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FROM: SAC, LITTLE ROCK (157-2644) (P)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka Americans for Constitutional Government and Law, Carroll County, Arkansas EXTREMIST MATTERS
OO: LITTLE ROCK

Re Little Rock airtel to Bureau dated 2/11/75, Little Rock airtel to Cincinnati dated 2/18/75, and Little Rock teletype to Bureau dated 2/20/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and seven copies of an LHM setting forth the activities of the "tax rally" held at the Crescent Hotel, Eureka Springs, Arkansas, 2/8-9/75.

Enclosed for other receiving offices, except San Antonio, are three copies of the LHM. Enclosed for San Antonio is one copy of the LHM.

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Approved
Special Agent in Charge
The Special Agent of the FBI who obtained the license numbers is SA [redacted], who is assigned to the Fayetteville, Arkansas Resident Agency.

For the information of the Bureau,

An extra copy of the LHM is furnished to all receiving offices, with the exception of San Antonio, so that dissemination may be made to the Secret Service or the Internal Revenue Service in those cities if deemed appropriate.
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Re Little Rock airtel to Bureau, 2/24/75.

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This investigation is based on information which indicates that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, also known as Americans for Constitutional Government and Law, is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), (Section 2384 (Seditious Conspiracy), or Section 2385 (Advocating Overthrow of the Government).

The Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), also known as the Citizens Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC), established at Portland, Oregon, in 1973, is a non-affiliated offshoot of the Identity Group, a California based organization whose leaders and membership have espoused hatred for Jews and Negroes and advocated assassination of FBI Agents and Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Agents, as well as the hanging of certain judges. The primary activities of the SPC have been directed toward efforts to gain public support for opposition to regional governments, restrictive gun legislation, and to encourage mass non-compliance with the Internal Revenue Code.

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RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

The leader of the SPC is HENRY LAMONT (MIKE) BEACH, who has expressed the purpose of the SPC to be the education of law enforcement officials followed by direct action if authorities fail to combat alleged law violators. BEACH encourages the organization of posse groups in counties throughout the country but does not attempt to control the philosophies or activities of the particular chapters.

The "Posse Comitatus", a pamphlet distributed by the SPC, states the local posses have the right under natural law to act in the name of the sheriff to protect local jurisdiction, to prevent illegal orders by state, federal, or local officials, and to maintain peace and security during time of crises.

WILLIAM POTTER CALE, Glendale, California, is the leader of Identity Group which is also known as the Ministry of Christ Church, which has been described as a cover for an "underground army." He is the self-proclaimed minister of the church. Identity Group claims to have representatives in 40 states. It advocates violence against Federal officers, blacks, and Jewish elements. The group advocates tax rebellion and has urged the killing of Federal judges as well as FBI Agents and Internal Revenue Service Agents. It advocates formation of a "Posse Comitatus", a voluntary group of citizens who would act in the name of the local sheriffs to "enforce" the law.
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The American Nazi Party - The World Union of Free Enterprise National Socialists was organized by GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL on February 26, 1956, based upon the concept of an international "National Socialist" movement, as espoused by the German Nazi Party, which was headed by ADOLF HITLER. On January 1, 1957, the official name of this organization was changed to National Socialist White People's Party (NSWPP). The NSWPP supports and follows the line of hatred against blacks, Jews and communists through various propaganda media, demonstrations, and other publicity-seeking devices for the purpose of seeking a legitimate dominant political party within the United States and in foreign countries. Headquartered in Arlington, Virginia, the NSWPP is currently led by MATTHIAS KOEHL, JR.
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On February 8, 1975, the below listed license plates were observed on vehicles parked at the Crescent Hotel in Eureka Springs, Arkansas, by a Special Agent of the FBI:

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Minnesota license plates:
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Kansas license plates:
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Missouri license plates:
(b)(7)(C)
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Wisconsin license plates:

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Pennsylvania license plates:

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IF AN ECONOMIC CRISIS CATCHES YOUR BANKER BY SURPRISE, WHAT ABOUT YOU?

MARCHET CRASHES!

SHOULD YOU OWN SILVER AND GOLD FOR PROTECTION?

For over 3500 years, individuals the world over have found both protection and growth potential for their liquid assets in two precious metals — silver and gold. Today, silver and gold are growing in value as fast or faster than the dollar is shrinking in value.

SILVER — TO PROTECT YOUR BUYING POWER

In 1964, a U.S. paper dollar and a dollar worth of silver coin each had exactly the same purchasing power. With bread at 20¢ a loaf, you could buy 5 loaves with either a paper dollar or silver coin.

But now, in 1974, one U.S. paper dollar will buy only about 2 loaves of bread because inflation has pushed the price to nearly 50¢ a loaf. What will the silver coin buy? One dollar face value in silver coin is worth approximately $2.50 on today's markets. Thus, even with bread at 50¢ a loaf, one dollar in silver coin will still buy 5 loaves, simply because it's silver!

1964
One U.S. paper dollar buys 5 loaves of bread at 20¢ per loaf.
One dollar in silver coin buys 5 loaves of bread at 20¢ per loaf.

1974
One U.S. paper dollar buys 2 loaves of bread at 50¢ per loaf.
One dollar in silver coin (still) buys 5 loaves of bread at 50¢ per loaf.

SILVER CAN PROTECT THE VALUE OF YOUR MONEY IF BREAD REACHES $5.00, $50.00, OR $500.00 PER LOAF!
GEORGE WASHINGTON'S VISION

The many years we have been familiar with reprints of George Washington's vision, the earliest being published in 1879, it is now time to make the vision itself self-explanatory and, as will be seen, years upon the testimony of two individuals—Anthony Sherman and Wesley Bradshaw. It will be noticed that Anthony Sherman was the only living person at that time to whom George Washington had told the vision. Calculation shows that Sherman was then about eighteen years old and that he lived to attain the age of 97 years to tell about it just before the opening of the Great Rebellion, the second peril mentioned by the angel. The Great Rebellion was, of course, the Civil War between the States of the Union, which was shown to be the most serious peril because the conflict that split the Republic was fought against itself.

The reprints of George Washington's vision are taken from Professor C.A.L. Totten's Our Race Leaflot for September 1896. Professor Totten emphasized in his commentary:

"Notice also that the description would seem to show that the third peril was the greatest, while the interpretation declares the second to be. Was that possible but that, by united action and a work of righteousness, the nation may escape the third peril, or lessen its force?"

Following is the vision itself, related in a statement by Wesley Bradshaw, as it was told him by Anthony Sherman:

The last time I ever saw Anthony Sherman was on the fourth of July, 1859, in Independence Square. He was then ninety-nine years old, and becoming very feeble. But although as old, his dimming eyes beclouded as he gazed upon Independence Hall, which he had come to look upon once more before he was gathered home.

"Let me walk into the Hall," he said, "I want to tell you an accident in Washington's life—tell only which no one knows of except myself, and, if you live, you will be long ago verified. Mark the prediction: you will see it verified.

"From the opening of the Revolution, we experienced all plagues of fortune, some good and some ill, in one time victories, and another conqueror. The darkest period we had, I think, was when Washington, after several reverses, retreated to Valley Forge, where he resolved to pass the winter of '77. Ah! I have often seen the tears running down our dear old Commander's warm cheeks as he would conversing with a confidential officer about the condition of his poor soldiers.

"You have doubtless heard the story of Washington going to the thicknesses to pray. Well, it was not only true, but he used often to pray in secret for aid and comfort from God, the interpretation of whose Divine Providence brought us safely through those dark days of tribulation.

"One day—I remember it well—the chilly winds whistled through the leafless trees, although the sky was cloudless and the sun shone brightly. He remained in his quarters nearly all the afternoon alone. When he came out, I noticed that his face was a shade paler than usual, and there seemed to be something on his mind of more than ordinary importance.

"Returning just after dark, he delivered an address to the quarters of the troops in camp, and was principally in attendance. After a preliminary conversation of about a half-hour, Washington, gazing upon his companion with that strange look of dignity which he alone could command, said to the latter:

"Do you not know whether it is owing to the되어 of the mind, or what, but this afternoon, as I was sitting at this very table engaged in preparing a dispatch, something in the apartment seemed to disturb me. Looking up, I beheld, standing opposite to me, a singularly beautiful female. So astonished was I, for I had given strict orders not to be disturbed, that there was some moments before I found language to inquire the cause of her presence. A second, a third, and even a fourth time, did I repeat my question, but received no answer from my mysterious visitor except a slight raising of the eyes.

"By this time I felt strange sensations spreading through me. I would have risen, but the riveted gaze of the being before me rendered volition impossible. I essayed once more to address her, but my tongue had become powerless. Every thought of mine suddenly became paralyzed. A new influence, mysterious, potent, irresistible, took possession of me. All I could do was to gaze steadily, vacantly, at my unknown visitor.

"Gradually the surrounding atmosphere seemed to become filled with sensations, and grew luminous. Everything about me seemed to melt, the mysterious visitor herself becoming more astray, and yet more distant to my sight than before. I now began to feel as one dying, rather to experience the sensations which I have sometimes imagined accompanying dissolution. I did not think, I did not reason, I did not move; all were alike impossible. I was only conscious of gazing fixedly, vacantly, at my companion.

"Presently I heard a voice saying, "Son of the Republic, look and learn." At the same time I saw a beam extend vertically. I now beheld a heavy whip-taper at some distance, riding fold upon fold. This gradually dissipated and I looked upon a strange scene. Before me, spread out in one vast plain, by all the countries of the world: Europe, Asia, Africa and America. I saw, rolling and tossing between Europe and America, the billows of the Atlantic Ocean, and between Asia and America by the Pacific Ocean.

""Son of the Republic," said the same mysterious voice as before, "look and learn." At that moment I beheld a dark, shadowy being, like an angel, standing, or rather floating, in mid-air between Europe and America. Dipping water out of the ocean in the hollow of each hand, he sprinkled some upon
America with his right hand, while, with his left hand, he cast woe on Europe. Immediately a dark cloud arose from these countries, and joined in mid-ocean. For awhile it remained stationary and then moved slowly westward, until it covered America as its overhanging fields. Sharp flashes of lightning illuminated it at intervals, and I heard the muttered grumblings and cries of the American people.

"A second time the angel dipped water from the ocean, and sprinkled it upon America, instantly the dark cloud rolled back, together with the armies it had brought, leaving the inhabitants of the land panting.

"Then once more I beheld villages, towns and cities springing up where they had been before, while the bright angel, planting the azure Standard he had brought into the midst of them, cried with a loud voice: "While the stars remain, and the heavens send down dew upon the earth, so long shall the Republic last." And taking from his brow the crown on which was blazoned the word "Union," he placed it upon the Standard while the people, kneeling down, said, "Amen.

"The scene instantly began to fade and dissolve and I at last saw nothing but the rising, curling vapor at first depicted. This was disappearing, I found myself once more gazing upon my mysterious visitor, who in the same voice I had heard before, said, "Son of the Republic, what you have seen is but interpreted. Three great ports will come upon the Republic. The most fearful is the second, passing which the whole world united shall not prevail against her. Let every child of the Republic learn to live for his God, his land and union." With these words the vision vanished, and I started from my seat and felt that I had seen a vision which had been shown me the birth, progress and destiny of the United States.

"Said a voice behind me: "were the words I heard from Washington's own lips, and America will do well to profit by them."
Would YOU like to Create All this Money — for Less than 8 Cents?
TAX Free!

YOU don't dare!

TREASURY AGENTS WOULD WHISK YOU AWAY TO JAIL FOR COUNTERFEITING BEFORE YOU COULD EXPLAIN THAT YOU ORDERED THE MONEY CREATED BY THE UNITED STATES PRINTING OFFICE.... JUST AS IS BEING DONE BY ANOTHER PRIVATE BANKING ORGANIZATION, ERRONEOUSLY TITLED "FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS".

CONFUSED? — read on Tax Slave....

THE PEOPLE'S REFORM MOVEMENT
P.O. Box 3720 — Lakeville Station, Minneapolis, Minn. 554
The Great "Federal Income Tax" FRAUD

Yes, you could become a Millionaire for only $9.00 cash. Simply buy one thousand $1,000 Bills at 9/10 of a cent, just like the Federal Reserve does, and become a Millionaire overnight. That is... IF you could buy-off or bamboozle enough corrupt or crazy Congressmen to give you an unlawful license to counterfeit.

THE FEDERAL RESERVE MONOPOLY HAS A LICENSE TO COUNTERFEIT. THEY CREATE MONEY OUT OF NOTHING...BACK IT UP WITH NOTHING...AND LOAN IT TO US WITH INTEREST....AND WE MUST BACK IT UP WITH OUR LABOR AND PROPERTY VIA THE FRAUDULENT FEDERAL INCOME TAX, WHICH IS PICKED-UP BY THEIR COLLECTION-RACKET HENCHMEN; THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE.

THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM: Article I, Section 10 of the Constitution prohibits the States from making any Thing but gold and silver COIN a tender in payment of debts. By law, One Dollar must equal .3333 gms. of pure gold or .7114 gms. of pure silver. Congress does not have the authority to counterfeit. Why is it not available? The American States cannot obtain such coin simply because none is available. Why is it not available? The Federal Congress has unlawfully violated Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution. It has unlawfully debased the power mandated by the States and the People "To coin money, regulate the value thereof, and set the standard of weights and measures." (Art. I, Sec. 8). The Federal Congress has unlawfully delegated this power to a privately owned Federal Reserve System which pays NO TAXES and is not subject to regulation by any agency of the Federal Government. It is a private monopoly which neither the People nor the States authorized in the Constitution. The Federal Reserve Act (38 Stat. 555; U.S.C. 221) enacted December 23, 1913 is in violation of the Constitution and is therefore illegal and not law.

It is quite obvious that the solution to the problem lies in the hands of the Federal Congress. It can and must be solved. It is not the purpose of this guide to outline the solution, although this could be done if it would fit the purpose and not require additional space.

THE GRADUATED INCOME TAX: This 66 United States Code, enacted by Congress and known as the Internal Revenue Code, is completely in violation of the Constitution, therefore it is ultra-vires, unlawful and not binding upon the People not the States or the United States. The entire Code is a string of unconstitutional abuses which attempt to require a citizen's money to the pedagogy and violation of his God-given and Constitutional rights. Beginning with Section 6102 - "Persons Required to Make Returns of Income" - it says that a citizen must voluntarily give up his right under the Fourth Amendment, the Fifth Amendment, Seventh Amendment and in general, the entire Constitution. It has been noted that Section 6011 does NOT provide for tax payments nor does it establish a TAX. When a citizen complies with Section 6012, he is not obeying the law but is being "trapped" into voluntarily surrendering his Constitutional rights and protections. When the Courts have ruled that known communists and murderers may not be deprived of their Constitutional rights, it is absolute treason to believe that an Act of Congress or any other branch of government may make a good citizen do so. Have you ever thought of the fact that until you voluntarily give up these "rights" that there is no income tax? There can be no income tax until the return, with the unlawful information under unlawful conditions is computed.

This comes Section 7203 of the Internal Revenue Code. "Willful Failure To File Returns, Supply Information Or Pay Tax." This is another unlawful statute which attempts to back up Section 6012 which doesn't say a word about paying tax. This merely threatens a citizen for not voluntarily giving up his rights and protections which are guaranteed by the Constitution. How silly can they be?

Any official of government, including judges of the Court, who attempt to enforce such unlawful (pretended) legislation should be removed from office.
Dear Friends:

Attached is the recent issue of the "WORLD FINANCIAL REPORTS". Please read it and then pass it along to a close friend or neighbor.

Our purpose for this report is to pass along to YOU a timely newsletter with information of up-to-the-minute news from around the World. It will include reports from many distinguish economist such as: Harry Browne, Dr. Franz Pick, C. V. Myers, Harry Schultz, Robert Preston and many more. Of course, to subscribe to these outstanding economist would cost many dollars for their newsletters. Yet, for a one (1) year subscription to WORLD FINANCIAL REPORTS, it is only $20.00.

Let us help you in your search for financial news that can assist you in your future planning. Many have asked, "What long-range investments that are safe should I get into?" Others have asked, "Why are the precious metals a good buy?" We hope, by reading this monthly report you will obtain a further insight on the WHY'S, WHAT'S, and HOW'S on YOUR future investments.

With inflation eating the very core out of your dollar, it is still possible to continue sending these reports to you at these low rates. Now is the time to act! Do it today! Just send your check for $20.00, with your name, address, city and state. You will then receive the most HARD HITTING, HARD PACK, NO HOLDS BARED, newsletter ever published.

With 1975 coming up, and being predicted as the most critical year ever to face the American people, be sure that you are prepared. You too, can become more astute and knowledgeable! SUBSCRIBE NOW!!

DESIGNED FOR THE ASTUTE AND KNOWLEDGEABLE!
NEWS FLASH: At press time, it was learned that the Pacific Coast Coin Exchange, a Silver Dealer in Southern California, is now under indictment in the U.S. District Court in Los Angeles. The Securities and Exchange Commission has alleged that PCCE sold nearly $1 billion in Silver they did not have. In the complaint, the SEC said only small amounts of Silver and Silver Coins were ever purchased. They further stated, over 25,000 investors were involved in the four-year old company, but the full extent of their losses could not yet be determined.

Last January, 1974, we warned YOU about buying through PCCE and other companies that sell on marginal basis. Our warnings about the U.S. National Bank of San Diego and Franklin National Bank of New York have now come true. Another such warning was issued against IHC Mint Corporation of Salt Lake, and Western Pacific Coin Company of Las Vegas, who have since gone under. Now you are being warned to watch out for the Southern California First National Bank of San Diego and its branches. The FED is now investigating this bank, plus over 150 other banks across the nation. The Republic National Bank of New York recently received a law suit from a Texas Coin Dealer alleging that over 17,000 Gold Coins were not delivered. Further investigation by this newsletter revealed that the bank is being sued for over $2 million. Republic National Bank is one of the largest banks in the New York area. BEWARE, if you are dealing with them. They may go under!

El Paso Coin Company, one of the largest coin dealers in the U.S., dealing in Gold Coins, Silver Coins and Bullion has also gone into bankruptcy. The amount of money involved has not been determined, as of yet, it is expected it will enter into the millions.

WE AGAIN STRESS TO YOU. TAKE DELIVERY OF YOUR PURCHASES AT THE TIME THE SALE IS MADE. DO NOT ALLOW YOURSELF TO BE TAKEN IN. KNOW WHO YOU ARE DEALING WITH. DO NOT place your trust in banks or in stock brokers, as many brokerage houses will go the way DUPONT folded.

We have said in the past that foreign banks might be a haven for Storage of your GOLD and SILVER. With the recent news about the confiscation of bank accounts and bank safety deposits in Canada of C. V. Myers to the tune of over $7 million, a closer review of Canadian storage is being taken. It can only be stressed to you, the safest place of storage for anything of value is with YOU. DO NOT rely on anyone to store your wealth. You worked to hard to have it go down the drain by some unscrupulous individual. GUARD IT WELL, but most of all, NEVER TRUST ANYONE. KEEP IT QUIET!!

Many banks across the country are now experiencing difficulties. If you do not believe this, try sending a bank wire to a friend and see how long it takes. Normally, bank wires should only take about six hours to transfer from New York to California. However, most of the banks today want to retain this money for at least 24-48 hours in order to cash in on their phony daily interest credits. This is your money! Why do they hold on to it, depriving you the opportunity to earn the interest? This is going on in every bank across the country. This is sure a sign of future bank failures.

Next edition will give more details. WATCH FOR IT. Please subscribe!
Precious Metals, GOLD and SILVER, in all forms have had an increasing demand as the U.S. Dollar continues to lose its "purchasing power". An even greater demand is expected in the immediate future and should continue to increase for many months until the Monetary Situation is stabilized.

The price of GOLD finally has broken through its old closing high of $179.50 an ounce set last April 3rd and appears well on its way toward reaching a new historic high of $200 an ounce or more by year end.

**WHY THE NEW RUN ON GOLD?**

The latest spurt in the bullion price on the London Market largely reflects the growing concern over the possibility of another outbreak of war in the Mideast. GOLD always has been a monetary refuge in times of international crisis.

But there are other reasons for the runup in the price of the yellow metal. The impact of continued extortionate oil prices on the economics of the western nations is a significant factor in the GOLD price surge. Talk of hard times and shortages is rampant, and world "DEPRESSION" keeps popping up in reports with alarming frequency.

A well-known senior vice-president of a large banking firm recently returned from a swing through Zurich, London, and other major European capitals and reported that sentiment among bankers and other business men over economic prospects "borders on despair". With Italy on the verge of bankruptcy, other nations may have to follow Italy in pledging their GOLD reserves for loans to pay for oil. Ultimately, the Arab oil producers may wind up with a lot of GOLD for their oil. The supply of GOLD, already tight in world markets, would be diminished even further.

Another factor in the rise of GOLD to a new peak is the prospect of a great demand for the metal when the U.S. lifts its ban on GOLD ownership December 31, 1974. Many economists and other GOLD experts expect that Americans will buy more GOLD than had been anticipated. In fact, the demand for GOLD will be so strong and persistent that it will help drive the price of the metal up to $250 or $300 an ounce in the first half of 1975, if not sooner.

With the recent announcement by FED Chairman Arthur Burns asking Congress to extend the 40-year-old prohibition against private ownership of GOLD, concern is now taking place as to what is going to happen with the U.S. economy. Citizens are expected to make heavy withdrawals from savings accounts and sell-off stocks and bonds. Large imports of GOLD would increase the U.S. balance of payment deficit, lowering the value of the dollar thus causing a rise in import products, which would reinforce the double digit
inflation. Astute and knowledgeable investors should take note, with the U.S. Dollar steadily declining, and the apparent crisis now more real than ever, investment in GOLD is now in an excellent position.

In the past, the reason for shifting funds by investors in GOLD was out of fear of continued inflation. It is indeed a sad commentary when citizens are forced to seek refuge in GOLD in order to protect their life savings from the destructive ravages of inflation, economic chaos and devaluations. But such is the case today. Within two years we have seen the dollar devalued twice. This has been our reward for many years of unsound economic theory and practice. And yet the two devaluations have not solved our problems. In spite of the devaluations the economic problems still continue. The problems shall continue, or again and off again, until either a world wide DEPRESSION is triggered or else governments reject Keynes Theory in favor of sound monetary practices. Each additional crisis will be more devastating than the previous one. Each new crisis will feed upon the previous crisis until man in sets in some day resulting in the bubble bursting. In the meantime, while this hanky panky is going on, your GOLD investment will increase many times over.

IS ANOTHER DEPRESSION POSSIBLE??

This time the GREAT DEPRESSION will not be triggered by Wall Street speculation. A Wall Street crash will occur, but it will be in response to the "DEPRESSION TRIGGER". Many economists have stated, "the trigger will in all probability come from the combined actions of a domestic dollar crisis and our over-extended credit".

Everyone hears about the massive Federal Debt. Do you realize that as of 1970 the non-governmental debt was three times as large as the combined debts of all of the Federal, State and Local Governments? During the 60's the government debt grew slower than the non-government debt. The non-governmental debt grew 4.5 times greater than our national debt. The trend is very significant. It is very doubtful the average American family or businesses have sufficient assets to cover their debts. During the 20's we lived in a speculative society, today we live in a credit society. The entire financial structure of our country is just as fragile as an egg shell. Another DEPRESSION would be disastrous. There have been talk about safeguards which guard against a repetition of the GREAT DEPRESSION.

ARE THE AMERICAN PEOPLE REALLY PROTECTED AGAINST THE HARDSHIPS SUCH AN ECONOMIC DISLOCATIONS WOULD CREATE? AND IF SO, BY WHAT?

President Ford has recently reassured the nation that safeguards written into "the system" since the 1930's make it unlikely for the United States to slip from RECESSION into DEPRESSION. He listed only two--unemployment insurance and supplemental payments to idled workers in the automobile industry. But claims there are many more of equal or even greater importance. The question which many Americans are asking, "where is the money coming from?"

First of all, we must understand that the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) only has enough funds to cover about 1.25% of the total "insured" deposits in "insured" banks. In a recent change, the FDIC has increased the maximum coverage of $20,000 to $40,000 on all "insured" de-
poits. Since the FDIC was established in 1934, the agency has not been able to cover more than 1.95% of the so-called "insured deposits". The FDIC is a hopscotch. It has never been tested under conditions of country-wide bank failures. As a result, the FDIC which was established to provide insurance for your hard earned savings will be unable to meet its obligations if widespread bank failures occur. Banks will be unable to meet withdrawal requests from customers if there is a run on the banks, because Federal Banking Regulations do not require banks to match every dollar deposited with a dollar in their vaults. What would happen if a massive domestic flight from the dollar results in banks defaulting on withdrawal requests? It is possible that banks could be put into the position of being unable to meet withdrawal requests. Any inability to satisfy withdrawal requests would result in banks closing down either voluntarily or involuntarily. Look at the mighty U.S. National and the Franklin National!

CAN THIS HAPPEN?

To clarify one point. The FDIC is perfectly capable of handling isolated bank failures here and there. The point is, what would be the end result if there were a massive run on the banks? Franklin National bank of New York is one example of isolated bank failures in which the FED aided. Many banks in the future will experience the same failures as the demand by citizens to withdraw their funds increases.

WHAT COULD HAPPEN THEN?

The scenario might unravel like this. Bank failures resulting from a domestic flight from the dollar would prevent citizens from meeting the payments on either their personal or business debts. As a result citizens might, in uncontrolled emotion sell stock for any price, withdraw savings from banks still in business, and in a very short time create a financial panic and a run on the dollar right here at home. This domestic panic would be in response to a foreign run on the dollar, or other crisis. Instead of just a foreign flight from the dollar we would have a foreign and a domestic flight simultaneously. This could possibly happen upon release of COLD to the American after December 31, 1974.

With banks failing because they cannot satisfy withdrawals, the "DEPRESSION TRIGGER" would have been pulled. Faith in our economic system would begin to collapse. People would loose their employment at an accelerated rate as companies are closed down along with the banks. Payments due banks would begin to dry up, governmental taxes would fall at the very time when expansion of social programs would be required. Those still employed would spend less and less further reducing business incomes and the associated governmental taxes. The unemployed and businessman would be unable to cope with their massive installment debts. As this process continues, businessmen would reduce their work forces in anticipation of further reduction in consumer spending. This process will gather momentum, intensify and accelerate until the bottom falls out of the stock market, and collapse sets in.

Since the world has been dependent upon the dollar, in lieu of COLD, for settlement of international debts, the shock wave would then spread around the world. This would further aggravate the existing flight from the dollar and the end result would be WORLD WIDE PANIC. Savings would be wiped out, stock certificates would once again be worthless. The hard earned
Savings of many families would be forever lost. Surely, social disorders would develop and society as we know it today might end up in shambles until order could be restored, once more.

Oh yes, the government would make good on the "insured savings". And, you are thinking to yourself right now that the President would save the day by instructing the government to take whatever steps are necessary to make good on the FDIC. However, the reader is advised to carefully investigate the FDIC regulations and procedures. The fine print can provide for a very long wait prior to receiving reimbursement for lost savings. Talk to the people that had their savings "wiped out" in the Franklin and U.S. National collapse. Why haven’t they been paid yet? Can you afford to wait that long?

WOULD WASHINGTON EVER AGAIN COME TO THE RESCUE??

The President will ride out of the white House upon his white charger, and restore order out of chaos with the stroke of a pen. At least that is what he would like you to believe! The President would direct the Secretary of the Treasury to print enough paper money to cover the "insured" bank losses. Do you now realize this action would be necessary because the FDIC WOULD ALSO BE BANKRUPT? The FDIC would then distribute the FRESHLY PRINTED PAPER ESTATE to those with "insured" accounts, but WHAT WOULD THE MONEY BE WORTH??

Such an injection of more paper fiat money into what is left of the U.S. economy during a DEPRESSION would trigger a wave of "RUN AWAY INFLATION". Surely, the people by this stage of the game would prefer to retain possession of their money instead of once again trusting it to the banks. Of course, the government might anticipate this behavior, and deposit the reimbursed money directly in banks subject to withdrawal restrictions. In any case, we would end up with either INFLATION in the midst of a DEPRESSION or with savers being unable to spend their hard earned savings.

This is just one possible scenario. Of course, other scenarios could be developed presenting a different cause and effect relationship. However, the final cause of the DEPRESSION is not the critical point here. What is important, is for YOU to consider the current situation and to adjust your planning accordingly. The only question left unanswered is -- "WHEN WILL THE GREAT DEPRESSION SET IN??"

WHY SILVER OR GOLD? IS IT A GOOD INVESTMENT?

SILVER bullion and SILVER medallions have been an excellent hedge against inflation in the past. However, with the strong outlook for GOLD, a portion of your portfolio should include GOLD. GOLD bullion will have its place in the market, but there are some drawbacks and uncertainties as to whether direct ownership of bullion will be advisable. The astute investor should consider GOLD coins as a more realistic hedge. You may consult us for our current free recommendations on the best GOLD coin buys for today.

WHY GOLD COINS?

GOLD coins offer the buyer a recognition the world over. They are readily divisible; do not need to be assayed; can easily be stored; and are not recorded with any government agency. In addition, they are spendable if necc-
sary for goods and services, should the need arise. With short supply of GOLD now present, various mints throughout the world are having difficulty in obtaining the precious yellow metal in order to mint their coins. Therefore, the premium for the coins will be even greater than the actual cost of bullion as the demand for the coins increases.

The South African Kruger Rand is a classic example. The demand for this coin has been enormous from all over the world. Citizens of South Africa have enjoyed the pleasures of owning GOLD bullion. Yet the South African Government has now placed a rationing of these coins upon its citizens because of short supply; GOLD coins will always be their place in the world society. GOLD is the foundation of one's wealth. GOLD coins are becoming very scarce and the supply is limited. Even Merrill Lynch and other stock brokers have now entered into the GOLD market.

WILL THE U.S. GOVERNMENT SELL ITS TWO MILLION OUNCES OF GOLD?

With the announcement of the U.S. treasury to sell off 2 million ounces of GOLD in January, 1975, the market turned slightly on the down side, but this only lasted for ONE DAY. Treasury sales will only have a stabilizing effect as the price of GOLD is going to go much higher. Instead of selling the GOLD and destroying the value of U.S. Currency, the U.S. Government should be accumulating GOLD to further strengthen its currency. Dow Jones reported monetary officials of the European community and some central bankers welcomed the move as "a concrete step toward the demonetization of GOLD". On the other hand, imagine the reaction of Europeans to the U.S. selling its GOLD reserves. This GOLD is mortgaged to the hilt by dollar holders abroad. President Nixon acknowledged that when he closed the "GOLD WINDOW" and convertibility of the dollar into GOLD was ended in 1971.

C. V. MYERS of Myers Finance E Energy reported, "Being cognizant of US monetary crisis, one must know that, even disregarding war, we are approaching a time of absolutely drastic change relating to the money of the US. If the US is forced to make its international dollar convertible to GOLD at some high price -- it wouldn't necessarily follow that the domestic supply of currency would be convertible to GOLD. In fact, it probably wouldn't, in order to save the GOLD supply. That would mean a separation".

Many reports have stated for a long time about a new currency already printed. There is no way of knowing whether these reports are right or not. But strictly as a matter of deduction, the odds are stacked in favor of some such division of currency.

WILL THERE BE A NEW CURRENCY IN THE FUTURE?

If the U.S. wants its dollars to be convertible internationally, then the present Greenbacks of the FED will have to be included, as there are large deposits of actual cash money abroad. This would develop into a tricky problem, since they would have to separate international Greenbacks with those Greenbacks owned domestically. Thus, a device of a new and different currency would seem to fill the bill.

DR. FRANZ FICK, world's leading authority on currencies and GOLD, has stated, "I foresaw the TOTAL COLLAPSE of the American Dollar and the issuance of a NEW U.S. CURRENCY". He further added, "such a move could conceivably be
on the basis of 10 OLD DOLLARS to ONE HEAVY DOLLAR. Such a devaluation would wipe out the government's debt.

It is felt, however, that this exchange will be done on an even basis, comparable in every way, except appearance, with the present currency. But the currency would have to be somewhat different. The transition would take place by the government calling in all Greenbacks in the nation. It may even be a criminal offense should you decide not to turn them in. On the international market, the Greenbacks would increase in value more than the domestic currency. This could pose a grave problem for those who are holding currency now. Of course, this is only speculation, but it could be considered as a very strong likelihood. For it would impose more direct control over each and every American in his personal finances.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Buy GOLD coins
2. Buy SILVER coins, medallions and bullion.
3. Stockpile FAMILY FOOD RESERVES - enough for 1 year or more
4. Sell Stocks - Bonds - Real Estate
5. Reduce "cash" holdings to a minimum.

Those who heeded the warnings and followed the suggested strategies, made thousands of dollars in SILVER, GOLD, etc. Some got out of overpriced stocks at the top when this strategy was suggested. Others saved large sums on purchases when it was suggested. This report hopes to provide YOU timely information on re-entry into certain paper assets, including some types of stocks when and if the time comes. Meanwhile it will concentrate on absolutely current strategies.

WHY NOT BUY GOLD BULLION?

The SEC is attempting to put into law a requirement that GOLD bullion be assayed EACH 15-30 it is transferred. This gives the government a record of your purchase. Would you give up YOUR GOLD if the government called it in like they did in 1934? The government wants to know where the "true wealth" is, for "taxation" and possible future "confiscation".

Look what happened to people that bought Treasury bonds. Many complained of receiving a "tax audit" notice shortly thereafter. All Treasury bonds are recorded with the government.

GOLD SEMINARS

Every "Johnny Come lately" is sponsoring GOLD seminars. We have attended many different GOLD seminars for the past few weeks and have found most of them to be a "BIG RIP OFF". They are being sponsored by local stock firms in your areas. Beware of the following:

1. STOCK BROKERS or BANKS acting as "Agents" and not "Principals".
   (to limit their liability, i.e. blame the principal if something goes wrong, etc.)

2. Do not sign a "Precious Metal Customer Sales Agreement".
   For give a financial statement to the seller.
3. Watch for hidden charges, such as:
   A. Premium over spot (as high as 20%)
   B. Shipping cost (5%)
   C. Insurance (2%)
   D. Storage cost (approx. $5.00/100 Troy Oz)
   E. Commission fees (approx. 4 to 6%)

4. DO NOT give your social security number to the seller. "John Doe" purchases should be used by all.

5. DO NOT store with the seller. TAKE PHYSICAL DELIVERY.

6. Delivery — DO NOT take anything but SAME DAY delivery. Don't wait three (3) days.

7. DO NOT store in safe deposit box in a bank.

8. Keep quiet about your purchase — TRUST NO ONE!!

9. Have confirmed price LEFT to real estate company. (Some companies demand one (1) day to confirm.)

10. Beware of Credit Purchase with Marginal Down Payment.

11. DO NOT furnish security or collateral to seller.

12. Know what you are buying AT THE purchase. DO NOT leave "open end" discretion option to seller.

13. Buy only well known, popular GOLD coins that are salable if the need arises.

14. Beware of "BAIT AND SWITCH". Several stockbrokers use the "GOLD CULL" as a come on and then switch you tophony "GOLD STOCKS", Municipal bonds, or other junk that they are trying to unload.

15. GOLD Bullion stored in another country (C.V. Myers had safe deposit boxes confiscated in Canadian banks) is subject to double taxation; conditions related to foreign governments; confiscation; regulatory measures of that country; many countries will not allow you to take money out.

16. DO NOT pay premium price over Spot for numismatic value.

There is further advice that is available, but because of government regulations we cannot put it in a newsletter. Please refer to call (714) 452-9321 or (714) 452-8180 for up to the minute information, quotes, and new trends.

Reports have stated that the Gross National Productfigure is up for the third quarter of 1974. Beware!! This figure is misleading. It is based on inflated prices, not on production units.
THE OUTLOOK FOR '75

If a drastic change is not concluded in the Middle East over the oil crisis, outbreak of war is inevitable. Gasoline and oil prices for 1975 will rise over $1.00 per gallon or more, along with the U.S. Government issuing gas rationing stamps.

Unemployment continuing to climb leaving many areas in deep DEPRESSION. Refer to Wall Street Journal, December 9, 1974, page 1. With the decrease in lumber sales, many cities such as those in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and others, relying on incomes derived from lumber mills will face greater losses of income. Lumberjacks, Log Healers, Mill Workers, Wholesale and Retail Businesses, Contractors, Paper Industry will face greater lay-offs due to reduction in consumer sales.

Rationing of food a strong possibility especially in the imported items such as sugar, coffee, cocoa, etc.

Reduction of work force in all government agencies due to new budgets for the fiscal year 75-76 reflecting inflationary upswing now present.

SUMMARY

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The Zionist States Of America

By Lt. Gen. Fred A. Van Valkenburgh

(Formerly known as the United States of America)

The metempsychosis was not instantaneous but very gradual and it took place for the following reasons:
- Why a people lose their country, by conquest, American, like the Indians below them, were unable to resist the enemy in their midst.
- In fact, most Americans are mistakenly unaware of having been conquered and go about paying for the few dollars which their enemies permit them to keep, after chaos, and buying their bread and wine at exorbitant prices demanded by the enemy who have monopolized their food, clothing, footwear, every important industry and the various branches of government.
- Many have lost their property in their power as also the news media through which they make believe that racism is white and every country for their American slaves called citizens, with factories, homes, and a fearful amount of expensive nonsense in the papers, television and radio while all the time they know when they have sold for the highest number of people.
- However, as even the Indians eventually realized and accepted the white man, but they refused to sell their American homes, the time will come when the pressure of poverty and the exchange of their liberty for slavery will begin to tell. The only question is whether it will be too late as it was in the case of the Indians.
- The bright shiny metal known as gold, and the infamous barbarous called communism, are both cleverly used as a weapon to keep the slaves in order. Gold is used to deface the people's money by the spurious and controlled comparison between their dollars and gold. Millions of people buy for their own destruction by selling a return to the meek and the humble's gold standard which, of course, is only a trick in the money's trade because it is not enough gold in the world to back the currency of any of the large industrial nations of the world.
- For instance, the dollar today is not equal to one cent in German after World War 1. This operates the enemy's control of gold as well as of our currency.
- A recent controlling of communism or socialism destroys the American way of life through such a mechanism of the people, as well as eventually bring on a bloody revolution. Historically, the revolution in England led by Cromwell and the bloody one in France led by Robespierre were brought about in three unfortunate countries by the same means through the control of gold and communism, the lack of their trade, or better - the weapons of their enemies.

The money always comes from the goldsmiths, now called bankers, machine in the case of the Russian Empire, Iron Teddy, with a catch consisting of $3 billion dollars for one of the great enemy banks in New York, was able to defeat the White Russians, murder the Czar, and his family and many another, to establish the final form of communism.

We find that the enemy attacks first directed against Caucasians, who are also Christians, or so it seems. Certain it is that in the United States they swept away Christianity and monopolized the Caucasians with the Africans before they were able to conquer. But the Americans weakly surrendered their liberties (guaranteed them by their Constitution) by enemy violations of the Constitution and enemy agreements which, over the years, have produced the necessary situation to stamp out religion and the Caucasian race.

But we are in good company, for Britain is presently ruled by a Nazi Lord, France by a Zionist president and premier and every country is subject to the enemy through the manipulations of their currencies and gold, and the influence of socialism.

Today they have been served the food in which they have forgotten thousands of years, delivering country after country, until the industrial capacity of the United States was finally conquered from within.

Predictably, within a matter of months the American slave ships will find themselves confronted by an actual enemy dictatorship openly and ruthlessly treating their American cousins as slaves or cattle in accordance with their great religion or rather their book government for their own lives to the detriment of all other people, their Slaves.

There remains only a little time to the American “David” to sing his song at the Zion Temple, but it is too late now that the original David did not start with the help of God. Will Americans finally appeal to God whose providence made them a powerful nation and humbly ask him to deliver them from these ruthless enemies who are the enemies of Christ?

Adieu fidèles, vivez adorables!
S.O.S. III, USA, SHIP OF STATE

WRITTEN IN "BLOOD, SWEAT AND TEARS"

A SHOCKING PROPHETRY
MADE BY HISTORIC CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE

IN 1940

In 1940 the House Committee on Un-American Activities, headed by Martin Dies, released the following statement concerning the threat of a Nazi revolution. For this, Mr. Dies was ridiculed and abused by Eleanor Roosevelt and her friends among the Moscow sympathizers.

At a given signal, race riots will be launched in various cities throughout the nation. Leaders of these (principally Negro) mobs are to be carefully chosen and trained in advance. The riots are to be of such extent as to make the police and armed race mobs appear in force in these areas. The authorities will be trying to quell these riots, picked bands of negroes are to seize the radio and TV stations and telephone exchanges. With the use of their own broadcasts, all communications to the nation are to be wholly crippled. The operators are to be killed by mobs and state troops. The authorities will then have the power to arrest the negroes and professional criminals in other parts of the country. The negroes and professional criminals are to be given as hostages to the people in the business districts. Not only the negroes but also the white mobs are to be ravaged and raped.

These are exactly the methods that were used in Russia, Poland, Spain, Hungary and other places where the Communist Party was allowed to organize and come to function. They plan and expect to do the very same thing in the U.S. — if necessary.

Bridges, railway stations, railroad and street cars are to be blown up. Downtown areas are to be cut off from the rest of the city. Shuttered doors are to be smashed in, and buildings are to be burned to the ground. All types of vehicles, which are to be taken over by the police, firemen, armed troops, and labor organizers. Those houses properly located in downtown buildings are to be burned to the ground. The police, firemen, and labor organizers are to be armed with rifles. The entire rioting and disorder is to be carried on for several days. They are preparing their troops. Their entire training of the troops and leaders of the party is centered on this point.

This might happen, the city is to be in pitch darkness. Preparations of the authorities under the leadership of the police will be attended to throughout the city. Preparations are to be made to help the negroes in the city. The negroes will have to be put in a safe place. So we shall begin by launching the anti-racial movement on a grand scale. They will be completely successful in their objectives and will be able to achieve their purposes.

Beware Of Russian Wake Up America!

"Peaceful Coexistence"

"War to the hill between communism and capitalism is inevitable. Today, of course, we are not strong enough to attack. Our time will come in 20 or 30 years. To win, we shall need the elements of discipline. The negroes will have to be put in a safe place. So we shall begin by launching the anti-racial movement on a grand scale. They will be completely successful in their objectives and will be able to achieve their purposes."

Dmitry Z. Moshinovsky

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God Bless America AND THAT I LOVE
GENOCIDE
Ultimate Red Weapon

In connection with Genocide, a planned systematic destruction of the White Race. It is, of course, also unconstitutional that an Agency of Federal Government is empowered to use force to mix the races. Even the nullified XIV Amendment, which was never ratified in accordance with the Constitution, goes no further than to give the Blacks equal political rights. But the source of this evil practice of promoting racial tension is clearly revealed in the following:

"In 1921, the prominent Jewish writer and Communist propagandist, Israel Zangwe, wrote, in an extensive plan called "A Racial Program for the Twentieth Century": "We must declare that our Party's most powerful weapon is racial tension. By pounding into the consciousness of the dark races that for centuries they have been oppressed by the whites, we can mold them to the program of the Communist Party. The terms communism and imperialism must be featured in our propaganda. In America, we will aim for a subtle victory. While infusing the Negro minority against the Whites we will endeavor to install in the whites a guilt complex for their exploitation of the Negroes. We will aid the Negroes to rise to prominence in every walk of life, in the professions and in the world of sports and entertainment. With this prestige, the Negroes will be able to inter-marry with the whites and begin 2 percent which will delude America into a false sense of security."

"For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape."—I Thess. 5:31

Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people."—Prv 14:34
WHO HEADS NAACP

Very few people know that no Negro has ever been President of the NAACP. Way back in the early thirties a small group of Marxists elected a millionaire Jew named Joel Spingarn president of the NAACP. He served in that capacity until his death in 1939.

At that time his brother, Arthur Spingarn became President of the NAACP. He served until the mid-sixties when Kivie Kaplan’s millionaire Jew shoe manufacturer from Boston, Mass., took over. For many years the head of the NAACP Legal Fund has been the Jew Jack Greenberg. He is the one who has filed all the legal actions which have resulted in the unconstitutional Supreme Court rulings. This has destroyed the chance for our children to receive a decent public education.

Negro Roy Wilkins is Kivie Kaplan’s secretary and gets much publicity from the daily press. THIS IS TO KEEP YOU, FELLOW WHITE CHRISTIAN, IN THE DARK ABOUT THE TOTAL JEW DOMINATION OF THE NAACP. It is obvious that the ignorant and indolent Blackman does not have the intelligence to operate the intricate labyrinth of the NAACP which has inflicted so much damage upon the White race.

MORE ALIEN DESTROYERS

While on this subject readers should be reminded that radical Jews make up the leadership of the Hippi revolutionist movement in America today. Of the “Chicago 7” tried for riot recently, 5 were Jews. They include John Probes, Abbie Hoffman, Jerry Rubin, Lee Weiner and David Dellinger. Their lawyers, who created the most outrageous courtroom scenes in the history of the bar were the Jews William Ramler and Leonard Wienglass. Not only that but 3 of the 4 radicals killed by National Guardsmen at Kent State were Jews; they were Allison Kruse, Jeffrey Miller, and Sandra Scheuer. It is estimated that at least 30 per cent of all Hippies are Jews, yet the Jews admit to being only 3 percent of the population. IN ADDITION TO ALL THIS, THE JEWS CONTROL THE AMERICAN BROADCASTING COMPANY, NATIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY, AND THE COLUMBIA BROADCASTING COMPANY. THEY PRACTICALLY CONTROL THE GENTILES’ THINKING. THINK THIS OVER.
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SUPPOSE WE DID NOT HAVE INCOME TAX — HOW WOULD GOVERNMENT RUN?

TAXES.....LOCAL VS. FEDERAL SERVICES AND EXPENDITURES

We do not for a moment deny that a great deal of waste and graft exist at every level of local government; but we hold that the further removed it is from the voter and taxpayer, the greater will be the extravagance, corruption and irresponsibility.

It should, therefore, be informative to compare the cost and the functions of the federal government with those which operate on the lower levels. In 1969, the federal collected $199.6 billion; but the combined revenues of all local governments—township, city, county and state were $112 billion. Yet the local governments had to meet the enormous cost of elementary, secondary and higher education, which sometimes consumes 60% or more of the ad valorem tax, in addition to large sums derived from other local sources. They must also supply police and fire protection, sidewalks, streets, sewers, highways, roads, juvenile guidance, free hospitals, jails, courts, reformatories, asylums, orphanages, animal shelters, libraries, liquor and traffic control, fish and wildlife preservation, boating facilities, indigent welfare, protection against snob, disease, and water pollution, regulation of infant adoption, marriage counseling, a great complex of parks and other recreational facilities and a hundred other crucial services of a civilized society.

As far as the ordinary, decent, hard-working citizen is aware, the federal government has little or no function except to regiment and persecute him through the IRS, EPA and other agencies, or to seize his son and ship him off to die in some distant jungle.

Local government provides everything of a public nature which he enjoys and does so at one-third of the tax dollar.

Over 10 MILLION AMERICANS have already refused to pay the unlawful income tax!

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Tax Report

A Special Summary and Forecast
Of Federal and State Tax
Developments

The climate in the courts may be changing... and it could have a direct impact on your pocketbook. For whatever reasons, federal judges appear increasingly sympathetic to IRS actions or motives. The courts seem more sensitive to instances of IRS high-handedness. Many judges are asking whether the IRS, in the exercise of its vast powers, isn't denying taxpayers' elementary fair play. Today's Tax Report gives a few examples......

The IRS CAN'T ELSEWHERE your property with out允许 it a day in court.
That's what the Sixth Circuit appeals court said in a decision involving one Charles Rambo. Rambo wasennis and whether he had since a trial stopped him and discovered drugs and $2,300 in
his car. Almost at once, the IRS informed Rambo that it was finding him "uncooperative" as it tried to investigate him. The IRS said Rambo that it was making a "properly assessed" against him, terminating his tax year and declaring a tax of $2,300 immediately due. The tests promptly seized Rambo's bank account and left three cars.
Rambo later persuaded the circuit court to block the IRS because it failed to send him a "delinquency notice" within 60 days of acting against him. Such a notice is vitally important, the court agreed, because it is required for an appeal to the Tax Court, the only legal forum where one can contest a tax before paying it. The IRS argued that the notice wasn't due until Rambo had refused to pay and the IRS stated a return, but the court was unpersuaded. "Clearly the IRS has imposed a tax and just as clearly the taxpayer has denied that he owes it," the court declared. In the court's view, seizing property without first allowing a court hearing might well render due process of law nugatory.

1. According to the Washington Post of 1/15/73, IRS officials are very concerned about the threat of a real tax strike. So they have decided not to do anything about the threat.

Withholding Tax

I gave at the Office!

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL

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Taxing Job
IRS Chief Alexander Struggles to Patch Up
Agency's Ragged Image

He Fun Dublin May Ignite
Rules Because of Cronyism
Over President's Tax Case

New Query About "Pension"

By Richard H. Bertrand

...
IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

vs.

Thomas F. Stockheimer

Defendant, Pro se

File No. 74-CR-72

REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE
CP COUNSEL OF CHOICE

Whereas, it appearing to exist as a fact that the American Bar Associations, and the various State Bar Associations, and their members, who are so-called Licensed Attorneys, have for a long time, over 25 years entered into a well planned, engineered and designed conspiracy to violate the Sherman Antitrust Act, 15 US Code, by restricting competition and by fixing prices in the Law Business, and as it affects interstate commerce, and whereas, by promulgating various Canons of Ethics and Disciplinary Rules, the said licensed Bar acting in conspiracy with the various Judges of the courts of the United States have suppressed 1st and 9th Amendment rights of freedom of association, press, assembly, speech, conscience, religion, private association, the right to appoint a spokesman of one's own choice when peaceably assembled in the courts of the States and of the United States, the right to free choice of Counsel and the sacred right to be free from self incrimination, and whereas, Petitioner wants to have assistance of counsel of his own choice when he peaceably assembles before the above tribunal, pursuant to his rights under the Declaration of Independence, the Common Law and the Constitution of the United States and more specifically the 1st, 4th, 5th, 6th, 9th, and 10th and 13th and 14th Amendments thereof, and whereas, all licensed Attorneys are members of known Subversive Organizations, the American and State Bar Associations; and whereas, Petitioner wants Counsel in whom he has confidence and not necessarily Counsel who is in confidence of the Court; Now Therefore, Petitioner hereby licenses Gordon Peterson, to act as his Counsel and spokesman herein and grants unto him a Power of Attorney; Now Therefore, Petitioner hereby moves the Court for an Order to Allow Gordon Peterson, a person not licensed by any Court or Governmental Agency, but only licensed by Petitioner by this Power of Attorney, to be and act as Assistant Counsel and spokesman for Petitioner before the Court at the pleasure and direction of Petitioner.

Thomas F. Stockheimer, Pro se

I consent to act as spokesman and agent for Petitioner herein by his license and Power of Attorney, at his direction and pleasure.

Dated

Gordon Peterson

[Signature]
PUBLIC SERVANTS QUESTIONNAIRE

Answers to questions should be put down by taxpayer. If, at the end of the questioning, the public servant declines to swear or affirm to the truthfulness of what he has answered, this fact should be noted and the forms sent off as directed.

To be executed in duplicate. Original for taxpayer's files. Second copy to head of department from which public servant was sent. Third copy to taxpayer's attorney. Fourth copy to public servant. Taxpayer will assume responsibility of mailing to appropriate persons.

Name of public servant ____________________________________________

Resident address ___________________________________________ City __________ State ____________

Name of department of government, bureau or agency by which public servant is employed:

__________________________________________________________________________________

Its mailing address _________________________________________ City ______________ State __________

Did public servant furnish proof of identity? ___________ What was the nature of this proof? ___________

Is the name given by public servant his right name? ___________

Has public servant ever employed an alias or assumed name? __________

If so, what was it? ________________________________________________

Has public servant ever served time in prison for a misdemeanor? __________. A felony? __________

A crime? ___________ If answer to foregoing is "yes" in any case, give reason for public servant's incarceration.

Will the public servant furnish a copy of the law or regulation which authorizes the investigation? ___________

Will the public servant read aloud that portion of the law authorizing questions he will ask? ___________

How long has he worked for this agency (department, bureau, etc.)? ___ years ___________ months ___________

Has he ever been employed outside of government outside of tax-supported agency such as a welfare bureau, a government school, etc.? ___________

What was the nature of that employment? ___________

What are his qualifications for conducting this investigation? (Cite special training, degrees held special aptitudes, etc.) ___________

Name of person in government requesting that investigation be made ___________

Is the investigation "general" or is it "special"? ___________

Name of private person (if any) who suggested that investigation be made ___________

Was private person paid for turning in the name of taxpayer? ___________ How much was he paid? $ ___________

Address ____________________________________________________________

Note: Amendment VI of the Constitution says: "In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial in an impartial court of the state and district wherein the crime shall have been committed, which district shall have been previously sanctioned by law and be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor; and to have the assistance of counsel for his defense. Since government investigations are frequently followed by criminal prosecution, the taxpayer has a right to know the names of his accusers and to also be informed of the nature of the accusation brought against him. Also, Amendment V guarantees the right of the individual not to incriminate himself. Thus, a failure on the part of the investigator to satisfactorily answer the foregoing may provide grounds for refusing to answer questions. See a lawyer if questions remain in your mind on the point.

Will he (the public servant) guarantee that the information requested will not be used by persons in departments, bureaus or agencies other than the one by whom he is employed? ___________ If not, why not? ___________

Has the public servant been courteous and cooperative? ___________ Has he made any threats? ___________

What is the nature of the threats? ___________

AFFIRMATION BY PUBLIC SERVANT

I swear (or affirm) that the answers I have given to the foregoing questions are complete and correct in every particular: ___________

Witness: ___________ Witness: ___________

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PETITION

RELATIVE TO REDRESS OF GRIEVANCES UNDER SECTION 5 OF RULE VII,
U.S. SENATE, FROM THE COUNTRY AT LARGE

TO THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

WHEREAS the Constitution of the United States of America provides for a republican representative form of government, with the separation of powers divided among the legislative, judicial, and executive branches; and

WHEREAS the powers delegated by The Constitution to the federal government are relative, few, and limited, and those rights and powers which are reserved to the sovereign State governments or to the people are multiple and inherent; and

WHEREAS the federal Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations (ACIR) was initially created by Public Law 86-380 (amended by PL 89-733) upon faulty premises and in violation of The Constitution; and

WHEREAS constitutional violations exist under: PL 86-380, Specifically paragraphs (1) and (3) of Sec 3(a), in that six positions on the 26-member board of ACIR are occupied by three U.S. Senators and three U.S. Congressmen, in violation of the U.S. Constitution, Article I, Sec. 6 (2) which states in part: No Senator or Representative shall, during the time for which he was elected, be appointed to any civil office under the authority of the United States...; and

WHEREAS the structure of ACIR further consists of elected officials whose loyalties have been transferred from their constituents to the service of their particular organizations within ACIR, namely: the Council of State Governments (CSG); Governors Conference (NGC, national), National League of Cities (NCL), U.S. Conference of Mayors (USCM), National Association of Counties (NACo); and

WHEREAS the above-named organizations, forming a majority voting control of fourteen (14) members on the 26-member board of ACIR, join to establish a form of non-representative executive rule by administrative procedure thereby usurping Constitutional Government; and

WHEREAS the aforementioned organizations relate to and partially comprise a syndicate of like-purposed affiliates and adjuncts linked by interlocking directorates and/or common purpose (one principal location being at 1313 E. 60th St., Chicago, Illinois, with others located in Lexington [Ky.], New York, N.Y., Wash., D.C., and elsewhere; and

WHEREAS ACIR aggressively sponsors programs which flout constitutional provisions, drafting policy recommendations and implementing “legislative or administrative action to carry out the recommendations” (ACIR M-17, 1968, p. 11) through the mechanism of the ACIR structure; and

WHEREAS ACIR operates a “law factory” and distributes pre-packaged legislation throughout federal, state and local governments, preempting the right of citizens to form their own laws through their representatives elected for that purpose; and

WHEREAS components of ACIR, namely the National League of Cities and the U.S. Conference of Mayors have formed a subsidiary NLCL-USCM, Inc., non-registered, which produced action apparently in violation of the Federal Regulation of Lobbying Act (which is under inquiry by the U.S. Department of Justice); and

WHEREAS a component of ACIR, namely National Association of Counties abused its tax-exempt status by lobbying on political issues including but not limited to the then proposed Census of 1970 status; and

WHEREAS the organizations represented on the ACIR board are involved in conflict-of-interest because they suggest controversial concepts, plans and policy to the ACIR, and their agents, as voting individuals on the ACIR board, approve said concepts, plans and policies, which conflict-of-interest is compounded because the members of ACIR (some in dual offices forbidden by the U.S. Constitution and some State constitutions) who are U.S. Senators and Congressmen, state Governors (actually administrative advocates), state legislators, county commissioners, mayors and councilmen also implement said concepts, plans and policies in their “home” jurisdictions, in defiance to ACIR, in addition to influencing controversial policy in jurisdictions not their own, by implementation of ACIR policies; and

WHEREAS Article IV, Section 4 of The Constitution states, “The United States shall guarantee to every state in this Union a republican form of government;” and

WHEREAS the very existence of ACIR’s federal-state-local collusion to violation of both the word and the meaning of our federal Constitution and the 50 state constitutions in that ACIR sabotages the rights reserved to the sovereign states and usurps the rights of citizens; and

WHEREAS the proposed bill, H.R. 6869 stemming from citizens request to amend PL 92-463 (which exempts ACIR from legislative oversight by Congress) has been given no hearing, and no consideration of the measure is contemplated in the 93rd Congress, thus denying citizens the right to be heard; and [Note: House 9-day 12-13-73 biased Hearing. No Senate Hearing. Grievance not corrected by mid-1973/
WHEREAS ACIR solicits not only federal tax funds for its operations but also receives state and local government treasury funds, and funds from tax-exempt foundations, to finance ACIR's above described instances of destruction of constitutional governments; now therefore be it

RESOLVED that currently Committees Opposing Regional Plan Areas (CORPA) respectfully request relief from the oppressiveness exerted upon individual citizens and their constitutional government because of ACIR's goal to destroy constitutional government and local independent units of government; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Congressional investigation be made into the activities of the aforementioned organizations CSG, NCG, NLC, USC, NLC-USCM, Inc., NACo and other related private so-called "public interest groups", quasi-official, and public administration organizations which unduly influence public appointees and elected representatives of the citizens; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this petition be assigned to appropriate committee or committees of the U. S. Senate and/or the U. S. House of Representatives, for action.

Adopted this 29th day of August, 1973.

[Signature]
National Secretary, CORPA, U.S.A.
Powell Butte, Oregon 97753

APPROVED, SUPPORTED AND JOINED IN:

[Signatures]

Josephine L. Hindman states that she personally circulated the above document via the U. S. Postal Service and that she believes all the signatures appended thereto to be genuine signatures of the persons whose names they purport to be.

Signed Jo Hindman (Josephine L. Hindman)
(Signature of circulator)

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 29th day of August, 1973
(carol crain, notary state of oregon)
My Commission Expires Nov. 5, 1976

NOTE: Copies of the foregoing Petition are being transmitted to the President of the U. S. Senate; to the Speaker of the U. S. House of Representatives; and to the head officers of both legislative houses of each of the 49 bicameral state legislatures and to the unicameral legislature of the State of Nebraska, all of whose state treasuries are levied upon by the Council of State Governments (CSG) and whose treasuries pay annual tribute to the CSG as decided by the CSG, and some also contribute to ACIR's treasury

ex-to SCORPA Directors in other states; and to interested individuals.

This petition was presented Sept, 5, 1973, to both Houses of Congress. The U. S. Senate took preliminary action at once (See Congressional Record of Sept. 6, 1973 page S. 15981). The U. S. House of Representatives had taken no action as of Sept. 17, 1973. (Note: This PETITION spurned by Congress. Grievances not corrected by mid-1973)

SUPPORTING THE PETITION: (sign and send it to your U. S. Senators/Congressmen).

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Americans believe...

—in private property;
—that a man is entitled to the fruit of his labor;
—that government planners have led us gradually toward a centralized dictatorship run by unelected federal appointees.

Repeal government controls.
Licensing' parents

In the 24 years since George Orwell wrote his semi-prophecic book, '1984,' governments have extended Big Brotherism into every nook of Americans' lives.

These insidious controls and manipulations haven't developed overnight. They've evolved first as elitist populations in academic think tanks, and finally into law and regulations promulgated by bureaucratic intellectuals.

Prepare yourself for the new pern of an idea which, despite its startling audacity, no doubt will someday become a plausible new entry on the roster of Big Brother controls.

A University of Maryland professor has proposed that government license parents to have children. And to prevent any hint of conception, Dr. Roger W. McIntire has come up with the ultimate in Big Brother safeguards - a license for sterilization.

This contraceptive (called "lock") which automatically shuts off at birth, can only be removed at a government-administered anuette (called "Unlock").

McIntire unfolds his scheme with clinical serenity and seriousness in the magazine, "The Psychiatry Today.

He reveals his own impatience with uncontrolled births by insisting that "we can no longer afford the luxury of allowing any two fools to add to our numbers when they please."

The doctor has gone beyond his postulate and fleshed it out with details, down to and including a 12-point curriculum which parents would have to complete before being allowed to become parents, and before the mother-to-be's "lock" contraceptive is removed by a Big Brother physician.

A LICENSE TO BE BORN?

Yes, enemies of Christendom would require our citizens of the future to have been "licensed to be born," or they will kill them before birth (or after?).

Readers who propose the ravings of a "madman," but the editorial writer failed to warn his readers these proposals are acceptable to the "madmen" who rule America.

TREATY "LAW" COULD REQUIRE THIS

The proposed United Nations treaty revealed by Paul Scott would require just such insane laws. Vicious propaganda has already begun to suggest that limiting births, or killing babies before they come to birth. This "law" would be another "tool" in the hands of enemy agents in Christian governments, they will use against Christendom.

PHARAOH TRIED IT IN EGYPT

In Egypt, Pharaoh attempted to reduce the Hebrew nation by ordering all male babies killed at birth. (Ex. 1) Our enemy is MORE EFFICIENT, killing our babies in the womb, or preventing conception!

AMERICA UNDER ENEMY RULE?

God warned His People if they turned away from obeying Him, "I will smite thee face against thee, and ye shall be slain before your enemies: they that hate you shall reign over you." (Lev. 26:17)

When those that "reign" over us, play devilish, and highly effective methods to "slay" us, how can we defy but that we are RULED BY THOSE WHO HATE AMERICA?

WILL AMERICA SURVIVE?

God delivered the Israel People after "the cry of the children of Israel" was heard by Him, BUT in Isaiah 1, He tells us, "when ye make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of blood. To understand this in the light of God's Word, read "The Bible says: RUSSIA WILL INVADE AMERICA," $1 from Lord's Covenant Church, Box 5334, Phoenix, Ariz. 85010. We have ALREADY been invaded, this book tells HOW to recognize the ENEMY IN OUR LAND.
PLANNED TREATY WOULD REQUIRE KILLING UNBORN BABIES "BY LAW" IN U.S.A.

No Room In The Inn
For Millions Of Unborn

By Paul Scott

WASHINGTON - For hundreds of millions of the world's people, the Christmas season will be "no room in the inn." Christmas is not only a religious holiday, but a universal celebration, and this year it will be especially poignant for those who are unable to celebrate at home.

The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) is planning a major promotion to coincide with the holiday season, with the aim of raising awareness of the plight of the world's poor and the need for family planning programs.

UNFPA will distribute brochures and pamphlets in English, French, Spanish, and Chinese, explaining the benefits of family planning and the importance of reducing population growth. The campaign will also include advertisements on television and radio, as well as social media posts.

"We must do more to help those who cannot celebrate Christmas at home," said UNFPA Executive Director, Dr. Natalia Kanem. "We are committed to the goal of ending preventable maternal and child mortality, and this holiday season is no exception.

In other news, the United Nations have announced their intention to end the practice of throwing rain in the sea. This decision follows a series of meetings with environmental organizations, who have long been calling for action to address the issue.

"We cannot continue to allow the destruction of the planet," said UN Secretary-General, Antonio Guterres. "This is not just about our own survival, but the survival of future generations."

The UN is also taking steps to address the ongoing conflict in the Middle East, with a new peace summit scheduled for January. The summit will bring together leaders from Israel, Palestine, and other neighboring countries, with the aim of finding a lasting solution to the conflict.

Despite these efforts, the global community faces numerous challenges, including climate change, economic inequality, and the ongoing pandemic. However, the United Nations remain committed to working together to create a better future for all.

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This treaty aimed only at U.S.

1. They say their goal is to reduce population levels at zero growth, but
2. The reduction is geared to take into consideration the "immigrants" coming into the nation,
3. The proposed treaty itself makes it plain that the reduction of the people's population would be by REDUCING THE BIRTHS IN THE NATION, not by any reduction of immigration.

Therefore

Since the United States, and to a smaller extent, the other Anglo-Saxon nations, are the ONLY nations that have a low INWARD MIGRATION, they would be the ONLY nations affected by such a treaty.

Russia, China, other communist nations, and African nations have literally NO INWARD MIGRATION of people.

Because of this increase by immigration, America would be one of the few nations REQUIRED by this treaty to make ABORTION MANDATORY ON GOVERNMENT ORDER.

"UNRESTRICTED MIGRATION"

Consider the above "treaty," in conjunction with the current talk that nations must "allow" people to "migrate at will." We hear this from those who say "Russia must allow the Jews to migrate to Palestine." If immigration also becomes treaty law, thousands, and perhaps millions, of aliens would HAVE TO BE ACCEPTED by the U.S. IF THEY WANT TO COME.

If such treaties become "law," then "abortion as a means of population control" would also become "law" in the U.S.A.

As a chilling example, every Asian baby brought to America by Billy James Hargis would actually cause the death of a native American baby, the Asian baby being aborted (murdered after conception), or as effectively killed by refusing his parents the right to have a baby. See other side for the plan for that.

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The MacKenzie Herald
December 24, 1973
The late J. Edgar Hoover warned continually in his writings that what he feared most was that our people would become "State-of-mind Communists." They would deny any agreement with Communism while accepting its objectives and programs under a sugar-coated label. If I were to ask the average American, in fact most of those who will read this pamphlet, if they are inclined at all toward Communism, they would deny it emphatically. Many would be insulted that I even asked them the absurd question. Yet if I were to ask these same people if they believed that we needed a graduated income tax or a central banking system like the FEDERAL RESERVE, they would insist that we just could not get along without either.

To that limited extent, such persons are "State-of-mind Communists." Both of these concepts are major plants in the Communist Manifesto worked out by Karl Marx and his wealthy employer Mr. Frederick Engels more than 125 years ago! According to Marx, these two programs must be imposed upon a private enterprise nation if they were ever to accomplish a socialist dictatorship. There was neither a FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM nor a graduated income tax in America until 1913. The graduated income tax was designed by Marx to provide the funds to bring about socialistic programs while bringing about the destruction of the middle class.

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LEGISLATION, ACTS AND EXECUTIVE ORDERS

THINK ABOUT IT!

1. LAND USE Bill S.269 passed the U.S.
   Senate May 21, 1973

2. 16th Amendment passed by Congress and
   adopted in 1913 the Aristocrat Income Tax

3. Metro-Regional Amortization of private
   property—"Revised" State Constitutions

4. "Regional Government...absolute federal
   control over all property." Robert Weaver

5. Federal Reserve Act of 1913, Congress
   unlawfully delegated power to coin money

6. Executive Order #10995 provides for the
   take over communication media

   Executive Order #10999 provides for the
   take over of all modes of transportation

7. Model Cities P.L. 89-754..."701 Plan
   Master Plan Regional Planning P.L. 90-577

8. Executive Order #11000 provides for mobilization
   of civilians into government work
   brigades under government supervision

9. Urban Renewal, Population Control, Metro
   Regional Planning programs

10. Federal "aid" to education and govern-
    ment controlled schools

*Federal Register, National Archives
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The Communist Manifesto

1. Abolition of property in land and application of all rents of land to public purposes.
2. A heavy progressive or graduated income tax.
3. Abolition of all right of inheritance.
4. Confiscation of the property of all emigrants and rebels.
5. Centralization of credit, in the hands of the State, by means of a national bank with State capital and an exclusive monopoly.
6. Centralization of the means of communication and transport in the hands of the State.
7. Extension of factories and instruments of production owned by the State, the bringing into cultivation of waste lands, and the improvement of the soil generally in accordance with a common plan.
8. Equal liability of all to labor. Establishment of industrial armies, especially for agriculture.
9. Combination of agriculture with manufacturing industries; gradual abolition of the distinction between town and country, by a more equable distribution of the population over the country.
10. Free education for all children in public schools. Abolition of children's factory labor in its present form. Combination of education with industrial production, etc., etc.
the
CONSTITUTION
of the
UNITED STATES

(Parts of the Constitution no longer in effect are printed in italics.)

PREAMBLE

WE THE PEOPLE of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, ensure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.
SECTION 1. All legislative powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

SECTION 2. The House of Representatives shall be composed of members elected every second year by the people of the several states, and the electors in each state shall have the qualifications requisite for electors of the most numerous branch of the state legislature.

No person shall be a representative who shall not have attained to the age of thirty years, and been seven years a citizen of the United States, and who shall not, when elected, be an inhabitant of that state in which he shall be chosen; representatives and direct taxes shall be apportioned among the several states which may be included within this union, according to their respective numbers, which shall be determined excluding the whole number of free persons, including those bound to service for a term of years, and excluding Indians not taxed, three-fifths of all other persons. The actual enumeration shall be made within three years after the first meeting of the Congress of the United States, and within every subsequent term of ten years, in such manner as they shall by law direct.

The number of representatives shall not exceed one for every 300,000 inhabitants, but each state shall have at least one representative; until such enumeration shall be made, the state of New Hampshire shall be entitled to send three, Massachusetts eight, Rhode Island and Providence Plantations one, Connecticut five, New York six, New Jersey four, Pennsylvania eight, Delaware one, Maryland six, Virginia ten, North Carolina five, South Carolina five, and Georgia three.

SECTION 3. The House of Representatives shall select their Speaker and other officers, and shall have the power of impeachment.

The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two senators from each state, chosen by the legislature thereof.

The Senate shall be on a three years' term, and the Senate shall choose their President, and in case of his refusal to accept such choice, they shall choose another by the same manner. But no person shall be chosen as a Senator who shall not have attained to the age of thirty years, and been nine years a citizen of the United States, and who shall not, when elected, be an inhabitant of that state for which he shall be chosen.

The Vice President of the United States shall be President of the Senate, but shall have no vote, unless they be equally divided.

The Senate shall choose their other officers, and also a president pro tempore, in the absence of the Vice President, or when he shall so require it.

The President shall have power to distinguish members of the Senate and the House of Representatives in each case of a conflict of opinion on any question before the same.
affirmation. When the President of the United States is tried, the chief justice shall preside: And no person shall be convicted without the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present.

Judgment in cases of impeachment shall extend to removal from office, and disqualification to hold and enjoy any office of honor, trust or profit under the United States; but the part convicted shall nevertheless be liable and subject to indictment, trial, judgment and punishment, according to law.

section 1. The house, place and manner of holding elections, for the choice of representatives, shall be prescribed in each state by the legislature thereof; but the Congress may at any time by law make or alter such regulations, except as to the places of choosing senators.

The Congress shall assemble at least once in every year, and such meeting shall be on the first Monday in December, unless they shall by law appoint a different day.

section 2. Each house shall be the judge of the elections, returns and qualifications of its own members, and a majority of each shall constitute a quorum to do business; but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day, and may be authorized to compel the attendance of absent members, in such manner, and under such penalties as each house may provide.

Each house may determine the rules of its proceedings, punish its members for disorderly behavior, and, with the concurrence of two-thirds, expel a member.

Each house shall keep a journal of its proceedings, and from time to time publish the same, excepting such parts as may in their judgment, require secrecy; and the yeas and nays of the members of either house on any question, shall, at the desire of one-fifth of those present, be entered on the journal.

Neither house, during the session of Congress, shall, without the consent of the other, adjourn for more than three days.

section 8. The congress may, at any time, on the nomination of the president, appoint judges of the supreme court of the United States, and such judges shall hold their offices during good behavior, and shall, during the term for which they are appointed, receive a compensation for their services, which shall not be diminished during their continuance in office.

not to any other place than that in which the two houses shall be sitting.

section 9. The congress shall have power to make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing powers, and all other powers vested by this constitution in the government of the United States, or in any department or officer thereof.

section 10. No law, unless passed by the congress, shall be valid except such as shall have been presented to the president, and be agreeable to the constitution; but the congress may, by law, extend the time within which any law shall take effect.

Every bill which shall have been passed by the House of Representatives, and which the Senate shall, before it becomes a law, return, with objections, the same shall be re-considered by both houses, as the case may require; and if not agreeably to such objections, it shall become a law.

Bills of attainder, ex post facto laws, and private appropriation bills shall not be passed.

Every bill shall be referred to a committee of the whole house, and the yeas and nays, of the members present, shall be entered on the journal.

The power of the purse, i.e., the power of taxation, is the great source of all sovereignty, and as money is the life of the public service, the means of providing the same must arise from the public funds. As the existence of the United States is dependent on their ability to raise and support armies, the power of requisitioning the same shall rest with them. All such laws shall be subject to the revision and control of the Congress.

No state shall enter into any agreement or compact with another state, or with a foreign power, or engage in war, unless actually invaded or in such imminent danger as will not admit of delay.

Section 1. The executive power shall be vested in a President of the United States. He shall hold his office during the term of four years, and, together with the Vice President, chosen for the same term, be elected as follows:

Each state shall appoint, in such manner as the legislature thereof may direct, a number of electors, equal to the whole number of senators and representatives to which the state may be entitled in the Congress, but no senator or representative, or person holding an office of trust or profit under the United States, shall be appointed an elector.

The electors shall meet in their respective states, and vote by ballot for two persons, of whom one at least shall not be an inhabitant of the same state with themselves. And they shall make a list of all the persons voted for, and of the number of votes for each, which list they shall sign and certify, and transmit sealed to the seat of government of the United States, directed to the President of the Senate. The President of the Senate shall, in the presence of the Senate and House of Representatives, open all the certificates and the votes shall then be counted. The person having the greatest number of votes shall be the President, if such number be a majority of the whole number of electors appointed; and if there be more than one who have such majority,

Amendment XXXII limits a President to two terms.

Amendment XXXII reads: "..."
and have an equal number of votes, then the House of Representa-
tives shall immediately choose by ballot one of them for
President; and if they cannot agree, then they shall appoin-
t the President, but in either case no person shall be chosen that has
served a term of President, or who has not attained to the age of thirty-five
years, and been fourteen years a resident within the United States.

The President shall, at stated times, receive for his services,
a compensation which shall neither be increased nor

diminished during the period for which he shall have been
elected, and he shall not receive within that period any
other emolument from the United States, or any of them.

Before he enter on the execution of his office, he shall
take the following oath or affirmation:

"I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully
execute the office of President of the United States, and will
preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States."

**section 2.** The President shall be commander in chief of the
army and navy of the United States, and of the militia of
the several States, when called into the actual service of the
United States; he may require the opinion, in writing, of the
principal officer in each of the executive departments, upon
any subject relating to the duties of their respective offices;
and he shall have power to grant reprieves and pardons for offences
against the United States, except in cases of impeachment.

He shall have power, by and with the advice and consent of the
Senate, to make treaties, provided two-thirds of the sena-
tors present concur; and he shall nominate, and by and with
the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint ambas-
dadors, other public ministers and consuls, judges of the supreme
court, and all other officers of the United States, whose
appointments are not herein otherwise provided for, and which
shall be established by law. But the Congress may by law vest
the appointment of such inferior officers, as they think proper
in the President alone, in the courts of law, or in the heads of
departments.

The President shall have power to fill up all vacancies that
may happen during the recess of the Senate, by granting com-
misions, which shall expire at the end of their next session.

**section 3.** He shall, from time to time, give to the Congress
information of the state of the union, and recommend to their
consideration, such measures as he shall judge necessary and
The President, Vice President, and all civil officers of the United States shall be removed from office on impeachment, and conviction of, treason, bribery, or other high crimes and misdemeanors.

The judicial power of the United States shall be vested in one supreme court, and in such inferior courts as the Congress may from time to time establish. The judges, both of the supreme and inferior courts, shall hold their offices during good behavior, and shall, at stated times, receive for their services a compensation, which shall not be diminished during their continuance in office.

The judicial power shall extend to all cases, in law and equity, arising under this Constitution, the laws of the United States, and treaties made, or which shall be enacted by Congress, under their authority; to all cases affecting ambassadors, other public ministers, and consuls; to all cases of admiralty and maritime jurisdiction; to controversies between two or more states, between citizens of different states, between citizens of the same state, claiming lands under grants of different states, and between a state, or the citizens thereof, and foreign states, citizens or subjects.

The trial of all crimes, except in cases of impeachment, shall be by jury. Judicial power shall be held in the state where the said crimes shall have been committed: but when not committed within any state, the trial shall be at such place or places as the Congress shall have determined.

The Congress shall have power to declare the punishment of treason, but no attainder of treason shall work corruption of blood, or forfeiture, except during the life of the person attainted.
The ratification of the amendments by the legislatures of the states shall be subject to the following conditions:

That the amendments shall be proposed by the Congress to the Legislatures of the several states, each state shall have ratification thereof by the diet of the people of the same, according to the rules for the election of the President of the United States, and by the most numerous house of representatives in each legislature, or by conventions in their respective states, as the several legislatures shall direct. And when ten states shall have ratification thereof, it shall be sent up to the President of the United States, and be laid before both houses of Congress, who shall then consider the same. If approved by two thirds of both houses, it shall become law.

DONE in convention by the unanimous consent of the states present, the 17th day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine, and the Independence of the United States of America the third. The Congress of the United States shall then be dissolved, and the members of the convention shall then take the following oath: "I solemnly swear that I will faithfully support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I will lay down my life for the defense of the same, so help me God."
of America the 12th. In witness whereof we have hereunto subscribed our names.

George Washington, President,
and Deputys from Virginia

ABSENTEE
William Jackson, Kentucky

NEW HAMPSHIRE
John Langdon
Nicholas Gilman

Massachusetts
Nathaniel Gorham
Reubin King
Colonel Otis
Abiel Chandler
Robert Treat Paine
Roger Sherman

NEW YORK
Alexander Hamilton
New Jersey
William Livingston
David Brearley
William Paterson
Jonathan Dayton

Pennsylvania
Benjamin Franklin
Thomas Mifflin
Robert Morris
George Clymer
Thomas Fitzsimons
Jared Ingersoll
James Wilson
Governor Morris

Delaware
George Read
Gunning Bedford, Jr.
John Dickinson
James Wilson
Elbridge Gerry
James Madison
James Monroe
James Madison, Jr.

North Carolina
William Davie
Richard Dobbs Spaight
Hugh Williamson

South Carolina
John Rutledge
Charles Cormac Polk
Charles Pinckney
Pierce Butler
Glenn

William Few
Abraham Baldwin

AMENDMENTS
TO THE
CONSTITUTION

(The first ten Amendments, usually called the Bill of Rights, went into effect December 15, 1791.)

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for redress of grievances.

A well-regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed.

No soldier shall, in time of peace, be quartered in any house without the consent of the owner, nor in time of war but in manner to be prescribed by law.
The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects against unreasonable searches and seizures.

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self: they shall name in their ballots the person voted for as
President, and in distinct ballots the person voted for as Vice
President: and they shall make distinct lists of all persons
voted for as President, and of all persons voted for as Vice
President, and of the number of votes for each, which lists
shall sign and certify, and transmit, sealed, to the seat
of the government of the United States directed to the presi-
dent of the Senate: the president of the Senate shall, in the
presence of the Senate and House of Representatives, open
all the certificates, and the votes shall then be counted: the
person having the greatest number of votes for President
shall be the President, if such number be a majority of the
whole number of electors appointed: and if no person have
such majority, then from the persons having the highest
numbers not exceeding three, on the list of those voted for
as President, the House of Representatives shall choose im-
mediately, by ballot, the President. But in choosing the
President, the votes shall be taken by states, the representa-
tion from each state having one vote: a quorum for this pur-
pose shall consist of a member or members from two-thirds
of the states, and a majority of all the states shall be neces-
sary to a choice: And if the House of Representatives shall
not choose a President, whenever the right of choice shall
devote upon them, before the fourth day of March next
following, then the Vice President shall act as President, as
in the case of the death or other constitutional disability of
the President. The person having the greatest number of
votes as Vice President shall be the Vice President, if such
number be a majority of the whole number of electors ap-
pointed: and if no person have a majority, then from the two
highest numbers on the list the Senate shall choose the Vice
President; a quorum for the purpose shall consist of two-
thirds of the whole number of senators, and a majority of
the whole number shall be necessary to a choice. But no per-
son under thirty years of age shall be eligible to the office of President of the United States.

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representation therein shall be returned to the people, in the proportion which the number of such inhabitants is to the whole number of inhabitants in each of such states. 6

SECTION 3. No person shall be a senator or representative in Congress, or elector of President and Vice-President, or hold any office, civil or military, under the United States, who, having previously taken an oath, as a member of Congress, or as an officer of the United States, or as a member of any state legislature, or as an officer of the United States, is not conscientious in regard to the same, or who shall engage in insurrection or rebellion against the United States, or shall engage in aid of insurrection or rebellion against the United States, or shall engage in or give support to the same or similar insurrection or rebellion. Congress may by a two-thirds vote expel such of its members as shall engage in any such insurrection or rebellion.

SECTION 4. The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two senators from each state, elected by the people thereof for six years, and each senator shall have one vote. The senators of each state shall be chosen by the legislature thereof; but the legislature thereof may empower the executive thereof to make temporary appointments until the people fill the vacancies by election as the legislature may direct. This amendment shall not be so construed as to affect the elections, or terms of any senator chosen before it becomes valid as part of the Constitution.

SECTION 7. The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

(Adopted 1913)

The Congress shall have power to lay and collect taxes in proportion to the resources of the several states, according to population.

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SECTION 1. After one year from the ratification of this article, the manufacture, sale, or transportation of intoxicating liquors shall be prohibited throughout the United States.
within the importation thereof into, or exportation thereof from, the United States and all territory subject to the jurisdiction thereof, for beverage purposes is hereby prohibited.

Section 2. The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Section 3. This article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to the Constitution by the legislatures of the several states, as provided in the Constitution, within seven years from the date of submission hereof to the states by the Congress.

*Adopted 1933*

Section 4. The Congress may by law provide for the election of a Vice President whenever the right of choice shall have devolved upon them.

Section 5. Sections 1 and 2 shall take effect on the 11th day of October following the ratification of this article.

Section 6. This article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to the Constitution by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several states within seven years from the date of its submission.

*Adopted 1933*

Section 1. The Eighteenth Article of amendment to Constitution of the United States is hereby repealed.

Section 2. The transportation of intoxicating liquors, either within one state, or between any two or more states, or into any territory or possession of the United States, is hereby prohibited.
A number of votes of President and Vice President equal to the whole number of Senators and Representatives in Congress to which the District would be entitled, if it were a State, but in no event more than the number of the least populous State; they shall be in addition to those pointed out by the States, but they shall be considered for purposes of the election of President and Vice President, to be electors appointed by a State; and they shall meet in the District and perform such duties as prescribed by the twelfth article of amendment.

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(adopted 1964)

SECTION 1. The right of citizens of the United States to vote in any primary or other election for President and Vice President, for electors for President and Vice President, or for Senator or Representative in Congress, shall not be denied or abridged by any State by reason of failure to pay any poll tax or other tax.

SECTION 2. The Congress shall have the power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

(adopted 1967)

SECTION 1. In case of the removal of the President from office or of his death or resignation, the Vice President shall become President.

SECTION 2. Whenever there is a vacancy in the office of Vice President, the President shall nominate a Vice President who shall hold office throughout the remainder of the term for which the vacating Vice President was elected, but who shall not be considered as elected to the office for the term for which the vacating Vice President was elected, unless a special election is held.

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(adopted 1964)
tion, or, if Congress is not in session, within twenty-one days after Congress is required to assemble, determines by two thirds vote of both Houses that the President is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office, the Vice President shall continue to discharge the same as Acting President; otherwise, the President shall resume the powers and duties of his office.

SECTION 1. The right of citizens of the United States, who are eighteen years of age or older, to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of age.

SECTION 2. The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Dates of Ratification by States

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[The Continental Congress on September 10, 1788, proclaimed the ratification by nine states, and ordered the constuting of the new government on March 4, 1789.]
DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE
July 4, 1776

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to..."

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CREATED DEPRESSION TO SEIZE POWER

Those en route to our “dominance of Wall Street” they broke the stock market in October, 1929, by unloading their vast numbers of stocks and bonds. By withhold millions of dollars from circulation, they took the economy of the country into utter chaos as they had done often, they created mass unemployment and total unemployment. The result of the panic was the creation of the devastating depression which we know as the Great Depression.

“Roosevelt was actually a root-man, who was obliged to have an army even write his speeches and follow the orders of his Jewish Press (Bernard Baruch, Sidney Hillman, and Frankfurter, Henry Morgenthau), convinced us that we could no longer take ourselves. We have now been degraded to a docile craven craven of the great, have we nothing left but to beg for our survival. But beg with yourself, we are not evil.

INVISIBLE ENEMY

We are asked for rents at a point where all the Jews of the world have resolved: And the Jews are only paid in American dollars, which is the only point we have left. We are the leader, the voice, and we will do it. We are not even allowed to hint that Jews could possibly do wrong. Has any one ever been sent to the penitentiary for a million dollars of income taxes we ever had to pay?

We Jews destroy all our real leaders.

SOPPRESSION OF THE TRUTH

Why are patriotic American newspapers unable to print the truth? Because of their silence and fear of the Jewish-controlled newspapers. Why are all the major newspapers either bought out or owned by Jews? Because they are the only means of communication. They proceed in silence and secrecy to spread false information.

LET US PREPARE OUR DEFENSES

Where, oh where, are our leaders to take us out of the impending Red Hell? All the well-known ones have been destroyed by the Jews, with the genial and countless Gentiles tending stooges. If the White Gentiles are to save themselves from being herded into the daughter like doves, they have time to organize for the fight against perils.

Learn who we are the enemy, and how he intends to make us fight for our own enslavement. If the White Gentiles are to save themselves from being herded into the daughter like doves, they have time to organize for the fight against perils.

Mashkei Hamburg, the Jewish race has been known for its savagery. Exemptions from the time of Abraham through the present day the Jews have been directly responsible for the deaths of over 300,000,000 human beings, a great number of whom were Christians.

The combination of the evil Jewish and satanic Jewish “religion” makes the Jew a devilish by his very nature. He is not content unless he is inflicting misery, suffering and torment. The facts show that the most vicious atrocities against mankind have been committed by Jews. These statements are clearly documented in Arnold Low's book, "Jewish Ritual Murder."

The Jew has never founded any civilization, though he has destroyed hundreds. He possesses nothing of his own creation to which to which we owe anything. Foreign people, foreign workers, build him his temples, he is foreigners. He is a foreigner and has no pride in his nation.

In the environs of the city of Hamburg, for example, there is a Jewish town where Jews are kept as slaves and are used for labor. When the Jews are expelled from their homes, the Gentiles move in and take their places.

Who is the Real Enemy?

The smug, self-satisfied American, constantly reminded of his million-dollar school buildings, is deluged with literature and literature "infiltration." It is generally believed that he knows what is happening in this crazy, mixed-up world in which we live today. The master-ship over all the people, planned and controlled by a group of men, is working to destroy the American people.

In EVERYTHING ALL RIGHT?

While we are told as one people, in history, we are daily remodeled to suit the purpose of the master, and our nation is being led down a path of destruction.

We have now entered a new phase of the war which for which we have to fight is the war for which our nation has prepared. The Jewish-controlled newspapers are the only means of communication. They proceed in silence and secrecy to spread false information.
JEWISH RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

You are continuously accused to race to a death, yet the Jewish Race who bombard you with this treponemate lies deny it in their very act! There has never in all history been such a bigoted, race-consoling group - that every Jewish makes to gravitate in the first, but always to preserve and preserving the Jews at the expense of all others. Do they persist in their act? Do they practice a frankness towards you? Do they desire Gentiles with the fabulous tax-free donations to Jew-"charities"? What Jews do you persuade to stretch out their hand of open hearts and their secret policies, the Anti-Defamation League, are they charades? Why are they not in trouble-making, hate and strife creating NAAFC permitted to go back again?

Did you know that the Jews have cold-blooded murdered since 1917 over a hundred-thousand of the best non-Jews trapped in the era of their barbarous Communism to deprive the enslaved Gentiles of all influences, all courage, all devotion, all loyalty? Did you know they are openly discussing forced mixed marriages (White-Black)?

A has ever occurred to you that the Jews and their allies have been and are afraid of the creation of a new entity, not one of the many Jews you ever knew or even in the bloody fighting against their "liquidators"?

How could the Jews almost to a man escape front-line duty? What mysterious power affected the outrage against the Gentiles? Have you ever stopped to wonder? And while you and your kind were suffering and dying, millions of Jews "refugees" (suckers) poured into this country as though no immigration laws existed, while Gentiles found it impossible to come to America. While you fought and bled, the Jews talked our people out of billions of dollars in crooked war contracts, their "sacrifices on the Home Front"!

THE ROLE OF THE NEGRO

Although the Jews publicly pretend to be champions for the Negro, you should know that they try hard to conceal the fact that they despise the Negro as much as they despise the Jews. Why this sudden interest in the Negro and why they treat the Negro as a most useful tool to destroy us. The Phillips Afriicans are more even more susceptible in their brainwashing propaganda than you and are completely incapable of leadership. They are using the Negro for two purposes: to degrade, corrupt, and mongrelize you and your children. They desire a Black Man-Hun Army to protect the Jews in case you wake up before it is too late. They are establishing a cordon of Negro states to protect them in Washington, the center of government, and in New York, the center of world Jewry, just as you wake up before they take one away from us.

THE END OF THE WHITE RACE

The Jews repeat daily that the White Race is on the road to oblivion — that the black swarms of Africa, and the pitiful masses of India and China will come along with the White Man — and you secretly believe it, for no one has ever told you the truth! The time has come to accept the situation honestly! The United States because of the dominant force of man because our leaders possessed the intelligence, the courage, the ingenuity, and the morality to seize destiny in their own hands. Now that we have built a wonderful new world, shall we merely permit a small band of effeminate pirates to despise and destroy us? It seems inconceivable, but that is exactly what is happening!
FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES
by
FEDERAL RESERVE BANKS

Facts that people should know

1. The government of the United States has no ownership of Federal Reserve Banks.
2. Federal Reserve Banks are owned by private stockholders and are operated at a profit.
3. Federal Reserve Banks pay no income tax on the profits they make. They do not file income tax returns.
4. The Federal Reserve banks have never been audited by an outside firm. (They audit themselves.)
5. All bonds that go into circulation come from the Federal Reserve Banks which have obtained them from the Treasury Department at no cost to themselves. They are put into circulation when an interest-bearing bond is exchanged for them.
6. Interest is paid each year on every Federal Reserve Note in circulation.
7. When the "Federal" Reserve Note was first issued, it clearly stipulated that it was redeemable in Gold, on demand, at the U. S. Treasury, or in Gold at any "Federal" Reserve Bank. By 1932 that was no longer the case but the word had been planted.

There was a time when the privilege of the United States to print money was vested in Congress. When the United States Constitution was signed, the President, the Senate, and the House of Representatives were given the power to coin money and regulate the value thereof. This power, however, was not used to its fullest extent until the Civil War, when the necessity for paper money became apparent. After the Civil War, paper money was used as a means of payment for goods and services. The use of paper money increased as the economy grew. However, the use of paper money also posed problems. For example, paper money was subject to deflation and inflation. Deflation occurs when the value of money decreases, while inflation occurs when the value of money increases. Inflation can cause problems for individuals and businesses, as it can make it difficult for people to save money and make ends meet. Deflation can also cause problems, as it can make it difficult for businesses to make a profit and for individuals to have a reliable source of income. To overcome these problems, the government uses various tools to control the money supply, such as interest rates and monetary policies. These tools help to maintain the value of money and ensure that the economy remains stable.
America's tremendous progress in the first 200 years is due mainly to the efforts and ambition of a growing free enterprise in combination with a monetary system with pre-eminent integrity. The American Dollar was known throughout the world to be sound and respected. A free enterprise system (less government controls) can only exist with such a monetary unit. Our economy, burdened with controls, plagued by inflation and its detrimental effects, is a direct result of loss of convertibility of the dollar.

America was great when its monetary unit was gold. Who in the world today will trust and look to an anemic? The dollar can only be trusted if we accept people's hard earned wealth and give them worthless paper dollars in return.

