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CONNIE CHARLES LYNCH

RACIAL MATTERS-NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY

CONNIE CHARLES LYNCH attended a meeting of the National States Rights Party (NSRP) in Baltimore, Maryland, in June 1967. He also attended the NSRP National Convention held in August 1967, at Jacksonville, Florida.

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DETAILS:

BACKGROUND

RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

LA T-1 (9/20/67)
LA T-2 (9/19/67)

LA T-1 advised that CONNIE LYNCH is an itinerant preacher for the National States Rights Party (NSRP) (see appendix), and travels throughout the United States on behalf of the National States Rights Party. When LYNCH does visit the California area, he resides temporarily at the residence of NEUMAN BRITTON, 25538 Amanda Street, San Bernardino, California. LYNCH has not been in the San Bernardino area for at least a year.

CONNECTIONS WITH THE NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY (NSRP)

The National States Rights Party will hereinafter be referred to as the NSRP.

JOHN F. MELLINGER, JR.
Inspectional Services
Baltimore, Maryland, Police Department
(June 10, 1967)

On June 9, 1967, LYNCH spoke at a meeting of the NSRP held at Belair Road Assembly Hall, 3531 Belair Road, Baltimore, Maryland. During this speech, LYNCH made slurring remarks concerning Negroes and Jews. Forty-five people attended this meeting.

LA T-3 (8/28/67)
LA T-4 (8/28/67)
LA T-5 (8/28/67)
LA T-6 (8/28/67)
LA T-7 (8/29/67)
Lieutenant ALBERT JOHNS,
Intelligence Unit,
Jacksonville Police Department, Florida
(August 30, 1967)

On August 25, 1967, and August 26, 1967, LYNCH attended the National Convention of the NSRP held at Carpenter's Hall, 920 Main Street, Jacksonville, Florida. LYNCH spoke in opposition to integration and called upon all white people to organize to stop the Federal government from continuing to support Negroes in the United States against the rights of the whites. He observed that when the NSRP takes power there would be hangings, from the President through Congress, and their heads would be on posts from coast to coast and border to border. LYNCH then blamed the Jewish communists as being responsible for the integration movement in the United States.

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PARTY
(NSRP)

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Los Angeles, California
September 25, 1967

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| Character | RACIAL MATTERS-NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY |
| Reference | Report of JOHN C. O'NEILL dated and captioned as above at Los Angeles. |

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Report of: JOHN C. O'NEILL
Date: 12/13/66

Office: Los Angeles, California

Field Office File #: 157-759

Bureau File #: 157-1413

Title: CONNIE CHARLES LYNCH

Character: RACIAL MATTERS - NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY

Synopsis: CONNIE LYNCH has attended numerous meetings of the National States Richards Party held at North Carolina, Maryland, Illinois, Ohio and Florida (1966). ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:BACKGROUNDRESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENTLA T-1 (11/23/66)

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ARRESTS

Sergeant RAY O'MALLEY, Corporation Counsel Office, Chicago, Illinois, advised on August 31, 1966, that LYNCH appeared in Jury Court, Chicago, Illinois, before Judge JAMES SULLIVAN on August 30, 1966. At this time he was fined the amount of \$100.00 for holding a public rally at Marquette Park, Chicago, Illinois on August 21, 1966, without obtaining a permit.

Colonel FRANK BATTAGLIA, Chief of Patrol, Baltimore, Maryland, Police Department, advised that on July 29, 1966 the Baltimore Police Department obtained an injunction prohibiting any further rallies of the NSRP in any of the city parks, or other public places for a period of ten days. This injunction applied to LYNCH and others.

Also on July 29, 1966, the Baltimore City Grand Jury returned indictments against LYNCH and four other defendants based upon information concerning their speeches on July 28, 1966. On August 11, 1966, Judge WILLIAM J. O'DONNELL, Circuit Court of Baltimore City placed a ninety day ban on public rallies by the NSRP. He said his order would ban LYNCH and the others from making inflammatory speeches and enjoined the NSRP from permitting these persons to conduct rallies. On August 12, 1966 LYNCH and the others were arraigned in Criminal Court on charges of riot and conspiracy to riot. This indictment accused LYNCH and the others of inciting to riot, disorderly conduct, cursing and swearing and violating Park Board Rules.

The trial of LYNCH and others started November 14, 1966 at Baltimore, Maryland and continued to November 17, 1966. On November 18, 1966 Judge J. GILBERT PRENDERGAST, Criminal Court of Baltimore City, Baltimore, Maryland, dismissed a motion of dismissal of the charges against LYNCH and the other defendants. The jury found LYNCH and others guilty as charged, and on November 21, 1966 LYNCH was sentenced to two years imprisonment in the Maryland State Penitentiary, and fined \$1,000. LYNCH was then released on bail as his attorney filed an appeal.

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CONNECTIONS WITH KLAN AND HATE TYPE
ORGANIZATIONS

NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY
(NSRP) (SEE APPENDIX)

CONNIE CHARLES LYNCH attended the following meetings of the NSRP held in the areas designated:

| <u>Informant and date received</u> | <u>Date of Meeting</u> | <u>Place</u> | <u>Comments</u> |
|--|----------------------------|---|--|
| LA T-2 (1/18/66) | 5/17/66 | Wake Forest Highway East Durham, North Carolina | LYNCH urged white people to carry syringes filled with pepper, and if Negroes tried to attend these rallies the pepper should be discharged in their eyes. |
| LA T-2 (5/25/66) | 5/20-23/66 | Durham, North Carolina | LYNCH spoke at public rallies of the NSRP. Effigies of President LYNDON B. JOHNSON and U.S. Attorney General NICHOLAS R. KATZENBACH were burned. |
| LA T-2 (5/26/66) | 5/25/66 | Durham, North Carolina | Eighty people were in attendance as LYNCH spoke, and an effigy of J. EDGAR HOOVER, Director, FBI was burned. |
| LA T-2 (5/31/66) | 5/30/66 | Durham, North Carolina | LYNCH suggested that the NSRP distribute cards, without NSRP identification, stating that if any white woman is molested by a "Nigger", they would get two "Niggers" and two Jews. |

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Informant
Date of
Received

Date of
Meeting

Place

Comments

Informant 7/25, 27,
7/28/66
BETHLEHEM,
Chief of
Patrol,
Baltimore, Maryland
Police Department
(7/28/66)

Patterson Park,
Baltimore,
Maryland

LYNCH spoke at rallies of
the NSRP. LYNCH, defying
orders not to hold the
rallies was indicted by
the Baltimore Grand Jury
for inciting a riot.

