blanket tax money? Was this an issue, how the student monies were spent? Whether they were spent for athletics or for debate?

H: No. If it was, I never did hear about it. If it was, I wasn't that much involved. I wouldn't know.

G: I gather most of the Black Stars were athletes.

H: Yes.

G: And most of you all were not.

H: Yes.

G: So athletics must have come into play somewhere.

H: Well, I imagine that they did something there that I wouldn't know about though. I couldn't put my finger on it. No. I don't know anything about that. I couldn't accuse them because I don't know.

G: Any other recollections about the Alpha and Omega?

H: No, only thing that they still have meetings each year. They have a meeting every year. Sometimes the attendance is pretty good and other times it's not so good. Some of them, of course, have died out of the picture and some of them are getting too old to travel.

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Some of them getting too poor to travel on a fixed income. Of course, it isn't all that much of a problem.

G: Can you tell me about LBJ's relationship with Professor Greene?

H: Not anything definite. All I do know is they were pretty close dubs. They would argue certain phases of history and that sort of a thing. Or get into politics, just general politics. But I've heard them and, you know, they looked like they were going to bite at each other there or something like that. But it was all in fun. They just loved to discuss things like that.

G: What was Professor Greene's political philosophy? What were his politics? You said earlier you thought he was kind of radical.

H: Well, in a sense, he was really a type of person that could see through a lot of political baloney that was going on in the state and in the national government, the federal government. He was a type of a person who didn't mind saying so. He called a spade a spade and that was it. You know, he wasn't very subtle about it. He called it what he thought. That's what made him seem to be a radical, but he wasn't in a sense. He just had pretty good common sense and good reasoning. A lot of people never do catch on what some of our political buddies do, in Washington or even in the state of Texas. A lot of people don't catch on to that. You can tell them nearly anything and they'll believe it.

G: I gather Professor Greene lived a very informal life style.

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H: Oh, you bet. You bet. You couldn't help but like him. He had a big family, lot of kids; I don't know how many. I never did meet his wife, but I can still see them. They had an old Model T Ford. The kids I guess tore the top off of it. It was an old touring car. He would load that thing down with kids. I can still see them coming up the little old street in front of our house, driving up on campus. And the kids I guess did trapping. You know how you take skunk, any kind of animal hides and put them on boards to dry the hides. I can still see those kids sitting in this car with the whole family in there besides the mother. He was just a-driving, and he wasn't aware of what was going on. And they had those skunk hides, civet cat hides and possum hides on boards and they were playing with them in the back of this car, having a big time. So he never did know about that, and if he did he didn't care. If he ever had on a suit of clothes I don't know it. It didn't make any difference whether his clothes matched or not. And if his tie was tied in just any kind of a knot or didn't have any--I guess the college required he have on a necktie, but oh boy, he just didn't care, period.

G: Did he chew tobacco in class?

H: Oh, yes. Yes, he chewed tobacco in class. He had a chalk box in his desk drawer. He'd talk until he couldn't hold it anymore, the saliva in his mouth, and he'd have to pull out his drawer and spit in his chalk box. Of course, some of the girls in the class and some of the ladies didn't like that much. But now, he was one who didn't care whether they liked it or not.

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G: Do you think he was more popular with the men than the women students?

H: I think so, yes. Because that was kind of down the alley of boys and men. I guess there was some that probably didn't like it, but most boys did.

G: Do you think he served as an inspiration to LBJ?

H: Oh, I would think so. Yes. You see, when they'd go to discussing those things--and I wouldn't be a bit surprised but what Prof Greene wasn't quite an eye opener to Lyndon on a lot of those things, because the old man had more experience and [was a] pretty shrewd old cookie. I'm pretty sure that he inspired Lyndon on lots of those things, and kept him going and growing into politics. I'm pretty sure he did, since they were pretty good dubs. I don't know who else could have done it besides his father. He had been in politics. Lyndon was the type of a person that just liked to talk to people and persuade them and talk them into things. If he had an idea he gave it to them. If they didn't like it he tried to prove to them he was right. Not that he was anything crooked or anything like that, that I would think, that I could see.

G: Do you have any other just informal memories of him as a student? Anything that you all did together?

H: No, I don't remember too much about that. This is talking about going back to our A&O thing. I can remember one of the meetings we had, we went down to the head of the river to have one of our talks. I remember there was a guy by the name of Smith who had been

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with the--I don't know if he had been with a forestry service or mounted police. Whatever he'd been, he wore one of those suits, I remember, with boots and all to go with it. He was the lookout. He stood on top of the mountain and watched while we were down below talking. We had outposts, you know.

G: Did you?

H: Had to, because we couldn't afford to get caught at this thing.

G: Where did you usually meet?

H: Usually met downtown in this hotel thing.

G: How often would you usually meet?

H: Not too much. It was a grapevine sort of a thing. When we did meet it would be just a few of them and then this thing would be passed on to the others.

G: How many would you say would meet down in that hotel room?

H: Oh, eight or ten.

G: Why couldn't you just meet in somebody's room?

H: Somebody that was not interested in this would get hip to what was going on and start asking questions, and if they did--you see, you had to be so secretive about the whole thing. Not only because we wanted the Black Stars not to know, but if we got caught at it or if they got caught at it--they did the same thing. Leland Coers and--what was the other Coers?

G: John.

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H: John Coers. They were in that group and the Black Stars used to go out there on their farm. See, they had a farm out of town, they could go out there and meet. We later found out.

G: How would you find out?

H: Well, just by snooping around. That's about the only thing to do, just snooped, listening. Like they do in some foreign countries I guess. Keep your ears and eyes open and pick up [information]. If they hadn't, if they wouldn't have got as bad as they did, they could have carried on for a long time and no one would ever have been suspicious. But when they got hoggish, then that brought it to light, and it backfired on them. And boy were they hurt when it happened.

I wonder what's going on up on campus now. I guess they have other fraternities now that that sort of a thing is nothing to it, except some of the old members from a long time ago in each one of these organizations may still meet and talk or have a little pow-wow, something like that. But I imagine now they have fraternities and sororities and all that sort of thing, don't they, up there?

G: Yes, I guess so.

H: Sure, I think they do. It's legal.

[End of Tape 1 of 1 and Interview I]

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