In a controlled society where the currency is devalued (legally counterfeited) by a privileged few and where basic laws are ignored, there will be controls on labor, on all manufactured goods and services, farm commodities, etc. The result: uncontrolled poverty, uncontrolled debt, and nonexistent slavery.

A complete enslavement will come only when the people are forced to surrender their guns. In fact, the most powerful lobby in Washington today is the creators of counterfeit coin and currency and they are intent upon getting our guns. Their success in derailing our legislation into ignoring our Constitution and basic laws cannot be denied.

We are now being asked to risk, to wager, manipulated into fighting one another due to giving away our wealth and our future to foreign nations and doped up with a thousand or more words to solve a very clear cut problem. Our wealth is dissolved. To survive, we beg paper and ink (money) left counters to exchange for our wealth and our production.

Paper and ink in excess of goods and services is the only cause for inflation. However, the blame is placed on the farmer, the manufacturer, and the man on the street. The exploiter are home free.

For years our free society has been amusing unsavory acontecients. Now that we are totally bankrupt, we have a very large number of people who will steal? The Answer: When we understand the unbelievable story of money we will quickly solve our own problems and not the ones who control us.

The above silver certificate, representing actual silver coin on deposit in the Treasury, was sound currency. And it was easily redeemable. It was a bearer's certificate, a direct obligation of the issuer to provide the holder with the silver represented by the certificate on demand when surrendered. Now compare the above with a bill from your pocket. The "Federal" Reserve Note is not redeemable because the issuer will not give to you any silver for it. However, if you appear to have the same worth as a silver certificate only because people exchange it between themselves.

Q - If the "Federal" Reserve is the only source of legal tender and it is only distributed with interest, how can more be printed than the only source than is first taken from the only source?
A - If a few men can print on the paper with a printing press, they can print as much paper as they want. Just like any other business, they will print as much paper as they can.

Q - Why is the "Federal" Reserve Note signed by officials of the government and not the "Federal" bankers?
A - It makes more sense whereby the authorized few make the general public responsible for their debts.

Q - What is the real cause of inflation?
A - An excess of money (PAPER AND INK) greater than goods and services available.

A FINAL QUESTION:
Q - Is there a better way?
A - Yes! No money should exist in any society unless that society is free to traffic in all manner of PRECIOUS METAL COIN as well as the integrity of government created money may be forever disciplined by the people's own wealth.

FAR AND AWAY:
People deposited Gold and Silver coin wealth into our "Federal Reserve" private banking system. They were issued Federal Reserve Notes - I.O.U.'s of our private coin in our production.

The "Fed" Notes are signed by officials of the United States Treasury, making them obligations of the people. Whoever holds a "Fed" Note has a claim against the people of the United States.

When the people of the U.S. gave up their wealth, they received paper that is a claim against themselves for the wealth they gave up. People used the Fed Notes to acquire the wealth of others, in so doing they are promoting to pay the new owner of the paper, the wealth they have already given to the bank.

Since the people gave the wealth to the bank, the bank has the power to treat the person as if the paper had to the right to get the wealth. But since the bank doesn't produce any goods, the paper just circulates among producers; and the bank doesn't have cash to sell.

Gold and Silver coins are no longer in circulation that is left in the paper. The bank will hang the paper, the people are left with a mess of paper claims on wealth, we owe to each other.
Look at that Federal Reserve Note in your pocket — look at it closely. The Federal Reserve Corporation paid less than one penny for it. But we Americans are paying them real interest on those worthless pieces of paper which is robbing the American people in every and on every to the banking monopoly.

How much did you pay for your Federal Reserve Notes?

Let's look at the New York bank which is the agent in America and decides the prime rate interest throughout the nation.

Yes, it's the Chase Manhattan Bank.

The Rockefeller family controls the Chase Manhattan bank?

You're right again — The Rockefellers.

If the Rockefeller banking and oil (brutal) families decide that they are not going to write any checks, and that we may buy gasoline only five days a week, because the American people are a little too independent, they will clip their wings clipped, that will cease to bring short of gasoline and credit (money) that will snowball shortages to most other vital products including food and shelter. This is SHEER POWER and CONTROL over the ONCE FREE American people.

In the past, government officials raised taxes by 25% during the 1971 price freeze. August 1971, Nixon imposed the Wages and Price freeze on the American people. Politicians and their bosses, Governor Wendell Anderson of Minnesota, raised the sales tax 25% more in September 1971. All during the so-called wage and price freeze.

Every thing, no freeze on Taxes or Interest to the bankers.

Yes, they are real law: rolling Phoney.

We know that the banks aren't giving us real money when we go to the bank, because a check or a Federal Reserve Note are both only promises to pay.

The only time you are actually getting real money is when you get a silver dollar containing 371.25 grains of pure silver. It takes six and one-half Federal Reserve Notes to buy a real dollar today. (When inflation increases it will take more.)

Ask any I.R.S. agent to define a dollar. (They won't answer you.)

If America returns to an HONEST and CONSTITUTIONAL money system — High Taxes and RUN-AWAY inflation will end.

There will be no need for INCOME TAX or property tax. All of America will have TAX-EQUALITY and be TAX-EXEMPT.

We do not want or need a troubled and ROCKY America anymore!

Our children would appreciate not being in bondage to the bankers.

Our Great Constitution is supposed to be the Supreme Law of the Land.

We must protect ourselves from the criminals in our government who are trying to force on us unconstitutional taxes and laws.

If you have been troubled and plagued by the so-called do-gooder government officials (bureaucrats who have been trumping your Individual God Given Constitutional Rights and want to know what to do to get people protection from the illegal tactics of the I.R.S., Housing Authority, or land grabbing bureaucrats that are threatening your Constitutional Rights, contact:

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How Money is Created — Legally or Illegally?

Constitutionally or Unconstitutionally?

How would you like the power to write a check for 80 times more money than you have in your checking account?

Let's say we have only $100.00 balance in our accounts, so now we can write as many checks as we want for $8,000.00, to as many people who come to us for that loan.

Now, that's power. (By just writing a check. Not bad huh?)

Remember, the prime rate of interest is 1½%, to our best customers — but, we'll be nice and only charge 10% interest.

Now, how would you like to be able to do that for as many people that drive on highway I-95?

When anyone comes to you for that loan, they must put up $7.00 collateral for a $1.00 loan. So, for that $8,000.00 loan they must put up $16,000.00 collateral. (Something of value.)

Suppose that person defaulted on his payments to you, then you get to keep his collateral.

Did you give him anything of value when you wrote that check for $8,000.00?

The only catch, you can't write checks for any more than 80 times the amount of money in your checking account to any one individual. Can You?

We, the American people must redeem bonds, as well as pay the bankers interest on them.

This is how money comes into existence for those Tax-Free — Tax-Exempt Municipal Bonds for Hospitals, Schools, Municipalities, and State Governments.

Yes, even our homes and automobile loans are created the same way.

This is what every bank in America is doing to the American people today — Foreclosing on homes, cars and property, or whatever collateral people have put up for their loans.

The bankers are stealing America with their credit money gimmick. (Check this out.)

Article 1, Sec. 10 Par. 1, the United States Constitution, "No State shall issue bills of credit; make anything but gold and silver coin a tender in payment of debts; or grant any Title of Nobility. (Federal Reserve Notes and bank checks issued to cities and states from bond issues are bills of credit.) Is the banking clique, who charges high interest and pays no taxes, a state of Equality or Nobility ? ? ?

Now that you know the actual mechanics of money on the local and state level, let's go to the National level for the bigger swindle.

Are you ready for a shock?

The Federal Reserve Bank is a private company, just like United States Steel or 3M Company. (Title 12, Sec. 284 U.S.C., "No stock allotted to the United States."

This is also contrary to the Constitution of the United States. Article 1 Sec. 8 Par. 5, "Only Congress shall have the power to coin money and regulate it's value thereof."

The Federal Reserve is exempt from all taxes except real estate. (Title 12, Sec. 531 U.S.C.)

Law 12 U.S.C. 420 discriminates. It allows the privately owned Federal Reserve banks to buy our currency for the cost of paper and printing. Borrowers are forced to accept it into circulation by the amounts stamped on the note.

They do not loan money. They loan a worthless slip of paper. There is no consideration passing between borrower and lender. Leasing those worthless slips of paper into circulation is what causes inflation. Leasing those worthless slips of paper into circulation, allows an ever increasing debt, State, Municipal, and personal, resulting in higher taxes.

It is wrong to tie our poverty to a debt that we create. It is morally wrong to tie the citizens to a debt of $9,999.99. This is the cause and effect of the system which allows the privately owned Federal Reserve banks to buy a $10,000 Federal Reserve note for less than one penny.

The citizens did not create the debt of $9,999.99; therefore, they should not be forced to assume the debt. The Federal Reserve banks created it. They should assume it. They should be forced to pay $10,000.00 for a $10,000.00 Federal reserve note. (You and I must pay.)

No law existed when we were on a Constitutional money system as laid down in Article 1, Section 10, Par. 1, allowing the banks to buy $10,000.00 worth of gold or silver for less than one penny. Federal Reserve notes have replaced our Constitutional money consisting of gold and silver.


The Federal Reserve Company pays less than one penny for those Federal Reserve Notes, which is the cost of paper and ink. (In other words, they pay 4/10 of one penny for a $100.00 bill, a fifty, twenty, ten, five or one.)
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The problem with too many forms of wealth is that they deprecate too much on the stability of a country's currency. The infamous Stock Market Crash of 1929 was a classic example.

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WHAT IS HAPPENING?

Compared to the 1946 dollar the American dollar today is worth approximately TWENTY-FIVE CENTS. Today's spiral of high prices goes on unchecked. The specter of run-away inflation seems to be irreversible.

All efforts by big government to correct these growing problems appear to be in vain. It seems that the more the politicians intercede - the more serious the problems become.

Today's political leadership deals with mere 'effect' rather than with the real 'cause' of these problems. Surely there must be a reason. America is still awaiting a solution.

In decades Americans have wondered why government can't be run like a sound business enterprise. Why indeed, must our money system be completely unworkable? Why indeed, must America be threatened with impending chaos?

THE REAL REASON BEHIND TODAY'S CRISIS

The Constitution of the United States clearly states that 'CONGRESS SHALL HAVE THE POWER TO ISSUE AND REGULATE MONEY.' Our politicians gave this obligation away to a Private Corporation. The great majority of today's politicians are put a 'front' for this PRIVATE MONEY POWER. They dare not disobey the commands of their masters. They dare not bite the hand that feeds them.

Instead of an HONEST MONEY SYSTEM these private bankers (the real power behind Congress) have imposed a DEBT MONEY system upon America.

PRIVATE BANKERS pour DEBT CREDIT into our nation's economy without any regard as to what our nation can produce and the amount of STABLE MONEY it should take to distribute goods and services.

Government intervention, the disruption of the free market, and the creation of artificial shortages are the actual causes of today's high prices and run-away inflation.

Without the silent and deceitful consent of our politicians, such false and selfish practices, designed to benefit the banking class, could not continue. Politicians still have the power to correct them.

A LESSON IN BASIC ECONOMICS -

Mankind emerged from the barren stage of trade about the same time as man began to treasure precious metals. When SILVER and GOLD were struck into coins - man possessed his first REAL MONEY.

SILVER and GOLD as a real store of value has withstood the test of time. Whenever the manipulation of PAPER MONEY fails - man turned to precious metal in order to weather the financial storms of history.

To understand BASIC MONEY let us start with the GOLDSMITH. He was a respected man. It was the GOLDSMITH who offered his vaults for storage and protection as man began to gather substantial amounts of precious metal.

The Goldsmith gave each client a receipt for the amount of Gold or Silver stored in his strongroom. He charged a fee for the service he was rendering to his customers throughout the community.

The Goldsmith soon noticed that most people never removed their precious metal from his vault. In trade transactions people simply exchanged the receipts which represented the storage of the precious metal.

The idea for PAPER MONEY was born. Soon the Goldsmith became greedy. He was a clever man. He began to issue duplicate receipts and lend them out for INTEREST. No one seemed to know the difference.

Since less than ten percent of the real owners of the Gold and Silver ever came back to inspect their holdings - the Goldsmith found that he could lend out many times as many receipts as there was precious metal.

The Goldsmith became very powerful even though he did nothing productive for the community. By bribing the leaders of the people - he found that he could capture and control the money system of an entire nation.

TODAY'S DEBT CREDIT SYSTEM

A sophisticated version of this exact system still goes on today. It is known as FRACTIONAL RESERVE LENDING. What it really means is that your banker creates MONEY out of NOTHING with a STROKE of his PEN!

It means that under today's DEBT MONEY SYSTEM no money can come into circulation without being BORROWED by YOUR GOVERNMENT from these PRIVATE BANKERS. It is designed solely to ENRICH THE BANKING SYNDICATE.

The American economy under such a false money system can best be described as a giant balloon - expanded and contracted at will by the bankers. The people pay dearly for loans largely created out of nothing.

In the beginning, our nation's paper money was backed by gold and silver. If this was still the case today (providing enough gold and silver existed) we would still have a rather sound money system.

As history progressed PAPER MONEY backed by precious metal became a mere myth. President Roosevelt did away with the Gold Standard. Government made it illegal for the American Citizen to own Gold.

The SILVER STANDARD was eliminated. Even our Silver Coins were debased. In effect, the bankers themselves were exposing the money myths they had championed for centuries.

Today nothing backs the FEDERAL RESERVE DOLLAR except the confidence of the American People. What that confidence is lost by enough people - the FEDERAL RESERVE DOLLAR will collapse.

THE AMATEURS and the PROFESSIONALS -

Relative to money, the people and the nations of the world can, for all practical purposes, be divided into two categories. The average citizen is the Amateur. The nation's government and the BANKERS are the PROFESSIONALS.

As long as the average citizen can go to the bank, cash his check for paper money, and buy the necessities of life - he is not too concerned as to what transpires in money matters.

However, nations engaged in trade are very much concerned. They understand money. Even though false PAPER MONEY SYSTEMS exist in most countries - trade balances between nations are settled in GOLD.

During the last half century America has led this trade parade among nations. America's dollar set the pace. As long as it was redeemable in GOLD - nations were willing to accept American dollars.

During the 1960's America's 'last' money system lost its convertibility in the international money market. There was no longer enough gold to settle our trade balances with other nations. Other nations became hesitant to accept American dollars.
His commandments, the "Thou shalt not" must take precedence over every opinion—either public or private. His statutes, governing administration in the nation as well as the economic life and well-being of His people, are never intended to be subjected to popular referendum or amendment. His judgments were to be kept more scrupulously than any judgment rendered in a court of law and were certain to take precedence over any popular judgment rendered by the majority at any election or in any action by the mob.

One of these Commandments is, "Thou shalt not steal." The Federal Reserve System, with the help of the IRS, is the biggest stealer on earth, although they say it is "legal."

A good number of citizens over the country are not paying income tax because they refuse to pay for their own and their country's destruction. The least you can and MUST do.

Write the Honorable Wright Patman, chairman of the Banking and Currency Committee and your Congressman and Accounting Committee and your Congressman and demand an AUDIT by the Government Accounting Office (GAO) of the Federal Reserve System. Also, ask them to get to work and pass the forthcoming bill to be submitted by Liberty Lobby to REPEAL of the Federal Reserve Act of 1913.

The INCOME TAX was made "legal" through the 16th Amendment—OR is it really legal? DID YOU KNOW that:

1. The Income Tax is levied in an unconstitutional manner. It allows hardly any person to be exempt, yet many persons with incomes over $1 million pay no tax whatever. The Constitution says that taxes should be levied "equally." That is, at the same rate for everyone! (5th amendment) The ones supporting subversive activities are tax exempt.

2. The Income Tax is confiscatory and therefore unconstitutional. It has been and is slowly bankrupting this nation.

3. The Income Tax reeks of the 16th Amendment. If the Congress had not been deceived into passing the Federal Reserve Act of 1913 there could be no Income Tax.

4. The IRS is the collecting agency for the Federal Reserve Corporation (Fed).
5. The Fed, according to Congressman Wright Patman, chairman of the Banking and Currency Committee, has never had its own books audited for a report to the people. (Yet it is a one-man agency and the IRS, demanding our records and records of many businesses, visits them frequently. We did not submit our books to the IRS because they are not our property.)

6. The banks photograph all checks and give copies to the IRS upon request.

7. Banks give YOUR money to the IRS from your account—say, if you withhold the federal tax from your telephone bill, the IRS goes to the bank, levies it against your account, and the bank simply reports to you how much they give the IRS from your account.

8. The IRS has failed to force the Communist Party to produce their records. (But they threatened the writer with a fine and imprisonment if she did not produce hers! However, the Court did not force her to deliver the records.)

9. The Fed (a private corporation) under the 14th Amendment is exempt from producing their own records.

We have an un-scriptural and un-constitutional money system. Article I, Section 8, Clause 5, obligates Congress to print money and regulate the value thereof. They had no right to arrogate this duty to a private corporation. This law is repugnant to the Constitution, and "Law repugnant to the Constitution is void." (U.S. Supreme Court, Marbury v. Madison 1803.) In 1913 some money sharks persuaded President Woodrow Wilson and the Congress to exchange substance for shadow. They were deceived by lying and greedy agents. Today we have "legalized" counterfeit money. Produced on books by a private corporation, the Federal Reserve Bank Corporation. See MONEY CREATORS.

If our Congressmen would uphold their oath of office which binds them to the Constitution, and if they understood and knew our present money system, they would press for the repeal of the Federal Reserve Act of 1913 quickly, as well as for the repeal of the 16th Amendment! Send NO man to Washington unless he understands the ABC's of the money system, and stands firm on the REPEAL of the Federal Reserve Act.

Money should ONLY be used as a medium of exchange for goods and labor. As a yard and as a pound and as a bushel remain constant, so money, if regulated and created by an HONEST government, will remain constant. This will do away with inflation, with corrupt politicians, with wars, etc. Permit a few quotes in closing:

Congressman McFadden in Congress, 1934:

Mr. Chairman, we have in this Country one of the most corrupt institutions the world has ever known. I refer to the Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Reserve Banks, herein called the Fed. The Fed has cheated the Government of these United States and the people of the United States out of enough money to pay the Nation's debt.

This evil institution has impoverished and ruined the people of these United States. They are not Government institutions. They are private monopolies which prey upon the people of these United States for the benefit of themselves and their foreign customers; foreign and domestic speculators and swindlers; and rich and predatory money lenders.

Hon. Charles A. Lindbergh:

Under the Federal Reserve Act pawns are scientifically created; the present (1925) is the first scientifically created one, worked out as we figure a mathematical problem.

Excerpt from Gerda Koch's Brief in IRS case, January 30, 1972:

GOD gave His Commandments at Mount Sinai for the nation of Israel, and these laws are the basic laws for all Christendom today, especially for our nation, dedicated to God and Jesus Christ at its very discovery. Permit me to quote from Exhibit 1, "The American Form of Government" by Howard B. Rand, p. 9:
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To further substantiate this fact, I quote from the Established Principles of American Jurisprudence:

"No one is bound to obey an unconstitutional law... Since an unconstitutional law is void, the general principles follow that it imposes no duties, confers no rights, creates no effects, bestows no power or authority on anyone, affords no protection, and justifies no acts performed under it... No courts are bound to enforce it." (16 Amer. Jur. 2d 177)

It is clear that the Constitution is the Supreme Law of the Land, and any so-called "laws" passed by Congress which violate any provision of the Constitution are null and void.

Having made the decision that freedoms, as guaranteed by the Constitution, must be preserved, I will no longer allow anyone to take away my freedoms.

I will not allow anyone to search my person or my premises, or seize my papers or property without the proper warrant supported by a court of the judicial branch of government.

I will not be compelled to be a witness against myself.

I will not be deprived of life, liberty, or property without Due Process of Law.

I will not be denied the right of trial by jury where the value in controversy exceeds twenty dollars.

I will not allow the government, state or federal, to usurp powers not delegated to them by the Constitution, therefore reserved to the States or to the people.

I will not perform involuntary servitude for anyone, including being a tax collector for the government.

I will not recognize any court that operates as a part of, or is controlled by the legislative branch of the government, because the Constitution guarantees a separation of the judicial powers under a separate branch of government.

I will not yield to anyone who tries to take these freedoms from me, because these rights are guaranteed to me by the Constitution of the United States. No rule-making or legislation can abrogate these rights.

Many sections of the Internal Revenue Code are just such kinds of rule-making that attempt to cancel the Constitution and violate my constitutional rights under the 1st, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 13th and 14th Amendments.

Patriotic citizens have a right and a duty to defy and challenge such unconstitutional acts and administrative rules. To quote President James Madison: "All acts of legislature, apparently contrary to natural rights and justice are, in our law, and must be in the nature of things, considered as void."
You hypocrites are certainly helping to promote a lawless society and anarchy when you violate the Supreme Law of the Land.

On July 17, 1974, in a telephone conversation, Gestapo agent Ronald A. Mills said, "I am proud and happy with my job as a tax collector. You can quote me on that."

I can appreciate a man trying to do a good job, but using Extortion and Ransom tactics is in direct violation of the Supreme Law of the Land and a crime which I will not yield to. You are practicing tyranny in full force.

God help our country when people are proud and happy to violate the Supreme Law of the Land and their oath of office. What morals and principles are you teaching your children?

Our Great Country was founded almost 200 years ago by men who desired freedom and justice so much that they pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor to achieve these ends.

If we are unwilling to stand up for our freedoms, we shall certainly lose them. It is not just for my generation that I now make my commitment, but for the children of our country, that they too may enjoy their rights to a life of True Justice and Liberty.

Also, I am one of the proud co-signers of the re-affirmation of the Declaration of Independence, which will be presented to the Congress of the United States in the very near future.

As Thomas Jefferson said, "To resist tyranny is service to God." And this we must do — to help us God!

Yours for God, Family and Country.

Sincerely,

Daniel M. Pilla

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U.S. House, Senate Members and News Media
January 9, 1975
Judge Edward J. Devitt
Richard C. Venkai, Director Internal Revenue
Ronald L. Mills, Revenue Officer
M. L. Olson, Revenue Officer

Sirs:

All of you have and are conspiring to deprive me of my personal property without due process of law. Also, I charge each of you with conspiracy to obstruct justice.

Each of you took an oath to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States. You are violating the Constitution when you deprive me of my private property, the tools of my trade, without due process. As a result, I am unable to go back to work. I want work, not welfare.

If any of you act under the illegal and unconstitutional laws of the I.R.S. and sell any of my property, or any other persons' property which is in my possession, legal action will be taken against you.

If anyone purchases my personal property, they will be subject to criminal action under state law for the purchase and possession of stolen property. My property is not yours to sell, since legal action is still pending on this matter.

For the information of any bidders, as well as you hypocrites, sovereign immunity does not exist anymore. (Public Law 93-253 March 16, 1973) Check with the Ray Davis Locksmith Co., 568 Rice St. Paul, phone 222-512. Ask them if the government is protecting them with sovereign immunity in the Dan Pilla case.

I am proud to be an American and proud of our great heritage. My parents left Europe because of tyranny. Now you people are practicing and promoting tyranny in what was once a Great America.

I will have NO PART OF EXTORTION OR RANSOM; nor tolerate anyone trampling on me or on my Constitutional Rights.

As recently as 1966, the Supreme Court of the United States re-affirmed this position by stating:

"Where rights secured by the Constitution are involved, there can be no rule-making or legislation which would abrogate them." (Miranda vs. State of Arizona: key 72)
INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 2/21/75

Attached pertains to Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) also known as Americans for Constitutional Government and Law (ACGL), apparently an outgrowth of "Identify Group" (IG). IG is a white-hate type tax rebellion organization advocating violence against blacks, Jewish elements, Federal judges, FBI Agents and Internal Revenue Service (IRS) agents.

1 - General Investigative Division
2 - Legal Counsel Division

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DATE 01/24/75 BY JFBB J/WR

CONTINUED - OVER
We will prepare a document concerning the IG and recommend that the Legislative Analysis Unit of the Legal Counsel Division orally brief concerning the violent and extremist nature of this group.

Investigation by Little Rock concerning SPC is continuing and any additional pertinent data will be promptly furnished FBIHQ which is following this matter closely.

Pertinent data in attached has been disseminated by teletype to Secretary of State; Secret Service; Deputy Attorney General (Analysis and Evaluation Unit); and the Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division (Internal Security Section/General Crimes Section). It is being furnished separately to IRS and by liaison to appropriate officials in Department of the Army and Department of the Air Force in view of
TO DIRECTOR

FR LITTLE ROCK (157-2644) (P)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, AKA AMERICANS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL
GOVERNMENT AND LAW, CARROLL COUNTY, ARKANSAS. EM.

CO: LITTLE ROCK.

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DATE: 03/08/82

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THE SPC IS BELIEVED TO BE AN OUTGROWTH OF THE IDENTITY GROUP. IT IS A TAX REBELLION ORGANIZATION THAT HAS ADVOCATED VIOLENCE AGAINST FEDERAL OFFICERS, BLACKS, AND JEWISH ELEMENTS.
THE AMERICAN NAZI PARTY, NOW KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL SOCIALIST WHITE PEOPLE'S PARTY, IS A WHITE-HATE GROUP WHICH SUPPORTS AND FOLLOW THE LINE OF HATRED AGAINST BLACKS, JEWS, AND COMMUNISTS.
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THE LITTLE ROCK DIVISION IS PREPARING A COMPREHENSIVE LHM WHICH WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE BUREAU AND OTHER INTERESTED FIELD OFFICES, AND COPIES WILL BE DISSEMINATED TO U. S. SEET SERVICE AND INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, AS WELL AS TO THE U. S. ATTORNEY, WESTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS, FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS.

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AND WILL ADVISE OF ANY FURTHER PLANS REGARDING SUBSTANTIVE MATTERS SET FORTH IN INSTANT TELTYPE.

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JDR

FBHQ CLR
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: Mr. W. R. Wannall

FROM: J. G. Deegan

SUBJECT: IDENTITY GROUP (IG), aka SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) EM - WHITE HATE GROUP

Action: EX-110 CH 40 MCT-10 REC-11

DATE: 2/25/75

PREPARED BY:

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The purpose of this memorandum is to obtain approval for a representative of the Legal Analysis Office, Legal Counsel Division, to orally brief concerning the violent and extremist nature of the IG, as proposed by Informative Note dated 2/21/75, attached to Little Rock's teletype 2/20/75, captioned "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC); EM." There is attached a memorandum containing background data concerning the IG for the use of the Legal Analysis Office for this purpose.

This concerns the 2/8-9/75 tax rally held at Eureka Springs, Arkansas, and sponsored by the "Little People's Tax Advisory Committee," apparently an outgrowth of IG.
Federal judges, FBI Agents and IRS Agents. It is headed by William Potter Gale of Glendale, California. It claims membership in 40 states and apparently has numerous splinter group followers about the country which uses Posse Comitatus and/or Tax Rebellion in their names.

The religious philosophy of the IG is an extremely distorted version of Christianity. Caucasians are depicted as the Israelites and descendants of Adam as opposed to Negroes and Jews who are depicted as descendants of Satan.

The Legal philosophy of the IG indicates that the County Sheriff is the only legal law enforcement official in the United States. Should the Sheriff fail to perform his duties, IG members believe that a group of citizens known as a "Posse Comitatus" must act in the name of the Sheriff in enforcing the laws.
Memorandum

TO: Mr. Adams

FROM: Legal Counsel

DATE: 3-24-75

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IDENTITY GROUP (IG), AKA SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
EM - WHITE HATE GROUP

Reference memorandum of 2-25-75 from Mr. Wannall wherein it was recommended and approved that the captioned group, which is affiliated with the "Little People's Tax Advisory Committee," be orally advised that...

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

1 - Mr. Adams
1 - Mr. Wannall
1 - Mr. Doe
1 - Mr. Smith
Memorandum

TO

Mr. W. R. Wannall

FROM

J. C.

DATE: 4/1/75

1 - Mr. (Route Through for Review)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka
CHARACTERIZATION OF SUBVERSIVE ORGANIZATION

1 - Mr. (Attr.)

1 - Mr. J.

1 - Mr.

Memorandum of [redacted] dated 6/25/74 recommended, and it was approved, that characterizations of subversive organizations and publications which are of field-wide interest would be sent through headquarters channels for approval prior to dispatchment to the field.

Attached is one such characterization that pertains to the SPC.

ACTION:

If approved, attached characterization will be reproduced and thereafter, dispatched to all field offices.

Enclosure

157-33487

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DATE 4/18/75 BY SPEW.D.LIMB
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Remarks:

Field-wide characterization attached.

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157-32487-60
ENCLOSURE
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (157-10680) (P)

SUBJECT: HEREFIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

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DATE 6/18/70

OO: PORTLAND

Enclosed for the Bureau are nine (9) copies of a letterhead memorandum (LHM) dated and captioned as above. The additional copy of the LHM is being furnished the Bureau for its file on the Identity Group, Bureau file 157-28219. Los Angeles and Portland are being furnished copies of this LHM since Portland is OO for Sheriff's Posse Comitatus and Los Angeles is OO for Identity Group. Copies of the LHM were designated for both the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus and Identity Group files because of the apparent past and/or present relationship of the two groups.

Attached for the Bureau are two (2) copies of an FD-376 regarding the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus.

One (1) copy of the LHM is being furnished United States Secret Service, Chicago, via courier.

Chicago is conducting preliminary inquiries regarding SPC members and sympathizers and will furnish results, if appropriate, of investigations to the Bureau and any interested offices.

ENCLOSED

1 - Bureau (Enc. 9) (RM)
   (1 - 157-28219) (IDENTITY GROUP)
2 - Los Angeles (Enc. 2) (RM)
   (1 - 157-77775) (IDENTITY GROUP)
3 - Portland (Enc. 3) (RM)
   (1 - 157-1286) (IDENTITY GROUP)
2 - Chicago
   (1 - 157-9321) (IDENTITY GROUP)

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

RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

April 8, 1975

Dear Sir:

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

1. □ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
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7. □ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

Photograph □ has been furnished □ enclosed □ is not available.

Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge  (Enclosure(s))  
U. S. Secret Service  
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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka
Sheriff's Posse

The February 19-20, 1975, bi-weekly edition of Elmhurst Press, published in Elmhurst, Illinois, contained the following article on page 2 regarding the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) (See Appendix):

"'Posse' Offers Its 'Lawful' Help

"Citizens' action groups continue to spring up all over the United States wearing an assortment of name-tags but generally sharing in common such claims as Christian adherence to the U.S. Constitution and a willingness to take matters into their own hands where and when they feel the constitution is being violated.

"Such a group was recently officially recorded in DuPage county as the sheriff's Posse Comitatus. Seven men, as charter members, organized the group in mid-December and the membership is reportedly growing. An undisclosed number are now in a six months probationary period before receiving full membership.

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ENCLOSURE
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

"Posse Comitatus is defined as 'a body of men that a sheriff or other peace officer calls or may call to his assistance in the discharge of his official duty.' The Illinois statutes provide for a Posse Comitatus 'to keep the peace,' saying that a sheriff may call it to his aid when necessary.

"Members of the DuPage chapter have offered their cooperation to Sheriff Wayne S. Shimp but he, in turn, has politely but firmly declined the help, explaining his authority is based in the law and the courts.

"Local members argue that the county is the unit of government having constitutional base and the sheriff, elected by the people, is 'accountable and responsible only to the citizens who are inhabitants of his county.'

"The sheriff's Posse Comitatus, the group's literature states, 'is a stand-by group of responsible citizens dedicated to preservation of constitutional law and order in their community and county.' The charter reads, 'The National Christian Posse Association.'

"'This is not a vigilante or militant group,' insisted Herbert Temple of Elmhurst.

"'We have not objected,' stressed Douglas Cunningham also of Elmhurst, adding that this in his opinion, objections and protests are the cause of so many of today's problems.

"Admitting that he was a contributor in the past, Cunningham said, 'I wanted liberty and no responsibility.'

"Agreeing with him were Donald E. Bennett, Elmhurst; Douglas J. Mathieu, Villa Park, and Grant Leverenz, Naperville.

"Julius Butler of Oak Brook and Bernard D. Brom, Naperville, also hold charter membership in the Posse Comitatus.
"In a small blue charter booklet distributed by the Posse it is stated: 'In some instances of record the law provides for the following prosecution of officials of government who commit criminal acts or who violate their Oath of Office...He shall be removed by the Posse to the most populated intersection of streets in the township and at high noon be hung by the neck, the body remaining until sundown as an example to those who would subvert the law.'

"Why is conviction and punishment not left to the courts? Because, answered Cunningham, 'Justice is not being done in the courts today. It is our responsibility and if we don't follow the constitution we are all going to pay for it.'

"In literature distributed by the Posse chapter under the title, 'Law of the Land,' it is stated, 'It is impossible for both the Constitution and a law violating it to be valid. One must prevail... No one is bound to obey an unconstitutional law and no courts are bound to enforce it.'

"They further contend that juries, neither petit nor grand, have any constitutional powers and that the Posse can serve as a citizens' jury in judgement on others.

"Major concerns expressed by Posse members were as government control over land use, regionalization of governments, subversion of powers by government agencies such as the Environmental Protection agency, and excessive use of Presidential power such as calling up troops without Congressional sanction.

"The Posse has maps that separated all the mainland United States, (adding Hawaii and Alaska to west coastal regions), into 10 districts. This, the Posse claims, was done in 1969 by President Nixon without Congressional consent.

On regionalization their particular and current target is the Regional Transportation authority which Wemple called a 'hated and odious law.'
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

"The county board could, he insisted, by resolution, separate DuPage from the BTA.

"Wemple repeatedly stressed the difference, in his opinion, between 'legal' and 'lawful,' saying the Posse is ready to take any 'lawful' steps to assure strict compliance with the Constitution.

"The Posse aims to 'educate the people' as to what the Constitution says and means, he added.

"One thing they are most certain of is their Constitutional right to own and bear arms, but they speak of their preference for 'peaceful ways' of accomplishing their goals.

"Posse chapters are reported in many states, including Wisconsin and Indiana. County by county they are spreading in Illinois and the Chicago area, the members said.

"Other citizens' groups such as the Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee in Wisconsin; the Committee to Restore the Constitution in Colorado; California Rangers; Citizens Bar Association, Indiana; and the Citizens' Committee to Clean up the Courts, headed by Sherman Skolnick, have all been proliferating to the concern of some citizens.

"DuPage States Atty. John Bowman said he was 'not too familiar with' the Posse organization and that his office would not be concerned as long as its members operate within the law.

"Sheriff Shimp followed his meetings with the group by saying, 'In no way will I cooperate in what they are asking me to do.'

"But Cunningham said, 'He won't reject our body politic. We can call up the militia at the county level at any time.'"
The March 31, 1975, Final Markets edition of the Chicago Daily News, a daily newspaper published in Chicago, Illinois, contained the following article on page 1:

"'Posse' wants judge arrested

'Twenty persons describing themselves as a DuPage County posse Monday descended on the sheriff's office in Wheaton and demanded that a judge be arrested. The 'posse' members also presented a written request to Undersheriff Richard Doria asking him to close all courts that are staffed by judges who are lawyers.

"'I told them quite frankly that I derive my authority from state statutes. They say that the Illinois constitution is illegal, along with all state statutes,' Doria said.

"The posse comitatus was formed last December by a group of DuPage County residents who wants government agencies to adhere to the posse's interpretation of the state constitution.

"The founders included Oak Brook millionaire Julius Butler, a brother of Paul Butler, founder of Oak Brook.

"The posse is an extra-legal group that obtained a charter from the state. The posse members contend that under common law they have a right to assist the sheriff.

"Doria said the posse members asked him to arrest DuPage County Circuit Court Judge George Borovic, who has been presiding at hearings in a dispute over terms of a 1966 divorce involving a posse member, Douglas Cunningham.

"Cunningham has been protesting child custody and alimony terms of the decree.

"They told me that it was a conflict of interest for a judge to be a lawyer and rule on cases brought before them by other lawyers,' Doria said.
"They wanted me to close down all of our courts that are staffed by judges who are lawyers. I told them I couldn't do that because we have three separate branches of government."

"After Doria said he lacked authority to arrest Borovic for the reasons cited by the posse, Cunningham told the undersheriff: 'I'm giving you that authority.'

"Doria said Sheriff Wayne Shimp had just left on a vacation and so he met with the posse members.

"Doria said he referred them to DuPage States Atty. John Bowman and U.S. Atty. James R. Thompson, but that posse members replied that Bowman and Thompson would not meet with them."
IDENTITY GROUP
CHARACTERIZATION OF SUBVERSIVE ORGANIZATION
EXTREMIST MATTER - WHITE HATE GROUP

The Ministry of Christ Church (MCC), also known as the Identity Group (IG), filed Articles of Incorporation in California in October, 1964, with the stated purpose of "establishment, maintenance and conducting of a church of the Christian faith." The Group has been referred to as a cover for an underground army, and has a mailing address of P. O. Box 423, Glendale, California. In 1972 100 acres of land, known as the Manasseh Ranch, were purchased in Mariposa County, California, and it is the national headquarters.

William Potter Gale, the leader of the IG, and other members have expressed hatred for Jews and Negroes, and have advocated killing FBI Agents and Internal Revenue Service Agents as well as hanging certain judges.

"Identity," a quarterly news bulletin published by this Group, sets forth that the U. S. Christian Posse Association was being formed under the MCC to assist and provide the necessary direction towards the formation of a Christian posse in every county in the U. S. "Identity" states that the body of citizens constituting the sheriff's posse was titled "posse comitatus." The IG believes that the county sheriff is the only legal law enforcement officer in the U. S. and should the sheriff fail to perform his duties, the Posse Comitatus must act in the name of the sheriff to enforce the law.
MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432)(P)

DATE: 4/17/75

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka EM

(00: Portland)

Re FBINQ letter to Portland dated 3/21/75.

FBINQ has designated Portland as office of origin of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC). FBINQ has requested Portland to instruct auxiliary offices to submit SPC reports to FBINQ and Portland. Thereafter, Portland is to submit a non-prosecutive summary report providing a comprehensive picture of national SPC activities including a concise summary of pertinent data reported by auxiliary offices.

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FBIHQ interposes no objection to the establishment of a division-wide SPC control file to more effectively follow the activities of the individual SPC units within each division. Individual case files should be opened on each SPC unit.

A preliminary investigation should be conducted on each new SPC chapter to determine if it advocates or carries out violent activities in pursuit of its goals and investigation is warranted on statutory basis.

Receiving offices are requested to expeditiously furnish FBIHQ and Portland up-to-date reports on SPC chapters in your division. All receiving offices may not have SPC chapters, however, individuals associated with SPC have in the past or are presently residing within your division. In this case if the individual is under investigation, his activities and connection with SPC chapters should be reported to FBIHQ and Portland.

FBIHQ is requested to notify Portland of any SPC chapters within divisions other than recipients of this letter.
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

DATE: 4/30/75

FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (157-3198) P

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) EM - WHITE HATE

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DATE 11/04/80 BY SPB BJL MW

Re Little Rock letter and letterhead memo, 2/24/75.

This investigation is based on information which indicates that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), also known as Americans for Constitutional Government and Law, is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 2384 (Seditious Conspiracy), or Section 2385 (Advocating Overthrow of Government).

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Bureau
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1 Portland (SPC)(Info)
2 Kansas City

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Kansas City was aware through reports of Milwaukee and Little Rock Divisions of

Kansas City is yet to determine whether or not these individuals are members of SPC and/or whether they are associated in any way with SPC activities at Hermitage, Missouri.

Kansas City has initiated investigation to determine whether or not NCPA of Hermitage, Missouri, is a chapter of the National SPC, whether or not it is in violation of any U.S. laws or advocates violation of such laws. Additionally, Kansas City will attempt to determine whether or not the SPC has other chapters within the Kansas City Division.
KC 157-3198

LEADS

AT HERMITAGE, MISSOURI

Will conduct discreet investigation of SPC as set forth in MOI, Section 122, with particular emphasis on Pages 1C and 2, "Scope of Investigations," Items 1 - 11.

AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
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SAC, Albany

DATE: 24/4/75 BY SBE\\w

Director, FBI (157-33487)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLEARC)

WHITE HAT

Portland

Instant letter contains predications for investigations of the SPC, its leaders and members.

Suggested Predication for Investigation of Organization

This investigation is based on information which indicated that the SPC (see Appendix) is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code (USC), Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Conspiracy Against Rights of Citizens), Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related Civil Rights Statutes.

(Attach current characterization of SPC as Appendix).

Since the SPC encourages autonomy by each of its chapters, a characterization of the local group should accompany disseminable communications reporting activities of these chapters. Characterizations of local SPC groups should be submitted to FBIHQ for approval in accordance with Manual of Rules and Regulations, Part 4, Section 4, page 21.

Suggested Predication for Investigation of Leaders and Known Members

This investigation is based on information which indicates that the individual is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, USC, Section 1114.

1 - Mr. J. B. Adams
2 - All Assistant Directors
3 - Mr. J. B. Adams

See Note Page 8
Letter to Albany
Re: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), aka
Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC)
157-33487

(Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383
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Against the Rights of Citizens), or Section 245 (Federally
Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related
Civil Rights statutes.

This individual was reported by a source on (date) to be a (leader or known member) of the SPC in (area)
(See Appendix).

(Attach current characterization as Appendix).

In view of past actions by SPC members such as attacks on Federal tax representatives and state and local
law enforcement authorities which clearly demonstrate the SPC's propensity for violence, you should insure investigations are initiated on all SPC leaders and known members.

Mere receipt of SPC literature or appearance of individuals on SPC mailing lists should not be construed as membership in the SPC.

NOTE:
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Members and leadership of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents, and have engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials. For example, in August, 1974, an Internal Revenue Service Agent on official business was held captive by seven members of the SPC in Wisconsin. The Agent, although released unharmed, was pushed and subjected to questioning by the SPC. As a result of that incident,

IG and SPC are interrelated but separate organizations. In Memorandum 217/1456 to Mr. W. R. Wannall dated 3/4/75, captioned "Identity Group, Also Known As Ministry Of Christ Church," we updated IG predication by eliminating SPC. This is a follow-through of the above, and we are submitting a separate predication for SPC.
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RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS
EM - WHG

Date 4-28-75

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DATE 01/04/75 BY SPOBIB NM

Remarks: Redacted 4/22/75 captioned as above.
DL submit pertinent data in re airtel in form suitable for dissemination. Include info in possession of DL to indicate presence of Sheriff's Posse Comitatus organization and appropriate predication. Advise in cover communication of identities of Sheriff's Posse Comitatus members under active investigation in order that Bureau can open cases on these individuals. Also advise re necessity of conducting investigation or preliminary inquiry re Tax Rebel group.
Transmit the following in
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (157-NEW) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka EM - WHG

OO: PORTLAND

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On 4/18/75, all information obtained to date was furnished to the following:
ROGER MC ROBERTS, AUSA, Lubbock, Texas.  
Deputy U. S. Marshal, Lubbock, Texas.  
Assistant Chief of Police, Lubbock, Texas.  
Sheriff, Lubbock, Texas.

**LEADS**

**EL PASO**

AT KERMIT, CRANE, ODESSA, AND MIDLAND, TEXAS.  WILL,

**LOS ANGELES**

AT PORTERVILLE, CALIFORNIA.  Will conduct same investigation requested of El Paso as it pertains to

**SAN ANTONIO**

AT SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.
PHOENIX

AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA. WILL,

PORTLAND

AT PORTLAND, OREGON. As origin will review SPC organizational file and alert offices having militant, active SPC units to determine if any members plan to attend hearings in Lubbock, Texas, on or about 5/5/75.

DALLAS

AT LUBBOCK, TEXAS. WILL maintain contact with AUSA MC ROBERTS, for possible information of those planning to be in Lubbock on 5/5/75.

AT PLAINVIEW, TEXAS. WILL through established

6*
FBI
Date: 4/29/75

Transmit the following in
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTTEL AIRMMAIL - REGISTERED (Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432)(P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka
Citizen's Law Enforcement Research Committee
EM - WHITE HATE
(00: Portland)

Re Dallas airtel to FBIHQ, dated 4/22/75, captioned
"SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka, EM - WHG."

Enclosed for receiving offices is one copy each of
referenced Dallas airtel. It is being provided in its
entirety inasmuch as other Divisions may in the future
experience similar incidents regarding members of the Sheriff's
Posse Comitatus.

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DATE 06/04/75 RYSP8B51/11MW

Recipients are requested to contact appropriate
sources regarding proposed travel of any Posse members to
Lubbock, Texas for tax hearings on 5/5/75 and report positive
information to FBIHQ, Dallas, and Portland.

2 - Bureau (AM)(RM)
2 - Butte (Enc. 1)(AM)(RM)
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)                           DATE: 5/5/75
FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (157-3273) (RUC)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka EM
          (OO: PORTLAND)

Re Portland letter to the Bureau dated 4/17/75.

Jacksonville does not have any Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) chapters or members in the division to its knowledge and, therefore, a report is not being submitted. It is noted that the only investigation conducted in this matter by the Jacksonville Office was to determine the identity of a license tag owner who was from the Miami Division.

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(2) - Bureau
2 - Portland (157-1432)
1 - Jacksonville

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
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6:16PM NITEL MAY 5, 1975 DTI
TO: DIRECTOR (157-3348?)
    DALLAS
    PORTLAND (157-1432)
FROM: SAN ANTONIO (157-2016) (RUC)
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, AKA - EM - WHG. CO: PORTLAND.

RE SAN ANTONIO NITEL TO BUREAU, MAY 1, 1975.
ON MAY 2, 1975, _______ _______ _______ _______

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: (PAC, MINNEAPOLIS (157-4305) (P))
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Posse Comitatus

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of an LHM concerning captioned organization at Minneapolis, Minnesota, and attached for the Bureau are two FD-376's. One copy of this LHM is being disseminated to the United States Secret Service, Minneapolis, Minnesota, with one FD-376. Two copies of above-captioned LHM are being disseminated for the Internal Revenue Service at Minneapolis, Minnesota, due to their interest in captioned group. Two copies of this LHM also enclosed for the Portland Division.

Indices of the Minneapolis Division contain no information regarding the leaders in enclosed LHM.

LEADS

PORTLAND DIVISION

AT PORTLAND, OREGON

Will attempt to determine if the Minneapolis organization of captioned group is affiliated with the National organization, headquartered at Portland, Oregon.

MINNEAPOLIS DIVISION

AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

Will continue to follow the activities of captioned group and determine if it is extremist in nature.

- Bureau (Encs. 6) (RM)
- Portland (Encs. 2) (RM)
- Minneapolis

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DATE 5/5/75 BY SPBD 01/11

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

May 5, 1975

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

RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

Dear Sir:

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

1. ☐ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. ☐ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. ☐ Threatening or abusive statement about U.S. or foreign official.
4. ☐ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U.S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. ☐ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. ☐ Defector from U.S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☑ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U.S.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☐ is not available.

Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (1) (RM)
U. S. Secret Service, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Enclosure(s) (1)
SHERIFF’S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

This investigation is based on information which indicates that the SPC (see appendix) is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code (USC), Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Conspiracy Against Rights of Citizens), Sections 245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related Civil Rights Statutes.

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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka

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The SPC calls for the establishment of a posse in each county to assist the only legitimate law enforcement authority, the county sheriff, in combating the unlawful acts of others, particularly those of Federal and state officials.

Some members and leadership of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents, and have engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials.
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, MIAMI (157-5891) (C)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka EM (CO: PORTLAND)

Re Portland letter to the Bureau, 4/17/75.

Miami has received no information indicating the existence of a Sheriff's Posse in this area.

An automobile registered to Florida, was also observed in the vicinity of the convention. Preliminary inquiries have failed to develop any association with an extremist group or derogatory information concerning their background.

1 - Portland (157-1432) (RM) (AM)
2 - Miami (b)(7)(C)
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Memorandum

TO:       DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM:     SAC, MILWAUKEE (157-2768) (P)

SUBJECT:  SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka, EM
          (OO: PORTLAND)

DATE: May 6, 1975

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Re Milwaukee letter and LHM to Bureau dated 12/19/74,
Milwaukee letter and LHM to Bureau dated 2/28/75,
both under caption "SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka, Posse
Comitatus, MARATHON COUNTY CHAPTER, EM.  OO: Milwaukee;.vue
Portland letter to Bureau dated 4/17/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight Xerox copies of
an LHM dated and captioned as above.

Two copies of the LHM are being furnished Portland
office of origin. Two copies of the LHM are being furnished
Little Rock for information, and one information copy of the
LHM is being furnished the Chicago and Omaha Divisions.

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2  BUREAU (157-33487) (Encls. 8) (RM)
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1  OMAHA (Encl. 1) (Info) (RM)
2  PORTLAND (157-1432) (Encls. 2) (RM)
11  MILWAUKEE
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      1 - 157-2817 (Manitowoc County)
      1 - 157-2835 (Chippewa County)
      1 - 157-2827 (Shawano County)
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      1 - 157-2825 (Winnebago County)
      1 - 157-2834 (Pierce County)
      1 - 157-2873 (Racine County)

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BUY U.S. SAVINGS BONDS REGULARLY ON THE PAYROLL SAVINGS PLAN
One copy of the LHM is being furnished the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Secret Service, Milwaukee; and the United States Attorney's Office, Milwaukee, and Madison, Wisconsin.

Active preliminary inquiries have been conducted on the following listed Chapters of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) in the Milwaukee Division and, as of the date of the LHM, investigation has disclosed little or no activity in these Chapters. All of the below listed County Chapters of the SPC have been placed in a closed status.

Chippewa County
Grant County
Manitowoc County
Marathon County
Pierce County
Shawano County
Taylor County
Winnebago County

In addition, preliminary inquiries were conducted on each County Chairman of the above listed Chapters; however, all investigation has been concluded and each of these files has been placed in a closed status.

Preliminary inquiry is being conducted on the Racine County Chapter of the SPC (MI 157-2873), and this Chapter will be, in the future, reported to the Bureau and office of origin under the caption "SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, INC., RACINE COUNTY, WISCONSIN CHAPTER; EM."
A preliminary inquiry regarding (BUfile [redacted] MIfile [redacted]) has been conducted by the Milwaukee Division, and this matter is being placed in a closed status under separate communication.

No active investigation is being conducted by the Milwaukee Division regarding the Little People's Tax Advisory Committee.

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RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS
EXTREMIST MATTER

May 6, 1975

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

Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (1)
U. S. Secret Service, Milwaukee (RM)

Enclosure(s) (1)
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

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As of May 6, 1975, investigation in the Milwaukee Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) has disclosed the following eight County Chapters of the SPC in the State of Wisconsin, and these Chapters are as follows:

Chippewa County
Grant County
Manitowoc County
Marathon County
Pierce County
Shawano County
Taylor County
Winnebago County

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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

Investigation of the aforementioned Chapters of the SPC in the Milwaukee Division of the FBI as of November 7, 1974, to May 6, 1975, has disclosed little or no activity among the members of the Chapters, with the exception of the Marathon County Chapter of the SPC.

According to a news article dated December 14, 1974, which appeared in "The Milwaukee Journal," a daily Milwaukee, Wisconsin newspaper, Thomas Stockheimer (the Wisconsin State Chairman for the SPC and an officer of the Marathon County Chapter) was convicted in the United States District Court in the Western District of Wisconsin (WDW), Madison, Wisconsin, on December 14, 1974, for assaulting an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Agent. The guilty verdict was returned by a jury. On February 19, 1975, Stockheimer was sentenced in the United States District Court, WDW, Madison, to serve 60 days in prison based on his conviction. Stockheimer was released by the United States District Court, pending an appeal of his conviction.
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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

Investigation, to date, by the Milwaukee Division of the FBI has not disclosed any information indicating that any of the members of the Racine County Chapter of the SPC have advocated any acts of violence.
IDENTITY GROUP

The Ministry of Christ Church (MCC), also known as the Identity Group (IG), filed Articles of Incorporation in California in October, 1964, with the stated purpose of "establishment, maintenance, and conducting of a church of the Christian faith." The Group has been referred to as a cover for an underground army and has a mailing address of Post Office Box 423, Glendale, California. In 1972, 100 acres of land, known as the Manasseh Ranch, were purchased in Mariposa County, California, and is the national headquarters.

William Potter Gale, the leader of the IG, and other members have expressed hatred for Jews and Negroes and have advocated killing FBI Agents and Internal Revenue Service Agents, as well as hanging certain judges.

"Identity," a quarterly news bulletin published by this Group, sets forth that the United States Christian Posse Association was being formed under the MCC to assist and provide the necessary direction towards the formation of a Christian posse in every county in the United States. "Identity" states that the body of citizens constituting the sheriff's posse was titled "posse comitatus." The IG believes that the county sheriff is the only legal law enforcement officer in the United States and should the sheriff fail to perform his duties, the Posse Comitatus must act in the name of the sheriff to enforce the law.
SHERIFF'S POSSE CONITATUS

APPENDIX

SHERIFF'S POSSE CONITATUS

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APPENDIX

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APPENDIX
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, WFO (157-6873) (RUC)

DATE: 5/14/75

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka.
EXTREMIST MATTER
(FO: Portland)

Re Portland letter dated 4/17/75.

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DATE 6/04/80 BY SP8B74114mW

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SA, MILWAUKEE (157-2873) (C)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, INC.
RACINE COUNTY, WISCONSIN CHAPTER
EM - SPC
OO: MILWAUKEE

DATE: 5/15/75

Reference Milwaukee airtel to the Bureau dated 9/25/74.

Referenced communication indicated that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) has been located in six separate counties throughout the State of Wisconsin. It should be noted that with the establishment of the Racine County Chapter, this brings the total known chapters in Wisconsin to seven.

The following investigation at Racine, Wisconsin was conducted by SA

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

A copy of their charter and articles along with a copy of the

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1 - 157-2873
1 - 157-2768

2 - Bureau (RM)
4 - Milwaukee

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DATE 5/27/75 BY SPB17 J1M

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
State of Wisconsin Articles of Incorporation dated May 31, 1974, for the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, Incorporated, showing the principal office as Route Number 4, Mosinee, Wisconsin. These articles indicated that the purpose for which this organization was started was to defend and uphold the supreme law of the land, the Constitution of the United States of America . . . and of the Sovereign State of Wisconsin against all enemies, foreign and domestic, and to support our duly-elected County Sheriffs in the performance of their lawful duties. This certificate was shown to have been filed with the Registrar of Deeds at Marathon County, Wisconsin on June 4, 1974, Book 73, Page 415, Volume 41, Page 280.

made available several pieces of literature which the "Posse" had left. The first is entitled, "An Open Letter to All County Citizens and Officials". This paper purports to support a basic program of cooperating with local police and opposing the harassment of police officers. Another document was entitled, "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, Incorporated". This paper purports to oppose regional government in any form and condemning public officials who support such regional planning. The other item is a seventeen page booklet bearing the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus badge on the front and the statement on the rear, "It is the duty of government to prevent injustice -- not to promote it."

On the Charter of the Racine County section of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, the following names were noted as members:

Chairman GERALD H. JANCA
1703 Carlisle Avenue
Racine, Wisconsin

Vice Chairman DONALD L. BURI
1923 West Boulevard
Racine, Wisconsin
Secretary KENNETH W. WHITE
1634 Grove Avenue
Racine, Wisconsin

Treasurer RUSSELL C. SASS
1117½ Milwaukee Avenue
Racine, Wisconsin

Deputy IRVING HOFFMAN
2319 Indiana Street
Racine, Wisconsin

Deputy GEORGE G. GAVIN
1602 Rapids Drive
Racine, Wisconsin

Deputy RAYMOND J. LAFAVE
1524 Melvin Avenue
Racine, Wisconsin

The Charter for the Racine Chapter was dated January 30, 1975, and was authorized by THOMAS F. STOCKHEIMER, State Chairman, Wisconsin Division.
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157-32487-72-p4-5
In a page 5 article of the Racine, Wisconsin "Journal-times" dated 3/18/75, entitled, "Sheriff's Posse Unit Will Discuss Rights", it was noted that an announcement was made that the new Racine County Chapter of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, Inc. would hold their first public meeting Monday, 3/24/75, at 7:30 P. M. in the Racine Main Public Library. The article pointed out that this chapter was a part of a national committee headquartered in Portland, Oregon, which described the county sheriff as "the only legal law enforcement officer in these United States of America". It further stated that once the sheriff has been advised of unlawful acts and refuses to perform his duty, "the Posse Comitatus has the lawful right under natural law to act in the name of the Sheriff to protect local jurisdiction". In this article, the treasurer of the Racine Chapter, RUSSELL SASS, said it is the aim of the local chapter to work with legislators and "the only way we can accomplish things here". He further added that a goal of theirs was to "get people to take a part" in public affairs and "not just leave it up to a few who are elected". The meeting agenda, according to the article, included the rise in crime and why streets are unsafe.
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In view of the fact that background information on the formation and membership of the Racine Chapter of this organization, and since this group's activities at the present time do not seem to warrant further investigation, this case is being closed.
REFERENCES:
Chicago letter and LHH to Bureau, 4/8/75.
Portland letter to Bureau, 4/17/75.

ENCLOSURE
TO PORTLAND (1)
Enclosed for Portland is one (1) copy of the pages
comprising the body of this report for the use of Portland as an
insert in its summary report.

Approved
Special Agent
in Charge
Do not write in spaces below

(1) - Bureau (157-33487) (RM)
2 - Portland (157-1432) (Encl. 1) (RM)
1 - US Secret Service, Chicago (via
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3 - Chicago (157-10680)
(1 - 157-9321) (Identity Group)
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1cc-IRS
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CG 157-10680

LEAD

CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue to follow and report SPC activities in the Chicago area.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Attached for the Bureau are two (2) copies of an FD-376 regarding the SPC.

One copy of this report is being furnished to the United States Secret Service, Chicago, via courier.

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United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20535

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

Re: Sheriff's Posse
Comitatus (SPC)

Dear Sir:

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

1. □ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. □ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. □ Threatening or abusive statement about U.S. or foreign official.
4. □ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U.S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. □ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. □ Defector from U.S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. □ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U.S.

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Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
U.S. Secret Service

Enclosure(s)
1 - US Secret Service, Chicago (via courier)

Report of: SA
Date: MAY 12 1975
Field Office File #: 157-10680
Bureau File #: 157-33487

Title: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

Character: EXTREMIST MATTERS

Synopsis: 

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DETAILS:

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

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Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC)
Chicago, Illinois

This investigation is based on information which indicates that the SPC (See Appendix) is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code (USC), Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Conspiracy Against Rights of Citizens), Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related Civil Rights Statutes.
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APPENDIX

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), Aka

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  DATE: 5/13/75
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (157-6060)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka. EM - WHITE HATE

OO: Portland

Be Cleveland letter to Bureau, 2/19/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above. Two copies of an FD-376 are also attached.

Two copies of the LHM are being furnished to the Portland Office.

One copy of the LHM is being furnished to the United States Secret Service, Cleveland.

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DATE 6/30/75 BY SPB/BJ/IMW

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- Cleveland  ICC-1RS

DEC-67 ATTACHED  41 MAY 1975

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
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**AT CANTON, OHIO**

Will follow and report activities through local sources.

**AT NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO**
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Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (1)
   U. S. Secret Service, Cleveland (By Hand)

Enclosure(s)
Cleveland, Ohio
May 13, 1975

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS,
Also Known As
Posse Comitatus,
Ministry of Christ's Church,
Ohio Patriots For Constitutional
Government,
Citizens For Constitutional Rights

CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS

The Citizens for Constitutional Rights is a local Canton, Ohio group of tax protesters, claiming that all forms of taxation are contrary to Constitutional provisions. They are a loose-knit group, which seeks direction by use of publications and literature of the Ministry of Christ Church, also known as "Posse Comitatus" for its philosophy and operation.

On March 28, 1975, the newspaper "The Times-Reporter," Dover-New Philadelphia, Ohio, published the following article in that edition of the newspaper:

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EXCLUDED 157-33487-75
Area citizens rebel against the system

Not paying taxes is their 'thing'

By DORIS KEENER
T-R City Editor

Using the U.S. Constitution as their shield, an apparently growing number of Americans are challenging what they say is a usurpation of power by public officials — both elected and appointed.

They are winning some battles and losing others, but they believe theirs is the only course of action to save the republic.

They object to paying income taxes — city, state and federal — on the grounds that the taxes are inequitably levied and, if not approved by the voters, illegal under the Constitution.

They object to all actions by public servants not specifically delegated in the Constitution and they insist many of them are in violation of their oaths of office, in which they swear to uphold the Constitution.

They want no infringement on what they believe to be their constitutional right to own a gun.

And they have a para-military citizens' police force, the Posse Comitatus, to be used in event their challenge fails through peaceful means. They cite the Constitution as their authority for their phase.

To the establishment, they are the far-rightists or the far-outists.

Their actions are disturbing, but their singular protests in the area of taxes are gaining support from their fellow Americans, who feel the same frustrations, but lack the nerve to endure the hassle which any protest necessarily involves.

THE TIMES-REPORTER recently reported on the constitutional challenge to the federal income tax and a confrontation with Internal Revenue Service agents by Wayne Miller of RD 1, Wilmot.

Miller, an Amishman, and some of his friends are fighting the income tax on the grounds that it gives the government illegal power to exploit the American people and destroy their freedoms, including the right to privacy.

They also object to the government spending their tax money on such things as foreign aid "which never gets to the people of those countries" and "wars which they (the government) have no intention of winning."

The tax rebels refer to the IRS tax-reporting form as the "1040 confession sheet."

Miller has attended meetings of a group called Citizens for Constitutional Rights. Based at Canton, it reportedly has 60 to 100 members from Stark, Tuscarawas, Wayne and Holmes counties. It was formed in 1968 and is headed by Rev. Allen of Canton.
FROM A-1...

Income tax challenged

An unsuccessful write-in candidate for public office three times as an Independent, Hampton said he intends to file a "constitutional" federal income tax return for the first time this year, furnishing only his name, address and social security number.

He said he will refuse to answer all other questions on the 1040 form, claiming they violate his constitutional rights to privacy and freedom from self-incrimination.

Miller and his friends filed the same type of blank return in April 1974. In addition to notifying them that the blank forms did not constitute legal tax returns, the IRS since has "interviewed" three of the five. Each refused to answer questions, citing guarantees of various constitutional amendments.

Miller has heard nothing from the IRS since two of its agents declined to interview him with this reporter present on Feb. 15. He has heard through friends, however, that the IRS is attempting to obtain information on the amount of money he paid suppliers of his small welding shop and others in 1973.

Hampton said he filed a complete return last year because he was entitled to a refund. Such is not the case in 1974.

Poorman Aircraft Service at Canton, where Hampton is employed, stopped withholding income tax from his wages, after he filed a W-4E (exemption from withholding) form with the company. The same option is open to anyone, Hampton said, noting the forms can be picked up at post offices.

HAMPTON is a charter member of a law library maintained by the citizens group at Canton. It is available to others who subscribe for its services. Miller has used the library.

Rico Fiorini of Sebring (he recently moved there from Massillon), who describes himself as a legal researcher and believer, is in the library much of the time. Fiorini figured prominently in the 1971 Michigan state income tax case which resulted in the imprisonment of two men for contempt of court for failing to produce records as ordered. Both had filed federal and state income tax returns in blank, beginning in 1965.

Fiorini prepared a petition for habeas corpus filed in the U.S. District Court at Detroit, citing violations of due process and constitutional law by Michigan authorities. The petition was dismissed on the grounds that a similar proceeding was pending in the state court of appeals.

A long statement read in a later court appearance by one of the men also was prepared by Fiorini, who was among those present at Miller's home on the day he was to have been interviewed by the IRS.

THE CANTON CITY income tax also has drawn opposition from the constitutionalists.

Cases of four persons convicted in Canton municipal court of failing to file proper city income tax returns were in various stages of appeal.

The Fifth District Court ordered the municipal court to retry George Maxtin Jr. of Canton after reversing his conviction on a technicality. The appellate judges said the trial judge erred when he denied a motion of prejudice made by the defendant instead of referring it to a higher court for a ruling.

An appeal by Benjamin Smith, who operates the sign company where the citizens hold their meetings, still is pending in Fifth District Court where the convictions of two other Canton men, David Eschelman and Darvin McKnight, were affirmed. Both have requested the Ohio Supreme Court to review their cases.

Two other men complied with the city income tax ordinance, filing "proper" returns after convictions in municipal court, John R. Hoffman Jr., assistant solicitor for the city of Canton, said.

Maxtin also is involved in litigation for filing "constitutional" federal tax returns.

ALL THE TAX REBELS are believed to have some connection with either the Citizens for Constitutional Rights, the Ohio Patriots for Constitutional Government, another protest group, or the Pose Comitatus.

The Patriots, headed by Charley Martin of Canal Fulton, claim 300 members in Stark, Tuscarawas, Wayne and Carroll counties.
Hampton said attendance at weekly Citizens for Constitutional Rights meetings averages 15 but the membership is much larger. Many members, for personal reasons, prefer not to be identified, he said.

Hampton added that the group has more than 7 million members in 2,700 chapters throughout the U.S., about 15,000 of them in Ohio. The Citizens call the "Tax Strike News," published in California "our newspaper." It features stories of tax rebel activities and attacks on the IRS.

Both organizations, in a newspaper advertisement nearly a year ago, challenged public officials to a debate on a bill of 20 particulars included in the notice. The ad said that the failure of officials to answer the challenge in 30 days would be considered an admission of their guilt.

The ad carried the names of four members of the state board of directors of each organization, who said they would refuse to pay city, state and federal income taxes until officials proved "what you are doing is in conformance to the U.S. Constitution and that by paying these taxes we are not financing our own destruction. The names of Maxim and Benjamin Smith were listed among the directors of the Citizens group.

The organizations, to date, have taken no further action along this line, but The Times-Reporter was told plans are being made to file suits in several areas against officials who refuse to uphold their oath of office, which includes a promise to uphold the Constitution.

THE POSSE COMITATUS members claim their status from the 2nd Amendment to the Constitution and the sentence: "A well-regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed."

Bobby Kaiser of Mineral City is head of the Tuscarawas County Posse Comitatus. He and six other counties are listed on the charter on file in the courthouse.

Kaiser said that the posse has a much broader base of support than just the seven members and added that posses have been formed in 33 of Ohio's 88 counties, including one with more than 30 members in Stark County.

"We are not radicals or revolutionaries," Kaiser said. "We are operating legally and constitutionally against the conspiracies and threats to our freedoms."

"The sheriffs in the 33 counties have been advised of our existence and intent and also of our offer to help uphold the Constitution."

Kaiser said posses have been formed throughout the country and sheriffs in Montana, Idaho and Oregon have accepted the posses. He added that more than 100,000 men are members of posses in Montana.

Kaiser said the Tuscarawas County posse had some status with former sheriff A.M. Young, but that the offer of the posse's services to the current sheriff, Lou Clark, has been rebuffed.

In Stark County, Sheriff George Papadopoulos said that he is aware of the posse's existence, but added that neither he nor the Buckeye Sheriff's Assn. endorses the group's efforts.

Papadopoulos said he believes the posse is operating on an archaic law, which he is not obliged to accept.
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RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS
EX - WHITE HARE

Date: 6/5/75

REURLET AND LHM 5/13/75,
ADVISE BY LETTER

THE SPC GROUP IN YOUR
TERRITORY, THE CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL
RIGHTS.

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Enc.
Bufile 157-33487
Urfile 157-6060
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432)  
DATE: 5/12/75

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Posse Comitatus

EM - WHG

Re Portland telephone calls to the Bureau  
5/9/75 and 5/12/75.

For information, on 5/12/75, Mr. telephonically contacted ASAC JOHN E. OTTO from San Francisco, stating he no longer intended to travel to Portland. He explained he was able to California, and, therefore, it was no longer necessary for him to personally travel to Oregon. was provided with information consistent with instructions from the Intelligence and External Affairs Divisions. He also requested any public hand-out type material from the SPC in the possession of the Portland Division. Several appropriate items were mailed directly to stated he did not presently know when the article on the SPC will be published.

Bureau (REX:++)  
Portland  
JEOP: (3)

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DATE 6/19/75 8DD' SPBDJ/MWJ

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PORTLAND (157-1432)  
MINNEAPOLIS  
MILWAUKEE (157-2768)  

FROM DIRECTOR FBI 157-33467-7  
REC 67  
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMMITATUS (SPC), EM - WHITE HATE.  
REOMTEL MAY 9, 1975; BU TELEPHONE CALL SAME DATE.  

THIS WILL CONFIRM INSTRUCTIONS TELPHONICALLY FURNISHED OMAHA CONCERNING COVERAGE OF MEETING REFERRED TO IN RETEL.  

AS TELPHONICALLY STATED, SPECIAL AGENTS SHOULD NOT COVER THE OPEN MEETING AT DAVENPORT, IOWA. REASON FOR THIS IS THAT SPECIAL AGENTS COULD BE RECOGNIZED AS AGENTS OF THE FBI AND POSSIBLY BE HELD UP BY INDIVIDUALS AT THE MEETING OR INDIVIDUALS CONDUCTING THE MEETING FOR RIDICULE AND ALSO POSSIBLY COULD BE PLACED IN A POSITION OF BEING THE SUBJECTS OF PHYSICAL VIOLENCE.  

AIRMMAIL COPY TO KANSAS CITY.  

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION  
MAY 12, 1975  
11:17 AM  
TELETYPE  
SEE NOTE PAGE TWO
TELETYPE TO OMAHA
RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMMITATUS

NOTE:

Retel stated that the meeting of SPC group, which is a white hate-type organization, would be covered by four SAs at Davenport, Iowa.

In view of the information set out above, SAS should not attempt to cover this open-type meeting. Copy mailed Kansas City as they are in the process of moving and teletype system shut down. Recipients of this teletype received copies of reOMtel. Instructions were given by Section Chief Joseph C. Deegan to ASAC William KelI and Supervisor
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157-33487-79
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, OMAHA (157-2120) (P)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM - WHITE HATE

DATE: 5/15/75

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CO: PORTLAND

Re Omaha tel to Bureau, et al, 5/10/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 10 copies of an LHM re tax seminars held by captioned organization at Davenport, Iowa, 5/9-10/75. Two additional copies are being furnished the Bureau for dissemination to IRS and Secret Service at FBIHQ.

Enclosed for each receiving office are 2 copies of above LHM.

Two copies of FD 376 being submitted to the Bureau.

One copy each of instant LHM being furnished to IRS, Secret Service and ATF, Omaha, Nebraska; and USA, Des Moines, Iowa.

INFORMANTS

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2 - Bureau (Enc. 10-186)
2 - Kansas City (Enc. 2)
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3 - Omaha (2 - 157-2120)
(1 - 157-2148)

17 MAY 1975

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
OMAHA

Will continue to follow SPC activities within the Omaha Division and report all pertinent information to the Bureau and appropriate offices in accordance with current Bureau reporting procedure.

Will, by appropriate communication, make available to the Bureau and interested offices (b)(6).
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157-32467-80 p3 LET
May 15, 1975

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

RE: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus

Dear Sir:

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

1. ☐ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. ☑ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. ☐ Threatening or abusive statement about U. S. or foreign official.
4. ☐ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U. S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. ☐ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. ☐ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☑ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☑ is not available.

Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
   U. S. Secret Service  Omaha

Enclosure(s)
This investigation is based on information which indicates that the SPC (see Appendix) is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer); Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection); Section 241 (Conspiracy Against Rights of Citizens); Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related Civil Rights Statutes.
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SHERIFF’S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

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157-72487-82  

FBI/DOJ
OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION OF ERROR
0-17 (Rev. 3-21-74)

TO SAC, OMAHA
(157-2120)
FROM DIRECTOR, FBI
(157-33487)

Subject:
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
EX: WHITE HATE
O0: PORTLAND

Reference: [ ] Cover pages of SA
[ ] Report of SA
[ ] Letterhead memo

Letter [ ] Teletype [ ] Airmail [ ] Radiogram [ ] Cablegram dated

to DIRECTOR

Your mail dispatch of 5/10/75 from OMAHA

NonSubstantive Error - notify appropriate personnel; mark notation
in error folder; and consider in next performance ratings. Consider
employees' work records as to any needed action.

Take appropriate action in connection with error in subject matter checked below:

1. Administrative Data
   a. Failed to submit letterhead memo re subject who is
      Government employee
   b. Omission of "Property of FBI" statement on letterhead memo
   c. Reason for protecting source not given
   d. Documentation re FISUR Agents omitted
   e. Failure to meet 5-day reporting rule after arrest
   f. Protest not described [ ] Accomplishments? [ ] Acquittal?

2. Delayed
   a. Investigation
   b. Dictation
   c. Transcription
   d. Reporting

3. O.O. Incorrect (C.O. is
   a. Reporting office
   b. Date of communication
   c. Investigative period

4. Title
   a. Incomplete [ ] Incorrect [ ] Fugitive
   b. Misspelled
   c. Omitted
      1. 1.O.
      2. Wanted Flyer
      3. Check Circular

5. Character
   a. Incomplete [ ] Incorrect [ ] Omitted

6. Synopsis
   a. Incomplete or inadequate
   b. Facts not in detail or vice versa
   c. Fails to show
      1. Owner notified
      2. Employed key facility
      3. Has access classified data at key facility
      4. Pertinent Section, U.S. Code
   d. Recovery value not set out
   e. "Caution" statement
      1. Omitted
      2. Failure to delete

7. Status
   a. Incorrect [ ] Omitted
   b. Not approved by SAC (original returned for approval and forwarding)

8. Copies
   a. Not legible [ ] Not furnished
      1. Auxiliary office
      2. U. S. Attorney
      3. 
   c. Incorrect no. of copies to
      1. Bureau
      2. 
   d. Reason for information copy

9. File Number should be
   a. Incorrectly reported
   b. Files consolidated at Bureau

Remark:

Reference cited in retail should have been set forth under
Administrative section. Teletype failed to reflect source of
information contained therein. Teletype failed to indicate that
information was disseminated to Secret Service locally. Ensure
that this is filed.

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DATE 05/12/75 VSPEB87189

5/12/75
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SAC, OMAHA (157-2120) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM - WHITE HATE

CC: Portland

DATE: 5/20/75

Re Omaha teletype 5/9/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies and for Portland and Milwaukee two copies each of an LHM captioned and dated as above.

LEADS:

MILWAUKEE

AT MADISON, WISCONSIN

Will determine the owner of the license plate number [redacted] or [redacted] that was on a pickup truck, [redacted] in color, with an emblem "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus."

OMAHA

AT DUBUQUE, IOWA

Will contact appropriate sources to determine if there is continued activity of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus and/or the Little People's Tax Advisory Service in that area.

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

ST-105 157-33487-83

REC-59

14 MAY 20 1975
AT DES MOINES, IOWA

Will follow and report any SPC activity in the immediate area.
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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, SALT LAKE CITY (157-650) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka EM
(00: PD)

DATE: 5/21/75

Re Portland letter to Bureau, 4/17/75.

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DATE 06/05/75 BY 589 BD/JIV

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Inasmuch as there is no active organized SPC in Utah, no report will be submitted by the Salt Lake City Division. Salt Lake City will remain alert to possible activities on the part of this group in the future.
ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 05/30/75 BY SP85D/11\n
TO: DIRECTOR, FRI (157-334477)
MILWAUKEE (157-2768)

FROM: OMAHA (157-2129) (P)

O SHERIFF'S POSSE COMMITATUS (SPC); FM - WHITE HATE.

OD: PORTLAND.

ON MAY 14, 1975, U.S. MARSHAL [REDACTED] ND1, CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFO:


CLERK WAS SHOVED SEVERAL TIMES BY ONE OF THE GROUP, IDENTITY UNKNOWN. NO INJURIES RECEIVED AND NO ARRESTS

5 6 MAY 30 1975
MADE BY U.S. MARSHALS PRESENT. CONFRONTATION DEVELOPED BETWEEN THE AFORESAID GROUP NUMBERING APPROXIMATELY 30 AND U.S. MARSHALS NUMBERING APPROXIMATELY 2. THE MARSHALS, AFTER PROLONGED DISCUSSION, ARE TO REMOVE GROUP FROM U.S. FEDERAL BUILDING WITH NO ARRESTS. JUDGE [REDACTED], U.S. ATTORNEY, AND MEMBERS OF THEIR STAFFS WERE ESCORTED TO THEIR RESIDENCES BY U.S. MARSHALS.

A SECOND TRIAL INVOLVING [REDACTED] COMMENCED [REDACTED] AT CEDAR RAPIDS AND U.S. MARSHALS ANTICIPATE ADDITIONAL CONFRONTATIONS WITH DEFENDANTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS.
MILWAUKEE WILL REVIEW INDICES AND PROVIDE ANY
POSITIVE INFO IF ABOVE LISTED INDIVIDUALS WHO RESIDE
WISCONSIN.

OMAHA AT CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, WILL FOLLOW AND REPORT
RESULTS OF ABOVE TRIALS WITH AGENTS ATTENDING IN CAPACITY
OF OBSERVERS, U/AC. LWM FOLLOWS.

AIPMAIL COPY FORWARDED PORTLAND AND SPRINGFIELD
FOR INFO.

END.

JMT FBIHQ GLR
MESSAGE RELAY

From: Director, FBI 157-33487
To: SAC, CH 40

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DATE 6/25/75 BY SPS BJ 1100

To: RUEADWJ/ The President
     The Vice President
     White House Situation Room
     Attn:

RUEBWJ/ Attorney General
     Deputy Attorney General
     Analysis and Evaluation Unit

RUEBWJ/ Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division

RUEBWJ/ Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division
     Internal Security Section
     General Crimes Section

RUEABND/ Drug Enforcement Administration

RUEBWJ/ Immigration and Naturalization Service

RUEBWJ/ U. S. Marshal's Service

RUEBDA/ Department of the Air Force (AFOSI)

RUEACSI/ Department of the Army

RUEAIA/ Director, CIA

RUEBGA/ Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard

RUEKJCS/ Director, Defense Intelligence Agency

RHEGGTN/ Energy Research and Development Administration

RUEOGBA/ Federal Aviation Administration

RUEANAT/ National Aeronautics & Space Admin.

RUEOIAA/ National Security Agency
     DIRNSA/NSOC (Attn: SOO)

RUEOLKN/ Naval Investigative Service

RUEUSA/ U. S. Postal Service (if Classified)
     Use RUEVDFS if Unclassified

RUEHSE/ U. S. Secret Service (FBI)

RUEHOC/ Secretary of State

RUEBGA/ Department of Transportation
     Director of Security

     Internal Revenue Service
     By Mail

Subject (Text begins next page): Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC)

MAIL ROOM □ TELETYPING UNIT □

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MAY 14, 1975

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     Cleared telephonically

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REAL INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
THE SPC, ALSO KNOWN AS THE CITIZEN'S LIAISON COMMITTEE (CLC), IS A LOOSE-KNIT NATIONAL ORGANIZATION ESTABLISHED TO ENSURE THAT INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE (IRS) OFFICIALS ARE PAID ADEQUATELY FOR THEIR SERVICES.

ATTENTION
ATTORNEY GENERAL
CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION

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CLASSIFIED

 MAY 15, 1975

TELETYPewriter
LISTED IN PORTLAND, OREGON, IN 1973 BY
PORTLAND RESIDENT HENRY LAMONT (MIKE) BEACH.
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SOME MEMBERS AND LEADERSHIP OF THE SPC
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SPECIAL AGENTS OF THE FBI, WHO SAT IN COURTROOM UNARMED DURING TRIAL, FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFO RE TRIAL OF JOHN MC AULIFFE:

MC AULIFFE FOUND GUILTY OF VIOLATING FEDERAL INCOME TAX LAWS MAY 14, 1975, AND SENTENCED TO TWELVE MONTHS IMPRISONMENT.

NO ARRESTS OR INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE OCCURRED DURING TODAY'S TRIAL.
THE TRIAL OF

(FF)(c)

BT

#0001
TO:    DIRECTOR, FRI (157-33489)
FROM: OMaha (157-21270) (P)
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATIS (SPC); EM - WHITE HAT.
CO: PORTLAND.

THE SPC, ALSO KNOWN AS THE CITIZEN'S LAW
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DATE 6/05/80, BYSPSB01/11414
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NO ARRESTS OR INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE OCCURRED DURING TODAY'S TRIAL.
OMAHĀ WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW PENDING TRAILS IN
USDG, CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, AND SUBMIT DAILY TELETYPE
TO BUREAU. DETAILED LMM WILL BE PREPARED FOLLOWING
CONCLUSION OF ALL TRIALS.
END.

CC - GEN L. INV.
FBI
Date: 5/14/75

Transmit the following in
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-3522) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka EM

OO: Portland

Re Portland letter to the Bureau, 4/17/75.

A review of Sacramento files disclosed that there are two Sheriff's Posse Comitatus organizations operating in the Sacramento Division. One of these is called the Stanislaus County Posse Comitatus and operates out of Modesto, California. The other is the Tracy, California, Posse Comitatus and its leader is

A preliminary investigation is being conducted with regard to each of these Sheriff's Posse Comitatus chapters to determine if it advocates or carries out violent activities in pursuit of its goals, and to determine if investigation is warranted on a statutory basis.

Captioned file has been opened as a division-wide Sheriff's Posse Comitatus control file to effectively follow the activities of the various Sheriff's Posse Comitatus units within the Sacramento Division.

Bureau will be advised of results of preliminary investigation of above SPC chapters.

2 - Bureau
2 - Portland (157-1432)
4 - Sacramento (2 - 157-3522)
(1 - 157-3686) (Stanislaus County SPC)
(1 - 157- ) (Tracy, California, SPC)

Approved: Special Agent in Charge

Sent M Per
ReBulet to AL, 4/21/75;
DL airtel to Bureau, 4/22/75;
PD airtel to Bureau, 4/29/75;
EP airtel to DL, 5/6/75;
SAC, EP FTS call to Inspector 5/8/75.

Information copies are being furnished to Dallas, Houston, and San Antonio, in view of the apparent rapid spread of this organization in the Midland-Odessa (Permian Basin) area of the El Paso Division which would indicate that this organization could conceivably reach into the other Texas divisions, if not already established in these divisions.

An information copy is being forwarded to the Chicago Office, in view of the

For the information of the Bureau and receiving offices, the El Paso Office has obtained the following information from United States Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Intelligence Agent

and
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☑ For your information: Material referred to IRS

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Concerning supra, Deputy United States Marshal (DUSM) has advised that has attempted to serve summonses on individuals in Texas, in connection with being fired from his job for claiming too many dependents for income tax purposes. DUSM has refused to serve the summonses, in lieu of a deposit by and has threatened to suc
UACB, the El Paso Division will open cases on each of the four chapters as well as
and also to determine the location and frequency of meetings.

Also, UACB, El Paso will use captioned file as a control file and will report all organizational information received, through this file to the Bureau and interested offices, channelizing this information to the appropriate chapter files.

INASMUCH AS INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED THAT MEMBERS OF THE SPC ARE REQUIRED TO OWN FIREARMS, AND SINCE THEY HAVE ADVOCATED VIOLENCE, SPC MEMBERS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.
ST. 114
MAY 21, 1975

TO SACS EL PASO (157-536)
CHICAGO

REC-28
FROM DIRECTOR F.B.I. (157-33487) —

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, AKA; EM - WHITE HATE.

NEEPAIRTEL MAY 13, 1975.

INFORMATION CONTAINED IN REFERENCED AIRTEL WOULD BE OF
INTEREST TO OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND THEREFORE SHOULD BE
INCORPORATED IN A COMMUNICATION SUITABLE FOR DISSEMINATION.

CHICAGO SHOULD OBTAIN SPECIFIC DETAILS CONCERNING

EL PASO'S ATTENTION IS DIRECTED TO BUREAU LETTER TO
ALBANY AND ALL OFFICES DATED APRIL 21, 1975, CAPTIONED AS
ABOVE, WHICH INSTRUCTS THAT

THIS SHOULD BE

HANDLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 122, MANUAL OF INSTRUCTIONS.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

SEE NOTE PAGE 3

MAIL ROOM [ ] TELETYPE UNIT [ ]

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4/18/75

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DATE 6/05/75 BY RP833D

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(6)(7)(c)
IT IS NOTED IN REFERENCED AIRTEL THAT [REDACTED] THIS MIGHT ALSO BE TRUE OF OTHER SFC MEMBERS. AGENTS HANDLING THESE MATTERS SHOULD BE THOROUGHLY FAMILIAR WITH APPROPRIATE SECTIONS OF THE FEDERAL FIREARMS STATUTES TO INCLUDE THE NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT, THE STATE FIREARMS CONTROL ASSISTANCE ACT AND THE UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OR RECEIPT OF FIREARMS ACTS.

[REDACTED]

IN VIEW OF PAST ACTIONS BY SFC MEMBERS IN OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTRY, INCLUDING ASSAULTS ON FEDERAL AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES, YOUR OFFICE SHOULD INSURE THAT THIS MATTER RECEIVES PROMPT, INTENSIVE INVESTIGATIVE ATTENTION.
NOTE:

The SPC is a loose-knit nationwide organization founded in Portland, Oregon, in 1973. It claims among other things that the only legitimate law enforcement authority is the county sheriff. It also advocates assassination of Federal law enforcement agents and the hanging of Government officials if they do not perform as the SPC believes they should.

Referenced El Paso airtel contained information of interest to other Government agencies which should have been incorporated in an LEM.

In addition, El Paso states they were conducting investigations of. This is contrary to instructions in Bureau letter 7/21/75 instructing investigations be conducted on. Additional instructions necessary for proper handling.

However, the vast majority of these have not been identified.
MESSAGE RELAY

Date 5/14/75

To: Legate:

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DATE: 01051805VSP8BDJ111M8

To: RUEADWA/ The President
RUEBWA/ Attorney General
RUEBWA/ Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division
RUEBWA/ Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division
RUEBWA/ Drug Enforcement Administration
RUEBWA/ Immigration and Naturalization Service
RUEBWA/ U.S. Marshal's Service
RUEBWA/ Department of the Air Force (AFOSI)
RUEACSI/ Department of the Army
RUEAIA/ Director, CIA
RUEBJGA/ Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard
RUEKJCS/ Director, Defense Intelligence Agency
RUEGOTN/ Energy Research and Development Administration
RUEOGBA/ Federal Aviation Administration
RUEANAT/ National Aeronautics & Space Admin.
RUEOIAA/ National Security Agency (DIRNSA/NSC (Attn. SOO))
RUEOLKN/ Naval Investigative Service
RUEAUSA/ U.S. Postal Service (if classified) (Use RUEVDFS if unclassified)
RUEHSE/ S. Secret Service (PID)
RUEHOC/ Secretary of State
RUEBJGA/ Department of Transportation
Attn: Director of Security

Internal Revenue Service
C.I. (By Mail)
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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Not to be released for review
Cleared telegraphic code
MAY 1975

Subject (Text begins next page): SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

MAIL ROOM TELETYPE UNIT
On May 14, 1976, U.S. Marshal [Redacted], Cedar Rapids, Iowa, furnished the following info:

On May 13, 1976, Robert E. Walsh, Box 218, Cedar Rapids, Wisconsin, alleged member BPOC, went on trial for income tax evasion in USDC, NO, Cedar Rapids. In addition, separate trials also scheduled Cedar Rapids involving other alleged members of BPOC. Walsh found guilty and Honorable Judge Edward J. McManus, sentenced Walsh to 33 months imprisonment. In courtroom, at time of sentencing, were other 22 defendants and family members. Walsh, along with defendants and family members, protested the verdict and sentencing; and obscenities were shouted and U.S. marshals were split [Redacted]. Judge McManus law clerks was shot by several times by one of the group, identity unknown. No injuries received and no arrests.
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TO RUEBVJA/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

ATTN: ANALYSIS AND EVALUATION UNIT

RUEBVJA/ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION
RUEBVJA/ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, CRIMINAL DIVISION

ATTN: INTERNAL SECURITY SECTION
ATTN: GENERAL CRIMES SECTION

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SHERIFF'S POSSEE COMITATUS (SPC).

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ON MAY 14, 1975, U.S. MARSHAL [REDACTED] WDI, CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFO:

ON MAY 13, 1975, ROBERT P. KALE, BOX 539, BENTON CITY

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DATE: 01/25/80 (SP8 BT3/11MW

[Redacted]
WISCONSIN, ALLEGED MEMBER SPC, WENT ON TRIAL FOR INCOME TAX EVASION IN USDC, NDI, CEDAR RAPIDS. 14 ADDITIONAL SEPARATE TRIALS ALSO SCHEDULED CEDAR RAPIDS INVOLVING OTHER ALLEGED MEMBERS OF SPC. WALSH FOUND GUILTY AND HONORABLE JUDGE EDWARD J. MC MANUS, SENTENCED WALSH TO 30 MONTHS IMPRISONMENT. IN COURTROOM, AT TIME OF SENTENCING, WERE OTHER 14 DEFENDANTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS. WALSH, ALONG WITH 14 DEFENDANTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS, PROTESTED THE VERDICT AND SENTENCING; AND OBSCENITIES WERE SHOUTED AND U.S. MARSHALS WERE SPIT UPON. JUDGE LAW CLERK WAS SHOVED SEVERAL TIMES BY ONE OF THE GROUP, IDENTITY UNKNOWN. NO INJURIES RECEIVED AND NO ARRESTS MADE BY U.S. MARSHALS PRESENT. CONFRONTATION DEVELOPED BETWEEN THE AFOREMENTIONED GROUP NUMBERING APPROXIMATELY 30 AND U.S. MARSHALS NUMBERING APPROXIMATELY 8. THE MARSHALS, AFTER PROLONGED DISCUSSION, ABLE TO REMOVE GROUP FROM U.S. FEDERAL BUILDING WITH NO ARRESTS. JUDGE MC MANUS, U.S. ATTORNEY, AND MEMBERS OF THEIR STAFFS WERE ESCORTED TO THEIR RESIDENCES BY U.S. MARSHALS.

A SECOND TRIAL INVOLVING JOHN MC AULIFFE, 1323 GARFIELD
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AVENUE, DURUQUE, IOWA, COMMENCED MAY 14, 1975 AT CEDAR RAPIDS
AND U.S. MARSHALS ANTICIPATE ADDITIONAL CONFRONTATIONS WITH
DEFENDANTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS.

THE SPC IS A LOOSE-KNIT NATIONWIDE ORGANIZATION FOUNDED IN
To: SAC, Albany  
From: Director, FBI (157-33487)  

Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC)  
En: WHITE HATE  
00: Portland  

To: All Assistant Directors  

Date: 4/21/75  

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An increase of vigilante-type activity coupled with an escalation of violent white hate rhetoric by captioned group has been noted within recent months. These developments require that all field divisions be immediately aware of the existence of any SPC group within their territories and to thereafter obtain in-depth coverage of each SPC group. Reliance on coverage of SPC groups by sources of other law enforcement agencies is not acceptable.

Portland should conduct investigation to obtain names and addresses of individuals or organizations who seek SPC charters from SPC national headquarters in Portland, Oregon, in order that other divisions can be aware of the possible formation of SPC groups within their territories. In this regard, consideration should be given to [redacted] as appropriate.

2 - All Offices  

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SEE NOTE PAGE
Airtel to Albany
Re: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), aka
157-33487

Noting that the SPC recommends that SPC charters be filed with the County Clerk and that the County Sheriff be advised of the existence and availability of each SPC group, field offices in the course of normal contacts with law enforcement officials should be alert for any indication of the existence of such groups.

Field offices with active SPC groups within their territories should insure that quarterly submissions of FD-405a reflect the existence and member informant coverage of each SPC group.

NOTE:

Above necessary to alert the field of the increased need for informant coverage due to an upswing in SPC white hate and vigilante-type activity. The SPC is a loose-knit nationwide organization established in Portland, Oregon, in 1973. It claims the Federal Reserve System and the Graduated Income Tax are not lawful. Certain members of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, and have advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents. Since 1/75, SPC groups have attempted to execute citizens' arrest warrants against legitimate law enforcement officials and have been engaged in numerous legal actions against government authorities which, they claim, if not resolved to their satisfaction, will cause them to "use whatever force is necessary." The SPC charter provides for the hanging of government officials who do not execute the law as the SPC interprets it. SPC members have indicated that they will take this action if rulings in the courts go against them.

Reference:
This referenced Bureau letter sets forth statutory predication for investigation of the SPC, its leaders and members.

- 2 -
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, DALLAS (157-3360) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka EM - WHG

CC: PORTLAND

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of an LHM with two copies of PD-376 stapled thereto. Enclosed for Portland and El Paso are two copies each of the LHM and one copy each of LHM for Los Angeles, Phoenix and San Antonio. Two copies of LHM furnished USSS, Dallas, and one copy to IRS, Dallas, Texas.

For the information of the Bureau, the Tax Rebels operate solely in the El Paso Division.