Informant 8/18, 19/66
RICHARD
WARRIS, Durham,
North Carolina
Police Department
(8/19/66)

Zion Tabernacle
520 East Peabody
Street, Durham,
North Carolina

LYNCH spoke and criticized
the racial policies of the
U.S. Government

LA 7-2 8/21/66
(8/21/66)
LA 7-3
(8/21/66)
LA 7-4
(8/23/66)

Marquette Park,
Chicago, Illinois

LYNCH was arrested for
speaking without a permit.
LYNCH blamed the Jews and
the Communists for the
racial problems in the
U.S. Urged white people
to fight back, even if they
have to fight the Chicago
Police Department.

LA 7-3 (8/24/66)
LA 7-5
(8/25/66)

Chicago Branch,
NSRP, 2237 North
Western Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois

Thirty five were present
as LYNCH condemned the
Chicago Police Department
and the Agents of the FBI.

LA 7-2 8/26/66
(8/26/66)
LA 7-6
(8/28/66)

224 Oak Street,
Dayton, Ohio

Reception sponsored by the
Dayton, Ohio NSRP.

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| LA T-3 (9/10/66) LA T-6 (9/23/66) | 8/27/66 | 820 Linden Avenue Dayton, Ohio | NSRP National Convention 150 in attendance as LYNCH gave an anti-Negro, anti-Jewish speech, and urged the use of violence. |
| LA T-2 (9/13/66) | 9/12/66 | Durham, North Carolina | A collection of \$30.00 was given to LYNCH, who was en route to Mississippi. |
| LA T-7 (9/26/66) | 9/21, 23, 25/66 | NSRP Hall, Kings Street and Edison Avenue Jacksonville, Florida | LYNCH spoke at NSRP rallies and degraded the Negroes and Jews in his speech. |
| LA T-8 (9/23/66) | 9/21 56 | same | Thirty five in attendance as LYNCH criticized the Jews, Negroes, FBI, and U.S. Attorney General NICHOLAS KATZENBACH. |
| Sergeant 10/15, JOHN J. 17/66 CUNNINGHAM Duval County Florida Sheriff's Office LA T-9 LA T-10 (10/19/66) | | Normandy Boulevard and Lindsey Road, Jacksonville, Florida | 125 to 150 persons were present as a cross was burned. LYNCH was critical pf the Federal Government, the FBI, and civil rights movements. |
| LA T-2 (10/24/66) LA T-11 (10/27/66) | 10/22/66 | Roxboro, North Carolina | Public rally attended by 25 to 30 persons. LYNCH spoke and attacked the Jews, Negroes and the Communist conspiracy. |

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| LA 7-2 (10/25/66) | 10/24/66 | 1106 North Guthrie Street, Durham, North Carolina | Criticized those present for failure to create interest in the NSRP. |

STATEMENTS BY CONNIE LYNCH

'Augusta Chronicle-Herald'
Augusta, Georgia, issue of
July 31, 1966

This article stated that LYNCH, who was a speaker at the NSRP rally held at Baltimore, Maryland, stated, "I represent God, the white race and constitutional government, and everyone who doesn't like that can go to hell. The nine stooges of the United States Supreme Court will have to be taken, tried and hanged for treason, and don't think this won't happen."

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DETAILSBACKGROUNDRESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

LA T-1 (6/14/66)

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| LA T-2 (11/19/65) | 11/16/65 | 7 North Hogan Street, Jacksonville, Florida | Discussion concerned the picketing of the Baptist Hospital because they employed Negroes at the hospital |
| LA T-3 (11/21/65) LA T-4 (11/26/65) | 11/20/65 | Church Meeting Hall, Edison and King Streets, Jacksonville, Florida | LYNCH spoke and was critical of the United States Government, Negroes and Jews. LYNCH stated he believed in violence if this was the only way to achieve their aims. He urged hanging all the politicians from the President on down for treason and violation of the United States Constitution |

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| LA T-5 (12/1/65) | 11/24/65 | Jacksonville, Florida | LYNCH spoke at this rally |
| LA T-6 (12/1/65) | 12/1/65 | Westbrook Civic Center, Garfield Street, Jacksonville, Florida | LYNCH spoke and said that the white people must unite and stand against their enemies, the Jews, communists and Negroes. He said, "The Jew is the son of Satan, the white man the son of God." |
| LA T-7 (3/4/66) | 2/17, 18/66 | Davenport Hotel, Spokane, Washington | Approximately 16 persons were present as LYNCH denounced the Negroes. He referred to the FBI Agents as "Nigger babysitters, feeble-minded hypocrites, gestapo for the Jews and Federal Bureau of Integration." |
| Chief of Police OSCAR SODERSTROM, Yakima, Washington (2/21/66) | 2/19/66 | Women's Century Club Hall, Yakima, Washington | LYNCH spoke before 45 persons |

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| LA T-1 (3/4/66) | 2/20/66 | Benjamin Franklin Hotel, Seattle, Washington | LYNCH spoke before 15 persons and supported the killing of all Jews and Negroes |
| DON JEWETT, Bellhop, Americana Tacoma Hotel, Tacoma, Washington (2/24/66) | 2/22, 23/66 | Americana Tacoma Hotel, Tacoma, Washington | On February 22, 1966, LYNCH spoke to approximately 11 people, while on February 23, 1966 he addressed 20 people |
| LA T-7 (4/25/66) | 4/14- 16/66 | Lilac Room, Couer d'Alene Hotel, Spokane, Washington | LYNCH spoke at NSRP meetings and condemned the Negroes and Jews. Attendance ranged from 16 on April 14, 1966, to approximately 30 on April 16, 1966 |
| Chief of Police DON LANDRETH, Mount Vernon, Washington (4/21/66) | 4/19/66 | Bakke's Cafe, Burlington, Washington | This meeting was scheduled for Moose Hall, Mount Vernon, Washington, but when the NSRP had their reservation cancelled, it was moved to Burlington, Washington. 40 people attended |

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The "Daily Olympian", Olympia, Washington, issue of February 25, 1966, stated that the NSRP held a meeting on February 24, 1966 at the Hotel Governor, Olympia, Washington. This article states that CONNIE LYNCH made a "table pounding, finger-pointing, hour-long tirade against Negroes, the FBI, the Supreme Court, "that lame-brained nut JOHNSON" and "all them pinks and pansy traitors back in Washington, D.C.".

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The "Santa Ana Register", Santa Ana, California, issue of April 4, 1966, page A8, contains an article concerning an NSRP meeting which was held on March 31, 1966 at the Anaheim Bowl, Anaheim, California. LYNCH spoke and said that the Negroes have no rights in a white society. He lauded Fascism, and said the United States is a government run by devils from President JOHNSON down to the "nine traitors and stooges on the United States Supreme Court."