Investigation at Lubbock, Texas, was conducted by

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United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D.C. 20535
May 19, 1975

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

RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS
(Re Dallas LHM dated 5/19/75)

Dear Sir:

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

1. ☐ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. ☑ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. ☐ Threatening or abusive statement about U.S. or foreign official.
4. ☐ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U.S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. ☐ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. ☐ Defector from U.S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☑ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U.S.

Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☑ enclosed ☐ is not available.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) 2
U.S. Secret Service, Dallas, Texas

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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC),

The SPC, also known as the Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC), is a loose-knit nationwide organization established in Portland, Oregon, in 1973 by Portland resident Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach. The SPC is a non-affiliated off-shoot of the Identity Group (IG), a California based tax rebellion organization. The SPC claims that the Federal Reserve System and the graduated income tax are "ultra vires and not lawful," and that the Federal judiciary has attempted to establish "a dictatorship of the courts over the citizens of the Republic."

The SPC calls for the establishment of a posse in each county to assist the only legitimate law enforcement authority, the county sheriff, in combating the unlawful acts of others, particularly those of Federal and state officials.

Some members and leadership of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents, and have engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials.
OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION OF ERROR

6-17 (Rev. 2-16-75)  

TO SAC, DALLAS (157-3360) FROM DIRECT FBI (157-33487)  

Subject: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka EM - WHG

Date: 6/11/75

Reference: □ Cover pages of SA □ Report of SA □ Letterhead memo  
□ Letter □ Teletype □ Aired dated . . . from
□ Nonsubstantive Error - notify appropriate personnel; mark notation in error folder; and consider in next performance ratings. Consider employees' work records as to any needed action.  
□ Substantive Error - return original of form to Bureau promptly with explanations and recommendations.

Take appropriate action in connection with error in subject matter checked below:

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Remarks:

141. Attached is characterization for Sheriff's Posse Comitatus which was omitted from DL LHM dated 5/19/75. Bureau copies corrected. Please include attached with your copies.

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Assistant Attorney General,
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Director, FBI

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka
EXTREMIST MATTER - WHITE HATE
INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

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DATE 1/25/80 BY SPY BD 113

The SPC is a loose-knit nationwide tax rebellion
organization which has advocated assassination of Federal
law enforcement agents and the hanging of Government officials
if they do not perform as the SPC believes they should.
Some members of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes.

Accordingly, our Omaha Office has been instructed
to discontinue use of FBI Agents as requested by USA, NDI.

SEE NOTE PAGE 2
Assistant Attorney General,
Criminal Division

NOTE:    G. Deegan to Mr. W. R. Wannall memorandum
5/15/75, furnished particulars regarding this matter.
Omaha advised to discontinue use of Agents as observers
by ntel 5/15/75.
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157-33487-94
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (157-2272) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) - WHG

OO: Portland

DATE: 5/28/75

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Date 4/25/75

Redfield to Bu, 4/22/75.

1 - San Antonio (Info) 2 - Dallas 3 - Portland 4 - Phoenix

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17 MAY 30 1975
Phoenix will remain alert for any members of the SPC, Maricopa County, traveling outside the State of Arizona to participate in SPC activities.
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To: SAC, Milwaukee (157-2768)

From: Director, FBI (157-33487)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
EXTREMIST MATTER - WHITE HATE

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Date 0/25/75 by SP8 BD [illegible]

Rem: 5/15/75.

Referenced teletype furnished results of check of Milwaukee indices regarding alleged SPC members in confrontation with U. S. Marshals in U. S. District Court, Northern District of Iowa, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on 5/13/75. Referenced teletype advised that indices were negative regarding

Milwaukee's attention is directed to bureau letter 4/21/75 to all offices which prescribes that

Inasmuch as information has been received that Milwaukee note that bureau file number is as above not as utilized on referenced teletype.

1 - Omaha (157-2120)

SEE NOTE PAGE TWO
Airtel to SAC, Milwaukee
RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
157-33487

NOTE:

The SPC is a loose-knit nationwide organization founded in Portland, Oregon, in 1973. It claims that the Federal Reserve System and the Graduated Income Tax are not lawful. Claiming that the only legitimate law enforcement authority is the county sheriff, the SPC advocates assassination of Federal law enforcement agents and the hanging of Government officials if they do not perform as the SPC believes they should. Some members of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes.
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Memorandum

TO: Mr. W. R. Wannall

FROM: J. G. Deegan

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
EXTREMIST MATTER - WHITE HATE

PURPOSE: To furnish background leading to request by U. S. Attorney (USA), Northern District of Iowa (NDI), Sioux City, Iowa, that FBI Agents act as observers in Federal Court at income tax evasion trials of alleged SPC members and to furnish opinion of the Department in this regard.

BACKGROUND: The SPC is a loose-knit nationwide organization founded in Portland, Oregon, in 1973. It claims that the Federal Reserve System and the Graduated Income Tax are not lawful. Claiming that the only legitimate law enforcement authority is the county sheriff, the SPC advocates assassination of Federal law enforcement agents and the hanging of Government officials if they do not perform as the SPC believes they should. Some members of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes.

On 5/13/75, in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, Robert E. Walsh, one of 15 alleged SPC members charged with income tax evasion, was convicted and sentenced to 30 months confinement. Immediately following the sentencing, Walsh, his alleged SPC fellow travelers and members of their families (numbering about 30) protested the judgment and sentencing by shouting obscenities and spitting on U. S. Marshals. The law clerk of the presiding judge was pushed several times by an unidentified member of the group. Following prolonged discussion, U. S. Marshals were able to remove group from U. S. Federal Building. No injuries or arrests occurred. U. S. Marshals escorted U. S. District Judge, USA and members of their staffs to their residences.
Memorandum to Mr. W. R. Wannall
Re: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC)

Anticipating confrontations at the remaining 14 trials, USA, NDI, Sioux City, Iowa, requested that unarmed FBI Agents act as observers. These Agents were also to act in support capacity in event prosecutable assault on Federal officials occurred. Our Omaha Office reported that at the second trial which took place on 5/14/75, another alleged SPC member was found guilty and was sentenced to 12 months confinement. No confrontations occurred; however, USA, NDI and Assistant United States Attorney, NDI, reported receiving threats from an alleged SPC defendant and his wife. Appropriate Assault on Federal Officer and related criminal investigations have been opened by Omaha.

On 5/15/75, John Dion, General Crimes Section, Criminal Division, Department of Justice, advised that after consultation with the U.S. Marshal's Service (USMS), the decision was reached that no need existed for FBI Agents to act as observers as requested by USA, NDI, as enough manpower would be provided by the USMS to maintain the dignity of the court. Mr. Dion stated that USA, NDI, has been so advised.

Our Omaha Office has been following this matter closely and will be advised of the Department's action.

RECOMMENDATION:

None, for information.
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: OMHA (157-2120) (P) 2P

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC); EM - WHITE HATE. 00:

OMHA.

ON MAY 19, 1975, U.S. MARSHAL CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, ADVISED IOWA; ALLEGED MEMBERS OF SPC, PLEAD GUILTY ON CHARGES OF INCOME TAX EVASION IN U.S. DISTRICT COURT, CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, AND EACH FINED BY HONORABLE CHIEF JUDGE EDWARD J. MC MANUS $100.00 AND PLACED ON TWO YEARS PROBATION.

REPORTED NO INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE OR ARRESTS OCCURED AND STATED THE REMAINDER OF THE TRIALS HAVE BEEN RE-SCHEDULED TO COMMENCE ON CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS:

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 01/05/75 BY 5/21/75
[Daniel Schaefer; Charles Nappenjan; Dennis Storlie; Gerald Witter; and Robert Munderman; each having been charged with violation of Federal income tax laws.

The SPC is a loose knit nationwide organization founded in Portland, Oregon, in 1973. It advocates assassination of federal law enforcement agents and the hanging of government officials if they do not perform as the SPC believes they should.

Administrative:

Re Omaha Teletypes to the Bureau, dated May 14, 1975, and Bureau Teletype to Omaha, dated May 16, 1975.

Milwaukee furnish Omaha all available background data concerning Wisconsin residents as set forth in referenced Omaha Teletype dated May 14, 1975.

Omaha at Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Will follow any effort results of Teletype. Executive lem will be submitted to bureau fullttey on non-intentioned trials.

SPC briefly characterized in Omaha teletypes, not being reset this communication.

Airmail copies sent Portland and Springfield.

End.
To: SAC, Omaha (157-2120)

From: Director, FBI (157-33487)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
EM - WHITE HATE

Re: Airtel dated 5/19/75.

Referenced teletype does not contain a characterization of the SPC and the reason you set forth in the Administrative Section is not accepted.

Your attention is invited to the Manual of Rules and Regulations, Part II, Section 4, page 41, Item 12.b., which instructs that succinct descriptions are to be utilized when it is necessary to describe or characterize an organization in a teletype.

Page 11 of SAC Memorandum 52-74, dated 11/5/74, under the caption "Characterizations of Subversive Organizations and Publications," reiterates these instructions to the field.

In addition to the above, "Memorandum to All Special Agents in Charge" dated 2/18/75, under the caption "Field-Prepared Teletypes Suitable for Dissemination," enumerates several deficiencies occurring in teletypes prepared by the field. Among these deficiencies is the failure to characterize organizations mentioned.

1 - Milwaukee (157-2768)
Airtel to Omaha
Re: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
157-33487

In the future, insure Agent and supervisory personnel handling subversive and extremist-type cases are familiar with the instructions contained in the above-mentioned Bureau documents.

Omaha and Milwaukee insert the following succinct characterization of the SPC to your copies of referenced teletype as the last paragraph prior to the Administrative Section on page two of the teletype: "The SPC is a loose-knit nationwide organization founded in Portland, Oregon, in 1973. It advocates assassination of Federal law enforcement Agents and the hanging of Government officials if they do not perform as the SPC believes they should."

Score errors of form for responsible Agent and supervisory personnel.

NOTE:

Instructions for Omaha necessary as they stated in the Administrative Section of referenced teletype that inasmuch as the SPC was briefly characterized in previous teletypes to the Bureau regarding this matter, it was not being reset in referenced teletype.
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**Date:** 5/30/75

**RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)**

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5 JUN 3 1975
2:48 PM NETEL 5/27/75 RLB
TO DIRECTOR (157-33487)
PORTLAND (157-1432)
FROM SACRAMENTO (157-3522)

ATTN: INTD

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), AKA, EM- WHITE HATE,

OO: PORTLAND

RE CHICAGO TEL TO BUREAU, DATED MAY 23, 1975.

FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU, ON APRIL 15, 1975, "APPLICATION
FOR CHARTER NATIONAL CHRISTIAN POSSE COMITATUS ASSOCIATION"
WAS FILED WITH THE STANISLAUS COUNTY RECORDERS OFFICE, MODESTO,
CALIFORNIA, BY ORCHEL D. KRIAR ON BEHALF OF HIMSELF AND SIX
OTHERS WHO SIGNED THE APPLICATION. APPLICATION FURTHER STATED
THAT APPLICATION WAS BEING MADE FOR A CHARTER TO BE ASSOCIATED
WITH THE NATION POSSE COMITATUS.

SACRAMENTO HAS NO ESTABLISHED SOURCES WITHIN THIS
ORGANIZATION, HOWEVER [REDACTED] WILL BE INTERVIEWED TO
DEVELOP BACKGROUND REGARDING ABOVE ORGANIZATION.

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ATTN: INT

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), AKA, EMN 00: PORTLAND 157-33487101

RE CHICAGO TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR MAY 23, 1975.

FOR INFORMATION OF RECEIVING OFFICES,

IRS EXPECTS TO MAINTAIN SECURITY

ON MAY 26, 1975, STATED THAT HE

GOUSA HAD BEEN IN CONTACT WITH AUSA ALAN VALUKAS, NORTHERN DISTRICT

TELETYPED TO: [All listed]

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FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR CORRECTIONS PLEASE CONTACT CHICAGO FIELD OFFICE

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cc: Deegan
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You have been previously advised...

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TO DIRECTOR 157-33487

CHICAGO

FROM ST. LOUIS (157-5703) P

HERIF'S POSSE COMITATAS (SPC), AKA: EM.

REBUTEL TO ANCHORAGE, MAY 30, 1975.

IT SHOULD BE NOTED THERE IS NO ACTIY CHAPRER OF SPC IN

ST. LOUIS DIVISION.

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TO DIRECTOR (157-33487)
PORTLAND (157-1432)
FROM SACRAMENTO (157-3522) (P)
ATTN: INTD

SHERIFFS POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), AKA; EM, 00: PORTLAND

SACRAMENTO MAINTAINING CONTACT WITH LOGICAL INFORMANTS AND
WILL ADVISE BUREAU AND APPROPRIATE OFFICES ON ANY PERTINENT
ENFORMATION RECEIVED.

157-33487-105

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ADMINISTRATIVE

REHOBOTH, MAY 21, 1975.

[Redacted]

CHICAGO CONTINUES TO INSURE THIS MATTER RECEIVES PROMPT, INTENSIVE, INVESTIGATIVE ATTENTION.

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INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS MATTER AND FURNISH CHICAGO PERTINENT INFORMATION DEVELOPED.

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PCT filed a damage suit in U.S. District Court in Chicago, charging Swanson and IRS with violating Constitutional Rights of Privacy, etc.

Pertinent data in attached has been disseminated by teletype to the Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division (Internal Security and General Crimes Sections) of the Department and to Secret Service. A copy is being furnished separately to IRS Headquarters.
6:23PM NITEL 5/22/75 DDS
TO: DIRECTOR (157-33487)
FROM: OMAHA (157-2120) (P)
O: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC); EM - WHITE HATE.
OO: OMAHA.

U.S. MARSHAL ADVISED NO ARRESTS OR
INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE OCCURRED DURING ENTERING PLEAS OF
GUilty BEFORE THE HONORABLE JUDGE EDWARD J. MC MANUS,
USDC, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA. FURTHER ADVISED
THE TRIAL OF MARK MULVYHILL, RURAL ROUTE 3 CUBA CITY,
WISCONSIN, IS SCHEDULED TO COMMENCE 6/17/75.
ADMINISTRATIVE:

RE: OMAHA NITEL TO DIRECTOR, MAY 19, 1975.

OMAHA AT CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA. WILL FOLLOW AND REPORT

RESULTS OF TRIALS. COMPREHENSIVE LHM WILL BE SUBMITTED TO

BUREAU FOLLOWING CONCLUSION OF AFOREMENTIONED TRIALS.

SPC CHARACTERIZED IN PREVIOUS OMAHA TELETYPEs.

THEREFORE, 563431943, NOT BEING RESET THIS COMMUNICATION.

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SPRINGFIELD.

END
MESSAGE RELAY

From: Director, FBI

To: SACs:

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DATE 5/22/75 BY 8 P.M.

To: RUEADWJ

Attn:

RUEBWJA/ The President

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RUEBWJA/ Attorney General

Attn: Internal Security Section

RUEBWJA/ Deputy Attorney General

Attn: General Crimes Section

RUEBWJA/ Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division

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RUEAIA/ Director, CIA

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RUEOIAT/ National Security Agency

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RUEHSE/ U. S. Secret Service (PID)

RUEHOC/ Secretary of State

RUEBJGA/ Department of Transportation

Attn: Director of Security

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

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REIGNITEL, MAY 21, 1975.

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FM DIRECTOR, FBI

TO RUEBWA/ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, CRIMINAL DIVISION

ATTN: INTERNAL SECURITY SECTION

ATTN: GENERAL CRIMES SECTION

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AGAINST SPG FRONT GROUPS CALLING THEMSELVES "ILLINOIS TAX REBELLION
COMMITTEE" NOW KNOWN AS "Patriots For Constitutional Taxation" (PCT).

THE PCT HAS FILED A DAMAGE SUIT IN US DISTRICT
COURT IN CHICAGO CHARGING SWANSON AND IRS WITH VIOLATING
THEIR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS OF PRIVACY AND OTHER VIOLATIONS.
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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: VSAC, SACRAMENTO (157-3687) (P)
SUBJECT: CHANGED
SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
EM - WHITE HATE

Title marked changed to reflect name San Joaquin County SPC, Tracy, California, Chapter.

Re Portland letter to the Bureau, 4/17/75; Bureau airtel to Albany, 5/21/75; and Chicago teletypes to Bureau, 5/23/75 and 5/27/75, captioned SPC.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 5 copies of an LHM concerning captioned organization. Also enclosed for Portland and Chicago is one copy of the same LHM.

One copy of this LHM is being furnished to IRS, Sacramento, and Secret Service, Sacramento. FD-376 is attached.

Also enclosed for the Bureau are 2 copies of a characterization for captioned organization. The Bureau is requested to approve the characterization enclosed herein.

1 - Bureau (Enc. 1a) (RM)
2 - 100-7254 Characterizations of Subversive Extremist Organizations
1 - Chicago (157-10680) (Enc. 1) (RM)
1 - Portland (157-1432) (Enc. 1) (RM)
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1 - 157-3686 SPC Stanislaus County
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535
May 30, 1975

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

RE: SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

Dear Sir:

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

1. □ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. □ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.

3. □ Threatening or abusive statement about U. S. or foreign official.

4. □ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U. S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.

5. □ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.

6. □ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.

7. □ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

Photograph □ has been furnished □ enclosed □ is not available.

Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
U.S. Secret Service, Sacramento

Enclosure(s) 1
INVESTIGATION is based on information which indicated that the SPC (See Appendix) is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, U. S. Code (USC), Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Conspiracy Against Rights of Citizens), Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968, or related Civil Rights statutes.

On March 15, 1975, the "Lodi News Sentinel", Lodi, California, on page 9 published an article captioned "Gillings Forms Citizens Posse". It reflects Francis Earl Gillings of Tracy, California, was chairman of a newly-formed group calling itself the San Joaquin County SPC. Gillings stressed in this article this was not a vigilante group and "would obey the Constitution to the letter". Gillings indicated many cases would be handled through civil suit against authorities dealing with violations of Constitutional rights.

On April 28, 1975, the "San Francisco Chronicle" on page 1 published an article captioned "Posse Riding In the Valley", by Michael Taylor, "Chronicle" reporter. Taylor reflects that in an interview of Gillings, he (Gillings) indicated that each member of the posse was also a member of the National Association for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms. (See Appendix). The article reflects that the SPC meets twice a month to discuss objectives and make plans for the future. Gillings was quoted as saying that "the primary reason for this posse is to keep officials from taking away our only means to resist tyranny in government - our guns".

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.

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Taylor writes that the posse has gone beyond this narrow aspect to include the following goals:

1. Protecting its members and any other private citizen from the service of liens by federal tax agents for delinquent tax matters;

2. Keeping local police and sheriff's officers away from property that is about to be slapped with eviction notices;

3. Making citizens arrests of any suspected law-breakers the posse members come across in their daily travels;

4. Campaigning to replace the local sheriff if he does not come up to the posse's rigidly fundamental interpretation of the U. S. Constitution.
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APPENDIX

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka
CHARACTERIZATION OF SUBVERSIVE ORGANIZATION
EXTREMIST MATTER

The SPC, also known as the Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC), is a loose-knit nationwide organization established in Portland, Oregon, in 1973 by Portland resident Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach. The SPC is a non-affiliated offshoot of the Identity Group (IG), a California based tax rebellion organization. The SPC claims that the Federal Reserve System and the graduated income tax are "ultra vires and not lawful," and that the Federal judiciary has attempted to establish "a dictatorship of the courts over the citizens of the Republic."

The SPC calls for the establishment of a posse in each county to assist the only legitimate law enforcement authority, the county sheriff, in combating the unlawful acts of others, particularly those of Federal and state officials.

Some members and leadership of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents, and have engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials.
APPENDIX

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS (NAKBA)

The NAKBA is a nation-wide organization formerly
headquartered at Medford, Oregon, with its principal goal
being organized opposition to restrictive gun legislation.
Its activities, at least in the State of Oregon, have been
predominantly directed toward that legislative purpose,
although many of its members are also known to be members of
the tax rebellion movement and various chapters of the Posse
Comitatus. One of the issues of the "Armed Citizen News",
the NAKBA's official publication, places the NAKBA in support
of the "Posse Comitatus" movement. However, no extremist
activities have been directly connected with the NAKBA in
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FROM:    SAC, SPRINGFIELD (157-4639)(P)  
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC),  
Aka  
EM - WHITE HATE  
CO: Portland  

Re: Portland letter to the Bureau dated 4/17/75.  

For the information of the Bureau and Portland,  
Springfield Division presently has no SPC chapters. Springfield  
Division does have one individual who is a self-admitted member  
of the SPC who was identified as  
This investigation concerning  

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RE:

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
EM - SPC

Date 5/30/75

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MAY 29, 1975

TO DIRECTOR (157-33487)
CHICAGO (157-10680)
PORTLAND (157-1432)
LAS VEGAS
FROM LOS ANGELES 1 (57-10915)
ATTN INTD
CONFIDENTIAL
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), AKA, EM - SPC, 00: PORTLAND
RE CHICAGO TEL TO BUREAU AND OTHER OFFICES, MAY 23, 1975.
FOR INFO LAS VEGAS, WHO DID NOT RECEIVE RE TEL, IT CONTAINED
THE FOLLOWING INFO:

REO-89 157-33487-120
RE TEL CONTAINED FOLLOWING LEAD FOR ALL OFFICES:

CONTACT LOGICAL SPC INFORMANTS TO DETERMINE IF SPC DOES,

IN FACT,

RE TEL ADVISES THAT BUREAU HAS INSTRUCTED THAT THIS MATTER
MUST RECEIVED PROMPT AND INTENSIVE INVESTIGATIVE ATTENTION. ANY
POSITIVE INFO SHOULD BE FURNISHED BUREAU, OO, AND APPROPRIATE OFFICES
INFOLVED.

CLASSIFIED BY GOSS, HUGH P., INDEFINITELY.
LAS VEGAS WILL INTERVIEW [REDACTED] CONTACT LOGICAL SOURCES AND CONDUCT OTHER APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION.

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SAC, Los Angeles (157-11155) 6/9/75

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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS DATE 4/05/79 BY 5P8B71 IMW

EM


Los Angeles should note that the National Christian Posse Association (NCPA) is an alias for the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), office of origin, Portland. Investigation should be handled under the SPC title and should be handled in accordance with current Bureau instructions.

In your report on pages 5 through 15 and on pages 19 and 20 you list several individuals as being members of this group. Bureau letter dated 4/21/75 under the SPC title instructed that if not already done, you should ensure that investigations are initiated in accordance with Bureau instructions.

1 - Portland EX-101 REC-7 157-33-187 121

NOTE:

Los Angeles submitted a report concerning a newly organizing NCPA group at Ventura, California. They are being advised that the NCPA is an alias of the SPC and are being instructed to handle their investigation in accordance with Bureau instructions regarding investigation of the SPC.

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CHICAGO (157-16880)

EL PASO
PORTLAND (157-1432)

SALT LAKE CITY (157-630)

FROM DENVER (157-1815) (P)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATIS (SPC), AKA; EM

RE BUREAU TELETYP E, MAY 30, 1975; SALT LAKE CITY TELETYP E,

FOR BACKGROUND INFO, ON APRIL 11, 1975, PERSONS
IDENTIFYING THEMSELVES AS MEMBERS OF THE GREEN RIVER CHAPTER
OF THE WYOMING PATRIOTS FILED A SWEETWATER POSSE COMITATIS
CHARTER WITH THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, GREEN RIVER, WYOMING.
THE ROCK SPRINGS CHAPTER FILED A NATIONAL POSSE COMITATIS
CHARTER ON APRIL 10, 1975.

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DATE 7/3/75 BY SPOUL

Portland

FROM MOBILE (157-6001) (P)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) AKA EM. 002 PORTLAND.

RE BUAILREL MAY 21, 1975, BUTEL MAY 30, 1975, AND CHICAGO TEL.

JUNE 3, 1975.

AND

CONTACTED IN CAPTIONED MATTER. NONE ARE AWARE OF ANY
ACTIVE ORGANIZATION KNOWN AS SPC IN MOBILE.

ANY INFORMATION DEVELOPED IN MOBILE REGARDING FORMATION OF SPC IN MOBILE DIVISION WILL BE PROMPTLY FURNISHED TO THE BUREAU, OFFICE OF ORIGIN AND ANY INTERESTED OFFICES.

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RE OMaha TELETYPE TO BUREAU, MAY 22, 1975.

OMaha will continue to follow prosecution of alleged
SPC members, U.S. DISTRICT COURT, CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA,
and submit composite LHM to BUREAU.

SPC characterized in previous Omaha teletypes; /
therefore, not being reset this communication.

Airmail copies sent to Milwaukee, Portland, and
Springfield.

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TO SAC, OMAHA (157-2120)
FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC); EM - WHITE HAT
REURTELS MAY 22 AND 23, 1975

YOU ADVISED THAT SPC IS NOT BEING CHARACTERIZED IN RETELS
SINCE IT HAD BEEN CHARACTERIZED IN PREVIOUS OMAHA TELETYPE.

A TELETYPE PREPARED FOR DISSEMINATION OUTSIDE THE BUREAU
SUBMITTED IN LIEU OF LHM OR REPORT, MUST, AS LHM OR REPORT,
STAND ON ITS OWN AND EACH ORGANIZATION MENTIONED MUST BE
CHARACTERIZED. INSURE THIS IS DONE IN ALL FUTURE DISSEMINABLE
COMMUNICATIONS FROM YOUR OFFICE.

FURTHERMORE, RETELS DO NOT CONTAIN A CHARACTERIZATION OF
THE DEFENDANTS IN THE INCOME TAX TRIAL. PREVIOUS TELETYPE
SUBMITTED BY YOU IN THIS MATTER CHARACTERIZED THEM AS "ALLEGED
SPC MEMBERS."

IN THE FUTURE WHEN SUBMITTING TELETYPE REGARDING THIS
MATTER, INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED SHOULD BE APPROPRIATELY
CHARACTERIZED.

NOTE: Omaha has been submitting teletypes concerning the
progress of prosecutions of alleged SPC members. Omaha was
previously instructed to include characterization in teletypes.
AIRTEL

5/27/75

AIRMMAIL - REGISTERED

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1413)(P)

SUBJECT: [Redacted]

(00: Portland)

Re Portland airtel to FBHQ and Sacramento dated 5/15/75.

Enclosed for FBHQ are two copies of an article from "Newsweek" magazine entitled "Return of the Posse?" by JERROLD K. FOOTLICK and WILLIAM J. COOK. This article found on page 54 of the 5/26/75 "Newsweek" is provided for information.

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DATE 6/08/75 BY 5FBBT11 MW

157-33487

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26 JUN 10 1975
Return of the Posse?

They were a motley group, assembled in a modern Stockton, Calif., public meeting hall, some in service-station uniforms and football jerseys, others in double-knit suits—most of them working-class Americans. They milled around for some moments sipping instant coffee from Styrofoam cups, stood earnestly at attention for the pledge of allegiance and a prayer, then took their seats as a mild-faced man of 71 rose to address them.

The speaker's sandy-gray hair was slicked back, his mustache small and carefully trimmed. "Our Republic has already gone down the drain," said Henry L. (Mike) Beach. "Parasites have come in and destroyed our republican form of government." As his audience nodded in agreement, Mike Beach outlined his personal scenario of what is happening in the United States. Vice President Nelson Rockefeller was the chief villain, as Beach told it. Richard Nixon, Spiro Agnew and President Gerald Ford had all conspired to set Rockefeller up for the Presidency. "He is the man," said Mike Beach, "who is going to be dictator."

Charter: Beach's rapt audience of about 60 men and women, some accompanied by their children, was assembled for a meeting of an organization known as "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus." A number of the men carried revolvers conspicuously on their hips and wore silver imitation sheriff's badges on their chests. Card tables displayed "Genuine Citizen's Arrest Forms" and applications for a charter in the "National Christian Posse Association."
Posse Comitatus is the newest—and fastest growing—seemingly never-ending stream of militant right-wing organizations. Recently, Federal officials have begun to take keen interest in the Posse. They have found that its membership closely parallels the defunct paramilitary Sons of Liberty, as well as the National States Rights Party, which campaigns aggressively on an anti-black, anti-Semitic, anti-Federal platform.

So far, Posse Comitatus seems to have found its most fertile ground in the Midwest and Far West. It has made little headway in the South, where the Ku Klux Klan carries many of the same torches—but the Klan approves wholeheartedly. "We work with the posses wherever we can," says David Ernest Duke, national director of the Knights of the KKK. "We get their material and funneled it to our groups."

Beach, a retired laundry-equipment salesman, is the closest thing there is to an over-all leader of the loosely affiliated group. He founded the movement from his Portland, Ore., home in 1968. Now operating as the Citizens Law Enforcement & Research Committee, he busy mails out "Christian Posse" charters for $21 a piece and sheriff's badges for $6.50 each to charter members. Beach claims that chapters exist in every state except Hawaii and that membership is close to 500,000. The FBI scoffs at this figure, and the probabilities are that total membership so far is not much over 10,000. But the Posse seems to be growing, and its fondness for firearms is disquieting. "There is no greater law firm than Smith & Wesson," brags Francis E. Gillings, the Stockton Posse chairman, "especially if it is backed up by a 12-gauge injunction."

Posse Comitatus has its own special view of the law, which ranges from the inaccurate to the absurd. The group's literature insists that the Federal income tax is unconstitutional, that the county sheriff is the only legal law-enforcement officer in the U.S. and that county government is the highest authority in the Republic—on the ground that it is closest to the people. The Posse also proclaims that all licenses, land-use planning and gun laws are illegal.

The Bluebook that Beach distributes to his devoted followers once prescribed punishment for public officials who misbehave: "He shall be removed by the Posse to the most populated intersection of streets in the township and at high noon be hung by the neck..." Now, new editions of the Bluebook leave a blank space where that statement once stood; Beach simply says it was "too controversial."

So far, Posse Comitatus has made only sporadic efforts to enforce its code. Last summer, Thomas F. Stockheimer, a University Posse leader and unsuccessful American Party candidate for the state legislature, was convicted of assaulting an Internal Revenue Service agent and sentenced to 60 days in jail. In the fall, at a public hearing on land-use planning, Stockheimer, free on bond, was arrested for using Mace against security guards. In Kootenai County, Idaho, two months ago, a policeman on his way to testify against a Posse sympathizer was "arrested" by Posse members. It took the sheriff and several deputies to rescue the officer from the shouting, milling crowd.

Jail: Usually, Posse efforts end in futility. In Du Page County, Ill., this spring, a Posse Comitatus member was sentenced to jail for contempt of court during a divorce hearing. A fifteen-member posse "indicted" the judge and demanded that he be arrested by the sheriff—who ignored them. In Spooner, Wis., last summer, a "Christian Citizens Grand Jury" issued "indictments" against 43 state and local officials, including Gov. Patrick J. Lucey, for letting the state's department of natural resources become too powerful. When Judge Allen Kinney refused to take any action on their indictments, they indicted him too.

Despite the studied insults from law-enforcement officials, thousands of Posse Comitatus members seem determined to save the country from the evils they see all around them—whether the country wants it or not. What hurts them most of all, though, is the aloofness displayed by the elected sheriffs who are their supposed benefactors. Many sheriffs who have been harassed by Posse groups openly scorn the preferred assistance. "Those SOB's aren't going to come in here to do my job," says Louis Gimelli, the veteran sheriff of Marathon County, Wis. "And the first one of those guys who steps out of line will get his butt in jail."

—HERBERT K. FOOTLICK with WILLIAM J. COOK in MINTAL AND BURLINGTON, IOWA

Newsweek, May 26, 1970
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157-33487-128
MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. W. R. Wannall

FROM: J. G. Deegan

DATE: 5/22/75

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka (SPC) - WHITE HATE

1 - Mr. R. Gebhardt (Att:)
1 - Mr. J. A. Mintz
1 - Mr. W. R. Wannall
1 - Mr. D. W. Moore
1 - Mr. J. G. Deegan
1 - Mr.
1 - Mr.

Purpose is to advise of potential for violence concerning the SPC in west and central Texas. Information has been received by the El Paso Division alleging that the SPC has...

The SPC is a loose-knit nationwide organization founded in Portland, Oregon, in 1973. It claims that the Federal Reserve System and the Graduated Income Tax are not lawful. Claiming that the only legitimate law enforcement authority is the county sheriff, the SPC advocates assassination of Federal law enforcement agents and the hanging of Government officials if they do not perform as the SPC believes they should. Some members of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes.

The following information has been obtained by our El Paso Office from sources within the U. S. Internal Revenue Service...

Chapters of the SPC have been established in the central and west Texas towns of Midland, Odessa, Crane and Kermit. Specific aim of these groups appears to be opposition and refusal to pay Federal income taxes. Since they hold that the only legitimate law enforcement authority is the county sheriff, they feel entitled to resist arrest by any other law enforcement agency.

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5 JUN 1975
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[Signature]
7/10/75
Memorandum to Mr. W. R. Wannall
Re: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka (SPC)
157-33487

Investigations are being opened at El Paso on each chapter of this group and a teletype has been sent to El Paso instructing that all information of pertinence be included in a communication suitable for dissemination which will be forwarded to Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Internal Security and General Crimes Sections; Assistant Attorney

*By teletype dated 5/23/75;
Memorandum to Mr. W. R. Wannall
Re: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka (SPC) 157-33487

General, Civil Rights Division and Director, Intelligence Division, Office of Assistant Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service; U. S. Secret Service.

In addition, El Paso has been instructed to be alert for violations of Federal statutes, and give prompt, intensive investigative attention to this matter.

ACTION:

None. For information.
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TO: DIRECTOR (157-33487)
FROM: DENVER (157-1815) (P)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), AKA; EM

FOR BACKGROUND INFORMATION, ON APRIL 11, 1975, PERSONS
IDENTIFYING THEMSELVES AS MEMBERS OF THE GREEN RIVER CHAPTER
OF THE WYOMING PATRIOTS FILED A SWEETWATER POSSE COMITATUS
CHARTER WITH THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, GREEN RIVER, WYOMING.
THE ROCK SPRINGS CHAPTER FILED A NATIONAL POSSE COMITATUS
CHARTER ON APRIL 10, 1975.

ON APRIL 15, 1975, A GROUP OF 25 WYOMING PATRIOTS
PICKETED THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE (IRS) OFFICE AT ROCK
SPRINGS, WYOMING.
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8:10 PM WITEL 6/2/75 JSM

TO DIRECTOR

PORTLAND

FROM CLEVELAND (157-6060) (P)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, AKA.: EM - WHITE HATE

RE BUREAU TEL TO ANCHORAGE, MAY 30, 1975.

CONTACTS WITH CLEVELAND SOURCES FAMILIAR WITH SPC ACTIVITY

WERE NEGATIVE RE ANY INFO IN RE BUREAU TELETYPE OR IDENTITY OF ANY

BY SPC.

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DATE 6/28/75 BY SPB1DJ111MW

TO JUN 18 1975 C
THE SPC IS A LOOSE-KNIT NATIONWIDE ORGANIZATION FOUNDED IN PORTLAND, OREGON, IN 1973. IT ADVOCATES ASSASSINATION OF FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENTS AND THE HANGING OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IF THEY DO NOT PERFORM AS THE SPC BELIEVES THEY SHOULD.
ADMINISTRATIVE:

RE CHICAGO TELETYPES TO BUREAU, MAY 23 AND MAY 27, 1975.

END
To: SAC, Little Rock (157-2644)
From: Director, FBI (157-33487) 6/3/75

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) EXTREMIST MATTER

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RelRtel 5/28/75.

Referenced teletype does not contain a characterization of the SPC nor the reliability of the sources utilized.

Your attention is invited to the Manual of Rules and Regulations, Part II, Section 4, Page 41, Item 12.b., which instructs that succinct descriptions are to be utilized when it is necessary to describe or characterize an organization in a teletype.

Page 11 of SAC Memorandum 52-74, dated 11/5/74, under the caption "Characterizations of Subversive Organizations and Publications," reiterates these instructions to the field.

In addition to the above, "Memorandum to All Special Agents in Charge" dated 2/18/75, under the caption "Field-Prepared Teletypes Suitable for Dissemination," enumerates several deficiencies occurring in teletypes prepared by the field. Among these deficiencies is the failure to characterize organizations mentioned and failure to account for reliability of concealed sources. In the future, insure Agent and supervisory personnel handling subversive and extremist-type cases

1 - Chicago (157-10680) 1 - Milwaukee (157-2786)
1 - El Paso (157-536) 1 - Portland (157-1432)

SEE NOTE PAGE THREE
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Re: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
157-33487

are familiar with the instructions contained in the above-
mentioned Bureau documents.

Little Rock and recipient offices insert the following
succinct characterization of the SPC into your copies of
referenced teletype as the last paragraph on page two:

"The SPC is a loose-knit nationwide organization
founded in Portland, Oregon, in 1973. It advocates assassination
of Federal law enforcement Agents and the hanging of Government
officials if they do not perform as the SPC believes they
should."

Promptly advise FBIHQ the reliability of the sources
mentioned in referenced teletype as dissemination being held in
abeyance pending receipt of same. Insure recipient offices are
also advised.

In addition to the aforementioned deficiencies, you
classified referenced teletype "Confidential." A review of the
material contained in the teletype lends no basis for it to be
classified. FBIHQ has declassified its copies. Little Rock
and recipient offices do likewise.

Furthermore, if it were to be classified "Confidential"
in the first place, you failed to place "Confidential" on the
second page and failed to insert in the Administrative Section
of the teletype by whom it was classified and the reason for
the classification.

In regard to the above, copies of revised version of
pamphlet "FBI Guidelines Governing Classification and
Declassification, Executive Order 11652" dated March, 1974, have
Airtel to Little Rock
Re: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
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been furnished to all offices. Insure personnel handling
subversive and extremist-type matters are familiar with the
guidelines set forth in the aforementioned document.

Score errors of form for responsible Agent and
supervisory personnel.

NOTE:

Instructions for Little Rock necessary for the
reasons stated in airtel.
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Date: 6/5/75

Transmit the following in (Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTTEL (Priority)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, LAS VEGAS (157-1500) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM

CC: Portland

Referenced Los Angeles teletype to Bureau, dated 5/29/75.
By referenced teletype it was reported that

Contact with logical informants has developed no information concerning existence of SPC in Las Vegas area.

Las Vegas will continue efforts to develop information regarding SPC.

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2 - Bureau
2 - Chicago (157-10680)
2 - Los Angeles (157-10915)
2 - Portland (157-1432)
1 - Las Vegas

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Approved: Special Agent in Charge

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THE POSSESSION OF THE EL PASO DIVISION WAS RECEIVED FROM IRS
AGENTS AT MIDLAND, TEXAS AND THE IDENTICAL INFORMATION SHOULD BE
IN THE POSSESSION OF OFFICIALS OF THE VARIOUS DIVISIONS OF IRS.

END PAGE THREE
EL PASO CONTINUING EFFORTS TO SUBSTANTIATE INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM THE ABOVE DESCRIBED SOURCE AND WILL REPORT PERTINENT INFORMATION TO INTERESTED OFFICES.

INASMUCH AS INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED THAT MEMBERS OF THE SPC ARE REQUIRED TO OWN FIREARMS, AND SINCE THEY HAVE ADVOCATED VIOLENCE, SPC MEMBERS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432)(P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka EM - WHITE HATE
(00: Portland)

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DATE 4/1/68 BY SPD BD

Re Minneapolis letter to FBIHQ dated 5/5/75.

In referenced letter, Minneapolis requested Portland
to determine if the Minneapolis organization of Sheriff's
Posse Comitatus (SPC) is affiliated with the national SPC,
Portland, Oregon.

For information of Minneapolis, the SPC, also known
as Posse Comitatus, has a mailing address of 3530 N.E. Lombard
Court, Portland, Oregon, the residence of SPC founder HENRY
LAMONT (MIKE) BEACH. Literature explaining the SPC movement is
mailed from this address under the name Citizens Law Enforcement
and Research Committee (CLERC) which is solely controlled by
BEACH. Although BEACH does not attempt to control the direction
or activities of other chapters, he often travels to speak
on the SPC in other states.

A charter which is required for each county, is
obtained from national headquarters in Portland after payment
of $3 for each of the first seven members, subsequent members
being free. The charter is filed with the county clerk by

1 - 4072
2 - Bureau (AM)(RM)
3 - Minneapolis (157-4305)(AM)(RM)
2 - Portland

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Approved: Sent M Per
the individual chapter. Additionally, county chapters are known to have filed incorporation papers with the appropriate secretary of state. Various county clerks have filed the charter under various titles including CLERC and/or SPC. A national charter is signed by H. L. BEACH, National Chairman.

Portland indices negative regarding [redacted] and [redacted]

LEADS

MINNEAPOLIS

AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA.

1. Will check appropriate secretary of state for SPC charter.

2. If through investigation it is determined SPC chapters are forming in other counties, check appropriate county clerk for SPC charter.

3. Follow and report activities of SPC chapters.
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COUNTY CLERKS, ECTOR, WINKLER, AND CRANE COUNTIES, ADVISED SPC HAS NOT FILED CHARTER IN THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTIES.

THE SPC IS A LOOSE-KNIT NATION-WIDE ORGANIZATION FOUNDED IN

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PORTLAND, OREGON IN 1973. IT ADVOCATES ASSASSINATION OF FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENTS AND THE HANGING OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IF THEY DO NOT PERFORM AS SPC BELIEVES THEY SHOULD.

ADMINISTRATIVE: RE EL PASO TELETYPING TO BUREAU, JUNE 10, 1975.

"ARMED AND DANGEROUS."

END

MEB FBI HQ CLR AND IXS
SPC is a loose-knit nationwide organization founded in Portland, Oregon in 1973. It advocates assassination of federal law enforcement agents and the hanging of government officials if they do not perform as the SPC believes they should.

"ADMINISTRATIVE". RE EL PASO TELETYPETO BUREAU JUNE 4, 1975.

"ARMED AND DANGEROUS."

END
Memorandum

TO: \( \frac{8}{8} \)

FROM: SAC; NEW YORK (157-12751) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) aka EM - WHITE HATE (CO: PD)

ReBuartel to all Offices, dated 5/21/75. - 9/

The following sources familiar with white extremist matters in the New York area were contacted during May and June, 1975 and all advised that they had no information indicating that captioned group is operating in the New York area:

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All of the above individuals have been alerted to the Bureau's interest in SPC and will report any information coming to their attention regarding it.

Until New York is in receipt of further information, this case is being placed in a closed status.

2 - Bureau (RM)

1 - Portland (INFO) (RM)

1 - New York

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□ The Vice President
□ White House Situation Room

□ Attn:

RUEBWJA/ □ Attorney General
□ Deputy Attorney General

□ Attn: Analysis and Evaluation Unit

RUEBWJA/ □ Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division

RUEBWJA/ □ Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division

□ Attn: Internal Security Section □ Attn: General Crimes Section

RUEABND/ □ Drug Enforcement Administration
RUEBWJA/ □ Immigration and Naturalization Service
RUEBWJA/ □ U. S. Marshal's Service
RUEBDUA/ □ Department of the Air Force (APOS)
RUEACSI/ □ Department of the Army

RUEAIIA/ □ Director, CIA
RUEBJGA/ □ Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard
RUEKJCS/ □ Director, Defense Intelligence Agency
RHEGGTN/ □ Energy Research and Development Administration
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[ □ White House Situation Room ]
Attn: □ 

RUEBWA/ □ Attorney General □ Deputy Attorney General
[ □ Analysis and Evaluation Unit ]
Attn: □ 

RUEBWA/ □ Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division
Attn: □ Internal Security Section

RUEBWA/ □ Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division
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RUEABND/ □ Drug Enforcement Administration

RUEBWA/ □ Immigration and Naturalization Service

RUEBWA/ □ U.S. Marshal's Service

RUEBDUA/ □ Department of the Air Force (AFOSI)

RUEACSI/ □ Department of the Army

RUEAILA/ □ Director, CIA

RUEBJGA/ □ Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard

RUEKJCS/ □ Director, Defense Intelligence Agency

RHECGTN/ □ Energy Research and Development Administration

RUEOGBA/ □ Federal Aviation Administration

Attn: □ Internal Revenue Service

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (157-10680) (P)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM

CC: PORTLAND

Re: El Paso airtel to Bureau dated 5/13/75; Bureau airtel to El Paso and Chicago dated 5/21/75; Chicago airtel to Bureau, El Paso and Portland dated 5/21/75; Bureau airtel to Albany and all offices dated 6/2/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 8 copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above. Two (2) copies of the LHM are being furnished Portland as Office of Origin and 2 copies for El Paso. Dallas and Denver are each being furnished an information copy because of their continuing interest in this incident.

One (1) copy of this LHM is being furnished to Internal Security Division, Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Chicago, via registered mail.

On 6/10/75, Internal Security Division, IRS, Chicago, requested that his office be given a suitable communication setting forth

- Bureau (Enc. 8) (NM)
- El Paso (157-536) (Enc. 2) (MM)
- Portland (157-1432) (Enc. 2) (MM)
- Dallas (157-3360) (Enc. 1) (Info.) (MM)
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In accordance with Bureau instructions in the above referenced Bureau airtel to Albany and all offices dated 6/2/75, Chicago is only disseminating the LBM to IRS, Chicago, because of the limited nature of the information contained and of interest to IRS. El Paso, in accordance with Bureau instructions contained in the above referenced Bureau airtel to El Paso dated 5/21/75, should prepare a suitable disseminable communication covering all aspects of its investigation.

Chicago will continue to maintain close liaison with the Internal Security Division, IRS, Chicago, and will promptly report to the Bureau and interested offices any pertinent information received.
The April 20, 1975, issue of the "Chicago Sun-Times", a daily newspaper published in Chicago, Illinois, contained an article entitled "IRS Agent Infiltrator of Tax Foes." The article identified one James Q. Swanson, a Chicago IRS Agent, as having carried out clandestine activities against SPC front groups.

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ENCLOSURE
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"ADMINISTRATIVE" RE EL PASO TELETYPE TO BUREAU JUNE 6, 1975.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (157-6060) (P)  
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS NH-WHITE HATE  

DATE: 6/18/75  

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DATE 7/1/75 BY 5P&BD\"w

The following are the identities of those individuals who are known or believed to be members of the Citizens for Constitutional Rights, aka. Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, within the Cleveland Division. Said individuals are subjects of pending extremist matter investigations.

Re Bureau routing slip, 6/5/75.  

1-4681
2-Bureau (NH)
2-Cleveland
41 3rd St. 10th

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TO DIRECTOR (157-33487)
CHICAGO (157-10680)
PORTLAND (157-1432)
MILWAUKEE (157-2786)
EL PASO (157-536)
FROM LITTLE ROCK (157-2644)(P)

ATTENTION: INTD.
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), AKA. EM. 00: PORTLAND.
RE LITTLE ROCK NITEL TO BUREAU, MAY 28, 1975, AND
BUREAU AIRTEL, JUNE 3, 1975.

FOR INFORMATION RECEIVING OFFICES,

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151-33487-159
REFERENCE: Portland letter to Bureau, 4/17/75.

ENCL.

Enclosed for information of Portland area:

ADMINISTRATIVE:

A copy of this report is being furnished U.S. Secret Service, Phoenix, Arizona.
Investigation of the right wing guerrilla training area.

As Phoenix is currently conducting an intensive

Phoenix is being discreet in any contact with the

SEC and CONCORD III.

approporate xerox for summary report.

Copies of this report furnished Portland for
Phoenix will submit characterization of local SPC to FBIHQ for approval in accordance with Manual of Rules and Regulations, Part II, Section 4, page 21.

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LEADS

PHOENIX

AT PHOENIX, ARIZONA

Will continue to follow activities of the SPC and report pertinent information to office of origin and Bureau.
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1 - U.S. Secret Service, Phoenix, Arizona

June 19, 1975
Office: PHOENIX
PX 157-2272
Bureau File #: 157-33487

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

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EXTREMIST MATTER - ORGANIZATION

SYNOPSIS:

PREDICATION:

This investigation is based on information which indicates that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) (See Appendix) is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Conspiracy Against Rights of Citizens), Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related Civil Rights Statutes.

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1:35PM MAY 29, 1975 CJP
TO DIRECTOR (157-33487)
CHICAGO (157-10650)
DALLAS
HOUSTON
INDIANAPOLIS
KANSAS CITY
LITTLE ROCK (157-2644)
MILWAUKEE (157-2786)
ALL OFFICES VIA WASHINGTON.
FROM EL PASO (157-536)(P)
CONFIDENTIAL
ATTENTION: INTD. DECLASSIFIED BY SP8 BD 1Nov

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), AKA. EM-WHG. 00: PD.

RE EL PASO AIRTTEL TO BUREAU 5/13/75; BUREAU TEL
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MIDLAND, TEXAS, SEVERAL TIMES FOR 30 MINUTE PERIODS ESPousing
ITS PROGRAMS AND OBJECTIVES. AGGRESSIVE INVESTIGATION
CONTINUING INCLUDING
AND REVIEW OF COUNTY CLERK'S RECORDS, NOTING SPC
NATIONAL CHARTER CALLS FOR FILING OF LOCAL CHARTER WITH COUNTY
CLERK'S OFFICE.

BUREAU:

END PAGE FIVE
INASMUCH AS INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED THAT MEMBERS OF THE SPC ARE REQUIRED TO OWN FIREARMS AND SINCE THEY HAVE ADVOCATED VIOLENCE, SPC MEMBERS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THIS COMMUNICATION PLEASE CONTACT THE EL PASO OFFICE.

ADMINISTRATIVE: CLASSIFIED BY 5966, XGDS CATEGORY 2.
INDEFINITE.
END
MAY 30, 1975

TO SACS ANCHORAGE
CHICAGO
CINCINNATI
CLEVELAND
DENVER
DETROIT
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FROM DIRECTOR FBI (157-33487)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMMITTEES (SPC) AKA; EM;


FOLLOWING SET FORTH FOR OFFICES NOT RECEIVING PRIOR

COMMUNICATIONS IN THIS MATTER.

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RECEIVING OFFICES ARE TO IMMEDIATELY CONTACT ALL LOGICAL INFORMANTS AND SOURCES IN ATTEMPTS TO SUBSTANTIATE THIS MATTER SHOULD RECEIVE PROMPT INVESTIGATIVE ATTENTION.

THE BUREAU HAS NOTED THAT A NUMBER OF COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED AT FBIHQ REGARDING THE SPC HAVE BEEN CLASSIFIED CONFIDENTIAL. THESE COMMUNICATIONS HAVE NOT MET THE CRITERIA NECESSARY FOR CLASSIFICATION AND HAVE CAUSED NEEDLESS CORRESPONDENCE TO THE FIELD DECLASSIFYING THESE DOCUMENTS. NORMAL INFORMATION PERTAINING TO WHITE HATE GROUPS DOES NOT AFFECT THE NATIONAL DEFENSE AND WOULD NOT WARRANT CLASSIFICATION.
NOTE:

SPC groups recognize the county sheriff as the only legitimate law enforcement authority and has advocated non-payment of taxes and assassination of Federal law enforcement agents. They have also engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials.

Referenced El Paso teletype requested Bureau to poll all offices for contact of knowledgeable sources in order to substantiate. We are not sending this to all offices, only those with SPC chapters located within their territory.
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To: RUEADWJ

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Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division
Att: Internal Security Section

RUEBWA/
Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division
Att: General Crimes Section

RUEBWA/
Attorney General

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Drug Enforcement Administration

RUEBWJ/
Immigration and Naturalization Service

RUEBWJ/
U. S. Marshal's Service

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National Aeronautics & Space Adm.

RUEOLAA/
National Security Agency

RUEOLKN/
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RUEUSA/
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U. S. Secret Service

RUEHOC/
Secretary of State

RUEBJGA/
Department of Transportation

Att: Director of Security

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TO: Legate:

FROM: Director, FBI

TO: RUEADWW/ The President

RUEBWA/ Attorney General

RUEBWA/ Deputy Attorney General

RUEBWA/ Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division

RUEBWA/ Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division

RUEABND/ Drug Enforcement Administration

RUEBWA/ Immigration and Naturalization Service

RUEBWA/ U.S. Marshal's Service

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RUEACSI/ Department of the Army

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RUEHOC/ Secretary of State

RUEBJGA/ Department of Transportation

Attn: Director of Security

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JUN 14 1975

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Subject (Text begins next page):

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), AKA.

MAIL ROOM 7-9/10/75

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)          DATE: 6/30/75
FROM: SAC, DETROIT (157-10687)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM-WHITE HATE GROUP
OO: PORTLAND

Re Bureau airtel, 5/21/75.

Review of Detroit files concerning captioned organization and Identity Group (IG) (Bufile 157-28129) (Defile 157-9433), reveals that the same individuals are reported associated or sympathetic with both groups in the Detroit area.

(b)(c)

Detroit sources do not report any assemblage of an organized group other than the IG which at present is inactive in the Detroit territory.

LEADS:

DETROIT

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AT DETROIT, MICHIGAN          DATE 6/30/75

Will maintain close contact with sources concerning any information regarding renewed activity of IG.

Will attempt to learn if captioned organization has applied for charters through contacts with county clerks in counties where known members or sympathizers of the IG reside.

Bureau (RM)
2 - Portland (RM)
2 - Detroit

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DENVER (157-1815)
EL PASO (157-536)
PORTLAND (157-1432)

FROM:    DALLAS (157-3360)

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ATTN:      INTID    SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), AKA EM;

CC:        PORTLAND

RE:       CHICAGO TELETYPE, ABOVE CAPTION, TO BUREAU, JUNE 5, 1975.

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DALLAS FOLLOWING SPC MATTER CLOSELY, AND WILL FURNISH BUREAU AND APPROPRIATE OFFICES IMMEDIATELY WITH ANY POSITIVE INFORMATION DEVELOPED.

AS INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED THAT MEMBERS OF THE SPC ARE REQUIRED TO OWN FIREARMS, AND SINCE THEY HAVE ADVOCATED
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VIOLENCE, SPC MEMBERS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND
DANGEROUS.

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CONFIDENTIAL
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (157-2873) (C)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, INC.
RACINE COUNTY, WISCONSIN CHAPTER
EM - SPC

OO: MILWAUKEE

Reference Milwaukee letter to the Bureau dated 5/5/75. 157-33487-68

The following investigation at Racine, Wisconsin was conducted by SAC.

3 - Bureau (FM)
   1 - 157-2873
   3 - Milwaukee
      1 - 157-2873
      1 - 157-2768 (SPC)

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and to date the organization does not show any signs of being violence prone, no further investigation is being conducted at this time and this matter is being closed.
SAC, Milwaukee (157-2873) / 7/14/75

Director, FBI (157-33487) - 16-7X

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, INC.
RACINE COUNTY, WISCONSIN CHAPTER

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Reurlet 6/19/75 in which you stated that you are closing your case involving captioned organization.

A review of this letter indicates

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In Bureau letter 5/21/75 to SAC, Albany, and all Offices captioned "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), EM - White Hate" all offices were instructed to

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Milwaukee should keep this case in a pending status whether or not this SPC group adheres to the extremist violence prone line of the SPC nationally.
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE
OMAHA

OFFICE OF ORIGIN
Portland

DATE
6/30/75

INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
9/19/74-6/12/75

REPORT MADE BY
SA

CHARACTER OF CASE
EM - WHITE HATE GROUP

REFERENCE:
Milwaukee letter & LHM to Bureau, 11/7/74.
Milwaukee letter to Portland dated 12/6/74.
Kansas City tel to Bureau dated 5/8/75.
Omaha letter to Bureau dated 5/15/75.
Omaha teletype to Bureau dated 5/23/75.
Omaha letter to Bureau dated 6/5/75.

ADMINISTRATIVE
The cover pages of instant report as well as the
details are being classified confidential because
the informants are identified in the cover pages
and the information furnished by sources in the
report itself, if divulged, could reasonably
identify the sources.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED

CONVICTED
AUTO
PUG.
FINES
SAVINGS
RECOVERIES

ACQUITTED

CASE HAS BEEN:
PENDING OVER ONE YEAR
PEND. PROSECUTION
OVER SIX MONTHS

PRESENT

APPROVED

SPECIAL AGENT
IN CHARGE

DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW

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COVER PAGE
In referenced Omaha letter and LHM dated 5/15/75 it was noted that Omaha would furnish the Bureau and interested offices various pieces of SPC literature. This literature was furnished the Bureau with referenced Omaha letter dated 6/5/75.

OMAHA

AT OMAHA, NEBRASKA

Will continue investigation of the SPC in effort to further identify its activities and members, as well as determine their propensity for violence.
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1 - United States Attorney, Des Moines, Iowa
Copy to: 1 - United States Attorney, Sioux City, Iowa

(b)(c)
Report of: SA
Date: June 30, 1975

Field Office File #: 157-2120

Title: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
Character: EXTREMIST MATTER - WHITE HATE GROUP

Office: Omaha

Bureau File #: 157-33487

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Synopses:
On 10/19-20/74 the Americans for Constitutional Government and Law held a conference in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Agents of the FBI, Milwaukee, observed several vehicles parked in the vicinity of the meeting place bearing Iowa license plates. HAROLD LEE, a present at the above meeting. In a letter he sent to the editor of the "Quad Cities Times", Davenport, Iowa, he was extremely critical of the present elected and appointed officials as well as the current National Bank Act and the Internal Revenue Service. LEE, a member of the SPC. On 5/9-10/75 a seminar was held at the Holiday Inn, Davenport, Iowa. The seminar indicated this seminar was scheduled by the "Citizens for Constitutional Government". At this seminar WILLIAM E. MHUNGER, attorney, tax consultant and tax consultant, was identified as an attorney from Des Moines. The seminar indicated about 125 participants were present. It was held out of the meeting to segment an identified SPC member's file at a separate trial. Sources whose identities are concealed herein have furnished reliable information in the past except where otherwise noted.

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at Cedar Rapids, Iowa. WALSH was sentenced to 30-months imprisonment by the Judge. He, along with 14 other defendants and their family members, created a disturbance in the courtroom. On 6/12/75, U.S. District Court Clerk, Cedar Rapids, advised all 15 defendants were tried and sentenced. INASMUCH AS INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED THAT MEMBERS OF THE SPC ARE REQUIRED TO OWN FIREARMS AND SINCE THEY HAVE ADVOCATED FIREARMS, SPC MEMBERS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

DETAILS

This investigation is based on information which indicates that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) (see Appendix) is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code (USC), Section 1114 (assaulting or killing a Federal officer); Section 2883 (rebellion or insurrection); Section 241 (conspiracy against rights of citizens); Section 245 (federally protected activities); and Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related Civil Rights Statutes.

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION (A) (7) (C)
On September 23, 1974, it was advised that a group by the name of Americans for Constitutional Government and Law rented the Expo Hall for October 19-20, 1974. The source advised that it was anticipated that approximately 1,000 persons would be attending this convention.

Prior to the convention, pre-printed registration forms announcing the Midwest National Tax and Posse Comitatus Convention at the Red Carpet Inn, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, were sent to interested individuals, possibly SPC members, and other related individuals.

On October 19-20, 1974, a physical surveillance was conducted by Agents of the FBI, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in the vicinity of the Red Carpet Inn Expo Hall at 4747 South Howell Avenue, and the following vehicles were observed parked in the vicinity of the convention, all of which were bearing Iowa license plates as follows:
On December 23, 1974, records of the Iowa Department of Motor Vehicles revealed the following information regarding the above Iowa license plates:

Iowa license was issued to
is described as a white male, born
Iowa driver's license number is

Iowa license was issued to
is described as a white male, born
Iowa driver's license number is

Iowa license plate was issued to
is described as a white male, born
and Iowa driver's license number is
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Iowa driver's license number is ____________. Iowa license plate ____________ was issued to ________. Person is described as white male, born ________. Iowa driver's license Number is ____________.

On February 14, 1975, records of ________ were reviewed and they failed to contain any information regarding ________ which would indicate that he has been involved in any sort of revolutionary or extremist activities in the Iowa, area.
On February 18, 1975, [redacted] advised that neither [redacted] has records in his department.

On the same date a review of the Directory revealed that [redacted] reside at [redacted] Iowa.

On February 18, 1975, [redacted] advised files contain no information identifiable with [redacted].

On the same date [redacted] advised a review of [redacted] failed to disclose any information identifiable with [redacted].
On February 21, 1975, [redacted] advised that files contained no information identifiable with

On March 21, 1975, [redacted] advised record of birth number disclosed the following:

On March 21, 1975, [redacted] disclosed the following:
On unsuccessful efforts were made to locate and interview

On April 14, 1975, all advised a recheck of records of their respective departments failed to disclose any information identifiable with

On interviewed and the results are as follows:
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On February 21, 1975, advised her records contained the following information concerning

On March 14, 1975, files contained no information identifiable with

On March 21, 1975, advised files contained no information for or identifiable with in the index card files or jail records.

On the same date advised
the Soldier's Discharge Index for Scott County, Iowa, contained no information identifiable with

On

Revived his office has had contact with in connection with county taxes assessed on property in Pleasant Valley, Iowa. has some strange ideas about whether he should or should not pay county taxes and his ideas may also apply to Federal taxes.

He county has had difficulty in collecting taxes because he insists payment cannot be legally made with anything other than silver or gold as per the Constitution of the United States, but he has paid taxes pretty much under protest.

had contact with but no action which could be considered as violent or possibly violent has occurred in connection with contact with He had no knowledge of belonging to any extremist type group which advocates tax rebellion or engages in activities such as arresting or attempting to arrest tax collectors whether they be on a state, county or Federal level.

On March 24, 1975

Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Davenport Bank and Trust, Davenport, Iowa, advised he has heard of the organization called the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus through official communications received by the Internal Revenue Office. He does not know but recalls an individual with this name had resisted payment of county taxes and had considerable correspondence with the County Treasurer concerning payment of county taxes because of his notion that such taxes could only be paid with silver or gold, which is legal tender as he considered paper and/or checks currently not legal tender.
In an article which appeared in the "Quad Cities Times", June 9, 1975, a daily newspaper published at Davenport, Iowa, was a letter to the editor, the contents of which are as follows:

"WHERE THE ENEMY IS"

"Editor:"

"I am an American citizen and view with alarm the condition of our once free Republic. I might say that I am afraid of our future.

"I am not afraid of Brezhnev or the Russian people. I am not afraid of Castro or the Cuban people...

"I am afraid of my President, my Senators, and what the Supreme Court Justices are doing to my country.

"No one but our President could agree to an unilateral disarmament plan.

"No one but our Senators could give our land to the United Nations, use my money to keep subversives in office and give aid to our enemies.

"No one but our Supreme Court Justices could rewrite our Constitution to please the U.N. world revolutionaries without authority or permission from any legal source.

"Anyone who says the enemy is only 90 miles from our shores is mistaken as to who the enemy is.

"Your enemy is in Washington and you had better know it!...

"I will list the enemies for you:

"1. The unconstitutional federal reserve act or system, the National Banking Act, and the Internal REvenue Service. They are all one big ball of wax.

"2. All our programs and foreign aid to Communist countries, or to any country for that matter."
3. Subsidies to rich companies and to big corporate groups.
4. Our no-win wars, used to make the super rich richer.
5. All tax free foundations.
8. CFR, Council on Foreign Relations, controller of the two major political parties and the major news services. Numbers 7 and 8 are our secret invisible government.
9. Our treasonous Supreme Court gives more rights to criminals and communists than to patriotic American citizens.
10. Our untouchable politicians in office who are selling us down the river for their 30 pieces of silver.

"Everyone should send this information to your senators and representatives and tell them you are tired of being put into economic slavery by the above mentioned skullduggery, that you want a return to constitutional government..."

"Harold Francisco
"Pleasant Valley, Iowa"
APPENDIX

OM 157-2120

SHERIFF’S POSSE COMITATUS

The SPC, also known as the Citizens’ Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC), is a loose-knit nationwide organization established in Portland, Oregon, in 1973 by Portland resident HENRY LAMONT (MIKE) BEACH. The SPC is a non-affiliated off-shoot of the Identity Group (IG), a California based tax rebellion organization. The SPC claims that the Federal Reserve System and the graduated income tax are “ultra vires and not lawful”, and that the Federal judiciary has attempted to establish “a dictatorship of the courts over the citizens of the Republic”.

The SPC calls for the establishment of a posse in each county to assist the only legitimate law enforcement authority, the county sheriff, in combating the unlawful acts of others, particularly those of Federal and state officials.

Some members and leadership of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents, and have engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials.

APPENDIX

47*
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  DATE: 7/10/75
FROM: SAC, NEWARK (157-7816) (P)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka
EN - WHITE HATE
(CO: PORTLAND)

Re: Portland letter to Bureau, dated 4/17/75;
Bureau airtel to Albany, dated 5/21/75;
Bureau teletype to Anchorage, dated 5/30/75,
and 6/3/75.

The following Newark extremist informants, all
reliable and in a position to furnish information regarding
the existence of captioned organization, members or associates
in the State of New Jersey, were contacted during the months
of May and June, 1975. Informants were unable to provide any
information concerning the SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) and
stated that SPC is not familiar to them or has come to their
attention in connection with extremist activities in the
State of New Jersey.
All Special Agents handling extremist type investigations were apprised of the possible existence of SPC in New Jersey and they were instructed to immediately report any pertinent information developed through daily contacts with informants and

Newark will maintain contact with logical informants, and IRS.
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

SAC, DENVER (157-1815) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM

OO: PORTLAND

DATE: 7/24/75

Re Denver teletype to Director, 6/5/75.

In referenced teletype, it was reported that on 4/11/75 persons identifying themselves as members of the Green River Patriots Chapter of the Wyoming Patriots filed a Sweetwater Posse Comitatus Charter with the county clerk's office, Green River, Wyoming. It was erroneously reported a National Posse Comitatus Charter was filed by members of the Patriots residing at Rock Springs. Sources in Rock Springs advised there was no such organization.

On 7/15/75, Sweetwater County, Green River, advised there was no charter recorded for a National Posse Comitatus or a Rock Springs Posse Comitatus.

Denver had opened case entitled Rock Springs Posse Comitatus, EM, OO: Denver (DN file 157-1914), which file is now closed in view of above information.

RECV 57-33X77-176

All information contained herein is unclassified.

Date 6/28/75 by TS (RM) 157-1914

U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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15 7-33487-171
FBI

Date: 6/25/75

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Via Airtel
(Priority)

To: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

From: SAC, OMAHA (157-2120) (P)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM

OO: Portland

Re: Omaha nitels to the Bureau 5/14/75, 5/19/75
and 5/22/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies and for
Portland and Milwaukee two copies of an LHM.

5 ENCLOSURE

1 - Bureau (Enc. 5)
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157-33487-172 LHM p.26
APPENDIX

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-3686) (C)

DATE: 7/24/75

SUBJECT: NATIONAL CHRISTIAN POSSE ASSOCIATION
STANISLAUS COUNTY
MODESTO, CALIFORNIA
EN - WHITE HATE

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Re Sacramento airtel to Bureau, 5/14/75, under caption Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, aka, Bufile 157-33487-38

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies and for each listed office one copy of LHM dated and captioned as above.

Note that referenced airtel indicated one of the groups within the Sacramento Division was inadvertently called the Stanislaus County Posse Comitatus but is actually termed as captioned in this communication.

Copies of this LHM have been furnished locally to IRS and Secret Service at Sacramento.

FD-376 is attached.

As noted herein, there is no active chapter of the National Christian Posse Association in Modesto, California; and UACB, no separate characterization is being submitted for that organization.

No effort was made to interview mentioned in LHM.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535
July 24, 1975

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

RE: NATIONAL CHRISTIAN POSSE ASSOCIATION
STANISLAUS COUNTY
MODESTO, CALIFORNIA

Dear Sir:

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to be covered by the agreement between the FBI and Secret Service concerning protective
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Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) 1
   U. S. Secret Service, Sacramento (RM)

Enclosure(s) 1
UNIVERSAL STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Sacramento, California
July 24, 1975

NATIONAL CHRISTIAN POSSE ASSOCIATION
STANISLAUS COUNTY
MODESTO, CALIFORNIA

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Prior investigation has indicated that the SPC encourages autonomy on the part of local chapters. Although the word "Sheriff" does not appear in the title of captioned organization (as set forth in Application for Charter which appears below), it is indicated that association is sought "...with the National Posse Comitatus" and hence would indicate association on a national level.

On April 15, 1975, Application for Charter of the National Christian Posse Association (NCPA) was recorded as Document number 39705 on Page 650, Book 2696, official records, Recorder's Office, Stanislaus County, Modesto, California. The document, in its format, states as follows:

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DATE 6/95/89 BY 5P8BID1/mw

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157-33484-77
ENCLOSED
Hereby make application for a CHARTER to be associated with the NATIONAL POSSE COMITATUS, under authority of the CONSTITUTION of the UNITED STATES, MAGNA CARTA and COMMON LAW.

"Being citizens of the United States and residents of the above county, we affirm that we do not advocate, nor do we belong to any group which advocates the overthrow of the Government of the United States.

"We place our allegiance to the REPUBLIC of the UNITED STATES above any temporal power, party or faction.

"We pledge to uphold the CONSTITUTION of the UNITED STATES as the supreme law of the land and dedicate our lives to the preservation thereof, against all enemies whomsoever, both foreign and domestic."

The document contains seven signatures followed by the name, address, and telephone number of each.
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Concerning the Tax Rebellion Group, see Appendix.
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NATIONAL CHRISTIAN POSSE ASSOCIATION
STANISLAUS COUNTY
MODESTO, CALIFORNIA

Following is a copy of original Application for
Charter of the National Christian Posse Association, Stanislaus
County:
APPLIC.ION FOR CHARTER

NATIONAL CHRISTIAN POSSE ASSOCIATION

THE FOLLOWING CHRISTIAN CITIZENS, RESIDENTS OF THE

COUNTY OF Stanislaus, STATE OF California

HEREBY MAKE APPLICATION FOR A CHARTER TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH THE
NATIONAL POSSE CONJURATUS, UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
UNITED STATES, MAGNA CARTA AND COMMON LAW.

BEING CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES AND RESIDENTS OF THE ABOVE COUNTY,
WE AFFIRM THAT WE DO NOT ADVOCATE, NOR DO WE BELONG TO ANY GROUP WHICH
ADVOCATES THE OVERTHROW OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

WE PLACE OUR ALLEGIANCE TO THE REPUBLIC OF THE UNITED STATES ABOVE
ANY TEMPORAL POWER, PARTY OR FACTION.

WE PLEDGE TO UPHELD THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES AS THE
SUPREME LAW OF THE LAND AND DEDICATE OUR LIVES TO THE PRESERVATION
THEREOF, AGAINST ALL ENEMIES WHOMSOEVER, BOTH FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC.

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ADD Modesto, Calif. 95354
CITY 545-1080
PHONE
2. Name
ADD 1605 Tully Road
CITY 521-1222
PHONE 926-8368
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SIGNED THIS DAY THE 15TH DAY OF April, 1975

For The Kingsmen of Christ

O. N. K.
4772 Monroe Rd.
Modesto, Calif. 95354

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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka

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TAX REBELLION COMMITTEE (TRC)
1843 East Belmont Avenue
Fresno, California

The TRC was found in Fresno, California, in about 1970 by JAMES WALTER SCOTT and FRANK LOUIS CONTE.

The September 25, 1972 issue of "The Fresno Bee", a daily newspaper published in Fresno, reflected JAMES WALTER SCOTT as national chairman of the TRC.

The stated purpose of the TRC was to encourage people to: stop paying State and Federal income taxes; stop withholding tax, stop paying property, sales and gasoline taxes; and avoid audits by Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Agents. Subsequent to 1972, CONTE was no longer listed as an associate of TRC.

In November, 1972, a source advised that at various times in the past, SCOTT had advocated the assassination of IRS Agents and other government officials as well as Jews and Negroes, but there was no indication of overt action to this end.

In May, 1974, this source advised that since November, 1973, the TRC had existed in name only.

In March and June, 1964, a second source advised that since SCOTT's conviction in U. S. District Court, Fresno, in December, 1973, for failure to file Federal income tax returns, SCOTT (self-proclaimed national chairman of TRC) has made no attempt to keep the TRC going as a viable organization. This source advised that for all intents and purposes, the TRC is defunct.
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POSSE COMITATUS

PART 8 OF 13

BUFILE: 157-33487
SUBJECT Posse Comitatus

FOIPA #

FILE # HG 157-33487 Section 5
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (157-6060) (P)

DATE: 7/30/75

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka., EM - WHITE HATE

OO: Portland

Re Cleveland let to Bureau, 5/13/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of an LHM captioned as above. Two copies of an FD-376 are also attached.

Two copies of the LHM are being furnished to the Portland Office.

One copy of the LHM is being furnished to U.S. Secret Service, Cleveland.

Sources

LEADS

CLEVELAND: ST-103 16 AUG 11 1975

AT AKRON, OHIO

Will contact sources for current activities of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, aka. Citizens For Constitutional Rights.

AT CANTON, OHIO

1. Will follow with local sources the activities of captioned group.

2 - Bureau (Inc. 10) (RM)
2 - Portland (Fac. 2) (RM)
2 - Cleveland

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157-33437-174 LET p 2
RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 157-6060

July 30, 1975

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D.C. 20222

Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
U.S. Secret Service, Cleveland, Ohio

Enclosure(s) - 1
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS,
Also Known As,
Posse Comitatus,
Ministry of Christ's Church,
Ohio Patriots For Constitutional
Government,
Citizens For Constitutional Rights

CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS

The Citizens for Constitutional Rights is a local Canton, Ohio group of tax protesters, claiming that all forms of taxation are contrary to Constitutional provisions. They are a loose-knit group, which seeks direction by use of publications and literature of the Ministry of Christ Church, also known as "Posse Comitatus" for its philosophy and operation.

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

BY: CHICAGO (157-10682) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS
LAKE COUNTY CHAPTER
EXTREMIST MATTER

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of a letterhead memorandum regarding this matter.

Investigation continuing to further identify charter members of Lake County, Illinois, Chapter SPC.

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DATE: 8/8/75

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Bureau (Encs. 5)

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SHERIFF's POSSE COMITATUS
LAKE COUNTY ILLINOIS CHAPTER

This investigation is predicated upon information which indicates that the above named organization is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1114 (assaulting or killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (rebellion or insurrection), Section 241 (conspiracy against the rights of a citizen), or Section 245 (Federally protected activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968 or Related Civil Rights Statutes.

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

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 157-4933

RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS
EXTREMIST MATTERS

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U.S. Secret Service, SAN DIEGO

Enclosure(s) - 1
Copy to: U.S. Secret Service, San Diego (Registered Mail)

Report of: Office: SAN DIEGO
Date: September 2, 1975
Field Office File #: San Diego 157-4933 Bureau File #: 157-33487

Title: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

Character: EXTREMIST MATTERS

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DATE 6/28/70 BY SPB711m w

DETAILS:

Predication

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157-33487-176 p.2
KVR, a local San Diego organization which holds weekly meetings to discuss methods of opposing what it believes to be unconstitutional laws and acts of the government, considers the use of a posse comitatus, meaning a vigilante type activity, as a final resort to correct "bad government". It advocates use of the posse comitatus to make citizens arrests and to try and punish those arrested. The leader and some of the regular attendees of the KVR meetings are also associated with the Ministry of Christ Church (MCC) (See Appendix). The group is primarily involved in the "Tax Rebellion Movement" for the purpose of destroying the present "unconstitutional" tax and court systems.
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The NAKBA is a nationwide organization headquartered at Medford, Oregon, with its principal goal being organized opposition to restrictive gun legislation. Its activities, at least in the State of Oregon, have been predominantly directed toward that legislative purpose, although many of its members are also known to be members of the Tax Rebellion Movement and various chapters of the Posse Comitatus. One of the issues of the "Armed Citizens Newspaper", the NAKBA's official publication, places the NAKBA in support of the "Posse Comitatus" movement. However, no extremist activities have been directly connected with the NAKBA in Oregon.
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APPENDIX

IDENTITY GROUP

The Ministry of Christ Church (MCC), also known as the Identity Group (IG), filed Articles of Incorporation in California in October, 1964, with the stated purpose of "establishment, maintenance and conducting of a church of the Christian faith." The Group has been referred to as a cover for an underground army, and has a mailing address of P. O. Box 423, Glencale, California. In 1972, 100 acres of land, known as the Manasseh Ranch, were purchased in Mariposa County, California, and is the national headquarters.

William Potter Gale, the leader of the IG, and other members have expressed hatred for Jews and Negroes, and have advocated killing FBI Agents and Internal Revenue Service Agents as well as hanging certain judges.

"Identity," a quarterly news bulletin published by this Group, sets forth that the U. S. Christian Posse Association was being formed under the MCC to assist and provide the necessary direction towards the formation of a Christian posse in every county in the U. S. "Identity" states that the body of citizens constituting the sheriff's posse was titled "posse comitatus." The IG believes that the county sheriff is the only legal law enforcement officer in the U. S. and should the sheriff fail to perform his duties, the Posse Comitatus must act in the name of the sheriff to enforce the law.
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-06233)
FROM: FAL, MINNEAPOLIS (157-1426) (P)

DATE: 3/22/75

SUBJECT: NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY
ST - NSRP

Re Atlanta teletype to Bureau, dated 7/24/75.

Referenced Atlanta letter indicated that a recent publication of the National States Rights Party (NSRP) indicated a meeting was held in Minneapolis of this organization and that photographs appeared of CORLON PETERSON and ROY HACHT.

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June 21, 1975
Squires, Mo. 65755

Clarence Kelly, Chief, F.B.I.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Kelly, SHERIFF IS POSSE COMITATUS

For sometime we have been trying to get a copy of the April bulletin of
the F.B.I. which contained an article on Posse Comitatus. Letters to the
local office of the F.B.I. in Springfield, Mo. have been ignored as well
as calls to that office in person by members of our Posse.

If you wish actual dates they are available in the minutes of the meetings
of our Posse.

The purpose of this letter is to lodge a formal complaint against the
F.B.I. office for its arrogance, inefficiency and actual violation of the
Freedom of Information Act.

Also will you kindly send me a copy of the law creating the Magna
Enforcement Assistance Act and such other information you have as to
your compliance with this act.

Very truly yours,

[Handwritten Signature]

Douglas County Posse

P.S. We also want that bulletin.

EX 104
REGIONALISM IN MISSOURI

It is interesting to note that all of this has been accomplished working from the top down. There never has been, nor is there now, any grassroots demand for that proliferation of bureaucracy known as regionalism. It has been imposed upon us from above by means of bureaucratic decrees, and by the compliance of our elected officials to threats of withholding federal funds.

**Present:**

Each of the 20 regional planning commissions operating in Missouri have been given a mandate: PLAN!

And so the regional planning commissions plan. They either are planning, or are preparing to plan: land use, human resources (incidentally, that means you) economic development, rural area needs, transportation, housing, public safety and emergency preparedness, environmental quality, and a host of others.

But they have a problem. Missouri statutes, and those of the other States, expressly forbid them the police powers necessary to enforce their plans.

If the regional planning commissions do not have police powers to enforce their plans, why are we concerned?

We are concerned for three reasons.

The first reason is that, for enforcement purposes, economic power is as effective as police power, and the regional planning commissions do have extensive economic power. The plans they formulate serve as a "pact" between the local governments in their region, and the bureaucracies who control federal funds. According to another decree issued by HUD, most federal monies are not spent in a region unless an agreement for those funds is reviewed by a regional planning commission. If the regionalists find the application to be "in conformity" with their Comprehensive Plan, its chances are practically nonexistent. In this manner the regional planning commissions exert indirect, but substantial control over the expenditure of federal funds in their region. In all regions this amounts to millions of dollars annually — that is economic power. Most local governments have, in the past, knuckled under to such power.

The second reason we are concerned with regionalism is that it is a blatant waste of cold, hard cash — your cash. The Darks Gateway Regional Planning Commission, which is only one of twenty, has a staff of eleven and an annual administrative budget of $122,672.

Our third reason for concern is that the regional planning commissions are dedicated to planning the future of your private property, your free enterprise, and your society. They are the forerunners of big government on a scale that will make the past interference of government in your life appear to be child's play. They are the last in a bureaucratic chain of command stretching from the federal bureaucracies of Washington, D.C., to the federal regional, to your regional planning commission. Regionalism is not local control, it is the channel through which federal control flows into your local government.

**Future:**

The ominous future of the regional planning commissions is foretold by the planners themselves. The ACIL, recently released its latest study on regionalism. One of the problems with regionalism, the study states, is that planning powers and enforcement powers are separate. The ACIL's official solution to this problem is quite simple: combine the planning and enforcement power in one body, the regional planning commission. Not only would the regional bureaucrats be able to make plans for your land, etc., they could force you to follow them. Membership in and financial support of the regional commissions would be mandatory for all local governments. The new and strengthened regional commissions would be responsible for the administration of all federal programs in their region.

It should be remembered that little more than a decade ago, the ACIL planned to have every state in the union covered with regional planning commissions. They have reached their goal, and their plans for the future should not be taken lightly.

**Conclusion:**

And us, a centrally coordinated system of bureaucratic planners are working throughout Missouri, busy collecting data and planning plans.

Unless the citizens of Missouri wish to gradually accept a socialistic form of government, the federally inspired regional planning system must be eliminated. Local officials must learn that although the regionalists are entrenched in the federal granting system, they are not absolutely dependent on regional planning commissions for their federal funds, but rather upon their elected Congressmen where such authority properly lies.

Events in Southwest Missouri have proven that the regional planning commissions are not invincible, despite their threats and coercive use of federal funds. Recently thirteen counties and several communities in that area withdrew from the three separate commissions. The commissions were substantially weakened, and notice has been given to the swarms of regional bureaucrats that the citizens of Missouri will not accept change without open, honest debate, and will not accept a "quiet revolution" forced upon them by blackmail with their own money.

Most of our elected State officials, if you give them your support on the regionalism issue, will be pleased to eliminate the system. This can be accomplished by repealing state statutes which were enacted to conform to federal dictates. Bills have been introduced to both investigate and eliminate regionalism in Missouri.

Citizens and local officials need to know that the regionalists have progressed to this point through sheer bluff, and when that bluff is called the Far West, regional power evaporates.

Once the federally-dominated regionalism system is eliminated, counties and communities will be free to work with their neighbors in those instances during which such cooperation is necessary; they can do so according to their own forms, and with any limitations their citizens feel to be prudent.

Bureaucratic socialism has finally evolved to the point at which, in order to progress further, it must operate at the local level, and it will be destroyed at the local level.

If our freedom is to be maintained, governmental work must be conducted by elected officials and kept limited, and local.
REGIONALISM
IN MISSOURI

What Is It?

Regionalism is the transfer of power from your local government to a bureaucrat-dominated regional planning commission.

Regionalism is the necessary administrative basis for socialism in the United States. Without the powerful and all-pervasive bureaucracy created by the regional planning commissions, big, socialist government cannot operate. It would lack the machinery for control.

Regionalism is centralized power resting in the hands of bureaucrats, a concept foreign to our tradition as a representative republic of limited government, and decentralized power.

Regional planning commissions are the work horse of regionalism. There is one in your area. They consist of a cadre of professional bureaucrats who advise and dominate a commission consisting of local elected officials and selected private citizens. Allegedly, the power lies with the local officials and the citizens, but a single visit to your regional planning commission will prove this false. The power lies with the professional planners who are able to obtain money from the federal granting agencies, and who use the technical language of planning, programming and management to mystify local officials. The planners, serving as representatives of the federal granting agencies (such as the Department of Housing and Urban Development) deliver the Washington bureaucrats' demands to your local officials who dutifully follow instructions believing that they must cooperate, or they will lose federal funding.

Using the lever of federal funds, the regional planning commissions are working throughout Missouri to institute a form of socialism in which all important aspects of your economy and society will be planned, programmed, and managed by bureaucrats.
To understand what is wrong with "regionalism" you first have to understand the difference between good and bad in government. The Bible says of Christ, "—and the Government shall be upon his shoulders." Jesus said in John 8:32, speaking of the Pharisees, "Ye are of the world, I am not of this world. Ye speaketh of the world, and of the lusts of your father will ye do. Ye are of your father the devil and the lusts of your father will ye do. He was a murderer from the beginning and abode not in the truth for there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own; for he is a liar and the father of it."

Remember, the only time that Christ was recorded in the Bible as being angry, came when he drove the money-changers from the Temple. So what has this to do with regionalism?

Arthur Outfahr, regional director of the South Central Ozark Planning Commission, in the Gainesville meeting Jan. 15, defined regionalism as socialism. He followed the concept preached by the University of Missouri in its text, "Rural Zoning in Missouri: Basis, Procedure and Effect." In its revision of 1975, published May 1972, in which is cited the early "Hebrew" concept—"—land was worked and grazed by tribe members and ownership was vested in the group. The land was viewed as community property to be possessed and used by all for their livlihood. Then the bookist recites the inequities of private ownership that arose after feudalism in England died out and Common law was developed with resulting problems." On page 8 the learned and well paid professors of the Extension Service, summarize their solution — "What was needed was Land-use regulation". "The public (meaning the socialist dictators and land-use planners) can control use of land through zoning regulations." This is amplified on page 2, "Zoning regulations should be preceded by a carefully developed land use plan which in turn IS BASED ON A MASTER PLAN. — In fact, land use regulation is based on the public power of the state." Here the word "state" is used broadly because we find the regional manager working hard to develop their own "police-state" by taking over the local county sheriff's offices which they have been subsidizing.

Our Constitution and Republic was founded "under God" and according to our Missouri State Constitution, to protect, "the natural right to life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness and the enjoyment of the gains of their own industry." This is basic to the right to own property, personal and real. Our Republic was founded on the concept that the individual was SOVEREIGN, Supreme in Power, and that the purpose of government was to create conditions in which the individual, made in the Image and Likeness of God, could glorify his Maker by developing his own abilities to the maximum of their potential. Education was for this purpose and to free man from the bonds of ignorance for as God says in Hosea, 4:6, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge". Read the rest of this verse and learn the penalty thereof. man was to be individally free and independent.

What has our "government" preached the better part of this century? -Usury and money control. Since government became controlled by the MONEY-CHANGERS through the mechanism of the federal reserve banking system, they have taken our money and monetary system away from the constitutitional control of the people and used it to force DEPENDENCE of the people upon THEM. So regional governance becomes a question of independene of the individual, dependence on the money masters. Freedom under God or slavery under man -John 1:17 "and one soweth and another reapeth". The devil in man works stealthily and quietly like the serpent.
We became a great nation because we followed our Constitution as
miracles of achievement because they were freed of the chains that
But the forces of evil never stop working. Way back in the days of Presi-
Andrew Jackson, the money-changers were at work to control the people through
power of money - usury and Andrew Jackson rose against the bankers and cried, "You
are VIKERS and by God, I will throw you out" and he did destroy their control of
the Colonists through a National Central Bank.

It was the money-changers who were responsible for the Civil War, North vs South,
for their own profit. Sound familiar? - North Korea vs. South Korea, North Vietnam
vs. South Vietnam, East Germany vs. West Germany! Abraham Lincoln stopped them in
their tracks, tho, when he took usury out of the use of money and issued the Green-
backs on the credit of the United States strictly as a MEDIUM of EXCHANGE. This
was CONSTITUTIONAL money – interest-free, debt-free. The money changers did not
like this threat to their power and Abraham Lincoln was liquidated.

It took a long time to overcome the will of the people for a free money system,
but the international bankers prevailed and in 1913, AFTER CAREFUL PLANNING,
sneaked through the Federal Reserve Act along with the Income Tax and ever since then
they have been artfully molding men to their will through the power of money and
interest. It has taken almost a century to accomplish complete control and the
money-manipulators are getting jittery because the people are fast learning the truth
and don't like what they see. So the money lords have moved stealthily behind the
scenes using taxpayer's money and have developed the mechanism of regionalism
-regional planning, regional governance. Listen to your t.v. or read the daily papers
in which the money boys control and note how frequently the word "regional" is used.
We have "regional" sports tournaments, "regional" competitions for everything from
beauty queens to school debates, "regional" business conventions, regional planning
boards etc., etc. Why? to break down the governments that are closest to the people
and sustain the people's independence and control. Federal revenue sharing funds,
federal grants, federal projects are the bait but look sharply for there are
requirements of "matching funds" and the people are pressured to raise money directly
for their own execution, by special sales taxes, equalized assessments, etc. It has
taken 8 years for the people to find out but now that the planners are exposed to
the light of truth, they lie and squirm. "How much salary do you make?" Mr. Gutfahr
was asked at Dora, last fall. $4,500.00 was the impression left. At Gainesville the
impression he gave was $8,000.00, but the facts are that he makes $13,379.85 and that
he has parlayed an original federal grant of $4,500.00 for the establishment of his
West Plains office in 1967 to almost $100,000.00 in 1975, probably the most success-
ful business the depression has produced. The state appropriation is now $600,000.00.

If regionalism was such a blessing to the people why was it not openly explained
to the people in public forums, hearings and referendums? Instead a few intrepid
souls had to peice the veil of deception and they have found a mammoth conspiracy
to supplant our Constitutional form of government subservient to the "will of the
people", with a socialist form of government subservient to the will of unelected
planners, using public funds as bait.

The question is simple, Do you want to regain the right to spend the money you
earn? You now work six months out of the year for "government" and the plan is
for you to be total slave-full time public servants. Do you wish to live your
life free and independent of brutal and relentless government regulation or do
you prefer to have "government" take everything from you and run your life for
the benefit of our ruling millionaires and their satellite millionaires? This is
what regionalism is all about and you are not going to win back your freedoms
until you appreciate FULLY, the enormous strength, power and evil of the enemy
and DETERMINE to match it with your own power, the power of a free people. Under God,
Under our Constitution EACH person has EQUAL responsibility for GOVERNING. YOU
are SOVEREIGN and it is up to YOU to exercise this SUPREME POWER.

Watch for next articles on "Objectives of Regionalism" and Constitutional rights.
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TO SAC KANSAS CITY

TELETYPE
1 - Mr. J. T. McDermott
NITEL
JUNE 27, 1975

FROM DIRECTOR FBI

EXTREMIST MATTER - SHERIFF'S POSSE
COMITATUS (SPC).

1 - Mr.

SET FORTH BELOW ARE CONTENTS OF LETTER RECEIVED BY THE
DIRECTOR DATED JUNE 21, 1975 WRITTEN ON SPC LETTERHEAD, AVA,
MISSOURI, FROM CAPTIONED INDIVIDUAL.

"FOR SOMETIME WE HAVE BEEN TRYING TO GET A COPY OF THE
APRIL BULLETIN OF THE F.B.I. WHICH CONTAINED AN ARTICLE ON
POSSE COMITATUS. LETTERS TO THE LOCAL OFFICE OF THE F.B.I.
IN SPRINGFIELD, MO. HAVE BEEN IGNORED AS WELL AS CALLS TO THAT
OFFICE IN PERSON BY MEMBERS OF OUR POSSE.

IF YOU WISH ACTUAL DATES THEY ARE AVAILABLE IN THE
MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF OUR POSSE.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS LETTER IS TO LODGE A FORMAL COMPLAINT
AGAINST THE LOCAL F.B.I. OFFICE FOR ITS ARROGANCE, INEFFICIENCY
AND ACTUAL VIOLATION OF THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT.

SEE NOTE PAGE THREE
ALSO WILL YOU KINDLY SEND ME A COPY OF THE LAW CREATING
THE LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE ACT AND SUCH OTHER INFORMATION
YOU HAVE AS TO YOUR COMPLIANCE WITH THIS ACT.

VERY TRULY YOURS

DOUGLAS COUNTY POSSE.

P. S. WE ALSO WANT THAT BULLETIN!

NO IDENTIFIABLE DATA CONCERNING CORRESPONDENT WAS
LOCATED IN BUREAU FILES AND BUREAU IS NOT IN RECEIPT OF
PREVIOUS INFORMATION THAT REQUESTS WERE MADE OF YOUR
OFFICE BY REPRESENTATIVES OF SPC.

ADVISE FBIHQ IF SUCH REQUESTS WERE MADE AND IF SO
FURNISH FULL CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE REQUESTS SUCH AS
DATES MADE, BY WHOM AND MODE OF REQUEST. SPECIFY THE FBI
PUBLICATION OR OTHER MATERIAL REQUESTED AND ADVISE HOW THESE
REQUESTS WERE HANDLED BY PERSONNEL AT THE SPRINGFIELD
RESIDENT AGENCY IN VIEW OF ALLEGATIONS MADE IN LETTER. ALSO
ADVISE IF YOU HAVE A PENDING CASE CONCERNING SUBJECT AND THE
STATUS OF ANY INVESTIGATION OF SUBJECT AND/OR THE SPC
IN DOUGLAS COUNTY, MISSOURI.
NOTE:

FBIHQ is unaware of existence of investigation of SPC Chapter in Douglas County, Missouri, although files disclose that Kansas City is currently conducting investigation of SPC activities elsewhere in Missouri. SPC is a white-hate tax rebellion organization advocating violence against blacks, Jews and federal authorities, including FBI Agents. SPC believes that the county sheriff is the only legal law enforcement official in the United States. Should the sheriff fail to perform his duties, SPC believes that a group of citizens known as a "Posse Comitatus" must act in the name of the sheriff in enforcing the laws. Reference to "the April bulletin of the FBI" may refer to the Law Enforcement Bulletin, however, the April issue of the Law Enforcement Bulletin did not contain an article concerning the SPC. No reference was made to SPC in the April, 1975, issue of the "FBI Police Bulletin" however, a reference to SPC was made in the January, 1975 issue of the Police Bulletin. There is an article in a Speculative Digest (as opposed to SPC) in the 1975 issue of LEB, which apparently is what desire.
Memorandum

TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)          DATE:      9/3/75

FROM:

SAC, SAN ANTONIO (157-2016) (RUC)

SUBJECT:

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM

OO: Portland

Re Bureau airtel to Albany, 6/2/75.

Logical sources and informants have been alerted to the Bureau's interest in being advised immediately of any SPC activity. These sources have been recontacted in compliance with various communications received in this matter and no SPC activity has been reported and no SPC groups are known to exist in the San Antonio Division territory.

San Antonio will remain alert for information concerning any SPC activity and Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and any other interested government agencies, as appropriate, will be advised immediately of pertinent information. However, since no SPC groups are known to exist in the territory of San Antonio Division and there are no specific investigative leads in this case, this matter is considered RUC.

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EX-105

SEP 8 1975

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: ACTING ADIC, LOS ANGELES (157-10915)

DATE: 9/3/75

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SCC), aka.
EM - SPC
OU: PORTLAND

Enclosed for the Bureau and each of the offices receiving a copy of this letter is one xerox copy of an article appearing in the Los Angeles "Times," a Los Angeles, California newspaper, dated 8/28/75, concerning the SPC.

The article contains information of possible interest.

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3 - Los Angeles

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1 - (157-11375) (SPC, Los Angeles County)

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
God's Law—
Posses Fight 'Subversion'

BY LARRY STAMMER
Times Staff Writer

A year ago this month, an Internal Revenue Service agent was ushered into a house in Abbotsford, Wash., to keep an appointment with a farmer.

The agent, Fred M. Chick, had expected to verify the price of a farm that had been sold.

Instead, he was confronted by five men and a continuous stock of rifles against the wall. When he tried to leave, he was shoved into a chair.

He refused to sign a "public service questionnaire" and photographed.

He said he was branded a "traitor" for attempting to enforce "unconstitutional" income tax laws, and for the next several minutes he was subjected to right-wing rhetoric.

Six months later, one of the five men was brought to trial and found guilty of attacking the agent.

In Coos d'Alle, Md. last March, 30 men surrounded a policeman in the county courthouse on his way to testify against a person charged with assault with a deadly weapon.

Kontoo County Sheriff Tom Fished detached a force of deputies and rescued the policeman.

"They were trying to effect a citizens arrest by taking the officer into custody. My deputies had a different idea," Fished said.

Last month in Sacramento, two IRS agents who showed up at the home of a man to take possession of a pickup truck for his alleged failure to pay a tax bill were greeted with a lecture on property rights and the U.S. Constitution.

When that didn't persuade the agents to leave, the taxpayer ran into the house and emerged a few minutes later with a shotgun. The IRS agents retreated.

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ENCLOSURE
A common thread ties these otherwise unrelated incidents together. The persons who confronted the IRS agents and law officers believe the Constitution has been "subverted" and that they must take the law into their own hands, if necessary, to restore it.

It is the so-called "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus," sometimes known as the "Christian Posse Comitatus." Comitatus is Latin for "power of the county."

Members, citing references to English common law, "natural law," "God's law" and the U.S. Constitution, claim they can organize as a posse comitatus with or without the sanction of established law enforcement. They talk of arresting sheriffs, policemen, IRS agents or any public officials who "subvert" the Constitution. There is even talk of hangings.

The place was the Buddha Room cafe on Burbank's E. Tujunga Ave.

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's
Posse Comitatus awaited a leader. The mood was subdued when the front door opened and Terrence Oaks, still youthful at 37, strode in with an armful of notes. He is the same Terry Oaks who in 1974 was convicted for failure to file 1971 income tax returns and filing a false withholding exemption form.

He passed out literature and brought his posse members up to date on his appeal on grounds of discriminatory prosecution.

"If I tell you about the time I went to the bank to trade my worthless federal reserve notes for silver," he asked rhetorically. "They laughed at me. I say, fine. When it comes time to pay my income tax I laugh at them."

"You see," he confided, "federal reserve notes are not real money. They are fiat money. They are not backed by gold or silver. They are IOUs."

Thus, he explains, taxes cannot be owed on IOUs.

It is a line familiar to tax resisters, posse members—and federal judges who have rewarded the practice of such beliefs with jail sentences.

Although there are no formal organizational ties between the posse and other right-wing groups, there is an overlapping membership.

Some posse members, like Oaks, belong to the United States Taxpayers Union (USTU) which has declared the income tax unconstitutional and exhorts its members not to pay "unlawful" taxes.

Posse members also are found in the National Assn. to Keep and Bear Arms (NABBA). Among NABBA leaders are those who formerly led the now virtually defunct America a right-wing paramilitary organization which believed it would have to defend the nation with armed revolution.

H. L. (Mike) Beach, a 72-year-old retired machinist in Portland, Ore., is national chairman of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus.

In an interview Beach said he believes the posse and tax resistance groups make a good team. And he was quoted in the February issue of Tax Strike News as viewing the posse as the "muscle" or "back-up force" behind tax resisters.

In Oaks' view, it has become apparent that tax resisters cannot prevail in court because judges and federal agencies by their decisions and actions are violating the Constitution.

It matters not, he says, that the nation's monetary system and tax laws were enacted by an elected Congress. The Congress, he says, also has flouted the Constitution.

The remedy, therefore, lies in the arrest of judges and law officers, if necessary.

"So," Oaks told the posse members in Burbank, "we form a posse comitatus. If they do anything about it, they're interfering with common law, and who knows, somebody might shoot them."

Oaks paused to let the point sink in and then shattered the calm with a crack of his clenched fist on wood.

"We've got a criminal government! That's what we've got. I'm not going to live under this. I'll die first. There's going to be bloodshed. There's one way they're going to get my gun. They're going to get it out of my cold, dead, clammy fingers," he shouted.

Oaks' eyes scanned the Buddha Room, as if sizing up the men, and he said:

"If the posse ever does have to be violent, then, by God, we're going to go all the way. I don't want anybody on it, that's going to run."
The man behind the movement, Mike Beach, began chartering posses in 1909. For $21, and the signature of seven men, he will mail a charter. For another $5.50 he will send an official posse comitatus badge, each with its own serial number.

"I don't make any money on the charters and badges. This is kind of a poor man's game," he said.

Beach claims a national membership exceeding 400,000, a figure which is disputed by law enforcement authorities, who say 10,000 is closer.

Beach also reports he has chartered posses in every state except Maine and Hawaii. He refuses to say how many but says there are five times as many "wildcat" posses.

The posses recognize the county sheriff as the only legal law enforcement officer in the United States. Hence, as the posse comitatus, they are an adjunct to the only legal law enforcement in the nation.

If the sheriff fails to carry out his lawful duty, as the posse defines it, posse members believe they have the lawful right under natural law to act in the name of the sheriff to protect local jurisdiction.

Law enforcement authorities are not impressed.


It is in San Joaquin County where the first active posse chapter was organized in California. Since that time, posse members say there are chapters in the counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Fresno, Ventura, Butte, Santa Clara, Tehama and Nevada.

An oppressive heat lingered in the piney woods of Paradise, Calif., 420 miles north of Burbank, and settled into the living room of Cary Anderson's mobile home.

It was 7:30 p.m. and the 16 middle-aged men and women who weren't buying posse comitatus and other right-wing literature from an ardent apostle in the dining room maneuvered for position in the path of an electric fan.

But there was, at least, one person absent that night. Directors of the Butte County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus found out that he was an "atheist" when he refused to repeat "so help me, God" during a swearing-in ceremony.

They booted him out before he was in. It was all very embarrassing. He was a nice enough guy, they said. But they explained that this is a Christian nation and a Christian posse.

Before the members and guests arrived, the directors amended the local bylaws. The qualification for membership which required a "belief in God" was changed—only slightly—to require a "Christian" belief in God. Jews are not allowed. But, neither are those who profess other non-Christian faiths, they add.

The dining room table was covered with neat stacks of propaganda, including one sheet which features a bigger-than-life photograph of a special investigator's badge used by agents of the Treasury Department's Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Division.
The budge number is "666," and if the significance of the figure escapes one's memory, there is a caption which explains that "666" is the number of the anti-Christ beast of the Bible as revealed in Revelation 13:15-18.

Francis Gillings, 42, who organized the San Joaquin County posse and has been designated by Beach as California coordinator, was the guest speaker.

It was the hour of indoctrination. One after another, posse members read aloud assigned pages from Beach's posse comitatus "bluebook," as if reciting Bible verses.

There are 14 pages. Questions followed.

Someone asked why the hanging penalty in the original bluebook was removed in later editions. Posse leaders ex-
...evin stopped the vehicle and went to the driver to write up the ticket, asked for his driver's license and drove off.

"I had to get back to avoid getting hit," the officer wrote in his report. For the next several minutes, the officer pursued the vehicle while calling for assistance.

As the officer didn't know that the speeder was also recently arrested by his own Los Angeles Police Department, the officer was trying to proceed at a slower speed, but there was no obstruction.

"There is this envision that really exists in the minds of local and federal law enforcement officers," U.S. Attorney David Campbell said in Los Angeles. "If Campbell was speaking in general, I don't think in the way they are discussing.

"The fact is, Campbell said, "there's kind of a parity bunch. To accept what these people say is to open the door to civil rebellion."

Bob Trench, Chief of the IRS collection division in Washington, said Bob is alarmed. "At some point in time it seems there may be a confrontation. Their whole function is going to be asked. They're going to have to respond. We are very definitely concerned.

For the people have become more vocal. It has attracted increased interest among local and federal law enforcement agencies.

Local residents have also called for the IRS to be more transparent in their actions.
Like many posse leaders, Beach qualifies controversial statements.

He will say—for the record—that talk of arresting the local sheriff is “a little bit farfetched.” But he also says he thinks the time will come when a sheriff is arrested.

He will say—for the record—that the since-deleted paragraph in the posse handbook calling for the public hanging of officials who subvert the law merely refers to “an old, old law.” He also will say the time may come when there are hangings “just not yet.”

Yet Beach insists the posse is an activist organization which cannot be compared to the essentially educational John Birch Society.

“The John Birch Society is organized for the purpose of selling the people down the drain,” Beach said.

He said the posse isn’t content with a membership which “sits at home and reads and twiddles their thumbs and says how bad things are.”

“We have everything in the way of information the Birch Society has, plus more. Once the public is aware of what’s happening, why, hell, this is going to be a whole new ballgame.” He did not elaborate.

There are others, however, who see An editorial in the July 21 issue of the Nation’s News in Haydenville, N.C., calls on every county posse consultant to prepare to battle “traitors.”

The editorial concluded:

“It will soon be dangerous for any elected official to return home, there to face a court of white Christian Americans who have chosen one rather than accept a treasonous offer of national slavery by those whom they have elected to office with the full understanding that they would defend the Constitution and not throw it to the dogs as they have done.

“You officials were sent to the Capitol or Washington to represent white Christian Americans and NOT the riff-raff Jews, Negroes, and other crevasses as you have. It will be far better if you leave America as did Benedict Arnold.”

The editorial does not speak for all posse members because it cannot. The posse consultant by definition is a “county” organization. As such, a local posse’s activities or practices are not governed by a national headquarters.

One posse may exclude Jews from membership, another may not. One may ask potential members to apply for a permit to carry a concealed weapon, as in the case of the Butte County posse. Others may not.

Still, it is possible to find a common denominator. Although posse members would not choose to frame it this way, posse chapters believe they can, under given circumstances, take the law into their own hands.

Many members sound eager to do so.
RelAlet to the Bureau dated 9/3/75, with attached news article taken from the "Los Angeles Times" final edition of 8/28/75, concerning captioned organization.

A review of the news article indicates SPC claims to have chapters in the following California localities: San Joaquin, Los Angeles, Orange, Fresno, Ventura, Butte, Santa Clara, Tehama, and Nevada.

This article further reveals that Terrence Oaks was in a leadership position at an SPC meeting held recently in Burbank, California, that Francis Gillings, organizer, SPC San Joaquin Chapter, was involved in a confrontation with the California Highway Patrol during July, 1975, when he tried to interfere with a patrolman issuing a traffic citation, and that the 7/24/75, issue of the "National Chronicle," published in Hayden Lake, Idaho, contained an editorial calling on SPC members to prepare to battle "traitors."

Bureau files indicate that investigations are currently pending concerning SPC chapters in Los Angeles, Ventura and San Joaquin.

Los Angeles, initiate investigation of indicated SPC chapter in Orange in accordance with instructions set forth in Bureau airtel to Albany dated 5/21/75, and captioned as above. Los Angeles should furnish copies of referenced news article to receiving offices.
Letter to Butte
Re: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), aka 157-33487

Sacramento, initiate investigation concerning indicated SPC chapters in Nevada, Tehama, Butte and Fresno in accordance with Bureau airtel to Albany previously mentioned. A communication suitable for dissemination should be submitted to the Bureau concerning activities of

San Francisco, initiate investigation concerning indicated SPC chapter in Santa Clara in accordance with instructions referred to Los Angeles regarding investigation of SPC chapters.

Butte, obtain copy of the 7/24/75, issue of the "National Chronicle" and forward a copy of the editorial concerning SPC to the Bureau.

Results of investigation conducted concerning indicated SPC chapters should be submitted to the Bureau in a form suitable for dissemination.

NOTE:
The SPC is a loose-knit white-hate nationwide organization established in Portland, Oregon, in 1973. It claims that the county sheriff is the only authorized law enforcement official, and that the Federal Reserve System and the Graduated Income Tax are not lawful. Certain members of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, and have advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents.
Information concerning SPC activities in Crane and Odessa, Texas, was orally furnished to

Investigation by El Paso has determined that the Kermit, Texas, Chapter of the SPC is no longer current in that the only known member, is now residing in . In view of this, El Paso is closing Kermit, Texas, Chapter of SPC, EP 157-565.

El Paso indices search on other subjects named in the LHM are negative.
United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  

Washington, D.C. 20535  

September 5, 1975

Director  

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

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)  
EXTREMIST MATTERS - WHITE HATE GROUP

Dear Sir:

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

1. □ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. □ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. □ Threatening or abusive statement about U.S. or foreign official.
4. □ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U.S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. □ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. □ Defector from U.S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. □ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U.S.

Photograph □ has been furnished □ enclosed □ is not available.

Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley  
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (2)  
U.S. Secret Service, El Paso, Texas (Hand Carry)

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On June 10, 1975, Mrs. Rosnelle Cherry, Midland County Clerk, advised that the SPC had filed a document with her on April 10, 1975, indicating national membership in the SPC. The charter members were listed as Reul Frank Brown, Jr., Thomas O. Flournoy, Dr. A. B. Tibbetts, Dean Hubbard, Johny M. Hamilton, Danny P. Ellis, and Lanny Lasater. Mrs. Rosnelle furnished a xeroxed copy of the above document, a copy of which is set forth as follows:
NATIONAL MEMBER

COUNTY OF
MIDLAND

STATE OF
TEXAS

CHARTER MEMBERS
1. RUEL FRANK BROWN, JR.
2. THOMAS C. FLOURNOY
3. DR. A. B. TIBBETS
4. DEAN HUBBARD
5. JOHNNY M. HAMILTON
6. DANNY P. ELLIS
7. LANY LASATER

Month: JAN Day: 7 1975
CITIZENS LAW ENFORCEMENT AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE

H. L. Burch
National Chairman
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RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

Odessa, Texas, Chapter

On June 10, 1975, Ector County Clerk's Office, advised her office had no record concerning a charter filed by the SPCs in Odessa, Texas.
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RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

Logical sources within the Western District of Texas have been contacted and it has been determined that there are no SPC chapters in cities other than those mentioned above.
RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

APPENDIX

Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC)

The SPC, also known as the Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC), is a loose-knit nationwide organization established in Portland, Oregon, in 1973 by Portland resident Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach. The SPC is a non-affiliated off-shoot of the Identity Group (IG), a California based tax rebellion organization. The SPC claims that the Federal Reserve System and the graduated income tax are "ultra vires and not lawful," and that the Federal judiciary has attempted to establish "a dictatorship of the courts over the citizens of the Republic."

The SPC calls for the establishment of a posse in each county to assist the only legitimate law enforcement authority, the county sheriff, in combating the unlawful acts of others, particularly those of Federal and state officials.

Some members and leadership of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents, and have engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials.
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157-33487181LHM uncorrected pages 5 and 6
to El Paso airtel 9/9/75, which forwarded amended Pages 5 and 6 of instant LHM.

It is assumed that communications crossed in the mail, that corrected pages have been received by the Bureau and other offices, and that no additional change is necessary.

Bureau 6/15 advised the 10-3 of some change at Denver, Panel pages as duplicates. Your return on the action in this regard is requested.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI - (157-33487)

SAC, EL PASO (157-572) (C)

SUBJECT: EM - WHITE HATE

EM: WHG, OO: EL PASO

DATE: 9/8/75

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

DATE 01/29/74 BY 5P6B1J1J1mW

157-33487-89

Re EP airtel to Bureau, 5/13/75, captioned "Sheriff's Possee Comitatus, aka (SPC) Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (Clerc), EM - WHG, OO: Portland".

This investigation is based on information which could indicate that the individual is possibly engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, USC, Section 1114, (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383, (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Conspiracy Against the Rights of Citizens), or Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related Civil Rights statutes.

Preliminary investigation conducted to date by the El Paso Division has failed to establish a firm basis for any further investigation. No specific information has been received by the El Paso Office indicating that captioned Subject has violated or is engaged in activities which may result in a violation of the statutes on which this investigation was initiated.

In view of the above, no further investigation appears to be warranted concerning this matter, and El Paso will close this case to be re-opened in the event any future information is received indicating that captioned Subject's activity warrants further investigation.

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2 - EL PASO (1-157-572) EX-106 REC-1
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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
INASMUCH AS INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED THAT
MEMBERS OF THE SPC ARE REQUIRED TO OWN FIREARMS, AND SINCE THEY
HAVE ADVOCATED VIOLENCE, SPC MEMBERS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED
DANGEROUS.
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

SAC, EL PASO (157-571) (C)

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EM - WHITE HATE
OO: EL PASO

DATE: 9/8/75

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2 - El Paso (1-157-571)
(1-157-536)

SEP 12 1975

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
INASMUCH AS INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED THAT MEMBERS OF THE SPC ARE REQUIRED TO OWN FIREARMS, AND SINCE THEY HAVE ADVOCATED VIOLENCE, SPC MEMBERS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED DANGEROUS.
FROM SACRAMENTO (57-3687) (P)
ATTN: INID

SHERIFF’S POSSE COMITATUS, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY CHAPTER.

THE SPC, ALSO KNOWN AS THE CITIZENS’ LAW ENFORCEMENT RESEARCH COMMITTEE (CLERC), IS A LOOSE-KNIT NATIONWIDE ORGANIZATION ESTABLISHED IN PORTLAND, OREGON, IN 1973 BY PORTLAND RESIDENT HENRY LAMONT (MIKE) BEACH.

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DATE 6/30/75 BVS98687

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SECRET SERVICE, SACRAMENTO, NOTIFIED IN VIEW OF PRESIDENTIAL VISIT SCHEDULED SACRAMENTO, SEPTEMBER 4-5, 1975.

LHM follows.

SACRAMENTO AT STOCKTON. WILL FOLLOW AND REPORT INFORMATION ON ABOVE-MENTIONED INCIDENT.

END

MEB FBHQ CLR AND IKS

cc Mauree
The SPC is a loose-knit nationwide, vigilante and tax-rebellion organization founded in 1973 by Portland resident Henry Lamont Beach.

Dissemination made to the Department Criminal Division (Internal Security and General Crimes Sections): Deputy Attorney General (Analysis and Evaluation Unit); Civil Rights Division: and Secret Service.
Memorandum

TO:
DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33457)
SAC, EL PASO (157-575) (C)

SUBJECT:
WHITE RACE
OO: EL PASO

DATE: 9/8/75

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Re EP airtel to Bureau, 5/13/75, captioned
Sheriff's Possee Comitatus, aka (SPC) Citizens' Law
Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC), EM-WHG, OO:
Portland

This investigation is based on information which
could indicate that the individual is possibly engaged
in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18,
USC, Section 1114, (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer),
Section 2383, (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241
(Conspiracy Against the Rights of Citizens), or Section
245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of
1968 or related Civil Rights statutes.

Preliminary investigation conducted to date by
the El Paso Division has failed to establish a firm basis
for any further investigation. No specific information has
been received by the El Paso Office indicating that
captioned Subject has violated or is engaged in activities
which may result in a violation of the statutes on which this
investigation was initiated.

In view of the above, no further investigation
appears to be warranted concerning this matter, and El Paso
will close this case to be re-opened in the event any future
information is received indicating that captioned Subject's
activity warrants further investigation.

Bureau
2 - El Paso (1-157-575)
(1-157-536)

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
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SAC, El Paso (157-536)

Director, FBI (157-33487)

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REPLERS 9/5/75 CLOSING INVESTIGATIONS ENTITLED

Referenced letters stated that investigation in
each case was instituted based on receipt of information that
subject was believed to be a member of the SPC. Referenced
letters further stated that preliminary investigations failed
to establish any grounds for any further investigation and
that no specific information has been received in your
office indicating that captioned subjects have violated or
are engaged in activities which may result in a violation of
the statutes on which these investigations were initiated.

El Paso airtel 5/13/75 under the SPC caption advised
that all of these individuals were members of the SPC.
Referenced letters do not indicate whether or not subjects
are currently members of the SPC. If they are, full investigations
are to be conducted in accordance with Bureau letter 4/21/75

Promptly advise DASP 9/15/75 whether or not subjects are
new SPC members. If they are, submit results of investigation
in Investigative Summary Form utilizing, in addition to the
streamlined reporting rules, exists.

Bureau airtel 5/21/75 under the SPC caption
instructed that a Bureau-operated source must be developed in
each SPC unit.
Letter to El Peso
Re: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), aka 157-33487

Bureau official 5/21/75 also instructed that quarterly submissions of FD-405a should reflect the existence and member informant coverage of each SPC group.

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Insure that supervisory and Agent personnel handling SPC investigations are familiarized with Bureau policy regarding these investigations.

NOTE: The SPC is a loose-knit, nationwide tax-rebellion and vigilante organization. This communication necessary because in above, El Paso did not indicate whether or not This communication is being sent under the SPC caption, to avoid individual instruction in each of the above cases.
Memorandum

To: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

From: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (157-11684) (FM)

Subject: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC)

Date: 9/22/75

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EMO: Portland

Re: Bulletin 4/21/75, and airtels 5/21/75, and 6/2/75, to all Offices.

As a result of Bureau instructions, it has been determined that Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) exist as nonaffiliated organizations in Santa Clara County and Sonoma County of California. Investigation in Sonoma County shows a chapter at Santa Rosa, California, and at Petaluma, California.

The leader and membership of Santa Rosa has been determined and the group known as Sonoma County Posse Comitatus (SCPC). Since there is no indication of affiliation with other groups, a separate file has been opened on SCPC (SF file 157-11559).

Another group in Sonoma County is located at 1192 Liberty Road, Petaluma, California.

Howard Sampson in a television interview while not indicating affiliation with a National Group did state that the distinctive shoulder patches worn by the group are obtained via Portland, Oregon. (San Francisco channel 5, KPIX - TV 11 p.m. news, 9/12/75.)

SPC is not registered with the County Clerk of Sonoma County.

According to the "Los Angeles Times" SPC members in San Joaquin County named the California counties where SPC was organized, but named only Santa Clara County in this territory. SPC is not registered with the County Recorder-Clerk in Santa Clara County and investigation is presently being conducted there to determine the membership and those renting a P.O. box in San Jose, California, as a separate investigation (SF file 157-11686).

All other and County Recorder-Clerks in this territory have been contacted and there is no indication of the existence of this group. Agents covering these counties remain alert to the formation of such groups.

When the existence of the Santa Clara Chapter is established, this information only along with any information of Federal tax law violations or information indicating possible assault against IRS agents will be disseminated locally to IRS.

The above information is not complete enough to prepare a communication suitable for dissemination at this time, but in view of the news media publicity given to this group because of their taking up the protection of growers land to prevent organizing by the United Farm Workers or Teamsters among the grape workers in the area near Stockton, California, it is felt the Bureau may wish the above information to know the status of the investigation in this area and have data available if any inquiries are received regarding the national activities of this group.
MESSAGE RELAY

Transmit in: Braille
Via Teletype the Attached
Immediate
Urgent
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Date: 1/5/75

From: Director, FBI

To: SACs:

Sheriff's Posse Comitatus
San Joaquin County Chapter

To: Legats:

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DATE 6/29/80 BPB78BJ11mn

To: RUEADW
The President
The Vice President
White House Situation Room

Attn: Attorney General
Deputy Attorney General

Attn: Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division

Attn: Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division

Attn: Department of the Air Force (AFOSI)

Attn: Department of the Army

Attn: Director, CIA

Attn: Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard

Attn: Director, Defense Intelligence Agency

Attn: Energy Research and Development Administration

Attn: Federal Aviation Administration

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National Aeronautics & Space Admin.

RUEOIA
National Security Agency

RUEOLKN
Naval Investigative Service

RUEUSA
U.S. Postal Service (if Classified)

RUEVDFS
U.S. Postal Service (if Unclassified)

RUEHSE
U.S. Secret Service (PID)

RUEHOC
Secretary of State

RUEBJGA
Department of Transportation

Attn: Director of Security

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EX 103

Subject (Text begins next page):
Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, San Joaquin County Chapter.

Foreign Liaison Unit

Route through for review

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157-33487-192
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (157-3360)(RUC)

SUBJECT:

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) aka EM - WHITE HATE
OO: PORTLAND

DATE: 9/24/75

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HERIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATED 09/18/70 BY SBDJ

Re Bullet to all offices, 5/21/75.

Per Bureau instructions in referenced communication, a canvassing of all County Clerk, as well as within the Dallas Division reflects that there are no organizations filed or registered as "SHERIFF's POSSE COMITATUS" per se. It is noted, however, that on 4/9/75, an organization filed under assumed names with the Dallas County Clerk's Office, Dallas, Texas, as the "CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL COMPLIANCE", (CCC) as reflected in Dallas County Assumed Names register #25310, dated 4/9/75, signed by FRANCES D. PRESTON, Deputy County Clerk. Above filing was shown as being initiated by one HOWELL C. WILLIS, 3332 San Marcus Avenue, Dallas, Texas. Above records were located by the Dallas County, Dallas, Texas.

A review of the Dallas file on SPC fails to reflect any further indicated investigation; however, Dallas is maintaining its 157-3317 file (CCC) in a pending status, and will submit an appropriate LHM as to this organization, which is the local Dallas unit following policies of the SPC.

UACB, Dallas is placing this SPC file (DL 157-3360) in an RUC'd status, but will follow closely in its CCC case, maintaining appropriate liaison with the local IRS Intelligence Office.

2 - Bureau
2 - Portland
3 - Dallas (1 - 157-3360)(SPC)
(2 - 157-3317)(CCC)

589 U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (66-19156)

FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (100-00)

SUBJECT: INTELLIGENCE MATTER SURVEY
SEATTLE DIVISION

DATE: 7/28/75

Re Bureau letter to Seattle, 7/3/75.

Seattle Division has again reviewed Bureau instructions and compliance by Seattle concerning Sheriff's Posse Comitatus.

Seattle is of the firm opinion from investigation conducted that no statutory authority exists for further inquiry concerning this matter and results of prior investigations of activities of the chapters and/or members in Washington State should not be disseminated for this reason. Washington State Chapters are not affiliated with chapters in Oregon or California. The members of the chapters in Washington were all investigated within the required 90 day period and cases were closed administratively without any dissemination.

No local dissemination has been made and it is recommended no further investigation be conducted.

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Bureau
Seattle
(1-100-00)
(1-157-2112) (Posse Comitatus)

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (157-6060)(P)

DATE: 9/25/75

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SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATATUS, aka. EM - WHITE HATE

00: Portland

Re Cleveland letter to Bureau, 7/30/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of an LHM captioned as above. Two copies of an FD-376 are also attached.

Two copies of the LHM are being furnished to the Portland Office, and two copies to the Cincinnati Office.

One copy of the LHM is being disseminated to U.S. Secret Service, Cleveland.

Sources utilized are as follows:

CINCINNATI AT COLUMBUS, OHIO

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Will identify

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CV 157-6060

and determine if engaged in any extremist activity.

CLEVELAND:

AT AKRON, OHIO

Will contact sources for any information concerning current activities of the Citizens for Constitutional Rights.

AT CANTON, OHIO

Will follow and report, through local sources, the activities of the Citizens for Constitutional Rights.
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157-33437-674 LFT p 2g
Cleveland, Ohio

September 25, 1975

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

RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS,
Also Known As
Posse Comitatus

Dear Sir:

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

1. [ ] Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. [ ] Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. [ ] Threatening or abusive statement about U. S. or foreign official.
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activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

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Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))(1)
U. S. Secret Service, Cleveland (By Hand)

Enclosure(s)
Cleveland, Ohio
September 25, 1975

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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS,
Also Known As
Posse Comitatus,
Ministry of Christ's Church,
Ohio Patriots For Constitutional Government,
Citizens For Constitutional Rights

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CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS

The Citizens for Constitutional Rights is a
local Canton, Ohio group of tax protestors,
claiming that all forms of taxation are contrary
to Constitutional provisions. They are a loose-
knit group which seeks direction by use of
publications and literature of the Ministry of
Christ Church, also known as "Posse Comitatus"
for its philosophy and operation.

Sources whose identities are
concealed herein have furnished
reliable information in the
past except where otherwise noted.
During a meeting of the Citizens for Constitutional Rights held on July 10, 1975, at Canton, Ohio, among the license numbers observed in the vicinity of the meeting was Ohio Registration [redacted]. It was ascertained that this registration was issued to [redacted].
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

The SPC, also known as the Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC), is a loose-knit nationwide organization established in Portland, Oregon in 1973 by Portland resident Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach. The SPC is a non-affiliated offshoot of the Identity Group (IG), a California-based tax-rebellion organization. The SPC claims that the Federal Reserve System and the graduated income tax are "ultra vires and not lawful", and that the Federal judiciary has attempted to establish "a dictatorship of the courts over the citizens of the Republic".

The SPC calls for the establishment of a posse in each county to assist the only legitimate law enforcement authority, the county sheriff, in combating the unlawful acts of others, particularly those of Federal and state officials.

Some members and leadership of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents, and have engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials.

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, KNOXVILLE (157-2904) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM

cc: PORTLAND

DATE: 10/2/75

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Re Bureau airtels to Albany dated 5/21/75 and 6/2/75.

In referenced airtel dated 6/2/75, information set forth that SPC becoming active throughout United States and efforts should be made to obtain information if SPC Chapter located each division.

RE: 57. EX-110

Bureau
Portland
Knoxville

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(2) 12/2/1975

DEC 57.
Any information concerning SPC becoming active Knoxville Division will be immediately furnished to Bureau and Portland.
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: ACTING ADIC, LOS ANGELES (157-10915) (P)

DATE: 10/1/75

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUM
EM - SPC
OO: Portland

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1 - Los Angeles

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Los Angeles Office has cases on individual Sheriff's Posse Comitatus chapters and no further action is being taken at this time under above Los Angeles case file number.
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Date 9.27.75

From: Director, FBI

To: SACs:

To: RUEADWW/ ☐ The President
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☐ White House Situation Room

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-11283)

FROM: ACTING ADIC, LOS ANGELES (157-10915) (p)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS
EXTREMIST MATTER - SPC
00: Portland

Enclosed for the Bureau and for the Portland and Sacramento Offices is one copy of two page memorandum concerning "Posse Comitatus."

Los Angeles is taking no further action.

The Sacramento Office is requested to obtain the opinion of the Attorney General when rendered and advise the Bureau and pertinent offices.

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Portland report of SPC, 6/6/74.
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ADMINISTRATIVE:
The Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) movement

However, several SPC leaders in other divisions are anti-Semitic. Many members of SPC belong to several tax rebellion or other right-wing organizations and use the Posse Comitatus as a function to attain their goals.

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As determined by investigation, numerous posse members are involved in violent acts in their protests,
A problem encountered in this investigation is that many SPC members publicize their personal attitudes which are not always a true reflection of the national organization. Since the chapters of the SPC are autonomous, they can pursue their own interpretation of the posse guidelines and own direction.

Several divisions did not report previous SPC activities which have occurred in the past according to Section 122, Manual of Instructions, presumably due to chapters of SPC becoming defunct. Portland as 00 has attempted to show the extent of SPC influence by including defunct chapters inasmuch as many of these chapters appeared subsequent to the last national report. In some cases chapters have been involved with their own community problems and preliminary inquiry determined that the activities and goals did not constitute statutory basis for investigation.

Copies of this report are being provided U.S. Secret Service, Internal Revenue Service, ATF, and U.S. Attorney, Portland, Oregon.

Special Agents who interviewed were SA  and SA Portland Division.

The Special Agent observing the Midwest National Tax and Posse Comitatus Convention, 11/7/74, was Milwaukee Division.

SPC chapters and individuals mentioned in this report have been subject of investigation of respective field offices.

In instances where groups associated with the SPC are mentioned without a characterization, it is unknown to Portland.
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AT PORTLAND, OREGON. Will follow and report activities of the national office.

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Information copies furnished in view of SPC chapters in those divisions.
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United States Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D.C. 20535

September 26, 1975

InReply, PleaseRefer to File No. 157-1432

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

RE: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus

Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

[Handwritten Signature]

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure[X])

U.S. Secret Service, Portland

Enclosure(s)
The Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) is a loose-knit, nationwide organization established by Portland resident HENRY LAMONT (MIKE) BEACH. The philosophy states that the County Sheriff is the only legal law enforcement authority and the SPC is designed to assist the County Sheriff in combating unlawful acts of others, particularly that of federal and state officials, and that they may act independent of the sheriff if necessary. SPC claims the Federal Reserve System and graduated income tax are not lawful and that the Federal judiciary has attempted to establish a dictatorship of the Courts. Numerous SPC chapters have appeared throughout the United States that have been formed as a result of information provided by BEACH; however, these chapters are autonomous and act independently of the national organization. Of the chapters that have appeared, many have disbanded. The exact nationwide membership is unknown. BEACH claims chapters exist in every state except Hawaii and national membership close to 500,000. There have been instances of assaults on IRS Agents, and interference with local and Federal law enforcement agencies by SPC members. There have been no national meetings of SPC; however, several conventions involving SPC and other anti-tax groups have occurred.

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All sources utilized in this report have furnished reliable information in the past with the exception of whose reliability has not been established.
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Predication

This investigation is based on information which indicates that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) (see Appendix) is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code (USC), Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Conspiracy Against Rights of Citizens), Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968, or related Civil Rights Statutes.

HENRY LAMONT (MIKE) BEACH, Portland, Oregon, is the national organizer of SPC, which claims to have chapters in every state except Hawaii. It advocates formation of a "Posse Comitatus," a voluntary group of citizens who would act in the name of local sheriffs to enforce the law. SPC publications advocate tax rebellion and the arrest by the posse of Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Agents attempting to enforce the Internal Revenue Code. It claims to have the lawful right under natural law to act in the name of the sheriff in protecting local citizens from unlawful activities, including the unlawful acts of officers of the government, whether these be judges or federal or state agents.

I. IDENTITY OF ORGANIZATION
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III. PRINCIPAL OFFICERS (b)(7)(D)

An article by JERROLD K. FOOTLICK and WILLIAM J. COOK appearing in the May, 1975, issue of "Newsweek," captioned, "Return of the Posser?" states that BEACH, a retired laundry equipment salesman, is the closest thing there is to an over-all leader of the loosely affiliated group. He founded the movement from his Portland, Oregon, home in 1968.
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An article appearing in the May 26, 1975, issue of "Newsweek" magazine stated "BEACH claims that chapters exist in every state except Hawaii and that membership is close to 500,000."

A. Arizona

1. Maricopa County
PD 157-1432

B. Arkansas

1. Carrol County

C. California

1. San Diego County

2. San Joaquin County

On March 15, 1975, the "Lodi News Sentinel," Lodi, California, on page 9, published an article captioned, "GILLINGS Forms Citizens Posse." It reflects in part that FRANCIS EARLE GILLINGS of Tracy, California, was chairman of a newly formed group calling itself the San Joaquin County SPC.

On April 28, 1975, the "San Francisco Chronicle" on page 1 published an article captioned, "Posse Riding in the Valley," by MICHAEL TAYLOR, "Chronicle" reporter. TAYLOR reflects that in an interview of GILLINGS, he (GILLINGS) indicated that each member of the posse was also a member of the National Association for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms (see Appendix). The article reflects that the SPC meets twice a month to discuss objectives and make plans for the future.
3. Sheriff's Posse Comitatus of Los Angeles, California (SPCLAC)

4. Stanislaus County

On April 15, 1975, Application for Charter of the National Christian Posse Association (NCPA) was recorded at the Recorder's Office, Stanislaus County, Modesto, California.
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D. Idaho

1. Madison County

2. Kootenai County

E. Illinois

1. Cook County, DuPage County, Lake County, McHenry County, and Will County
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1. Flathead County

The "Daily Interlake," a daily newspaper in Kalispell, Montana, carried an article on July 3, 1974, entitled "Posse Formed to Fight Lawlessness," which stated in part that a group of men filed a petition with the Flathead County Clerk and Recorder listing the names of the ten members of the group. Termed a "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus," the group is allegedly affiliated with a national organization which the charter says is designed to fight lawlessness and unconstitutional bureaucracy.

I. Nebraska

J. Ohio

1. Tuscarawas County
2. Other Counties

An article in the April 28, 1975, issue of "The Times Reporter," a local newspaper captioned "Area Citizens Rebel Against the System, Not Paying Taxes Is Their 'Thing'," stated in part that "a group called Citizens for Constitutional Rights based in Canton reportedly has 50 to 100 members from Stark, Tuscarawas, Wayne, and Holmes Counties.

The Citizens for Constitutional Rights is a local Canton, Ohio, group of tax protestors, claiming that all forms of taxation are contrary to Constitutional provisions. They are a loose-knit group, which seeks direction by use of publications and literature of the Ministry of Christ Church, also known as "Posse Comitatus" for its philosophy and operation.

K. Oregon

1. Clackamas County
2. Jackson County

On January 15, 1975, the "Mail Tribune," a local Medford, Oregon, newspaper, announced a meeting of the Jackson County SPC.

3. Josephine County

4. Klamath County

5. Multnomah County
TUCKER was quoted in the March 31, 1975, "Knoxville News - Sentinel" as telling an audience of persons who participated in an Easter Conference concerning tax laws that he was planning to start a Posse Comitatus in Knox County.

M. Texas

1. Crane, Texas Chapter
2. Midland County, Texas

The SPC filed a document with the Midland County Clerk on April 10, 1975, indicating national membership in the SPC. Seven charter members are listed on this document.

3. Odessa, Texas

No charter for the SPC has been filed.

N. Utah

O. Washington

1. Snohomish County

By communication dated June 12, 1975, the Seattle Division of the FBI advised that
P. Wisconsin

By communication dated May 6, 1975, the Milwaukee Division of the FBI advised the chapters of the SPC in Wisconsin are:

1. Chippewa County
2. Grant County
3. Manitowoc County
4. Marathon County
5. Pierce County
6. Shawano County
7. Taylor County
8. Winnebago County

There is little or no activity among the members of the chapters, with the exception of the Marathon County Chapter of the SPC.

Q. Wyoming

1. Green River Chapter of Wyoming Patriots

By communication dated June 4, 1975, the Denver Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation reported that on April 11, 1975, persons identifying themselves as members of the Green River Chapter of the Wyoming Patriots filed a Sweetwater Posse Comitatus charter with the County Clerk's Office, Green River, Wyoming.

2. Rock Springs Chapter

By communication dated June 4, 1975, the Denver Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation reported that
the Rock Springs Chapter filed a National Posse Comitatus Charter on April 10, 1975.

V. OBJECTIVES

A. SPC Publications
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3. Acts of Violence

a. Wisconsin

According to news articles that appeared in the "Eau Claire Leader Telegram" dated September 20, 1974; September 21, 1974; and September 23, 1974, approximately 100 supporters of GERALD MC FARREN, the American Party candidate for the United States Senate, appeared at the State Office Building in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, on September 20, 1974. MC FARREN was to appear at a public hearing conducted by the Department of Natural Resources on a 1968 charge whereby he illegally dumped fill into a lake in another county.

Among the supporters that appeared at the State Office Building was THOMAS STOCKHEIMER, head of the "Posse Comitatus" or "people's posse."
According to the news articles, several of MC FARREN's supporters tried to gain entrance into the State Office Building when they were turned away by State Building guards. During a brief scuffle with the guard, STOCKHEIMER was identified in using mace on five of the guards during the brief surge of violence.

Shortly thereafter, the Eau Claire Police issued a warrant for the arrest of STOCKHEIMER for aggravated battery and illegal possession of mace, both felonies, and a charge of minor assault. STOCKHEIMER was arrested on September 25, 1974, for these charges.
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e. Oregon

An article in the May 16, 1975, issue of the "Herald and News," a daily newspaper in Klamath Falls, Oregon, captioned, "Local Anti-LCDC Letter Prompts Call for Criminal Prosecution," stated that "Letters sent to members of the Oregon Legislature by a Klamath Falls based organization named 'Sheriff's Posse Comitatus' have resulted in a request for criminal prosecution by Sen. TED HALLOCK, D-Portland."

Part of the paragraph of the letter signed by HERBERT S. BREED, stated that if lawmakers voted to fund LCDC (Land Conservation and Development Commission) or retain SB 100 (passed by the 1973 Legislature and the creation device for LCDC), "we will expose the illegalities of LCDC and those who voted to fund it, and as our organization allows, we will subpoena you before a citizen's grand jury. If you are indicted for treason or other charge by the citizen grand jury, you will be tried on the appropriate charge and the results of the trial and the transcript of the trial will be published in our newspaper and distributed into the fifty states, including broad coverage in Oregon."

BREED said the "real radicals" are in the Legislature, "when they construe a suggestion that they uphold their oath of office" as a threat and "make false statements."

f. California

An article captioned, "Three Men, Boy Arrested in Argument at Farm," appeared in the September 3, 1975, issue of "The Oregonian," a daily newspaper in Portland, Oregon. At Stockton, California, deputies arrested three members of a vigilante group and a juvenile at a field. One member of the private law and order group Posse Comitatus tripped and his shotgun went off close to a sheriff's deputy and the officer suffered a concussion. Those arrested were part of a 40-man force helping growers keep United Farm Worker organizers from entering a tomato field to talk to farm workers about upcoming farm labor union elections. San Joaquin County Sheriff MIKE CANLIS said the shotgun blast occurred when one of his deputies approached a posse member, FRANCIS GILLINGS, to serve him with a traffic warrant.
B. Acquisition of Arms

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Portland, Oregon
February 10, 1975

C. Conventions

1. Midwest National Tax and Posse
   Comitatus Convention
   October 21-22, 1974

A group called the Americans for Constitutional
Government and Law sponsored the Midwest National Tax and
Posse Comitatus Convention held at the Red Carpet Inn near
Mitchell Air Field, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, October 21-22,
1974.

BEACH spoke on living in the rockefeller period,
and related the history leading up to that day.
BEACH spoke on SFC activities in the United States, stating
that there was SPC activity in 46 states. During BEACH's speech, he related to the audience that he first became active in the SPC in 1937 at which time he began to lecture regarding SPC. BEACH continued by stating that there was a lot of SPC activities that were not connected to national headquarters at Portland. According to BEACH, each state should have SPC activities. BEACH referred to the SPC as "The sword that Christ intended us to use."

In addition to the above speech of BEACH, he spoke about the Truth in Information Act, stating that the SPC should stay in their own "department" and not bother with citizen's arrests and other related activities. BEACH told the audience to beat the system by filing complaints in an attempt to get the judges and attorneys confused and bogged down with paperwork.

BEACH concluded his speech by stating that "the SPC was in action."

Special Agents, FBI
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
November 7, 1974
During registration and preceding the convention, a number of tables were set up in back of the convention hall for the purpose of distributing and selling all kinds of literature relating to religion, SPC, tax reform, and other related pieces of material and publications.

Among those represented distributing or selling literature was:

Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee
3530 North Lombard Court
Portland, Oregon 97211

Special Agent, FBI
Milwaukee, Wisconsin
November 7, 1974

Little Rock Division of the FBI advised
3. Northwest Posse Comitatus and Tax Convention, SeaTac Holiday Inn, February 8-9, 1975

On February 8-9, 1975, a Northwest Posse Comitatus and Tax Convention was held at SeaTac Holiday Inn, Seattle, Washington.
4. Tri-State Tax and Law Rally  
Eureka Springs, Arkansas  
February 8-9, 1975

D. Recruiting
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IDENTITY GROUP

The Ministry of Christ Church (MCC), also known as the Identity Group (IG), filed Articles of Incorporation in California in October, 1964, with the stated purpose of "establishment, maintenance and conducting of a church of the Christian faith." The Group has been referred to as a cover for an underground army, and has a mailing address of P.O. Box 423, Glendale, California. In 1972, 100 acres of land, known as the Manasseh Ranch, were purchased in Mariposa County, California, and is the national headquarters.

William Potter Gale, the leader of the IG, and other members have expressed hatred for Jews and Negroes, and have advocated killing FBI Agents and Internal Revenue Service Agents as well as hanging certain judges.

"Identity," a quarterly news bulletin published by this Group, sets forth that the U.S. Christian Posse Association was being formed under the MCC to assist and provide the necessary direction towards the formation of a Christian posse in every county in the U.S. "Identity" states that the body of citizens constituting the sheriff's posse was titled "posse comitatus." The IG believes that the county sheriff is the only legal law enforcement officer in the U.S. and should the sheriff fail to perform his duties, the Posse Comitatus must act in the name of the sheriff to enforce the law.

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MINUTEMEN

The Minutemen organization was organized in 1960, reportedly to resist the spread of communism in the United States by use of guerrilla tactics. Robert B. DePugh, national coordinator of the Minutemen, was sentenced in October, 1970, for violations of the Federal Firearms Act. At the time of his arrest DePugh was in possession of documents concerned with guerrilla warfare and other paraphernalia, including hand grenades, gun silencers, and a machine gun. DePugh was released on parole during April, 1973, and in June, 1973, indicated he planned to revitalize the Minutemen into a "two-armed organization." Arm number one was to be utilized as a political front organization to sway elections and control local and state political structures. Arm number two was to be an underground guerrilla organization made up of "strike teams." These "strike teams" are to be under direct control of DePugh and their existence is to be unknown to everyone, including Minutemen State Coordinators.
The NAKBA is a nation-wide organization formerly headquartered at Medford, Oregon, with its principal goal being organized opposition to restrictive gun legislation. Its activities, at least in the State of Oregon, have been predominantly directed toward that legislative purpose, although many of its members are also known to be members of the tax rebellion movement and various chapters of the Posse Comitatus. One of the issues of the "Armed Citizen News", the NAKBA's official publication, places the NAKBA in support of the "Posse Comitatus" movement. However, no extremist activities have been directly connected with the NAKBA in Oregon.
NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Incorporated, (NKKKK), a consolidation of various klan groups, was granted a charter in De Kalb County, Georgia, in November, 1963. The NKKKK was chartered as a patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order; however, in December, 1963, the NKKKK issued a statement of its program which indicated the organization to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-foreign born. The NKKK and its affiliate groups purportedly promote white Christian Americanism and combat communism. An annual NKKKK rally and cross burning has been held on Labor Day Weekend in Stone Mountain, Georgia, on the property of NKKKK Imperial Wizard James R. Venable.

Some klan members and leaders have been involved in atrocities including beatings, bombings, and murders, and have engaged in activities seeking to deny other their constitutional rights.
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NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY

The National States Rights Party (NSRP), formerly known as the United White Party, was organized in 1957 in Knoxville, Tennessee. The NSRP's official party line promotes hatred against Jews, Negroes, Communists, and certain law enforcement agencies. NSRP National Chairman, J. B. Stoner, has publicly advocated killing or deporting Jews; deportation of Negroes; "doing away with FBI pimps;" and repeal of all civil rights laws. The NSRP carries out its line of hatred through the use of propaganda media and provocative demonstrations.
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

The Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, also known as the Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC), is a loose-knit nationwide organization established in Portland, Oregon, in 1973 by Portland resident Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach. The SPC is a non-affiliated off-shoot of the Identity Group (IG), a California based tax rebellion organization. The SPC claims that the Federal Reserve System and the graduated income tax are "ultra vires and not lawful," and that the Federal judiciary has attempted to establish "a dictatorship of the courts over the citizens of the Republic."

The SPC calls for the establishment of a posse in each county to assist the only legitimate law enforcement authority, the county sheriff, in combating the unlawful acts of others, particularly those of Federal and state officials.

Some members and leadership of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents, and have engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials.

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THE POSSE COMITATUS

by authority of
The Constitution Of The United States

In the formation of this constitutional republic, the county has always been and remains to this day, the TRUE seat of the government for the citizens who are the inhabitants thereof. The County Sheriff is the only legal law enforcement officer in these United States of America.

The Sheriff can mobilize all men between the ages of 18 and 45 who are in good health and not in the federal military service. OTHERS CAN VOLUNTEER! This body of citizens is the Sheriff's Posse. Each must serve when called by the Sheriff. The title of this body is the Posse Comitatus.

The Posse is the entire body of those inhabitants who may be summoned by the Sheriff, or who may volunteer, to preserve the public peace or execute any lawful precept that is opposed. Since the Sheriff is the servant of the citizens who are inhabitants of the County, it is not his choice as to whether or not the Posse is organized and brought into being. It is only his choice as to whether or not he wishes to use it.

Since the formation of our Republic, the local County has always been the seat of government for the people. A county government is the highest authority of government in our Republic as it is closest to the people, who are in fact, the government. The County Sheriff is the only legal law enforcement officer in the United States of America. He is elected by the people and is directly responsible for law enforcement in his County. It is his responsibility to protect the people of his County from unlawful acts on the part of anyone, including officials of government. His oath of office is to uphold, preserve and defend the constitution of these
United States and the State in which his County Exists. He may be required to do no less and no more in the performance of his official duties. It should be emphasized that this protection extends to Citizens who are being subjected to unlawful acts even by officials of government, whether these be judges of courts or Federal or State Agents of any kind whatsoever.

The County Sheriff must be advised of the instances where unlawful acts are committed. It is the duty of the Sheriff to protect the local citizens from such unlawful acts. Once he has been advised and refuses to perform his lawful duty in respect to the matter, the Judge Comitatus has the lawful right under natural law to act in the name of the Sheriff to protect local jurisdiction. Since the Second Amendment to the Constitution says, "the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed." In the execution of the law, arrests may be made. The criminal may be remanded to the custody of the County Sheriff for trial by a citizen jury empanelled by the Sheriff from citizens of the local jurisdiction, instead of by the Courts as is the current procedure in most Counties and which has no basis under law, any act of any legislature or directives issued by the judiciary or Executive notwithstanding.

The unlawful use of County Sheriffs as LACKEYS of the Courts should be discontinued at once. There is no lawful authority, for Judges and the Courts to direct the law enforcement activities of a County Sheriff. The Sheriff is accountable and responsible only to the citizens who are the inhabitants of his County. He is under oath of office and need not receive unlawful orders from Judges or the Courts. They are the judiciary but the Sheriff is the Executive branch of our government. He is responsible to protect citizens, even from unlawful acts of officials of government. If he refuses to do so, he should be removed from office promptly.

The prerequisite to proper guidance is the basic understanding of Common Law and a background knowledge of the United States Constitution, as well as the Republican form of government created thereby. Such knowledge is considered essential to good citizenship and fulfillment of the responsibilities by true Christians to their God and Country.

The Supreme Court of the United States formally declared this Republic to be a Christian nation. In a case involving the Holy Trinity Church vs United States, 143 US 471, on the 28th of Feb 1892. The Court, after mentioning various circumstances, added the following words: "and these and many other matters which might be noticed, add a volume of unofficial declarations to the mass of organic utterances, that this is a Christian Nation.

The Constitution was lifted from the articles of Confederation, therefore the Constitution's source is the Holy Bible. By this contract the States, representing the people, created an agent of the States known as the Federal Government. The people, as States, gave certain powers to this "agent" and by the 9th and 19th Amendments, made it clear that this agent had only those powers which have been enumerated for it in the contract between the States. All others remain with the States and the people. The Federal Government is not above States which created it.

The Constitution is a simple document. It says what it means and means what it says. It means today what it meant when it was written. It is the SUPREME LAW for the States of the Union as well as for the Federal Government, which has been created by the States and the people, existing as
States, which are separate sovereign Republics within the United States, it should be made clear that the Federal Government is an agency of the States. The Federal government is a servant of the States and the people, not their master. The 9th Amendment states clearly: "The enumeration in the Constitution of certain rights shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people." This simply means that because the contract enumerated rights for the States, that the listing of these rights does not mean that the same must be done for the people but that the people retain all rights without having them enumerated in the contract. The 10th Amendment says: "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people." This simply means that the Federal Government has only those powers which have been listed in the Constitution. If the power is not listed, then the Federal Government DOES NOT HAVE IT. All powers not listed for the Federal Government in the contract, remain with the States or to the people. Prior to the existence of the United States, each State was, and remains to this day, a separate sovereign Republic. The Governor of each State was and remains to this day, the Chief Executive Officer of his State. He is the only officer of the Government within the United States, who had and has to this day, "military power and military authority." He is commander and chief of his State Militia. He is the only officer of Government in the United States who has the lawful authority to declare martial law. No officer of the Federal Government has such power, Any act of Congress or Judicial ruling notwithstanding. (10th Amendment). The governor of a State had such military power prior to the existence of the Union and he retains such power today. It was never delivered to the Federal Government by either the State or the People.

Article 4, Section 4 of the U.S. Constitution makes it clear that the agent created by the States, the Federal Government referred to as the United States, as well as all State Governments, shall guarantee to every State in the Union, a Republican form of Government. (A Government of Law, not of men nor the opinions of men, nor a democracy, which is mob rule).

COMMON LAW vs STATUTORY LAW

Federalist Papers #46, James Madison, wrote: "The Federal and State Governments are in fact but different agents and trustees of the people...the adversaries of the Constitution seem to have lost sight of the people altogether. They must be told that the ultimate authority resides in the people.

Federalist Papers #78, Alexander Hamilton, wrote: "No legislative act contrary to the Constitution can be valid. To deny this would be to affirm that the deputy is greater than his principle; that the servant is above the master; that the representatives of the people are superior to the people, that men, acting by virtue of powers, may not only what their powers do not authorize, but what they forbid. It is not to be supposed that the Constitution could intend to enable the representatives of the people to substitute their will to that of their constituents. A Constitution is, in fact, and must be regarded by Judges as a fundamental Law. If there should happen to be an irreconcilable variance between the two, the Constitution is to be preferred to the statute." Nor does this conclusion by any means suppose a superiority of the Judicial to the Legislative. It only sup-
poses that the power of the people is superior to both and that the power of the people is superior to both and that where the will of the legislature, declared in its statutes, stands in opposition to that of the people as declared in the Constitution, the judges must be governed by the latter, rather than for former.

Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 210; Scott v Sanford, 19 How 393, 15 L Ed 691: "Neither the legislative, executive nor judicial departments of the federal government can lawfully exercise any authority beyond the limits marked out by the Constitution.

16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 210; Wilson v Philadelphia Scho. Dist. 328 Pa 225, 195 A 90, 113 ALR 1401: "Any fundamental or basic power necessary to government cannot be delegated.

16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 178: Constitutional Law: "The general rule is that an unconstitutional statute, though having the form and name of law, is in reality no law, but is wholly void and ineffective for any purpose; since unconstitutionality dates from the time of its enactment and not merely in the date of the decision so branding it: an unconstitutional law, in legal contemplation, is as inoperative as if it had never been passed... an unconstitutional law is Void... it imposes no duties, confers no rights, creates no office... bestows no power or authority on anyone, affords no protection and justifies no acts performed under it... an unconstitutional law cannot repeal or supersede any existing valid law... an unconstitutional statute cannot repeal or in any way affect an existing valid one... the general principles stated above apply to the Constitution as well as to the laws of the several States in so far as they are repugnant to the Constitution of the United States. Moreover, the construction of a statute which brings it in conflict with a Constitution, will nullify it as effectually as if it had been enacted in conflict therewith.

16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 547; Daniel Webster, James Otis and Sir Edward Coke all pointed out that the mere fact of enactment does not and cannot raise statutes to the standing of LAW not everything which may pass under the form of statutory enactment can be considered the LAW of the land.

U.S. Sup. Ct., Maybury v Madison, 1803, 2 L Ed 60; 1 Cra. 137; ref. 6 Whea. 246 & Wal 601: "Law repugnant to the Constitution is VOID... an act of the legislature, for I cannot call it law CONTRARY to the first great principles of the social compact (constitution) cannot be considered a rightful exercise of legislative authority.

16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 177: "An unconstitutional statute though having the form and name of law, is in reality NO LAW, but wholly null and void and ineffective for any purpose. It imposes no duty, confers no rights, creates no office, bestows no power or authority on anyone, affords no protection and justifies no acts performed under it. No one is bound to obey an unconstitutional statute and no courts are bound to enforce it."
rule is that an unconstitutional act of the legislature protects no one. It is said that all persons are presumed to know the law, meaning that ignorance of the law excuses no one; if any person acts under an unconstitutional statute, he does so at his peril and must take the consequences;"

Section 2384, Title 18, United States Code reads:
Seditious conspiracy: "If two or more persons in any State or Territory, or in any place subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, conspire to overthrow, put down, or to destroy by force the Government of the United States; or to levy war against them, or to oppose by force the authority thereof, or by force to prevent, hinder or delay the execution of any law of the United States, or by force to seize, take, or possess any property of the United States contrary to the authority thereof, they shall each be fined not more than $20,000.00 or be imprisoned not more than twenty years, or both."

(It is to be noted here that the authority of the United States is the Constitution. Further, the force need not be limited to "military force" but can be legal force, physiological force, economic force, etc.... it is therefore quite clear that all persons who participate in the conspiracy known as "Metro Government", are clearly in violation of this code and should be held to answer for such crimes by allPosses. Such persons are unlawfully attempting to alter our form of government.)

Since a guide of this type cannot possibly anticipate each and every local problem or condition, it should be utilized where the Constitution and the Natural Law is being violated. In many instances such violations may involve officials of the federal or local government as much as by individual citizens. In the interest of education, some of the most prolific violations by government officials and agencies are included here as major examples which should be contemplated by all citizens interested in the Posse Comitatus.

FEDERAL EDUCATION AND THE SCHOOLS
The Federal Congress has been "legislating" in the areas of education and schools. The Federal, and in some instances the State judiciary. Read the 9th and 10th Amendments to the Constitution. Read the entire Constitution and one will not find any power given to any branch of the Federal government in the area of education and the schools. Since it is not enumerated in the contract, the Federal Government does not have it. Therefore, all such acts of any branch of the Federal Government (Legislative, Executive or Judiciary) are ultra-vires, unconstitutional and not law. In fact, officials of the Federal Government, by enacting such pretended legislation and Court edicts, are in violation of their respective oaths of Office to uphold, preserve and defend the Constitution. This is defined by law as a CRIMINAL ACT!... (Ultra-vires as used herein, means "as tho it had never been enacted in the first instance)."

THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM
Article 1, Section 10, of the Constitution prohibits the States from making anything but gold and silver Coin a tender in payment of debts. By law, one Dollar must equal 23.22 grains of pure gold or 271.25 grains of pure silver. Citizens of the United States cannot obtain such Coin simply because none is available. Because the Federal Congress has unlawfully violated Article 1, Section 8, of the Constitution. It has unlawfully abdicated the power mandated by the States and the people, "to coin money, regulate the value thereof and of
foreign coin and fix the standard of weights and measures." The Federal Congress has unlawfully delegated this power to a privately owned Federal Reserve System which pays NO TAXES and is not audited nor subject to regulation by any agency of the Federal Government. It is a private monopoly which neither the people nor the States authorized in the Constitution. The Federal Reserve Act (38 Stat. 251; U.S.C. 221) enacted December 23rd, 1913 is in violation of the Constitution and is therefore ultra-vires and not law.

It is quite obvious that the solution to the problem lies in the hands of the Federal Congress. It can and must be solved. It is not the purpose of this guide to outline the solution, although this could be done if it would fit the purpose and not require excessive space. The area of correction on a State or local level might be to enforce Article 1, Section 10, of the Constitution.

It is suggested that persons wishing to obtain detailed information on the subject, send $5.00 to William Drexler, 3171 Ducommon Avenue, University City, Calif. 92122.

THE GRADUATED INCOME TAX

Title 26, U.S. Code, enacted by Congress and known as the Internal Revenue Code, is completely in violation of the Constitution, therefore it is ultra-vires, unlawful and not binding upon the people nor the States of the Union. The entire Code is a series of unconstitutional abuses which attempt to require a citizen's consent to the repudiation and violation of his God-given and Constitutional rights. Beginning with Section 6012 -- Persons Required To Make Returns Of Income....it says that a citizen must voluntarily give up his rights under the 4th, 5th and 7th Amendments and in general, the entire Constitution. It should be noted that Section 6012 does not provide for tax payments nor does it establish a tax. When a citizen complies with Section 6012, he is not obeying the law but is being "trapped" into voluntarily surrendering his Constitutional rights and protection. When the Courts have ruled that known communists and murderers may not be deprived of their Constitutional rights, it is absolute nonsense to believe that an Act of Congress or any other branch of government may make a good citizen do so.

Have you ever thought of the fact that until you voluntarily give up these rights, that there is no income tax? There can be no income tax until the return, with the lawful information is completed. Then comes Section 7203 of the Internal Revenue Code. "Willful Failure To File Returns, Supply Information Or Pay Tax". This is another unlawful statute which attempts to back up Section 6012 which doesn't say a word about paying a tax. This merely threatens a citizen for not voluntarily giving up his rights and protection which are guaranteed by the Constitution. How silly can they be? Any official of government, including judges of the Courts, who attempts to enforce such unlawful legislation should be removed from office. Where instances are known, the Posse Comitatus should prepare an "Order For Arrest" of the official involved. The arrest should be made and the criminal remanded to the custody of the County Sheriff for imprisonment and trial by a Citizen's Jury. This Jury should be empanelled by the Sheriff from citizens of the local jurisdiction. The present method of empaneling juries by the Courts is unlawful and should be repudiated by the local Possee.

THE JUDICIARY

There are always some exceptions to the rule, but the...
rule for the Judiciary, both State and Federal, has been subtle subversion of the Constitution of these United States. The subversion and contempt for the Constitution by the Judiciary is joined by the Executive and Legislative branches of government. It is apparent that the Judiciary has attempted to alter our form of Government. By unlawful administrative acts and procedures, they have attempted to establish a Dictatorship of the Courts over the citizens of this Republic. The legal profession has, with few exceptions, conspired with the Judiciary for this purpose.

The Constitution of the United States is clear and concise in its delegation of powers to the Federal Judiciary. In fact, the only Federal Court established by the Constitution is the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court is not the highest Court in the land, as most people are told. In fact, it is the lowest Court. The highest court in the land is the Justice of Peace Court which is closest to the people. It is a local County Court. All other Federal Courts are ordained and established by the Congress. (Art. 3, Sec. 1, Cl. 1)

The Judges, both of supreme and inferior Courts, do not hold office for life but only during good behavior. Disregard for the Constitution is not good behavior on the part of any judge. It is a violation of his Oath of Office. In the establishment of the inferior Federal Courts, the Congress is limited to the extent that any legislative act must be in pursuance of the Constitution. The Congress may not amend the Constitution nor may it delegate its powers as mandated by that contract. The Federal Congress has violated these mandates particularly in passage of the "Administrative Procedures Act of 1946". This act attempts to invalidate the basic rights guaranteed to individual citizens by the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. Under this unlawful act, rules and regulations have been promulgated by agencies of Government such as the Internal Revenue Service, The Department of Agriculture, The Department of Health, Education & Welfare, as well as the Federal Courts. By this act the Congress attempted to abdicate its mandated legislative powers, delivering these powers to the Executive and judicial branches of Government. Federal Judges, U.S. Attorneys and other law enforcement officials, including lawyers as officers of the Court, are compelled to repudiate their Oath of Office to preserve, protect and defend the Constitution. Under color of law they are forced to collaborate in a criminal conspiracy to obstruct justice, disfranchise citizens and liquidate the Constitutional Republic of these United States. Under these unlawful rules and procedures, citizens have been unlawfully arrested by Court Orders, intimidated, threatened and harassed with and without trial by jury or due process of law as guaranteed by the Constitution. Article 3, Sec. 3, of the Constitution requires the trial of all crimes, except in cases of impeachment, by Jury. The 5th Amendment reads as follows: "No person shall be held to answer for a capital or other infamous crimes unless on a presentment or indictment of a GRAND JURY, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the militia, when in actual service, in time of war or in public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offence to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty or property without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation."

Basically the Judiciary has only the power to "Rule upon cases at law". The ruling is the "law for the case" and not-
CONCLUSION

All citizens who volunteer as members of locally organized POSSE COMITATUS should research their local Law Library on the subject of "Posse Comitatus". You will learn that the Common Law of your country provides for the Posse Comitatus and for Posse action.

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POWKE CHARTER INFORMATION

Merely reading books, passing out pamphlets, listening to a speech or attending an anti-communist meeting has no effect against the growth of communism. This is the mistaken idea which has brought about nothing but defeat in the battle to preserve our liberties, however it will develop the best educated slaves in the world. Only organised political action can do the job. All the talk in the world will not stop the enemy. Your future and that of your loved ones are at stake. Are you willing to stand up and be counted?

We are in the process of organizing a Citizens Posee in every country in the United States, with everyone-bodied patriotic male of good character, who is interested in the preservation of law and order, becoming a member. Where possible we want to work directly with the County Sheriffs. In cases where we do not get their cooperation, we will take steps to replace the Sheriff and get one in office that will represent the people by adhering to constitutional law, which they took an oath to do upon taking office.

Upon request we will mail you a charter, or put you in touch with those who may already have one started. The charter requires the signatures of seven male Christians, interested in the preservation of our Constitutional form of government. The seven charter members will not be the entire Posee by any means. They will be the guiding hand in formation of the Posee and hopefully will keep the Posee under control.

Informations on any radio, C.B. or Ham, owned by members is also important. We are building up a net-work of communication, nation-wide, which we can rely on in an emergency. Particular attention should be given to Ham operators in your area and determine their willingness in cooperating with the movement.

Please give this matter serious consideration now. We have been waiting too long for George to do it and the job has isn't been done.

The United States of America was founded as a protest against taxation.
It is the duty of government to prevent injustice—not to promote it.
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-3687) (P)  
SUBJECT: SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY-SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SJSPC)  

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DATE 6/30/75 BY SPO BILUIMU

DATE 9/29/75 BY SPO BILUIMU

Re Sacramento nitel to the Bureau, 9/2/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM concerning captioned organization. Also enclosed for Portland is one copy of same LHM. One copy of LHM is being furnished to Secret Service, Sacramento.

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UACB, no separate LFNs are being submitted at this time on

A review of information gathered to date on captioned organization reveals no need to open cases on all members of this group as nowhere in their By-Laws do they advocate the overthrow of the U. S. Government. In addition, many of the members appear to be also involved in the John Birch Society and investigation of them could prove embarrassing to the Bureau while providing no significant information of value which would lead to prosecution in this matter.

LEADS:

SACRAMENTO

AT MONTGOMERY CREEK, CALIFORNIA. Will interview concern his involvement in the SPC.

AT STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA. Will interview of the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus.
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APPENDIX

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka

The SPC, also known as the Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC), is a loose-knit nationwide organization established in Portland, Oregon, in 1973 by Portland resident Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach. The SPC is a non-affiliated offshoot of the Identity Group (IG), a California based tax rebellion organization. The SPC claims that the Federal Reserve System and the graduated income tax are "ultra vires and not lawful," and that the Federal judiciary has attempted to establish "a dictatorship of the courts over the citizens of the Republic."

The SPC calls for the establishment of a posse in each county to assist the only legitimate law enforcement authority, the county sheriff, in combating the unlawful acts of others, particularly those of Federal and state officials.

Some members and leadership of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents, and have engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials.
Director, FBI

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SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S
POSS COMITATUS (SJSPC)
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Refer to the Bureau dated 9/29/75, and captioned
as above.

Sacramento, California, in accordance with instructions set forth in
Bureau letter to Albany dated 4/21/75, and captioned "Sheriffs
Posse Comitatus (SPC), eka; EM - SPC."

Results of investigation conducted should be submitted to the
Bureau in a form suitable for dissemination.

NOTE:

The SPC is a loose-knit white-hate nationwide
organization established in Portland, Oregon, in 1973. It
claims that the county sheriff is the only authorized law
enforcement official, and that the Federal Reserve System and
the Graduated Income Tax are not lawful. Certain members of
the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, and have
advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents.

This is contrary to policy set forth in previously mentioned Bureau
letter to Albany dated 4/21/75, which instructs that investigations
be initiated on

NOTE CONTINUED PAGE 2
Letter to Sacramento
Re: San Joaquin County Sheriff's
Posse Comitatus (SJSPC)

NOTE CONTINUED:

The purpose of this communication is to instruct Sacramento to utilize existing guidelines when conducting SPC investigations.
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**TITLE OF CASE**

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka

**CHARACTER OF CASE**

EM

**REFERENCE:** Kansas City letter to Bureau 4/30/75.

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LEADS:

PORTLAND

AT PORTLAND, OREGON

Will advise Kansas City as to due date of Portland's annual nonprosecutive summary report.

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**ACQUIT-TALS**

- [ ] NONE

**CASE HAS BEEN:**

- [ ] PENDING OVER ONE YEAR
- [ ] YES
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- [ ] YES
- [ ] NO

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KANSAS CITY

AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

Will continue investigation to further identify SPC activities in Kansas City Division.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Kansas City has not opened separate cases on the three SPC chapters thus far identified in the Kansas City Division inasmuch as these chapters are small in size, relatively inactive and not known to be involved in any illegal activities.

Additionally, none of these members thus far identified are known to have demonstrated a propensity for violence.

Agent conducting investigation at Hermitage, Missouri, was SA at Ava, Missouri, SA and at Waynesville, Missouri, SA

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EXTREMIST MATTER

SPC chapter in Hickory County, Missouri

SPC chapter in Wyandotte County, Kansas;
seven members identified.

SPC chapter in Douglas County, Missouri.

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DETAILS:

I. **SPC, HICKORY COUNTY, MISSOURI**

A characterization of the SPC is attached as an appendix.
On July 24, 1975, the Postmaster at Hermitage, Missouri, advised there is no post office box there for this organization.
II. SPC, WYANDOTTE COUNTY, KANSAS

On May 7, 1975, Recorder of Deeds Office, Wyandotte County Court House, Kansas City, Kansas, advised her records reveal on June 15, 1974, an SPC application for charter was filed. Furnished a photostatic copy of the charter.

The following individuals are identified as "charter members" of the Wyandotte County SPC:

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Kansas City, Kansas

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IV. MISCELLANEOUS

On April 18, 1975, Pulaski County, Waynesville, Missouri, advised she has no knowledge of the SPC or National Christian Posse Association in Pulaski County.

On 9/26/75, Jackson County Recorder's Office, Kansas City, Missouri, advised a review of her records did not reveal the filing of an application for charter by any group calling itself the SPC.
APPENDIX

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

The Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), also known as the Citizens Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC), established at Portland, Oregon, in 1973, is a non-affiliated offshoot of the Identity Group, a California based organization whose leaders and membership have espoused hatred for Jews and Negroes and advocated assassination of FBI Agents and Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Agents, as well as the hanging of certain judges. The primary activities of the SPC have been directed toward efforts to gain public support for opposition to regional governments, restrictive gun legislation, and to encourage mass non-compliance with the Internal Revenue Code.

The leader of the SPC is Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach, who has expressed the purpose of the SPC to be the education of law enforcement officials followed by direct action if authorities fail to combat alleged law violators. Beach encourages the organization of posse groups in counties throughout the country but does not attempt to control the philosophies or activities of the particular chapters.

The "Posse Comitatus", a pamphlet distributed by the SPC, states the local posses have the right under natural law to act in the name of the sheriff to protect local jurisdiction, to prevent illegal orders by state, federal, or local officials, and to maintain peace and security during time of crises.

William Potter Gale, Glendale, California, is the leader of the Identity Group which is also known as the Ministry of Christ Church, which has been described as a cover for an "underground army." He is the self-proclaimed minister of the church. Identity Group claims to have representatives in 40 states. It advocates violence against Federal officers, blacks, and Jewish elements. The group advocates tax rebellion and has urged the killing of Federal judges as well as FBI Agents and IRS Agents. It advocates formation of a "Posse Comitatus", a voluntary group of citizens who would act in the name of the local sheriffs to "enforce" the law.
APPENDIX

MINUTEMEN

The Minutemen organization was organized in 1960, reportedly to resist the spread of communism in the United States, by use of guerrilla tactics. Robert B. DePugh, national coordinator of the Minutemen, was sentenced in October 1970, for violations of the Federal Firearms Act. At the time of his arrest DePugh was in possession of documents concerned with guerrilla warfare and other paraphernalia, including hand grenades, gun silencers, and a machine gun. DePugh was released on parole during April 1973, and in June 1973, indicated he planned to revitalize the Minutemen into a "two-armed organization." Arm number one was to be utilized as a political front organization to sway elections and control local and state political structures. Arm number two was to be an underground guerrilla organization made up of "strike teams." These "strike teams" are to be under direct control of DePugh and their existence is to be unknown to everyone, including Minutemen State Coordinators.

APPENDIX

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SAC, Kansas City (157-3198)
Director, FBI (157-33487) — 202

SHERIFF’S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka
EXTREMIST MATTER — WHITE HATE

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ReKrep 10/10/75.

Referenced report sets forth Kansas City has not
opened separate cases on the three SPC chapters thus far
identified in the Kansas City Division inasmuch as these
chapters are small in size, relatively inactive and not
known to be involved in any illegal activities. Kansas City
also indicated separate case files have not been opened
on individual members for the same reasons and in addition
none of the members thus far identified are known to have
demonstrated a propensity for violence.

Kansas City attention is directed to Bureau letter
4/21/75 to all offices which instructed that

in addition, separate
cases should be opened on each SPC chapter in your territory.

The fact that SPC chapters in your territory are
small in size and relatively inactive to date does not
preclude the necessity for investigation to determine what
is going on within these chapters and the activities of
leaders and members connected with them in view of past actions
by SPC members which clearly demonstrate the SPC’s propensity
for violence, such as attacks on Federal tax representatives and
state and local law enforcement authorities.

In line with your investigations, insure that every
effort is made to obtain coverage of each SPC chapter in your
territory, as instructed in Bureau Airtel to Albany and all
offices 5/21/75. It is noted your coverage to date appears
to be primarily through the Airtel mechanism and as
pointed out in Bureau airtel 5/21/75, reliance on coverage of
SPC groups by this mechanism is not acceptable.

Portland (157-1432)

MAIL ROOM  □  TELETYPE UNIT □

SEE NEXT PAGE
Letter to Kansas City
Re: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC)
157-33487.

Furnish results of investigation in a form suitable for dissemination.

Copies of referenced report should be furnished locally to U. S. Secret Service, Internal Revenue Service and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

NOTE:

The SPC is a loose-knit nationwide organization founded in Portland, Oregon, in 1973. It claims that the Federal Reserve System and the Graduated Income Tax are not lawful. Claiming that the only legitimate law enforcement authority is the county sheriff, the SPC advocates assassination of Federal law enforcement agents and the hanging of Government officials if they do not perform as the SPC believes they should. Some members of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes. Kansas City report 10/10/75 advises three SPC chapters exist in Kansas City territory, however, Kansas City indicated separate cases are not being opened on these chapters inasmuch as the chapters are small in size, relatively inactive and not known to be involved in any illegal activities. Kansas City being instructed as set forth in instant letter.
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FBI/DOJ
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-10026) (RUC)

DATE: 10/17/75

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
        Aka Citizens' Law Enforcement
        Research Committee (CLERC)
        EM - WHITE HATE

(00: PORTLAND)

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6/2/75.

Re Bureau airtels to all offices dated 5/21/75, and

Bureau
2 - Portland
1 - Charlotte

SYMBOL SOURCE PAGE ATTACHED.
On 8/18/75, Register of Deeds Murphy, N. C., made available her records to SA. Review of these records reveal that no charter or incorporation papers for SPC or CLERC had been filed in Cherokee County.

On 7/29/75, SA contacted Office of the Secretary of State, Raleigh, N. C., who stated a check of the articles of incorporation failed to reveal any record to indicate that either SPC or CLERC has been chartered for incorporation anywhere in the state of N. C.

All Charlotte Agents have been alerted for any information concerning SPC or CLERC.

In view of the instructions in Bureau airtel of 6/2/75, since the foregoing information does not show the existence of a specific SPC chapter or a specific violation of federal tax laws, this information is not being submitted in form suitable for dissemination.
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**RE:**

**CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL COMPLIANCE (CCC)**

**Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC)**

**EM - WKG**

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**Remarks:**

Redacted and EM 10/17/75 captioned as above. Bufiles contain no additional data on groups.

Submit detailed EM's on each of these cases and not investigative summaries. See Bulletin 8/15/74 "Subversive and Extremist Investigations of Individuals, Streamline Reporting" Page 2, item 2.

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DATED Dec 18, 1975 BY SPBAJ

157-33477-206
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, DALLAS (157-3317) (P)

DATE: 10/17/75

SUBJECT: CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL COMPLIANCE (CCC), aka Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC)

OO: DALLAS

Re Dallas teletype to Bureau, captioned as above, dated 2/13/75; Bureau airtel to all offices dated 6/2/75, captioned "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), aka"; Dallas teletype to Bureau, captioned as above, dated 6/6/75; and El Paso airtel and LHM, captioned as above, dated 9/5/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of an LHM pertaining to the Dallas SPC group known as the CCC, with two copies of an FD-376 stapled thereto. An information copy of the LHM is being furnished Portland for information, inasmuch as that office is origin in the overall SPC matter.

Two copies of LHM are being furnished locally to J. S. Secret Service, Dallas, Texas.

ADMINISTRATIVE

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6 - Dallas (1 - 157-3317)
   (2 - 157-3360) (SPC Control File)
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LHM destroyed.

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
LEADS

DALLAS

AT DALLAS, TEXAS. Will through logical sources and confidential informants follow the activities of the CCC group to determine if that group is engaging in activities which might involve a violation of Federal laws.
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535
October 17, 1975

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

RE: CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL COMPLIANCE
(Re Dallas LHM dated 10/17/75)

Dear Sir:

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

1. □ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. □ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. □ Threatening or abusive statement about U.S. or foreign official.
4. □ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U.S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. □ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. □ Defector from U.S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. □ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U.S.

Photograph □ has been furnished □ enclosed □ is not available.

Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) 2)
U.S. Secret Service, Dallas, Texas

Enclosure(s) 1
CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL COMPLIANCE,
Also Known As Sheriff's Posse Comitatus

This investigation is based on information which indicates that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) (see appendix) is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Conspiracy Against Rights of Citizens), Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities), Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related Civil Rights Statutes.

The Citizens for Constitutional Compliance (CCC) was formed at Dallas, Texas, on February 15, 1975. This group, although autonomous, adheres to the policies of the SPC, and at its first meeting on February 15, 1975, had as its main speaker Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach, of Portland, Oregon, who is the national organizer of the SPC.

Sources whose identities are concealed herein have furnished reliable information in the past except where otherwise noted.

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.
Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach, Portland, Oregon, is the national organizer of SPC, which claims to have chapters in approximately 40 states. It advocates formation of a "Posse Comitatus", a voluntary group of citizens who would act in the name of local sheriffs to enforce the law. The group advocates tax rebellion and has urged the arrest by the posse of IRS Agents attempting to enforce the Internal Revenue Code. It claims to have the lawful right under natural law to act in the name of the sheriff in protecting local citizens from unlawful activities, including the unlawful acts of officers of the government, whether these be judges or Federal or State Agents.
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Also Known As Sheriff's Posse Comitatus

The Dallas Morning News, a newspaper published
daily at Dallas, Texas, in its issue of February 27, 1975,
page 1-D, carried the following article, which pertained
to the CCC:
IRS Warns Against Tax Advisers' Advice

By RENA FEDERSON

Dallas IRS officials warned taxpayers Wednesday to be wary of so-called tax advisers who recommend pleading the Fifth Amendment on tax forms or running off revenue agents with armed posses.

They said other taxpayers who followed such advice from a "Tax Strike Seminar," have faced court action in other states for failing to file a proper return or for forcible interference with government officials performing their duty.

The same seminar was held in Dallas Jan. 16 and reportedly is scheduled again Saturday at the NorthPark Inn.

The IRS spokesmen said the seminars have been hosted across the nation by self-styled "tax protesters" who claim to teach taxpayers how to avoid paying federal income taxes.

Attendance at the seminars costs from $10 to $25, depending on the location. A variety of packets usually are sold that purportedly include instructions to circumvent federal authority, such as "How To Stop Paying Gasoline and Most Sales Tax," "How To Defend Yourself in Traffic Court," "How To Sue IRS Agents," and "How To Stop Being a Government Slave." They range in price from $1 for information on "Tax Defense Fund" to $75 for the "Businessmen's Pack."

According to government officials, the group leaders—notably Marvin Cooley and William Drexler—manage to get publicity on radio and television talk shows in advance of the seminars by suggesting others can learn from their success with legal loopholes.

Drexler, a former lawyer, is the author of "Happiness Is Having A Swiss Bank Account," and Cooley, a former sharecropper, has authored a book called, "The Big Stuff."

However, Drexler has been disbarred by the Minnesota Supreme Court and is under indictment in California on a jury-tampering charge. Although he was acquitted by a jury in 1973 on criminal charges of failure to file income tax returns, the civil case is still pending.

Cooley recently lost an appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court on a 1973 conviction on three counts of failure to file federal income tax returns.

IRS officials pointed out the Supreme Court also recently ruled that "Fifth Amendment" returns—often recommended by Drexler and Cooley—are not a legal return. The IRS officials said "hundreds of taxpayers" who failed to report their incomes on grounds they might incriminate themselves now face court action for failing to file a proper return.

Emilio Biondi, district IRS information officer, also reported one Idaho Falls, Idaho, lawyer said his doctor client "lost his practice and his family" for following Cooley's advice. The doctor reportedly was sentenced to 30 days in prison for reporting only his name and address on his 1972 form.

Other government officials reported the "tax protesters have associated themselves with the vigilante group known as the "Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee" or "Posse Comitatus."

They said the group is being investigated by law enforcement agencies across the nation for advocating armed resistance to alleged "unlawful acts by public officials."

A booklet produced by the group claims "in some instances the law provides for the following prosecution of officials of government who commit criminal acts or who violate their oath of office: He shall be removed by the posse to the most populated intersection of streets in the township and at high noon be hung by the neck, the body remaining until sundown as an example to those who would subvert the law."

Government officials noted that one posse member who had shot a revenue officer was later arrested and charged with intimidation and forcible interference.
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CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL COMPLIANCE,
Also Known As Sheriff's Posse Comitatus

On April 15, 1975, the CCC published a newspaper, which was entitled "The Dallas Examiner", which paper indicated it was published by the CCC, P. O. Box 28030, Dallas, Texas, with its Editor and Chief Nek Nomolos (Kenneth D. Solomon, as set out above).

On September 19, 1975, Dallas County Clerk's Office, Dallas, Texas, stated that "The Dallas Examiner" is filed in the assumed names ledger for Dallas County, Texas, under Registration #22896, dated April 1, 1975, with Kenneth D. Solomon being shown as the person actually conducting its business.

The Dallas Examiner issue of April 15, 1975, contained numerous articles in opposition to the Federal Income Tax, and Solomon in his editorial captioned "From the Editor and Chief", stated "The Dallas Examiner is pro-American, constitutional, and patriotic! We want to see America healed and free again!" Since April 15, 1975, there have been no additional issues of The Dallas Examiner.

On September 19, 1975, stated that a review of the Dallas County Clerk's Office files failed to reflect any registration for any groups known as the SPC, but a group calling itself CCC did file for registration with her office on April 9, 1975, under Registration #25310, showing that Howell C. Willis is the person conducting the actual business for the CCC. The Registration Certificate appears as follows:
STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF DALLAS

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

The undersigned, for the purpose of complying with Article 3924 of the Revised Statutes of 1925 of the State of Texas, do hereby certify to the following facts:

1. That the name under which business is conducted and transacted is

Citizens for Constitutional Compliance

of Dallas, Dallas County, Texas

2. That the true and real full names of the persons conducting or transacting such business, and their addresses are as follows:

Names (Type or Print)          Addresses
Howell C. Willis               3332 San Marcus Ave.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands this, the 9th day of April, A.D. 1975.

[Signature]

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands this, the 9th day of April, A.D. 1975.

[Signature]

THE STATE OF TEXAS
County of DALLAS

BEFORE ME,

TOM E. ELLIS, COUNTY CLERK

In and for said County and State, on this day personally appeared,

Howell C. Willis

[Signature]

Known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and seal of office, this 9th day of April, A.D. 1975.

[Signature]

TOM E. ELLIS, COUNTY CLERK

Notary Public in and for Dallas County, Texas
CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL COMPLIANCE,
Also Known As Sheriff's Posse Comitatus

On October 1, 1975, "Tax Facts" telephone message stated that its next meeting, October 4, 1975, was cancelled, in order that the members could attend a seminar at the Six Flags Inn, Arlington, Texas, concerning the Federal Drug Administration control of a "miracle cancer drug called Leatrill."
APPENDIX

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (157-2362) (C)

SUBJECT: EM - SPC Sheriff’s Posse Comitatus

RePXrep of SA [redacted] dated 6/19/75 entitled "SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, EM - ORGANIZATION."

Enclosed for FBIHQ are four (4) copies of an Investigative Summary; two copies of FD-376 attached.

One copy of Investigative Summary disseminated to Secret Service, Phoenix.

Subject does not meet ADEX criteria.

Subject currently being prosecuted on charge of obstruction of justice for activities participated in conjunction with SPC activities.

Agency: Secret Service
Dept.: AAG Civil Rights Div.
AAG Criminal Div.
Attn: ISS
GCS (Lit. Unit)

How forwarded: R/S
Date: 11/7/75
By: [redacted]

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DATED 09/18/75 BY SPB BIT [redacted]

RE: 157-33481207

EX-III

REC-29

DATE: 10/17/75
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

This investigation is based on information which indicates [redacted] is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Conspiracy Against the Rights of Citizens), or Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related Civil Rights statutes.

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Section 1504, U.S. Code, Obstruction of Justice. There have been no organized meetings of the SPC since June, 1975, and has not attempted any reorganization of the unit, and has not talked about any increased activities.
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI(157-33487)

FROM: SAC, EL PASO (157-581) (C)

SUBJECT: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus

EM - SPC

OO: EL PASO

Re: El Paso airtel to Bureau, 5/13/75.

This investigation is based on information which indicates that this individual is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Conspiracy Against the Rights of Citizens), or Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related Civil Rights statutes.

In view of the above, no further investigation appears to be warranted concerning this matter, and El Paso will close this case to be re-opened in the event any future information is received indicating that captioned subject's activities warrant further investigation.

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DATE 6/09/80 BY SPBTT

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487) DATE: 10/20/75

FROM: YSAC, EL PASO (157-536) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM

Re Bureau letter to El Paso, 9/22/75.

It has, therefore, been determined through logical investigation by the El Paso Division that the above individual cases were closed because the member, who was originally believed to be a participant in SPC activities, withdrew membership and is no longer a part of the SPC organization.

It is further noted that investigation by the El Paso Division has determined that all of the above individuals, previously reported to be members, are no longer associated with the SPC since they determined that the SPC could possibly be in violation of the law.

It is the opinion of the El Paso Division that further investigation concerning these individuals is not warranted since they are no longer members.

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Date: 7/29/75

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
United States Secret Service
Director
October 17, 1975

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 157-2362

RE:

Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (1)
U.S. Secret Service, Phoenix, Arizona

Enclosure(s) 1
El Paso FD-405a submitted 7/1/75, inadvertently made no mention of captioned organization. However, FD-405a dated 10/7/75, contained information requested and advised of the fact that Supervisory and Agent personnel handling SPC investigations have been apprised of Bureau policy regarding these investigations.
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MEMORANDUM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (157-2380) (C)

SUBJECT: EM - SPC

DATE: 10/17/75

160-33487

6/19/75

BePXrep of SA

entitled "SHERIFF'S POSSE CONITATUS, EM - ORGANIZATION."

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[Subject does not meet ADEX criteria.]

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DATE: 10/29/75  BY: SFCB/1/nw

EX-110

ENCLOSURE

REG: 33487

OCR 23 1975

Agency: Secret Service

Dept.: AAG Civil Rights Div.

AAG Criminal Div.

Attn: IES

How forwarded: R/F

Date: 11/7

By: PUB

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5-5-5/1976

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20535

October 17, 1975

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

RE: [Redacted]

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[Signature]

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (1)
U.S. Secret Service, Phoenix, Arizona

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Since June, 1975, there have been no organized meetings of the SPC [redacted] has planned no meetings for the near future.

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15-1-87-210
ENCLOSURE
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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (157-2416) (C)

SUBJECT: [Redacted]

DATE: 10/17/75

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DATE [Redacted] 8/5 658B0111mW

1 - Phoenix
2 - Bureau (Encl. 4)

EX-110

Agency: Secret Service
Dept.: AAG Criminal Div.
Attn: CCS (Lit. Unit)

How forwarded
By: [Redacted]

Date: [Redacted] 11/7/75

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The Payroll Savings Plan
Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

RE: [redacted]

October 17, 1975

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Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (1)
U. S. Secret Service, Phoenix, Arizona

Enclosure(s) (1)
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

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ENCLOSURE
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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: ACTING ADIC, LOS ANGELES (157-10915)  
DATE: 10/28/75

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM-SPC  
00: Portland

Re Bureau letter to Butte dated 10/9/75.

Relet referred to a Los Angeles Times news article in its 8/28/75 issue and requested various offices to conduct investigation on the basis of information therein.

Copies of the letter Los Angeles sent the Bureau 9/3/75 and which enclosed a copy of the article were also furnished to Butte, Portland, Sacramento, and San Francisco. Each of those four offices also received a copy of the news article itself.

One copy of relet is enclosed for Portland as office of origin.

For the Bureau's information, Los Angeles has under investigation the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), Orange County.

Ex-106

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157-33407-213
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: ACTING ADIC, LOS ANGELES (157-11515)(C)

SUBJECT: EM - SPC

OO: LOS ANGELES

DATE: 10/24/75

Enclosed for Bureau are five copies of a letter-head memorandum (LHM) dated and captioned as above. Two copies of FD 376 are stapled thereto.

One copy of this LHM is being disseminated to Secret Service, Los Angeles.

The sources utilized in this LHM are as follows:

No further investigation is being conducted at this time by Los Angeles inasmuch as no information has been developed to indicate this subject is engaged in any illegal violent or militant activities.

VJO: [Signature]

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

October 24, 1975

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 157-11515

RE: [Redacted]

Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
   U.S. Secret Service, Los Angeles (RM)

Enclosure(s)
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DATE W/ED BY SP(SBD) (11 MW)

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The following description was obtained:

Name
Sex
Race
Date of birth
Height
Weight
Hair
Eyes
Complexion
Residence
Occupation
Person to notify

Scars and marks
Photograph

The files of the Los Angeles Office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, contain no additional information identifiable with
The News Chronicle, newspaper, Thousand Oaks, California, issue dated September 5, 1975, contained an article on page one entitled, "Posse: Ventura County's self-styled guardians of Constitution have ill-defined numbers, plans," which indicates Charles Sprinkle, Chairman, Ventura County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, was interviewed. The article described him as age 35, a ninth grade drop out "with a neatly trimmed dark beard and short hair."

It goes on to state that Sprinkle said he had attended meetings of a constitutional taxation group and then heard of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus which takes its name from English common-law and refers to "every male member of a county, 18 to 35, that any sheriff has the right to deputize." He indicated his association began three years ago and that early this year Sprinkle organized the Ventura County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus.

Sprinkle was quoted as saying his group's goals are "to defend the Constitution of the United States." When asked if the posse would use arms to oppose what they felt was trespassing such as by farm labor union organizers, on ranch property, Sprinkle stated, "I'm not quite sure. We'd have to meet with the sheriff and take their advice...what we would do is set up a line and inform them (United Farm Workers members) that they wouldn't be allowed on the property."