The "Thunderbolt" (supra) issue number 76, April, 1966, page 8, states that CONNIE LYNCH "a champion of the white race and America's foremost white rabble rouser" will arrive in Jacksonville, Florida for a series of rallies in support of W. E. WILSON, candidate for Florida State Legislature. This article also states that CONNIE LYNCH, during the middle of April, 1966, would be making a speaking and organizing tour of Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon.

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CONNIE CHARLES LYNCH

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RACIAL MATTERS - NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY

Synopsis:

LYNCH was born CONNIE CHARLES LYNCH, on 11/15/12, at Clarksville, Texas. LYNCH is employed as a preacher by the National States Rights Party (NSRP). LYNCH has appeared at meetings of the Ku Klux Klan and NSRP urging segregation of the races and condemning the Jews and Negroes. In 1964, LYNCH was paid by the Christian Defense League on a commission basis for each membership he acquired for the CDL. In 1964, he attended meetings of the Committee of One Million Caucasians to March on Congress, 7/4/64. In August, 1964, LYNCH leased land in Jacksonville, Florida, and held segregation rallies in Jacksonville. LYNCH HAS BEEN CONVICTED IN THE PAST FOR ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON AND SHOULD, THEREFORE, BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:

I. BACKGROUND

A. BIRTH DATA

Records, Military Personnel
Records Center,
St. Louis, Missouri (11/16/65)

CONNIE CHARLES LYNCH was born on November 15, 1912,
at Clarksville, Texas.

B. CITIZENSHIP

Records, Military Personnel
Records Center (Supra) (11/16/65)

LYNCH having been born in Clarksville, Texas, is a
citizen of the United States.

C. EDUCATION

Records, Military Personnel
Records Center (Supra) (11/16/65)

CONNIE CHARLES LYNCH has an eight year elementary
school education.

D. MARITAL STATUS

LA T-1 (11/30/65)

LYNCH is divorced, having at one time been married
to BETTY LYNCH.

E. RESIDENCE

LA T-1 (11/30/65)

LYNCH has no permanent residence, but travels throughout
the United States speaking on behalf of the National States
Rights Party (NSRP) (see appendix). When in the past he
visited the Los Angeles, California, area, he resided with
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F. EMPLOYMENT

LA T-2 (12/1/65)

LYNCH is employed as a preacher by the NSRP, traveling throughout the United States, mostly in the Southern United States, preaching "hate" against the Negroes and Jewish people.

LA T-3 (11/19/65)

This informant advised that LYNCH is paid either by the headquarters of the NSRP or of the Ku Klux Klan (KKK) organization, for whom he makes a speech. The amount is set in advance and whatever collection is taken, is applied toward the amount agreed upon.

G. MILITARY SERVICE

Records, Military Personnel Records
Center, St. Louis, Missouri (11/16/65)

CONNIE CHARLES LYNCH was inducted into the United States Army on July 26, 1942, at Los Angeles, California, and was honorably discharged on October 20, 1944, as a Private at Fort Ord, California, on a Certificate of Disability for Discharge. LYNCH was found unfit for military service because of "cicatrix, painful, moderate, involving the skin on the medial surface of the left upper arm and forearm, secondary to and following a burn, accidentally incurred in the performance of duty when a gasoline stove exploded on January 17, 1944, at the kitchen of Headquarters Company, 6th Repl. Depot, in New Caledonia." LYNCH was described as male, Caucasian, born November 15, 1912, Clarksville, Texas, 5'5", 134 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes, light complexion, medium build, Army Serial Number 39 250 274. LYNCH's civilian occupation was listed as farmer and Minister of the Gospel, and his wife was listed as BETTY RUTH LYNCH.

These records contained no indications of any knowledge of or special training in, demolitions or explosives.

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II. CREDIT AND ARREST RECORD

The records of the San Bernardino Businessmen's Association, San Bernardino, California, were reviewed on November 25, 1965, for any information regarding LYNCH, with negative results.

Records, Identification Division
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C. (11/28/65)

The following information concerning LYNCH is maintained under FBI Number 439 576 E:

| <u>*Contributor of Fingerprints</u> | <u>Name & Number</u> | <u>Arrested or Received</u> | <u>Charge</u> | <u>Disposition</u> |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| 50 Riverside California | CHARLES CONLEY LYNCH #61629 | 4/6/56 | Failure to Provide | |
| 75 San Bernardino California | CONNIE CHARLES LYNCH #60718 | 2/23/63 | Inv PC 245 Aslt With DW | \$200 or 1 da Co J1 for ea \$5 on chg of Inv PC 245 |
| 80 21 Highline Florida | CONNIE CHARLES LYNCH #11789 | 7/24/64 | Burning Cross on property w/o owners Permission on 2 counts | |
| 80 Greenville Florida | CHARLES CONNIE LYNCH # 205 723 | 8/19/64 | Making False Statement on Drivers lic. application and knowingly concealing material fact on Dr Lic Appl" | Passed to Absentee Docket |

The files of the Municipal Court of San Bernardino
on December 7, 1965, reveal that CONNIE CHARLES
was arrested by the San Bernardino Police Department

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on February 23, 1963, for investigation of violation of Penal Code 245 (ADW). LYNCH was tried in San Bernardino Municipal Court on March 29, 1963, and was found guilty, and sentenced to a \$200.00 fine or one day in County Jail for each \$5.00.

Records, Riverside County
Sheriff's Office
Riverside, California (11/17/65)

CHARLES CONLEY LYNCH, Arrest number 61629, male, Caucasian, born November 15, 1912, Clarksville, Texas, 5'53/4", 148 pounds, blue eyes, dark brown hair, ruddy complexion, 1" cut scar outer chin, large burn scar inner left arm and left side of body, was arrested April 6, 1956. LYNCH was arrested on a warrant issued by the Municipal Court, Bakersfield, California, and released on April 6, 1956, on a \$250.00 bond. LYNCH was charged in the warrant with a violation of Section 270, Penal Code (Failure to Provide). LYNCH's nearest relative was listed as BETTY LYNCH, wife, 724 Oleander, Bakersfield, California. The person to notify the case of illness was listed as PAT HERRICK, 12940 - Tenth Street, Chino, California.

Records, Kern County Municipal
Court, Truxton and Chester Streets
Bakersfield, California (11/30/65)

These records reveal that a complaint was filed in Municipal Court, Bakersfield, charging LYNCH with Failure to Provide. On May 1, 1956, LYNCH appeared in Court at which time he was sentenced to three years probation and ordered to pay child support in the amount of \$50.00 per month.

I. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

The following is a description of CONNIE CHARLES LYNCH as obtained from LA T-1 (November 30, 1965); LA T-2 (December 1, 1965); Records, Military Personnel Records Center, St. Louis, Missouri (November 16, 1965); and Records, Riverside County Sheriff's Office, Riverside, California, (November 17, 1965):

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|--------------------|--|
| Sex | Male |
| Race | Caucasian |
| Born | November 15, 1912 |
| | Clarksville, Texas |
| Height | 5' 5 3/4" |
| Weight | 150 pounds |
| Hair | Dark brown |
| Eyes | Blue |
| Complexion | Ruddy |
| Scars | 1" cut scar outer chin; large burn scar inner left arm and left side of body |
| Army Serial Number | 39 250 274 |
| FBI Number | 439 576 E |
| Marital status | Divorced |
| Vehicle | 1957 Cadillac (pink), California license LXX 891 |

J. MAKE AND MODEL CAR

Records, Department of Motor Vehicles,
State of California,
Los Angeles, California (11/24/65)

These records reveal that CONNIE LYNCH, 25538 Amanda Street, San Bernardino, was the owner of a 1957 Cadillac, four door sedan, which bears 1965 California License LXX 891. LA T-1 advised on November 30, 1965, that instant vehicle is pink in color.

K. SPECIAL ABILITIES OF LYNCH

Records, Military Personnel
Records Center (Supra) (11/16/65)

There is no indication that LYNCH has any knowledge of, or specific training in, demolitions, or use of explosives.

L. ASSOCIATES

LA T-1 (11/30/65)

When LYNCH has visited the Los Angeles area in the past, he has associated with NEWMAN BRITTON, RUFUS BRITTON, and JAMES BRITTON, all of whom are members of the NSRP in California.

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LA T-2 advised on December 1, 1965, that LYNCH has in the past, associated with WESLEY ALBERT SWIFT, and GERALD L. K. SMITH (see appendix Christian Nationalist Crusade).

A report of California Attorney General THOMAS C. LYNCH, dated April 12, 1965, reveals that Dr. WESLEY ALBERT SWIFT was a former organizer and rifle team instructor of the Ku Klux Klan. This report further states that "a long time associate of SWIFT is the Reverend CONRAD 'CONNIE' LYNCH."

M. PHOTOGRAPH

A photograph of CONNIE CHARLES LYNCH is available.

II. CONNECTIONS WITH KLAN AND HATE
TYPE ORGANIZATIONS

UNITED FLORIDA KU KLUX KLAN
Jacksonville, Florida
(UFKKK)

LA T-4 (September, 1962)
LA T-5 (September, 1962)

These informants advised that LYNCH, originally from San Bernardino, California, had recently joined the UFKKK in Jacksonville, Florida, and spoke at an open segregation-type meeting in Jacksonville on September 27, 1962. LYNCH, at this meeting, stated that the white people in Mississippi are mad and that he was going to Mississippi to make them madder.

LA T-6 (10/24/62)

Informant advised that LYNCH formerly from San Bernardino, came to Jacksonville in about April, 1962. He advised that LYNCH had been holding public meetings in Jacksonville and showed the film, "Birth Of A Nation." LYNCH had spoken vehemently against Jews and Negroes at this meeting. Informant advised that LYNCH was a member of the UFKKK.

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LA T-7 (9/25/64)

At a recent meeting of the Jacksonville Klavern #2, UFKKK, it was announced that LYNCH was leaving Jacksonville on the weekend of September 26, 1964, to assist in the presidential campaign of JOHN KASPER of the NSRP (see appendix).

ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KKK
(OKKKK) (see appendix)

LA T-8 (7/11/65)

On July 11, 1965, LYNCH, a representative of the NSRP, attended a meeting of the OKKKK held at Bogalusa, Louisiana.

UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.
(UKA) (see appendix)

LA T-9 (11/3/65)

On October 30, 1965, LYNCH attended a rally held by the KKK to protest the investigation of the KKK by the House Committee on Un-American Activities. This informant advised that LYNCH had been at Natchez, Mississippi all week prior to the rally making, "fire and brimstone speeches." When the rally was held at the ballpark, Natchez, Mississippi, on October 30, 1965, LYNCH wanted to speak, but the UKA would not allow it. LYNCH then had individuals spread out throughout the audience who would call for him to speak, after the KKK Imperial Wizard SHELTON had spoken. However, the UKA became aware of LYNCH's plan to talk and Imperial Wizard SHELTON put out an immediate order to all Grand Dragons of the KKK that neither LYNCH nor any other members of the NSRP would be allowed to speak from a UKA platform.

CHRISTIAN DEFENSE LEAGUE
(CDL) (see appendix)

LA T-10 (6/29/64)

LA T-10 advised that LYNCH, as of June, 1964, was paid by the CDL on a commission basis for each membership that he acquired for the CDL.

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COMMITTEE OF ONE MILLION
CAUCASIANS TO MARCH ON CONGRESS
JULY 4, 1964 (COMCMC)
(see appendix)

LA T-11 (2/13/64, 2/24/64)

The Defensive Legion of Registered Americans, Inc. (see appendix), attempted to organize a march on congress entitled, "Committee of One Million Caucasians to March on Congress July 4, 1964."

The Defensive Legion of Registered Americans, Inc. is a front group for the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (see appendix).

LA T-10 (5/20/64)

On April 25, 1964, and again on May 2, 1964, LYNCH attended meetings of the COMCMC held at 233 South Lafayette Park Place, Los Angeles. During these meetings, LYNCH bragged of his exploits with the KKK in Florida, and related how he had harassed a group of Negroes who were conducting a sit-in demonstration at Brunswick, Georgia.

DUVAL COUNTY STATES
RIGHTS ASSOCIATION (DCSRA)

LA T-4 (8/25/64)

The DCSRA is a white citizens council-type organization in Jacksonville, Florida, which advocates a policy of states rights and segregation of rights.

LA T-4 (8/25/64)

On August 24, 1964, LYNCH spoke at a meeting of the DCSRA, held in Jacksonville, Florida, and stated that he would continue to hold rallies in that area.

LA T-4 (9/18/64)

On September 14, 1964, LYNCH spoke at a regular meeting of the DCSRA held at Westbrook Civic Center, Jacksonville.

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During this speech referring to Jews and Negroes, he stated, "The enemy must be killed if necessary to defeat them, if not, they will take our nation."