Sprinkle was then quoted as saying, "What we don't want is a mob...At the present time we haven't stepped in and done anything."

He then stated, "You won't see any action by the posse. Individual posse members will file suits against judges, governors, presidents - but not as a group. The posse is an educational force..." He then stated the posse exists "to supplement the county sheriff's department, not supplant it."
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157-334/7-214 LHM
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, EL PASO (157-566)(P)
SUBJECT: AKA
EM - SPC
OO: EP

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DATE 6/29/75 BY 3P3BGIF1Mw

Re El Paso airtel to the Bureau 5/13/75, captioned "Sheriff's Posse Committee, AKA (SPC), Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee, EM - WHG, OO: PD".

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of photo of subject, and five copies of an investigative summary captioned as above with two copies of FD-376 attached. A copy of the investigative summary being disseminated to U.S. Secret Service, El Paso, Texas.

Investigation at El Paso continuing and subject will be interviewed to determine extent of activities in SPC.
UNUNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535
October 20, 1975

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

Dear Sir:

RE: EXTREMIST MATTER - SHERIFF’S POSSE COMITATUS

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Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
   U.S. Secret Service

Enclosure(s)
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

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17-27487-219 ENC
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, EL PASO (157-580) (P)
SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

EM - SPC

OO: EL PASO

Re El Paso airtel to Bureau, 5/13/75, captioned "SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka. (SPC), Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee, EXTREMIST MATTER - WHITE HATE GROUP, OO: PD".

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2 - Bureau (Enc. 2)
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1 - CP
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

October 21, 1975

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

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Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) 1
U.S. Secret Service, El Paso, Texas (Hand Carry)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

El Paso, Texas
October 21, 1975

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

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MEMORANDUM

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (100-7254)
FROM SAC, SACRAMENTO (100-118)

DATE: 11/3/75

SUBJECT: CHARACTERIZATIONS OF SUBVERSIVE ORGANIZATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS
NATIONAL CHRISTIAN POSSE ASSOCIATION, SHASTA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of a characterization for the National Christian Posse Association (NCPA), Shasta County, California, submitted for Bureau approval.

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INDIANAPOLIS (157-0112)
PORTLAND (157-1432)
FROM CHICAGO (157-16680) (P)
ATTN: INTD

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), AKA EM; 00: PORTLAND

ON OCTOBER 2, 1975, INTERNAL SECURITY DIVISION, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE (IRS), DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY, CHICAGO, ADVISED IRS HAD NO INFORMATION REGARDING

THE SPC IS A LOOSE-KNIT NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOUNDED IN PORTLAND, OREGON, IN 1973. IT ADVOCATES ASSASSINATION OF FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENTS AND THE HANGING OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IF THEY DO NOT PERFORM AS THE SPC BELIEVES THEY SHOULD.

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RE PORTLAND WITEL TO BUREAU, SEPTEMBER 26, 1975;

INDIANAPOLIS WITEL TO BUREAU, SEPTEMBER 29, 1975.

 RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION REGARDING [REDACTED] MENTIONED IN INDIANAPOLIS TELETYPE, SEPTEMBER 29, 1975, HAS BEEN FURNISHED THE BUREAU PREVIOUSLY.

ANY POSITIVE INFORMATION RECEIVED BY CHICAGO WILL BE FURNISHED BUREAU AND APPROPRIATE OFFICES.

END.

THATS ALL  PLS ACK FOR THREE
DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-3522) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka

EM
OO: Portland

Re Sacramento airtel to Bureau, 5/14/75.

Referenced airtel disclosed that as of 5/14/75, there were two Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) organizations operating in Sacramento Division. These organizations were located in Stanislaus County, California, and San Juacquin County, California. Preliminary investigations have been conducted in regards to each of these SPC chapters, and the Bureau has been advised of the results of these investigations.

Subsequent referenced airtel, SPC chapters have been identified in the following California counties:

- Butte
- Fresno
- Kern
- Nevada
- Shasta
- Tehama

A preliminary investigation has been conducted with regards to the SPC chapter in Shasta County, and the Bureau has been appropriately advised.

- 2 - Bureau (RM)
- 2 - Portland (157-1432) (RM)
- 12 - Sacramento
  - (2 - 157-3785) (BUTTE COUNTY SPC)
  - (2 - 157-3792) (KERN COUNTY SPC)
  - (2 - 157-3872) (FRESNO COUNTY SPC)
  - (2 - 157-3907) (TEHAMA COUNTY SPC)
  - (2 - 157-3908) (NEVADA COUNTY SPC)

Approved: [Signature]

Sent: [Signature]

7 Nov 1975
Cases have been opened and preliminary investigations are being conducted with regards to the following California counties:

Butte  
Fresno  
Kern  
Nevada  
Tehama

The Bureau will be advised of results of preliminary investigation of the latter listed SPC chapters.
FBI

Date: 10/21/75

Transmit the following in

(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTTEL

(Precedence)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, EL PASO (157-583) (C)

SUBJECT: EM - SPC

OO: EL PASO

Re: El Paso airtel to Bureau, 5/13/75, captioned
"SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUM, aka. (SPC) Citizens' Law
Enforcement Research Committee, EXTREMIST MATTER - WHITE
HATE GROUP, OO: PD".

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of photograph of subject and five copies of investigative summary
dated and captioned as above, with two copies of an FD-376
attached. A copy of investigative summary being disseminated
to U. S. Secret Service, El Paso, Texas.

Approved: [Signature]

Agent in Charge

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No. 157-583

Re: EXTREMIST MATTER - SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

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United States Government

Memorandum

To: Director, FEI (157-33487)

From: SAC, Minneapolis (157-3450) (C)

Subject: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC)

EM - SPC

00: Portland

Date: 9/29/75

Re Bureau 0-1 form dated 9/26/75.

The Minneapolis Division has no further investigation concerning captioned matter, it being noted that the Minneapolis Division has a separate chapter of the SPC under investigation. Minneapolis file 157-4305, in which an LHM was submitted to the Bureau, 5/5/75. Captioned group will continue to be followed under Minneapolis file 157-4305, and suitable communications submitted to the Bureau.

All information contained herein is unclassified

Date: 9/29/83

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Buy U.S. Savings Bond: Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS
RACINE COUNTY CHAPTER

TO: MILWAUKEE
BUFFILE: 157-33487
PORTLAND FILE: 157-1432

IDENTITY GROUP

TO: LOS ANGELES
BUFFILE: 157-28219
LAFILE: 157-7775
MIFILE: 157-2790

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DATE 6/19/75 BY SP68DH

Reference Milwaukee letter to the Bureau dated 6/19/75.

Enclosed herewith are six copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above for the Bureau and two copies for Chicago, Los Angeles and Portland Divisions. Also are two copies of an FD 876 for the Bureau.

Bureau (Enc. 6) (RM)
(2 - 157-33487) (Enc. 5)
(1 - 157-28219) (Enc. 1)

2 - Chicago (Enc. 2) (Info) (RM)
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3 - Milwaukee
(2 - 157-2873) (SPC)
(1 - 157-2790) (IG)

12-7-75

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Copies of this LHM are being disseminated locally at Milwaukee to the US Secret Service and IRS in view of their past interest in this matter.

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**LOS ANGELES DIVISION**

Will advise whether the Christian Posse emblem and form used to record their formation as shown in the enclosed LHM has been used by anyone connected with the Identity Group (IG).
PORTLAND DIVISION

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MILWAUKEE DIVISION

At Racine, Wisconsin

Will continue efforts to determine whether this particular chapter follows any national or local tendencies toward violence.

It does not appear this letter or LHM warrants classification.
Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, RACINE COUNTY CHAPTER; IDENTITY GROUP

November 11, 1975

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. MI 157-2873

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   U. S. Secret Service, MILWAUKEE (RM)

Enclosure(s) 1
This investigation of the Racine, Wisconsin, chapter of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) is being directed toward determining whether this particular chapter follows the leadership and principles of the nationwide SPC organization established in Portland, Oregon (see appendix) or whether it follows the principles of the Identity Group (IG) (see appendix). In this regard, past investigation of these national groups has indicated that the SPC and IG are engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 2384 (Seditious Conspiracy), or Section 2385 (Advocating Overthrow of the Government).

The Racine County, Wisconsin, chapter of the SPC was granted a charter by the Wisconsin State Chairman of this association, Thomas F. Stockheimer, on January 10, 1975. This charter was filed with the Register of Deeds, Racine County, Wisconsin, in February, 1975, and listed Gerald H. Janca, 1703 Carlisle Avenue, Racine, as its Chairman, along with six other members.

SOURCES WHOSE IDENTITIES ARE CONCEALED HEREFIN HAVE PROVIDED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST EXCEPT WHERE OTHERWISE NOTED.

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IDENTITY GROUP

The Ministry of Christ Church (MCC), also known as the Identity Group (IG), filed Articles of Incorporation in California in October, 1964, with the stated purpose of "establishment, maintenance and conducting of a church of the Christian faith." The Group has been referred to as a cover for an underground army, and has a mailing address of P. O. Box 423, Glendale, California. In 1972 100 acres of land, known as the Manasseh Ranch, were purchased in Mariposa County, California, and is the national headquarters.

William Potter Gale, the leader of the IG, and other members have expressed hatred for Jews and Negroes, and have advocated killing FBI Agents and Internal Revenue Service Agents as well as hanging certain judges.

"Identity," a quarterly news bulletin published by this Group, sets forth that the U. S. Christian Posse Association was being formed under the MCC to assist and provide the necessary direction towards the formation of a Christian posse in every county in the U. S. "Identity" states that the body of citizens constituting the sheriff's posse was titled "posse comitatus." The IG believes that the county sheriff is the only legal law enforcement officer in the U. S. and should the sheriff fail to perform his duties, the Posse Comitatus must act in the name of the sheriff to enforce the law.

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

The United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (UKA) was chartered in 1961 at Atlanta, Georgia. It was formed as a result of splits in and consolidation of other Klan groups. In July, 1961, the United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, incorporated, merged with the Alabama Knights, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The merged organization was headed by Robert Shelton. In October, 1961, a majority of the Ku Klux Klan, were merged with the UKA and Robert Shelton continued as the leader.

The UKA is the dominant Klan group in the United States with headquarters located at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, and Klaverns in various states. Robert Shelton of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, continues to be the Imperial Wizard of the organization. The stated aims and purposes of the UKA are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy and segregation of the races. Like other Klan organizations, it is anti-Negro, anti-Semitic, and anti-foreign born.

Klan members and leaders have been involved in atrocities including beatings, bombings, and murders, and have engaged in activities seeking to deny others their constitutional rights.

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NATIONAL SOCIALIST WHITE PEOPLE'S PARTY (NSWPP)
Also Known As, THE AMERICAN NAZI PARTY,
AMERICAN NAZIS,
THE WORLD UNION OF FREE ENTERPRISE NATIONAL SOCIALISTS,
THE GEORGE LINCOLN ROCKWELL PARTY

The American Nazi Party - The World Union of Free Enterprise National Socialists was organized by George Lincoln Rockwell on February 26, 1959, based upon the concept of an international "National Socialist" movement, as espoused by the German Nazi Party, which was headed by Adolf Hitler. On January 1, 1967, the official name of this organization was changed to National Socialist White People's Party. The NSWPP supports and follows the line of hatred against blacks, Jews and communists through various propaganda media, demonstrations, and other publicity-seeking devices for the purpose of seeking a legitimate dominant political party within the United States and in foreign countries. Headquartered in Arlington, Virginia, the NSWPP is currently led by Matthias Koehl, Jr.
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, LITTLE ROCK (157-2644) (RUC)

DATE: 11/13/75

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC)

WHO

00: PORTLAND

Re: Portland report of SA

9/26/75.

The Sheriff's Posse Comitatus in the State of Arkansas was introduced by (redacted) who came to Eureka Springs, Arkansas, from the State of Wisconsin and formed a group known as the Americans for Constitutional Government and Law. He also formed a group known as the Little People's Tax Advisory Committee and as a leader and adviser to both of those groups, was invited to speak before the Benton County Taxpayer's Association in Bentonville, Arkansas. Through his speech to the Taxpayer's Association, he was able to introduce his idea of forming a Sheriff's Posse Comitatus in Benton County, Arkansas, and a group calling itself the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus of Benton County, Arkansas, gave a copy of its charter to the County Clerk in Bentonville, Arkansas.

A few meetings were held but since that time the activities of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus in both Benton and Carroll Counties, Arkansas, have been nonexistent.
In view of the fact reliable sources have furnished information that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus is nonexistent in Carroll and Benton Counties, Arkansas, and since there have been no known meetings or reports of efforts to organize a Sheriff's Posse Comitatus in other counties in Arkansas, this case is considered RUC in Little Rock, Division.
Investigation Asked of Complaints Against Umatilla County DA Judges

By JIM BARDLEY
Of The East Oregonian

The Oregon attorney general's office has been asked by the Umatilla County district attorney to look into complaints against the district attorney and three Umatilla County judges.

Dist. Atty. Jack Olsen said a complaint and writ of mandamus signed by Sam McPherson of Pilot Rock, Umatilla County Posse Comitatus leader, and 11 others has been sent to the attorney general's office.

Olsen said the complaint and writ possibly violated criminal statutes.

The writ, delivered by McPherson Monday to Sheriff Bill McPherson, called on the sheriff to arrest six persons for treason, and added that "Failure to an immediate return, will authorize the Posse to act in your name. To every one's injury."

The posse is in time way acting in my name," Olsen said today. He said that as long as the posse stayed within the law, there would be no trouble. But if the law is violated, the sheriff said, "somebody could get hurt."


A writ of mandamus is defined as a writ issued under constitutions and regulated by statute when there is no other adequate remedy at law.

McPherson said he had delivered the complaints but could proceed no further because no warrants had been issued by the district court. Even if such warrants were issued, a probate judge would have to be called in to judge because the three Umatilla County judges are named in the complaint.

Porter said today he would see a "Christian judge" because "there lies his the three Umatilla County judges are out in left field." He also complained.
again that Olsen does not have a degree in constitutional law. Porter added that a justice of the peace is the highest judge in the land "because he's closest to the people."

The writ, signed by "Citizens and Tax Payers, P.O. Box 508, Pilot Rock," calls on the sheriff "to arrest the following persons on information of record hereto annexed in part jointly or severally accused of criminal activities in public offices of trust and the conspiracy of giving aid and comfort to the enemy within and without NAMELY TREASON."

The complaint accuses the six of criminal violation of their oaths of office to uphold the constitutions of the United States and the state of Oregon.

Others whose signatures are on the writ are Gerald Hurd, Thomas Braun, Wally Leonard, Grand Chamber, Myrtle Porter, Loyd Amos, Clifford Gell, Darrell Smith, Patrick Smith and Everett Tepper. One of the signatures is not distinguishable.
Investigation Asked of Complaints Against Umatilla County DA, Judges

By JIM EARDLEY

The Oregon attorney general's office has been asked by the Umatilla County district attorney to look into complaints against the district attorney and three Umatilla County judges.

Dist. Atty. Jack Olsen said a complaint and writ of mandamus signed by Sam M. Porter of Pilot Rock, Umatilla County posse Comitatus leader, and 11 other persons had been sent to the attorney general's office.

Olsen said the complaint and writ possibly violated criminal statutes.

The writ, delivered by Porter Monday to Sheriff Bill McPherson, called on the sheriff to arrest six persons for treason, and added that "Failure to an immediate return, will authorize the posse to act in your name. To every one's injury."

The posse is in 'no way' acting in my name," McPherson said today. "I said as long as the posse stayed within the law, there would be no trouble. But if the law is violated, the sheriff said, "somebody could get hurt."


A writ of mandamus is defined as a writ issued under constitutions and regulated by statute when there is no other adequate remedy at law.

McPherson said he had delivered the complaints but could proceed no further because no warrants had been issued by the district court. Even if such warrants were issued, a probate judge would have to be called in to preside because the three Umatilla County judges are named in the complaint.

Porter said today he would see a "Christian judge" because "those fellows (the three Umatilla County judges) are out in left field." He also complained

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**SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)**

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DATE 11/13/75 BY SPB 0134

By routing slip 10/17/75, Portland furnished a copy of an article captioned "Investigation Asked of Complaints Against Umatilla County DA, Judges," from 10/14/75, issue of the "East Oregonian," a Pendleton, Oregon, newspaper.

This article reported that the Oregon Attorney General's Office has been asked by the Umatilla District Attorney's Office to look into complaints filed by members of the Umatilla SPC against the Umatilla District Attorney and three Umatilla County judges. The signers of this complaint were named in the article.

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SUBJECT  Posse Comitatus

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FILE #  HQ 157-33487 Section 6
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 11/10/75

FROM: CHIEF, SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (157-11562) (C)

SUBJECT: EM - WHITE HATE
OO: SF

Enclosed for FBIHQ are four copies of an investigative summary, two copies of an FD 376 are attached.

One copy of the investigative summary is being disseminated to Secret Service, San Francisco.

The Subject does not meet ADEX criteria.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

November 10, 1975

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

RE:

Dear Sir:

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

1. □ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. □ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. □ Threatening or abusive statement about U.S. or foreign official.
4. □ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U.S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. □ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. □ Defector from U.S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. □ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U.S.

Photograph □ has been furnished □ enclosed □ is not available.

Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (2) (RM)
U.S. Secret Service, San Francisco

Enclosure(s) (2)
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

EXTREMIST MATTER-WHITE HATE

This investigation is based on information which indicates that the captioned individual is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code (USC), Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Conspiracy Against the Rights of Citizens), or Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related civil rights statutes.

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A characterization of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus appears in the appendix page attached hereto.

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DATE 01/31/90 BY SFBT111MW ENCLOSURE
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC),  
Also Known As  
Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC)

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Some members and leadership of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents, and have engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials.

APPENDIX
Reurlet and letterhead memorandum dated 11/10/75.

You indicate in referenced letter that an interview of the subject is not recommended since he continues to be active in the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) and that there is no indication he would be responsive to an interview. The basis of your investigation in this matter was the fact that the subject was believed to be active in SPC activities, which have been found to be violence-prone in some areas. An interview of the subject should not be precluded because there is no indication he would be responsive. An interview should be conducted prior to closing the matter unless reasons exist to indicate that an interview would not be productive. The fact that there is no indication he would be responsive may only indicate the lack of coverage on your part.

Unless you possess additional information not in possession of the Bureau, you should interview the subject prior to closing the matter. Although FBINHQ is only in possession of recent investigative effort on your part as submitted in an Investigative Summary (IS), it appears that the only information developed by you has been that received from newspaper publications. As indicated above, the SPC has, in several regions, proved to be violence-prone; therefore, your coverage should be more extensive than the receipt of information of a public nature. Insure that your coverage is such as will develop all available information pertaining to the true character of not only the subject, but of the organization in which he is active.

SEE NOTE PAGE 2
Letter to San Francisco

Re: [Redacted]

NOTE: [Redacted] was one of seven Sonoma County, California, men who have formed SPC which is a loose-knit, nationwide organization which calls for the establishment of a posse to assist the only legitimate law enforcement authority, the county sheriff, in combating unlawful acts of others, particularly those of federal and state officials. Some members and leaders of SPC have voiced hatred of Negroes and Jews, advocated the assassination of federal law enforcement agents and have engaged in acts of provocation and assault against federal and other law enforcement officials.
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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-3872) (C)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Fresno, California

DATE: 11/24/75

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DATE: 11/24/75

Re Bureau letter to Butte, 10/9/75; and Sacramento letter and LHM to Bureau, 10/29/75, captioned EM - WHG, 00: SC.

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM captioned as above.

Copies of this LHM have been furnished locally to Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and Secret Service at Sacramento, California.

FD 376 is attached.

As noted herein, there is no active chapter of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus in Fresno, California.

No effort was made to interview:

Source utilized in LHM is an individual in a position to furnish such information:

SA who reviewed records at Fresno, California, on 10/24/75, was Spanish at Fresno, California.

SA who interviewed was Spanish at Fresno, California.

[Redacted]

NONSsymbol SOURCE PAGE ATTACHED

1 - Bureau (Enc.5) (RM)
2 - Sacramento (1-157-3522) (Sheriff's Posse Comitatus)
3 - Sacramento (1-157-3888) (Sheriff's Posse Comitatus)
4 - Sacramento (1-157-3872) (Christian Posse Comitatus)

[Redacted]

[Redacted]
In view of the fact that no Sheriff's Posse Comitatus group exists in the Fresno, California, area, this case is being closed in Sacramento.

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This investigation is based on information which indicates that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) (see appendix) is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Conspiracy Against Rights of Citizens), Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related Civil Rights Statutes.

On September 14, 1975, the following article appeared on page C-3 of "The Fresno Bee", a local newspaper published at Fresno, California:

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.
Posse Comitatus

The Christian Posse Comitatus movement, which is sweeping the nation, is one of the signs of the times and is preceding the second coming of Christ. So take heed.

The posse, representative of the power of the people of the county, recognizes the authority of their legally elected peace officer, the county sheriff, whose duty it is to uphold the Constitution, the law of the land and to protect them from usurpers and subverters of the law, be they government agents or just common criminals.

However, should the sheriff fail to carry out the duties of his office, and decide not to utilize the posse of the county, and side with those who are denying the citizen the protection of his God-given, inalienable, personal and property rights, then it behooves the posse to act to preserve these rights.

This is what happened in the tomato field near Stockton. The appointed Agricultural Labor Relations Board acted illegally by adopting the access rule, allowing the labor union organizers to violate the growers' rights of private ownership and enter their properties to organize the workers.

The farmers, fearful of the trespass violation of their constitutional rights, called the Posse Comitatus for help.

The Fresno Bee, in its short-sighted editorials and cartoons, by stating "Posse Defies Law" and depicting the Posse as "vigilantes" and "vipers," is crassly wrong and misleading and helps to contribute to and promote violence. The Bee, by stating in its editorial that the ruling by the agricultural board has "the force of law and must be obeyed," is shocking and misleading.

Compare this with The Bee's attitude toward Judge Peckinpah's ruling relative to the four Bee reporters and editors. It is plain that The Bee is not sincere or consistent regarding constitutional government relative to the rights of the farmers.

The Posse does not defy the law, but acts to uphold the law, and is ready to arrest or cite those who subvert the constitution and laws of the land. It is not a vigilante group.

DR. CLEM TAVARES,
Chairman, Christian Posse Comitatus, Fresno County.
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
DATE: January 5, 1976

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (157-2821) (C)

SUPPORT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN, CHAPTER EN

OO: MILWAUKEE

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DATE W1501820 BY SPK BRITTMANN

Re Bureau airtel to Milwaukee, dated May 21, 1975.

Enclosed are five copies of an LHM regarding Sheriff's Posse Comitatus of Grant County, Wisconsin. Stapled hereto are two copies of an FD-376.

Enclosed for Omaha and Portland is one copy each of LHM.

One copy of the LHM is being furnished to Secret Service - Milwaukee.

Investigation in this matter was conducted by SA with the exception of investigation in Dubuque, Iowa, which was conducted by SA...

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The records of the Fresno County Clerk's Office were reviewed by a Special Agent of the FBI, Fresno, on October 24, 1975, and it was determined that no application for charter and no application for incorporation under a true or fictitious name has been filed at Fresno County from 1969, through 1975, under the following names:

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Christian Posse Comitatus
Clement Adam Tavares
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Date 11/28/75

From: Director, FBI

To: Legate:

To: RUEADWW/ The President

The Vice President

White House Situation Room

Attn:

RUEBWA/ Attorney General

Deputy Attorney General

Attn: Analysis and Evaluation Unit

RUEBWA/ Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division

RUEBWA/ Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division

Attn: Internal Security Section

Attn: General Crimes Section

RUEABND/ Drug Enforcement Administration

RUEBWA/ Immigration and Naturalization Service

RUEBWA/ U.S. Marshal’s Service

RUESDUA/ Department of the Air Force (AFOSI)

RUEACSI/ Department of the Army

RUEAIA/ Director, CIA

RUEBGSA/ Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard

RUEKJCS/ Director, Defense Intelligence Agency

RHEGOTN/ Energy Research and Development Administration

RUEOGBA/ Federal Aviation Administration

RUAIBNA/ National Aeronautics & Space Admin.

RUECIAA/ National Security Agency

RUEBOWK/ Naval Investigative Service

RUEUSA/ U.S. Postal Service (if Classified)

RUEHSE/ U.S. Secret Service (PID)

RUEHOC/ Secretary of State

RUEBGA/ Department of Transportation

Attn: Director of Security

Re: Internal Revenue Service

Attn: Intelligence Division

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LAWFUL. SPC MEMBERS HAVE ADVOCATED THE ASSASSINATION OF
FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENTS AND HAVE ENGAGED IN ACTS
OF PROVOCATION AND ASSAULTS AGAINST FEDERAL AND OTHER LAW
ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS.
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From: Director, FBI

To: SACs:

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The President

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Attorney General

RUEBWJA/
Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division

RUEBWJA/
Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division

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Drug Enforcement Administration

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Department of the Army

RUEAIL/
Director, CIA

RUEBJGA/
Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard

RUEKJCS/
Director, Defense Intelligence Agency

RHEGOTN/
Energy Research and Development Administration

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Federal Aviation Administration

RUEANAT/
National Aeronautics & Space Admin.

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RUEHOC/
Secretary of State

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Department of Transportation

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Attn:

Director of Security

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6:45 AM Nov 17, 1975 PLAIN TEL
TC: DIRECTOR (157-33407)
FROM: PHOENIX (157-3272) (P) (CP)
ATTN: GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

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ADMINISTRATIVE, RE PHOENIX TEL TO BUREAU, NOVEMBER 25, 1975.

END PAGE FIVE
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ASSISTANT U.S. ATTORNEY

THAT

ON NOVEMBER 26, 1975, AREA W. RONALD JENNINGS ADVISED BASED
ON

[Redacted]

AT THIS TIME AND

NO ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION REQUESTED.

PHOENIX

AND WILL ADVISE BUREAU OF ANY DEVELOPMENTS OR CRIMINAL VIOLATION.

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TO DIRECTOR (157-33487)

FROM PHOENIX (157-2272) (P) (6P)

ATTN: GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC); EM, POSSIBLE OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE

OO: PORTLAND

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DATE 11/30/75 BY SPB/JHH

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ADMINISTRATIVE: RE PHOENIX TEL TO BUREAU, NOVEMBER 25, 1975.
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ON [REDACTED] AT THIS TIME AND

NO ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION REQUESTED.

PHOENIX [REDACTED]

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AIRMAIL COPY TO PORTLAND. END.

cc Mr. Callahan
Mr. Adams
Gen Inv Dir
Mr. Hannell
Mr. [REDACTED]
Mr. Deegan
Mr. [REDACTED]

CC: INTELL DIR
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INFORMATIVE NOTE

DATE 11/20/75 BY SPALEDO 11/20/75

You were advised earlier that on

The SPC is a vigilante, tax rebellion organization which has advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents and has engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials.

1 - General Investigative Division

CONTINUED - OVER
On 11/26/75, Assistant U. S. Attorney, Phoenix, stated that [redacted] and no additional investigation requested.

Pertinent data in attached sent by teletype to Deputy Attorney General, attention Analysis and Evaluation Unit; Assistant Attorney General (AAG), Civil Rights Division; AAG, Criminal Division, attention Internal Security and General Crimes Sections; U. S. Marshal's Service; and U. S. Secret Service.
MESSAGE RELAY

To: SAGs

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To: Legate

Date 11/26/75

From: Director, FBI

To: RUEADW

The President

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Department of the Army

RUEAIL

Director, CIA

RUEBJCA

Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard

RUEKICS

Director, Defense Intelligence Agency

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Energy Research and Development Administration

RUEOGBA

Federal Aviation Administration

RUEBNA

National Aeronautics & Space Admin.

RUEOIA

National Security Agency

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Naval Investigative Service

RUEUSA

U.S. Postal Service (if Classified)

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RUEHSE

U.S. Secret Service (PID)

RUEHOC

Secretary of State

RUEBRA

Department of Transportation

Attm: Director of Security

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157-33487-245
Memorandum

TO: Director, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SAC, Milwaukee (157-2896) (C)  
SUBJECT: ROBERT E. MALSHE, JR.  
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUM (SPC), aka  
EM - WHITE HATE  
OO: Milwaukee  

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of a self-explanatory LHM dealing with captioned individual's association with the SPC.

In view of the fact subject is no longer associated with the SPC and not involved in any of their activities or in violation of any laws, formal statement on this matter is being closed.

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Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
On December 3, 1975, Robert E. Walsh, Jr., of Rural Route 5, Eldorado, Wisconsin, an alleged member of the Sheriff’s Posse Comitatus (see Appendix), went on trial for income tax evasion. U.S. District Court, Northern District of Iowa, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Fourteen additional separate trials were also scheduled in Cedar Rapids involving other alleged members of the SPC. Walsh was found guilty by the Honorable Judge Edward W. McManus and sentenced to 30 months imprisonment. In the courtroom at the time of sentencing were the fourteen other defendants and family members of, along with Walsh, protested the verdict and sentencing. Obscenities were shouted and U.S. Marshals were spit upon. Judge McManus’ law clerk was shoved several times by one of the members of the group, identity unknown. No injuries received and no arrests made by U.S. Marshals.

A U.S. Probation Officer in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, advised that Judge McManus sentenced Walsh immediately following his trial to 30 months custody. U.S. Attorney General.

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ROBERT E. WALSH, JR.
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

Name
Address
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Hair
Eyes
Date of Birth
Social Security Account Number
Wife
Contact Organization

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APPENDIX

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka

The SPC, also known as the Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC), is a loose-knit nationwide organization established in Portland, Oregon, in 1973 by Portland resident Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach. The SPC is a non-affiliated off-shoot of the Identity Group (IG), a California based tax rebellion organization. The SPC claims that the Federal Reserve System and the graduated income tax are "ultra vires and not lawful," and that the Federal judiciary has attempted to establish "a dictatorship of the courts over the citizens of the Republic."

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157-73 487-247
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, OMAHA (157-2148) (C)

SUBJECT: [Redacted] aka EM - SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

DATE: 12/8/75

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Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and four copies of a letterhead memorandum captioned as above and two copies of FD-376.

One copy of same LHM is being furnished direct to the U. S. Secret Service, Omaha, Nebraska.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

INFORMANTS:

1. [Redacted] has been developing evidence of any threats of physical violence from this or local source, therefore this case is listed C.

2. Bureau (Enc. 157-33487 1-24)

   Bureau

   Omaha (1 - 157-3148)

   (1 - 157-3120)

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   [Redacted]

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For further information to the Bureau, Special Agents of the FBI observed in the area of the meeting and maintained a fisur during the meeting.
United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D.C. 20535

December 8, 1975

Director
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D.C. 20220

RE: Extremist Matters - Sheriff's Posse Comitatus

Dear Sir:

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

1. □ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. □ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. □ Threatening or abusive statement about U.S. or foreign official.
4. □ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U.S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. □ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. □ Defector from U.S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. □ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U.S.

Photograph □ has been furnished □ enclosed □ is not available.

Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

2. Bureau
1. Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
U.S. Secret Service, Omaha, Nebraska

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This investigation is based on information indicating [redacted] may be a member of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), (see appendix), which is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1114 (Assault or Killing Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 2384 (Seditious Conspiracy), or Section 241 (Civil Rights Act of 1968).

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On June 10, 1975, and again on December 2, 1975, District Court, Scott County Court House, Davenport, Iowa, advised the index to trade names and the incorporation index failed to disclose that there was an organization or chapter of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus or any similar named group organized or chartered in Scott County, Iowa.

further advised she had no idea where such an organization would be listed if not in the trade name or incorporation name index unless it was chartered through the State house at Des Moines, Iowa.
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APPENDIX

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka
CHARACTERIZATION OF SUBVERSIVE ORGANIZATION
EXTREMIST MATTER

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SAC, Cleveland (157-6060) 12/9/73

Director, FBI (157-33487)

Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (RPC), aka EM - WHITE RATS

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Referenced Cleveland letter 6/18/73 listed the individuals who are the subjects of referenced Cleveland letters 11/12/73 and 11/13/73 and stated these individuals were known or believed to be RPC members and investigations were being conducted concerning them.

Referenced letters 11/12/73 and 11/13/73 stated investigations developed so information indicating subjects were engaged in any militant activity had ceased. Therefore, closure of the matter was made on the RPC membership concerning these individuals, including whether they are current members.

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DATE 12/30/73 BY [REDACTED]

DATE 12/31/73 BY [REDACTED]

MAIL ROOM TTY 100 110

DECEMBER 31 1973
Letter to Cleveland

To: Sheriff's Peace Comitatus (SFC), aka 157-33487

Cleveland letter and 1/M 3/13/73 under the SFC caption included information which set forth Tim Hampton as one of the organizers of the Citizens for Constitutional Rights. Charles Martin heads the Ohio Patriots for Constitutional Government; Bobby Kaiser is head of the Muskingum County Peace Comitatus and George Martin, Jr. and Benjamin Smith were listed among the directors of the Citizens group.

Promptly advise FABQ, under their individual captions, whether or not referenced subjects are currently SFC members. If they are, full investigations are to be conducted in accordance with Bureau letter to Albany and all offices 4/21/73 and results of investigation submitted in Investigative Summary form unless an exception to the streamlined reporting rules exists.

NOTE:

The SFC is a loose-knit, nationwide tax rebellion and vigilante organization. This communication is necessary because in closing individual investigations of subjects cited above, Cleveland did not indicate whether or not subjects are SFC members. This communication is being sent under the SFC caption to avoid individual instruction in each of the above cases.
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

Re: Plot 12/22/75.

Referenced letter closed investigation of captioned organization in the El Paso territory noting that intensive investigation had been conducted into the activities of SPC Chapters in Crane, Kermut, Midland, and Odessa Counties, Texas; however, referenced letter did not give current membership figures and source coverage of these SPC Chapters.

You are reminded that Bureau airtel 5/21/75, instructed that informant coverage of SPC groups is to be obtained and that reliance on coverage of these groups by sources of other law enforcement agencies is not acceptable.

Since SPC chapters exist within your territory, source coverage should be obtained.

By letter, furnish membership figures of each SPC chapter. Also provide source coverage of each chapter and describe steps being taken by you to obtain necessary coverage if none exists.

NOTE: Above necessary for proper handling.

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, EL PASO (157-536) (C)

DATE: 12/22/75

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
EM - SPC

Re EP airtel to the Bureau, 9/5/75, captioned "SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka, EM-WHG," OO: PD;
EP airtels to the Bureau, 10/21/75, captioned as follows:

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

In April, 1975, the El Paso Division began an intensive investigation into the activities of the SPC in Crane, Kermit, Midland, and Odessa, Texas, to determine if the SPC members in these areas were in violation of Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Conspiracy Against the Rights of Citizens), or Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968, or related Civil Rights statutes.

This investigation led to the identification of captured and/or local members of the SPC. All available background data on members of the SPC in the above areas was furnished to the Bureau by El Paso communications dated 7/13/75 and 9/5/75. Subsequent investigation has determined the following:
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CONCLUSION:

GORDON WENDELL KAHL, Crane, Texas, AUSTIN BURTON TIBBETTS, JR., Midland, Texas, and WILLIAM MACK RINEHART, Odessa, Texas, have been identified as the leaders of the SPC in their respective areas.

On 11/21/75

26,150

per

V.A.S.

On 12/9/75

All background information pertaining to the FBI's investigation of the SPC in Midland, Odessa, Crane, and Kermit, Texas, has been furnished to the U. S. Secret Service and the Internal Revenue Service.

No recommendation is being made at this time for any SPC members inclusion in ADEX in view of the fact that none of the SPC members are known to be currently involved in any subversive or violent activities. It is
further noted that none of the SPC members are believed to be in violation of the Federal laws as listed in this communication.

In view of the fact that the SPC members in Midland, Crane, and Odessa, Texas, have been identified and this information furnished to appropriate law enforcement agencies, the fact that the SPC members in this area are not in violation of Federal laws under FBI jurisdiction, the El Paso Division is closing captioned matter until such time as further investigation is warranted.
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DU PAGE COUNTY ILLINOIS CHAPTER, SHERIFF'S Posse Comitatus (SPC)
LISLE, ILLINOIS

NON-PROSECUTIVE

REFERENCES: Chicago report of Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, (SPC).

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CHICAGO

AT LISLE, ILLINOIS. Will continue to follow and report
Dupage County SPC activities.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Attached for the Bureau are two copies of an FD-376 regarding
the DuPage SPC.

One copy of this report is being furnished to the U.S. Secret
Service, Chicago, via courier.

Approved

Special Agent in Charge

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Department of the Treasury
Washington, D.C. 20220

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Photograph □ has been furnished □ enclosed □ is not available.

Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

- Bureau
  1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
    U.S. Secret Service

Enclosure(s)
The investigation is based on information which indicates that the SPC (See Appendix) is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 1114 (Assaulting or Mailing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Conspiracy Against Rights of Citizens), Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related Civil Rights Statutes.
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PATENT OFFICE
An article appearing on page 2 of the weekly Lisle Township Sun. dated May 1, 1975, reflects that the SPC returned "indictments" against a judge, the Du Page County States Attorney and two assistant states attorney's charging them with conspiring to deny an SPC member of a jury trial. The Du Page County Sheriff refused to serve the warrants.

VII. VIOLENCE
APPENDIX

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (157-6891) (C)  

DATE: 11/19/75

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S ASSESSMENT

Investigation in this matter developed no information to indicate that the subject was engaged in any militant activity and this case, therefore, was closed in the Cleveland Office.

2-Bureau (RM)  
3-Cleveland

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DATE 11/20/75 BY SPPPBJJJ (11m)

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TO: DIRECTOR (157-33487) TELETYPE
FROM: PHOENIX (157-2272) (P) 3P

ATTN: GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

SHERIFF’S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), EM. POSSIBLE OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE. CO: PORTLAND.

SHERIFF’S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), ALSO KNOWN AS CITIZENS’
LAW ENFORCEMENT RESEARCH COMMITTEE (CLERC), IS A LOOSE-KNIT
NATIONWIDE ORGANIZATION ESTABLISHED IN PORTLAND, OREGON, IN
1973 BY PORTLAND RESIDENT HENRY LAMONT (MIKE) BEACH. THE SPC
IS A "NON-AFFILIATED OFF-SHOOT OF THE IDENTITY GROUP (IG), A
CALIFORNIA BASED TAX REBELLION ORGANIZATION. THE SPC CLAIMS
THAT THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM AND THE GRADUATED INCOME TAX
ARE "ULTRA VIPES AND NOT LAWFUL," AND THAT THE FEDERAL JUDICIARY
HAS ATTEMPTED TO ESTABLISH "A DICTATORSHIP OF THE COURTS
OVER THE CITIZENS OF THE REPUBLIC." 157-33487-253X

THE SPC CALLS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A POSSE IN
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AUTHORITY, THE COUNTY SHERIFF, IN COMBATING THE UNLAWFUL
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HATRED FOR JEWES AND NEGROES, ADVOCATED THE ASSASSINATION OF

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DEPARTMENT LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENTS, AND HAVE ENGAGED IN ACTS OF
PROVOCATION AND ASSAULT AGAINST FEDERAL AND OTHER LAW ENFORCE-
MENT OFFICIALS.
DEPUTY U.S. MARSHAL, SA...of U.S. SECRET SERVICE, PHOENIX, AND ASSISTANT U.S. ATTORNEY W. RONALD JENNINGS, PHOENIX, HAVE BEEN ADVISED OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION.

PHOENIX PD ADVISED OF...THE U.S. MARSHAL'S OFFICE, PHOENIX, WILL

ADMINISTRATIVE: PHOENIX WILL MAINTAIN INFORMANT COVERAGE AND KEEP BUREAU ADVISED OF ANY EVENTS.

MATTER DISCUSSED AUSA W. RONALD JENNINGS WHO ADVISED CANNOT MAKE DETERMINATION AT THIS TIME IF VIOLATION EXISTS AND REQUESTED ADDITIONAL INQUIRY AND INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE IF POSSIBLE OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE VIOLATION EXISTS.

AIPMAIL COPY TO PORTLAND.

END
The SPC is a vigilante, tax rebellion organization which has advocated the assassination of federal and other law enforcement officials. Facts presented to Assistant United States Attorney Phoenix who advised him he was unable to make determination regarding existence of federal violation and has requested additional investigation.

I - General Investigative Division CONTINUED - OVER.
Phoenix has made appropriate dissemination to Federal and local officials. U.S. Marshal's Office, Phoenix.

Dissemination made to Deputy Attorney General, Analysis and Evaluation Unit; Assistant Attorney General (AAG), Civil Rights Division; AAG, Criminal Division (Internal Security and General Crimes Sections); U. S. Marshal's Service; and U. S. Secret Service.
Dec. 3, 1975

Clarence Kelly, Chief,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Mr. Kelly;

Last week during testimony on charges that the F.B.I. had tried to "smear" Martin Luther King as a communist you made a comment contrasting political interest in these charges with political interest in the K.K.K.. The public is entitled to clarification on the position or policy of the F.B.I. with regard to investigating communist activity in our country.

We realize you had nothing to do with the F.B.I. at the time investigation of King's activities was under way but everyone who has taken the trouble to check out King's record knows that he was identified with communist organizations. Certainly the F.B.I. should know this and we strongly resent congressional imendo's about "Smear's of the F.B.I. for protecting us from subversive activities of communists.

We trust that you, as head of the F.B.I. will make available to the investigating committee and the American public the documentation that the F.B.I. has on the subversive activities of Martin Luther King.

Very truly yours,

C/O Congressman Gene Taylor
Springfield F.B.I. agent Van Summeran
Dear Patriot:

From time to time we receive inquiries relative to the authority for the Posse Comitatus, as a citizen's organization. The law sets forth clearly that the Sheriff has this authority, (reference to which can be found in any law library). It also sets forth the responsibilities of citizens to act upon the request of the Sheriff. Further, it sets forth the responsibilities of the citizen in upholding the law, even to the authority for citizens to make citizen's arrests, also that ignorance of the law is no excuse. A law which not only applies to the citizen, but also applies to our officials, regardless of their position.

You must know your CONSTITUTION. Then carefully study the first 8 pages of the booklet, SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS. Many months of research has gone into preparing this booklet. The authority contained therein is recognized by our officials. From there you can go to the law library, Blackstone and the Magna Carta.

Meanwhile, our officials and their lackeys are violating the law, and our tolerance of such action makes us equally guilty, by permitting such unlawful action. If you do not wish to be guilty by association, it becomes your duty to protest. Since the protest of an individual gets no recognition from the type of officials we are now plagued with, it makes good sense to bring the matter to their attention.

In areas where the Posse numbers in the hundreds, they are using violence, fear and fear. Our officials know when they are wrong and have great deal of respect for those who challenge them.

We are facing a lawless group in power who are in the process of destroying our freedoms and making us serfs of a ONE-WORLD GOVERNMENT, ruled by the ANTI-CHRIST. It is time we stand up and be counted. This is no game for weak-knees or panty-waists. This calls for men with guts; men who will fight to protect their rights and God-given heritage, not those who would feed their neighbors to the crocodiles in hopes that the crocodiles would eat them last.

The formation of the Posses are not in opposition of the law. Rather, it shows an intent to uphold and maintain the law, which is the duty of ALL CITIZENS. We do not want mobs to form in the name of the Posse Comitatus. We want only intelligent individuals who will stick together and use the law to maintain Constitutional law in our land. We do not need to go outside the law to be effective. All we need to do is to let it be known that we will no longer tolerate those who subvert the law in administration of the needs of the people.

There is no place in our Constitution or laws of our land, giving the President, Congress or any appointees the authority to change our form of Government. This action is in violation of our Constitution, without a vote of the people and the ratification of same by 3/4 of the states. It is not the duty of the Government to tell the states and the people what is best for them; rather, it is the duty of the Government to administer the wishes of the people and the states, and nothing more.

To stand idly by and tolerate this usurpation of power makes us equally guilty of violating Constitutional law. Individually, our opposition has little influence, but collectively our voice will be heard. Forming Posses is one of the most effective methods we have found to date, especially in areas where the Posse Charter is registered at the County seat, and steps are taken to let it be known publicly that we mean business. If you don't stand up and be counted, you will richly deserve the fate in store for you.

Mike Beach

[Handwritten Signature]
Memorandum

TO: Mr. Moore

FROM: G. E. Malmfeldt

DATE: 12/16/75

SUBJECT: MISSOURI

The purpose of this memorandum is to recommend that no acknowledgement be furnished the attached letter, with enclosure, from

[Redacted]

Comments regarding testimony before the United States Senate regarding charges that the FBI tried to "smear" Martin Luther King as a Communist and indicates his belief that the public is entitled to a clarification on the position or policy of the FBI with regard to investigating Communist activities in our country. He indicates that although he realizes Mr. Kelley had nothing to do with the FBI at the time of the investigation of King's activities, everyone who has taken the trouble to check out King's record knows he was identified with Communist organizations. He feels that as head of the FBI, Mr. Kelley should make available to the investigating committee and the American people all documentation as to the subversive activities of Martin Luther King. Literature enclosed with [Redacted] letter indicates he is affiliated with the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus. Bufiles indicate this organization is a White-hate tax rebellion organization which advocates violence against Blacks, Jews, and Federal authorities including FBI Agents. It was founded in 1973 by Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach.

It is not believed any useful purpose would be served in replying to his current letter which merely states his viewpoint.

RECOMMENDATION:

That no acknowledgement be furnished letter of 12/3/75 from [Redacted]

Enclosures (2)

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, PHOENIX

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

EM - SPC
Phoenix file 157-2362 (C)

EM - SPC
Phoenix file 157-2416 (C)

RePXlet and LHM's, both subjects, dated 10/17/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of LHM regarding subjects, two copies of FD-376 attached.

One copy of LHM disseminated to Secret Service, Phoenix.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D.C. 20220

December 5, 1975

Dear Sir:

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1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (1)
U.S. Secret Service, Phoenix, Arizona

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EXTREMIST MATTER - SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

A complaint authorized by Assistant U.S. Attorney was filed before U.S. Magistrate, Phoenix, Arizona, charging Phoenix, Arizona, with violation of Title 18, Section 1504, and Section 2, U.S. Code, Obstruction of Justice. The charge resulted from Sheriffs Posse Comitatus (SPC) (See Appendix) activities organized by the mailing of pamphlets to persons on the Federal jury panel, instructing the Federal jurors to make their own decisions as guided by conscience and not accept directives given them by the judge.

Agents of the FBI at Phoenix, Arizona, on appeared before U.S. Magistrate, Phoenix, on and the case was continued until at which time U.S. Magistrate bound them over for action of the U.S. District Court and released them on their own recognizance.

On via letter, Assistant U.S. Attorney advised that the above complaint was dismissed by the U.S. Magistrate.

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Memorandum

TO: Director, FBI (157-33487)

DATE: 12/16/75

FROM: SAC, Cleveland (157-6891)

SUBJECT: USA SHERIFF'S POSSE COMMITTEE

Re Bureau Routing Slip dated 12/12/75.

Referenced communication inquired concerning the date and caption of Cleveland communication requested by Bureau Form 0-1 dated 11/17/75.

Please be advised that the Cleveland file reflects that by letter dated 11/19/75 under the above caption the Bureau was advised that investigation had developed no indication of subject's involvement in militant activities and the case was therefore being closed in the Cleveland Office. Case is currently in a closed status in this office.

2 - Bureau
1 - Cleveland

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DATE 6/30/80 BY SPB15/11W

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (157-3409) (C)
SUBJECT: (b)(7)(C)

DATE: 12/17/75

EM - CCC
OO: DALLAS

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM, with two copies of FD-376 stapled thereto. Two copies of LHM are being disseminated locally to U. S. Secret Service, Dallas, Texas, by FD-376. Two copies of subject's photograph also enclosed for Bureau.

Investigation at Dallas, Texas, in LHM was conducted by SA .

[Redacted]

is not being recommended for the ADEX, since he currently does not meet the criteria for inclusion.

[Redacted]

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

December 17, 1975

RE: (Re Dallas LHM dated 12/17/75)

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 157-3409

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Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) 3
U.S. Secret Service, Dallas, Texas

Enclosure(s) 1
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II. CCC AFFILIATED ACTIVITIES

On September 19, 1975, in the Dallas County Clerk’s Office, Dallas, Texas, stated that "The Dallas Examiner" is filed in the assumed names ledger for Dallas County, Texas, under Registration #22896, dated April 1, 1975, with Kenneth D. Solomon being shown as the person actually conducting its business.
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, DALLAS (157-3409)

SUBJECT: [Redacted]

Enclosed with Dallas letter dated 12/17/75, are two copies of photo of subject.

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151-33487-256 ENC
January 5, 1976

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

RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS
GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN, CHAPTER

Dear Sir:

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[Signature]
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Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (1)
  U.S. Secret Service, Milwaukee

Enclosure(s)
INFORMANTS

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In view of the apparent inactivity of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) in Grant County, Milwaukee Division is conducting no further investigation.

Since investigation of the SPC in Grant County has reflected insignificant activity on the part of its reported members and since such have been identified, no further investigation is being conducted concerning them.
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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-7254)  1/12/76

SAC, SACRAMENTO (100-118)

CHARACTERIZATIONS OF SUBVERSIVE ORGANIZATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS NATIONAL CHRISTIAN POSSE ASSOCIATION, SHASTA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA EM O SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of a characterization of the National Christian Posse Association (NCPA) Shasta County, California, submitted for Bureau approval.

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157-331447-258
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS RACINE COUNTY CHAPTER EXTREMIST MATTER

IDENTITY GROUP
EXTREMIST MATTER

(00: Milwaukee)
Bufile 157-33487
Pofile 157-1432 (P)

(00: Los Angeles)
Bufile 157-28219
LAfile 157-7775
Mfile 157-2790

Re Milwaukee letter to FBHQ, captioned as above, dated 11/11/75.

For information of Milwaukee, HENRY LAMONT (MIKE) BEACH, the national leader of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), has little if any influence over other chapters of the SPC and chapters operate autonomously. BEACH mails out SPC charter information, SPC literature and guidelines, and has made speeches at SPC meetings around the country.

The Christian Posse emblem and form in referenced letter is not known to be used by BEACH.

23 JAN 1976

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
SAC, CHICAGO (157-10680) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM

OO: PORTLAND

DATE: JAN 21 1976

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DATE 1/30/76 BY SP1B11

Re report of SA dated 9/26/75 at Portland; Chicago letter and LHM to Bureau dated 8/8/75 and captioned, "SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, LAKE COUNTY CHAPTER, EM", Chicago file 157-10682; and report of SA dated 5/12/75 at Chicago.

Confidential sources familiar with certain phases of extremist activities in the Chicago area and who have furnished reliable information in the past, continue to advise that the various SPC county chapters all appear to be inactive or defunct.

Bureau (RM)
1 - Milwaukee (157-2768) (Info) (RM)
2 - Portland (157-1432) (RM)
7 - Chicago
   (1-157-9321) (IDENTITY GROUP)
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   (1-157-10682) (LAKE COUNTY SPC)
   (1-157-10683) (MC HENRY COUNTY SPC)
   (1-157-10776) (WILL COUNTY SPC)
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157-33487-260

JAN 23

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Chicago is conducting current investigation regarding the CFCC.

Chicago, in view of the reported inactivity of the SPC in the Chicago area, is RUCing its main SPC file at this time. However, Chicago is keeping open its investigation on the CFCC and will report results of investigation under the caption of and/or the pertinent county group or individual involved.

The information copy of this letter is being furnished Milwaukee since These reports have been furnished separately to Milwaukee.
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
ATTENTION: INTD

FROM: SAC, DENVER (157-1815) (F)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS
EM
OO: PORTLAND

Re Sacramento teletype to the Bureau, 12/1/75.

Convention held as scheduled without incident, 12/4-6/75, Denver, Colorado.

Denver is presently endeavoring to obtain a list of those in attendance from the Intelligence Division of the Internal Revenue Service, Denver.

LEAD:
DENVER DIVISION

At Denver, Colorado:

Will, upon receipt of this information, immediately submit LHA.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
DATE: 1/21/76

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-3908)(C)

SUBJECT: SHERIFFS POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka  
EM - SPC  
Nevada County, California  
OO: Portland

Re Bureau letter to Butte, 10/9/75, and Sacramento  
airtel to Bureau, 10/30/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are six copies of an LHM  
suitable for dissemination containing results of investi-  
gation concerning the Nevada County chapter of SPC.

Enclosed for Portland are two copies of LHM.

UACB, this case on the Nevada county chapter  
is being closed.

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SHERIFFS POSSE COMITATUS
NEVADA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, CHAPTER

On November 14, 1975, a copy of the Sheriffs Posse Comitatus, Nevada County Chapter, charter, dated June 6, 1975, was obtained from the Nevada County Clerk and Recorder's Office. The following seven individuals are listed as charter members:

John O. Bevard, Sr.  Member of Subject Organization

Martin S. Penaluna  Member of Subject Organization

Terrelle P. Penaluna  Member of Subject Organization

Angelo A. Manzinali

Vivian Manzinali

Timothy F. Evans

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SHERIFFS POSSE COMITATUS

Darold C. Reece
Member of Subject Organization

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SAC, DETROIT (157-10667) (RUC)

DATE: 1/27/76

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka: EM - WHITE HATE
OO: PORTLAND

Re Bureau airtel to Albany, 6/2/75 and Detroit letter to Bureau, 6/30/75.

Investigation at Oakland County, Battle Creek, Mt. Clemens, Grand Rapids and Saginaw, Michigan, including contacts with has failed to indicate the establishment of a SPC chapter in the Detroit Division.

On 7/7/75 liaison was established with Internal Revenue Service Intelligence, Detroit, Michigan.

Should the SPC become active in the Detroit Division, this case will be reopened and the Bureau and appropriate offices advised.

(2) - Bureau (RM)
2 - Portland (157-1432) (RM)
1 - Detroit

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM : SAC, OMAHA (157-2120) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka CITIZENS' LAW ENFORCEMENT RESEARCH COMMITTEE (CLERC)
EM - WHITE HATE

OO: PORTLAND

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Re Omaha report of SA dated 6/30/75.

Since submission of referenced report, there has been no activity on the part of captioned organization within the Omaha Division. In view of this, no further investigation is being conducted, and this matter is being placed in an RUC status, UACB.

However, should future activities of the organization warrant further investigation, under present guidelines, investigation will be instituted immediately and the Bureau and Office of Origin will be advised at once.

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2 - Portland (157-1432)
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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-3907) (C)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS
TEHAMA COUNTY
EM
OO: Sacramento

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka
EM
OO: Portland

Re Sacramento airtel to the Bureau, 10/30/75.
Contact with the Tehama County Clerk-Recorder,
Red Bluff, California, determined that there is not a
Sheriff's Posse Comitatus charter recorded.
In view of the apparent lack of activity on the part of the posse in Tehama County, California, it is recommended that this case be placed in a closed status.
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
DATE: 1/19/76

FROM: SAC, BUTTE (157-859)(P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMMITATUS (SPC), aka REM - SPC

CO: Portland

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LEADS

WPO DIVISION

AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

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The president of the Kootenai County Christian Posse Comitatus today said he is unaware of any rank and file dissent within the organization.

But in a newspaper he published and edited, H. W. Hunt of Hayden Lake, a supporter of posse comitatus, has called for the election of officers to replace President Richard Butler and other leaders of the Kootenai County Posse.

Hunt is not a Posse member, but he volunteered to appear before the magistrate to sign the organization's charter and has been a supporter of the posse's aims.

Rev. Butler said he has called a meeting of the membership tonight and has invited H. W. Hunt, a recent critic of posse policy to voice his complaints.

Hunt publicly criticized Butler's comments concerning posse noninvolvement in a citizen's arrest attempt March 12 in the Kootenai County Courthouse.

In the National Chronicle, Hunt's paper, he said the posse is "throwing your friends to the dogs."

He said he was referring to Butler's denial of posse involvement in the attempted citizen arrest of a Post Falls police officer Roger Davis.

Hunt has been an outspoken supporter of posse comitatus, but said the group failed its responsibilities by not being more forceful and aggressive in the courtroom confrontation.

"Mr. Hunt can probably say anything he wants," Butler said, "but the point is that if (arrest attempt) was not an official posse action."

Butler said the law does not entitle the posse to take action for an arrest as an organization unless a warrant is issued and the locally elected Sheriff requests posse assistance.

"We don't support that the posse can violate a citizen's rights," Butler added.

He said the posse did not act officially in the courthouse situation for those legal reasons, although they supported the citizen's arrest.

Butler said he will probably be made aware of any rank and file dissent if it exists at the membership meeting tonight.

The public is not invited to attend.

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DATE 6/30/79 BY: SP8B/DJW

ENCLOSURE
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
DATE: 1/28/76

FROM: SPRINGFIELD (157-4648) (C)

SUBJECT: Aka SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) EM - SPC

OO: Springfield

Re Springfield letter to Bureau 11/24/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and four copies of investigative summary LHM suitable for dissemination re captioned individual.

Two copies of this same LHM are being disseminated to Secret Service, Springfield, Illinois. FD-376 is stapled to enclosed LHM.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

RE:

January 28, 1976

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Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (2) (RM)

Enclosure(s)
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

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DATE 01/30/70 BY S.P.B.U.

Investigation in this matter is based upon information which indicates that a person may be in violation of
Title 18, United States Code, Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Conspiracy Against the Rights of Citizens), or Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities); or the Civil rights Act of 1968 or related Civil Rights statutes.

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of the United States Christian Posse Association, which is associated with

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the national association of Christian Posse Comitatus.

Although the local chapter of the SPC receives literature and other material from the national office in Oregon, the local chapter is autonomous.
APPENDIX

The SPC, also known as the Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC), is a loose-knit nationwide organization established in Portland, Oregon, in 1973 by Portland resident Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach. The SPC is a non-affiliated offshoot of the Identity Group (IG), a California based tax rebellion organization. The SPC claims that the Federal Reserve System and the graduated income tax are "ultra vires and not lawful", and that the Federal judiciary has attempted to establish "a dictatorship of the courts over the citizens of the Republic."

The SPC calls for the establishment of a posse in each county to assist the only legitimate law enforcement authority, the county sheriff, in combating the unlawful acts of others, particularly those of Federal and state officials.

Some members and leadership of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents, and have engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials.

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FB2 (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, DENVER (157-1815)(P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

EM

OO: PORTLAND

DATE: 1/28/76

Re Denver teletype to Bureau, 11/26/75; and Denver airtel to the Bureau, 1/9/76.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of an LHM, dated and captioned as above, with two copies of an ED-4376 attached. Two copies of an LHM are being furnished Portland, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, Phoenix, Sacramento and San Diego, since featured speakers from these divisions attended recent convention at Denver, Colorado.

One copy each of LHM is being designated Anchorage, Butte, Cleveland, Dallas, El Paso, Kansas City, Oklahoma City, Omaha, New Orleans, San Francisco and Seattle.
One copy of this LHM is being disseminated to U.S. Secret Service, Denver, Colorado.

The article which was published in the 12/5/75 edition of the Rocky Mountain News, a daily newspaper published in Denver, Colorado, is set forth in attached LHM since this article characterizes the leadership of the SPC and contains specific quotes made by them.

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

RE:
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

Dear Sir:

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[Signature]
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
U.S. Secret Service, Denver

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157-3347-270 LUMPS.
The December 5, 1975, edition of the "Rocky Mountain News", a daily newspaper published in Denver, Colorado, there appeared an article under the by-line of Charles Roos, News Staff.
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

This article, entitled "Private posse members gather in Denver", reads as follows:

"About 400,000 men in 48 states have formed private 'posses' to act as potential protectors of the peace in their countries, the chief organizer claimed in Denver Thursday.

"'Colorado is going to be one of our best states,' said Michael Beech of Portland, Ore., national chairman of the movement which calls itself 'posse comitatus.'

"According to the organizations' literature, members believe they have sovereign power under the U.S. Constitution to protect themselves and others, by arms if necessary, from unlawful acts by anyone, including the government.

"Preferring to work with sheriffs and other law enforcement officials, they are prepared in emergencies to act independently 'in the name of the sheriff,' but not under his orders, the literature said.

"Beech, 72, a retired businessman, was in Denver for an unusual convention of posse members and 'tax strikers' at the Regency Inn, 3901 Elati St.

"ATTENDED BY 300

"About 300 persons at the opening session of the three-day meeting, mostly from Colorado and other Western states, heard speeches on tax resistance and then went into workshops to study means to make their efforts more effective - and, they hoped, to keep out of prison.

"Their chief villain is the federal graduated income tax.

"Beech declined to state where in Colorado the posses have been formed - saying 'they're all over the state' - or to estimate the number of local members."
"But I can tell you," he said with a wink, "that there is really something cooking in Colorado, including one sheriff."

"Most sheriffs, especially those in big population counties stay clear of the privately organized posses, Beech said, although a few have accepted posse help.

"From Portland, Beech issues certificates to new posses when as many as seven men in a county send him an application. He issues guidelines, but admits he hasn't had time to write a proper set.

"We make some suggestions," he said. "We suggest they stay out of trouble - to do things right, through the courts, in every way they can - but then damn well do everything necessary to preserve the Republic."

"SELLING LITERATURE, BADGES"

"No regular dues structure or permanent financing system has been worked out, he said. At the Denver meeting, Beech was selling descriptive literature. He also sells large metal badges - to members only.

"In explanation sheets given reporters, the posse comitatus movement was said to be derived from the militia concept of the American citizenry - that every able-bodied civilian man between 18 and 45 has the responsibility to help keep the peace. The concept comes from common law, through the Constitution, Beech said.

"It does not include women.

"One particular paragraph states:

"The posse comitatus is all the men of the country that a sheriff may call to his assistance in the discharge of his official duty, as to quell a riot or to make an arrest. County sheriffs must be advised of the instances where unlawful acts of officials or agencies of government are committed or unlawful acts of any kind. It is the duty of the sheriff to protect the local citizens from such unlawful acts. Once he has
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

been advised and refuses to perform his lawful duty in respect to the matter, the posse comitatus has the lawful right under natural law to act in the name of the sheriff to protect local jurisdiction. They may make arrests, the accused being given into the custody of the sheriff for trial by a citizen jury empaneled by the sheriff from citizens of the local jurisdiction.'

"In Beech's view, a sheriff is the most powerful official of the county, outranking mayors and judges.

"The sheriff, however, has no choice about whether to form a posse comitatus, Beech said, but only whether he uses it.

"The Oregonian made it clear he wasn't talking about an honorary sheriff's posse or a search-rescue group, but an independent force.

"'Thousands and thousands of men in this country want to get in,' he said, 'and we're going to organize in each state.'

"The only two states without posses, he said, are Maine and Hawaii. He said he expects the claimed membership of 400,000 to increase tenfold in the next few years.

"A posse member from Tracy, Calif., engineer Francis Gillings, said there has been an increase in members particularly in the past 18 months.

"A reporter noted that Gillings was carrying handcuffs on his belt in the middle of his back, under his sport coat, and Gillings said, without being more specific, that he no longer goes anywhere 'unarmed.'

"Beech said the combination of posse members and tax protesters in a single convention is a natural association, 'since we're all tax fighters.'

"A booklet he sells about the posse comitatus includes several pages critical of the federal income tax, federal 'legislating' in the public schools, the federal reserve system and the courts, both state and federal.
A keynote address to the conventioneers was given Thursday afternoon by Claire Kelly of Huntington Beach, Calif., a professional decorator who has declared war on taxes she considers to be illegal, from the federal level down to the municipal.

"The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) poses the greatest threat to individual liberties of any government agency," Miss Kelly said.

"NO FREE ENTERPRISE"

"She charged that we are fast moving into a fascist police state - we don't have any free enterprise today; we don't have any country today."

"The tax-strike movement is aimed at restoring individual freedoms, she said but she warned listeners they can't expect to lead such a movement and remain safe and comfortable.

"No matter how inconvenient it is for you," she said, 'think how inconvenient it is for them (IRS). We can inconvenience them to death.'

"She and other speakers described resistance efforts of friends who have become martyrs to their movement by defying IRS and sometimes going to jail. She urged listeners to read court opinions and anything else they can dealing with tax law.

"'If you know enough law, you can stay out of court,' she said, 'and that's good, because the courts are totally corrupt.'

"Miss Kelly defended the posse comitatus movement against a charge it is a vigilante movement.

"'The posse is a movement to establish law and order - to prevent vigilanteism. The posse is the last hope for law and order when we have to deal with a criminal government,' she said."
"CONVICTION DESCRIBED

"Vaugh Ellsworth, a businessman in Mesa, Ariz., described his conviction by a jury on a tax charge and the efforts of the judge to get him to compromise his beliefs.

"'We are going to pull down this tyranny,' Ellsworth said. 'We are absolutely going to pull down despotism and socialism in this country.'

"Miss Kelly and Beech equated the graduated income tax, which they maintain is unconstitutional in spite of the Sixteenth Amendment, with communism.

"'The Communist Manifesto is alive and well in the United States,' Miss Kelly said.

"Most of the convention workshops are "how to" sessions – how to avoid filing income tax returns or to win cases in court.

"John Grandboishe, an accountant, former drive-in operator and local tax resister, was chief organizer for the Denver meeting."
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SHERIFF'S POSSIBLE COMITATUS

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TO SAC, DENVER
157-1815
FROM DIRECTOR,
(157-33487)

Subject:
SHERIFF'S POSSIBLE COMITATUS

Reference: [Cover pages of SA Report of SA Lettered memo]
1/28/76 at Denver, Colorado

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POSSE COMITATUS

PART 10 OF 13

BUFILE:157-33487
FILE DESCRIPTION

SUBJECT Posse Comitatus

FILE FBI HQ 152-33487
   Section 7
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: [REDACTED], SAN FRANCISCO (157-11713) (C)

SUBJECT: EM - WHITE HATE

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DATE 1/28/76

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The following have been identified as the subject's relatives:

1. [REDACTED]
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U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

14 FEB 1976
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

San Francisco, California
January 28, 1976

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

EXTREMIST MATTERS - WHITE HATE

This investigation is based on information which indicates that [redacted] is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Conspiracy Against the Rights of Citizens) or Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related Civil Rights Statutes.

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January 28, 1976

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

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RE:

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 157-11713

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 1/27/76

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (157-11689) (C)

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SUBJECT: EM - SPC
OO: SAN FRANCISCO

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INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

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DATE: 130/82 BY: SPB DJM

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, PHOENIX (157-2272) (C)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF’S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

DATE: 2/5/76

OO: Portland

RePXrep of SAC 6/19/75; PXtels 1/25 and 1/26/76.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of an LHM regarding captioned matter, two copies being furnished Portland. Two copies of FD-376 submitted to Bureau.

One copy of the LHM is being disseminated to U.S. Secret Service, Phoenix.

No copies being furnished IRS, Phoenix, as local office fully apprised of situation.

Agent noted in LHM as conducting interview with on 11/25/75 is SAC...

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535
February 5, 1976

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D.C. 20223

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 157-2272

RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATIUS (SPC)

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1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (1)
U.S. Secret Service, Phoenix, Arizona

Enclosure(s) (1)
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA
EXTREMIST MATTER

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TO:    DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM:   MILWAUKEE (157-2768) (RUC)
SUBJECT:   SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM
OOF:    PORTLAND

DATE:  2/5/76

ReMilet to Bureau, 5/6/75.

Preliminary inquiries have been conducted on the following list of Chapters of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) in the Milwaukee Division and on each County chairman. Investigation has disclosed little or no activity in these Chapters. All of the below-listed County Chapters of the SPC have been placed in a closed status

Chippewa County
Grant "
Manitowoc "
Marathon "
Pierce "
Shawano "
Taylor "
Wisconsin Serifs"

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Liaison has been established with all local County Sheriff's Departments located in the areas of the SPC Chapters. Should activity begin again in any of these Chapters, that SPC case will be reopened and its activities will be reported to Bureau of origin under that Chapter's caption.
The only active investigation still being conducted in the Milwaukee Division is regarding the Racine County Chapter of the SPC. As was set forth in relet, the activities of the Racine Chapter are being reported to the Bureau and office of origin directly under the caption, "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, Inc., Racine County, Wisconsin, Chapter; EM" (MIFile 157-2873).

Milwaukee is placing its main SPC case in an HUC status.
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

SUBJ: DU PAGE COUNTY
       ILLINOIS CHAPTER
       SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
       LISLE, ILLINOIS

DATE: 2/6/76

SAC, CHICAGO (157-10617) (RUC)

Re Chicago report of SA [redacted] dated 10/7/75, and Chicago letter to the Director, dated 1/21/76.

Referenced Chicago letter dated January 21, 1976 reflects confidential sources familiar with certain phases of extremist activities in the Chicago area and who have furnished reliable information in the past, continue to advise that various SPC County Chapters all appear to be inactive or defunct.

No current activity has been reported by captioned group and further investigation is not warranted and this case is therefore being closed within the Chicago Division.

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DATE 7/1/80 BY [redacted]
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SPC, CINCINNATI (157-6127) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka. EM-WHITE HATE

OO: PD

DATE: 2/6/76

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On 5/9-10/75, a seminar for the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) was held at a Holiday Inn, Davenport, Iowa, in addition to other unrelated activities at the same location. A license number was recorded as being in the area. That license is listed to Cincinnati indices and records of negative.

On 7/10/75, a meeting was held by the Citizens for Constitutional Rights at Canton, Ohio and was observed in the vicinity. This license was issued to Cincinnati indices and records are also negative concerning

- Bureau
- Cleveland (157-6056)
- Omaha (157-2120)
- Portland (157-1432)
- Cincinnati

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No further investigation will be conducted concerning [redacted] however, Cincinnati continues to investigate this organization newly chartered in Hamilton County, Ohio.
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-3792) (C)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS OF KERN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

EM - SPC
OO: SC

DATE: 2/5/76

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Re Los Angeles letter to Sacramento, 8/15/75, entitled, "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus of Stanislaus County, California", and Sacramento airtel to the Bureau, 10/31/75, entitled, "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, aka (Bufile 157-33487)"

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM concerning the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus of Kern County, California.

Two copies of an FD-376 are attached.

One copy of an LHM is furnished to the U. S. Secret Service, Sacramento, and Internal Revenue Service, Sacramento.

Inasmuch as the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus of Kern County, California is not an officially chartered organization, and there is no indication that it will be chartered in the immediate future, no additional investigation being conducted within the Sacramento Division regarding the Kern County Chapter, UACB.

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

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 157-3752

RE: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus of
Kern County, California

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U.S. Secret Service, Sacramento.

Enclosure(s) 1
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS OF KERN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

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In an article published in the Bakersfield Californian, September 14, 1975, Jack Holt explained the purposes and objectives of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, although he noted that the Kern County Chapter of that organization is unorganized and no charter to have that group recognized has been filed.

On November 14, 1975, the records of the Kern County Recorder's Office and the Kern County Clerk's Office, Bakersfield, California, were checked to determine if the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus had filed a charter with either of those offices with negative results.

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REPORTING OFFICE
KANSAS CITY

OFFICE OF ORIGIN
KANSAS CITY

DATE
2/11/76

INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
3/27/75 - 2/6/76

TITLE OF CASE
1. SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), HICKORY COUNTY, MISSOURI

CHARACTER OF CASE
EM - WH

REFERENCE: Kansas City report of SA 10/10/75 and Bulet to Kansas City, 11/6/75, both entitled, "SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka, EM, 00: PORTLAND".

ADMINISTRATIVE

Information copy furnished Portland Division in view of Portland's interest in SPC as Office of Origin of national headquarters.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED

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CASE HAS BEEN:

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Activity of these members, and absence of indication that these individuals have any current propensity for violence or fall under the guidelines for investigation, therefore, no further investigation is being conducted at this time regarding these individuals.

Should any additional information be received, organization becoming active, appropriate cases will be opened.
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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, HICKORY COUNTY
EXTREMIST MATTER - WHITE HATE

SPC chapter formed in Hickory County, Missouri, with seven members.

This investigation is based on information which indicates the SPC and its charter members are engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, USC, Section 114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Conspiracy Against Rights of Citizens), Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related Civil Rights statutes.

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I. Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) - Hickory County

A. Background

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On July 24, 1975, Hermitage, Missouri, advised there is no post office box there for this organization.
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KANSAS CITY

OFFICE OF ORIGIN
PORTLAND

DATE
2/17/76

INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
10/16/75-2/12/76

TITLE OF CASE
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

REPORT MADE BY

CHARACTER OF CASE
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REFERENCE: Kansas City report SA 10/10/75.

Bureau letter to Kansas City 11/3/75.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

Investigative period includes date of 2/12/76, on which date necessary file review was conducted.

Instant file is being placed in RUC status.

Investigation has indicated that the SPC in Kansas City Division is relatively inactive and there is

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no indication at the present time of violent or illegal activities within the FBI's investigative jurisdiction. It, therefore, does not appear active investigation falls within the guidelines for Bureau investigative activities in extremist matters. It is believed the Kansas City Division will become aware of any such activities in the future through established sources, local law enforcement agencies and investigations conducted in other matters, at which time investigation would be promptly reactivated.

Report is being disseminated to IRS, Secret Service and BATF locally per Bureau instructions and liaison established with IRS Internal Security Division. On 2/10/76 SA and Supervisor conferred on SPC matters.

Information concerning SPC activities in Hickory County, Missouri, is omitted from instant report as such information was set forth in separate report of SA 2/11/76, entitled "SPC, HICKORY COUNTY."

Information under miscellaneous concerning being furnished by separate communication to Denver Office.

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Investigation within the Kansas City Division was conducted by the following individuals:

Douglas and Taney County, Missouri - SA
Greene County, Missouri - SAs
and Nevada, Missouri - SA
Barton County, Kansas - SA
Neosho County, Kansas - SA
Polk County, Missouri - SA
Douglas County, Kansas - SA
Carroll County, Missouri - SA
Colby, Kansas - SA
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DETAILS:

I. HICKORY COUNTY, MISSOURI

Information concerning Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) activities in Hickory County, Missouri, have been previously reported separately.

A characterization of the SPC is attached as an appendix.

II. WYANDOTTE COUNTY, KANSAS
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The following investigation was conducted on September 30, 1975:

AT AVA, MISSOURI:

The application for charter of a Sheriff's Posse Comitatus chapter was filed on April 26, 1975. A National Member Certificate was recorded, the date of the certificate is March 22, 1975, and signed by National Chairman, H. L. BEACH. Charter members listed on this certificate are as follows:

LAURENCE C. SMITH  
FRED FOLLIS  
LAURENCE O. PHILLIPS
ELTON JOHNSTON  
THEODORE C. CAIN  
THOMAS K. WOODS
ROY E. WATERS
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IV. **GREENE COUNTY, MISSOURI**

On September 29, 1975, Greene County, Springfield, Missouri, advised her records failed to indicate application has been filed for a charter for the SPC.

A characterization of the KKKK is attached as an appendix.
VI. MISCELLANEOUS

On October 17, 1975, the following individuals advised their records contain no information identifiable with SPC:

Sedgwick County Election Office, Wichita, Kansas;
Sedgwick County Court House, Wichita;
On October 22, 1975, [redacted] Taney County, Forsyth, Missouri, advised her records failed to indicate an application has been filed for a charter of the SPC.
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On October 20, 1975, Vernon County, Nevada, Missouri, advised organizations are not required to register with his office and he is unaware of any requirement of organizations to register with anyone within Vernon County.

...could furnish no information concerning other than the information furnished above.
On October 22, 1975, [redacted] of Barton County, Great Bend, Kansas, advised she has no record of SPC.

On November 5, 1975, [redacted] of Polk County, Bolivar, Missouri, which covers Morrisville, Missouri, advised the SPC has not filed for a charter or filed Articles of Incorporation in Polk County. There has not been any application for charter for this organization, to the best of her knowledge, in Polk County.
On December 9, 1975, the Douglas County Registrar of Deeds, Lawrence, Kansas, advised there has not been any application filed for charter of an SPC chapter in Douglas County.

She advised any such organization forming in the State of Kansas should file their organization papers with the Secretary of State, Topeka, Kansas.

An article appeared on page one of the "Columbia Daily Tribune", Columbia, Missouri, on December 4, 1975, as follows:
CCC said not involved

Lindsey joins fight against rural crime

By CYNTHIA FELTS
of The Tribune's staff

Bill Lindsey, organizer of the Concerned Citizens Against Crime (CCC), has joined his Deer Park area neighbors in patrolling county roads to combat crime.

A.C. Brittain Jr. of Route 1, chairman of the Deer Park Citizens' Committee, said today that Lindsey is a member of the "neighborhood alert program" but serves in no special role.

Brittain said there is absolutely no connection between the county citizens' group and the CCC, which was organized last June without prior knowledge of law enforcement officials.

"The county citizens groups, however, have approval and encouragement from Boone County Sheriff Jack Meyer," Lindsey said this morning that the new neighborhood groups want to operate without news coverage—like the CCC.

"We find we can be 10 times more effective out of the public eye," Lindsey said.

Lindsey said news coverage of the CCC made criminals drop out of sight because they were afraid of being nabbed by the Concerned Citizens.

"All the notoriety about citizens' groups make criminals hard to apprehend," he said.

"After we (the CCC) went underground, crime started picking up again," Lindsey said.

He said members of the press "will not be allowed to attend" meetings of the county citizens' groups, and they will not be told about group activities.

Meyer will be the groups' news source. Lindsey said. Meyer could not be reached to comment this morning.

Lindsey said the county groups will operate individually "with liaisons between them."

He also said county citizens are serious about forming a burglary victim's lobby.

"How can a politician look in the eye of 50,000 citizens who've lost thousands of dollars in property that they can't afford to lose, and then tell them there's not enough money for law enforcement?" Lindsey said.
An article appearing on page one of the "Columbia Daily Tribune" issue January 6, 1976, concerned a dispute between Boone County Sheriff JAMES MEYER and county officials concerning the Sheriff's budget for the coming year. The article mentioned that about a dozen county residents showed up at the court meeting to protest the court's intention of holding MEYER's budget to the 1975 level. The group was led by BILL LINDSEY, organizer of Concerned Citizens Against Crime, and A.C. BRITTAINE, chairman of the Deer Park Neighborhood Alert Program.
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KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

A confidential source advised that the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (KKKK) was established in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in late 1973 by David Ernest Duke, a former leader of several local white hate type groups. The organization's publication, "The Crusader", describes the KKKK as a movement of men who are creating an organization which has the strength to stop the decay and decline of our communities and white Christian culture. It is based on the principles which made the white race and America great and which will lead them to greatness again. The KKKK has established no direct link with any other local or national Klan organization.

At a KKKK reception held for David Duke in January 1974, he stated there soon would be a large-scale clash between blacks and whites and he urged whites to arm themselves in preparation for this. During a radio appearance at New Orleans, Louisiana, in January 1974, Duke stated the Klan was getting ready for a violent and bad situation which he believes will arise in this country by getting guns and getting organized. Duke has traveled extensively to participate and speak at demonstrations and rallies of other white extremist groups in the United States.

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TO DIRECTOR (157-33467)
PORTLAND (157-1432)

FROM DENVER (157-1615) (P)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC). EM. 00: PORTLAND

RE DENVER LETTER AND LHM TO BUREAU AND OTHER OFFICES,

TAX STRIKE MEETING IN WHICH SPC IS INVOLVED COMMENCED
HOLIDAY INN, CASPER, WYOMING, 11:00 AM, FEBRUARY 19, 1976,
AND WILL CONTINUE DAYS AND EVENING THROUGH FEBRUARY 22, 1976.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-3687) (P)

DATE: 2/18/76

SUBJECT: SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SJSPC)

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RE: Sacramento letter and LHM to Bureau, 9/29/75, and Sacramento letter and LHM to Bureau, 10/29/75, captioned

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM concerning captioned group. Enclosed for Los Angeles and Portland is one copy of same LHM. In addition, enclosed for the Bureau is one copy of a newspaper article obtained from the "Stockton News" on 1/14/76, captioned "To: All Citizens of San Joaquin County; From: San Joaquin County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus".

One copy of LHM is being furnished to Secret Service, Sacramento and IRS, Intelligence Division, Sacramento.

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In relation to the SJSPC as a white hate group, investigation by the Sacramento Division has failed to reflect any campaign against members of the minority races. In a letter to the Editor of the "Stockton Record" on 3/21/75, FRANCIS E. GILLMAN, then Chairman of the SJSPC, stated that his group was a citizens posse started by the National Association for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms (NAKBA). On 1/26/76, an article on Page 15 of the "Stockton Record" revealed that the SPC and the NAKBA held a meeting the previous week and NAKBA agreed to merge with the SJSPC.

Sacramento files reflect no direct influence by members of IG and the National Socialist White People's Party (NSWPP) in the SJSPC; however, Sacramento has recently gained authorization from the U.S. Attorney's Office, Sacramento, California, in which investigation has been instituted.

LEAD

Sacramento

AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA. Will continue investigation of the SJSPC in the Sacramento Division.
February 18, 1976

RE: SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

Dear Sir:

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

1. □ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. □ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. □ Threatening or abusive statement about U. S. or foreign official.
4. □ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U. S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. □ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. □ Defector from U. S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. □ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U. S.

Photograph □ has been furnished □ enclosed □ is not available.

Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) 1
   U. S. Secret Service, Sacramento (RM)

Enclosure(s) 1
On October 27, 1975, a newspaper article on Page 1 of the "Stockton Record", a newspaper published daily at Stockton, California, revealed that George Everett Mill, Chairman of the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SJSPC) (See Appendix), with gross negligence, handled a rape-murder case in which one girl died and another lay critically injured in a field alongside the freeway between Tracy and Stockton, California.

A second article on Page 13 of the "Stockton Record" on November 11, 1975, indicated that the San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors has referred the above charges to the San Joaquin County Grand Jury.

On November 27, 1975, on Page 1, the "Stockton Record" indicated that the San Joaquin County Grand Jury had cleared the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Office (SJSCO) of any negligence in the October 18, 1975 rape-murder of the two girls.

On November 15, 1975, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Stockton, California, advised that on November 13, 1975, a Federal Grand Jury (FGJ) in Sacramento, California, had returned indictments against them with charges of false statements and tax fraud.

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ENCLOSURE
On January 9, 1976, an Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) at Bakersfield, California, developed that a conference room at the Ramada Inn was reserved.

On January 10, 1976, this same Agent spotted 12 individuals in 3 vehicles, which were registered
On January 14, 1976, the "Stockton Record" newspaper contained an article on Page 1, captioned "'Posse' Member Seeks Arrest of Judge, Marshal", in which Posse member Avis Ruth Bennett attended the citizens arrest in Lodi Municipal Court, Lodi, California, of Judge Nels B. Franzen for alleged treason and burglary. Judge Franzen denied her request for a jury trial on a charge that she refused to pay her automobile registration fee. The judge explained that the law does not allow for a jury trial in a misdemeanor case.

Bennett, who claimed the registration fee was unconstitutional and inequitable, charged the judge with depriving her of her constitutional rights. She then filled out a citizens arrest form charging Judge Franzen with misprision treason. She then asked Deputy Marshal Melchoir Gonzales to carry out the arrest; and when he refused, she filled out another form charging Gonzales with failure to perform a lawful arrest.
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On January 26, 1976, an article on Page 15 of the "Stockton Record", captioned "Posse, Gun Group Merge", reveals that the SJSPC and the local unit of the National Association for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms (NAKBA) (See Appendix) merged during a meeting held the previous week. The article further reflects that the gun group voted to give their financial reserve to the Posse's Defense Fund.

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SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

On February 18, 1975, the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) filed application for a charter to be associated with the National SPC. The San Joaquin County SPC is a self-proclaimed citizens' posse formed to keep officials from taking away the organization's means to resist tyranny in the government, i.e., their guns. This organization is further dedicated to protecting its members from the service of liens by federal tax agents for delinquent tax matters, keeping local police and sheriff's officers away from property that is about to be slapped with eviction notices, making citizen's arrests of suspected law breakers that posse members come across in their daily travels, and with campaigning to replace the local sheriff if he does not come up to the posse's rigidly fundamental interpretation of the U. S. Constitution. The posse, using the manual put out by the Citizen's Law Enforcement and Research Committee as a guide, threatened to arrest any official of the government, including judges of the court, who enforce federal income tax laws. The organization currently consists of seven signature members and is under the chairmanship of Francis Earl Gillings, Tracy, California.
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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE
RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS (NAKBA)

The NAKBA is a nation-wide organization formerly headquartered at Medford, Oregon, with its principal goal being organized opposition to restrictive gun legislation. Its activities, at least in the State of Oregon, have been predominantly directed toward that legislative purpose, although many of its members are also known to be members of the tax rebellion movement and various chapters of the Posse Comitatus. One of the issues of the "Armed Citizen News", the NAKBA's official publication, places the NAKBA in support of the "Posse Comitatus" movement. However, no extremist activities have been directly connected with the NAKBA in Oregon.
SUBJECT: SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSE COMITATUS

Re: SC letter and investigative summary to BU dated 2/18/76.

Enclosed for BU one copy article obtained from

on 1/14/76, captured from the "Daily News" of San Joaquin County, Eureka County

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HERIN IS CONFIDENTIAL
To: All Citizens of San Joaquin County
From: SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE COMMITTEE

QUESTIONS: Many of you have read news accounts or heard TV stories about the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Posse Committee. You may have wondered whether we are a legal organization—whether we are just a group of adventurers. This notice is printed to inform you of the reasons the Posse (and others like it throughout the U.S.) was formed—its intentions—and what it means or can mean to you and your family.

WHO FORMED THE POSSE AND WHY?
The Posse is a legally constituted citizens association formed by family people of this County. We were alarmed by the continuing rapid deterioration of our country—economically, politically, and morally. We could see great danger looming ahead. We believed it prudent to help advise others of what we had learned, to disseminate literature to prove the truths not generally known, and to help ourselves and others prepare for trouble or to prevent it if possible. It was necessary to our welfare to withdraw the old currency and issue new notes valued at a tiny fraction of the money you had left in your bank. This happened in Germany back in 1923. You can bet the conspirators knew just how and when they would manage this.

Did you know that our Federal Reserve System is not ours—and that it is not Federal? It belongs to a small group of International Bankers who have succeeded in getting us in their debt with a huge $895 billion right now—with the debt advancing with our yearly deficits. Do you suppose they are just awaiting a convenient time to foreclose on us?

DUTIES OF THE POSSE
At the start of this message we mentioned some of the intentions of the Posse, now we will tell you more: Our by-laws state that we are to take positive action in the consents and true meaning of the language of the Constitution of the United States. We must utilize any legal and reasonable methods to accomplish our goals including the following:

1. Promote and maintain a readiness of body, mind and spirit to serve the public and assist the Sheriff and other law officials.
2. Inform and encourage the citizens of the County to live and work within the framework of the U.S. Constitution.
3. Encourage patriotism of the people by maintaining a continuing study and understanding of our Constitutional Republic and the basic U.S. documents which govern us.
4. Support only candidates who advocate and follow the adherence to the Constitution.
The Posse shall remain a non-profit organization, and no member shall be paid a salary above $1 per year (make that a SILVER dollar).

It is the duty of the Posse under the Constitution to prevent citizens of the County when and if our elected or appointed citizens fail to do so. Posse members may make citizen arrests and the accused shall be turned over to the County Sheriff for custody and he is bound by his oath of office to process such persons to the proper and due justice. Should the County Sheriff fail to process such arrest papers, he has failed to carry out his duties under County and State law, and is in violation of his power as an officer.

LEGALITY OF THE POSSE
The Posse made application for a Charter which was granted and it was recorded at the S.J. County Recorder's Office on Feb. 18, 1978. This reads as follows: "Here, 1978. The following Christian citizens, residing in the County of San Joaquin, California, do make application for a Charter to be associated with the National Posse Committee, under authority of the Constitution of the United States, Magna Carta, and other laws and valid treaties of the United States and residents of the above County, we affirm that we do not defend nor do we belong to any group which advocates the overthrow of the government of the United States. We do our allegiance to the Constitution, people may a
office. They m also ask a question about whether the Posse has any basis in law. This is our position: The Posse is not a constitution or any other law, but it is a legal and organized group.

On July 1, 1979, a letter to their editor, retraction & explanation, speech before length to Mr. C. and intentions to arrest him if by our by-laws and intentions to assist him if we heard he arrested. How acknowledged goals of our intentions. If knowledge and time forward.

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REGARDING THE STATE LABOR RELATIONS BOARD
A statement has been made by the AGRI LABOR RELATIONS BOARD that union organizers could enter the farms' fields to enlist union members. But, when the farmers' fields were posted with NO TRESPASS signs, the organizers were barred by the Constitutional rights of the farmer. The Labor Relations Board had NO RIGHT or AUTHORITY to issue their decision and encroach upon the boundaries of the farmers' fields without permission of the farmer. The Posse to the county was strictly within its rights to bar entrance to the fields as guards. As to threatening the organizers or pointing guns at them, the Posse denies having done more than advising the organizers against entering the posted and guarded fields.

Since the date of the tomato field incident several judges have ruled that farmers were within their rights to protect their fields, and the organizers had no right under Constitutional law to enter those fields against the wishes of the farmers. The State Supreme Court has finally ruled upholding the lower court judgements.

THE FUTURE OF THE POSSE
Mr. J. County Sheriffs Posse Comitatus intends to continue to operate as a legal organization in the interests of San Joaquin County residents. The Posse intends to operate within the law of the Constitution at all times. If the Sheriff will process the arrest papers made out to him, personally, and to the District Attorney, which papers he was required by his oath of office to present and which he was required as shown in County and State laws relating to the duties of the Sheriff, which papers are still in his hands unprocessed—and provided he will admit his failure to uphold his oath to present and defend the Constitution, as the matter mentioned above, namely, failure to send his deputies to defend the farmers' fields and secondly, entering the farmers' fields without permission of the farmers—then the Posse will then be happy to cooperate with him and his department. Otherwise the Posse will act as a counter force against him in any lawful manner. This applies both to the Sheriff and to the District Attorney, given whom we believe have committed perjury under Title 18, Section 1501, U.S. Code. The Posse can fully substantiate these statements.

THE PEOPLE OF SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
You have our promise that we intend only to see that fair and just procedures are used in this County, and we refer to all citizens and governmental 'authorities'

We genuinely desire your good will and cooperation. We invite you to become involved for the good of yourselves, families and friends. We invite your membership in the Posse, or your financial support or both. Women, as well as men, are welcome.

We would be glad to have you attend and ask questions. If you'd like to receive more information about the Posse, or documented information regarding some of the statements made in this announcement we will try to get it to you where ever possible.

Like the coupon below. Your name will be kept in strictest confidence. Let us hear from you, or phone if you prefer.

Our country is a free Republic. We must all do our part. It will take time. Don't just stand by and say...
savings in the use of cooling tower capacity changes to the steam condensate return system have reduced unit costs for producing air conditioning, according to Wesley Howard, director of plant operations. Programming of heating and cooling corrections, thereby eliminating the need for rapidly heating or cooling an area, has reduced peak loads. Elimination of heating and cooling of unoccupied areas and improved control of boiler operation also have resulted in savings.

Lincoln Girl Scouts help needy children

In order to make Christmas a little happier for some children in Stockton less fortunate than themselves, the Lincoln Area Girl Scouts went shopping. Each troop sent children at Mary Graham Hall and at Peterson Hall were the recipients, last month, of over a hundred gifts, including games, records, art supplies, books, jewelry, and stationery items. They were given an ample supply of candy canes as well. Each troop participated in this philanthropic activity.

Strong of Tully C. Knoles whose prior position was with the State Department of Education and involved monitoring programs for students with learning disabilities in Southern California. According to publicity chairwoman Renee John, she has estimated that up to 35 per cent of today's students have learning disabilities. She

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There was little true sculpture on our shores in Colonial America. no furniture took its place. People walked around furniture, looked at it, admired its form. Our elders, seeing here, dividing living areas, are also like elegant pieces of sculpture. All Ethan Allen Classic Manor designs are rich sculpture and right now they're part of our large winter sale collection. Come see the one of your favorite works - some planners will be happy to assist you.
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New members of the Posse are screened and sworn as to the admittance of any one to the criminal record and each must take the oath of office outlined in the charter wording shown above.

You may have read newspaper stories that alluded to the Posse as vigilantes, self-styled or otherwise. This group is dedicated to the welfare and protection of the County of San Joaquin, California, and hereby declare the same.

The Constitution starts off with the words: "We the people. . . establish this Constitution." and then proceeds to list the articles and amendments.

The Posse, as the people whom the government, and those powers not conferred by the people themselves. In our Republic, the people are the sovereign masters, and the elected or appointed government personnel are their servants.

The Posse Comitatus means "the people of the County" and represents the power of the people. We are a non-profit organization. We have no salaries or earnings for work with the Posse. We will not dig into our pockets to pay for any announcement and all money will be used for the best interests of the people.


WAKE UP! Please. All you good people of STOCKTON, LODI, TRACY, MANTeca, Ripon, Escalon and LINDEN. And all you farmers and ranchers. The Posse is fighting for the rights and safety and freedom of all of us. We are a non-profit organization. We have no salaries or earnings for work with the Posse. We must dig into our pockets to pay for this announcement and all money will be used for the best interests of the people. We promise our donation will be used for your best interests.
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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 2/19/76

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (157-11714) (C)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMMITTEE

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Enclosed for FBIHQ are four copies of an investigative summary. Two copies of an FD 376 are attached.

One copy of the investigative summary is being disseminated to Secret Service, San Francisco.

An interview with the Subject is not recommended since the Subject is currently associated with the SPC, and there is no indication he would be cooperative, and SPC members have recently filed lawsuits in Federal District Court against local law enforcement officers, judges, and Assistant District Attorneys for 36 million dollars charging a violation of their constitutional rights. It is believed inappropriate at this time to attempt an interview of any SPC members unless there is some indication they would be cooperative.
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20535

February 19, 1976

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

Dear Sir:

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

1. □ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
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4. □ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U.S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. □ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. □ Defector from U.S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. □ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U.S.

Photograph □ has been furnished □ enclosed □ is not available.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (2) (RM)
U.S. Secret Service, San Francisco

Enclosure(s) (2)
This investigation is based on information which indicates that this individual is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Conspiracy Against the Rights of Citizens), or Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related Civil Rights statutes.

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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS,
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Re Kansas City report SA

Copies of referenced report are being furnished locally to IRS, Secret Service and BATF.

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Approved: 2/17 Special Agent in Charge

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ASSAULT AGAINST FEDERAL AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS.

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NATIONAL TAX RESISTANCE MOVEMENT AND SHARES THE PHILOSOPHY
OF THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION, WHICH IS DESCRIBED IN THEIR
LITERATURE AS FOLLOWS: "OUR PURPOSE IS NOT A REVOLT, BUT TO
REDUCE THE GOVERNMENT TO ITS TRUE CONSTITUTIONAL PURPOSE, SO
WE MAY ONCE AGAIN BE FREE." "THIS NATION GREW AND PROGRESSED AS
NO NATION HAD BEFORE FOR ABOUT 140 YEARS WITHOUT A COMMON
TAX OR FEDERAL BANKING SYSTEM. WE HAVE HAD BOTH SINCE 1931
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STAGGERING NATION AND NOW IS THE TIME FOR PEOPLE WITH THE SPIRIT
OF INDEPENDENCE TO RISE UP AND DECLARE THEIR INDEPENDENCE OF
THE TAX AND THE UNCONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT."

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WYOMING SHERIFF'S OFFICE, CASPER, WYOMING, WERE INFORMED OF THE
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PARTICIPANTS OF THIS MATTER.

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U.S.S. WAS ADVISED OF THE CONVENTION.

SACRAMENTO DIVISION AT TRACY,

CALIFORNIA, ADVISE APPROPRIATE OFFICE OF IRS AND APPROPRIATE
LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.


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cc Mr. Schrater
Mr. Johnson
Gen. Hase
Ext. 64
Mr. Wannell
Mr. [redacted]
Mr. [redacted]
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (15/-33487)

DATE: 3/1/76

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (157-11686) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY

Re San Francisco letter and LHM, 10/21/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are six copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above. Copies of this LHM are being disseminated locally to Secret Service and IRS. Two copies of the LHM are enclosed for Portland, Office of Origin.

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SAN FRANCISCO

AT SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA: Will report any activities of Subject organization.

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3) 66 070 (F)
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DATE 7/1/74 BY SP8B17

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TO SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (157-11686) FROM DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

Subject: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY

TO SAC, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

Date: 3/10/76

Reference: Letterhead memo

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   h. Acquitted?

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5. Date of communication

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   c. Facts not adequate or vice versa

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Remarks

Be LHM did not contain a characterization of the SPC. Bureau copies corrected. Correct your copies, take no action on copies disseminated locally.

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DATE: 3/1/76 BY SP88BO7MW
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CHARACTERIZATION OF SUBVERSIVE ORGANIZATION
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157-33487-288
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

SAC, DENVER (157-1815) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATIS (SPC) EN (00: Portland)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 7/1/80 BY SPCBD/lnw

Re Denver letter to the Bureau, dated 1/28/76;
Denver niteé to the Bureau, dated 2/19/76; Denver teletype to
the Bureau, dated 2/23/76.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of an
LHM, dated 2/27/76, and captioned as above along with two copies
of an FD-376 attached. Enclosed for the Portland Division are
two copies of LHM. Two copies of the LHM are being furnished
to the Butte, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, Phoenix, and Sacramento
Divisions since featured speakers from these Divisions attended
recent Wyoming Patriots Convention at Casper, Wyoming.

Two copies each of the LHM is being furnished to the
following Divisions in addition to those listed above. A
surveillance of the parking areas of the Ramada Inn, Casper,
Wyoming, during the Wyoming Patriots Convention at that
establishment was conducted in which license numbers of various
vehicles were obtained and will be set forth to the appropriate
receiving Divisions so that investigation may be conducted in
the future in an attempt to identify possible attendees at the
Wyoming Patriots Convention at Casper, Wyoming. Receiving
additional copies of the LHM are:

New Orleans, Oklahoma City, Omaha, Salt Lake City, San Antonio,
and the Seattle Division.

1 - Omaha (Enc. 2) (Info) (RM)
2 - Portland (157-1432) (Enc. 2) (RM)
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1 - Seattle (Enc. 2) (Info) (RM)
2 - Denver

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(SGJW)
One copy of the LHM is being disseminated to the Office of the U. S. Secret Service and the Internal Revenue Service at Denver, Colorado.

Portions of an article which was published in the 12/5/75 edition of the Rocky Mountain News, a daily newspaper published in Denver, Colorado, is set forth in attached LHM since this article characterizes the leadership of the SPC and the National Tax Resistance Movement.

An article which was published in the 2/22/76 edition of the Casper Star-Tribune, a daily newspaper published in Casper, Wyoming, is set forth in attached LHM since this article presents the views of a major member of the National Tax Resistance Movement, Mrs. CLAIRE KELLEY of Huntington Beach, California.

The surveillance of the parking area of the Ramada Inn, Casper, Wyoming, was conducted on 2/19 - 2/22/76, by SA (redacted).

LEADS:

THE DENVER DIVISION

At Casper, Wyoming:

Will set forth appropriate vehicle license numbers obtained from parking area of Ramada Inn, Casper, Wyoming, during period of Wyoming Patriots Convention at that establishment to various Divisions for appropriate investigation.
Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D. C. 20220

RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) EXTREMIST MATTER

March 1, 1976

Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
U. S. Secret Service, Denver, Colorado (RM)

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The February 22, 1976 edition of the Casper Star-Tribune, a daily newspaper published in Casper, Wyoming, printed an article under the byline of Dan Partridge, Staff Writer of the News Staff.
SHERIFF'S P. COMITATUS (SPC):

This article entitled, "'Patriots' Knock Gun Control", criticized efforts to regulate gun control and quotes Claire Kelly, self-taught tax consultant, pamphleteer and author, as stating that those who contend that a decrease in crime will accompany gun control are either "subversive or idiots".

The article further stated that nearly two hundred were expected for the two-day convention scheduled to end Saturday night. Both the American and Revolutionary flags were prominently displayed at the convention.

Friday afternoon was devoted to speeches calling for abolition of the income tax and a return to the gold and silver standard. Mrs. Kelly argued that the operation of the government could be financed by those taxes specifically set forth in the Constitution.

Among those who addressed the convention Friday afternoon, was Gary Mason of St. Anthony, Idaho, a former truck driver turned legal consultant, who has written a book to help the average man fight his own battles in court.

Mason contended that the battle for freedom will be raged in our county court houses, and said that we have to learn to control our local government. He also warned against "Socialists" who are controlling the Nations' court system.
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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC):

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SAC, CLEVELAND (157-6060)(RUC)  

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka., EM - WHITE HATE  

DATE: 3/4/76  

All information contained herein is unclassified.  

Re Cleveland letter to Bureau, 9/25/75.  

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of an LHM captioned as above. Two copies of an FD-376 are also attached.  

Two copies of the LHM are being furnished to the Portland Office, Office of Origin.  

One copy of the LHM is being disseminated to the United States Secret Service, Cleveland.  

INFORMANTS 70-820  

SOURCE  

Investigation in this matter has disclosed that the Citizens for Constitutional Rights (CCR) operating in Canton, Ohio, has displayed no propensity for violence or engaged in any extremist activity. Their activity has been primarily  

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verbal attacks on the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and all forms of taxation. The IRS and the Secret Service are cognizant of the activity of the group. In view of the attitude of the local group, the Cleveland Office is not considering any additional investigation at this time. In the event information is received indicating a change in the attitude and the group shows a propensity for violence, this matter will be reopened.
Cleveland, Ohio
March 4, 1976

RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

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

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Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)(2)
U. S. Secret Service, Cleveland (By Hand)

Enclosure(s)
Cleveland, Ohio
March 4, 1976

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS,
Also Known As
Posse Comitatus,
Ministry of Christ's Church,
Ohio Patriots For Constitutional
Government,
Citizens For Constitutional Rights

CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS

The Citizens for Constitutional Rights is a
local Canton, Ohio group of tax protestors, claiming
that all forms of taxation are contrary to
Constitutional provisions. They are a loose-
knit group, which seeks direction by use of
publications and literature of the Ministry of
Christ Church, also known as "Posse Comitatus"
(see Appendix) for its philosophy and operation.

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ENVELOPE
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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

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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.
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR (157-33487)                      DATE: 3/9/76

FROM: SAC, DENVER (157-1815)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

E: Portland

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DATE 7/11/80 BY SPEBDM11MW

Re Denver letter to Bureau dated 1/28/76, together
with letterhead memorandum captioned as above and dated
1/28/76.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of an
amended page 11 of instant letterhead memorandum.

Two copies of this amended page are being sent to
Portland, Los Angeles, Minneapolis, Phoenix, Sacramento and
San Diego, while one copy is being furnished the remaining
offices listed herein.

An amended page has been disseminated locally to

Denver copy has been corrected.

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Director, FBI (157-33487) 

0 SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS EM

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DATE 7/1/76 BY SPPB 111

ReSFlet 2/9/76, captioned "Black Guerrilla Family (BGF); EM," no copy to Portland.

Referenced San Francisco letter stated that a conference of the Monterey Task Force Intelligence Group was held in San Jose, California, on 1/14/76. At this conference which was attended by police officers, California Department of Corrections personnel from throughout California and representatives from various Federal investigative agencies, a discussion was held concerning the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) organizing "swat teams."

FBI Headquarters (FBIHQ) is not in previous receipt of this information. San Francisco should furnish full details regarding the SPC organizing "swat teams" to Portland, office of origin of the SPC, and FBIHQ.

2 - Portland (157-1432)

EX-115 REC 42 15 7-33487-297

NOTE: The SPC is a loose-knit, nationwide vigilante organization which claims that the only legitimate law enforcement agency is the county sheriff.
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (157-3205) (C)
SUBJECT: EM - SPC
OO: DALLAS

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DATE: 7/1/76
BY: SPB DJM (W)

Re El Paso airtel to the Bureau dated 10/22/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM captioned as above, with two copies of FD-376 stapled thereto. Two copies of the LHM disseminated to the U. S. Secret Service, Dallas, Texas.

Dallas is setting administrative tickler to reopen this matter 7/1/76, to determine SPC activities of

EX-112

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1 - Dallas

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MAR 18 1976
Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D.C. 20223

February 11, 1976

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 157-3205

RE: [Redacted]

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Clarence M. Kelley
Director

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)    DATE: 3/15/76

SAC, DENVER (157-1815) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE, COMITATUS (SPC) "EH"
          00: PORTLAND

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN REMAINS CONFIDENTIAL
DATE 6/30/80 BY SPY(BJ)/MV

Re Denver letter to the Bureau, dated 3/1/76.

Set forth are vehicle license numbers obtained from the parking area of the Ramada Inn Motel, during pertinent hours of the Wyoming Patriot Convention at Casper, Wyoming from 2/19 - 2/22/76.

Offices in whose divisions the license numbers are located are requested to conduct appropriate criminal checks in locations where the registrants reside, as well as indices checks, in an attempt to identify the registrants as known or possible members of the captioned organization or the National Tax Strike Resistance Movement.

License numbers marked with an asterisk (*) indicate the vehicle had plainly displayed Tax Resistance Stickers, etc. affixed to this vehicle; and occupants were obviously in attendance at the Wyoming Patriot Convention and most probably members of the National Tax Strike Resistance Movement.

Bureau (RM) 2 - Portland (157-1482) (RM) 2 - Albuquerque (RM) 2 - Butte (RM) 2 - Las Vegas (RM) 2 - Minneapolis (157-4305) (RM) 2 - New Orleans (RM) 2 - Oklahoma City (RM) 2 - Omaha (RM) 2 - Phoenix (157-2272) (RM) 2 - Sacramento (157-3522) (RM) 2 - Salt Lake City (RM) 2 - San Antonio (RM) 2 - Seattle (RM) 6 - Denver

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted]

AT CASPER, WYOMING:

On 2/20/76, the records of the Wyoming District Court, 7th Judicial District, Natrona County, Casper, Wyoming, were reviewed.

Docket 71, Page 38 880, Civil Case of Natrona County versus WALTER R. HANSEN, LOWELL G. ANDERSON, ET AL, was reflected.

This action for injunction by Mr. JOHN BURK, County Attorney, Natrona County, Casper, Wyoming, was filed against the Posse-Comitatus on 3/1/74.

As a result of a charter filed with the Clerk of the District Court on 2/27/74 by HANSEN and ANDERSON, indicating a chapter of the Posse-Comitatus had been formed by the charter members as follows:

WALTER R. HANSEN  5050 C.Y. Avenue  Casper, Wyoming
LOWELL G. ANDERSON  123 Eisenhower St.  Casper, Wyoming
HARRY B. ANNIS
MURRAY C. WATSON, JR.
PHILLIP L. ANDERSON  907 South Poplar  Casper, Wyoming
MARK J. KNITTEL  201 Riverbend Road  Casper, Wyoming
DON RIDDLE

On 6/13/75 a Stipulation for Dismissal was filed with the Clerk of the District Court, Casper, Wyoming, dated 5/28/75; in which WALTER R. HANSEN and LOWELL G. ANDERSON, acting for the Natrona County Possee Comitatus, were ordered and agreed to the following under penalty of court:
I. That they will not assume any authority as law enforcement officers, individually or collectively, unless called upon to do so by the Natrona County Sheriff or other duly constituted law enforcement officer.

II. That if defendants are called upon, either individually or collectively, to assist the Sheriff or other duly constituted officer, they will strictly confine their conduct within the limits of the law of the authority granted to them by the officer requesting their assistance.

III. The above defendants agreed to the above stipulations and signed the above on 5/28/75.

As a result of the above agreements signed before Wyoming District Judge R. M. FORRESTER, Casper, Wyoming, the action was dismissed by Judge FORRESTER on 12/29/75.

LEADS

THE ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION

AT ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO: Will determine registrant of New Mexico License and conduct appropriate investigation as set forth above.

THE BUTTE DIVISION

AT BUTTE, MONTANA: Will determine holder of Montana License and and conduct investigation as set forth previously.

Will also determine registrant of following Idaho Licenses and conduct investigation as set forth above: 

THE LAS VEGAS DIVISION

AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA: Will determine registered holder of Nevada License and conduct investigation as set forth previously.

THE MINNEAPOLIS DIVISION

AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA: Will determine holders of Minnesota License and and conduct investigation as set forth previously.
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Will determine holders of South Dakota License Numbers

THE NEW ORLEANS DIVISION

AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA: Will determine registered holders of vehicle license numbers and conduct investigation as set forth previously.

THE OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA: Will determine registered holder of Oklahoma License and conduct investigation as set forth above.

THE OMAHA DIVISION

AT OMAHA, NEBRASKA: Will determine holders of the following license numbers and conduct investigation as set forth previously:

THE PHOENIX DIVISION

AT PHOENIX, DIVISION: Will determine holder of Arizona License and conduct investigation as set forth above.

THE SACRAMENTO DIVISION

AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA: Will determine registered owner of California License and conduct investigation as set forth above.

THE SALT LAKE CITY DIVISION

AT SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH: Will determine registered holders of vehicle license numbers as follows; and conduct investigation as set forth previously:
THE SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

AT AUSTIN, TEXAS: Will determine registered owner of the following license numbers and set forth appropriate leads for investigation, as set forth previously:

THE SEATTLE DIVISION

AT SEATTLE, WASHINGTON: Will determine registered holder of vehicle license and conduct investigation as set forth previously.

THE DENVER DIVISION

AT DENVER, COLORADO: Will determine holders of the following vehicle license numbers and set forth appropriate leads to conduct investigation, as set forth previously:
AT CHEYENNE, WYOMING: Will determine holders of the following vehicle license numbers, and conduct investigation as set forth previously:

PLATTE COUNTY -

ALBANY COUNTY -

LARAMIE COUNTY -

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AT RIVERTON, WYOMING: Same information as requested above:

TETON COUNTY -

WASHAKIE COUNTY -

PARK COUNTY -

BIG HORN COUNTY -
DN 157-1815

AT ROCK SPRINGS, WYOMING: Will determine requested information as set forth above:

SUBLETTIE COUNTY -

CARBON COUNTY -

AT CASPER, WYOMING: Will determine requested information as set forth previously:

CROOK COUNTY -

CAMPBELL COUNTY -

JOHNSON COUNTY -

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CONVERSE COUNTY -

SHERIDAN COUNTY -

NATRONA COUNTY - Set forth hereafter
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Referenced Denver letter and LHM dated 3/1/76, furnished details of a tax rebellion convention held 2/19-22/76, in Casper, Wyoming, at which members of the SPC were present. Referenced letter dated 3/15/76, set forth leads to identify registered owners of vehicles observed in the parking lot of the convention site.

no need exists to identify owners of these vehicles. Recipients conduct no investigation to identify registered owners.

FBI interest in the SPC often necessitates coverage of tax rebellion conventions such as held in Casper, Wyoming. These conventions, for the most part, involve citizens exercising constitutionally protected rights and great care must be taken to insure that no investigation or reporting is done on the legitimate activities of these individuals. In the future, Denver should insure that only extremist oriented activities or statements are reported.
Letter to Denver, et al.
Re: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC)
157-33487

NOTE: The SPC is a loose-knit vigilante organization which claims that the Federal Reserve System and the graduated income tax are unlawful. The SPC calls for the establishment of a posse in each county to assist the only legitimate law enforcement authority, the county sheriff, in combating the unlawful acts of others, particularly of Federal and state officials.
To: Director, FBI

Acting

From: SAC, BUTTE (157-720) (C)

Subject: EM - SPC SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

oo: Butte

ATTENTION:

☐ GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
☐ CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION
☐ CRIMINAL SECTION
☒ INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

□ CR ☐ EL ☐ DIH ☐ CRA-64
□ PA ☐ PE ☐ PF ☐ E
□ DAMV ☐ DAMV-FR ☐ CAA
□ AP ☐ IWFC ☐ CWAA ☐ FI
□ EID ☐ Bomb Threats ☒ Extremist Matters
□ White Hate ☐ Black

Summary of Complaint:

 charter for the Kootenai County Christian Posse Comitatus at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, on 12/18/74.

No further investigation is being conducted in this matter in that full identification has been made of the individual and there is no activity of the organization at the present time, but should the organization become active it will be re-opened and re-evaluated.

INDICES: ☐ Negative ☐ See Summary

ACTION: UAGB

☐ No further action being taken and LHM enclosed ☐ Copy to:
☐ FD-376 (Enc. to LHM)
☐ LHM being submitted
☐ Report being submitted
☐ Preliminary investigation instituted
☐ Limited investigation instituted
☐ Investigation continuing

MAR 1976

Special Agent in Charge
BT #157-720

No interview of the individual is being conducted at this time in that it is felt that it would not be productive.
United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D.C. 20535
March 1, 1976

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

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Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (1)
U.S. Secret Service, Spokane, Washington

Enclosure(s) (1)
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Butte, Montana, 59701
March 1, 1976

This investigation is based on information which indicates that the individual is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Federally Protected Activities); Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related Civil Rights Statutes.

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152-33487-291
ENCLO.
A review of the public records at the Kootenai County Court House, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, disclosed that an application for charter was filed on December 18, 1974, for the Kootenai County Christian Posse Comitatus under number 663595, Book 78, Page 111.
To:               Director, FBI

FROM: SAC,  BUTTE (157-726) (C)

SUBJECT: EM - SPC  BUTTE SHERIFF'S PASSE COMITATUS

ATTENTION:

☐ GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
☐ CIVIL RIGHTS SECTION
☐ CRIMINAL SECTION
☐ INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

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Copy to:
- USA
- Secret Service - Spokane
- ATF - Washington
- IRS - Boise, Idaho

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Approved:  F.235 Special Agent in Charge

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No interview of the captioned individual is being conducted at this time in that it is felt that it would not be productive.
United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C. 20535
March 1, 1976

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

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[Signature]
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (1)
      U.S. Secret Service, Spokane, Washington

Enclosure(s) (1)
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(The Sheriff's Posse Comitatus nationally is characterized in the Appendix.)

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ENCLOSURE

157-33482-295
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- APPENDIX -

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

The Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, also known as the Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC), is a loose-knit nationwide organization established in Portland, Oregon, in 1973 by Portland resident HENRY LAMONT (MIKE) BEACH. The SPC is a non-affiliated off-shoot of the Identity Group (IG), a California based tax rebellion organization. The SPC claims that the Federal Reserve System and the graduated income tax are "ultra vires and not lawful," and that the Federal judiciary has attempted to establish "a dictatorship of the courts over the citizens of the Republic."

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-3863) (C)

SUBJECT: EM - SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SJSPC)

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DATE: 3/18/76

Re Sacramento letter and LHM to Bureau, dated 2/18/76, captioned SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SJSPC), EM.

Enclosed for the Bureau is five copies of an Investigative Summary concerning subject.

One copy of Investigative Summary being furnished to Secret Service, Sacramento, and Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Intelligence Division, Sacramento.

His current activity does not indicate he is a threat to the internal security of the United States.

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ENCLOSURE

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
March 18, 1976

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Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director
This investigation is based on information which indicates that George [REDACTED] of San Joaquin County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SJSPC) (see appendix), which is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, U. S. Code (USC), Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 2384, (Seditious Conspiracy), or Section 241 (Civil Rights Act, 1968).

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SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-3522)(P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

EM

CO: PD

ReDNlet to Bureau, 3/15/76.

Enclosed for Los Angeles is one copy of relet.

Los Angeles handle.

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DATE 7/11/76 BY SPRBJJ

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)                        DATE: 3/26/76

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (157-11562) (C)

SUBJECT: EM - SPC
OO: SAN FRANCISCO

Reference Bureau letter to San Francisco, dated 12/18/75, and San Francisco letter to the Bureau, dated 1/15/76, captioned "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus - Sonoma County Chapter, EM - SPC."

In view of the information furnished in the referenced San Francisco letter and since the Subject is not active in the SPC at this time, no interview is being conducted and this case is being closed, UACB.

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DATE 7/11/76 BYSPPB11W

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (157-2873) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS  
RACINE COUNTY CHAPTER

DATE: 3/18/76

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OO: MILWAUKEE


Enclosed herewith are five copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above for the Bureau, and one copy each for the Chicago and Portland Divisions. Also enclosed are two copies of an FD 376 for the Bureau.

Copies of the LHM are being disseminated locally at Milwaukee to the US Secret Service and IRS in view of their past interest in this matter.

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Identity

LEADS
MILWAUKEE DIVISION

At Kenosha, Wisconsin

Consider contact with regarding his knowledge of the SPC.

At Racine, Wisconsin

Will continue efforts to determine whether this particular chapter follows any national or local tendencies toward violence.

This letter and LHM does not warrant classification.
March 18, 1976

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

RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS
RACINE COUNTY CHAPTER

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[Signature]
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) (1)
U.S. Secret Service, Milwaukee

Enclosure(s)
This investigation of the Racine, Wisconsin, Chapter of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), is being directed toward determining whether this particular chapter follows the leadership and principles of the nationwide SPC organization established in Portland, Oregon (see appendix). In this regard, past investigation of these national groups has indicated that the SPC is engaged in activities which could involve a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 2384 (Seditious Conspiracy), or Section 2385 (Advocating Overthrow of the Government). The Racine County, Wisconsin, Chapter of the SPC was granted a charter by the Wisconsin State Chairman of this association, Thomas F. Stockheimer, on January 10, 1975. This charter was filed with Register of Deeds, Racine County, Wisconsin, in February, 1975, and listed Gerald H. Janca, 1703 Carlisle Avenue, Racine, as its chairman, along with six other members.

SOURCES WHOSE IDENTITIES ARE CONCEALED HEREIN HAVE ALL FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST EXCEPT WHERE OTHERWISE NOTED.

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-3687) (P)

SUBJECT: SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SHERIFFS POSSE COMITATUS (SJSPC)  
EM  
OO: Sacramento

Date: 3/30/76

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DATE: 7/1/80 BY SPBBLlim

Re Bureau letter to Sacramento, 3/16/76, and Sacramento letter to Bureau, 3/22/76, captioned UNSUBS, FBW - Conspiracy (Sacramento file).

Enclosed for Portland is one copy of a newspaper article obtained from the "Stockton News" on 1/14/76 captioned "To: All Citizens of San Joaquin County; From: San Joaquin County Sheriffs Posse Comitatus."
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Reference Bureau letter to San Francisco, dated 12/18/75, and San Francisco letter to the Bureau, dated 1/15/76, captioned "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus - Sonoma County Chapter, EM - SPC."

In view of this and because of information set forth in the referenced San Francisco letter, no interview of the subject is being conducted and this case is being closed, UACB.
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  DATE: 4/6/76

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (157-11684)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS
EXTREMIST MATTER

Re Bulletin to San Francisco, 3/10/76.

A Special Agent who attended a meeting of the Monterey Task Force Intelligence Group at San Jose, California, on 1/14/76, advised that a statement was made that the SPC was organizing "SWAT Teams" without further amplification. This statement was made by

SACRAMENTO

AT STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA. Will contact

for further information concerning his state-
ment about the organizing of SWAT Teams.

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Bureau
2 - Portland (157-1432)
2 - Sacramento
3 - San Francisco
(Sheriff's Posse Comitatus - Santa Rosa)

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-4072) (C)

SUBJECT: EM - SJSPC

Re Sacramento letter to the Bureau, 9/29/75, captioned "SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SJSPC); EM - WHG".

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an investigative summary regarding captioned individual.

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Additional information developed on the subject from investigation of the SJSPC (SC 157-3687) shall be routed to subject's file.

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United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D.C. 20223

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

RE: [Redacted]

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Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
U.S. Secret Service, Sacramento

Enclosure(s)
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

EXTREMIST MATTER - SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SJSPC)

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ENCLOSURE
APPENDIX

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-4075) (C)

SUBJECT: EM - SJSPC

DATE: 4/9/76

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C. 20535

Director  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
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1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))  
U.S. Secret Service, Sacramento

Enclosure(s)
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

EXTREMIST MATTER - SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SJSPC)

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ENCLOSURE
SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-4073) (C)
SUBJECT: EM - SJSPC

DATE: 4/9/76

Re Sacramento letter to the Bureau, 9/29/75, captioned "SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SJSPC); EM - WHG".

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DATE: 7/6/76... BY SPB1711/mw

EX-101/7

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Photograph ☐ has been furnished ☐ enclosed ☒ is not available.

Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
   U. S. Secret Service, Sacramento

Enclosure(s)
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Sacramento, California
April 9, 1976

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

EXTREMIST MATTER - SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SJSPC)

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-4076) (C)
SUBJECT: EM - SJS PC

DATE: 4/9/76

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DATE 7/2/75 BY SPB

EX 103
REG 83

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1 CC FD-376-S5
1 CC FD-185/ORY
1 CC DISTANCE

2 - Bureau (Enc. 5) (RM)
1 - Portland (157-1432) (Enc. 1) (RM)
1 - Sacramento

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Enclosure(s)
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Sacramento, California
April 9, 1976

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

EXTREMIST MATTER - SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SJSPC)

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SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-4049) (C)

SUBJECT: EM - SJSPC

DATE: 4/7/76

157-33487-241

Re Sacramento letter and LHM to the Bureau, 2/18/76, captioned "SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SJSPC)".

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5-17-76
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- Bureau (Enc. 5) (RM)
- Portland (157-1432) (Enc. 1) (RM)
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DATE: 7/1/80 BY SPB/BJ/mw
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Director

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1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))
U. S. Secret Service, Sacramento

Enclosure(s)
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

EXTREMIST MATTER – SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SJSPC)

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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, SACRAMENTO (Enc. 5) (RM)

DATE: 4/9/76

SUBJECT: EM - SJSPC

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DATE 7/2/76 BY SP 8071111

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1 - Portland (157-1432) (Enc. 1) (RM)
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Enclosure(s)
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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-4096) (C)

SUBJECT: EM - SJSPC

DATE: 4/12/76

Re Sacramento letter and LHM to Bureau, 9/15/75, captioned, "San Joaquin County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, EM - WHG".

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DATE 7/01/80 BY 59PBTJLMW

4 - Bureaus (Enc. 5)
1 - Portland (Enc. 1)
1 - Sacramento

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Sacramento, California
April 13, 1976

Investigative Summary

Extremist Matter - San Joaquin County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-4097) (C)

SUBJECT: EM - SSFPC

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DATE 7/18/80 BY SB8BTJ/IMW

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- BUREAU (ENC. 5)
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- SACRAMENTO

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-S-4-103
Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Sacramento, California
April 13, 1976

Investigative Summary

Extremist Matter - San Joaquin County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-4095) (C) (b)(7)(c)
SUBJECT: EM - SJSPC

DATE: 4/13/76

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Sacramento, California
April 13, 1976

Investigative Summary

Extremist Matter - San Joaquin County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-4100) (C)
SUBJECT: EM - SJSPC

DATE: 4/14/76

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ENCLOSURE

1 - Bureau (Enc. 1)
1 - Portland (Enc. 1)
1 - Sacramento

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24 APR 16 1976
Investigative Summary

Extremist Matter - San Joaquin County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus

This investigation is based on information which indicates that [Redacted] is a member of the San Joaquin County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SJSPC) (See Appendix) which could involve a violation of Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 1114 (Assaulting or killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 241 (Conspiracy Against the Rights of Citizens) or Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities), Civil Rights Act of 1968 or related Civil Rights Statutes.

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137-3871-00
SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-4094) (C)

DATE: 4/13/76

SUBJECT: EM - SJSPC

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DATE 7/6/76 BY SPD/DEW

REC 57

1 - Bureau (Enc. 5) ENCLOSURE
1 - Portland (Enc. 1)
1 - Sacramento

24 APR 16 1976

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Sacramento, California
April 13, 1976

Investigative Summary
Extremist Matter - San Joaquin County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus

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SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-409b) (C)

SUBJECT: (b)(7)(C)
EM - SJSPC

DATE: 4/14/76

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-4089) (C) (b)(7)(C)
SUBJECT: EM - SJSPC

DATE: 4/15/76

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icc-fi-4631-00

ENCLOSURE

2 - Bureau (Enc.5) (RM)
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Director  
United States Secret Service  
Department of the Treasury  
Washington, D.C. 20220

RE: \_

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Clarence M. Kelley
Director

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U. S. Secret Service, Sacramento  
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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-4087) (C)
SUBJECT: EM-SJSPC

DATE: 4/15/76

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

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TO:     DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (SJSF90) (C)
SUBJECT: EM - SJSF90

DATE: 4/15/76

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① - Bureau (Enc.6) (RM)
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Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D.C. 20223

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Director

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U.S. Secret Service, Sacramento

Enclosure(s)
INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

EXTREMIST MATTER - SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, OKLAHOMA CITY (157-2746)(RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
EXTREMIST MATTER
OO: Portland

Re Denver letter to Bureau, 4/15/76 and Bureau letter to Denver, 5/26/76.

Refer IRS

Referred Denver letter set forth investigation to be conducted regarding registered owners of vehicles observed at Wyoming Patriot Convention at Casper, Wyoming, 2/19-22/76, however referenced Bureau letter instructed that no investigation was to be conducted regarding identification of the owners of these vehicles.

In view of the above, no further investigation remains in the Oklahoma City Division and this matter is being considered RUC.

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U. S. Secret Service, Sacramento

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-4071) (C)

DATE: 4/23/76

SUBJECT: EM - SJSPC

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Sacramento, California
April 23, 1976

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY
EXTREMIST MATTERS - SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SAC, ALBANY (157-1731) (P)  
DATE: 4/23/76

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), or EM-WHITE HATE  
(FO: PORTLAND)  

(PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION)  

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This preliminary (limited) investigation is based on information that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus Organization may be engaged in activities which involve or will involve the use of force or violence or which involve or will involve the violation of Federal Law for the purpose of substantially impairing the functions of the government in order to influence U. S. Government policies or decisions.
ALBANY

AT NORWICH, NEW YORK

Will attempt to identify the activity of this organization to determine any violations of Federal law or attempts at impairing the functions of the government.
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-4085) (C) (b)(7)(C)

SUBJECT: EM - SJSPC

DATE: 4/28/76

Re Sacramento letter and LHM to Bureau, 9/29/75, captioned San Joaquin County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (EM-SJSPC).

Bureau (RM) - Portland (RM) - Sacramento

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DATE 7/10/76 BY S PBDT11 mw

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-4050) (C)

SUBJECT: ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 7/2/81 BY SPBBDL/mw

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May 8, 1976

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-4079) (C)
SUBJECT: EM - SJSPC

DATE: 4/28/76

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(b)(7)(C)

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-4080) (C)

DATE: 4/28/76

SUBJECT: EM - SJSFC

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SAN DIEGO (157-4844)(C)
SUBJECT: EM - SFC
(00:SD)

DATE: 4/26/76

Enclosed for the Bureau are four copies of an investigative summary, two copies with FD-376 attached.

One copy of the investigative summary is being disseminated locally to United States Secret Service.

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DATE 760180 BY SF6BD/1mm

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Agency: Secret Service
Dept. - AAG Civil Rights Div.
AAG Criminal Div.
Attn: ISS

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Date 5-24-76
By

May U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
April 26, 1976
Washington, D.C. 20535

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D.C. 20223

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 157-4844

RE: (b)(7)(C)

Director

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

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5. □ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. □ Defector from U.S. or indicates desire to defect.
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Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

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U.S. Secret Service, San Diego

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
San Diego, California
April 26, 1976

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

SUBVERSIVE MATTER
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

This investigation is based on information that
may be engaged in activities which involve,
or will involve, the use of force or violence, or which involve,
or will involve, the violation of federal law, for the purpose
of substantially impairing the function of the government
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APPENDIX

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

The SPC, also known as the Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC), is a loose-knit nationwide organization established in Portland, Oregon, in 1972, by Portland resident Henry Lamont (Mike) Loesch. The SPC is a non-affiliated off-shoot of the Identity Group (IG), a California-based tax-rebellion organization. The SPC claims that the Federal Reserve System and the graduated income tax are "ultra vires and not lawful," and that the Federal judiciary has attempted to establish "a dictatorship of the courts over the citizens of the Republic."

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Some members and leadership of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents, and have engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials.
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-4083) (C)

DATE: 4/27/76

SUBJECT: EM - SPC

Re: Sclet to Bureau, 9/29/75, captioned "San Joaquin County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SJSPC); EM - WHG".

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BY SP [illegible] 4/18/76

APR 29 1976

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

SAC, EL PASO (157-536) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

DATE: 5/7/76

ReBulet, 2/9/76;
EP letter to the Bureau, 12/22/75.

For the information of the Bureau, referenced
Bureau letter was inadvertently overlooked, and
consequently the answers requested by the Bureau
were not forwarded in a reasonable amount of time.

Referenced Bureau letter requested membership
figures for each SPC chapter in the El Paso Division
and further requested source coverage provided each
chapter.

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Inasmuch as the Attorney General's guidelines for domestic security investigations requires that the activities involve or will involve the use of force or violence, and since the Midland, Odessa, and Crane chapters of the SPC, who meet together, do not advocate violence, UACB no further action will be taken in this matter.
Memorandum

TO: Mr. T. W. Leavitt
FROM: J. G. Deegan
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

DATE: 5/4/76

1 - Mr. J. B. Adams
1 - Mr. D. W. Moore
1 - Mr. T. W. Leavitt
1 - J. G. Deegan

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PURPOSE:

Purpose is to advise of the arrests in Portland, Oregon, by Bureau Agents without incident, of individuals associated with the extremist Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) who were being sought as fugitives in Bond Default investigation.

SYNOPSIS:

Captioned individuals, allegedly members of the extremist SPC, were scheduled for trial in Portland, Oregon, on Federal Income Tax Evasion charges. An Attorney from the Federal Defenders Office, advised that the subjects had been talking of taking unknown action against U. S. District Judge (USDJ) hearing case, and Assistant U. S. Attorney (AUSA) who was prosecuting case. Subjects appeared in U. S. District Court (USDC) and attempted to serve "citizen arrest warrants" on USDJ and AUSA. Above attempts proved unsuccessful; subjects left courtroom and did not appear for trial. Bench Warrants issued and Bond Default fugitive investigations initiated by Portland Office. All subjects apprehended by Portland FBI Agents on ___ without incident.

CURRENT BUREAU POLICY:

The SPC is currently investigated on basis of Attorney General Guidelines for Internal Security investigations. These guidelines (as they would pertain to the SPC) set forth that full investigations are based on specific and/or

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Memorandum to Mr. T. W. Leavitt
Re: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus
EM
157-33487

articulated facts giving reason to believe that an individual or group is, or may be, engaged in activities which involve the use of force or violence or will involve the violation of Federal law in order to substantially impair, for the purpose of influencing U. S. Government policies or decisions, the functioning of the Government of the United States or of any state.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For information.
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DETAILS:

[Redacted] individuals associated with the SPC were scheduled for trial for income tax evasion in USDC, Portland, Oregon.

The SPC is a loose-knit nation-wide organization established in Portland, Oregon, in 1973. The SPC claims among other things that the graduated income tax is not lawful and that the Federal Judiciary is attempting to establish a dictatorship of the courts.

The SPC calls for the establishment of a Posse in each county to assist the only legitimate law enforcement authority, the county sheriff, in combatting the unlawful acts of others, particularly those of Federal and state officials.

Some members and leadership of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents, and have engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials.

These [redacted] individuals (who were handling their own defense) received legal assistance from the Federal Defenders Office. On 4/30/75, the USDJ [redacted] advised that subject's Federal Defender had advised him that some or the SPC members discussed taking "some action" against Judge or the USA involved in this case.

Subjects were scheduled for USDC Portland, Oregon. At this time they presented "citizen arrest warrants" to the USDJ and the USA. After this, they then
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requested the Deputy U. S. Marshal to arrest these two individuals stating that if the Marshal or the Sheriff failed in this duty, they would execute the warrants themselves.

The Marshal refused to execute the warrants, and the USDJ recessed court for ten minutes. During this period these individuals left the courthouse and did not appear for trial.

On Bench Warrants were issued for these individuals charging them with failure to appear for trial.

Bond Default-fugitive investigations were promptly instituted by the Portland Office and all individuals were arrested without incident by Bureau Agents.

These individuals are identified as follows:

This matter has been coordinated with the Special Investigative Division.
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

MR 002 PD CODE

1:54 PM WITEL MAY 1, 1976

TO: DIRECTOR (157-33487)

FROM: PORTLAND (157-1432) (P)

ATTN: INTD

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS; EM - SPC, OO: PORTLAND.

PORTLAND, OREGON, ADVISED THAT [REDACTED] INDIVIDUALS ARE SCHEDULED FOR TRIAL AT [REDACTED] FOR INCOME TAX Evasion IN U.S. DISTRICT COURT, PORTLAND, OREGON.


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DATE: 7/2/1976 BY SP8BJ/1ms

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PAGE TWO, PD 157-1432

ESTABLISH "A DICTATORSHIP OF THE COURTS OVER THE CITIZENS OF THE REPUBLIC."

THE SPC CALLS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A POSSE IN EACH COUNTY TO ASSIST THE ONLY LEGITIMATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY, THE COUNTY SHERIFF, IN COMBATING THE UNLAWFUL ACTS OF OTHERS, PARTICULARLY THOSE OF FEDERAL AND STATE OFFICIALS.

SOME MEMBERS AND LEADERSHIP OF THE SPC HAVE VOICED HATRED FOR JEWS AND NEGROES, ADVOCATED THE ASSASSINATION OF FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENTS, AND HAVE ENGAGED IN ACTS OF PROVOCATION AND ASSAULT AGAINST FEDERAL AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS.

THESE INDIVIDUALS WILL BE DEFENDING THEMSELVES WITH LEGAL ADVICE FROM FEDERAL DEFENDER [REDACTED] THEIR CASES WILL BE HEARD BEFORE U.S. DISTRICT COURT JUDGE [REDACTED]

ABOVE DEFENDANTS. ADVISED THAT THIS GROUP HAS ESPoused
A LOT OF RHETORIC COMMON TO SPC MEMBERS, BUT THE RHETORIC
IS NOW TO THE POINT WHERE HE FEELS THAT JUDGE OR
COULD BE THE SUBJECT OF VIOLENT ACTIONS BY THIS
GROUP. DID NOT CONVEY THE TYPE OF THREAT OR TYPE
OF POSSIBLE VIOLENCE, BUT FELT IT WAS HIS OBLIGATION TO
NOTIFY THE JUDGE OF THIS MATTER. FURTHER STATED THAT
ON SATURDAY, MAY 1, 1976, THIS GROUP PLANS TO HOLD A
MEETING IN THE STATE OF WASHINGTON TO DETERMINE WHAT TYPE
OF ACTION THEY MIGHT TAKE AGAINST OR ALSO STATED THAT HE HAD TOLD THE DEFENDANTS THAT HE WAS
GOING TO NOTIFY JUDGE

ADvised that AUSA AND JUDGE ARE QUITE CONCERNED OVER THIS INFORMATION AND JUDGE
HAS REQUESTED THAT THE U.S. MARSHAL'S OFFICE PROVIDE SECURITY FOR HIMSELF AND HIS FAMILY AT HIS RESIDENCE FOR THIS
WEEKEND. ADVISED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO SCREENING
OR PATTING DOWN OF DEFENDANTS BEFORE THEY ENTER THE COURT-
ADMINISTRATIVE

PORTLAND SOURCES ALERTED TO ABOVE WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. APPROPRIATE AGENCIES ADVISED. IN VIEW OF LACK OF SPECIFIC THREAT, PORTLAND NOT CONDUCTING ACTIVE INVESTIGATION; HOWEVER, CLOSE LIAISON BEING MAINTAINED WITH APPROPRIATE AGENCIES. BUREAU WILL BE NOTIFIED OF PERTINENT RESULTS.

DUE TO SOURCE OF THIS INFORMATION, THE POTENTIAL FOR VIOLENCE MUST BE CONSIDERED.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, EL PASO (157-536) (P)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF’S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM - WHG

OO: PORTLAND
Re El Paso airtel to Bureau, 9/5/75.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight copies each of amended pages 5 and 6 of the LHM forwarded with referenced El Paso airtel. Two copies of each amended page are being forwarded to the receiving offices.

The Bureau and receiving offices are requested to amend their copies of the LHM.

El Paso copies have been amended.

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1- Portland (157-1432)(Enc. 4)(Info.)
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Sent: M Per
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TO SAC, Omaha
subject: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM - WHITE HATE GROUP

Reference: [Cover pages of SA] [Report of SA] [Letterhead memo]

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Captured on cover page C* not given. In view of source
reliability statement on FD-204, statement "...who has furnished reliable
information in the past..." unnecessary for sources.

Form 1020 on page 15 changed to Form 1040.
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (157-2819) (P)  
SUBJECT: CHANGED  
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Posse Comitatus  
Marathon County Chapter, IDENTIFY GROUP (IG)  
Marathon County Chapter  
RM  
00: MILWAUKEE

DATE: 5/12/76

Re: Milet to Director, dated 2/28/75; and Milwaukee letter to Director, dated 2/5/76, under Milwaukee file 157-2768.

Title has been marked changed to reflect the additional name of the captioned group which is Identity Group (IG). Title formerly carried as "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), aka Posse Comitatus, Marathon County Chapter."

Inquiry has been conducted in the past on captioned organization in Marathon County, and in those instances investigation has disclosed little or no activity on the Marathon County Chapter; however, based on recent information developed, preliminary inquiry is being conducted into the captioned organization predicated upon activities of this group which involve or will involve the use of force or violence or which involve or will involve violations of Federal law for the purpose of depriving persons of their civil rights under the Constitution of the United States.

This predication is based upon receipt of information to the effect that

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2 Bureau (157-33487) (RM)  
2 Milwaukee (157-2819)  
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Title changed to include subject's middle name.

REFERENCES: Portland teletypes to the Bureau, 5/3/76; and 5/4/76.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Fugitive credit is being claimed in view of the fact subject's location was unknown at the time of the issuance of the warrant. Fugitive form letter (FD-65) was not submitted, and subject was not entered in NCIC, in view of the fact his arrest was effected prior to the submission of this form.
LEAD

PORTLAND

AT PORTLAND, OREGON. Maintain contact with AUSA regarding presentation of bond default violation to Federal Grand Jury.
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: U. S. Attorney, Portland, Oregon (via courier)
(Attn: Assistant U. S. Attorney)
Office: Portland

Report of: b/c
Date: May 7, 1976

Field Office File #: 115-291
157-1432

Bureau File #: 115-NEW
157-33487

Character: b/c

BOND DEFAULT

Synopsis: On subject, reportedly a member of Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, failed to appear for trial regarding IRS violation, U. S. District Court, Portland. Bench warrant charging subject with failure to appear was issued upon order of U. S. District Judge. Bond set at $10,000.

On subject was arrested by FBI and IRS Agents at .

Subject appeared in U. S. District Court, Portland, 5/4/76, and was remanded to the custody of the U. S. Marshal in lieu of $10,000 bond. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS MEMBERS ARE KNOWN TO ACQUIRE AND MAINTAIN FIREARMS, SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS

The following investigation was conducted by SA

AT PORTLAND, OREGON

On U. S. Marshal telephonically advised that reportedly members of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, are defendants in an Internal Revenue Service case in U. S. District Court, Portland. Marshal stated the defendants appeared at a hearing in U. S. District Court on , and they were scheduled to appear for trial in U. S. District Court on .

Subjects had been previously released on their own recognizance, and this bond was continued. In addition to being ordered to appear for trial at on U. S.
District Judge ordered subjects to appear in his courtroom at on in order to hear any pre-trial motions.

stated the subject appeared on in Judge courtroom, and the motions made by Assistant U. S. Attorney were concluded within approximately twenty minutes. Subjects then presented two citizen's arrest warrants to Judge and Assistant U. S. Attorney naming them in the warrants, and subjects requested Deputy U. S. Marshal to arrest Judge and Assistant U. S. Attorney . When refused, Judge recessed court and ordered subjects to appear in ten minutes in Judge courtroom for trial. Subjects left the U. S. Courthouse and did not appear as instructed.

In addition, Marshal advised that on warrants were issued for the subjects, charging them with failure to appear for trial. Judge ordered the issuance of the warrants, fixed bail at $10,000 each, and they were signed by U. S. District Court Clerk stated the warrants were in his possession.

U. S. Attorney and Assistant U. S. Attorney verified that subject and the other defendants had been previously released on personal recognizance bond and verified that their failure to appear for trial constituted a violation of the Federal Bond Default Statute. subsequently advised that subjects were originally charged with misdemeanor violations of a federal statute within the jurisdiction of the Internal Revenue Service and they were specifically charged with providing false withholding information to their employers in connection with forms required to be filed concerning federal withholding taxes, a violation of Title 26, U. S. Code, Section 7205.
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TO: DIRECTOR
FROM: PORTLAND
ATTN: INTD, SID, AND EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

10:10 AM IMMEDIATE MAY 4, 1976 LJO

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS; EM - SPC, CO: PORTLAND,
FILE L57-33437.

RE PORTLAND TEL, MAY 3, 1976. DATE 7/5/82 BY SPABDJIMW

ALL SUBJECTS APPREHENDED EARLY AM, WITHOUT INCIDENT AND TRANSPORTED TO USM, PORTLAND, OREGON. SUBJECTS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR BEFORE U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

FOLLOWING DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION REGARDING SUBJECTS SET FORTH:

5-5-76
555/416, CO-155/416, O.P. - Admin date labeled
5-5-76
PRESS INQUIRIES BEING HANDLED LOCALLY.

FUGITIVE STATISTICS BEING CLAIMED BY PORTLAND DIVISION WITH APPREHENSION REPORTS AND COMPREHENSIVE LINE REGARDING SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) TO FOLLOW.

NCIC NOT ENTERED DUE TO IMMEDIACY OF SITUATION.

FBIHQ REQUESTED TO INDEX ABOVE DESCRIBED SUBJECTS.

IN VIEW OF FACT SPC MEMBERS KNOWN TO ACQUIRE AND MAINTAIN FIREARMS, ALL SUBJECTS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

END

CCS FBIHQ

cc - Intel Div
FUGITIVE

ADMINISTRATIVE

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PORTLAND

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Marshal [redacted] stated the warrants were in his possession.

U. S. Attorney [redacted] and Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted] verified that defendants had been previously released on personal recognizance bond and verified that their failure to appear for trial constituted a violation of the Federal Bond Default Statute. [redacted] subsequently advised that subjects were originally charged with misdemeanor violations of a federal statute within the jurisdiction of the Internal Revenue Service and they were specifically charged with providing false withholding information to their employers in connection with forms required to be filed concerning federal withholding taxes, a violation of Title 26, U. S. Code, Section 7205.
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Title changed to add subject's middle name.

REFERENCES: Portland teletypes to the Bureau, 5/3/76; and 5/4/76.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

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PORTLAND

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UNIVERSAL STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Copy to: 1 - U.S. Attorney, Portland, Oregon (via courier)
(Attn: Assistant U.S. Attorney)

Date: May 7, 1976

Field Office File #: Bureau File #: 115-NEW
115-292 157-1432
157-33487

Title: BOND DEFAULT

Character: BOND DEFAULT

Synopsi: On [REDACTED] subject, reportedly a member of Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, failed to appear for trial regarding IRS violation, U.S. District Court Portland. Bench warrant charging subject with failure to appear was issued [REDACTED] upon order of U.S. District Judge. Bond set at $10,000. Subject appeared in U.S. District Court Portland, and was remanded to the custody of the U.S. Marshal in lieu of $10,000 bond. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS MEMBERS ARE KNOWN TO ACQUIRE AND MAINTAIN FIREARMS, SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

DETAILS

The following investigation was conducted by SA

AT PORTLAND, OREGON

On [REDACTED] U.S. Marshal [REDACTED] telephonically advised that [REDACTED] all reportedly members of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, are defendants in an Internal Revenue Service case in U.S. District Court Portland. Marshal [REDACTED] stated the defendants appeared at a hearing in U.S. District Court on [REDACTED] and they were scheduled to appear for trial in U.S. District Court at [REDACTED] on [REDACTED]. Subjects had been previously released on their own recognizance, and this bond was continued. In addition to being ordered to appear for trial at [REDACTED] on [REDACTED], U.S.
District Judge ordered subjects to appear in his courtroom at 1:00 p.m. in order to hear any pre-trial motions.

Marshal stated the subject appeared on in Judge courtroom, and the motions made by Assistant U. S. Attorney were concluded within approximately twenty minutes. Subjects then presented two citizen's arrest warrants to Judge and Assistant U. S. Attorney naming them in the warrants, and subjects requested Deputy U. S. Marshal to arrest Judge and Assistant U. S. Attorney. When refused, Judge recessed court and ordered subjects to appear in ten minutes in Judge courtroom for trial. Subjects left the U. S. Courthouse and did not appear as instructed.

In addition, Marshal advised that on warrants were issued for the subjects, charging them with failure to appear for trial. Judge ordered the issuance of the warrants, fixed bail at $10,000 each, and they were signed by U. S. District Court Clerk. Judge stated the warrants were in his possession.

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Title changed to add subject's middle name and to add subject's true name.

REFERENCES: Portland teletypes to the Bureau, 5/3/76; and 5/4/76.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

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PORTLAND

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UNIVERSAL SERVICE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: U.S. Attorney, Portland, Oregon (via courier)
(Attn: Assistant U.S. Attorney b7c Office: Portland)

Report of:
Date: May 7, 1976

Field Office File #: 115-289
157-1432
Bureau File #: 115-NEW
157-33487

Character: BOND DEFAULT

Synopsis: On [redacted] subject, reportedly a member of Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, failed to appear for trial regarding IRS violation, U.S. District Court, Portland. Bench warrant charging subject with failure to appear was issued upon order of U.S. District Judge. Bond set at $10,000. On [redacted] subject was arrested by FBI and IRS Agents at Subject appeared in U.S. District Court, Portland, [redacted] and was remanded to the custody of the U.S. Marshal in lieu of $10,000 bond. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS MEMBERS ARE KNOWN TO ACQUIRE AND MAINTAIN FIREARMS, SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DATE 7/10/76 BY SPEWITT

DETAILS

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FUGITIVE

SHAPE FOR IMITATUS

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Report of:

Date:
May 7, 1976

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DATE 7/10/70 BY [redacted]

DETAILS

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE: PORTLAND
OFFICE OF ORIGIN: PORTLAND
DATE: 5/7/76
INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD: 5/3/76 - 5/4/76

TITLE OF CASE

CHANGED
FUGITIVE

REPORT MADE BY: [Redacted]
TYPED BY: [Redacted]

CHARACTER OF CASE
BOND DEFAULT

Title changed to add subject's middle name.

REFERENCES: Portland teletypes to the Bureau, 5/3/76; and 5/4/76.

-P-

ADMINISTRATIVE

Fugitive credit is being claimed in view of the fact subject's location was unknown at the time of the issuance of the warrant. Fugitive form letter (PD-65) was not submitted, and subject was not entered in NCIC, in view of the fact his arrest was effected prior to the submission of this form.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED

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Bureau
(2 - 115-NEW)
(2 - 157-33487)

USA, Portland (v. suspect)
(Attn: USA)

Portland
(2 - 115-287)
(2 - 157-1432)

157-2-17

Dissemination Record of Attached Report

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PORTLAND

AT PORTLAND, OREGON. Maintain contact with AUSA regarding presentation of bond default violation to Federal Grand Jury.
A - U. S. Attorney, Portland, Oregon (via courier)
(Attn: Assistant U. S. Attorney
Office: Portland
Report of: May 7, 1976
Date:
Field Office File #: 115-287 157-1432
Bureau File #: 115-NEW 157-33487
Title:
Character: BOND DEFAULT

Synopsis: On [Redacted] subject, reportedly a member of Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, failed to appear for trial regarding IRS violation, U. S. District Court, Portland. Bench warrant charging subject with failure to appear was issued upon order of U. S. District Judge. Bond set at $10,000.
On [Redacted] subject was arrested by FBI and IRS Agents at [Redacted]. Subject appeared in U. S. District Court, Portland, and was remanded to the custody of the U. S. Marshal in lieu of $10,000 bond. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS MEMBERS ARE KNOWN TO ACQUIRE AND MAINTAIN FIREARMS, SUBJECT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

DETAILS
The following investigation was conducted by SA

AT PORTLAND, OREGON

On [Redacted] U. S. Marshal [Redacted] telephonically advised that [Redacted] reportedly members of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, are defendants in an Internal Revenue Service case in U. S. District Court, Portland. Marshal [Redacted] stated the defendants appeared at a hearing in U. S. District Court on [Redacted] and they were scheduled to appear for trial in U. S. District Court at [Redacted] on [Redacted]. Subjects had been previously released on their own recognizance, and this bond was continued. In addition to being ordered to appear for trial at [Redacted] on [Redacted].
District Judge [redacted] ordered subjects to appear in his courtroom on [redacted] in order to hear any pre-trial motions.

Marshall [redacted] stated the subject appeared on in Judge [redacted] courtroom, and the motions made by Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted] were concluded within approximately twenty minutes. Subjects then presented two citizen's arrest warrants to Judge [redacted] and Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted] naming them in the warrants, and subjects requested Deputy U. S. Marshal [redacted] to arrest Judge [redacted] and Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted].


In addition, Marshal [redacted] advised that on warrants were issued for the subjects, charging them with failure to appear for trial. Judge [redacted] ordered the issuance of the warrants, fixed bail at $10,000 each, and they were signed by U. S. District Court Clerk [redacted] stated the warrants were in his possession.

U. S. Attorney [redacted] and Assistant U. S. Attorney [redacted] verified that defendants had been previously released on personal recognizance bond and verified that their failure to appear for trial constituted a violation of the Federal Bond Default Statute. [redacted] subsequently advised that subjects were originally charged with misdemeanor violations of a federal statute within the jurisdiction of the Internal Revenue Service and they were specifically charged with providing false withholding information to their employers in connection with forms required to be filed concerning federal withholding taxes, a violation of Title 26, U. S. Code, Section 7205.
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157 - 33487 - 333
Memorandum

TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

DATE: 5/28/76

FROM:

SAC, CHARLOTTE (157-10026) (BUC)

SUBJECT:

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), AKA, Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC)
EM - WHG
(00:PORTLAND)

Re Portland airtel to Director, 5/20/76 and Charlotte letter to Director, 10/17/75.

As investigation has failed to disclose the existence of a chapter of captioned organization in North Carolina, no report is being submitted by Charlotte.

2 - Bureau
1 - Portland (157-1432) (Info)
1 - Charlotte

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3 JUN 23 80 U.S. SAVINGS BONDS REGULARLY ON THE PAYROLL SAVINGS PLAN
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432)(P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC)
EM - WHG
(00: Portland)

For information offices, Portland will begin preparing the annual non-prosecutive report on the SPC in June, 1976. Receiving offices are requested to submit reports in accordance with Manual of Instructions, Section 122, by 7/1/76.

Negative replies not requested.

Bureau (AM)(RM)
  Each Office (AM)(RM)
    Albany (157-1731)
    Butte (157-666)
    Charlotte (157-10026)
    Chicago (157-10680)
    Cincinnati (157-6127)
    Cleveland (157-6060)
    Dallas (157-3360)
    Denver (157-1815)
    El Paso (157-536)
    Kansas City (157-3198)
    Knoxville (157-2904)
    Little Rock (157-2644)
    Los Angeles (157-10915)
    Louisville (157-2082)
    Milwaukee (157-2768)
    Minneapolis (157-4305)
    New Orleans (157-16477)
    Omaha (157-2120)
    Phoenix (157-2272)

Approved: Special Agent in Charge

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Sacramento (157-3522)
Salt Lake City (157-650)
San Diego (157-4933)
San Francisco (157-11684)
Seattle (157-2112)  23 MAY 27 1976
Springfield (157-4639)
WFO (157-6873)
To: SAC, Portland (157-1432)  
From: Director, FBI (157-93487)  

6/1/76

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka CITIZENS LAW ENFORCEMENT AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE (CLERC) EM - WHG

Re: Airtel 5/20/76.

Your attention is invited to Bureau airtel to Albany and all offices dated 5/21/76, captioned "Attorney General Guidelines for FBI Information-Gathering and Retention Policies, Domestic Security Investigations," enclosing a schedule for submission of summaries on a number of organizations. The SPC is listed on page three of the schedule with a due date on the summary of 9/13/76.

In lieu of the annual non-prosecutive report on the SPC now in preparation by your office, the summary regarding the SPC should be submitted in accordance with the provisions outlined in Bureau airtel to all offices dated 5/21/76.

SEE NOTE PAGE 2

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MAY 28 1976
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DATE: 6/1/76 BY SBP DJ JMW
Airtel to Portland
Re: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), aka
Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC)
EM - WHG
157-33487

NOTE:

A full investigation of the SPC (Office of Origin Portland) was being conducted on 4/5/76, and the Portland Office has advised preparation of the Annual non-Prosecutive report will be prepared in June, 1976. A number of offices were requested by Portland to submit reports on the SPC in accordance with provisions of Section 122, Manual of Instructions, by 7/1/76. Preparation of this Annual Report is unnecessary and the Portland Office is being instructed to submit a summary on the SPC for the purpose of determining if a continued full investigation of this group under provisions of the Attorney General Guidelines is warranted.
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-4118) (P)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
ALPINE COUNTY
EM - SPC

Re Sacramento letter and LHM to Bureau, 5/18/76.

Enclosed for Los Angeles, Phoenix, Portland, San Diego, and Seattle are one copy each of referenced LHM.

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DATE 7/2/76 BY SPE87J/11mW
LEAD

SC 157-4118

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SACRAMENTO

(b)(2)

(b)(7)(D)

AT SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA. Will report results of information.
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: CLEVELEND (157-6060) (RUC)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka. EM - WIG
OO: Portland

DATE: 6-2-76

Re Portland airtel to Cleveland, 5-20-76, and Cleveland letter and LHE to the Bureau, 3-4-76.

Referenced Cleveland letter RUC'd this case to the Office of Origin on March 4, 1976. No additional information developed subsequent to this letter, and Cleveland will not submit a report.

6 - Bureau (RM)
2 - Portland (157-1432) (RM)
1 - Cleveland

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
DATE: 6/4/76
FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-6127) (RUC)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), Aka.
Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC)
EM-WHG
OO: PD

Enclosed for the Bureau and receiving office is
one copy each of charter filed by captioned organization
in County of Hamilton, State of Ohio.

EX-LIM

2-Bureau (Enc. 1)
2-Portland (157-1432) (Enc. 1)
6-Cincinnati
(1-157-6127)
(1-157-3978)

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND LOCAL OFFICES
AT FUTURE DATING
STATES: OH
DATE: JUN 10 1976

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
The following background information was developed regarding the charter members listed:

A review of Cincinnati Bell Telephone Directory, 1975-76 issue, reveals the following:
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On 6/2/76, SC requested a review of the files of the Records Department of the Secretary of State for the State of Ohio by the IRS and the ATF. A review of the following files failed to show any record identifiable with the SPC or its known aliases:

Ohio Corporation files - Profit Making Corporations

Non-profit organizations

Ohio Corporation file for dead or defunct organizations

In view of the above information and the fact that through established extremist sources Cincinnati has no indication of any activity on the part of the SPC within its division, Cincinnati is considering this case RUC'd, however, should the character and the tempo of this organization and/or its members change, Cincinnati will request authority
to institute a preliminary investigation as set forth in the Attorney General's guidelines for domestic security investigations.

For the information of Portland, a review of the Cincinnati file regarding this matter indicates Portland is in receipt of all information contained therein with the exception of the information set forth in this letter. No report will be submitted in view of the fact there is no activity of this group within the Cincinnati Division.
NATIONAL MEMBER

COUNTY OF

HAMPTON

STATE OF

OHIO

CHARTER MEMBERS

1. WARD F. MILLER
2. MARSHALL RENEAU
3. AL GUTIERREZ
4. NOBLE A. OLSEMN
5. ARTHUR E. BURKHARDT
6. RICHARD L. MONCE
7. ROBERT J. SHEPPARD

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CITIZENS LAW ENFORCERS
AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE

H. L. BACH
National Chairman

27 DEC 219
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

SAC, CHICAGO (157-10680) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM

RE: PORTLAND

DATE: 6/8/76

Re Chicago letter to the Bureau dated 1/21/76 and Portland airtel to the Bureau dated 5/20/76.

Confidential sources who have furnished reliable information in the past and who are familiar with certain phases of extremist activities in the Chicago area have continued to advise that the various SPC county chapters continue to appear inactive or defunct.

In the event pertinent information is received indicating activities over which the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) has investigative jurisdiction, the Bureau and interested offices will be appropriately advised.

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DATE: 7/30/79 BY: SPBBIT/111 MW

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② - Bureau (RM)
② - Portland (157-1432) (RM)
② - Chicago
(1 - 157-9321) (IDENTITY GROUP)

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (P)

DATE: 6/10/76
  SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM-WHG (00:PORTLAND)

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM captioned as above. Two copies of LHM are being disseminated to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Intelligence, Portland, Oregon.

INFORMANTS

Source Location

Special Agent referred to in enclosed LHM is

The following individuals mentioned in LHM are subjects of investigation as indicated below:

(2) - Bureau (Enc. 5) (RM)
(4) - Portland
Agency: Secret Service
Dept. - AAG Civil Rights Div.
AAG Criminal Div.
Attn: ISS

How forwarded Date: JUN 20 1976

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly in the Payroll Savings Plan

55-JUN 25 1976
LEADS

PORTLAND

AT PORTLAND, OREGON. Will follow and report results of trial of [redacted] defendants mentioned in enclosed LHM.
PD 157-1432

ADMINISTRATIVE - NON-SYMBOL SOURCE PAGE

[redacted text]

(by request)
Portland, Oregon
June 10, 1976

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

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ENCLOSURE
Page D6 of the May 3, 1976 edition of the "Oregonian," a daily Portland, Oregon, newspaper, carried the following article:

"Posse leader airs warning

"ELLENSBURG, Wash. (AP) - The leader of Snohomish County's Posse Comitatus said Sunday that the national anti-Christ movement is setting 'brush fires from one end of the nation to the other.'

"Anti-Christians, said Doc Graber, are bankrupting American patriots by forcing them to fight the 'brush fires' in court.

"'Be careful,' he told a meeting of posses from Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Alaska, 'don't go bankrupt. The enemy is trying to get you out of the fight by taking you to court.

"Graber urged his listeners to stop fighting symptoms and look at causes. 'You have to have a road map....Know the enemy and know the cause,' he said. And he urged posse members to 'take a stand for God and America.'

"The posse comitatus are organized on the county level and hold that the county sheriff is the only legal law enforcement officer in the nation. The posse say they are organized to preserve the peace and uphold the law, but that since the sheriff is a servant of the people, a posse can be formed without his consent."
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

"The posses have been in conflict with law enforcement officers and the courts on several occasions as a result of their beliefs.

"Graber urged the group to study and know the history of the United States. He said without knowledge it is impossible to fight the 'dreadful authority' evidenced in the anti-Christ movement.

"Without knowledge, he told the audience, the enemy will force them to live by animal instinct.

"'Can you shoot a gun? Can you hit the enemy between the eyes from 100 yards? Or would you rather be a coward?'"
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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

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LEADS

PORTLAND DIVISION

AT PORTLAND, OREGON

Will attempt to determine if the Minneapolis group of the SPC is affiliated with the national organization.

MINNEAPOLIS DIVISION

AT MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

Will continue to follow activities of the SPC.
Copy to: 1 - U.S. Secret Service
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Report of: [Redacted]
Date: June 4, 1976
Office: Minneapolis,

Field Office File #: 157-4305
Bureau File #: [Redacted]

Title: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
MINNEAPOLIS DIVISION

Character: EXTREMIST MATTER - SHERIFF'S POSSEE COMITATUS

Synopsis:

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APPENDIX

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DIRECTOR
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D.C. 20223

RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

June 4, 1976

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D.C. 20223

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Dear Sir:

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

1. [ ] Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.

2. [ ] Attempts or threats to redress grievances.

3. [ ] Threatening or abusive statement about U.S. or foreign official.

4. [ ] Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U.S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.

5. [ ] Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.

6. [ ] Defector from U.S. or indicates desire to defect.

7. **Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U.S.**

[ ] Photograph has been furnished [ ] enclosed [ ] is not available.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

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1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) 1 (RM)

U.S. Secret Service, Minneapolis, Minnesota

Enclosure(s) 1
MDP ACV 007 010 FBI HQ
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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (157-11686) (C)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSEE COMITATUS
EM

Re San Francisco letter and LHM, dated 3/1/76.

This investigation is being closed subject to reopening in the event additional information comes to the attention of this office.

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DETAILS:  
AT PORTLAND, OREGON  

Between [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] contact was maintained with the U. S. Attorney's Office regarding whether subject would be prosecuted for violation of Title 18, Section 3146, U. S. Code.  

On [REDACTED] Assistant U. S. Attorney [REDACTED] declined prosecution of subject in view of the fact that no evidence exists that subject was officially released in accordance with provisions of Title 18, Section 3146, U. S. Code.  

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Posse Comitatus members placed on 'standby' status after arrests

PENDLETON (AP) — The nationwide membership of the Posse Comitatus has reportedly been placed on "standby" status following the arrests of seven men after the takeover of a potato packing shed near Stanfield last Friday.

Velma Griggs, who said she is vice chairman of the San Joaquin chapter of the posse in California, said that chapters in Oregon and California, as well as the national posse, were prepared to come to Pendleton during legal proceedings against the defendants.

The posse is a self-styled law enforcement organization that believes a conspiracy exists to deprive individuals of their personal freedoms.

Sue Cooper, who identified herself as secretary of the San Joaquin chapter, said, "We are going to fight this. We are going to fight unlawfulness."

Mrs. Griggs is the mother of one defendant, Farrell A. Griggs. Mrs. Cooper is the wife of Donald A. Cooper, another defendant.

The women made their statements here after the seven men were granted a continuance of arraignment so they could obtain lawyers.

Judge William Jackson of Umatilla County Circuit Court said they could not be represented by their chosen counsel, Robert Wright of Eugene, because he isn't a member of the Oregon Bar as required by Oregon state law.

All seven men are charged with burglary, riot, and three also face weapons charges. The incident apparently stemmed from a land dispute.

Bail ranges from $45,000 to $75,505.

Dist. Atty. Jack Olson said he would welcome anyone interested in the trial to attend in a peaceful manner.

"I would look with some displeasure at those who would come here for the purpose of obstructing justice or inciting riot," Olson said.
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: \[signature\]
SUBJECT: CHANGED
IDENTITY GROUP, aka
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Title is marked "CHANGED" to reflect the title as listed by Los Angeles Division and to reflect Los Angeles as origin. Title was formerly carried as, "IDENTITY GROUP (1G), Marathon County Charter, WI; CO: MILWAUKEE" and previously as, "SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Posse Comitatus, Marathon County Charter, Identity Group (1G), Marathon County Charter, WI; CO: MILWAUKEE."

Reference Milwaukee airmails to Bureau dated 6/3/76, 6/9/76 and 6/13/76; Bureau airmails to Milwaukee dated 6/21/76; Milwaukee airmail to Detroit dated 7/9/76; Los Angeles letters to Bureau dated 7/4/76 and 7/13/76; and Los Angeles airmail to 1G dated 7/13/76.

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Enclosed for the Bureau (Bufile 157-28219) are eight copies of LHM dated and captioned as above. Enclosed for Detroit, San Diego, and Sacramento are two copies each of LHM dated and captioned as above. Enclosed for Chicago and New York for information is one copy each of LHM dated and captioned as above. Enclosed for Knoxville is one copy of LHM dated and captioned as above along with one copy each of previous airtels to the Bureau dated 5/3/76 and 5/9/76 concerning this matter.

Information copies furnished for Bureau (Bufile 157-33487) for purpose of clarity.

Information copies furnished Chicago and New York Divisions in view of mention of institution in those divisions which may be targets of captioned group and in view of prior dissemination.

Copies furnished Sacramento and San Diego Divisions in view of previous dissemination to those divisions by office of origin of results of Milwaukee Division investigation.

Information copy furnished Knoxville in view of possible interest of that division.

Dissemination to Milwaukee file 157-2768, 157-2873, and 157-2817 is in view of information of possible pertinence to those matters.

Dissemination of LHM dated and captioned as above being made locally to USA; Western District of Wisconsin, Madison; ATF; IRS Intelligence; and Secret Service, Milwaukee, in view of their possible interest in this matter.

In view of the facts contained in LHM, the true identity of the Wausau area group has been established as Identity Group and its contact with the Los Angeles Division National Headquarters of the group has been verified. Milwaukee Division is therefore continuing this as a full investigation under the authority and in accordance with guidelines of the Attorney General.
MI 157-2819

For information of Detroit, the Los Angeles Division advised that

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BIRMINGHAM DIVISION

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Milwaukee, Wisconsin

August 3, 1976

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IDENTITY GROUP (IG), ALSO KNOWN AS
THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST CHURCH (MCC)

Reference is made to previous memoranda dated June 3, 1976 and June 9, 1976 entitled, "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, also known as Posse Comitatus, Marathon County Chapter, Identity Group, Marathon County Chapter". The title of this memorandum reflects the true identity of the group as based on investigation herein contained.

Sources whose identities are concealed herein have furnished reliable information in the past, unless otherwise noted.

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Review of the Marathon County Registrar of Deeds Office reflects that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), Marathon County Chapter, Incorporated, was dissolved as an entity on September 19, 1975 by Thomas F. Stockheimer. It was also noted that on March 15, 1974 a separate corporation was formed calling itself the Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee Incorporated of Marathon County, Wisconsin, listing its principals as Arthur G. Peterson, Thomas F. Stockheimer, Albin Ostrowski, Ray Ombrnick, Ron Balthazor, R. David Pennings, Rodney L. Hilmerhauser. This corporation is still on record at the Registrar of Deeds Office. Review of the records further indicates that there is no corporation formed known as the Identity Group. It is noted that the listed principals for the Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee Incorporated are the same individuals who are listed as principals of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus which was dissolved.
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An article in the "Wausau Record Herald" on page 2, on July 23, 1976, entitled, "White supremacy group holds rallies in Wausau" was written by a Staff reporter, Geri Nikolai and is set forth as follows:

"A white supremacy group that advocates execution of the Jews and slavery of the blacks is apparently attracting followers in Marathon County.

"The group, called 'National Emancipation of our White Seed,' has held two rallies in Wausau in the past six weeks. The first was June 13 at the Marathon Park Youth Building. The second was Tuesday night at the Hoffman House.

"Main speaker at Tuesday night's meeting was Buddy Tucker, introduced as pastor of Temple Memorial Church in Knoxville, Tenn., and successor to the late anti-semitic Gerald L. K. Smith.

"Tucker left no doubt about the goals of the group and his interpretation of Christianity and the Bible."
"In his view, the Bible has ordained that whites are to rule the world. Black males, he said, should be neutered and used for labor. Jews, he said, must be exterminated. He talked about chopping them up for fertilizer.

"Tucker, contacted Wednesday at the home of Mike Dodge in Mosinee, didn't soften his remarks for the newspaper. He reasserted that the white race is the chosen race and frequently used Bible verses to support his belief in that and the subservient 'place' of other races.

"Tucker said the Jews in the U.S. have two choices.

"'They can get out of America, or stay here and die,' he said.

"Asked if that wasn't close to advocating murder, he replied, 'That's what God says to do. That's what we'll be doing. We're organizing to do just that.'

"He said the ideas he espouses will become the 'law of the land.'

"Tucker and his supporters, who had verbal slurs for just about every non-white race, maintained that God is 'the greatest racist there ever was.'

"Dodge, who described himself as pastor of the Life Science Church of Mosinee and Tigerton, made arrangements for Tuesday night's meeting. He says he is working to organize a chapter of the 'white seed' in Marathon County.

"Dodge said chapters have been chartered in nine states, but none yet in Wisconsin."
IDENTITY GROUP (IG), ALSO KNOWN AS
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"He said the goal of the group will be 'to take our land back . . . through the intervention of God. This is white man's land.'"

"Speakers at Tuesday night's meeting drew applause and cries of 'amen' frequently, including when they spoke of 'blowing the head off' busing integration planners and forcing the Jews out of the country or calling 'plagues' down upon them."

"The speakers offered for sale booklets they claimed showed people how to avoid paying taxes or debts. They offered subscriptions to their newspaper 'Battle Ax,' and displayed a flag they said would become the 'new glory.'"

"The first issue of the newspaper includes at article which quotes Tucker as saying the 'white seed' group is 'working hand in hand with the Ku Klux Klan . . .'. It reprinted a photo of the sign in front of Tucker's church which proclaimed, 'God made the races different. White is holy. Jew - devil. Black - beast.'"

"At least, that's what it said until some bypasser removed the 'a' from the word beast."

"The subscription coupon promised the paper would be mailed in a 'plain, brown, sealed envelope.'"

"Besides Tucker, the speakers Tuesday night included the editor of the newsletter, from Humansville, Mo., and a man from Colby who says he is pastor of the Ministry of Christ Church, which has been supporting the 'white seed' group."

"Tucker was traveling in what was described as a 'luxurious' motor home."
"Persons who were at the meeting said at least two of the leaders of the group were dressed in white costumes with black belts, boots and spurs.

"Estimates of the audience ranged from 75 to 150. One man said he heard some people had come from as far as Minnesota. Reportedly, there were children as young as preschool age.

"Some of the spectators went out of curiosity, and came away shocked.

"'It's Nazi Germany all over again,' said a woman.

"'They came very close to inciting violence,' said a man. 'It's funny. They got up there and tore down this country and just about everything in it, yet this is the only country that would allow them to talk that way,' he added.

"Several of those who attended called the meeting 'frightening.' One man said he occasionally clapped because he wasn't sure he wanted to draw attention as an opponent.

"Sheriff Louis Gianoli was there and he estimated the crowd at 150. He said that included several persons associated with the Posse Comitatus group.

"(At the start of the meeting, a speaker referred to 'Tom,' who is Thomas Stockheimer, a leader of the comitatus now being sought by police for failing to appear for a 60-day jail term.)

"Gianoli said he will advise District Attorney Daniel LaRocque of the meeting and ask him to review tape recordings of it."
IDENTITY GROUP (IG), ALSO KNOWN AS THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST CHURCH (MCC)

"The sheriff said policies of the 'white seed' group resemble no religion he has ever heard of."

"'That doctrine is about as far from Christianity as Mars is from Ringle,' he concluded."
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC)
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Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM concerning the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus. Enclosed for the information of Butte, Denver, Los Angeles, Sacramento, San Francisco and Seattle is one copy of enclosed LHM.

The Multnomah County SPC is the subject of Portland file 157-1433 (C).

Two copies of this LHM are being provided Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Intelligence, Portland.

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Sylvester P. Ehr is the publicly
known Chairman of the Multnomah County Sheriff's
Posse Comitatus, which holds meetings in the
"Constitution Room" at 1021 N.E. Union, Portland,
Oregon.

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- APPENDIX -

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

The Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, also known as the Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC), is a loose-knit nationwide organization established in Portland, Oregon, in 1973 by Portland resident Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach. The SPC is a non-affiliated off-shoot of the Identity Group (IG), a California based tax rebellion organization. The SPC claims that the Federal Reserve System and the graduated income tax are "ultra vires and not lawful," and that the Federal judiciary has attempted to establish "a dictatorship of the courts over the citizens of the Republic."

The SPC calls for the establishment of a posse in each county to assist the only legitimate law enforcement authority, the county sheriff, in combating the unlawful acts of others, particularly those of Federal and state officials.

Some members and leadership of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents, and have engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials.

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From: Director, FBI (157-33487) - 3731 - NEC-19

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka
CITIZENS LAW ENFORCEMENT AND RESEARCH
COMMITTEE (CLERC)

Enclosed for each recipient is one copy of a letter from the Attorney General captioned "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus" dated 10/14/76.

Above letter from the Attorney General approved the full investigation of the SPC.

The SPC was organized in 1973, by Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach, who resides in Portland, Oregon.

The SPC is a loose-knit nationwide organization which claims that the county sheriff is the only legal law enforcement authority, that the Federal Reserve System and graduated income tax are not lawful, and that the Federal judiciary has attempted to establish a dictatorship over the courts. One of the basic beliefs of the SPC is that state and Federal court including the Supreme Court, have been subverting the Constitution by applying arbitrary judgment on important issues rather than following the dictates of the Constitution.

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SEE NOTE PAGE THREE
Airtel to SAC, Albany
Re: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), aka

The membership of each chapter depends on the recruiting efforts of local chapter members.

Portland, therefore, will remain Office of Origin for nationwide activities of the SPC.

Membership or affiliation alone in the SPC is not an adequate basis for the initiation of investigation. It must be shown that an individual is in a policy-making position or has engaged in activities which indicate he is likely to use force or violence in violation of Federal law. For clarification, those considered in policy-making positions are those who hold local, state or national office. The investigation of an individual should focus on those activities which reflect active support of the SPC as well as any violations of Federal law. Ideological or political rhetoric is relevant but cannot be the sole basis for investigation.

Field offices should concentrate their investigative efforts on SPC activities which clearly fit within the AGG. Social and legitimate political matters should not be covered or reported by informants. Speeches made at SPC functions which do not indicate harassment, intimidation, violence or violation of Federal law should not be reported, unless there is indication of major policy revisions or changes.
Airtel to SAC, Albany
Re: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), aka

in organizational objectives. Information received that will be of interest to local or other Federal law enforcement agencies should be appropriately disseminated.

Continued informant coverage of SPC activities including rallies is authorized. It will not be necessary to advise the Bureau of rallies and meetings unless activity occurs which would be deemed of interest to either the Bureau and/or the Department. It will be sufficient to compile a summary of these activities which should be submitted to the Portland Office for inclusion in their annual report. The Portland Office should be promptly advised of any activity that would be of interest to that office in their coverage of the national organization.

If it comes to the attention of a field office that a new SPC chapter has been formed, the rules concerning full investigations included in the AGG should be promptly complied with.

For the information of recipients, the summary memorandum which was submitted to the Department concerning the SPC was dated 9/20/76. It will be necessary to submit supplemental summaries in the form of investigative reports to the Department of Justice on a yearly basis. Therefore, an investigative insert concerning SPC activity within each field division should be submitted to the Portland Office no later than 8/20/77.

NOTE: By letter dated 10/14/76, the Attorney General approved the full investigation of the SPC. Above necessary to insure that all offices are apprised of the Attorney General's decision and receive current policy concerning the SPC investigation. This communication is being sent to all field offices as the stated goal of this organization is to establish chapters in every state within the country.

APPROVED: Ext. Affairs. Laboratory
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Dep. AD Inv. Exec. Dir.
Dep. AD Inv. Dep. H.R.
Asst. Dir. Adm. Serv.
To: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, WFO (157-6873)(RUC)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC)
EM (EO: PD)

ReBuairtel to Albany and all offices dated 10/26/76.

WFO will advise the Bureau and Portland if any information surfaces from sources that would indicate there is a local chapter within the WDC area.

WFO is considering this matter RUC'd at this time.

(1) Bureau
(2) Portland
1 - WFO

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approved: Special Agent in Charge

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THE SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, AKA CITIZENS' LAW ENFORCEMENT RESEARCH COMMITTEE (CLERC), IS A LOOSE-KNIT NATIONAL ORGANIZATION ESTABLISHED IN PORTLAND, OREGON, IN 1975 BY PORTLAND RESIDENT HENRY LAUDER GILES BEACH. THE SPC IS A NON-AFFILIATED OFF-SHOT OF THE IDENTITY GROUP (IG), A CALIFORNIA-BASED TERRORIST ORGANIZATION.


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DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

DATE: 12/16/76

SAC, SAN DIEGO (157-4933) (RUC)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka
Citizens Law Enforcement and Research
Committee (CLERC)

E:

00: PORTLAND

Re Bureau airtel to Albany dated 10/26/76.

Pursuant to instructions set forth in referenced
Bureau airtel to all offices dated 10/26/76, there is no
indication of activity by captioned organization in the
San Diego Division. Accordingly, this matter is being
placed in an RUC status.

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DATE 7/1/77 BY 5PB7/1MW
DICTATORSHIP OF THE COURTS OVER THE CITIZENS OF THE REPUBLIC.

THE SPC CALLS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A POSSE IN EACH COUNTY TO ASSIST THE ONLY LEGITIMATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY, THE COUNTY SHERIFF, IN COMBATING THE UNLAWFUL ACTS OF OTHERS, PARTICULARLY THOSE OF FEDERAL AND STATE OFFICIALS.

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DURING THE PERIOD DECEMBER 19 THROUGH 26, 1976, THREE EXPLOSIVE BOMBINGS OCCURRED AT HOOD RIVER, OREGON. IN ADDITION, AN UNEXPLODED PIPE BOMB WAS LOCATED IN A PICKUP TRUCK AT ODELL, OREGON (JUST SOUTH OF HOOD RIVER).
ADMINISTRATIVE

SOURCE UTILIZED IS

SA_____ HAS BEEN PERSONALLY ADVISED OF ABOVE INFORMATION.

IT IS NOTED THAT ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS SPC MEMBERS HAVE VISITED
PORTLAND FBI OFFICE, PORTLAND U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, AND PORTLAND
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE INTELLIGENCE, MAKING VARIOUS COMPLAINTS
AND ESPousing SPC Rhetoric.

Information concerning bombings being furnished FBIHQ separately and information concerning possible suspect being disseminated to local authorities.

FBIHQ will be kept advised of any pertinent developments.
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157-33487-379
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: RADIC, LOS ANGELES (157-10915) (RUC)

DATE: 1/20/77

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka
Citizens Law Enforcement
and Research Committee
DS - WHITE HATE GROUP
OO: Portland

Re FBIHQ airtel to Albany dated 10/26/76 and
Portland letter to FBIHQ dated 11/12/76.

It is noted Los Angeles report of SA
dated 7/1/76 revealed investigation of Sheriff's
Posse Comitatus (SPC) in the Los Angeles Division was
being closed inasmuch as no information of recent acts
of violence had been developed.

These sources
have no information concerning the SPC which would require
investigation of the SPC in the Los Angeles Division under
current Attorney General guidelines.

In accordance with FBIHQ instructions, Los
Angeles is maintaining investigation of SPC in a closed
status but will advise the Portland Office no later than
8/20/77 of the status of SPC at that time.

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157-33487-381
Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  DATE: 2/17/77

To: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432)(P)

Subject: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka; DS - WHITE HATE GROUP
(00: Portland)

Re Portland teletype to Director, 12/7/76.

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Bureau (RM)
2 - Dallas (157-3360)(RM)
2 - El Paso (157-536) (RM)
2 - Houston (RM)
2 - San Antonio (157-2016) (RM)
2 - Portland

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5 MAR 3 1977.
Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SFC, DENVER (157-1815) (RUC)  

DATE: 2/17/77

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS—(SPC), Aka EM—WHG
OO: PORTLAND

Re Denver letter to the Bureau, dated 8/27/76; and Bureau letter to Albany, dated 10/26/76.

Re Denver letter indicated there was no known active chapter of captioned organization in the Denver area. Since referenced Denver letter, no information has come to the Denver Division from public sources, police agencies or informants that captioned group is active within the Denver Division.

In view of this, this matter is being considered RUC'd.

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DATE: 5/6/82

ATTN: DEPUTY DIRECTOR
FBI

SHERRIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, DOMESTIC SECURITY - WHITE HATE GROUP

57 MAR 1 1 1977

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157-33487-384
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (157-3317) (P)
SUBJECT: CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL COMPLIANCE (CCC) aka SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) EM (FULL INVESTIGATION)

Re Dallas airtel and LHM dated 7/19/76, and Bureau airtel to Albany dated 10/26/76, entitled, "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) aka Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (Clerc), EM."

By airtel and LHM dated 7/19/76, Dallas furnished Bureau details regarding the Citizens for Constitutional Compliance (CCC) which is aligned with the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC). Investigation was closed on the organization at that time since the CCC was not violence prone.

Following receipt of Bureau airtel to Albany dated 10/26/76, supra, the investigation regarding the CCC was reopened to follow the organization's activities in accordance with Bureau instructions, following authorization by the Attorney General to conduct a full field investigation on the national SPC organization.

Investigation to date has developed no information to indicate the CCC is actively involved in a broad membership drive or is it conducting other activities of a militant or violent nature in the Dallas area.

Investigative insert will be furnished to the Portland Office per Bureau instructions by 8/20/77.

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1 - Portland (157-1432) (Info) REC-86 22 APR 28 1977
2 - Dallas

Approved: (5) Sent in Charge
57 MAY 1977
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  DATE: 5/13/77

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka; DS - WHITE HATE GROUP (OO: Portland)

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM captioned "SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS."

Informant Location

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157-33487-388
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka DS - WHITE HATE GROUP

O: PORTLAND

(b)(7)(C)

Re Portland report of S/or captioned 4/6/77,

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM captioned as above.

Portland is disseminating two copies of captioned LHM to Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Intelligence, Portland, Oregon.

Informant

Location

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DATE 7/1/80 BY SP8BJ/lmw
Portland, Oregon
June 9, 1977

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

arrested by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and Portland Police officers on a bench warrant for violation of Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 113 (d), for failure to appear, assault on a Federal Protective Service Officer at the Federal Building, Portland, Oregon, on a publically recognized member of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) (see appendix) in Portland, Oregon.

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DATE 5/16/82 BY SPBBIJ11mW

Sources whose identities are concealed herein have furnished reliable information in the past except where otherwise noted.

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ATTN: LEGAL COUNSEL DIVISION, GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, DOMESTIC SECURITY - WHITE HATE GROUP,
MIFILE 157-33497, PROFILE 157-1432 (P).
AUSA JEFFREY L. ROGERS HAS BEEN KEPT ADVISED OF THE ABOVE ADMINISTRATIVE RE PORTLAND TELETYPING TO FBIING FEBRUARY 16, 1977. SOURCE MENTIONED IS NO ACTION BEING TAKEN AT THIS TIME. PORTLAND MAINTAINING CLOSE CONTACT WITH AND U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE REGARDING THIS MATTER AND WILL KEEP FBIING ADVISED. BT
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (P)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC);
DS - WHITE HATE GROUP
(00: Portland)

2 - Albany (157-1731)
2 - Albuquerque (157-955)
2 - Anchorage (157-171)
2 - Atlanta (157-7296)
2 - Butte (157-666)
2 - Charlotte (157-10026)
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2 - New York City (157-12751)
2 - Oklahoma City (157-2746)
2 - Omaha (157-2120)
2 - Phoenix (157-2272)
2 - Sacramento (157-3522)
2 - Portland

EX-12

157-33487-391

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

3 JUN 20 1977
As recipients are aware, Portland's summary memorandum, dated 9/20/76, was submitted to the Department of Justice, and the Attorney General approved a full investigation of the SPC. Portland was instructed to submit supplemental summaries in the form of investigative reports on a yearly basis.

Recipients are requested to submit investigative inserts concerning SPC activity to Portland no later than 8/20/77.
Memorandum

TO: Director, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, New Orleans (157-16477) - RUC -

SUBJECT: SHERIFF's POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens Law Enforcement & Research Committee (CLERC);
DS - WHITE HATE GROUP
00 - Portland

Re Portland letter to the Bureau 6/15/77.

This is to advise that captioned group does not exist in the New Orleans Division.

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DATE: 7/6/77  EYSP8BB7111mmW

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
DATE: 6/23/77

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

RePDlet 6/15/77.

Review of files of the Tampa Office contain no information concerning activity within the past year on the part of captioned organization. Accordingly, Tampa is not submitting an investigative insert concerning SPC activity.

(5) 1 - Tampa
     2 - Portland
     3 - Bureau

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SBC CINCINNATI (157-5127) (RUC)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), Aka. Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC)
       WHITE HATE GROUP
       PD

DATE: 6/27/77

Re PD let to Bureau 6/15/77.

No activities in the Cincinnati Division have been reported regarding the SPC or its members.

On 11/30/76, Secretary of the State of Ohio, advised that the SPC and the CLERC are not incorporated or chartered in the State of Ohio. The Office of the Attorney General of Ohio does not keep the records on incorporated or chartered organizations.

Cincinnati will remain alert for any future activities in its territory.

2-Bureau
2-Portland (157-1432)
1-Cincinnati

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DATE: 6/30/77

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka CITIZENS LAW ENFORCEMENT AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE (CLERC)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

Re Bureau airtel, 10/26/76, captioned as above, and Portland letter to Director, captioned as above, 6/15/77.

As investigation has failed to disclose the existence of a chapter organization in North Carolina, no report is being submitted by Charlotte.
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-6001) (RUC)

DATE: 7/1/77

SUBJECT: SHERIFF’S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC); DS - WHITE HATE GROUP (OO: PD)

Reference Portland letter to Bureau, 6/15/77.

The Mobile Division has no known chapter of captioned organization active in the division.

2 - Bureau
2 - Portland
1 - Mobile

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (157-10680) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka DS

O0: PORTLAND

DATE: 7/11/77

Re Portland letter to Bureau, 6/15/77; Chicago letter to Bureau, 6/8/76.

Chicago has, since the date of Chicago's above referenced letter, maintained liaison with

in regard to possible SPC or Identity Group (IG) activities in the Chicago area.

[Redacted]

The SPC continues to appear inactive or defunct and that there was no known SPC or IG activity.

In the event pertinent information is received regarding activities over which the FBI has investigative jurisdiction, the Bureau and interested offices will be appropriately advised.

2 - Bureau (RM)
2 - Portland (157-1432) (RM)
2 - Chicago (1 - 157-9321) (IDENTITY GROUP)

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JULY 1977
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, WFO (157-6873) (RUC)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka
Citizens Law Enforcement and Research
Committee (CLERC)
DS-White Hate Group
(00:FD)

RePDlet to the Director, dated 6/15/77 and WFO airtel to the Director, dated 11/17/76, captioned as above.