LA T-4 (9/30/64)

On September 28, 1964, LYNCH again spoke at a meeting of the DCSRA held at the Westbrook Civic Center, Jacksonville. At this meeting, he stated that he was going to leave Jacksonville with J. B. STONER, NSRP Attorney, to go to Oklahoma and Kentucky and campaign for JOHN KASPER and J. B. STONER, who were running for President and Vice President on the NSRP ticket.

SEGREGATION RALLIES AT
JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA

LA T-12 (6/24/64)

Informant advised that CONNIE LYNCH had arrived in Jacksonville on June 23, 1964, to lead demonstrations by segregationists in nearby St. Augustine, Florida.

LA T-13 (8/20/64)

On August 20, 1964, LYNCH stated that he had leased land at 1702 Jefferson Road, Jacksonville, which land was to be used for rallies of the KKK, NSRP and a certain Christian organization. This land was to be referred to as "Lynch Park."

LA T-13 (9/8/64)

On August 29, 1964, LYNCH held a meeting at "Lynch Park," which he had recently leased, and stated that he would promote the CDL (supra), which he described as a national organization under which "the white man could unite in the fight against the nigger and Jews."

LA T-14 (9/8/64)

Informant made available a leaflet which stated, "The White public is invited to a series of all-white patriotic rallies; hear CONNIE LYNCH (fireball segregation preacher) portrayed in the Saturday Evening "Post" magazine as America's number one minister of hate! Commencing Saturday, September 5, 8:00 PM, nightly at Lynch Park."

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LA T-7 (9/3/64 - 9/29/64)

During the period of September 5, 1964, to September 26, 1964, LYNCH held segregation rallies at "Lynch Park," Jacksonville, Florida.

LA T-15 (9/25/64)

On September 7, 1964, LYNCH held a segregation rally at "Lynch Park," Jacksonville.

LA T-4 (9/30/64, 11/26/64)
LA T-14 (10/5/64, 11/26/64)
LA T-16 (11/10/64)

During the period of September 19, 1964, to November 8, 1964, CONNIE LYNCH held segregation rallies at "Lynch Park," Jacksonville.

LA T-4 (11/13/64)

Informant advised that on November 7, 1964, LYNCH was heard to state that he was going back to California to earn enough money to go on another tour throughout the Country.

NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS
PARTY (NSRP) (see appendix)

LA T-17 (10/2/62)

Informant advised that LYNCH, formerly of San Bernardino, was in attendance at the convention of the NSRP held at Montgomery, Alabama, on September 1 and 2, 1962.

LA T-4 and LA T-5 (September, 1962)

Informants advised that LYNCH was one of the speakers at a meeting of the NSRP held at Carpenters Hall, Jacksonville, on September 13, 1962.

LA T-18 (1/29/63)

LYNCH was in attendance at a meeting of the NSRP held on January 25, 1963, at the Open Bible Federation, 9701

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Flower Street, Bellflower, California. LYNCH, an organizer of the NSRP, spoke at this meeting.

LA T-19 (3/28/63)

Informant advised that on February 22, 1963, members of the NSRP were involved in a brawl in San Bernardino, California, with approximately 15 to 20 high school students. This source advised that LYNCH was one of the members of the NSRP who was arrested by the San Bernardino Police Department. LYNCH claims to be the California State Organizer of the NSRP.

LA T-20 (6/14/63)

On June 14, 1963, the NSRP held an open meeting on U. S. Highway # 11, about ten miles south of Bessemer, Alabama. This informant advised that LYNCH, a NSRP member from San Bernardino, was the first speaker of the evening and spoke in favor of segregation. LYNCH stated that the Negroes had never created any civilization and were not capable of creating anything worthwhile.

LA T-21 (7/22/63)

Informant advised that a public rally of the NSRP was held near Montgomery, Alabama, on June 15, 1963. One of the speakers at this rally was LYNCH, who made anti-Negro and anti-Jewish remarks. He advocated firing Negroes from all jobs and urged those in attendance to deal with firms which continue to back segregation in employment. He stated that the white people should match the Negroes, "demonstration for demonstration, and gun for gun."

LA T-20 (6/18/63)

On June 18, 1963, an open-air meeting of the NSRP was held at the Old Watermill on Highway # 79, in Pinson, Alabama. At this rally, LYNCH, from San Bernardino, spoke in favor of segregation and stated that the white man was going to win out in the current struggle over civil rights, and that the Negroes had never created any civilization.

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LA T-20 (6/28/63)

On June 28, 1963, LYNCH attended an NSRP rally held on a piece of land approximately 2½ miles west of Talladega, Alabama. Informant advised that LYNCH made a "hate speech" in which he viciously condemned any person, organization or group that in any way favored integration. LYNCH also stated at this rally that it would take the combined effort of all white persons interested in preserving segregation, in order for the white civilization to win out.

On July 7, 1965, an agent of the FBI observed leaflets being distributed through the Bogalusa, Louisiana, area, advising that a white rally would be held at 7:30 PM each evening during the period of July 8 to 10, 1965. The speakers at this rally would be the Rev. CONNIE LYNCH and Attorney J. B. STONER. The leaflet bore the name NSRP, Post Office Box 783, Birmingham, Alabama, Dr. EDWARD R. FIELDS, Director.

On July 8, 1965, LYNCH spoke at Bogalusa, Louisiana, and talked of the importance of white supremacy in the entire United States.

CLAXTON KNIGHT, Bogalusa Police Chief, advised on July 11, 1965, that on that date, LYNCH and the NSRP held a rally at Bogalusa. LYNCH remarked that, "lame brained" JOHNSON, J. EDGAR HOOVER and Governor MC KEITHEN are people we want to get out of office." In addition, he stated, "Whenever Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) workers jump on a white person, he has a constitutional right to defend himself, and to be sure the CORE worker gets the worst of it."

BOB CAREY, United Press International reporter, advised on July 12, 1965, that he had attended a press conference held at the Acme Cafe in Bogalusa. At this press conference, SAXON FARMER, KKK leader in Bogalusa, J. B. STONER, Attorney, CONNIE LYNCH, and (FNU) SINGLEMAN, head of the White Citizens Council in New Orleans, Louisiana, made a statement. This statement was that the White Citizens Council of Louisiana would make arrests over the entire State of Louisiana, of those Negroes who were living with women without the benefit of marriage.

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LA T-22 (8/7/65)

Informant advised that at the meeting of the NSRP held on August 7, 1965, at the Embassy Auditorium, 847 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, LYNCH stated that if any FBI Agent attempted to use his authority on him, he would shoot that agent.

LA T-23 (8/13/65)

At a meeting of the NSRP held on August 7, 1965, at the Embassy Auditorium, 847 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, LYNCH called for an uprising of the white people of America, and called the American flag, a "bed sheet of prostitution." He stated that the white race could only survive by bloodshed and that "Nigger and Jew blood has to flow in the street if we are to preserve America as a white Christian nation. To kill a Jew or nigger is no murder, it is like killing a snake or swatting a fly." LYNCH, at this meeting, stated that he belonged to the KKK and the NSRP.

LA T-24 (10/20/65)

LYNCH attended a meeting of the NSRP held at the NSRP headquarters in Dayton, Ohio, on October 17, 1965. At this meeting, LYNCH criticized President JOHNSON and stated that the "Jews and Niggers should be sent back to their home countries."

LA T-4 (11/9/65)
LA T-13 (11/9/65)
LA T-25 (11/9/65)

On November 8, 1965, LYNCH attended an NSRP rally held at the Westbrook Civic Center, Jacksonville, Florida. LYNCH criticized the Federal Government, President JOHNSON, the FBI, Negroes, Jews and communists. He stated that a Jew was the son of Satan while the white man was a son of God. He also stated that the FBI is spending the taxpayer's money investigating white people when they should be checking the Negroes and communists. LYNCH was introduced at this rally by WILLIE EUGENE WILSON, a member of the NSRP and the UFKKK.

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LA T-3 (11/9/65)

On November 9, 1965, LYNCH attended an NSRP rally held on the property of DANIEL C. JOHNSON, Highway #1, Winter Beach, Florida. LYNCH, at this rally, stated that the Jews are representatives of Satan and then equated the Negroes to animals. He denounced President JOHNSON, the FBI, the Supreme Court, and recommended that the Supreme Court Justices be hanged. LYNCH then stated that the FBI should be known as "The Federal Bureau of Integration" and referred to agents as "feeble-brained idiots and babysitters for the Niggers."

He then advised those in attendance to get together their shotguns, their rifles and their ammunition.

LA T-3 (November, 1965)

Informant advised that LYNCH spoke at rallies of the NSRP held on November 10, November 11 and November 12, 1965, on the property of DANIEL C. JOHNSON, U. S. Highway #1, Winter Beach, Florida.

During these rallies, LYNCH admitted favoring the use of violence in combating racial violence. He approved the killing of a white civil rights worker in Alabama, and referred to President JOHNSON as "lame-brained JOHNSON" whom he also described as a traitor. At these rallies, collections were taken for LYNCH.

LA T-26 (7/30/65)

Informant made available a throw-away advertisement of a NSRP meeting to be held on August 7, 1965, at the Embassy Auditorium, 847 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles. This throw-away stated "Come and hear this man who has been called a 'preacher of hate' because he stands against and is courageous enough to identify the Race of Serpents, who are dedicated to the destruction of our nation, our race and the trust pertaining to our God. He is coming directly from the South where he has been actually engaged in rallying the white people against the Jews and Negroes takeover of our country. He has many interesting and heretofore untold news of the situation as it really is in Bogalusa, Louisiana."

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LA T-27 (11/5/65)

Informant advised that on November 5, 1965, J. B. STONER, Attorney for the NSRP, was observed in the car owned by LYNCH, which was parked at the Allright Parking Lot, 736 Reynolds Street, Augusta, Georgia.

LA T-4 (11/25/65)

Informant advised that LYNCH had stated on November 24, 1965, that he was leaving the Jacksonville, Florida, area and would travel to Oklahoma, North Carolina and then to the West Coast.

"The Thunderbolt," a publication of the NSRP, self-described as an "Official White Racial Organ of the NSRP," issue of February, 1963, states that the Rev. CONRAD LYNCH was the State Organizer of the NSRP in California.

LA T-28 (7/4/63)

Informant advised that LYNCH, whom he described as a former State Organizer of the NSRP in California, was then employed by Dr. EDWARD R. FIELDS, who is Information Director of the NSRP, and who was travelling throughout the South. This informant stated that FIELDS was holding meetings three or four days a week in Alabama, and intended to go to Florida in the near future where he planned to hold additional meetings.

LA T-29 (7/1/65)

Informant advised that the Rev. CONRAD LYNCH from California, had been reported by Dr. EDWARD R. FIELDS, Information Director of the NSRP, to be coming to Birmingham, Alabama, within the next two weeks and that LYNCH plans to hold outdoor rallies throughout the State of Alabama on behalf of the NSRP.

NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS REGARDING LYNCH

"The Press," Riverside, California,
Edition of February 25, 1963
"The Sun", San Bernardino, California
Edition of February 28, 1963
"The Bulletin", Anaheim, California
Edition of March 2, 1963

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These newspapers contained articles that state that CONNIE CHARLES LYNCH, State Organizer for the NSRP, was arrested on charges of disturbing the peace, battery, and participating in a riot. He was arrested in San Bernardino, California, in connection with the shooting of an individual with a gas propelled pellet gun. LYNCH in one of the articles, speaking of Nazi Germany stated, "We aligned ourselves with the communist regime and fought against members of our own white race in Germany, people which are 95% white and who are against communism."

The Los Angeles "Herald Examiner" edition of December 12, 1963, in evaluating the NSRP, describes this organization as a "hate group with definite national connections." It also identifies one of the key leaders of the NSRP as CONRAD LYNCH, California State Organizer.

The San Bernardino "Sun", edition of June 1, 1965, contains an article entitled, "CONNIE LYNCH Called a Preacher of Hate." This article states that LYNCH was a former Organizer of the NSRP in the State of California, and that he appeared at racial battlegrounds in Little Rock, Arkansas, Albany, Georgia, and Oxford, Mississippi. This article states that since February, 1963, LYNCH had been active in the KKK and the Christian Defense League. In speaking of ADOLPH HITLER, LYNCH stated, "He was a great man. I am more extreme than ADOLPH HITLER."

The article goes on to state that LYNCH was a confidant of J. B. STONER, Atlanta, Georgia KKK Attorney and former Imperial Wizard of the Christian Knights of the KKK. During August and September, 1963, LYNCH and STONER recruited KKK members in Florida and in the spring of 1964, LYNCH carried the gospel of the CDL through Southern California. This article goes on to state that LYNCH was the man who one day would "drive the Niggers back to Africa, and that the Jews are children of hell."

STATEMENTS BY LYNCH

LA T-22 (8/7/65)

Informant advised that when LYNCH appeared at the meeting of the NSRP on August 7, 1965, at the Embassy

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Auditorium, 847 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, California, he stated that he would shoot any FBI agent who attempted to use his authority on him.