As indicated previously (see referenced WFO airtel), WFO is not aware of any Washington, D. C. (WDC) activity regarding captioned group.

If any information surfaces which would tend to indicate that there is a local chapter in the WDC area, WFO will advise the Bureau and Portland immediately.

WFO is considering this matter RUC'd. No investigative inserts being forwarded at this time.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, HONOLULU (157-308) (RUC)

DATE: 7/22/77

SUBJECT: SHERIFF's POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka CITIZENS LAW ENFORCEMENT AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE (CLERC)

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Re Bureau airtel to Albany, 10/26/76.

Enclosed for the Portland Office are two copies of an investigative insert.

For the information of the Bureau, contact with established sources of the Honolulu Office has not developed any information regarding the captioned organization.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, NEWARK (157-7816) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF's POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC) DS-WHITE HATE GROUP (00: PORTLAND)

Re: Portland letter to Bureau, 6/15/77. Bureau airtel to Albany, 10/26/76.

The Newark office possesses no information relative to the formation of a SPC chapter or organized SPC activity in the State of New Jersey.

Newark will remain alert for any information pertaining to SPC formation or activity and the Bureau and office of origin will be advised promptly.

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BY: PBBJ

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, KNOXVILLE (157-2904) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka DS - WHG

OO: PORTLAND

Re Portland letter to Bureau 6/15/77.

For information of Bureau and Portland, no information received that SPC active in Knoxville Division.

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BY: SPB717/1MWC

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (157-5891) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka DS - WHITE HATE GROUP
OO: PORTLAND

Re Portland letter to the Bureau dated 6/15/77 and captioned as above.

A canvass of [redacted] and county clerk's offices within the Miami Division during July and August, 1977, disclosed captioned organization was not known to exist or be involved in any activities in the Southern Florida area.

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SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) aka

DS - WHITE HATE GROUP
OO: PORTLAND
Bufile 157-33487
PD file 157-1432
DL file 157-3360 (RUC)

CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL COMPLIANCE (CCC) aka

DS - WHITE HATE GROUP
OO: DALLAS
Bufile 157-33487
PD file 157-1432
DL file 157-3317 (C)

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Re Dallas airtel to Bureau dated 4/22/77, Portland
letter to Bureau dated 6/15/77, entitled "SHERIFF'S POSSE
COMITATUS (SPC) aka, DS - WHITE HATE GROUP", OO: Portland.

Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of an investiga-
tive insert reflecting investigation conducted at Dallas con-
cerning the Citizens for Constitutional Compliance. Enclosed
for Portland are two copies of the same insert.

The investigation at Dallas, Texas was conducted by

3 - Bureau (Enc. 2)
3 - Portland (Enc. 2) (157-1432)
2 - Dallas (1 - 157-3317) (CCC)
(1 - 157-3360) (SPC)

Approved: Special Agent in Charge
Per enclosed insert, investigation at Dallas indicates that although Citizens for Constitutional Compliance continues to exist at Dallas, Texas, there is no indication at this time that either leadership or members are engaged in activities or advocate the use of force or violence to overthrow the U.S. Government. In view of the above, no further investigation is being conducted at Dallas, since the organization does not meet the criteria for investigation in Domestic Security matters.
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157-33487-404
The Federal Bureau of Investigation is conducting an investigation concerning captioned matter in accordance with the current guidelines for domestic security investigations.

Reference:

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Enclosures:

☐ A memorandum to notify you of
  ☐ An extended preliminary investigation
  ☐ A limited investigation
  ☐ A full investigation

☐ A 90-day progress report
☐ An annual report
☐ Other  THIS IS TO ADVISE YOU OF THE CLOSING OF A FULL INVESTIGATION.

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☐ It is requested that you determine in writing whether continued full investigation is warranted.

☐ Other

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1 - Mr. Held
1 - Mr. Adams
1 - Mr. McDermott

10/3/77

To: SAC, Albany

From: Director, FBI

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
DOMESTIC SECURITY

RePDairtel and LUM 9/12/77.

ReLUM recommended that the full domestic security investigation of captioned organization be terminated in view of the activities of this organization during the past year. After thorough review of this matter, FBIHQ concurs with Portland's recommendation. Recipients are to close any investigation which might be open on the SPC or any of its members based solely on their affiliation with this group.

If in the future, it comes to the attention of a field office that a local SPC chapter or individual SPC member has become involved in activities which meet the criteria for investigation under the Attorney General's domestic security guidelines, an appropriate recommendation for investigation should be submitted to FBIHQ for consideration. If the Portland Office is in receipt of information that the organization, at a National level has become involved in activities which would fit within the Guidelines, then these facts should be submitted to the Bureau with appropriate recommendations.

Information is not to be accepted from informants concerning the SPC as an organization unless that information pertains to specific security or criminal activities in which the FBI has investigative interest. Information pertaining to criminal matters not within the FBI's investigative
Airtel to SAC, Albany
RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE CONITATUS

jurisdiction should be accepted and given proper dissemination.

This communication may be reproduced as necessary for distribution in your office.
Airtel to SAC, Albany
RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

NOTE: Re: airtel and LHM set forth the activities of the SPC during the past year. Previously, the Attorney General had approved the full investigation of the SPC on 10/14/76. Portland notes that the current activities of the SPC are primarily verbal and rhetorical in nature, there is no cohesiveness in the organization nationally and the likelihood fulfilling their goals is remote. The most recent SPC violation of laws has been local in nature.

Portland recommends that when allegations are made concerning SPC members or groups they should be addressed on an individual basis according to whether the activity meets criteria set forth in the Attorney General's Guidelines. Based on the above, the activities of the SPC do not meet the necessary standards which must be considered when authorizing and conducting a full investigation of an organization. FBIHQ, therefore, concurs with Portland's recommendation to close the investigation of the SPC. The Office of Policy and Planning, Investigation Review Unit, U.S. Department of Justice, is being advised separately of the closing of this full investigation.
February 3, 1978

SHERIFF'S POSSE CONITATAS

There is attached one copy of a summary memorandum dated September 12, 1977, at Portland, Oregon, captioned "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SFC), Also Known As Citizen's Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLEAR)" reflecting results of investigation conducted by the FBI regarding SFC.

Investigation regarding SFC was closed on October 5, 1977, based upon information that activities of this group did not meet the criteria under the Attorney General's domestic security guidelines. There has been no subsequent reopening of this investigation and no information has come to the attention of the FBI which would prompt this Bureau to reopen it at this time.

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NOTE: Matter coordinated with Supervisor Substantive and Civil Disorders Unit, Criminal Investigative Division.

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157-33487
Sheriff's Posse Comitatus

IN LAW GREAT CHARTER IN AND FOR CARROLL COUNTY, MD.
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NOVEMBER 26, 1979

TO ALL PERSONS IN THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

SUBJECT: "SEDITIOUS CONSPIRACY" AGAINST THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.
TITLE 18 U.S. CODE SECT. 2384 & 241. AUTHORITY IN LAW UNIFIED
STATES CONSTITUTION, ART. 2; ART. 3; ART. 4; ART. 8 MARYLAND
CONSTITUTION DECLARATION OF RIGHTS. THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ARTICLE 4 AMEND YOUR OATH OR
AFFIRMATION TO PRESERVE, PROTECT, DEFEND THE CONSTITUTION
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. BECAUSE THAT IS 100% AMERICA AND
ANYTHING CONTRARY NOTWITHSTANDING, THATS LAW, THE SUPREME LAW IN
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FOR ALL!

THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY, HAS GIVEN US MARYLANDERS OVER TO
"SOCIALISM" ALREADY BY THEIR LEGISLATIVE ACTS, THAT ARE NOT LAWFUL AND
THEY CAN NOT BE CALLED LAW! BUT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HAS A POLICE STATE
IN MOST COUNTIES UNDER "MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS", THE MARYLAND STATE POLICE
LAW ENFORCEMENT. WE CANNOT ELECT, NOTE: CONSTITUTION OF MARYLAND
DECLARATION OF RIGHTS ART. 2, 4, AND THE CONSTITUTION OF UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ART. 4, 6.
SEC. 4. THE STATE POLICE OF MARYLAND ARE "UNLAWFUL" BECAUSE POWERS WERE
CREATED AND DELEGATED THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY BY "UNLAWFUL" ACTS.
THE MARYLAND CONSTITUTION DECLARATION OF RIGHTS ART. 8 THAT THE LEGISLATIVE,
EXECUTIVE AND JUDICIAL POWERS OF GOVERNMENT OUGHT TO BE FOREVER SEPARATE
AND DISTINCT FROM EACH OTHER, AND NO PERSON EXERCISING THE FUNCTIONS OF ONE
OF SAID DEPARTMENTS SHALL ASSUME OR DISCHARGE THE DUTIES OF ANY OTHER. THE
STATE POLICE ARE UNDER EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT DELEGATED POWERS OF
SHERIFF, IN ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND STATE POLICE ART. 88B; NOTE 88B
SEC. 4 THE SAME POWERS, PRIVILEGES, IMMUNITIES, AND DEFENSES AS SHERIFFS,
CONSTABLES, POLICE OFFICERS, ETC. AND THE SHERIFF WHOM WE CAN ELECT HAS BEEN
OPRESSED AND HIS DUTIES "FIXED" BY LAW, BY DOINGS OF THE MARYLAND GENERAL
ASSEMBLY AS "JAILER AND SUPERINTENDENT OF THE COUNTY JAIL" ART. 27 SECT. 6458.
LOOK UP IN BLACK'S LAW DICTIONARY UNDER SHERIFF AMERICAN LAW THE CHIEF
EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF A COUNTY. WE ARE BEING DESTROYED BY
ACTS IN "EQUITY" TO COMMUNIST'S WAYS IN GOVERNMENT BY A POLICE STATE TO
FORCERS US CONSTITUTIONAL AMERICANS TO OBEY BY GUNS. THE STATE POLICE
FORCE PEOPLE AROUND BECAUSE THEY HANDLER GUN PERMIT WITH NO LAWFUL POWER.
JUST GUNS AND PEOPLE THATS WHAT THE STATE POLICE USE AND WHAT THEY CALL
LAW. WE HAVE NO LAW, GIVE US LAWFUL LAW SO WE MY HAVE SOME LAW AND ORDER!

CARROLL COUNTY DID NOT HAVE A "CHARTER" UNTIL THE SHERIFF'S POSSE
COMITATUS WAS CHARTERED IN LAW, "THE BODY OF THE COUNTY". WE ARE IT. THE
COMMISSIONERS ARE UNDER A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, THERE CORPORATION IS NOT
WITHSTANDING TO ARE IN LAW CHARTER IN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW. THE COMMISSIONERS
USE STATE POLICE WITH THE HELP OF THE STATES ATTORNEY OFFICE AND JUDICIAL
BRANCH TO HAVE A POLICE STATE IN CARROLL COUNTY BY THE MARYLAND GENERAL
ASSEMBLY WITH THERE SO LAW, IN FORCE IN CARROLL COUNTY. WE WANT A INVESTIGATION
OF THE HIGHEST ORDER FOR THIS CONSPIRACY NOT CONFLICT OF INTEREST.

SIGNED ORDER OF CAPTAIN OF SHERIFF'S POSSE

CAPTAIN BRUCE CROFTON
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS
P.O. BOX 842 WESTMINSTER, MD.

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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

"In and For Carroll County"

COMMON LAW vs STATUTORY LAW

Par. 1: Federalist Papers #46, James Madison, wrote; "The Federal and State Governments are in fact but different agents and trustees of the people...the adversaries of the Constitution seem to have lost sight of the people altogether. They must be told that the ultimate authority resides in the people.

Par. 2: Federalist Papers #78, Alexander Hamilton, wrote; "No legislative act contrary to the Constitution can be valid. to deny this would be to affirm that the deputy is greater than his principle; that the servant is above the master; that the representatives of the people are superior to the people, that men, acting by virtue of powers, may do not only what their powers to not authorize, but what they forbid. It is not to be supposed that the Constitution could intend to enable the representatives of the people to substitute their will to that of their constituents. A Constitution is, in fact, and must be regarded by Judges as a fundamental Law. If there should happen to be an irreconcilable variance between the two, the Constitution is to be preferred to the statute." Nor does this conclusion by any means suppose a superiority of the Judicial to the Legislative. It only supposes that the power of the people is superior to both and that the power of the people is superior to both and that where the will of the legislature, declared in its statutes, stands in opposition to that of the people as declared in the Constitution, the judges must be governed by the latter, rather than for former.

Par. 3: Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 210; Scott vs Sanford, 19 How 395, 15 L Ed 691; "Neither the legislative, executive nor judicial departments of the federal government can lawfully exercise any authority beyond the limits marked out by the Constitution.

Par. 4: 16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 210; Wilson vs Philadelphia Scho. Dist. 128 Pa 225, 195 A 90, 113 ALR 1401; "Any fundamental or basic power necessary to government cannot be delegated."
Par. 5: 16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 178; Constitutional Law.

"The general rule is that an unconstitutional statute, though having the form and name of law, is in reality no law, but is wholly void and ineffective for any purpose; since unconstitutionality dates from the time of its enactment and not merely from the date of the decision so branding it; an unconstitutional law, in legal contemplation, is as ineffective as if it had never been passed...an unconstitutional law is VOID...it imposes no duties, confers no rights, creates no office...bestows no power or authority on anyone, affords no protection and justifies no acts performed under it...an unconstitutional law cannot repeal or supercede any existing valid law...an unconstitutional statute cannot repeal or in any way affect an existing valid one....the general principals stated above apply to the Constitution as well as to the laws of the several States insofar as they are repugnant to the Constitution of the United States. Moreover, the construction of a statute which brings it in conflict with a Constitution, will nullify it as effectually as if it had been enacted in conflict therewith.

Par. 6: 16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 547; Daniel Webster, James Otis and Sir Edward Coke all pointed out that the mere fact of enactment does not and cannot raise statutes to the standing of LAW not everything which may pass under the form of statutory enactment can be considered the LAW of the land."

Par. 7: U. S. Sup. Ct. Maybury vs Madison, 1803, 2 L Ed. 60; 1 Cra. 137; ref. 6 Whse: 246 & Wal 601; "Law repugnant to the Constitution is VOID"..."an act of the legislature, for I cannot call it law CONTRARY to the first great principles of the social compact (constitution) cannot be considered a right ful exercise of legislative authority."

Par. 8: 16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 177; "An unconstitutional statute though having the form and name of law, is in reality NO LAW, but wholly null and void and ineffective for any purpose. It imposes no duty, confers no rights, creates no office, bestows no power or authority on anyone, affords no protection and justifies no acts performed under it. No one is bound to obey an unconstitutional statute and no courts are bound to enforce it."

Par. 9: 16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 210: Constitutional Law;

"A characteristic feature and one of the cardinal and fundamental principles of the American Constitutional system is that the government powers are divided among the three departments of government, the legislative, the executive and the judicial; and that each of these is separate from the others. The rule is generally recognized that Constitutional restraints are overstepped when one department of government attempts to exercise power exclusively delegated to another;
officers of any branch of government cannot permit its powers to be exercised by any other branch."

Par. 10. 16 Am Jur, 2nd ed., Sec. 176; Constitutional Law; "The general rule is that an unconstitutional act of the legislature protects no one. It is said that all persons are presumed to know the law, meaning that ignorance of the law excuses no one; if any person acts under an unconstitutional statute, he does so at his peril and must take the consequences."

Par. 11. Section 2954, Title 18, United States Code reads: Seditious conspiracy; "if two or more persons in any State or Territory, or in any place subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, conspire to overthrow, put down, or to destroy by force the Government of the United States; or to levy war against them, or to oppose by force to seize, take, or possess any property of the United States contrary to the authority thereof, they shall each be fined not more than $20,000.00 or be imprisoned not more than twenty years, or both."

(It is to be noted here that the authority of the United States is the Constitution. Further, the force need not be limited to "military force" but can be legal force, psychological force, economic force, etc....It is therefore quite clear that all persons who participate in the conspiracy known as "Seditious Government" are clearly in violation of this code and should be held to answer for such crime by all Posses. Such persons are unlawfully attempting to alter our form of government.)

Since a guide of this type cannot possibly anticipate each and every local problem or condition, it should be utilized where the Constitution and the Natural Law is being violated. In many instances such violations may involve officials of the federal or local government as much as by individual citizens. In the interest of education, some of the most prolific violations by government officials and agencies are included here as major examples which should be contemplated by all citizens interested in the Posse Comitatus.
STATE OF MARYLAND
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND 21404
October 17, 1979

HARRY HUGHES
GOVERNOR

Reverend Buck R. Harris
Box 491
Manchester, Maryland 21102

Dear Reverend Harris:

I reviewed your communication of October 10, 1979 in which you have asked me to issue an executive order ordering the County Commissioners of Carroll County to grant Sheriff Campbell's alleged request for the establishment of "a county sheriff's law enforcement agency county wide."

Contrary to your opinion, neither the Constitution nor the laws of Maryland vest such authority in the Governor. Therefore, I must deny your request.

Sincerely,

HARRY HUGHES
GOVERNOR


Md. Constitution Art 2. says "the United States Const. and the treaties thereof shall be the Supreme law of the State."


Laws of Maryland—CONSPIRE AGAINST SHERIFF.

Attorney General Opinion—RECEIVING—CAUTIOUSLY ADVISES "IN CONSPIRACY AGAINST SUPREME LAW OF STATE. THE STATE HAS MADE A CRIMINAL LAW-BY A MARYLAND STATE POLICE-CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS—UNLAWFUL ARRESTS. "THE PRICE OF CONSPIRACY: WE ARE SUPPOSE TO LIVE WITH THEIR "MISTAKES""—Buck Harris

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TO: Director, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, Jacksonville (157-3273)(RUC)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF’S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) DOMESTIC SECURITY

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  1 - WFO (Info)
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TO:  DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM:  SAC, OMAHA (157-2120) (RUC)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC);
CIVIL UNREST - TAX PROTESTERS

Re Omaha airtel to the Bureau dated 3/13/80.

Enclosed herein are the original and one copy each of two investigative inserts.

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Omaha

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157 - 33487 - 411
RE: MILWAUKEE TELETYPE TO CHICAGO DATED APRIL 16, 1980, CAPTIONED AS ABOVE (NO COPY FURNISHED TO THE BUREAU OR INDIANAPOLIS); AND TELCALL BETWEEN SUPERVISOR, DOMESTIC-TERRORISM SECTION, FBIHQ, AND SUPV. CHICAGO.

FOR INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU AND INDIANAPOLIS, REFERENCED MILWAUKEE TELETYPE CONTAINED THE FOLLOWING:

ON APRIL 15, 1980, A CALLER IDENTIFYING HIMSELF AS TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED MADISON,

64 APR 28 1980
WISCONSIN RA AND INSTRUCTED THE RECIPIENT OF THE CALL TO TAKE DOWN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

THE CALLER STATED THAT "IF YOU LIKE THE INFORMATION, I WILL GIVE YOU MORE."

INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY CHICAGO REVEALED THAT TELEPHONE NUMBER ** IS ASSIGNED TO **
INDIANAPOLIS SHOULD NOTE

IS LOCATED IN WILL COUNTY, AND THERE HAS BEEN LIMITED
KLAN ACTIVITY IN THAT AREA. CHICAGO DOES NOT SUGGEST,
NOR DOES CHICAGO HAVE EVIDENCE TO INDICATE THAT

HOWEVER, THIS COULD OCCUR, THEREFORE, UACB, CHICAGO
WILL TAKE THE FOLLOWING STEPS TO INSURE OUR FBI
RESPONSIBILITIES:

WITH ATF, ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY PERSON

FBI AGENTS WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN ANY SEARCHES
OR ARRESTS.
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (C)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC); DOMESTIC SECURITY
(00:Portland)

Preliminary inquiry initiated 4/10/80.

Preliminary inquiry was initiated upon receipt of a communication from FBIHQ, dated 4/7/80, wherein the following information was furnished to FBIHQ by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms (BATF):

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6/4 MAY 27, 1980
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In view of the above, no further investigation is being conducted at Portland.
RE: CHICAGO TELETYPING TO THE BUREAU AND OTHER OFFICES, DATED APRIL 17, 1980, CAPTIONED AS ABOVE.

INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY THE CHICAGO DIVISION AND TREASURY AGENTS, AFT, DETERMINED (b)(7)(C) (D) (b)(7)(C) (D)

CHICAGO IS CONDUCTING NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION.

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CC:

MAYNARD

RE: YES

(59) JUN 27, 1980

7 JUN 16 1980
Preliminary investigation initiated 6/26/80, to expire 9/26/80.

On 6/23/80, a briefing by FBIHQ personnel was afforded Congressman David R. Obey, Wisconsin, at his request. At that meeting, he expressed concern that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) in the State of Wisconsin may be engaged in activities warranting investigation under the Attorney General Guidelines for the conduct of Domestic Security Investigations.

Congressman Obey advised that

Congressman Obey further advised

As a result, a limited investigation was initiated on the captioned group. After the results of the investigation were reviewed, it was determined that the allegation could not be substantiated.

To resolve this matter, Milwaukee should attempt to locate and interview [redacted], evaluate his information, and make recommendations to FBIHQ as to whether or not further investigation into the activities of the SPC is warranted.

See NOTE Page Two
Airtel to SAC, Milwaukee
Re: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

Ensure all investigative steps are taken in full compliance with the Attorney General Guidelines for the conduct of Domestic Security investigations. All reporting guidelines are to be strictly adhered to.

A review of available records at FBIHQ indicates that

NOTE: On 6/23/80, Congressman Obey, Wisconsin, advised that [redacted] had information regarding illegal activities of the captioned group. By this communication, Milwaukee is being instructed to resolve this matter by interviewing the individual.
RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

REMARKS:
Furnished for information

1 - Bureau (Enc. 2) (157-33487)
2 - Portland (157-1432) (80-42) NOT RECORDED AUG 1 1980

SAC ROBERT S. GAST, II
OFFICE PORTLAND

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Jury returns guilty verdict on 3 charges in park bombing

Norman Elmer Miller, 39, was convicted of three criminal charges Wednesday in the April 23 bombing of the man's restroom in downtown Portland's Lownsdale Square.

A Multnomah County Circuit Court jury deliberated for an hour and 33 minutes before finding Miller guilty on two counts of first-degree arson and one count of first-degree criminal mischief.

The jury voted 11-1 for conviction on the first arson count, 10-2 on the second and 11-1 on the criminal mischief charge. Miller pleaded innocent to all three charges in May.

Circuit Judge John J. Murchison, who presided over the three-day trial, ordered a pre-sentence investigation and scheduled sentencing for 9:30 a.m. July 28.

Defense attorney John Ransom said he would appeal the verdicts but declined further comment.

During his final argument, Ransom contended that the state had tried to build a circumstantial case against Miller. He said the state presumed that he was the man who made telephoned threats to police minutes before the explosion and "perceived" Miller's presence in the area of the blast as "minuscule."

Ransom suggested that Francis C. Littleman, a transient seen entering the restroom just before it was demolished, could have been the trial's most important witness. He suggested that Littleman would have appeared at trial unless he had somehow been involved in the explosion.

Shirley Caterina, a receptionist in the Multnomah County district attorney's office, testified Wednesday that Littleman entered the office June 17 to ask when the trial would begin and was told to call in the next day to find out. He has not been seen or heard from since, she said.

Ransom also asked the court to consider the testimony of James Stanley Snyder, who said he saw Littleman emerge from the men's room and walk toward Southwest Third Avenue and Taylor Street, the site of the phone booth from which police believe Miller made a call less than nine minutes before the bomb went off at 10:32 a.m.

Prosecutor Steve Seymour argued that Miller "wanted attention" and acted almost "as if he wanted to be caught."

Seymour contended that it was Miller who twice called Sgt. Dan Noelle of the Portland Police Bureau on April 23 from two phone booths near the men's room, describing "a short fuse," a blast which would kill people up to 100 feet away, and finally revealing where the bomb was planted. The blast caused no injuries.

"He said he was going to do it and he did it," the deputy district attorney declared.

Seymour noted that police saw Miller leaving the Third and Taylor phone booth and walking a roundabout route to his car a block south of the blast site. Seymour said one officer described Miller's face as turning white, then gray, when the bomb exploded.

There was testimony that Miller had a permit to buy explosives and that a search of his home revealed 73 blasting caps. Ransom emphasized that no dynamite was found and that the state produced no evidence that Miller had bought any. He also pointed out that police fingerprint experts had not identified any fingerprints from either of the two phone booths as Miller's.

At the outset of the brief defense case Wednesday, Ransom moved for a judgment of acquittal on grounds that no reasonable juror could conclude from the state's evidence that Miller was responsible for the bombing. Murchison denied the motion, holding that there was sufficient evidence for the jury to consider.
Memorandum

TO:                      DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)         DATE:  9/16/80
FROM:                    SAC, DETROIT (157-10687)(CI-2)(RUC)
SUBJECT:                 SHERIFF'S POSSEE COMITATUS (SPC)
                        DOMESTIC SECURITY
                        (00: PORTLAND)

Re Bureau airtel to all offices, 10/5/77.

Enclosed for the Bureau, Little Rock and Portland are two copies each of a handout that was provided, unsolicited, to the Grand Rapids Resident Agency by the local Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Office.

This is being provided to Portland and Little Rock because of the specific mention of Fort Smith, Arkansas, and the Bureau for whatever action it may deem necessary.

Due to the instructions in referenced Bureau airtel, Detroit is conducting no investigation and setting forth no leads.

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FROM: SAC, SAN DIEGO (157-4933) (P)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka - Posse Comitatus EM - WHITE HATE ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATED 9/2/75.

Re San Diego report of SA dated 9/2/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of an LHM concerning the above captioned organization, two copies of the FD-376 attached; two copies of LHM for Portland.

San Diego is disseminating locally the above LHM to U.S. Secret Service.

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LEADS

SAN DIEGO

1. Will continue coverage of the Know Your Rights group in the San Diego area for further information regarding Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) members and activities in the San Diego, California, area.

2. Will continue efforts to develop member informant coverage in the SPC.

- Bureau (Encls-8) (RM)
- Portland (157-1432) (Encls-2) (RM)
- San Diego

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D.C. 20223

RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, Also Known As Posse Comitatus
EXTREMIST MATTERS - WHITE HATE

Dear Sir:

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Very truly yours,

[Signature]
Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s)) - 1
U.S. Secret Service, San Diego

Enclosure(s) - 1
Kyr, a local San Diego organization which holds weekly meetings to discuss methods of opposing what it believes to be unconstitutional laws and acts of the government, considers the use of a posse comitatus, meaning a vigilante type activity, as a final resort to correct "bad government". It advocates use of the posse comitatus to make citizens arrests and to try and punish those arrested. The leader and some of the regular attendees of the Kyr meetings are also associated with the Ministry of Christ Church (MCC) (See Appendix). The group is primarily involved in the "Tax Rebellion Movement" for the purpose of destroying the present "unconstitutional" tax and court systems.

Sources whose identities are concealed herein have furnished reliable information in the past, except where otherwise noted.

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APPENDIX

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

The SPC, also known as the Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC), is a loose-knit nationwide organization established in Portland, Oregon, in 1973, by Portland resident Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach. The SPC is a non-affiliated off-shoot of the Identity Group (IG), a California based tax rebellion organization. The SPC claims that the Federal Reserve System and the graduated income tax are "ultra vires and not lawful," and that the Federal judiciary has attempted to establish "a dictatorship of the courts over the citizens of the Republic."

The SPC calls for the establishment of a posse in each county to assist the only legitimate law enforcement authority, the county sheriff, in combating the unlawful acts of others, particularly those of Federal and state officials.

Some members and leadership of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents, and have engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials.

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IDENTITY GROUP

The Ministry of Christ Church (MCC), also known as the Identity Group (IG), filed Articles of Incorporation in California in October, 1964, with the stated purpose of "establishment, maintenance and conducting of a church of the Christian faith." The Group has been referred to as a cover for an underground army, and has a mailing address of P. O. Box 423, Glendale, California. In 1972, 100 acres of land, known as the Manassch Ranch, were purchased in Mariposa County, California, and is the national headquarters.

William Potter Gale, the leader of the IG, and other members have expressed hatred for Jews and Negroes, and have advocated killing FBI agents and Internal Revenue Service agents as well as hanging certain judges.

"Identity," a quarterly news bulletin published by this Group, sets forth that the U. S. Christian Posse Association was formed under the MCC to assist and provide the necessary direction towards the formation of a Christian posse in every county in the U. S. "Identity" states that the body of citizens constituting the sheriff's posse was titled "posse comitatus." The IG believes that the county sheriff is the only legal law enforcement officer in the U. S. and should the sheriff fail to perform his duties, the Posse Comitatus must act in the name of the sheriff to enforce the law.

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APPENDIX
REPORTING OFFICE | LOS ANGELES
OFFICE OF ORIGIN | PORTLAND
DATE | 7/1/76
INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD | 6/24-30/76

TITLE OF CASE
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka.

REPORT MADE BY
CHARACTER OF CASE
EM - WHG.

- RUC -

ADMINISTRATIVE

One copy of attached report is being furnished Secret Service, Los Angeles, in view of the captioned organization having indicated a propensity for violence. Attached are two (2) copies of FD 376.

Los Angeles is RUCing this investigation as known information about SPC organizations in the Los Angeles Division reflects no recent acts of violence. The organization in Ventura County continues to hold meetings but has become very inactive. Los Angeles has individual files on each of the SPC organizations in its Division and all are presently in a

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closed status. As no investigation is presently being conducted as to those SPC groups in the Los Angeles Division, no investigation will be conducted regarding new SPC members in these local organizations unless there is an indication of past history of violence on the part of the new members. The Bureau will be promptly advised of any such situations.

Special Agents who interviewed [redacted] and SA [redacted] of Portland Division.

Los Angeles has conducted investigations on the following persons who have been named in attached report:

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Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D.C. 20223

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. LA 157-10915
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RE: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus
EM - White Hate Group

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Report of: (b)(7)(C)

Date: 7/1/76

Office: Los Angeles, California

Field Office File #: 157-10915

Bureau File #: 157-33487

Title: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

Character: EXTREMIST MATTER - WHITE HATE GROUP

Synopsis: The Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) has been active in the Los Angeles, California area.

Information as to SPC activities in Los Angeles area set forth.

- RUC -

DETAILS:

Sources whose identities are concealed herein have furnished reliable information in the past.

This full investigation is based on information giving reason to believe that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) (See Appendix) is, or may be involved in activities which involve, or will involve the use of force or violence and which involve, or will involve the violation of Federal law for the purpose of substantially impairing the functioning of the Government of the United States for the purpose of influencing U.S. Government policies or decisions.
LA 157-10915

(b)(7)(D) Special Agents,
FBI
Portland, Oregon (2/10/75)

During an interview with

The SPC has been active in varying degrees in the territory covered by the Los Angeles Office. Specifically, the locations of this activity have been in the Barstow, California area, Los Angeles County, Orange County and in Ventura County. Information as to these organizations in these areas is set forth below:

SPC, BARSTOW
CALIFORNIA

- 2 -
The Los Angeles Times, a newspaper, Los Angeles, California, in its issue dated August 28, 1975, carried an article about the SPCLAC. The article contained the following information:

The article mentioned a meeting of the organization at the Buddha Room, a cafe on East Tujunga Avenue in Burbank, California. TERRENCE OAKS passed out literature and brought his posse members up to date on his appeal, after conviction on charges of failing to file 1971 income tax return and for filing a false withholding exemption form. H. L. (MIKE) BEACH in Portland, Oregon, is National Chairman of the SPC. OAKS told the posse members in Burbank "If the posse ever does have to be violent, by God we're going to go all the way. I don't want anybody on it that's going to run."

This article also reflects that the posse comitatus by definition is a "county" organization. As such a local posse's activities or practices are not governed by a national headquarters. Chapters believe that they can, under given circumstances, take the law into their own hands.
An article appeared in the Los Angeles Free Press, a Los Angeles newspaper, dated January 30, 1976 - February 5, 1976, which contained the following information:

OAKS is the most celebrated member of a Sepulveda based group calling itself the Posse Comitatus. Its members are united in their hatred for the Federal income tax and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), which enforces it. OAKS said he was training his dog, PATRIOT, to kill IRS agents on sight. OAKS said that when the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department falls apart the posse comitatus will be ready to take over.
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"Newsweek", a publication, in its issue dated May 26, 1975, referred to a group who had assembled in Stockton, California, and heard HENRY L. (MIKE) BEACH. This was a meeting of the organization known as the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus. On display were applications for charters in the National Christian Posse Association.
The "News Chronicle", a publication in Thousand Oaks, California, in its September 5, 1975, issue, carried an article headed, "POSSE: Ventura County's self styled guardians of Constitution have ill-defined numbers, plans."

The article contained the following information:

RAYMOND L. HALL, Simi Valley, member of the Ventura County SPC, said, "The thing I've found so exciting now is that for the first time an average citizen can finally do something ... all of a sudden, if we really understand the Constitution ... " According to this article, so far it is only their (SPC members) words, not their actions, that have made their presence known in this county. The SPC members object to driver licenses, paper money, unemployment insurance and speed limits.

CHARLES SPRINKLE, Oak View, chairman of the Ventura County SPC, said he wouldn't mind if Mao Tse Tung was president of the United States if he would abide by the Constitution.
SPRINKLE said that early this year (1975), he organized the Ventura County SPC with seven area coordinators. He admitted the membership was not well enough organized to plan action. He said the role of the Posse is to help people defend themselves against "abrogation of their constitutional rights." He professed to have no current county wide membership total. SPRINKLE said, "You won't see any action by the Posse, but individual members will file suits against government officials." He said the Posse is an educational force.
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8:45PM NITEL 7/1/76 PJPR
TO DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
PORTLAND (157-1432)
FROM SACRAMENTO (157-3522) (P)
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), EM, BICENT

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RESEARCH COMMITTEE (CLERC), IS A LOOSE-KNIT NATIONWIDE
ORGANIZATION ESTABLISHED IN PORTLAND, OREGON, IN 1973 BY
PORTLAND RESIDENT HENRY LAMONT (CLARE) BEACH.
ADMINISTRATIVE:

RE BULET TO ALBANY, MAY 24, 1976.

END.

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

DATE: 7/12/76

FROM: SAC, TAMPA (157-6861)(RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka

Posse Comitatus,
Marathon County Chapter, aka
IDENTITY GROUP (IG)
Marathon County Chapter
(00: MI)

Re: Minitel 6/9/76; Chicago Minitel 6/10/76; and
Mlairtel 6/28/76.

In view of the information contained in referenced
Milwaukee mairtel 6/28/76, Tampa is taking no further action
in this matter.

1 - Bureau
2 - Chicago (157-10680)
2 - Milwaukee (157-2819)
1 - Tampa

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Bay U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

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157-33482-346

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OVER THE CITIZENS OF THE REPUBLIC.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED, AND NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED IN THIS MATTER.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE
SUBJECT: FOURBOM

SHERIFF POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Marathon County Chapter, aka ETC;
IDENTITY GROUP (IG), Marathon County Chapter EM

OO: CHICAGO
BUFFILE 174-6985
MIFILE 174-443 (RUC)

OO: MILWAUKEE
BUFFILE 157-33487
MIFILE 157-2819 (P)

Re Chicago nitel to Bureau 6/10/76, Tampa nitel to Bureau 6/11/76, Bureau teletype to Chicago 6/16/76, and Bureau airtel to Milwaukee 6/21/76.

The following investigation was conducted by Milwaukee Division regarding allegation of possible involvement of captioned group (SPC) or members in captioned Chicago bombings:

2 - Bureau (1 - 174-
(1 - 157-33487) (AY) (RM)
2 - Chicago (1 - 174-1457)
(1 - 157-19680) (REGULAR MAIL)
1 - Detroit (157-
(1 - 157-6861) (INFO) (AH) (RM)
1 - Tampa (157-6861) (INFO) (AH) (RM)
2 - Milwaukee (1 - 174-443)
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GACB or unless requested by Chicago, no further investigation will be conducted re the Chicago bombings in this division. This matter will be followed, in a pending status, under the caption SPC, Marathon County Chapter, MI 157-2819.

LEADS

DETROIT DIVISION

At Detroit, Michigan
Conduct indices check on [redacted] and furnish pertinent information to Milwaukee Division under 157 matter.
Memorandum

TO: Director, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, Albany (157-1731) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM-WHITE HATE

CC: PORTLAND

PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION

Re: Albany letter to Bureau dated 4/23/76.

Enclosed for the Bureau is the original and four copies of a self-explanatory LHM dated and captioned as above. Also enclosed for the Portland Office are two copies of this same LHM.

Albany indices contain no pertinent information relative to [illegible] described in attached LHM.

Investigation in this matter has indicated that captioned organization is not engaged in any activities which would be in violation of the Federal law, and Albany Division is conducting no further investigation on this organization.

2-Bureau (Enc. 5) (RM)
2-Portland (157-1432) (Enc. 2) (RM)
1-Albany

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DATE: 7/7/76

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BUY U.S. SAVINGS BONDS REGULARLY ON THE PAYROLL SAVINGS PLAN

AUG 2 1976
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Albany, New York
July 7, 1976

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION

This preliminary (limited) investigation is based on information that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus Organization may be engaged in activities which involve or will involve the use of force or violence or which involve or will involve the violation of Federal Law for the purpose of substantially impairing the functions of the government in order to influence U.S. Government policies or decisions.
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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (157-2873) (C)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka Christian Posse
RACINE COUNTY CHAPTER

OO: MILWAUKEE

DATE: 7/12/76

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Reference Milwaukee letter to the Bureau dated 3/18/76.

Enclosed herewith are five copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above for the Bureau and one copy each for Chicago and Portland.

Information contained in the enclosed LHM is essentially negative in nature and; therefore, no dissemination is being made locally to Secret Service or IRS.

Since investigation in this matter has failed to disclose any information to indicate members of this organization have engaged in activities involving the use of force or violence or violation of Federal laws, no further investigation appears warranted and thus, this matter is being placed in a closed status.

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This letter and LHM do not warrant classification.

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- Bureau (Enc. 5) (RM)
- Chicago (157-10682) (Enc. 1) (Info) (RM)
- Portland (157-1432) (Enc. 1) (Info) (RM)
- Milwaukee (Enc. 5) (Info) (RM)

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United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Milwaukee, Wisconsin

July 12, 1976

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Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, also known as
Christian Posse
Racine County Chapter

This preliminary investigation is based on information
that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), also known as
the Christian Posse (See Appendix), Racine County Chapter,
may be engaged in activities which involve or will
involve, the violation of Federal law, for the purpose of
substantially impairing the function of the Government in
order to influence United States Government policies
or decisions.

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
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Sources whose identities are concealed herein have all provided
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APPENDIX

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), a/k/a

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APPENDIX

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8:55 PM NIETEL JUNE 11, 1976 DMH:

TO DIRECTOR (157-33487)

FROM TAMPA (157-6861)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, AKA POSSE COMITATUS, MARATHON COUNTY
CHAPTER, IDENTITY GROUP (IG), MARATHON COUNTY CHAPTER, EXTREMIST
MATTER, O.O.: MILWAUKEE.

RE MILWAUKEE NIETEL, JUNE 9, 1976, AND CHICAGO NIETEL, JUNE
10, 1976.

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE STATEMENT
REFERRED TO IN REFERENCED MILWAUKEE NIETEL IS NOT KNOWN TO THE
TAMPA OFFICE.

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IN VIEW OF THE NEBULOUS NATURE OF THE INFORMATION CONCERNING [REDACTED], TAMPA DOES NOT ANTICIPATE FURNISHING INFORMATION CONTAINED IN REFERENCED MILWAUKEE NTEL [REDACTED].

NEVERTHELESS, ANY INFORMATION THAT CAN BE OBTAINED CONCERNING BOMBINGS OR ANY OTHER ACTIVITIES [REDACTED] SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY FURNISHED TO THE TAMPA OFFICE FOR DISSEMINATION TO APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES.

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Memorandum

TO: Director, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, Milwaukee (157-2819) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF’S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Posse Comitatus,
Marathon County Chapter,
Identity Group (IG),
Marathon County Chapter
EM

OO: Milwaukee

Re Milwaukee airtel to Bureau dated 6/3/76, and
Bureau airtel to Milwaukee, 6/21/76.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of amended page
one of Milwaukee’s 6/3/76 LHM.

Enclosed for Chicago and New York are one copy, and
enclosed for Portland are two copies, of amended page
one of Milwaukee’s LHM dated 6/3/76.

Enclosures are amended page one of previously submitted
LHM and are prepared at the direction of the Bureau in
compliance with Attorney General guidelines regarding
predications for preliminary investigations.

For information of recipient offices, Milwaukee Division
is presently preparing airtel and LHM which further
identifies the captioned group as affiliate of national
Identity Group.

ENCLOSED

1. (Enc. 1)(EM) (Redacted)
2. Bureau (Enc. 6) (RM)
1-Chicago (Enc. 1) (EM) conc'd 6/12/76
1-New York (Enc. 1)(RM)
2-Portland (157-1432)(Enc. 2)(RM)
5-Milwaukee
2- (157-2819)
1- (157-2768)
1- (157-2873)(Racine County)
1- (157-2817)(Manitowoc County)

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BY SPB [illegible]

BUY U.S. SAVINGS BONDS REGULARLY ON THE PAYROLL SAVINGS PLAN
SHERRIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, AKA POSSE COMITATUS, MARATHON COUNTY
CHAPTER, IDENTITIES GROUP (IG), MARATHON COUNTY CHAPTER, EM,
OO: MILWAUKEE.

FROM: CHICAGO (157-13630) (RUC)

FUHABOM, EID, OO: CHICAGO, CG FILE (174-1457).

RE MILWAUKEE TELETEYPE TO BUREAU, JUNE 9, 1976, CAPTIONED
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, AKA, ETC., EM.

INFORMATION DEVELOPED TO DATE BY CHICAGO REGARDING THE
FOUR BOMBINGS WHICH TOOK PLACE THE EVENING OF JUNE 7, 1976,
INDICATE THE PERPETRATORS WERE AGAIN PUERTO RICANS AND Puerto
Rican sympathizers. Physical evidence is similar to prior
Puerto Rican caused bombings and two timing devices used in
the June 7, 1976, bombings were apparently of Puerto Rican
manufacture.
AS TO POSSIBLE JEWISH ASPECT OF BOMBINGS, IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT ONE OF THE FOUR APPARENT TARGETS WAS AN ISRAELI BANK.

END.

FCDO RX FBIHQ
MR 883 MI PLAIN
7:31PM WITEL 6/9/76 KMV

TO: DIRECTOR (157-33487)

CHICAGO

DETROIT

TAMPA

FROM: MILWAUKEE (157-2819) (P)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATIS (SPC), AKA POSSE COMITATUS, MARATHON COUNTY CHAPTER, IDENTITY GROUP (IG), MARATHON COUNTY CHAPTER, EXTREMIST MATTER. (P) MILWAUKEE.

RE MILWAUKEE AIRTEL TO BUREAU JUNE 3, 1976.
ABOVE IS FOR INFO OF TAMPA. CHICAGO IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE IF ANY POSSIBLE CREDENCE CAN BE GIVEN ABOVE INFO AS MILWAUKEE NOT IN POSSESSION OF PERTINENT INFO RE BOMBING.

LHM Follows VIA AIRTел. MILWAUKEE INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

End

MDP ACK 022 023 FEIHQ
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (157-2819) (P)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATIS (SPC), aka EM
OO: Milwaukee

Re Milwaukee airtel with enclosed LIM to Bureau, 6/3/76.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 8 copies of an LIM dated and captioned as above.

Two copies of instant LIM are being furnished Portland, which is office of origin in SPC matters. One copy furnished to the Chicago Division in view of information herein reported which indicates possibility that members of the captioned group were involved in Chicago downtown area boubings on 6/7-8/76. One copy of LIM furnished New York in view of previous dissemination to that division.

Dissemination to Milwaukee files 157-2758, 157-2873 and 157-2817 in view of information of possible pertinence to those matters.

No dissemination locally to Internal Revenue Service, Secret Service or United States Attorney.
Liaison continuing with Wausau, Wisconsin, Police Department.

Bureau direction in this matter is requested by the Milwaukee Division. Specifically, can a criminal violation be established or exist if the captioned group or individual member thereof obtain or conspire to obtain

If so, Milwaukee Division can work this matter as a criminal conspiracy.

Milwaukee Division continues to follow as a preliminary investigation in accordance with Bureau instructions and guidelines until notified otherwise by the Bureau.
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APPENDIX

IDENTITY GROUP

The Ministry of Christ Church (MCC), also known as the Identity Group (IG), filed Articles of Incorporation in California in October, 1964, with the stated purpose of "establishment, maintenance and conducting of a church of the Christian faith." The Group has been referred to as a cover for an underground army, and has a mailing address of P. O. Box 423, Glendale, California. In 1972 100 acres of land, known as the Manasseh Ranch, were purchased in Mariposa County, California, and is the national headquarters.

William Potter Gale, the leader of the IG, and other members have expressed hatred for Jews and Negroes, and have advocated killing FBI Agents and Internal Revenue Service Agents as well as hanging certain judges.

"Identity," a quarterly news bulletin published by this Group, sets forth that the U. S. Christian Posse Association was being formed under the MCC to assist and provide the necessary direction towards the formation of a Christian posse in every county in the U. S. "Identity" states that the body of citizens constituting the sheriff's posse was titled "posse comitatus." The IG believes that the county sheriff is the only legal law enforcement officer in the U. S. and should the sheriff fail to perform his duties, the Posse Comitatus must act in the name of the sheriff to enforce the law.
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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (157-3360)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC);
        Bufile 157-33487
        Portland File 157-1432
        Dallas File 157-3360 (RUC)
        CO: PORTLAND

CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL COMPLIANCE (CCC), aka Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC);
        EM - WHG
        Bufile 157-33487
        Dallas file 157-3317 (P)
        CO: DALLAS

Re Portland airtel to Bureau, bearing first caption, dated 5/20/76; Bureau airtel, dated 5/21/76, captioned "ATTORNEY GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR FBI INFORMATION - GATHERING AND RETENTION POLICIES; DOMESTIC SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS".

Bureau airtel of 5/21/76, scheduled various organizations for summaries, including both CCC and SPC.

The CCC at Dallas, although following the policies of the SPC, is autonomous and considered a separate entity.
For information Bureau and Portland, the CCC has publicly announced that they are having an all-day meeting of "Tax Rebels" at the NorthPark Inn Motel, Dallas, Texas, on July 3, 1976, with speakers from the west coast" who have successfully and legally fought Internal Revenue Service (IRS) in the courts."

In order to determine if the CCC fits the new guidelines for additional preliminary investigation, Dallas has arranged coverage of the CCC meeting.

In view of above, appropriate communications covering the CCC will not be submitted until approximately July 21, 1976, UACB.

Results of the all-day meeting of CCC will be disseminated to Bureau (IRS, Dallas cognizant), and recommendations will be given at that time whether additional preliminary investigation of the CCC at Dallas is warranted.
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (157-2819) (P)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Posse Comitatus, Marathon County Chapter, Identity Group (IG), Marathon County Chapter, EXTREMIST MATTER

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREBY IS UNCLASSIFIED
OO: MILWAUKEE
DATE 7/6/76

Re Milwaukee letter to Bureau, dated May 12, 1976.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above.

Two copies of LHM are furnished to Portland, which is office of origin in SPC matters. One copy of LHM is furnished to Chicago and New York Divisions in view of mention of institutions in those divisions which may be targets of captioned group.

Dissemination to Milwaukee files, MI 157-2768, MI 157-2873 and MI 157-2817 in view of information of possible pertinence to those MI 157-2817.

2 - Bureau (157-33487) (ENC. 8) (AM-RM)
1 - Chicago (ENC. 1) (Regular Mail) (INFO) REC 102
1 - New York (ENC. 1) (AM-RM) (INFO)
2 - Portland (157-1432) (ENC. 2) (AM-RM)
5 - Milwaukee (2-157-2819) (1-157-2768)
(1-157-2873 RACINE COUNTY)
(1-157-2817 MANITOWOC COUNTY)

Approved: Special Agent in Charge

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No dissemination locally to Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Secret Service or United States Attorney.

UACB, preliminary investigation is continuing on captioned group with emphasis on [redacted] in accordance with Bureau instructions and guidelines.

The Bureau is requested through logical defense sources to develop information regarding [redacted].

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157-33487-359pq4
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS,
also known as
Posse Comitatus,
Marathon County Chapter,
Identity Group,
Marathon County Chapter

This preliminary investigation is based on
information that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC)
(see Appendix), Marathon County Chapter, now known as
the Identity Group (IG) (see Appendix) may be engaged
in activities which involve, or will involve, the
violation of federal law, for the purpose of substantially
impairing the function of the government in order to
influence U. S. Government policies or decisions.

Inquiry has been conducted in the past on
captioned group
and in those instances investigation has disclosed little
or no activity in the local chapter.

Individuals and sources whose reliability has
not been determined have advised that members of the SPC
are engaging in the following activities:

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

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APPENDIX

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka

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Some members and leadership of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents, and have engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials.

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IDENTITY GROUP

The Ministry of Christ Church (MCC), also known as the Identity Group (IG), filed Articles of Incorporation in California in October, 1964, with the stated purpose of "establishment, maintenance and conducting of a church of the Christian faith." The Group has been referred to as a cover for an underground army, and has a mailing address of P. O. Box 423, Glendale, California. In 1972 100 acres of land, known as the Manasseh Ranch, were purchased in Mariposa County, California, and is the national headquarters.

William Potter Gale, the leader of the IG, and other members have expressed hatred for Jews and Negroes, and have advocated killing FBI Agents and Internal Revenue Service Agents as well as hanging certain judges.

"Identity," a quarterly news bulletin published by this Group, sets forth that the U. S. Christian Posse Association was being formed under the MCC to assist and provide the necessary direction towards the formation of a Christian posse in every county in the U. S. "Identity" states that the body of citizens constituting the sheriff's posse was titled "posse comitatus." The IG believes that the county sheriff is the only legal law enforcement officer in the U. S. and should the sheriff fail to perform his duties, the Posse Comitatus must act in the name of the sheriff to enforce the law.

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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, also known as Posse Comitatus, Marathon County Chapter, Identity Group, Marathon County Chapter

This investigation is based on information which indicates that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) (see appendix), Marathon County Chapter, now known as Identity Group (IG) (see appendix), Marathon County Chapter, is involved in activities which involve or will involve the use of force or violence and which involve or will involve the violations of Federal law, specifically, Title 18, United States Code, Section 1114 (Assaulting or Killing a Federal Officer), Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 245 (Federally Protected Activities) and Section 241 (Conspiracy to Deprive a Citizen of Rights and Privileges Secured by the Constitution or the Laws of the United States).

Inquiry has been conducted in the past on captioned group and in those instances, investigation has disclosed little or no activity in the local chapter.

The determination of possible violations are based on the following information:

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To: SAC, Milwaukee (157-2819)  
From: Director, FBI (157-33487) - 359  

PERSONAL ATTENTION  

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka  
EXTREMIST MATTER  

Re: Mailbox and attached LHM's 6/3/76 and 6/9/76;  
By telephone call 6/16/76 and Butal 6/16/76 captioned  
"FOURBON; EID."  

Referenced LHM 6/3/76 sets forth statutory  
predication for investigation in captioned matter. Milwaukee  
attention is directed to Bureau airtel to Albany and all offices  
4/1/76 relating to Attorney General Guidelines For FBI Informa-  
tion-Gathering and Retention Policies For Domestic Security  
Investigations which clearly sets forth statutory predications  
are being replaced by predications which conform to the Attorney  
General's guidelines. Sample predications for preliminary or  
limited investigations are attached with Bureau airtel 4/1/76.  
You should immediately submit to FBHQ and interested offices  
and amended page one of referenced LHM 6/3/76 showing correct  
predication in accordance with these guidelines.  

Referenced airtels set forth preliminary investigation  
of captioned group is continuing unless notified otherwise by  
the Bureau. The activities of this group warrant full investi-  
gation, it being noted  

SEE NOTE PAGE 3  

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DATE 7/6/76  BY SPB/BJ/L SW
Airtel to SAC, Milwaukee
Re: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC)
157-33487

Regarding full investigation, it is noted Milwaukee investigation does not specifically set forth whether captioned group, known thus far only as the Identity Group (IG), is a branch of the IG (office of origin Los Angeles); the SPC (office of origin Portland), or is a separate unaffiliated group. If captioned group is a branch of either the IG or the SPC, full investigation can be conducted inasmuch as full investigations are already being conducted on the national organizations. If captioned group is an independent unaffiliated group instructions set forth in Bureau memorandum to the Attorney General 4/1/76, which was furnished as an enclosure to above-mentioned airtel 4/1/76, should be followed. In this regard, you should note the SPC and IG nationally are separate entities and are not presently known to be consolidated.

Referenced airtel 6/3/76 set forth a lead for the Bureau to check through logical defense sources to develop information on

Referenced airtel 6/9/76 requested Bureau direction as to whether a criminal violation can be established or exists if captioned group or individual member thereof obtains or conspires to obtain

[Redacted]

It is noted thus far you refer only to

with no specifics set forth. Insure as you develop further information, this factor is coordinated closely with BATF locally as they have primary jurisdiction under the National Firearms Act.
Airtel to SAC, Milwaukee
Re: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC)
157-33487

Referenced airtels set forth no dissemination is being made locally to Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Secret Service or the United States Attorney, with no reason given. Information developed thus far is certainly of interest to these Federal authorities including BATF and there is no prohibition under the Attorney General's guidelines for such dissemination. Promptly disseminate copies of referenced LEMs to these agencies and insure state and local authorities are also made cognizant of any pertinent information developed which may be of interest to them. You should refer to IV, B 1 and 2 under the guidelines for dissemination policy.

Prompt and vigorous investigative effort should be given to captioned matter. Investigation should be closely coordinated with investigation being conducted in referenced "FOURBOM" case to insure all pertinent information is developed, with results of extremist investigation reported separately. Further insure that all personnel handling extremist investigations in your office are thoroughly familiar with current guidelines.

NOTE:

Milwaukee has advised group known as the Identity Group (IG) has become active in that area.

Milwaukee is conducting a preliminary investigation and investigation thus far does not completely identify this group, although it is being carried under SPC caption.

Milwaukee being instructed as set forth in instant airtel in order to clarify what group Milwaukee is talking about, ascertain aims and objectives and to resolve allegations. Referenced Bureau telephone call 6/16/76 was from SA to Milwaukee Supervisor who advised he does not know

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Airtel to SAC, Milwaukee
Re: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC)
157-33487

NOTE CONTINUED:

(b)(7)(D) (b)(3)(C) exact nature of group at this time. Information furnished in instant airtel regarding... Furnished by BATF Headquarters was obtained telephonically 6/17/76 by SA ... from BATF Headquarters.
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TO:        DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  DATE:  7/30/76
FROM:      SAC, SAN DIEGO (157-4933)(P)
SUBJECT:   SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka
           Posse Comitatus
           EM - WHITE HATE
           00: Portland

          All information contained herein is unclassified.
          DATE 7/16/80 BY SPB/DJ LMW

Re San Diego letter with enclosed LHM 6/29/76.
Bureau 0-1's 7/26/76, captioned as above regarding

For information of Bureau and Portland,

Investigation regarding his activities and background have been completed
and his case closed on 10/7/75. In view of the fact his
activities did not meet ADEX criteria. A review of his file
does not indicate it warrants reopening under current criteria.

Investigation regarding his background and activities was conducted
during 1975 and his file closed administratively on 11/5/75
on the basis his activities did not warrant further

investigation. A review of his file fails to disclose basis
for further investigation under current criteria.

- Bureau (RM)
- Portland (157-1432)(Info)(RM)
- San Diego
(2 - 157-4933) REC-71

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(b)(6)(c)
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (157-3317) (C)
SUBJECT: CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL COMPLIANCE (CCC), aka Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) 
EM - WHG
OO: DALLAS

Re Dallas letter and LHM, with above caption; dated 10/17/75; Bureau airtel to all offices dated 5/21/76, entitled "ATTORNEY GENERAL'S GUIDELINES FOR FBI INFORMATION GATHERING AND RETENTION POLICIES; DOMESTIC SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS"; Dallas airtel to Bureau dated 6/30/76.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies and for Portland one copy for information of a self-explanatory LHM. Two copies of FD-376 are stapled to this LHM; two copies of LHM are being furnished locally to U. S. Secret Service, Dallas, Texas, and one copy of LHM is being disseminated locally to Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Dallas, Texas.

INFORMANTS

Identity of Source: 1
File Where Located: 1

1 - Portland (157-1432) (Enc. 1) (INFO) 4 JUL 21 1976
3 - Dallas (1 - 157-3317) (CCC)
   (1 - 157-3360) (SPC) (INFO)

Approved: Special Agent in Charge
Sent M Per
A separate LHM is being submitted to the Bureau by Dallas on the CCC.

Regarding instructions in referenced Bureau airtel regarding guidelines and requested departmental summaries on some organizations, a review of pertinent Dallas files, as well as the enclosed LHM does not indicate that further preliminary investigation of the CCC is warranted, since there is no direct evidence that the CCC group is violence-prone. Dallas is therefore placing this case in a closed status, and no special departmental summary is being submitted on the CCC, UACB.

Dallas indices reflect no identifiable references to enclosed letterhead memorandum.
UNIVERSAL STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20531
July 19, 1976

Director
United States Secret Service
Department of the Treasury
Washington, D.C. 20223

RE: CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL COMPLIANCE
(Re Dallas LHM dated 7/19/76)

Dear Sir:

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

1. □ Threats or actions against persons protected by Secret Service.
2. □ Attempts or threats to redress grievances.
3. □ Threatening or abusive statement about U.S. or foreign official.
4. □ Participation in civil disturbances, anti-U.S. demonstrations or hostile incidents against foreign diplomatic establishments.
5. □ Illegal bombing, bomb-making or other terrorist activity.
6. □ Defector from U.S. or indicates desire to defect.
7. ☑ Potentially dangerous because of background, emotional instability or activity in groups engaged in activities inimical to U.S.

Photograph □ has been furnished □ enclosed □ is not available.

Very truly yours,

Clarence M. Kelley
Director

1 - Special Agent in Charge (Enclosure(s))  2
U.S. Secret Service, Dallas, Texas

Enclosure(s) 1
CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL COMPLIANCE,
Also Known As Sheriff's Posse Comitatus

The Citizens for Constitutional Compliance (CCC) was formed at Dallas, Texas, on February 15, 1975. This group, which encourages legal protest of the Federal Income Tax, although autonomous, adheres to the policies of an organization called the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) (see appendix), and at its first meeting at Dallas, Texas, on February 15, 1975, the CCC had as its main speaker Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach of Portland, Oregon, who is the national organizer of the SPC.

Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach, Portland, Oregon, is the national organizer of SPC, which claims to have chapters in approximately 40 states. It advocates formation of a "Posse Comitatus", a voluntary group of citizens who would act in the name of local sheriffs to enforce the law. The group advocates tax rebellion and has urged the arrest by the posse of Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Agents attempting to enforce the Internal Revenue Code. It claims to have the lawful right under natural law to act in the name of the sheriff in protecting local citizens from unlawful activities, including the unlawful acts of officers of the government, whether these be judges or Federal or State Agents.

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  DATE: 8/2/76

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC)  EM — WHG  (OO: Portland)  ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREBY IS UNCLASSIFIED  DATE 7/4/76  BY SPD BJ LMW

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of LHM concerning the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus. Enclosed for Seattle are two copies.

The following individuals and groups mentioned in LHM have been subject of investigation as follows:

Multnomah County SPC  Portland file 157-1433 (C)  157-33181-362  EX-105  AUG 6 1976

Two copies of enclosed LHM are being designated to Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Intelligence, Portland, Oregon.

(2) - Bureau (Encs. 5) (EM)  2 - Seattle (Encs. 2)(RM)  2 - Portland

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Sources utilized in the enclosed LHM are as follows:

**Informant**

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**Location**
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

The Multnomah County SPC is closely associated with the National Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) (See Appendix) headed by Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach in Portland, Oregon.

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (P)

DATE: 8/5/76

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC)

EN - WHG (OO: Portland)

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Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM concerning the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus.

The Multnomah County SPC is the subject of Portland file 157-1433 (C).

Two copies of this LHM are being provided Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Intelligence, Portland, and one copy to Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (BATF), Portland.

Portland indices negative re Freedom Workshop. Local authorities advised.

Sources utilized in enclosed LHM are as follows:

Informant

Location

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Bureau (Enca. 5) (RM)

EX:101

REO-74 157-33487-563

(4) 1-965

Agency: Secret Service
Dept. - AAC Civil Rights Div.
AAC Criminal Div.

Attn: ISS

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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

The Multnomah County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus is associated with the National Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) (See appendix) which is headed by Henry Lamont (Mike) Beach of Portland, Oregon.

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DATE 7/6/80 BY SP88B011Mw

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FBI
Date: 7/19/76

Transmit the following in
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

(Precedence)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM - WHG OO: PORTLAND

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

Re: Portland airtel and LHM captioned as above dated 6/10/76.

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM captioned as above. Two copies of LHM are being disseminated to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Intelligence, Portland, Oregon.

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ENCLOSURE

2 - Portland

3 JUL 26 1976

Agency: Secret Service
Dept. - AAG Civil Rights Div.
AAG Criminal Div.
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Continuous contact with logical sources and informants has developed no information to indicate that [redacted] meet the criteria as set forth in the Attorney General's Guidelines for domestic security investigations. No further investigation being conducted in this matter at this time.
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

"The Oregonian", a daily Portland, Oregon, newspaper, carried the following article on page B8, July 8, 1976, by The Associated Press:

"Brothers Convicted

Three brothers who have identified themselves as members of the Posse Comitatus organization were found guilty by a U.S. District Court jury Wednesday of filing false and fraudulent tax forms.

The jury deliberated for 22 minutes before issuing the guilty verdict against Terry Webber, 25, and Michael A. Webber, 21, both of Canby, and John Carl Webber, Jr., 35, West Linn.

Judge Otto Skopil set sentencing for Aug. 9.

Four others originally were arrested by FBI and Internal Revenue Service agents in the same case.

They have all pleaded guilty to the income tax charge, saying they were misled by members of the Posse Comitatus group, a rightist activist organization that believes a conspiracy is afoot to usurp individual rights in the United States.

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The four have been placed in a pretrial diversion program. They will serve in the probationary program for two years."
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SACRAMENTO

Will continue to follow and report activities of the SPC pursuant to instructions from the Bureau regarding domestic security investigations as outlined in Bureau letter to Albany of 8/30/76.
This full investigation is based on information giving reason to believe that the Sheriffs Posse Comitatus (SPC) (See Appendix) is or may be involved in activities which involve or will involve the use of force or violence and which involve or will involve the violation of federal law for the purpose of substantially impairing the functions of the U.S. Government in order to influence U.S. Government policies or decisions.

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IDENTIFICATION AND STRUCTURE OF ORGANIZATION

The following information came from SPC Statement of Purpose and public records concerning the Posse.

The SPC calls for the establishment of a posse in each county to assist what they consider the only legitimate law enforcement authority, the county sheriff, in combating the unlawful acts of others, particularly those of federal and state officials. The state organization was set up to coordinate the activities of all county and community posses in California, to provide liaison between the posses and to serve as a clearinghouse for information.
CHARTER AND INCORPORATION DATA
AND
OBJECTIVES
The title of the organization shall be "California Posse Association."

The purpose of the organization shall be, under the authority of the Constitution of the United States, its Bill of Rights, the Constitution of the State of California and its Bill of Rights, and Common Law not in conflict with the above, to take positive action to promote the concepts and true meaning and intent of the Constitution of the United States, and to coordinate the activities of all the County and Community posse in the State of California to provide liaison between the posses, and serve as a clearing house for information.

The CPA may utilize any lawful and reasonable method to accomplish the above purposes including the following:

1. Promote and maintain a readiness of body, mind and spirit to serve the body politic and assist the local sheriffs when called to do so or when Constitutional rights are in jeopardy.

2. Inform and encourage the citizens of the State of California to live and work within the framework of the United States Constitution and the California Constitution.

3. Encourage patriotism of the people by maintaining a continuing study and understanding of our Constitution and the basic United States decisions which govern us.

4. Support only candidates who advocate and demonstrate adherence to the Constitution of these United States.

The CPA is, and shall remain, non-profit, organized under the laws of the State of California, and no part of the services or property shall inure to the benefit of any private person. The CPA shall be advisory in nature only, and no policies adopted by the CPA shall be binding on the County Posse.

Meetings:

The CPA shall hold meetings as the need for same is determined by the State Chairman, but in no case shall there be less than 4 meetings be held in each calendar year.

Officers:

The officers shall be:

STATE CHAIRMAN
STATE VICE-CHAIRMAN
SECRETARY
TREASURER.

Board of Directors:

The board of directors shall consist of the Chairman, or his delegate, from each member posse in the State of California, and they shall elect the above-designated officers at the first meeting of the CPA in each alternate year, and the above officers shall hold office for two years.

Representation shall be by one delegate from each member posse. Delegates are to be chosen by each posse to its own satisfaction, local posse whose delegate is elected to State office shall provide an additional delegate for
the purpose of voting. Each posse may provide alternates to vote in the absence of a regular delegate. Only valid delegates to the CPA shall be eligible to hold office in the CPA. Only valid delegates, or in their absence, properly accredited alternates, shall be eligible to vote. Elections shall be determined by a simple majority of those eligible present and voting. Elections shall be by secret ballot.

QUORUM
A quorum shall consist of 50% plus 1.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

The Chairman shall perform all the duties of this office, and additionally, shall act as spokesman for the CPA, maintain a line of communication between the number of posse, and provide posse Chairman information pertinent to their activities. The Chairman shall appoint a SGT. OF ARKS at the beginning of each meeting.

The Vice-Chairman shall perform the duties of the Chairman when he is absent, incapacitated or out of the State, or as determined by the Board of Directors.

The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the State Officers and Directors of the State Board and shall have custody of other records, and shall transcribe the minutes of all meetings, and shall prepare and transmit all notices required by these by-laws, and shall handle all official correspondence and shall attest all certificates and other documents or instruments as required by the Chairman.

The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds, credits, negotiable and non-negotiable instruments belonging to the Board or held by the Board, and shall keep the same on behalf of the Board, and shall render a statement of accounts whenever required, and shall perform all the usual duties of Treasurer. He shall, with the concurrence of the Chairman of CPA, appoint an assistant to perform his duties when incapacitated.

FEES

Each member posse shall send to the State Treasurer of the CPA, 5 FRM's, monthly dues, payable on or before the tenth day of each month.

AMENDMENTS

Proposed amendments, alterations, and replacements of these by-laws shall be submitted at a regular meeting, in the form of a motion. They shall become effective only after consideration and a favorable vote at that meeting and again at the next subsequent meeting. A quorum for by-law changes shall be 2/3 of the Board of Directors, and all changes require a 2/3 vote of the quorum.

DECORUM

All meetings shall be conducted in an orderly, business-like fashion, and all disagreements shall be settled by Robert's Rules of Order.

These by-laws were adopted, pro tem, on June 6, 1976, by majority vote of the Board of Directors of the CPA.
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APPENDIX

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APPENDIX
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (157-3687) (C)

SUBJECT: SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY
        POSSE COMITATUS (SJPC)
        EM - SJPC
        CO: Sacramento

DATE: 8/24/76

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Re Sacramento letters to Bureau, 5/14/76, and 7/14/76, and Sacramento report of SA dated 8/16/76, captioned, "SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)".

Enclosed for the Bureau, Atlanta, and Portland is one copy each of

CALIF.

Any further investigation of this company and summary report is being submitted to Portland.

Sacramento is closing its file on the SJPC, and will place all subsequent information of intelligence value under the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) file, which will be reviewed every six months for a semi-annual report.

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SAC, DENVER (157-1815) (RUC)  
DATE: 8/27/76

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), Aka EM - WHG
00: Portland

Re Bureau letter to Denver, 3/26/76, and Portland airtel to the Bureau, 5/20/76.

Liaison with Special Agent Intelligence Division, Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Denver, Colorado, as well as

Therefore, this matter is being considered RUC.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
SAC, ATLANTA (157-7438) (RUC)

TO:  

SUBJECT: SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SJSPC)

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DATE: 8/26/76

Re Sacramento letters, 5/14/76, and 7/14/76, and Memphis letter, 6/29/76.

Enclosed for Sacramento is a copy of the brochure mentioned herein.

Atlanta indices contain no information identifiable with the subject or any persons mentioned in referenced communications, referred to herein or listed in the brochure enclosed for Sacramento.

On 8/9/76, SA [Redacted] determined, through the Marietta, Georgia, City License Bureau, that the Weapons Corporation of America (WCA) applied for a license 3/1/76 to begin business on 3/15/76 with offices located at 2131 Kingston Court, Suite Number 117, Marietta.

WCA's license allows for the wholesale distribution of non-lethal weapons.

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U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
On 8/10/76, through a suitable pretext, a brochure entitled "The Self-Defense Products of the Future Are Here Today" distributed by WCA. This brochure depicts products available from WCA.

All logical sources have been canvassed and no pertinent information regarding WCA was developed.
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CITIZENS' LAW ENFORCEMENT RESEARCH COMMITTEE (CLERC), IS A LOOSE-KNIT NATIONWIDE ORGANIZATION ESTABLISHED IN PORTLAND, OREGON, IN 1973 BY PORTLAND RESIDENT HENRY LAMONT (MKE) BEACH.

THE SPC IS A NON-AFFILIATED OFF-SHOOT OF THE IDENTITY GROUP

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TO:  DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (5/7-7819) (P)
SUBJECT: "CHANGED" IDENTITY GROUP, aka EN - 16

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Title is marked "CHANGED" to reflect the title as listed by Los Angeles Division and to reflect Los Angeles as origin. Title was formerly carried as, "IDENTITY GROUP (16), Marathon County Chapter, EN; CO: MILWAUKEE" and previously as, SHERIFF'S PCSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Posse Comitatus, Marathon County Chapter, Identity Group (16), Marathon County Chapter, EN; CO: MILWAUKEE.

Reference Milwaukee airtel to Bureau dated 6/3/75, 6/9/76, and 6/25/76; Bureau airtel to Milwaukee dated 6/21/75; Milwaukee airtel to Detroit dated 7/9/76; Milwaukee letters to Bureau dated 7/6/76, 7/25/76, 8/2/76, 8/31/76, and Los Angeles airtel to Milwaukee dated 7/13/75.

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1 - 157-2817 (Manitowoc County)
MI 157-2819

Enclosed for the Bureau (File 157-28219) are eight copies of LHM dated and captioned as above. Enclosed for Detroit, San Diego, and Sacramento are two copies each of LHM dated and captioned as above. Enclosed for Chicago and New York for information is one copy each of LHM dated and captioned as above. Enclosed for Knoxville is one copy of LHM dated and captioned as above, along with one copy each of previous airtels to the Bureau dated 6/3/76 and 6/9/76 concerning this matter.

Information copies furnished for Bureau (File 157-33487) for purpose of clarity.

Information copies furnished Chicago and New York Divisions in view of mention of institution in those divisions which may be targets of captioned group and in view of prior dissemination.

Copies furnished Sacramento and San Diego Divisions in view of previous dissemination to those divisions by office of origin of results of Milwaukee Division investigation.

Information copy furnished Knoxville in view of possible interest of that division.

Dissemination to Milwaukee file 157-2753, 157-2873, and 157-2817 is in view of information of possible pertinence to those matters.

Dissemination of LHM dated and captioned as above being made locally to USA, Western District of Wisconsin, Madison; ATF; IRS Intelligence; and Secret Service, Milwaukee, in view of their possible interest in this matter.

In view of the facts contained in LHM, the true identity of the Wausau area group has been established as Identity Group and its contact with the Milwaukee Division National Headquarters of the group has been verified. Milwaukee Division is therefore continuing this as a full investigation under the authority and responsibilities of the Attorney General.
MI 157-2819

For information of Detroit, the Los Angeles Division advised that...

LEADS
BIRMINGHAM DIVISION
At Huntsville, Alabama
Will contact logical defense sources regarding...

DETROIT DIVISION
At Detroit, Michigan
Will continue investigation regarding...

MILWAUKEE DIVISION
At Wausau, Wisconsin
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IDENTITY GROUP (IG), ALSO KNOWN AS
THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST CHURCH (MCC)

Reference is made to previous memoranda dated
June 3, 1976 and June 9, 1976 entitled, "Sheriff's Posse
Comitatus, also known as Posse Comitatus, Marathon County
Chapter, Identity Group, Marathon County Chapter". The
title of this memorandum reflects the true identity of the
group as based on investigation herein contained.

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167- 33417-340 etc pg 2 thru 4
IDENTITY GROUP (IG), ALSO KNOWN AS THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST CHURCH (MCC)

Review of the Marathon County Registrar of Deeds Office reflects that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), Marathon County Chapter, Incorporated, was dissolved as an entity on September 19, 1975 by Thomas F. Stockheimer. It was also noted that on March 15, 1974 a separate corporation was formed calling itself the Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee Incorporated of Marathon County, Wisconsin, listing its principals as Arthur G. Peterson, Thomas F. Stockheimer, Albin Ostrowski, Ray Ombrnick, Ron Balthazor, R. David Pennings, Rodney L. Hilmerhauser. This corporation is still on record at the Registrar of Deeds Office. Review of the records further indicates that there is no corporation formed known as the Identity Group. It is noted that the listed principals for the Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee Incorporated are the same individuals who are listed as principals of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus which was dissolved.
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157-33487-370 enc. pg 6 thru 35
IDENTITY GROUP (IG), ALSO KNOWN AS THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST CHURCH (MCC)

An article in the "Wausau Record Herald" on page 3 on July 23, 1975, entitled, "White supremacy group holds rallies in Wausau" was written by a Staff reporter, Geri Nikolai and is set forth as follows:

"A white supremacy group that advocates execution of the Jews and slavery of the blacks is apparently attracting followers in Marathon County.

"The group, called 'National Emancipation of our White Seed,' has held two rallies in Wausau in the past six weeks. The first was June 13 at the Marathon Park Youth Building. The second was Tuesday night at the Hoffman House.

"Main speaker at Tuesday night's meeting was Buddy Tucker, introduced as pastor of Temple Memorial Church in Knoxville, Tenn., and successor to the late anti-semite Gerald L. K. Smith."

"Tucker left no doubt about the goals of the group and his interpretation of Christianity and the Bible."
IDENTITY GROUP (IG), ALSO KNOWN AS
THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST CHURCH (MCC)

"In his view, the Bible has ordained that
whites are to rule the world. Black males, he
said, should be neutered and used for labor.
Jews, he said, must be exterminated. He talked
about chopping them up for fertilizer.

"Tucker, contacted Wednesday at the home
of Mike Dodge in Mosinee, didn't soften his
remarks for the newspaper. He reasserted that
the white race is the chosen race and frequently
used Bible verses to support his belief in that
and the subservient 'place' of other races.

"Tucker said the Jews in the U.S. have two
choices.

"'They can get out of America; or stay here
and die,' he said.

"Asked if that wasn't close to advocating
murder, he replied, 'That's what God says to
do. That's what we'll be doing. We're
organizing to do just that.'

"He said the ideas he espouses will become
the 'law of the land.'

"Tucker and his supporters, who had verbal
slurs for just about every non-white race,
maintained that God is 'the greatest racist
there ever was.'

"Dodge, who described himself as pastor
of the Life Science Church of Mosinee and
Tigerton, made arrangements for Tuesday night's
meeting. He says he is working to organize a
chapter of the 'White Pride' in Shawano County.

"Dodge said chapters have been started
in nine states, but none yet in Wisconsin.
IDENTITY GROUP (IG), ALSO KNOWN AS THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST CHURCH (MCC)

"He said the goal of the group will be 'to take our land back... through the intervention of God. This is white man's land.'"

"Speakers at Tuesday night's meeting drew applause and cries of 'amen' frequently, including when they spoke of 'blowing the head off' busing integration planners and forcing the Jews out of the country or calling 'plagues' down upon them.

"The speakers offered for sale booklets they claimed showed people how to avoid paying taxes or debts. They offered subscriptions to their newspaper 'Battle Ax,' and displayed a flag they said would become the 'new glory.'"

"The first issue of the newspaper includes an article which quotes Tucker as saying the 'white seed' group is 'working hand in hand with the Ku Klux Klan...'. It reprinted a photo of the sign in front of Tucker's church which proclaimed, 'God made the races different. White is holy. Jew - devil. Black - beast.'"

"At least, that's what it said until some bypasser removed the 'a' from the word beast.

"The subscription coupon promised the paper would be mailed in a 'plain, brown, sealed envelope.'"

"Besides Tucker, the speakers Tuesday night included the editor of the newsletter, from Humansville, Mo., and a man from Colby who says he is pastor of the Ministry of Christ Church, which has been supporting the 'white seed' group."

"Tucker was traveling in what was described as a 'luxurious' motor home."
IDENTITY GROUP (IG), ALSO KNOWN AS THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST CHURCH (MCC)

"Persons who were at the meeting said at least two of the leaders of the group were dressed in white costumes with black belts, boots and spurs.

"Estimates of the audience ranged from 75 to 150. One man said he heard some people had come from as far as Minnesota. Reportedly, there were children as young as preschool age.

"Some of the spectators went out of curiosity, and came away shocked.

"'It's Nazi Germany all over again,' said a woman.

"'They came very close to inciting violence,' said a man. 'It's funny. They got up there and tore down this country and just about everything in it, yet this is the only country that would allow them to talk that way,' he added.

"Several of those who attended called the meeting 'frightening.' One man said he occasionally clapped because he wasn't sure he wanted to draw attention as an opponent.

"Sheriff Louis Gianoli was there and he estimated the crowd at 150. He said that included several persons associated with the Posse Comitatus group.

"(At the start of the meeting, a speaker referred to 'Tom,' who is Thomas Stockheimer, a leader of the comitatus now being sought by police for failing to appear for a 40-day jail term.)

Gianoli said he will advise District Attorney Daniel LaRocque of the meeting and ask him to review police recordings of it.
IDENTITY GROUP (IG), ALSO KNOWN AS THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST CHurch (MCC)

"The sheriff said policies of the 'white seed' group resemble no religion he has ever heard of."

"That doctrine is about as far from Christianity as Mars is from Ringle," he concluded."
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O SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka; EM.

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Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  DATE: 11/12/76

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC) EM - WHITE HATE GROUP (OO: Portland)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 7/6/80 BY SPE BJD

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM concerning the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus. Enclosed for the information of Butte, Denver, Los Angeles, Sacramento, San Francisco and Seattle is one copy of enclosed LHM.

The Multnomah County SPC is the subject of Portland file 157-1433 (C).

Two copies of this LHM are being provided Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Intelligence, Portland.

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Sheriff's Posse Comitatus

Sylvester P. Ehr is the publicly known Chairman of the Multnomah County Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, which holds meetings in the "Constitution Room" at 1021 N.E. Union, Portland, Oregon.

Sources whose identities are concealed herein have furnished reliable information in the past, except where otherwise noted.

All information contained herein is unclassified.

Date 11/18/76 by SPBXBJ11mW

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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)

The Sheriff's Posse Comitatus, also known as the Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC), is a loose-knit nationwide organization established in Portland, Oregon, in 1973 by Portland resident Henry Lemont (Mike) Beach. The SPC is a non-affiliated offshoot of the Identity Group (IG), a California-based tax rebellion organization. The SPC claims that the Federal Reserve System and the graduated income tax are "ultra vires and not lawful," and that the Federal judiciary has attempted to establish "a dictatorship of the courts over the citizens of the Republic."

The SPC calls for the establishment of a posse in each county to assist the only legitimate law enforcement authority, the county sheriff, in combating the unlawful acts of others, particularly those of Federal and state officials.

Some members and leadership of the SPC have voiced hatred for Jews and Negroes, advocated the assassination of Federal law enforcement agents, and have engaged in acts of provocation and assault against Federal and other law enforcement officials.
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To: SAC, Albany
From: Director, FBI (157-33487) —
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka
CITIZENS LAW ENFORCEMENT AND RESEARCH
COMMITTEE (CLERC)
EM

Enclosed for each recipient is one copy of a letter
from the Attorney General captioned "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus
dated 10/14/76.

Above letter from the Attorney General approved the
full investigation of the SPC.

The SPC was organized in 1973, by Henry Lamont (Mik
Beach, who resides in Portland, Oregon.

The SPC is a loose-knit nationwide organization who
claims that the county sheriff is the only legal law enforce
authority, that the Federal Reserve System and graduated
income tax are not lawful, and that the Federal judiciary has
attempted to establish a dictatorship over the courts. One
of the basic beliefs of the SPC is that state and Federal co
including the Supreme Court, have been subverting the
Constitution by applying arbitrary judgment on important
issues rather than following the dictates of the Constitutio

Enclosure

SEE NOTE PAGE THREE

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Airte to SAC, Albany
Re: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), aka

The membership of each chapter depends on the recruiting efforts of local chapter members. Portland, therefore, will remain Office of Origin for nationwide activities of the SPC.

Membership or affiliation alone in the SPC is not an adequate basis for the initiation of investigation. It must be shown that an individual is in a policy-making position or has engaged in activities which indicate he is likely to enforce or violence in violation of Federal law. For clarification, those considered in policy-making positions are those who hold local, state or national office. The investigation of an individual should focus on those activities which reflect active support of the SPC as well as any violations of Federal law. Ideological or political rhetoric is relevant but cannot be the sole basis for investigation.

Field offices should concentrate their investigative efforts on SPC activities which clearly fit within the AGC. Social and legitimate political matters should not be covered or reported by informants. Speeches made at SPC functions which do not indicate harassment, intimidation, violence or violation of Federal law should not be reported, unless there is indication of major policy revisions or chang
Airtel to SAC, Albany
Re: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC), aka

In organizational objectives. Information received that will be of interest to local or other Federal law enforcement agencies should be appropriately disseminated.

Continued informant coverage of SPC activities including rallies is authorized. It will not be necessary to advise the Bureau of rallies and meetings unless activity occurs which would be deemed of interest to either the Bureau and/or the Department. It will be sufficient to compile a summary of these activities which should be submitted to the Portland Office for inclusion in their annual report. The Portland Office should be promptly advised of any activity that would be of interest to their office in their coverage of the national organization.

If it comes to the attention of a field office that a new SPC chapter has been formed, the rules concerning full investigations included in the AGO should be promptly complied with.

For the information of recipients, the summary memorandum which was submitted to the Department concerning the SPC was dated 9/20/76. It will be necessary to submit supplemental summaries in the form of investigative reports to the Department of Justice on a yearly basis. Therefore, an investigative insert concerning SPC activity within each field division should be submitted to the Portland Office no later than 9/20/77.

NOTE: By letter dated 10/14/76, the Attorney General approved the full investigation of the SPC. Above necessary to insure that all offices are apprised of the Attorney General's decision and receive current policy concerning the SPC investigation. This communication is being sent to all field offices as the stated goal of this organization is to establish chapters in every state within the country.
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, WFO (157-6873)(RUC)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC)
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ReBuairtel to Albany and all offices dated 10/26/76.

WFO will advise the Bureau and Portland if any information surfaces from sources that would indicate there is a local chapter within the WDC area.

WFO is considering this matter RUC'd at this time.

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Approved: Special Agent in Charge

Sent 12/28/76
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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), AXAT EM - WHITE HATE-GROUP
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THE SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, AKA CITIZENS LAW ENFORCEMENT RESEARCH COMMITTEE (CLERC), IS A LOOSE-KNIT NATIONWIDE ORGANIZATION ESTABLISHED IN PORTLAND, OREGON, IN 1973 BY PORTLAND RESIDENT HENRY LAMONT (MIKE) BEACH. THE SPC IS A NON-AFFILIATED OFF-SHOOT OF THE IDENTITY GROUP (IG), A CALIFORNIA BASED TAX REBELLION ORGANIZATION.


THE SPC CALLS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A POSSE IN EACH COUNTY TO ASSIST THE ONLY LEGITIMATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY, THE COUNTY SHERIFF, IN COMBATING THE UNLAWFUL ACTS OF OTHERS, PARTICULARLY THOSE OF FEDERAL AND STATE OFFICIALS.

SOME MEMBERS AND LEADERSHIP OF THE SPC HAVE HISTORY HATED FOR JEWS AND NEGROES, ADVOCATED THE
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Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  

SAC, SAN DIEGO (157-4933) (RUC)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC)

RN

OO: PORTLAND

Re Bureau airtel to Albany dated 10/26/76.

Pursuant to instructions set forth in referenced Bureau airtel to all offices dated 10/26/76, there is no indication of activity by captioned organization in the San Diego Division. Accordingly, this matter is being placed in an RUC status.

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DICTATORSHIP OF THE COURTS OVER THE CITIZENS OF THE REPUBLIC.

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DURING THE PERIOD DECEMBER 19 THROUGH 26, 1976, THREE EXPLOSIVE BOMBINGS OCCURRED AT HOOD RIVER, OREGON. IN ADDITION, AN UNEXPLoded PIPE BOMB WAS LOCATED IN A PICKUP TRUCK AT ODELL, OREGON (JUST SOUTH OF HOOD RIVER).
ADMINISTRATIVE

SOURCE UTILIZED IS [REDACTED]

SA [REDACTED] HAS BEEN PERSONALLY ADVISED OF ABOVE INFORMATION.

IT IS NOTED THAT ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS SPC MEMBERS HAVE VISITED
PORTLAND FBI OFFICE, PORTLAND U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, AND PORTLAND
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE INTELLIGENCE, MAKING VARIOUS COMPLAINTS
AND ESPousing SPC RHETORIC.

INFORMATION CONCERNING BOMBINGS BEING FURNISHED FBINQ SEPARATELY AND INFORMATION CONCERNING POSSIBLE SUSPECT BEING DISSEMINATED TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

FBINQ WILL BE KEPT ADVISED OF ANY PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: RADCIC, LOS ANGELES (157-10915) (RUC)

DATE: 1/20/77

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee
DS - WHITE HATE GROUP
OO: Portland

Re FBIHQ airtel to Albany dated 10/26/76 and Portland letter to FBIHQ dated 11/12/76.

It is noted Los Angeles report of SA dated 7/1/76 revealed investigation of Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) in the Los Angeles Division was being closed inasmuch as no information of recent acts of violence had been developed.

These sources have no information concerning the SPC which would require investigation of the SPC in the Los Angeles Division under current Attorney General guidelines.

In accordance with FBIHQ instructions, Los Angeles is maintaining investigation of SPC in a closed status but will advise the Portland Office no later than 8/20/77 of the status of SPC at that time.

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FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432)(P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka;
DS - WHITE HATE GROUP
(00: Portland)

DATE: 2/17/77

Re Portland teletype to Director, 12/7/76.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
DATE: 2/17/77

FROM: SAC, DENVER (157-1815) (RUC)

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00: PORTLAND

Re Denver letter to the Bureau, dated 8/27/76; and Bureau letter to Albany, dated 10/26/76.

Re Denver letter indicated there was no known active chapter of captioned organization in the Denver area. Since referenced Denver letter, no information has come to the Denver Division from public sources, police agencies or informants that captioned group is active within the Denver Division.

In view of this, this matter is being considered RUC'd.

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TO DIRECTOR (157-334877)

ATTN: LEGAL COUNSEL DIVISION, GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, DOMESTIC SECURITY - WHITE HATE GROUP

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THE SPC CALLS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A POSSE IN EACH COUNTY TO ASSIST THE ONLY LEGITIMATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY, THE COUNTY SHERIFF, IN COMBATTING THE UNLAWFUL ACTS OF OTHERS, PARTICULARLY THOSE OF FEDERAL AND STATE OFFICIALS.

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ENFORCEMENT AGENTS, AND HAVE ENGAGED IN ACTS OF PROVOCATION AND ASSAULT AGAINST FEDERAL AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS.
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BY LETTER DATED OCTOBER 14, 1976 TO THE DIRECTOR, FBI, THE
ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES AUTHORIZED CONTINUED FULL
DOMESTIC SECURITY INVESTIGATION OF THE SPC PURSUANT TO ATTORNEY
GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR FULL DOMESTIC SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS. AMONG
THESE GUIDELINES THE USE OF INFORMANTS AS AN INVESTIGATIVE TECHNIQUE
IS PERMITTED.

ADMINISTRATIVE

RE PORTLAND TELEPHONE CALL TO FBIMQ AND FBIMQ TELEPHONE CALL TO
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TO:    DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (157-3317) (P)  
SUBJECT: CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL COMPLIANCE (CCC) aka SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) EM (FULL INVESTIGATION)  

Re Dallas airtel and LHM dated 7/19/76, and Bureau airtel to Albany dated 10/26/76, entitled, "Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) aka Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (Clerc), EM."

By airtel and LHM dated 7/19/76, Dallas furnished Bureau details regarding the Citizens for Constitutional Compliance (CCC) which is aligned with the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC). Investigation was closed on the organization at that time since the CCC was not violence prone.

Following receipt of Bureau airtel to Albany dated 10/26/76, supra, the investigation regarding the CCC was reopened to follow the organization's activities in accordance with Bureau instructions, following authorization by the Attorney General to conduct a full field investigation on the national SPC organization.

Investigation to date has developed no information to indicate the CCC is actively involved in a broad membership drive or is it conducting other activities of a militant or violent nature in the Dallas area.

Investigative insert will be furnished to the Portland Office per Bureau instructions by 8/20/77.

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1 - Portland (157-1432) (Info) 2 - Dallas
Memorandum

TO:  DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  DATE: 5/13/77

FROM:  SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (P)

SUBJECT:  SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka;
DS - WHITE HATE GROUP
(00: Portland)

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an
LHM captioned "SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS."

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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, AKA; DS - WHITE HATE GROUP;
CO: PORTLAND.

THE SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, ALSO KNOWN AS THE
CITIZEN'S LAW ENFORCEMENT RESEARCH COMMITTEE (CLERC), IS A
LOOSE-KNIT NATIONWIDE ORGANIZATION ESTABLISHED IN PORTLAND,
OREGON, IN 1973 BY PORTLAND RESIDENT HENRY LAMONT CHIEN
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IDENTITY GROUP (IG), A CALIFORNIA BASED TERRORIST

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO:    DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka DS - WHITE HATE GROUP
          OO: PORTLAND

Re Portland report of SA 4/6/77,captioned

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM captioned as above.

Portland is disseminating two copies of captioned LHM to Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Intelligence, Portland, Oregon.

Informant Location

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DATE: 7/6/77  (PS/SPABU/lmW)
In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Portland, Oregon
June 9, 1977

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

was arrested by Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and Portland Police officers on a bench warrant for violation of Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 113 (d), for failure to appear, assault on a Federal Protective Service Officer at the Federal Building, Portland, Oregon, on

publicly recognized member of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) (see appendix) in Portland, Oregon.

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DATE 6/82 BY SPBP111MW

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ATTN: LEGAL COUNSEL DIVISION, GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, DOMESTIC SECURITY - WHITE HATE GROUP,
HOFILE 157-33427, PDFILE 157-1432 (P).
PD 1867-C, HOFILE 176-7958, PDFILE 137-2719 (P).
MUSA JEFFREY L. ROGERS HAS BEEN ADVISED OF THE ABOVE.

ADMINISTRATIVE

RE PORTLAND TELETYPE TO FBHQ FEBRUARY 16, 1977.

NO ACTION BEING TAKEN AT THIS TIME. PORTLAND MAINTAINING CLOSE

CONTACT WITH AND U.S. ATTORNEY'S OFFICE REGARDING THIS

MATTER AND WILL KEEP FBHQ ADVISED.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (P)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC);
DS - WHITE HATE GROUP
(00: Portland)

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2 - Albany (157-1731)
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As recipients are aware, Portland's summary memorandum, dated 9/20/76, was submitted to the Department of Justice, and the Attorney General approved a full investigation of the SPC. Portland was instructed to submit supplemental summaries in the form of investigative reports on a yearly basis.

Recipients are requested to submit investigative inserts concerning SPC activity to Portland no later than 8/20/77.
Memorandum

TO: Director, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SAC, New Orleans (157-16477) - RUC -

DATE: June 21, 1977

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens Law Enforcement & Research Committee (CLERC); DS - WHITE HATE GROUP  
00 - Portland

Re Portland letter to the Bureau 6/15/77.

This is to advise that captioned group does not exist in the New Orleans Division.

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1 - Portland (157-1432)  
1 - New Orleans

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DATE: 6/23/77

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

RePDlet 6/15/77.

Review of files of the Tampa Office contain no information concerning activity within the past year on the part of captioned organization. Accordingly, Tampa is not submitting an investigative insert concerning SFC activity.