LA T-4 (9/18/64)

Speaking at a rally of the Duval County States Rights Association in Jacksonville, Florida, on September 14, 1964, LYNCH stated "the enemy must be killed, if necessary, to defeat them, if not, they will take over our nation."

RESULTS OF INTERVIEW

On September 23, 1965, LYNCH was interviewed at 202 Hunter Street, Anniston, Alabama, by SAs CLAY SLITE and JOSEPH T. LANDERS. During this interview LYNCH denied making any statement that he would shoot any FBI Agent who might use his authority on him. LYNCH would not answer any questions about his past activities or his future plans. He then inquired as to whether the Agents had a warrant for his arrest. LYNCH was hostile and unfriendly during the interview.

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APPENDIX

CHRISTIAN DEFENSE LEAGUE (CDL)

A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 12, 1964, that the CDL was an organization that advocated the election of Christians to public office at all levels and urges Christians to patronize only Christian business places.

The CDL is now defunct.

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CHRISTIAN NATIONALIST CRUSADE

A source advised on August 12, 1959, that the Christian Nationalist Crusade (CNC) was organized in St. Louis, Missouri, in 1947, and moved its headquarters to Glendale, California, in 1953, where it continues to be located; that from the parent CNC, subsidiary organizations, including the Christian Nationalist Party (of America), have developed; that these organizations all reflect in their literature the imprint of their chief organizer and director GERALD L. K. SMITH, whose basic argument has been that this nation, traditionally Christian, and racially segregated, is threatened by anti-Christian and racially "mongrelizing" forces such as communism and internationalism, all dominantly motivated by international Jewry which controls this country financially and politically; and that these organizations are not membership organizations, but represent followers who contribute to them or subscribe to their literature. Although GERALD L. K. SMITH and his associates are not known to have appealed to illegal action, the tenor of their statements and program is anti-Semitic, as indirectly indicated by the slogan of the Christian Nationalist Party, announced in 1950, which was "One Faith - One Race - One Nation."

"The Cross and The Flag" is the copyrighted monthly official organ of the Christian Nationalist Crusade and Party (National Political Committee), Post Office Box 27895, Los Angeles 27, California, published by GERALD L. K. SMITH and edited by CHARLES F. ROBERTSON at 1200 South Central Avenue, Glendale, California.

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COMMITTEE OF ONE MILLION CAUCASIANS TO
MARCH ON CONGRESS, JULY 4, 1964 (COMCMC)

A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on February 13 and February 24, 1964, that the Defensive Legion of Registered Americans, Inc., (DLRA) was attempting to organize a march on Washington, D. C. entitled, "Committee of One Millions Caucasians to March on Congress, July 4, 1964."

The DLRA is a front group of the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

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DEFENSIVE LEGION OF REGISTERED AMERICANS, INC.,
formerly known as Protective Legion of Registered
Americans, also known as Christian Voters and Buyers
League

A source advised in March, 1962, that HERBERT WALLACE BUTTERWORTH, Public Relations Director, United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (United Klans), explained to a group of officials of United Klans at a meeting on March 1, 1962, that a new organization was to be set up. BUTTERWORTH explained that the organization would be a front organization of the United Klans and its purpose would be to sponsor and organize a series of segregationist events in Atlanta, Georgia, in July, 1962, during the week scheduled for the annual national convention of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Records of the Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, reflect a charter was granted on April 10, 1962, to the Defensive Legion of Registered Americans, Inc. (DLRA) as a non-profit group, whose purpose is to "uphold the American economic system of free enterprise; to oppose Communism, Marxism, Mongrelism, and Nihilism in all their many forms; to uphold the sovereignty of the fifty states of our Union in their respective spheres; to help in the election of public officials, who believe in the principal of abiding strictly by the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitutions of the Fifty States of the United States; to educate the people of the United States as to the wisdom and righteousness of the traditional way of life our forefathers established; to force adherence to the states rights of each sovereign state in the Union of the United States."

On April 18, 1962, the first source advised that JAMES R. VENABLE, Legal Counsel for United Klans, was President of the DLRA and HERBERT WALLACE BUTTERWORTH was secretary. The source stated that an office had been set up in the Walter R. Brown Building, Pryor and Hunter Streets, Atlanta, Georgia, and a mailing address obtained at P. O. Box 58, Decatur, Georgia.

A third source advised in September, 1962, that the Christian Voters and Buyers League had been established

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as a group within DLRA to distribute anti-Jewish and anti-Negro phonograph records and literature.

The first source advised in February, 1963, that DLRA continues to distribute anti-Jewish and anti-Negro phonograph records featuring the voice of HERBERT WALLACE BUTTERWORTH, who is a former radio announcer.

APPENDIX

NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY (NSRP)

On November 26, 1957, a source advised that the United White Party (UWP) was organized at a convention held in Knoxville, Tennessee, on November 10, 1957. An article in November 26, 1957, issue of the "Greenville Piedmont," a newspaper of Greenville, South Carolina, reported "the recent formation of a new political party to be known as the United White Party." According to the article, the party was formed at a recently held meeting in Knoxville, Tennessee, at which many klansmen were represented. the UWP was reported as being opposed to all "race mixing organizations and individuals."

The July, 1958 issue of "The Thunderbolt," self-described as the "official Racial Nationalist Organ of the National States Rights Party," reported that rank and file "States Righters" had merged with the UWP under "the banner of the National States Rights Party," with national offices at Post Office Box 261, Jeffersonville, Indiana.

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(ARKANSAS - LOUISIANA)

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| Character | RACIAL MATTERS - NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY |
| Reference | Report of SA JOHN C. O'NEILL dated and captioned as above |

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Date: 12/23/63
Field Office File No.: 157-670 Bureau File No.:
Title: Reverend CHARLES CONLEY LYNCH

Character: RACIAL MATTERS

Synopsis:

Sources advised subject is a member of the KKK, Jacksonville, Fla., and a paid rally speaker. He is a former member of the UFKKK, Jacksonville. During the period from 7/13/62 to 11/28/63, subject attended and was guest speaker at approximately 57 meetings and rallies of the UFKKK and the KKK. Subject, on numerous occasions, in his speeches made reference to the use of violence to combat integration. He stated, "it's time for violent action" and also that "all white men ought to go out and get a gun to defend against the Negro take-over." Sources advised they knew of no instances in which subject involved in acts of violence. Subject reportedly returning to San Bernardino, Calif. Background information and description set forth.

Status: - P -

Details:

I. BACKGROUNDA. Birth Date

On September 24, 1962, ROBERT GRAEFFE, Inspector, Sheriff's Office, San Bernardino, California, advised that the records of his department reflect Reverend CHARLES CONLEY LYNCH was born November 15, 1912.

B. Citizenship Status

On September 24, 1962, ROBERT GRAEFFE advised that the records of his department reflect Reverend CHARLES CONLEY LYNCH was born at Clarksville, Texas. LYNCH is, therefore, a United States citizen by virtue of birth.

C. Education

JK T-3 advised on November 4, 1963, that he had no knowledge of the extent of LYNCH'S educational training.

D. Marital Status

On September 24, 1962, ROBERT GRAEFFE advised that his records reflect Reverend CHARLES CONLEY LYNCH is married to BETTIE RUTH LYNCH.

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E. Military Service

JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

JK T-3 advised on November 4, 1963, that he had no knowledge of any military service on the part of LYNCH.

F. Credit and Identification Record

On December 6, 1962, the below listed persons advised that the records of their respective offices reflect no credit or arrest records identifiable with the subject:

MARY O. WILLIAMS, Supervisor, Credit Bureau of Jacksonville, Florida;

S. R. KNIGHT, Fingerprint Technician, Identification Division, Jacksonville, Florida Police Department;

GERALDINE WILDER, Secretary, Identification Division, Duval County Sheriff's Office, Jacksonville, Florida.

G. Employment

JK T-5 advised that at a meeting of the United Florida Ku Klux Klan (UFKKK) on July 13, 1962, at Jacksonville, Florida, the subject was introduced as an individual with no regular employment, but who was engaged solely in patriotic promotions.

JK T-4 advised that at a meeting of the UFKKK on September 7, 1962, at Jacksonville, the subject's name was added to the membership list and his occupation was shown to be unemployed automobile mechanic.

A characterization of the UFKKK is set out in the Appendix section of this report.

H. Residence

On October 25, 1962, J. MERCER JOHNS, 107 East 1st Street, Jacksonville, Florida, advised that Reverend CONRAD LYNCH was residing at 123 East 1st Street.

JK T-3 advised on November 4, 1963, that Reverend CONRAD LYNCH resided with J. MERCER JOHNS, 107 East 1st Street, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

JK T-3 advised on November 28, 1963, that the subject left Jacksonville, Florida, this date to return to San Bernardino, California.

I. Physical Description

On September 24, 1962, ROBERT GRAEFFE furnished the following description of the subject from his records:

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| Name | CHARLES CONLEY LYNCH |
| Race | White |
| Sex | Male |
| Age | 50 |
| Date of Birth | November 15, 1912 |
| Place of Birth | Clarksville, Texas |
| Height | 5'6" |
| Weight | 148 pounds |
| Build | Medium |
| Hair | Dark brown |
| Eyes | Blue |
| Occupation | Laborer |
| Employer | Lemon Exchange, Corona, California |

J. Automobile

JK T-3 advised on November 27, 1963, that the subject was driving a white over pink Cadillac, four-door sedan, bearing 1963 California license plate Number LXX891.

On December 6, 1963, JAMES BUCKLEY, Duval County Tag Agency, Jacksonville, Florida, advised IC THAD D. POWELL that the records of his office reflect no 1963 Florida automobile tag issued to the subject.

On December 6, 1963, THELMA COPELAND, License Clerk, Duval County Judge's Office, Jacksonville, Florida, advised IC POWELL that the records of her office reflect no 1963 Florida drivers license issued to the subject.

K. Photograph

The file contains a photograph of subject taken on September 1-2, 1962, at Montgomery, Alabama.

L. Special Abilities

None

M. Associates

JK T-3 advised on November 4, 1963, that the subject resided with J. MERCER JOHNS, Kligrapp of the UFKKK, and that the subject's acceptance as a member of the UFKKK was pressed by JOHNS.

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II. CONNECTIONS WITH KLAN-TYPE AND HATE-TYPE ORGANIZATIONS.

JK T-1, through JK T-5, advised on numerous dates commencing with July 13, 1962, and concluding with November 28, 1963, that the subject was a member of the UFKKK and the KKK and that he regularly attended meetings and spoke at rallies during that period.

JK T-6 advised on November 15, 1963, that GENE FALLOW, Grand Dragon of the KKK, announced at an officer's meeting on November 10, 1963, they would be unable to continue the subject on its regular payroll as a rally speaker due to the lessening number of rallies.

III. STATEMENTS BY SUBJECT CONCERNING VIOLENCE AND ACTIVITY IN RACIAL SITUATIONS

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Sources further advised that the subject's remarks were directed against the Negroes, Jews and communists, integration, politicians, and the Kennedy Administration in general. He voiced his opposition to the Negro in every respect and.

criticized the Kennedy Administration for forcing integration upon the white people of the south. He claimed that the Jews and communists were behind the Negro integration movement and that they hoped by mixing the white and black races that a mongrel race would be formed, and that it would aid the communists take-over of the United States.

Sources stated that the substance of subject's speeches was to encourage those in attendance at the rallies to aid the klan in its opposition to the United States Government civil rights program, integration in any form and the take-over of the United States by the Negroes, Jews and communists.

JK T-8 advised on September 6, 1962, that the subject attended the National States Rights Party (NSRP) Convention held at Montgomery, Alabama, on September 1 and 2, 1962, and subject was reportedly in charge of the NSRP in the Jacksonville, Florida area.

JK T-1, through JK T-4, advised that the subject did not in any of his speeches in the Jacksonville, Florida area indicate he was connected with the NSRP and did not attempt to do any organizational work for the NSRP in the Jacksonville area.

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JK T-3, on October 1, 1962, advised that the subject spoke at a meeting of the UFKKK on September 27, 1962. Subject, in his speech, stated he was going to Oxford, Mississippi, to raise hell in general against the integration of the University of Mississippi. Subject also stated he would stir up the people of Oxford against integration and would advise them of their duties and responsibilities in the matter.

On October 29, 1962, RAY STEPHENS, 415 Clay Street, Jacksonville, Florida, advised that he and his wife, SYLVIA, accompanied subject to Jackson, Mississippi, on September 30, 1962. He stated that they attempted to go to Oxford, Mississippi, on October 1, 1962, but were prevented from doing so by a roadblock of United States Army troops. STEPHENS said he was taken into custody by United States troops, turned over to United States marshals and detained several hours at the University of Mississippi during which time he was photographed and fingerprinted. When he was released, he took a train from Oxford to Jackson where he rejoined his wife and subject. He stated that the subject was with him all the time, except during the time he was in custody, and that to his knowledge, the subject did not participate in any riots or other disturbances at Oxford.

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