(2) - Bureau
(2) - Portland
(1) - Tampa

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11 JUN 27 1977
UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: S/C CINCINNATI (157-6127) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), AKA.
Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLEF)
DS = WHITE HATE GROUP
OO: PD

Re PD let to Bureau 6/15/77.

No activities in the Cincinnati Division have been reported regarding the SPC or its members.

On 11/30/76, Secretary of the State of Ohio, advised that the SPC and the CLEF are not incorporated or chartered in the State of Ohio. Stated the Office of the Attorney General of Ohio does not keep the records on incorporated or chartered organizations.

Cincinnati will remain alert for any future activities in its territory.

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2-Portland (157-1432)
1-Cincinnati

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DATE: 7/6/77 BYSPB, J IIIWW
DATE: 6/30/77

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

Re Bureau airtel, 10/26/76, captioned as above and Portland letter to Director, captioned as above, 6/15/77.

As investigation has failed to disclose the existence of a chapter organization in North Carolina, no report is being submitted by Charlotte.

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  DATE: 7/1/77

FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-6001) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC); DS - WHITE HATE GROUP (OO: PD)

Reference Portland letter to Bureau, 6/15/77.

The Mobile Division has no known chapter of captioned organization active in the division.

2 - Bureau
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1 - Mobile

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157-33477-394

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (157-10680) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka 
DS 
OO: PORTLAND

DATE: 7/11/77

Re Portland letter to Bureau, 6/15/77; Chicago letter to Bureau, 6/8/76.

Chicago has, since the date of Chicago's above referenced letter, maintained liaison with
in regard to possible SPC or Identity Group (IG) activities in the Chicago area.

the SPC continues to appear inactive or defunct and that there was known SPC or IG activity.

In the event pertinent information is received regarding activities over which the FBI has investigative jurisdiction, the Bureau and interested offices will be appropriately advised.

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2 - Bureau (RM)
2 - Portland (157-1432) (RM)
2 - Chicago (1 - 157-9321) (IDENTITY GROUP)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, WFO (157-6873) (RUC)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC)
DS-White Hate Group
(00:PD)

RePDlet to the Director, dated 6/15/77 and WFO airtel to the Director, dated 11/17/76, captioned as above.

As indicated previously (see referenced WFO airtel), WFO is not aware of any Washington, D. C. (WDC) activity regarding captioned group.

If any information surfaces which would tend to indicate that there is a local chapter in the WDC area, WFO will advise the Bureau and Portland immediately.

WFO is considering this matter RUC'd. No investigative inserts being forwarded at this time.
TO:    DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)  DATE:  7/22/77
FROM:  SAC, HONOLULU (157-308) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka CITIZENS LAW ENFORCEMENT AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE (CLERC)

Re Bureau airtel to Albany, 10/26/76.

Enclosed for the Portland Office are two copies of an investigative insert.

For the information of the Bureau, contact with established sources of the Honolulu Office has not developed any information regarding the captioned organization.

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Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC NEWARK (157-7816) (RUC)

DATE: 7/27/77

SUBJECT: SHERIFF's POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka
Citizens Law Enforcement and Research
Committee (CLERC)
DS-WHITE HATE GROUP
(00: PORTLAND)

Re: Portland letter to Bureau, 6/15/77.
Bureau airtel to Albany, 10/26/76.

The Newark office possesses no information
relative to the formation of a SPC chapter or organized
SPC activity in the State of New Jersey.

Newark will remain alert for any information
pertaining to SPC formation or activity and the Bureau
and office of origin will be advised promptly.
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, KNOXVILLE (157-2904) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka
DS - WHG
OO: PORTLAND

Re Portland letter to Bureau 6/15/77.

For information of Bureau and Portland, no information received that SPC active in Knoxville Division.

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Bureau
2 - Portland (157-1432)
1 - Knoxville

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TO:  DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM:  SAC, MIAMI (157-5891) (RUC)

SUBJECT:  SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka DS - WHITE HATE GROUP
          OO:  PORTLAND

Re Portland letter to the Bureau dated 6/15/77 and captioned as above.

A canvass of and county clerk's offices within the Miami Division during July and August, 1977, disclosed captioned organization was not known to exist or be involved in any activities in the Southern Florida area.

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2 - Bureau (157-33487)
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Approved: 10/1/77

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, DALLAS (157-3317) (C)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) aka DS - WHITE HATE GROUP
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PD file 157-1432
DL file 157-3360 (RUC)

CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL COMPLIANCE (CCC) aka DS - WHITE HATE GROUP
OO: DALLAS
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Enclosed for the Bureau are two copies of an investigative insert reflecting investigation conducted at Dallas concerning the Citizens for Constitutional Compliance. Enclosed for Portland are two copies of the same insert.

The investigation at Dallas, Texas was conducted by

SIT-120

Enclosure REC 44 157-33487-403

Bureau (Enc. 2)
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Approved: Special Agent in Charge

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Per enclosed insert, investigation at Dallas indicates that although Citizens for Constitutional Compliance continues to exist at Dallas, Texas, there is no indication at this time that either leadership or members are engaged in activities or advocate the use of force or violence to overthrow the U.S. Government. In view of the above, no further investigation is being conducted at Dallas, since the organization does not meet the criteria for investigation in Domestic Security matters.
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FBI/DOJ
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

OCTOBER 5, 1977

The Attorney General
Attention: Office of Policy and Planning
Investigation Review Unit

Director, FBI

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
DOMESTIC SECURITY

The Federal Bureau of Investigation is conducting an investigation concerning captioned matter in accordance with the current guidelines for domestic security investigations.

Reference:

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DATE 7/6/79 BY SPB DLM

Enclosures:

☐ A memorandum to notify you of
☐ An extended preliminary investigation
☐ A limited investigation
☐ A full investigation

☐ A 90-day progress report
☐ An annual report
☐ Other THIS IS TO ADVISE YOU OF THE CLOSING OF A
  FULL INVESTIGATION.

Request of Department: REC-77 57-33474

☐ It is requested that you determine in writing whether continued full investigation is warranted.

☐ Other

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To: SAC, Albany

From: Director, FBI

C: SHERIFF'S POSSE CONITATUS (SPC)
DOMESTIC SECURITY

RePDairtel and LIM 9/12/77.

ReLIM recommended that the full domestic security investigation of captioned organization be terminated in view of the activities of this organization during the past year. After thorough review of this matter, FBIHQ concurs with Portland's recommendation. Recipients are to close any investigation which might be open on the SPC or any of its members based solely on their affiliation with this group.

If in the future, it comes to the attention of a field office that a local SPC chapter or individual SPC member has become involved in activities which meet the criteria for investigation under the Attorney General's domestic security guidelines, an appropriate recommendation for investigation should be submitted to FBIHQ for consideration. If the Portland Office is in receipt of information that the organization, at a National level has become involved in activities which would fit within the Guidelines, then these facts should be submitted to the Bureau with appropriate recommendations.

Information is not to be accepted from informants concerning the SPC as an organization unless that information pertains to specific security or criminal activities in which the FBI has investigative interest. Information pertaining to criminal matters not within the FBI's investigative

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Airtel to SAC, Albany
RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

jurisdiction should be accepted and given proper dissemination.

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RE: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

NOTE: Reairtel and LHM set forth the activities of the SPC during the past year. Previously, the Attorney General had approved the full investigation of the SPC on 10/14/76. Portland notes that the current activities of the SPC are primarily verbal and rhetorical in nature, there is no cohesiveness in the organization nationally and the likelihood of fulfilling their goals is remote. The most recent SPC violation of laws has been local in nature.

Portland recommends that when allegations are made concerning SPC members or groups they should be addressed on an individual basis according to whether the activity meets criteria set forth in the Attorney General's Guidelines. Based on the above, the activities of the SPC do not meet the necessary standards which must be considered when authorizing and conducting a full investigation of an organization. FBIHQ. therefore, concurs with Portland's recommendation to close the investigation of SPC. The Office of Policy and Planning, Investigation Review Unit, U. S. Department of Justice, is being advised separately of the closing of this full investigation.
February 3, 1978

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMMITATUS SUMMARY

(157-33487-6 through 376)

There is attached one copy of a summary memorandum dated September 12, 1977, re: Portland, Oregon, captioned "Sheriff's Posse Committee (SPC), Also Known As Citizen's Law Enforcement and Research Committee (CLERC)" reflecting results of investigation conducted by the FBI regarding SPC.

(157-33487-404)

Investigation regarding SPC was closed on October 5, 1977, based upon information that activities of this group did not meet the criteria under the Attorney General's domestic security guidelines. There has been no subsequent reopening of this investigation and no information has come to the attention of the FBI which would prompt this Bureau to reopen it at this time.

157-33487

NOTE: Matter coordinated with Supervisor, Substantive and Civil Disorders Unit, Criminal Investigative Division.

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DATE 7/1/78 BY SPKR JWM

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. This reply is result of check of FBI investigative files. To check arrest records, request must be submitted to FBI Identification Division. Fingerprints are necessary for positive check.
Sheriff's Posse Comitatus

IN LAW GREAT CHARTER IN AND FOR CARROLL COUNTY, MD.

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NOVEMBER 26, 1979

(S.P.C. 11-26-79 F.B.I.)

TO ALL PERSONS IN THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

SUBJECT: "SEDITIOUS CONSPIRACY" AGAINST THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT.
TITLE 18 U.S. CODE SECT. § 2386 & 241. AUTHORITY IN LAW UNITED
STATES CONSTITUTION, ART. 2; ART. 3; ART. 4; ART. 5 MARYLAND
CONSTITUTION DECLARATION OF RIGHTS. THE CONSTITUTION OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ARTICLE 4 SECTION 4. AND YOUR OATH OR
AFFIRMATION TO PRESERVE, PROTECT, DEFEND THE CONSTITUTION OF
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, BECAUSE THAT IS 100% AMERICA AND
ANYTHING CONTRARY NOTWITHSTANDING, THATS LAW, THE SUPREME LAW IN
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FOR ALL!

THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY HAS GIVEN US MARYLANDERS OVER TO
"SOCIALISM" ALREADY BY THEIR LEGISLATIVE ACTS THAT ARE NOT LAWFUL AND
THEY CAN NOT BE CALLED LAW! BUT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY HAS A POLICE STATE
IN MOST COUNTIES UNDER "MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS", THE MARYLAND STATE POLICE
LAW ENFORCEMENT WE CANNOT ELECT, NOTE CONSTITUTION OF MARYLAND DECLARATION
OF RIGHTS ART. 2 &-AND THE CONSTITUTION OF UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ART.
SEC. 4. THE STATE POLICE OF MARYLAND ARE "UNLAWFUL" BECAUSE POWERS WERE
CREATED AND DELEGATED BY THE MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY BY "UNLAWFUL" ACTS.
THE MARYLAND CONSTITUTION DECLARATION OF RIGHTS ART. 8 THAT THE LEGISLATIVE,
EXECUTIVE AND JUDICIAL POWERS OF GOVERNMENT OUGHT TO BE FOREVER SEPARATE,
AND DISTINCT FROM EACH OTHER, AND NO PERSON EXERCISING THE FUNCTIONS OF ONE
OF SAID DEPARTMENTS SHALL ASSUME OR DISCHARGE THE DUTIES OF ANY OTHER. THE
STATE POLICE ARE UNDER EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT DELEGATED POWERS OF
SHERIFF, IN ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND STATE POLICE ART. 886; NOTE 886
SEC. 4 THE SAME POWERS, PRIVILEGES, IMMUNITIES, AND DEFENSES AS SHERIFFS,
CONSTABLES, POLICE OFFICERS, ETC. AND THE SHERIFF WHO CAN ELECT HAS BEEN
OPPRESSED AND HIS DUTIES "FIXED" BY LAW, BY DOINGS OF THE MARYLAND GENERAL
ASSEMBLY AS "JAILER AND SUPERINTENDENT OF THE COUNTY JAIL" ART. 27 SEC. 645R.
LOOK UP IN BLACK'S LAW DICTIONARY UNDER SHERIFF AMERICAN LAW THE CHIEF
EXECUTIVE AND ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF A COUNTY. WE ARE BEING DESTROY BY
ACTS IN "EQUITY" TO COMMUNIST'S WAYS IN GOVERNMENT BY A POLICE STATE TO
FORCES US CONSTITUTIONAL AMERICANS TO OBEY BY THESE GUNS. THE STATE POLICE
FORCE PEOPLE AROUND BECAUSE THEY HANDLE GUN PERMIT WITH NO LAWFUL POWER.
JUST GUNS AND PEOPLE THATS WHAT THE STATE POLICE USE AND WHAT THEY CALL
LAW. WE HAVE NO LAW, GIVE US LAWFUL LAW SO WE MAY HAVE SOME LAW AND ORDER!

CARROLL COUNTY DID NOT HAVE A "CHARTER" UNTIL THE SHERIFF'S POSSE
COMITATUS WAS CHARTERED IN LAW. "THE BODY OF THE COUNTY", WE ARE IT. THE
COMMISSIONERS ARE UNDER A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION. THERE CORPORATION IS NOT
WITHSTANDING TO ARE IN LAW CHARTER IN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW. THE COMMISSIONERS
USE STATE POLICE WITH THE HELP OF THE STATES ATTORNEY OFFICE AND JUDICIAL
BRANCH TO HAVE A POLICE STATE IN CARROLL COUNTY BY THE MARYLAND GENERAL
ASSEMBLY WITH THERE SO LAW, IN FORCE IN CARROLL COUNTY. WE WANT A INVESTIGATION
OF THE HIGHEST ORDER FOR THIS CONSPIRACY NOT CONFLICT OF INTEREST!

SIGNED ORDER OF CAPTAIN OF SHERIFF'S POSSE

CAPTAIN BRUCE CHOFFMAN
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS
P.O. BOX 642 WESTMINSTER, MD.

(b)y )} a)
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

"In and For Carroll County"

COMMON LAW vs STATUTORY LAW

Par. 1: Federalist Papers #46, James Madison, wrote; "The Federal and State Governments are in fact but different agents and trustees of the people...the adversaries of the Constitution seem to have lost sight of the people altogether. They must be told that the ultimate authority resides in the people.

Par. 2: Federalist Papers #78, Alexander Hamilton, wrote; "No legislative act contrary to the Constitution can be valid. to deny this would be to assert that the deputy is greater than his principal; that the servant is above the master; that the representatives of the people are superior to the people, that men, acting by virtue of powers, may do not only what their powers to not authorize, but what they forbid. It is not to be supposed that the Constitution could intend to enable the representatives of the people to substitute their will to that of their constituents. A Constitution is, in fact, and must be regarded by Judges as a fundamental Law. If there should happen to be an irreconcilable variance between the two, the Constitution is to be preferred to the statute." Nor does this conclusion by any means suppose a superiority of the Judicial to the Legislative. It only supposes that the power of the people is superior to both and that the power of the people is superior to both and that where the will of the legislature, declared in its statutes, stands in opposition to that of the people as declared in the Constitution, the judges must be governed by the latter, rather than for former.

Par. 3: Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 210; Scott vs Sanford, 19 How 395, 15 L Ed 691; "Neither the legislative, executive nor judicial departments of the federal government can lawfully exercise any authority beyond the limits marked out by the Constitution.

Par. 4: 16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 210; Wilson vs Philadelphia Sch. Dist. 328 Pa 225, 195 A 90, 113 ALA LII 1401; "Any fundamental or basic power necessary to government cannot be delegated."
Par. 5: 16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 178; Constitutional Law.
"The general rule is that an unconstitutional statute, though having the form and name of
law, is in reality no law, but is wholly void and ineffective for any purpose; since uncon-
stitutionality dates from the time of its enactment and not merely from the date of the
decision so branding it; an unconstitutional law, in legal contemplation, is in opera-
tive as if it had never been passed... an unconstitutional law is VOID... it imposes no
duties, confers no rights, creates no office... bestows no power or authority on anyone,
affords no protection and justifies no acts performed under it... an unconstitutional law
cannot repeal or supercede any existing valid law... an unconstitutional statute cannot re-
peal or in any way affect an existing valid one... the general principles stated above
apply to the Constitution as well as to the
laws of the several States insofar as they
are repugnant to the Constitution of the
United States. Moreover, the construction of
a statute which brings it in conflict with
a Constitution, will nullify it as effectually
as if it had been enacted in conflict there-
with.

Par. 6: 16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 547; Daniel Webster,
James Otis and Sir Edward Coke all pointed
out that the mere fact of enactment does not
and cannot raise statutes to the standing of
LAW not everything which may pass under the
form of statutory enactment can be considered
the LAW of the land."

Par. 7: U. S. Sup. Ct. Maybury vs Madison, 1803, 2
Lin Ed. 60; 1 Cr. 137; ref. 6 Wheat: 216 & Wall
601; "Law repugnant to the Constitution is
VOID...an act of the legislature, for I
cannot call it law CONTRARY to the first
great principles of the social compact
(constitution) cannot be considered a right
ful exercise of legislative authority..."

Par. 8: 16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 177; "An unconstitutional
statute though having the form and name of
law, is in reality NO LAW, but wholly null
and void and ineffective for any purpose.
It imposes no duty, confers no rights, creates
no office, bestows no power or authority on
anyone, affords no protection and justifies
no acts performed under it. No one is bound
to obey an unconstitutional statute and no
courts are bound to enforce it."

Par. 9: 16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 210; Constitutional Law;
A characteristic feature and one of the car-
dinal and fundamental principles of the
American Constitutional system is that the
government powers are divided among the three
departments of government, the legislative,
the executive and the judicial; and that each
of these is separate from the others. The
rule is generally recognised that Constitu-
tional restraints are overstepped where one
department of government attempts to exercise
power exclusively delegated to another;
officers of any branch of government cannot permit its powers to be exercised by any other branch."

Par. 10. 16 Am Jur, 2nd Sec. 178; Constitutional Law; "The general rule is that an unconstitutional act of the legislature protects no one. It is said that all persons are presumed to know the law, meaning that ignorance of the law excuses no one; if any person acts under an unconstitutional statute, he does so at his peril and must take the consequences."

Par. 11. Section 2384, Title 18, United States Code reads: Seditious conspiracy; "if two or more persons in any State or Territory, or in any place subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, conspire to overthrow, put down, or to destroy by force the Government of the United States; or to levy war against them, or to oppose by force to seize, take, or possess any property of the United States contrary to the authority thereof, they shall each be fined not more than $20,000.00 or be imprisoned not more than twenty years, or both."

(It is to be noted here that the authority of the United States is the Constitution. Further, the force need not be limited to "military force" but can be legal force, physiological force, economic force, etc. It is therefore quite clear that all persons who participate in the conspiracy known as "Metro Government", are clearly in violation of this code and should be held to answer for such crime by all Posses. Such persons are unlawfully attempting to alter our form of government.)

Since a guide of this type cannot possibly anticipate each and every local problem or condition, it should be utilized where the Constitution and the Natural Law is being violated. In many instances such violations may involve officials of the federal or local government as much as by individual citizens. In the interest of education, some of the most prolific violations by government officials and agencies are included here as major examples which should be contemplated by all citizens interested in the Posse Comitatus."
REVEREND BUCK R. HARRIS
Box 491
Manchester, Maryland 21102

Dear Reverend Harris:

I reviewed your communication of October 10, 1979 in which you have asked me to issue an executive order ordering the County Commissioners of Carroll County to grant Sheriff Campbell's alleged request for the establishment of "a county sheriff's law enforcement agency county wide."

Contrary to your opinion, neither the Constitution nor the laws of Maryland vest such authority in the Governor. Therefore, I must deny your request.

Sincerely,

Governor


Md. Constitution Art 2. says "the United States Const. and the treaties thereof shall be the supreme law of the State."

US Constitution says "Art & Sect. 4 guarantees to every State a Republican Form of Government" "Not Municipal" as we have.


See Sheriff-Page 1234.

Laws of Maryland-CONSPIRE-AGAINST SHERIFF,

Attorney General Opinion-REBUKTANTLY-CAUTIONOUSLY ADVISES "IN EQUITY AGAINST SUPREME LAW OF STATE". THE STATE HAS MADE A GROSSLY LIKELY BY Maryland State Felic-Criminal Investigations-UNLAWFUL ARRESTS. "THE PRICE OF CONSPIRACY" WE ARE SUPPOSE TO LIVE WITH THEIR "MISTAKES"

John Burt Holt
Art. 25, § 1

ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND

...to State roads generally, see art. 89. As to particular powers, see the various sections of this article. As to appeals from decisions of county commissioners, see art. 1, §§ 27, 28, and Maryland Rules, Rules 11 to 12.

I. IN GENERAL.

Effect of amendment. — The 1972 amendment adds the provision as to Frederick County.

Editor's note. — Section 8, ch. 83, Acts 1972, provides in part: "whenever the term "decree" in reference to the actions of the Board of County Commissioners of Frederick County shall appear either in the Annotated Code of Maryland or in the Code of the County of Frederick, Maryland, it shall mean the administrative act of the Board of County Commissioners of Frederick County.


Historical origins of county commissioners. — Historically, county commissioners were assigned the old barony courts (originally established by ch. 83 of the Laws of 1784), which were composed of the members of the courts of the several counties. Their duties were to meet and determine the necessary expenses of their counties and to levy an assessment or rate as property to defray county expenses. City of Bowie v. County Commissioners, 256 Md. 649, 257 A.2d 119 (1970).

The term "county commissioners" was first constitutionally recognized in the Constitution of 1851. City of Bowie v. County Commissioners, 255 Md. 461, 257 A.2d 172 (1970).

Powers and duties. — A reading of this article "county commissioners," reveals that county commissioners continue to have administrative and executive powers and duties and have acquired specific legislative powers and duties. City of Bowie v. County Commissioners, 258 Md. 461, 257 A.2d 172 (1970).

Until the Constitution of 1851, county commissioners were simply administrative officers in charge of county finances; and taking care of public roads. After the Constitution of 1851, their powers could only be broadened by legislative authority. City of Bowie v. County Commissioners, 258 Md. 461, 257 A.2d 172 (1970).

County commissioners act in administrative or executive capacity. — Such power has been traditionally recognized in Maryland that county commissioners are units of their local communities as administrative or as an executive capacity.


County commissioners have limited authority. — Tucker v. County Commissioners, 62 Md. 110, 34 A. 407 (1900); Peter v. Pettit, 62 Md. 110 (1890); Peter v. Pettit, 62 Md. 454 (1890).

They can only perform acts expressly or impliedly permitted by their charters. — Tucker v. County Commissioners, 62 Md. 110, 34 A. 407 (1900); Peter v. Pettit, 62 Md. 454 (1890).

The powers granted to county commissioners are strictly construed. They are given the same construction, as they were for the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Frederick, Maryland, to mean the administrative act of the Board of County Commissioners of Frederick County.

County commissioners are corporations. — Jay v. County Commissioners, 120 Md. 429, 87 A. 481 (1914).

County commissioners are corporate bodies. — Jay v. County Commissioners, 120 Md. 429, 87 A. 481 (1914).

Powers of officers, etc., authorized. — The county commissioners may appoint all officers, etc., required for county purposes in addition to those provided for by the Constitution or the acts of the Assembly. Commissioners of Washington County v. Mundorff, 6 Md. 480 (1844).

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TO: Director, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, Jacksonville (157-3273)(RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC)
DOMESTIC SECURITY

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, OMAHA (157-2120) (RUC)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC);
CIVIL UNREST - TAX PROTESTERS

Re Omaha airtel to the Bureau dated 3/13/80.

Enclosed herein are the original and one copy each of two investigative inserts.

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In view of the above, no further investigation is being conducted at Portland.
RE: MILWAUKEE TELETYPE TO CHICAGO DATED APRIL 16, 1980, CAPTIONED AS ABOVE (NO COPY FURNISHED TO THE BUREAU OR INDIANAPOLIS); AND TELCALL BETWEEN SUPERVISOR, DOMESTIC-TERRORISM SECTION, FBIHQ, AND SUPV., DOMESTIC-TERRORISM SECTION, FBIHQ, AND CHICAGO.

FOR INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU AND INDIANAPOLIS, REFERENCED MILWAUKEE TELETYPE CONTAINED THE FOLLOWING:

ON APRIL 15, 1980, A CALLER IDENTIFYING HIMSELF AS TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED MADISON,
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WISCONSIN RA AND INSTRUCTED THE RECIPIENT OF THE CALL TO TAKE DOWN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

BY (D) THE CALLER STATED THAT "IF YOU LIKE THE INFORMATION, I WILL GIVE YOU MORE."

INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY CHICAGO REVEALED THAT TELEPHONE NUMBER (E) IS ASSIGNED TO (E).
INDIANAPOLIS SHOULD NOTE
IS LOCATED IN WILL COUNTY, AND THERE HAS BEEN LIMITED
KLAN ACTIVITY IN THAT AREA. CHICAGO DOES NOT SUGGEST,
NOR DOES CHICAGO HAVE EVIDENCE TO INDICATE THAT

HOWEVER, THIS COULD OCCUR, THEREFORE, UACB, CHICAGO
WILL TAKE THE FOLLOWING STEPS TO INSURE OUR FBI
RESPONSIBILITIES:

WITH ATF, ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY PERSON

FBI AGENTS WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN ANY SEARCHES
OR ARRESTS.

BT
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (C)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC);
DOMESTIC SECURITY
(00:Portland)

Preliminary inquiry initiated 4/10/80.

Preliminary inquiry was initiated upon receipt of
a communication from FBIHQ, dated 4/7/80, wherein the following
information was furnished to FBIHQ by the Bureau of Alcohol,
Tobacco, and Firearms (BATF):

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ATTENTION: DOMESTIC-TERRORISM SECTION

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS; DOMESTIC SECURITY - CIVIL UNREST.

RE CHICAGO TELETYPING TO THE BUREAU AND OTHER OFFICES,
DATED APRIL 17, 1980, CAPTIONED AS ABOVE.

INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY THE CHICAGO DIVISION AND
TREASURY AGENTS, AFT, DETERMINED 
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CHICAGO IS CONDUCTING NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION.

BT

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Preliminary investigation initiated 6/26/80, to expire 9/26/80.

On 6/23/80, a briefing by FBINQ personnel was afforded Congressman David R. Obey, Wisconsin, at his request. At this meeting, he expressed concern that the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) in the State of Wisconsin may be engaged in activities warranting investigation under the Attorney General Guidelines for the conduct of Domestic Security investigations.

Congressman Obey advised that

Congressman Obey further advised was anxious to speak to a representative of the FBI.

As a result, a limited investigation was initiated on the captioned group. After the results of the investigation were reviewed, it was determined that the allegation could not be substantiated.

To resolve this matter, Milwaukee should attempt to locate and interview (b)(6) to evaluate his information, and make recommendations to FBINQ as to whether or not further investigation into the activities of the SPC is warranted.

See NOTE Page Two
Ariel to SAC, Milwaukee

Re: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

Ensure all investigative steps are taken in full compliance with the Attorney General Guidelines for the conduct of Domestic Security investigations. All reporting guidelines are to be strictly adhered to.

A review of available records at FBI HQ indicates that

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NOTE: On 6/23/80, Congressman Obey, Wisconsin, advised that [redacted] had information regarding illegal activities of the captioned group. By this communication, Milwaukee is being instructed to resolve this matter by interviewing the individual.
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### RE:

**SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS**

### REMARKS:

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**1 - Bureau (Enc. 2) (157-33487)**

**2 - Portland (157-1432) (80-42)**

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SAC ROBERT S. GAST, II

OFFICE PORTLAND

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DATE JUL 15 BY SPC 8901100
Jury returns guilty verdict on 3 charges in park bombing

Norman Elmer Miller, 39, was convicted of three criminal charges Wednesday in the April 23 bombing of the men's restroom in downtown Portland's Lownsdale Square.

A Multnomah County Circuit Court jury deliberated for an hour and 39 minutes before finding Miller guilty on two counts of first-degree arson and one count of first-degree criminal mischief.

The jury voted 11-1 for conviction on the first arson count, 10-2 on the second and 11-1 on the criminal mischief charge. Miller pleaded innocent to all three charges in May.

Circuit Judge John J. Murchison, who presided over the three-day trial, ordered a pre-sentence investigation and scheduled sentencing for 9:30 a.m. July 28.

Defense attorney John Ransom said he would appeal the verdicts but declined further comment.

During his final argument, Ransom contended that the state had tried to build a circumstantial case against Miller. He said the state presumed that he was the man who made telephoned threats to police minutes before the explosion and “perceived” Miller's presence in the area of the blast as “dangerous.”

Ransom suggested that Frank E. Littleman, a transient seen entering the restroom just before it was demolished, could have been the trial's most important witness. He suggested that Littleman would have appeared at trial unless he had somehow been involved in the explosion.

Shirley Caterina, a receptionist in the Multnomah County district attorney's office, testified Wednesday that Littleman entered the office June 17 to ask when the trial would begin and was told to call in the next day to find out. She has not been seen or heard from since, she said.

Ransom also asked the jury to consider the testimony of James Stanley Snyder, who said he saw Littleman emerge from the men's room and walk toward Southwest Third Avenue and Taylor Street, the site of the phone booth from which police believe Miller made a call less than nine minutes before the bomb went off at 10:32 a.m.

Prosecutor Steve Seymour argued that Miller “wanted attention” and acted almost “as if he wanted to be caught.”

Seymour contended that it was Miller who twice called Sgt. Dan Noelle of the Portland Police Bureau on April 23 from two phone booths near the men's room, describing a “short fuse,” a blast which would kill people up to 100 feet away, and finally revealing where the bomb was planted. The blast caused no injuries.

"He said he was going to do it and he did it,” the deputy district attorney declared.

Seymour noted that police saw Miller leaving the Third and Taylor phone booth and walking a roundabout route to his car a block south of the blast site. Seymour said one officer described Miller's face as turning white, then gray, when the bomb exploded.

There was testimony that Miller had a permit to buy explosives and that a search of his home revealed 73 blasting caps. Ransom emphasized that no dynamite was found and that the state produced no evidence that Miller had bought any. He also pointed out that police fingerprint experts had not identified any fingerprints from either of the two phone booths as Miller's.

At the outset of the brief defense case Wednesday, Ransom moved for a judgment of acquittal on grounds that no reasonable juror could conclude from the state's evidence that Miller was responsible for the bombing. Murchison denied the motion, holding that there was sufficient evidence for the jury to consider.
United States Government

Memorandum

To: Director, FBI (157-33487)

From: SAC, Detroit (157-10687)(CI-2)(RUC)

Subject: Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC)
Domestic Security
(CO: Portland)

Re Bureau airtel to all offices, 10/5/77.

Enclosed for the Bureau, Little Rock and
Portland are two copies each of a handout that was provided,
unsolicited, to the Grand Rapids Resident Agency by the local
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Office.

This is being provided to Portland and Little
Rock because of the specific mention of Fort Smith,
Arkansas, and the Bureau for whatever action it may deem
necessary.

Due to the instructions in referenced Bureau
airtel, Detroit is conducting no investigation and setting
forth no leads.

2 = Bureau (Enc.-2)(RM)
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

POSSE COMITATUS
(CROSS REFERENCES)
(REFERRALS)
(RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM U.S. MARSHALL SERVICE)

PART 13 OF 13

BUFİLE:157-33487
SUBJECT: Passe Comitatus

CROSS REFERENCE(S)
FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, THE STATES OF NEBRASKA
AND IOWA BOTH HAVE HEAVY NUMBERS OF POSSE COMITATUS MEMBERS.

BASED ON THE ABOVE INFORMATION, AND BASED ON THE LARGE
LEVEL OF POSSE COMITATUS POSSIBLY FOCUSING IN THE OKLAHOMA DIVISION,
OKLAHOMA IS CONDUCTING A PRELIMINARY INQUIRY REGARDING CAPTIVED
MATTER.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU, TERRORISM SECTION, DETERMINING
THROUGH THE THREAT ANALYSIS OFFICE W. S. MARCH AIRFIELD HEADQUARTERS,
WASHINGTON, D.C., EXTENT OF EXPANSION REGARDING THE POSSIBILITIES
CAPTURED ORGANIZATION.
FM DIRECTOR FBI
TO FBI OMAHA ROUTINE
BT
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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS: DOMESTIC SECURITY/TERORRISM;

00: OMAHA
REFERENCE OMAHA TELETYPETO FBIHQ DATED JANUARY 14, 1985;
BUT CALLED TO OMAHA ON JANUARY 29, 1985.

ON JANUARY 28, 1985, [REDACTED] THREAT
ANALYSIS GROUP, U.S. MARSHALS SERVICE, MCLEAN, VIRGINIA,
ADVISED THAT HIS GROUP HAD NO INFORMATION TO THE EFFECT THAT
THE SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS [REDACTED]
HE ADVISED HE CONTACTED [REDACTED]
DEPUTY U.S. MARSHAL [REDACTED] WHO STATED THAT [REDACTED]
OMAHA SHOULD RECONTACT [REDACTED] FOR ANY FURTHER SUBSTANTIATION

NOTE: SEE PAGE THREE
1 - MR. KLEIN
2 - MR. SEDDON
3 - MR. COX

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OF THIS INFORMATION.
FM DIRECTOR FBI

TO FBI OMAHA (100A-9706) PRIORITY
FBI KANSAS CITY PRIORITY
FBI MINNEAPOLIS PRIORITY
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SHERIFFS POSSE COMITATUS (SPC); DOMESTIC SECURITY/ TERRORISM

DS/T: 00: OMAHA

FOR THE INFORMATION OF RECEIVING OFFICES, INSPECTOR "SCHEDULED FOR"
UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S SERVICE (USMS) HEADQUARTERS, WASHINGTON, D.C., ADVISED THAT THE USMS HAS A PROPERTY SALE
OF SOME "OF THE SPC IN THE"
AREA AND THE USMS FEARS SOME TYPE OF CONFRONTATION WITH
SPC AT THE TIME OF THE SALE. THE SALE IS BEING CONDUCTED TO
SATISFY TAX LIENS.

10 JUL 29 1985

1 - MR. KLEIN
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FN OMAHA (1224-9726) (P)
TO DIRECTOR, FBI ROUTINE

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UNSUSPECTED MEMBERS OF THE POSSE COMITATUS; DOMESTIC SECURITY/TEERORISM; DC: OMAHA.

RE OMAHA AIRTEL TO BUREAU, DATED 4/23/85, CAPTIONED AS ABOVE.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS COMMUNICATION IS TO:

1. RECOMMEND THE CONVERSION OF CAPTIONED INVESTIGATION FROM A PRELIMINARY INQUIRY STATUS TO A FULL INVESTIGATION.

2. GIVE THE BUREAU BACKGROUND INFORMATION REGARDING OMAHA DIVISION INVESTIGATION TO DATE OF CAPTIONED GROUP.

3. SET FORTH OMAHA DIVISION'S INVESTIGATIVE PLAN REGARDING CAPTIONED MATTER.

BACKGROUND: A CHECK OF OMAHA DIVISION'S INDICES AND A REVIEW OF APPLICABLE FILES SHOWS THAT THE POSSE COMITATUS

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WAS SHOT AND KILLED BY THE NEBRASKA STATE PATROL SWAT TEAM AFTER HE FIRED UPON THE SWAT TEAM WITH A FULLY AUTOMATIC WEAPON.

CURRENT INVESTIGATION: OMALHA DIVISION'S CURRENT INVESTIGATION REGARDING CAPTIONED MATTER WAS OPENED WHEN OMALHA RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM A DEPUTY UNITED STATES MARSHAL FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA, OMAHA, NEBRASKA, THAT THE SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) THE SPC AND RELATED GROUPS ARE QUITE ACTIVE IN OMAHA DIVISION TERRITORY, WITH CONTACT WITH THE UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S SERVICE (USMS) LOCALLY AND AT HEADQUARTERS LEVEL THE USMS THREAT ANALYSIS GROUP (TAG) ADVISED THAT

INVESTIGATION IN NEBRASKA HAS DETERMINED THAT A GROUP USING THE NAM
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTN: CIVIL RIGHTS UNIT - CID
DOMESTIC TERRORISM UNIT - CID

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO

BARRY G. JACKSON,
BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO AND FIREARMS;
UNKNOWN POLICE OFFICERS,
WESLACO POLICE DEPARTMENT
WESLACO, TEXAS;
AND OTHERS;
MARK LINGENFELTER,
KATHY LINGENFELTER - VICTIMS;
CIVIL RIGHTS
(SA 44A-5792) (C)
(00: SAN ANTONIO)

BASIC BIBLE CHURCH OF AMERICA, aka;
DOMESTIC SECURITY/TERORISM (DS/T)
(Bufile 100-487413)
(SA 100A-14410) (P)
(00: SAN ANTONIO)

BASIC BIBLE CHURCH OF AMERICA, aka;
U. S. MAGISTRATE FIDENCIO GARZA,
BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS - VICTIM;
APO
(SA 89B-392) (P)
(00: SAN ANTONIO)

(4) Bureau (Enc. 4)
(2-Civil Rights Unit - CID)
(2-Domestic Terrorism Unit - CID)

5-San Antonio
(1-44A-5792)
(2-100A-14410)
(2-89B-392)
CPW: sdh

BASED ON CAPTIONED GROUP'S PROPENSITY FOR VIOLENCE, THEIR
POSSESSION OF FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES, AND THEIR DISDAIN FOR LAW
ENFORCEMENT, THEY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

Approved: 

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(Number) (Time) Per 12/26

FBHQ 100-487413-NR
Certain members of the group were issued Writs to Show Cause for the Grand Jury which was to meet on 4/23/85. These Writs to Show Cause were backed by Arrest Warrants provided to the U. S. Marshal's Service.

Because of the propensity for violence and past activities, the U. S. Marshal's Service has moved its Special Operations Groups (SOG) into the Brownsville-McAllen-Weslaco area to assist in these arrests. The SOG is comparable to the FBI's field SWAT teams.

For the additional information of FBIHQ, when the search warrants were served on the residence of a male individual, believed to be known to them, appeared in the front yard of the residence, pacing back and forth and holding a shotgun in one hand pointed at a 45 degree angle to the ground, yet in the direction of the ATF Agents serving the warrant. No further altercation developed.

This individual is currently in custody of the U. S. Marshal's Service, SDT, Brownsville, in lieu of bond, on charges of contempt of court for failure to appear before a Federal Grand Jury, SDT.

FBIHQ should also be aware that the following items have been sent to the McAllen RA and ATF, Brownsville, Texas, as well as other law enforcement and Government officials:

1. Memo dated 2/25/85, from BBCA to the "Bloodsucking gangsters occupying City Hall of (ultimate Sodom) Weslaco" concerning a "foursquare judgement" served on city officials there.


3. List of individuals, businesses, newspapers, and Government agencies to whom the Affidavit was mailed (#2 above and enclosed with this airtel).

4. Copy of search warrants issued by U. S. Magistrate FIDENCIO GARZA on 3/15/85, for case number B-85-315M.

5. List of seven items seized pursuant to the 3/15/85, search warrant.
SUBJECT  POSSE COMITATUS

FOIPA #  403,942

FILE #  157-33487

Referral response received from Executive Office of the United States Attorney.
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE  OFFICE OF ORIGIN  DATE  INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
MILWAUKEE  PORTLAND  10/4/74  1/22/74 - 10/1/74

TITLE OF CASE  CHARACTER OF CASE
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka Posse Comitatus  SA

REPORT MADE BY  TYPED BY
SA  BJC

REFERENCES
Portland report of SA dated 6/6/74.
Portland teletype to Bureau captioned "MH - SPC," dated 9/7/74.
Kansas City teletype to Bureau dated 9/23/74.
Milwaukee teletype to Bureau dated 9/24/74.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Information copy being furnished Portland and Little Rock for their interest in captioned matter. Information copy being furnished Los Angeles due to interest in Identity Group from which Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) was developed.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED
NONE

ACQUIT-TAILS  CASE HAS BEEN
None  PENDING OVER ONE YEAR  NO

APPROVED  SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW

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By
Separate copy being furnished Portland for (PD 157-1413) EM - SPC." FD-376 attached.

U.S. Attorney supplying information in report in the Western District of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, is Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) STEVEN C. UNDERWOOD.

Special Agent of the FBI referred to in report is Special Agent [redacted] as reviewing Marathon County court records. Special Agent of the FBI referred to in report as conducting investigation of the Manitowoc County Chapter of SPC is Special Agent [redacted].

The Milwaukee Division will report results of the Midwest National Tax and Posse Comitatus Convention in form suitable for dissemination.

COVER PAGE
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According to news articles that appeared in the "Eau Claire Leader Telegram" dated September 20, 1974; September 21, 1974; and September 23, 1974, approximately 100 supporters of GERALD MC FARREN, the American Party candidate for the United States Senate, appeared at the State Office Building in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, on September 20, 1974. MC FARREN was to appear at a public hearing conducted by the Department of Natural Resources on a 1968 charge whereby he illegally dumped fill into a lake in another county.

Among the supporters that appeared at the State Office Building was THOMAS STOCKHEIMER, head of the "Posse Comitatus" or "people's posse."
FBI
Date: 4/22/75

Transmit the following:

via AIRTEL

(Type in plaintext or code)

(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, DALLAS (157-NEW) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka EM - WHG

OO: PORTLAND

The following investigation was conducted by:

AT LUBBOCK, TEXAS

ROGER MC ROBERTS, AUSA, advised the following information on 4/14/75:

Judge RENALDO GARZA, USDJ, San Antonio, Texas, will be in Lubbock, Texas, 5/5/75, to begin pre-trial hearings on all motions filed by individuals who oppose paying income tax and have refused to do so. These suits, estimated from 6 to 10, will be heard in Lubbock, although some of the original suits were filed in other divisions. These people are alternately known as members of The Tax Rebels, or Sheriff's Posse Comitatus.

All of these tax objectors have filed writs of prejudice against all Federal Judges, except RENALDO GARZA, San Antonio, and against all members of the U. S. 5th Circuit, and the Supreme Court, therefore, GARZA has chosen to hear all their suits.

2 - Bureau
3 - El Paso
2 - Los Angeles
2 - Phoenix

2 - Portland
2 - San Antonio
3 - Dallas

Approved: 70 MAY 4
(Special Agent in Charge)

Sent: 3 10 22 75
(Special Agent in Charge)

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living in [redacted] has acted as a moderator on several TV shows, He brags that he has not paid any tax in five years; however, he is under indictment at Lubbock, Texas, for failure to pay his tax. [redacted] filed a suit against HALBERT O. WOODWARD, USDJ, Lubbock, Texas, claiming his rights have been violated as he cannot pick the person to represent him, although he is not an attorney.

[redacted] and others boast that in addition to being a member of the Tax Rebels, they are members of the Posse Comitatus, who have the right to hang anyone that denies them their constitutional rights. They claim they will pick the busiest intersection, at high noon, to hang that person, and allow his body to hang there as a warning to others.

MC ROBERTS is concerned over the welfare of Judge GARZA, and [redacted] He requested that Agents of the FBI be available in the event this occurs.

On 4/15/75 [redacted] advised the following:
TO SAC OMAHA (157-2120)  
FROM DIRECTOR FBI (157-33487)  

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka WHITE HATE 

RETURNED MAY 14, 1975. 

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, THIS DATE, ADVISED THAT U. S. MARSHAL'S SERVICE WILL PROVIDE SUFFICIENT MANPOWER IN U. S. DISTRICT COURT (USDC), NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA (NDI), CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, TO MAINTAIN DIGNITY OF COURT AND THAT NO NEED EXISTED FOR BUREAU AGENTS TO ACT IN THIS CAPACITY. 

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY (USA), NDI, SIOUX CITY, IOWA, HAS BEEN SO ADVISED BY THE DEPARTMENT. 

OMAHA DISCONTINUE USE OF BUREAUF AGENTS IN THIS CAPACITY. 

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NOTE: Referenced teletype advised that USA, Sioux City, Iowa, had requested that unarmed FBI Agents act as observers in USDC during the trials of 14 alleged Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) members. This request was precipitated by confrontation which occurred between alleged SPC members and U. S. Marshals on 5/13/75, following the conviction and sentencing of an SPC member for income tax evasion. John Dion, General Crimes Section, Criminal Division, Department of Justice, furnished above advice after consultation with the U. S. Marshal's Service Headquarters, Washington, D. C.
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FROM: OMAHA (15-2-129) (P)
TO: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMMITTEE (GPO1 EN - WHITE HATE)

ON MAY 14, 1976, U.S. MARSHAL'S SPOC, VENT ON TRIAL FOR INVOLVING ALLEGED MEMBERS OF S.P.C. IN TAX EVASION IN U.S.C., N.E. CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, PUBLISHED THE FOLLOWING INFO?

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A SECOND TRIAL INVOLVING [REDACTED] COMMENCED AT CEDAR RAPIDS AND U.S. MARSHALS ANTICIPATE ADDITIONAL CONFRONTATIONS WITH DEFENDANTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS.

USA EVA L. HULTMAN, MDI, SIOUX CITY, IOWA, INSTANT DATE REQUESTED FBI AGENTS TO OBSERVE REMAINDER OF TRIALS. HULTMAN PROVIDED IDENTITIES OF AFOREMENTIONED DEFENDANTS SCHEDULED FOR TRIAL AT CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, DURING NEXT TWO WEEKS:

THOMAS V. TON, JR., 2539 HANOVER DRIVE, DUBUQUE, IOWA;
MARK H. MORRILL, RR 1, CIBA CITY, WISCONSIN; BERNARD HINDERMAN,
RR 3, BELLEVUE, IOWA; DUANE YSTER, 12 WEST CLAY STREET.
and others, that in addition to being a member of the Tax Rebels, they are members of the Posse Comitatus, who have the right to hang anyone that denies them their constitutional rights. They claim they will pick the busiest intersection, at high noon, to hang that person, and allow his body to hang there as a warning to others.

McRoberts is concerned over the welfare of Judge Garza, and he requested that agents of the FBI be available in the event this occurs.

On April 15, 1975, advised the following:
THE SPC CALLS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
A POSSE IN EACH COUNTY TO ASSIST THE ONLY
LEGITIMATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY, THE
COUNTY SHERIFF, IN COMBATING THE UNLAWFUL
ACTS OF OTHERS, PARTICULARLY THOSE OF
FEDERAL AND STATE OFFICIALS.
SOME MEMBERS AND LEADERSHIP OF THE SPC
HAVE VOCIRED HATRED FOR JEWS AND NEGROES,
ADVOCATED THE ASSASSINATION OF FEDERAL LAW
ENFORCEMENT AGENTS, AND HAVE ENGAGED IN ACTS
OF PROVOCATION AND ASSAULT AGAINST FEDERAL
AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS.

SPECIAL AGENTS OF THE FBI, WHO SAT IN COURTROOM UNARMED
DURING TRIAL, FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFO RE TRIAL OF JOHN

MC AILIFFE:

MC AILIFFE FOUND GUILTY OF VIOLATING FEDERAL INCOME
TAX LAWS INSTITUTE DATE AND SENTENCED TO TWELVE MONTHS
IMPRISONMENT.

NO ARRESTS OR INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE OCCURRED
DURING TODAY'S TRIAL.
USA EVAN L. MULTIMAN, MD, SIOUX CITY, IOWA. ADVISED INSTANT DATE HE RECEIVED A THREAT FROM WIFE OF DEFENDANT MARK MULVENNILL TO THE EXTENT, "HE SHOULD BE KILLED."

USA GARY E. WENELL, MD, SIOUX CITY, ADVISED INSTANT DATE HE WAS THREATENED PHYSICAL HARM BY MARK MULVENNILL FOLLOWING TRIAL OF ROBERT EMMET WALSH, JR., ON MAY 13, 1975,

THE TRIAL OF

ADMINISTRATIVE:

RE A PE REAU A14, 1975.

SEPARATE CASES BEING OPENED IN THE OMAHA DIVISION RE THREATS TO USA MULTIMAN; USA WENELL; AND ASSAULT ON TOM MERRITY, LAW CLERK, USDC, CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, (SET FORTH IN RE COMMUNICATION)
MESSAGE RELAY

Date: 5/14/75

To: SACs:

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To: RUEADWW/ The President
   RUEBWA/ The Vice President
   RUEBHJA/ White House Situation Room

Attas:

RUEBWA/ Attorney General
   RUEBWA/ Deputy Attorney General
   RUEBWA/ Analysis and Evaluation Unit

RUEBWA/ Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division
RUEBWA/ Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division
   RUEBWA/ Internal Security Section
   RUEBWA/ General Crimes Section

RUEABND/ Drug Enforcement Administration

RUEBWA/ Immigration and Naturalization Service

RUEBWA/ U. S. Marshall's Service

RUEBDUA/ Department of the Air Force (AFOI)

RUEACS/ Department of the Army

RUEAILA/ Director, CIA

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From: Director, FBI

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11:00 A.M. (FBI 5/14/75 P.M.)
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (152-2-3477)
MIAMI (152-2-3477)
FROM: BAIN (152-2-123)
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMMITATUS (SPC) PEM - WHITE HAT.
CC: PORTLAND.

On May 14, 1975, U.S. MARSHAL NOT, CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFO:

On May 13, 1975, ROBERT E. WALSH, BOX 313, BENTON, WISCONSIN, ALLEGED MEMBER SPC, WENT ON TRIAL FOR INCOME TAX FRAUD IN USDC, NDII, CEDAR RAPIDS. 14 ADDITIONAL SEPARATE TRIALS ALSO SCHEDULED CEDAR RAPIDS INVOLVING OTHER ALLEGED MEMBERS OF SPC. WALSH FOUND GUILTY AND HONORABLE JUDGE EDWARD J. McCAMIS, SENTENCED WALSH TO 39 MONTHS IMPRISONMENT. IN COURTROOM, AT TIME OF SENTENCING, WERE OTHER 14 DEFENDANTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS. WALSH, ALONG WITH 14 DEFENDANTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS, PROTESTED THE VERDICT AND SENTENCING; AND OBSERVATI 9S WERE SHOTTERED AND U.S. MARSHALS WERE SPIT UPON. JUDGE McCAMIS'S LAW OFFICE WAS SHOVED SEVERAL TIMES BY ONE OF THE GROUP, IDENTITY UNKNOWN. NO INJURIES RECEIVED AND NO ARRESTS.
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A SECOND TRIAL INVOLVING JOHN Mc AILFE, 1303 GARFIELD AVENUE, DUBUQUE, IOWA, COMMENCED MAY 14, 1975. MARSHALS ANTICIPATE ADDITIONAL CONFRONTATIONS WITH DEFENDANTS AND FAMILY MEMBERS.

USA EvA L. HILTMAN, WY, SIOUX CITY, IOWA, HOMETOWN REQUESTED FBI AGENTS TO OBSERVE REMAINDER OF TRIAL.

HILTMAN PROVIDES IDENTITIES OF AFOREMENTIONED DEFENDANTS, SCHEDULED FOR TRIAL AT CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, DURING NEXT TWO WEEKS:

THOMAS WALTON, JR., 2539 HANOVER DRIVE, DUBUQUE, IOWA;
MARK MILVENHILL, RR 1, CIRCA CITY, WISCONSIN; ERMAR HINDERMAN,
RR 3, BELLEVUE, IOWA; DUANE LYSER, 119 WEST CLAY STREET,
THE SPC IS A LOOSE-KNIT NATIONWIDE ORGANIZATION FOUNDED IN
PORTLAND, OREGON, IN 1973. IT CLAIMS THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM AND
THE GRADUATED INCOME TAX ARE NOT LAWFUL. SOME MEMBERS OF THE SPC
HAVE VOICED HATRED FOR JEWS AND NEGROES AND HAVE ADVOCATED THE
ASSASSINATION OF FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENTS AND THE HANGING OF
GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IF THEY DO NOT PERFORM AS THE SPC BELIEVES THEY
SHOULD.

END.
FM DIRECTOR, FBI

TO RUEBWJA/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

ATTN: ANALYSIS AND EVALUATION UNIT
RUEBWJA/ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION
RUEBWJA/ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, CRIMINAL DIVISION
ATTN: INTERNAL SECURITY SECTION
ATTN: GENERAL CRIMES SECTION
RUEHSE/U.S. SECRET SERVICE (PID)
ZEN/INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

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SHERIFF'S POSSEE COMITATUS (SPC)

ON MAY 14, 1975, U.S. MARSHAL [REDACTED] CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFO:

ON MAY 13, 1975, ROBERT E. WALSH, BOX 338, BENTON,

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A SECOND TRIAL INVOLVING JOHN MC AULIFFE, 1323 GARFIELD
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AVENUE, DUBUQUE, IOWA, COMMENCED MAY 14, 1975 AT CZEDAR RAPIDS
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CUBA CITY, WISCONSIN; KENNETH HARRIS, RR 2, DUBUQUE,
IOWA; RONALD R. LUDWIG, RR 1, CUBA CITY, WISCONSIN;
VERNON VAN Natta, BOX 164, BLOOMINGTON, WISCONSIN; DANIEL
SCHAFFER, POTOSI, WISCONSIN; CHARLES HOPPENJAN, RR 1,
CUBA CITY, WISCONSIN; DENNIS STORLIE, 1002 LA WON COURT,
DUBUQUE, IOWA; GERALD WITTER, RR 3, BELLEVUE, IOWA;
ROBERT HINDEMAN, CUBA CITY, WISCONSIN; KENNETH P.
BECHEN, 560 ENGLISH LANE, DUBUQUE, IOWA.

THE SPC IS A LOOSE-KNIT NATIONWIDE ORGANIZATION FOUNDED IN
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, DALLAS (157-3360) (RUC)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, aka EM - WHG

OO: PORTLAND

DATE: 5/19/75

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of an LHM with two copies of FD-376 stapled thereto. Enclosed for Portland and El Paso are two copies each of the LHM and one copy each of LHM for Los Angeles, Phoenix and San Antonio. Two copies of LHM furnished USSS, Dallas, and one copy to IRS, Dallas, Texas.

For the information of the Bureau, the Tax Rebels operate solely in the El Paso Division.

Investigation at Lubbock, Texas, was conducted by SAs and .

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan
Roger McRoberts, Assistant U. S. Attorney, Northern District of Texas, Lubbock, Texas, on April 14, 1975, advised the following information:

Judge Renaldo Garza, United States District Judge, San Antonio, Texas, will be in Lubbock, Texas, May 5, 1975, to begin pre-trial hearings on all motions filed by individuals who oppose paying income tax and have refused to do so. These suits, estimated from 6 to 10, will be heard in Lubbock, although some of the original suits were filed in other divisions. These people are alternately known as members of The Tax Rebels, or Sheriff's Posse Comitatus.

All of these tax objectors have filed writs of prejudice against all Federal Judges, except Renaldo Garza, San Antonio, and against all members of the U. S. 5th Circuit, and the Supreme Court, therefore, Garza has chosen to hear all their suits.

living in [redacted] has acted as a moderator on several TV shows. He brags that he has not paid any tax in five years; however, he is under indictment at Lubbock, Texas, for failure to pay his tax. [redacted] has filed a suit against Halbert O. Woodward, U. S. District Judge, Lubbock, Texas, claiming his rights have been violated as he cannot pick the person to represent him, although he is not an attorney.

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.
CUBA CITY, WISCONSIN: KENNETH HARRIS, RR 2, DURUQUE.

IOWA: RONALD P. IDOW, RR 1, CUBA CITY, WISCONSIN.

VERNON VANATTA, BOX 134, BLOOMINGTON, WISCONSIN: DANIEL SCHAEFFER, POTOSI, WISCONSIN; CHARLES COPPENHAN, RR 1, CUBA CITY, WISCONSIN; DENNIS TOBLE, 1221 LA VON COURT, DURUQUE, IOWA; GARALD MIER, PR 3, BELLEVUE, IOWA.

ROBERT KINDERMAN, CUBA CITY, WISCONSIN; VERNETTE P. BETCHEN, 562 ENGLISH LANE, DURUQUE, IOWA.

MILWAUKEE WILL REVIEW INDICES AND PROVIDE ANY POSITIVE INFO ON ABOVE LISTED INDIVIDUALS AND RESIDENTS OF WISCONSIN.

OMAHA AT CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, WILL FOLLOW AND REPORT RESULTS OF ABOVE TRIALS WITH AGENTS ATTENDING IN CAPACITY OF OBSERVERS, HAC. LHM FOLLOWS.

AIRMAIL COPY FORWARDED PORTLAND AND SPRINGFIELD FOR INFO.

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TO RUEBYA/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL
ATTENTION: AEU

RUEBYA/ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION
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AND INTERNAL SECURITY SECTION
AND GENERAL CRIMES SECTION
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SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) REC-59

THE SPC, ALSO KNOWN AS THE CITIZEN'S LAW ENFORCEMENT RESEARCH COMMITTEE (CLERC), IS
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OF PROVOCATION AND ASSAULT AGAINST FEDERAL
AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS.

SPECIAL AGENTS OF THE FBI, WHO SAT IN COURTROOM UNARMED
DURING TRIAL, FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFO RE TRIAL OF JOHN
MC AULIFFE:

MC AULIFFE FOUND GUILTY OF VIOLATING FEDERAL INCOME
TAX LAWS MAY 14, 1975, AND SENTENCED TO TWELVE MONTHS
IMPRISONMENT.

NO ARRESTS OR INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE OCCURRED
DURING TODAY'S TRIAL.

USA EVAN L. HULTMAN, NDI, SIOUX CITY, IOWA, ADVISED
MAY 14, 1975, HE RECEIVED A THREAT FROM WIFE OF DEFENDANT
MARK MULVENHILL TO THE EXTENT, "HE SHOULD BE KILLED."

USA GARY E. WENELL, NDI, SIOUX CITY, ADVISED MAY 14, 1975,
HE WAS THREATENED PHYSICAL HARM BY MARK MULVENHILL
FOLLOWING TRIAL OF ROBERT EMMET WALSH, JR., ON MAY 13,
TO:  DIRECTOR, FPI (157-33487)
FROM: OMAHA (157-2127), (P)
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATIS (SFC); EM - WHITE HAT.
CC: PORTLAND.

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IMPRISONMENT.

NO ARRESTS OR INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE OCCURRED
DURING TODAY'S TRIAL.
USA EvA L. Hiltman, IDI, Sioux City, Iowa. Advised
May 14, 1974. He received a threat from wife of defendant
Gary Mulvihill to the extent he should be "killed."

USA Gary E. Wenzell, IDI, Sioux City, Advised.

Date he was threatened physical harm by Mary Mulvihill
Following trial of Robert Ernest Walsh, Jr., of May 13,

The trial of

Attorney Walsh

At a FF hearing, 14, 1975.

Separate cases being opened in the Civil Division of

Threats to USA Hiltman; USA Wenzell; Shurtleff on the

Herity, law clerks, USCG, Coast Guard, IA, court forth

in re communications.
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: OMAHA - (15-2128) (P)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMMITATUS (SPC), E-W - WHITE NATE.

CO: PORTLAND.


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ON MAY 23, 1975, USA EVAN L. HULTMAN, DDI, SIOUX CITY, IOWA, ADVISED MARK MILVEHILL, RURAL ROUTE 1, CUBA CITY, IOWA, AND DANIEL SCHAEFER, POTOSI, WISCONSIN, ALL PLEADED GUILTY MAY 23, 1975, TO INCOME TAX EVASION IN USDC, CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA. ALL RECEIVED $200 FINE AND TWO YEARS PROBATION.

USO ADVISED NO ARRESTS OR INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE OCCURRED DURING ENTRY OF CASE RE-OPENED.

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OMaha WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW PROSECUTION OF ALLEGED
SPC MEMBERS, U.S. DISTRICT COURT, CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA,
AND SUBMIT COMPOSITE LHM TO BUREAU.

SPC CHARACTERIZED IN PREVIOUS OMaha TELeTYPES;

THEREFORE, NOT BEING RESET THIS COMMUNICATION.

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SPRINGFIELD.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)

FROM: SAC, OMAHA (157-2120) (P)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka
EN - WHITE HATE

CO: PORTLAND

Re Omaha nite l to Bureau dated 5/23/75.

On 5/27/75, USA EVAN L. HULTMAN, NDI, Sioux
City, Iowa, advised the remaining trials of CHARLES
HOPENJAN, Rural Route 1, Cuba City, Wisconsin; BERNARD
HINDERMAN, Rural Route 3, Bellevue, Iowa; and DENNIS
STORLIE, 1002 Lavon Court, Dubuque, Iowa, have been
held in abeyance at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, due to the
pending Wounded Knee Leadership Trials currently in
session, U. S. District Court, Cedar Rapids. USA
HULTMAN stated he will advise the FBI when trials of
aforementioned individuals are resumed.

LEADS

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OMAHA

AT CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA

Will maintain contact with USA HULTMAN, and
upon conclusion of trials of above-listed individuals,
composite LHM will be furnished Bureau.

INASMUCH AS INFORMATION HAS BEEN RECEIVED THAT
MEMBERS OF THE SPC ARE REQUIRED TO OWN FIREARMS, AND
SINCE THEY HAVE ADVOCATED FIREARMS, SPC MEMBERS SHOULD
BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.
TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487)
FROM: SAC, EL PASO (157-536) (?)
SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATIS (SPC), a.k.a.
EI - WHO
OO: PORTLAND

Re: El Paso airtel to Bureau, 5/13/75; Chicago
notel to Bureau, 5/21/75; Chicago notel to Bureau, 5/23/75;
El Paso notel to Bureau, 5/27/75; Chicago notel to Bureau,
5/29/75; El Paso notel to Bureau, 5/30/75; El Paso notel to Bureau,
6/2/75; El Paso airtel to Bureau, 6/3/75; El Paso notel to Bureau,
6/11/75; Chicago airtel to Bureau, 6/11/75.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of an LMK cited and cautioned as above. Two copies are
being furnished to Portland as office of origin, and two
copies each are designated to Chicago and Dallas in view
of investigative interest by those offices. A copy of
this LMK is being disseminated locally at El Paso to the
U.S. Secret Service.

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Chicago is requested to disseminate local to
IRS Chicago.

ADMINISTRATIVE

The confidential source mentioned in the mail is

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By communication dated May 19, 1975, the Dallas, Texas, Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, set out that on April 14, 1975, Roger McRoberts, Assistant United States Attorney, Northern District Court, Lubbock, Texas, had advised the New York County, District Judge, San Antonio, Texas, that the United States had been in Lubbock, Texas, May 5, 1975, to begin an investigation of the massive government of the Tax Reform Act of 1975, as it pertains to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

One of the individuals identified in the months leading up to the investigation was described as a moderator in Lubbock, Texas, who has acted as a moderator in several TV shows. He, along with other individuals described as members of the Tax Reform Act of 1975, have been indicted on charges of criminal activity. The investigation is ongoing.

CRIMINAL VIOLATION OF OATH OF OFFICE UNDER THE
SUPREMACY CLAUSE—THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS IN PURSUANCE
THEREOF SHALL BE THE SUPREME LAW OF THE LAND AND JUDGES IN
EVERY STATE SHALL BE BOUND THEREBY (THE NECK) ARTICAL
VI ARTICLE 1, SEC. 9—NO BILL OF ATTAINDER NOR EX-POSTFACTO
LAW SHALL BE PASSED SO OUR UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION CAN
NEVER BE CHANGED, ALTERED NOR SUBSTITUTED. JUDGES DO NOT
HOLD OFFICE FOR LIFE BUT ONLY DURING GOOD BEHAVIOR, DIS-
REGARD FOR THE CONSTITUTION IS NOT GOOD BEHAVIOR ON THE
PART OF ANY JUDGE, IT IS A CRIMINAL VIOLATION OF THEIR OATH
OF OFFICE TO, UPHOLD, PRESERVE, AND DEFEND THE CONSTITUTION,
AGAINST ALL ENEMIES. JUDGES AND LAWYERS (ATTORNEYS) MUST
HAVE A DEGREE IN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW—OTHERWISE THEY ARE
SHOWING THE DEEPEST DISREGARD AND CONTEMPT FOR THE U.S.
CONSTITUTION."

ON JUNE 9, 1976, ASSISTANT U.S. ATTORNEY (AUSA)
MARC D. BLACKMAN, PORTLAND, OREGON, ADVISED USA SIDNEY LEZAK RECEIVED A LETTER CONTAINING THE SAME INFORMATION
ADRESSED TO LEZAK FROM THE SPC AS HAD JUDGE [REDACTED]. BLACKMAN ADVISED THAT THE LETTERS ADDRESSED TO JUDGE [REDACTED] AND USA LEZAK, AND THEIR CONTENTS DO NOT APPEAR TO BE IN VIOLATION OF ANY FEDERAL LAWS. BLACKMAN ADVISED THAT NO OTHER LETTERS OF THIS TYPE HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY THE USA'S OFFICE.

ADMINISTRATIVE FOR INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, AUSA BLACKMAN AND JUDGE [REDACTED] HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN THE PAST IN NUMEROUS CIVIL ACTIONS CONCERNING SPC MEMBERS AND INCOME TAX VIOLATIONS. THE ABOVE IS PROVIDED FOR INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU AND IN THE EVENT SIMILAR LETTERS ARE RECEIVED BY JUDGES OR USAS.

NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED, AND NO FURTHER INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED IN THIS MATTER.

USA'S OFFICE ADVISED OF ABOVE. USA [REDACTED] WILL ADVISE JUDGE [REDACTED] WHEN [REDACTED] RETURNS FROM OUT OF TOWN.

PORTLAND INDICES REVEAL THAT ON APRIL 8, 1975,
SUBJECT  POSSE COMITATUS

FOIPA #   403,942

FILE #   157-33487

Response received from the United States Marshall Service.
On May 7, 1975, [redacted] Deputy U. S. Marshal, Lubbock, Texas, advised there had been no problems concerning hearings held at Lubbock, Texas. He said that one individual had tried to take a tape recorder into the court room, but had surrendered it when told recorders were not allowed in the court room. He said that the hearings had been completed on the afternoon of May 6, 1975, and Judge [redacted] had returned to Pampa, Texas on May 6, 1975. He continued that a trial date had not been set for the criminal case against [redacted] as one of the motions filed in behalf of [redacted] was for dismissal of the case against him. He said that Judge [redacted] did not rule on this motion.
TO: DIRECTOR (157-33467)
FROM: OMAHA (157-2128) (P)

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC); EM - WHITE HATE. 00:

PORTLAND.

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

USM [Redacted] ADVISED NO ARRESTS OR INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE.
VIOLENCE OCCURRED DURING ENTRY OF PROJECTED INDIVIDUALS. 7/10/75.

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Date: 6/19/75

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**TITLE OF CASE**

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka Citizens' Law Enforcement Research Committee (CLERC)

**CHARACTER OF CASE**

EM - WHITE HATE GROUP

**REFERENCE:**
- Milwaukee letter & LHM to Bureau, 11/7/74.
- Milwaukee letter to Portland dated 12/6/74.
- Kansas City tel to Bureau dated 5/8/75.
- Omaha letter to Bureau dated 5/15/75.
- Omaha teletype to Bureau dated 5/23/75.
- Omaha letter to Bureau dated 6/5/75.

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**ADMINISTRATIVE**

The cover pages of instant report as well as the details are being classified confidential because the informants are identified in the cover pages and the information furnished by sources in the report itself, if divulged, could reasonably identify the sources.

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**ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED**

- **NONE**

**ACQUITALS**

CASE HAS BEEN:
- Pending over one year
- Pending prosecution

**APPROVED**

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

**COPIES MADE:**

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- 1 - USA, Sioux City, Iowa
- 2 - Portland (157-1413)
- 2 - Omaha (157-2120)

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On May 12, 1975, United States Marshal (USM) of the Northern District of Iowa (NDI), Dubuque, advised that 15 separate trials involving alleged members of the SPC charged with income tax evasion were to be held in United States District Court (USDC), Cedar Rapids, Iowa, commencing May 13, 1975.

On May 13, 1975, advised ROBERT E. WALSH, Benton, Wisconsin, an alleged member of the SPC, was tried at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, for income tax evasion. He was found guilty and sentenced to 30 months' imprisonment. In the courtroom at the time of his sentencing were the other 14 defendants along with many family members who shouted obscenities in protest to the verdict and sentence. Federal U. S. Marshals present at the time were spat upon and a Federal law clerk was shoved several times by one unidentified member of the group. A confrontation developed between the aforementioned group, numbering about 30, and the United States Marshals, numbering about 8. Only after prolonged discussion were the United States Marshals able to remove the group from the Federal Building without any arrests being made. U. S. District Court Judge EDWARD J. MC MANUS; United States Attorney EVAN L. HULLMAN and members of their staffs were escorted to their residences by United States Marshals.

On May 14, 1975, U. S. Marshal provided a copy of two pamphlets entitled "Handbook of Information for Trial Jurors" and "To All Potential Jurors For The People Of Snohomish County," explained these two pamphlets were mailed to each of the jury members following the first trial at Cedar Rapids, involving ROBERT E. WALSH, Jr. One of the members of the jury subsequently turned over these pamphlets to a friend that although there was no
return address on the envelop enclosing the pamphlets. Juror, he feels the mailing of these pamphlets could be logically attributed to SPC.
Handbook of Information for Trial Jurors
MAIL TO THE JURY—OUR ONLY REMEDY
AGAINST THE VICE-MUTIONS OF
AN OPPRESSIVE AND TYRANNICAL GOVERNMENT

MAGNA CARTA, the Great Charter of our liberties, wrong from a frightend
world-to dictatorial at the point of a sword 755 years ago, and by far the
most important legal document supporting our Federal and state constitutions;
now stands, sad to say, pretty much a dead letter in Snohomish County.

But you—as a juror—armed merely with the knowledge of what a Common
Law Jury really is, and what your common law rights, powers, and duties really
are, can do more to re-establish liberty and justice in the State of Washington
and, ultimately, throughout all of the United States, than all of our Senators
and Representatives put together. Why? Because even without the concurrence
of any of your fellow-jurors in a criminal trial, you can—with your single
vote of "Not guilty"—nullify or invalidate any man-cadie law involved in the
case that, in your opinion, for one reason or another, ought not to be enforced.

If you feel that the statute involved in any criminal case being tried
by you is unfair, or that it infringes upon the defendant's natural or constitu-
tional rights, then you must affirm that the offending statute is really no
law at all, and that the violation of it is no crime at all—for no man is
bowed to obey an unjust command. Which means, in other words, that if the de-
endant has disobeyed some man-cadie criminal statute, and the statute itself,
in your opinion, is unjust, he has committed no crime. And you—having ruled
on the justice of the law involved (as you have a perfect right to do), and
finding it opposed in whole or in part to your own natural concept of what is
basically right or proper—are bound to hold for the acquittal of said defen-
dant. And your vote of "Not guilty" must be respected by all other members of
the jury— for you are not there as a fool, merely to agree with the majority, but as an officer of the court and a qualified judge in your own right. And, regardless of the pressures, or even abuse, that may be heaped on you by any or all other members of the jury, you can walk back into the courtroom (for the reading of the verdict) with your head held high, and with your dignity and self-respect still intact, if, but only if, you have voted your own conscience—and not somebody else's.

And therein lies your opportunity for the accomplishment of more good than any person can possibly measure, or even estimate. For if you, and numerous other jurors throughout the state and nation, begin and continue to bring in verdicts of "Not Guilty" in every case where a man-made statute, in your opinion, is defective, or in any way opposed to the common good (as, for example, many of our tax laws, in your opinion, may very well be), these statutes will become as ineffective as if they had never been written. And it only takes one juror to effect a verdict of "Not Guilty" in any so-called criminal trial—a fact that could prove to be of more than passing interest to you, should you, yourself, be the defendant, and your accuser happen to be the State of Washington, or the once powerful, but now rapidly disintegrating, Internal Revenue Service.

THE JURY'S INCONTESTABLE RIGHTS, POWERS, AND DUTIES

As the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia has clearly acknowledged, there can be no doubt that the jury has "an unreviewable and unreversible power...to acquit in disregard of the instructions on the law given by the trial judge..." U.S. v. Dougherty, 473 F.2d 1112, 1139 (1972).
Cf., as this sage truth was stated in an earlier decision by the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Maryland: "We recognize, as appellants urge, the undisputed power of the jury to acquit, even if its verdict is contrary to the law as given by the judge, and contrary to the evidence. This is a power that must exist as long as we adhere to the general verdict in criminal cases, for the courts cannot search the minds of the jurors to find the basis upon which they judge. If the jury feels that the law under which the defendant is accused is unjust, or that exigent circumstances justified the actions of the accused, or for any reason which appeals to their logic or passion, the jury has the power to acquit, and the courts must abide by that decision." U.S. v. Hoylan, 417 F.2d 1021, 1026 (1969).

The law as written, and invoked by prosecutors, "demands conviction of persons whom local or even general opinion does not desire to punish." See "Law in Books and Law in Action," Dean Roscoe Pound, 44 American Law Review, 12, 16 (1910). Hence, more discerning of the limited and generally conviction-oriented evidence presented for its consideration, and more discerning for what the gentleman in the flowing black robes wants them to believe is the controlling law in any particular case—sometimes facetiously referred to as jury lawlessness—is not something to be scrupulously avoided but, rather,

The person we have reference to here is normally spoken of as the judge, but this he logically cannot be in a trial by jury—for in every such trial, the jurors, preferably twelve in number, are all seated in the jury box. Are they the only judges in any case being tried by them (and that's what they're there for—to try the case themselves, as they see it, and not as somebody else sees it). Which means, in plain English, that the gentleman behind the big wooden bench, in flowing black robes, is neither the judge, nor even one of thirteen judges, nor even any kind of a judge at all. For he is a judge (or, rather, the judge) only in a non-jury trial; but in a trial by a jury of twelve super-judges, he is merely the headmaster in charge of procedure, and the giver of advice—particularly when asked for it by the litigants, or by their counsel, or by any member of the jury.
encouraged; as witness the following quotation from the eminent legal authority
above-mentioned: "Jury lawlessness is the greatest corrective of law in its
actual administration. The will of the state at large imposed on a reluctant
community, the will of a majority imposed on a vigorous and determined minor-
ity, find the same obstacle in the local jury that formerly confronted kings
and ministers." Dougherty, cited above, note 32, at 1130.

"The pages of history shine on instances of the jury's exercise of its
prerogative to disregard uncontradicted evidence and instructions of the judge.
Most often condemned are the 18th century acquittals of Peter Zenger of sedi-
tious libel, on the plea of Andrew Hamilton, and the 19th century acquittance
in prosecutions under the fugitive slave law. The values involved drop a
moot* (but are worthy of note, nonetheless) "when the liberty vindicated by
the verdict relates to the defendant's shooting of his wife's paramour, or
purchase during Prohibition of alcoholic beverages." (Dougherty, cited above,
at 1130.) But rather than referring to the above as instances of "jury law-
lessness," we would say, what appears to be far more likely, that they are
examples of courageous adherence, by one or more jurors in each case, to the
natural law of justice—as tempered, perhaps, by the radiant glow of a little
kindness, understanding, or mercy.

THE JURY'S RIGHT TO BE TOLD OF ITS POWER

Every jury in Snohomish County has the right (carefully concealed from it
by our District and Superior Court "judges") to bring in a verdict based on—
not whether the defendant's act or omission was merely contrary to a "dictionary
interpretation" of the words or phrases used in some man-made statute recited

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to it by the government's agent in flowing black robes—but whether or not
the defendant's act or omission was truly clandestine according to the jury's
(and, representatively, according to the community's) natural sense of morality
and justice; for it is a well-established principle in criminal jurisprudence
that an act or omission does not make a man guilty unless he be so by intention.

The right of the jury to disregard either the law (as laid down by the
trial "judge," so-called) or the facts (as permitted by him to be placed in
evidence) is referred to in legal terminology as the jury's prerogative of
nullification—which means in ordinary language, as does the expression, "jury
lawlessness," that where the jurors cannot in conscience impose blame, they
cannot in conscience allow punishment.

Now, the prerogative of nullification is not merely a legitimate, but
also a praiseworthy, option of the jury. It is a mechanism that permits it,
as spokesman for the community's conscience, to disregard the strict require-
ments of man-made law (and the "judge's" instructions in regard to same) where
it finds that those requirements cannot justly be applied in a particular
case. The doctrine or prerogative of nullification, in brief, "permits the
jury to bring to bear on the criminal process a sense of fairness and particu-
larized justice." (Dougherty, cited above, at 1142.) These, obviously, are
worthy objectives. But in the courts of Enchomish County this unsellable
doctrine is not merely concealed from the jury by our fair-minded "judges,"
but is effectively condemned by them in the jury's presence.

"The way the jury operates may be radically altered if there is alter-
ation in the way it is told to operate." (Dougherty, cited above, at 1139)
And its options are by no means limited to the choices presented to it in the
courtroom. "The jury gets its understanding as to the arrangements in the
legal system from more than one voice. There is the formal communication
from the judge. There is the informal communication from the total culture—literature; current custom; conversation; and, of course, history and tradition." (Dougherty, cited above, at 1135) The totality of input from the above-mentioned informal sources (which latter term certainly includes your present correspondent) should be such as to convey adequately enough to the jurors the idea of "operative," of their freedom to decide the guilt or innocence of a defendant according to their own consciences—regardless of the facts permitted by the "judge" to be placed in evidence, and regardless of his so-called "charge to the jury," which final set of masked-for and generally tikled instructions will contain, among other things, what he considers to be the controlling law, or what he wants the jurors to think is the controlling law, in the particular case being tried by them.

But the jurors in Snohomish County have never been told, either formally or informally, that they have the right to judge for themselves what the controlling law is, or ought to be, in any particular case, and, furthermore, that each individual juror has the right to decide for himself what things (even though not admitted into evidence by the "judge") are to be accounted as fact, and what things (even though accepted as fact by the "judge") are not worthy to be so accounted.

Hence it devolves upon the members of the POSSE CONSTITUTUS—sworn to uphold the natural, constitutional, and common law rights of any person who has been or is about to be victimized by any branch of federal, state, or local government—to inform every juror in Snohomish County that (regardless of any vessel-worded "jury's oath," so-called, binding him to decide the particular case being tried by him according to the law, as given to him by the trial "judge," and the facts, as permitted by said "judge" to be placed in evidence) his paramount and abiding duty—which takes precedence over any
subsequent agreement with the gentleman behind the bench to forgo or renounce it—is to decide the particular case being tried by him, and every legal and evidentiary aspect of it, according to his own conscience; and to accept no dictation whatsoever, either as to law or fact, from the so-called trial "judge," who, in a trial by jury, is merely the chief assistant of the 12 "true-jurors" sworn to bear and try the case.

And if there be anyone who might properly be referred to as the "presiding officer" in any such trial, it is the foreman of the jury—and not the so-called trial "judge," who, in every legal contest between a private party and the government, is the representative and advocate of the latter, hence not even qualified to sit in judgment between the two parties; nor can any such "judge" in his own cause. And if such a "judge" had any decency at all, or had any respect for the elementary rules of justice, he would disqualify himself, and openly admit that the twelve judges in the jury box are the only qualified and lawful judges that may be had in any legal dispute between a private citizen, or a private corporation, and any branch of federal, state, or local government.

And such a fictitious or presumed "judge" ought to admit further, as we allege, that any number of the above-indicated jury of twelve bone-fide judges has, in a criminal trial, not only the power but also the right to effect a verdict of "not guilty"—if such be the verdict most agreeable to his conscience—whether affirmed by all or none of the other eleven jurors, whether in line with the program of an overzealous or vindictive prosecuting attorney or not, and whether or not in conformity with the final jury-tampering nonsense (or so-called "charge to the jury") of an ignorant, arbitrary, prejudiced, case-hardened, or corrupt trial "judge."
For a full 750 years now—that is, since the 15th day of June, in the year of 1215, when the embattled barons of England met King John on the meadow at Runnymede and there forced him to sign the Great Charter of our liberties—there has been no clearer principle of constitutional law than that it is not only the right and duty of jurors to judge what are the facts; what is the controlling law; and what was the moral intent of the accused; but that it is also their right, and their primary and paramount duty, to judge of the justice of the law and to hold all laws invalid that are, in their opinion, unjust or oppressive; and all persons guiltyless in violating, or resisting the execution of, such laws.

Unless such be the right and duty of jurors, it is plain that, instead of being a "palladium of liberty"—a barrier against the tyranny and oppression of the government—they are really mere tools in its hands, for carrying into execution any injustice and oppression it may desire to have executed.

But for each juror's right to rule on the interpretation of the law, and the justice of the law, jurors would be no protection to an accused person, even as to matters of fact; for, if the government can dictate to the jurors any law whatever, it can certainly dictate to them the laws of evidence. That is, it can decide, all on its own, what evidence is admissible, and what is inadmissible, and also what importance, if any, is to be given to the evidence admitted. And if the government can thus manipulate and control the evidence that the jurors are allowed to consider, and then require them to decide according to that evidence and none other, it can also manipulate and control their deliberations in the jury room. In which case the trial is, in reality,
a trial by the government (and a rigged one at that), and not a trial by the jury at all.

But jurors—who are the only lawful judges in any case being tried by them—are under no obligation to accept or even to be guided by the law, as given to them by the government through its agent, the "judge"—and there is no rule of common justice or common right by which the twelve juror-judges can be held to consider only the evidence that has met with the government's approval, or by which they can be prevented from taking other facts or circumstances into consideration. And they should do, or refuse to do, whatever in their opinion is the best thing to do, from the standpoint of preventing or averting injustice. For, unless the jurors—who represent the people, and who alone are in a legal position to effectively shelter them from official abuse—begin and continue to fend off the blows of an increasingly hostile and aggressive government, we will, like many another legally unsheltered people, succumb little by little to its enveloping tyranny.

And that is why it is absolutely necessary that jurors, throughout the State of Washington, and throughout the United States, begin and continue to disregard the law as laid down to them by the trial "judge," whatever, in their opinion, the law is violative of any of the defendant's natural or constitutional rights, or is in any way opposed to the peace and happiness of mankind. For, in this way—and only in this way—can the trend toward centralized government and a socialistic one-world dictatorship be halted and reversed.

For example, is it not true that whenever any rule or regulation (however oppressive or tyrannical it may be) is placed in the statute books, and the "judge" imposes this newly adopted "law" upon the jury as being authoritative and binding (when, in fact, its binding force has never been ascertained,
certainly not finally or conclusively); and the jurors, through fear of offending the "judge," bring in a verdict in accordance therewith, the authority and presumed binding force of the untested statute is thereby established (by case law or precedent—as the spineless attorneys and their black-robed ramrodding manipulators are quick to point out); and the whole people are thus brought under the yoke of the new "law," and a wide-sweeping tyranny at once put into operation; because the people will then understand that the "law," having been upheld in one or more previous cases, will be enforced against them in future, should they refuse to comply with its unjust prescriptions or exactions.

That this is not an exaggerated statement of the case is evident when it is recalled that there are literally tens of thousands of so-called "bread-and-butter" statutes placed in the law books every year throughout the United States, for no other reason than to create jobs for the members and hangers-on of the legal fraternity—as attorneys for both sides in every legal battle, as legal researchers for plaintiff and defendant alike, as appeal bondsmen for cases carried into the higher courts, as "judges," bailiffs, court reporters, and so on...and so on...ad infinitum—all paid for by an overly pliant and thoroughly victimized general public.

But you—as jurors—can halt and reverse this disgraceful plunge into servitude under an all-encompassing, all-devouring bureaucratic dictatorship. For you have it within your power—as occupiers of the most important decision-making office in the land—to nullify every rule or regulation that, in your opinion, is not in accordance with the principles of natural, common, or constitutional law. And it is precisely this power of nullification that makes the trial by jury our most important right—for it is the one and only right that can protect and preserve all of our other rights. Hence, the jury—formerly treated as a pet by the legal fraternity—will now begin to feel its claws.
It should be abundantly clear from the foregoing that our best, most readily available, and, ultimately, our sole real legal protection against the criminal activities of our elected and appointed officials, and against the ever-increasing usurpations of federal, state, and local government, lies in the Common Law or Magna Carta Jury as set forth, at least in part, herein.

The Constitution of the United States—designed (especially as regards the Bill of Rights) to hold the national government in check—as such as we may admire it, is of no real or practical value as a safeguard to our liberties, should it stand in the way of a government that has either the cunning to evade its requirements, or the force to overcome those who attempt its defense. Consequently, if there exists no tribunal apart from, controlled by, and above, the government—with power to nullify its unjust enactments as fast as they can be written up and entered in our statute books—we are slaves, pure and simple; and wholly at the mercy of the few disproportionately powerful socialists, communists, one-wokers, and other assorted collectivists whom we have elected, or who have been appointed, to key positions of authority within our various organs of government.

But there does exist, fortunately for us, just such a tribunal—and, as previously indicated, it is none other than the long-familiar, but too long overlooked 12-man, 12-judge, Common Law Jury; which was first prescribed, as described in Magna Carta, back in 1215; which was put into effect with all its powers, by the people of the United States on March 4th, 1789; and which—had we only the good sense to use its immense power—would make it unnecessary for us to even be concerned about such an unimportant thing as a bill of rights.

The honorable Theo. Parsons, in the Massachusetts convention of 1788, addressing the objection that the Constitution of the United States, as sub-
mitted to the people for adoption, contained no Bill of Rights, said: "If people themselves have it in their power effectually to resist usurpation, without being driven to an appeal to arms. An act of usurpation is not a law; it is not law; and any man may be justified in his resistance. If he be considered as a criminal by the general government, yet only his fellow citizens can convict him; they are his jury, and if they pronounce him innocent, not all the powers of Congress can hurt him; and innocent they will pronounce him, if the supposed law be resisted was an act of usurpation."—2 Elliot's Debates, 91; 2 Bancroft, History of the Constitution, 207.

Long live the United States of America, one nation, under God, with liberty and justice for all.

and...

Long live the 12-man, 12-judge, Common Law Magna Carta Jury—our one last hope for survival in a free and Christian nation; in a world gone mad....with materialism...sin...debauchery...and arrogance...under the corrupt and debilitating leadership of our so-called "modern-day Republicans," but, in terms somewhat more prosaic, also known as, the bankers, the politicians, the lawyers, and the little would-be Caesars in their flowing black robes.

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TO ALL POTENTIAL JURORS FOR THE PEOPLE OF SNOHOMISH COUNTY

Do not be led astray by the Superior Court judges' 20-page pamphlet, "A Handbook of Information for Trial Jurors," which was given to you by the Snohomish County Clerk. This Handbook—which has the approval of no higher authority than the so-called "Judicial Conference" held at Tacoma, Washington, on September 8th, 1961—was designed to weaken the constitutional powers of the jury, to puppetize it, and to convert it into a rubber stamp of approval for all of the mistakes, mandates, and arbitrary rulings of our so-called trial "judges." And, especially, do not be deceived or led astray by the judges' accompanying letter (that was sent to you along with their little 20-page booklet) which purports to warn you against certain "unauthorized" or "unsanctioned" communications—such as this letter and the 12-page booklet entitled, "Handbook of Information for Trial Jurors," currently being distributed throughout the state by your own local POSSE COMMITATUS. But will you, as an intelligent citizen, allow the judges' use of a few carefully chosen meaningless lawyer-type scare-words keep you from considering both sides of the jury question? Just because the Superior Court judges have not "authorized" or "sanctioned" my report concerning the evils they are attempting to further in this county is no indication that my assertions with regard to same are unfounded. Indeed, if what I have said is not true, and if the Superior Court judges of Snohomish County are not engaged in a conspiracy to subvert, incapacitate and control the juries (which same were originally intended for the defendant's protection), then let these same black-robed despoilers of the people's natural and constitutionally guaranteed rights take legal action against me, out in the open for all to see—and cease their childish game of stuffing mailboxes with weasel-worded cover letters filled with vague and meaningless attacks against the person or freedom of your present correspondent or against any of his writings.
My 12-page Handbook of Information for Trial Jurors, incidentally, was turned over by Judge Phil Sheridan to the state attorney general's office in Olympia for the express purpose of determining if I had broken any law in mailing it out to the potential jurors. And, although this urgent request for the Attorney General's opinion was made more than four months ago, no adverse ruling by him has as yet been received. If there is something wrong in my distributing a rebuttal to the judges' handbook of misinformation, where is the "appropriate action" with regard to me that Judge Sheridan was so sure he was going to get from the Attorney General? (See page 1A of the Everett Herald at the Public Library, dated June 19, 1974.)

The judges' little handbook begins, for example, by attempting to make all potential jurors feel that they are in some way obligated to the government for all of the wonderful things it has done for them in the past (as if these same exploited taxslaves had not already paid many times over for any so-called favors received by them from, or rather, through the government), and, consequently, that it is now their duty to repay said government (for all of its manifold "gifts" to them) by cooperating with its judicial representatives (the judges, the prosecuting attorneys, and every other member of their monopolistic and unconstitutional Bar Association) in their combined attack upon what they generally hope to end up with, namely: a beaten, impoverished, subdued, and completely helpless defendant, fit only to join the ranks of our "Great Society" as a despondent and suicide-prone (or violently anti-social) welfare recipient.

But the jury, as you probably already know, was never intended by our Founding Fathers to be the tool, instrument of control, or scapegoat for either the judges or the prosecuting attorneys but was intended to be, on the contrary, the supreme guardian of our liberties, the invincible fortress standing between an otherwise all-encompassing, all-consuming and all-conquering bureaucratic state (as represented by the judges, the prosecutors, and their unconstitutional Bar Association,
In the event of some death in your family, move in on you (or upon your survivors) for their time. As for the children of the children, he generically disavows all kin, and the one parent who steal your property by every legal (as opposed to lawful) means practicable, and the crooked attorneys, members of the same corrupt Bar Association, accused by the defendant of any of his inalienable or God-given rights, they are alleged to be and are the only true representative of the common people of this State, to see to it that the bourgeoisie's array of power (the judge, the prosecuting attorneys, and, generally, the defendant's own lawyer) shall not be used to deprive the defendant of any of his inalienable or God-given rights. And come to think of it, what precisely do you owe to the government that was not coerced? Is it not the government that is mainy responsible for your present financial predicament? Is it not the government that is mainy responsible for your present financial predicament? Is it not the government that is mainy responsible for your present financial predicament? Is it not the government that is mainy responsible for your present financial predicament? Is it not the government that is mainy responsible for your present financial predicament? And come to think of it, what precisely do you owe to the government that was not coerced?
shining examples of propriety and material success can recite the following advice to their offspring, and mean every word of it: "Why take up a life of crime, sorry boy (or darling daughter), when there are so many legal ways to be dishonest?"

And so we say to you good jurors, who alone have it within your power to put a stop to governmental tyranny, do not permit yourselves to be outwitted, bamboozled, or taken in by the judges' brainwashing insinuations that you owe a debt of gratitude to the Bureaucracy for all it has given to you or done for you. If you owe the present governmental bureaucracy any gratitude at all it must needs be for its not having as yet stolen your last remaining material possession, or for its not having as yet sprung the final trap that will plunge you (and all the rest of us non-Establishment citizens) into complete, abject, and irreversible slavery under the national socialist government in Washington, D. C., and finally, under the "One World" socialist government scheduled to be centered, more or less equally in Moscow, Peking, and New York.

And another thing, not totally unimportant: The judges' handbook (see p. 11) warns the jurors that they are not to take notes. And it goes on to state what purports to be a "reason" for this obviously unreasonable restriction. But, if you have eyes to see with, you will surely observe the judge himself, bless his little heart, taking all kinds of notes. And any that he fails to take while occupied otherwise (as, for example, when he is drawing doodles behind the shield of his big wooden bench) will surely be set down in writing by his trusty and subservient hand-picked court reporter who, when forced to produce a transcript of his shorthand or stenographic scribblings, will invariably doctor them up so as to make his boss the judge, look even better than good, and the defeated party (usually the defendant) correspondingly worse than bad. Why, then, should you not also be allowed to take notes, especially in a criminal trial? Could it be, perhaps, that the judge and prosecutor (both of whom represent the government against the defendant) are afraid
that if you jot down points favorable to the accused early in the trial, you just
might remember those same points later on in the jury room. And this, of course,
would never do—as every jury-tampering judge and prosecutor wants you to enter
upon your deliberations at the end of the court-portion of the trial with only
those carefully court-sifted points of law and evidence that they want you to
recall, all neatly and freshly imbedded in your memory by the judge's own unlawful
and totally uncalled for freedom-inhibiting "Charge to the jury," together with the
the prosecutor's ace-in-the-hole closing argument to the jury which he knows (from
our unfair court rules) the poor defendant will not be permitted to answer or even
to consent upon.

And finally, did you ever wonder why, as a defendant, you are presumed to know
the law but, as a juror, you are not merely presumed but confidently expected to be
totally ignorant of it—so much so that the judge must then take you in hand, like
a bunch of first graders, and explain it to you, or at least, his own particular
slanted or unconstitutional version of it? If you are a defendant and you attempt
to excuse yourself, or merit for yourself a lighter penalty, by explaining to the
judge that you didn't even realize that there was such a law or regulation as the
one you are accused of breaking, he will immediately come back at you with that old
reliable legal absurdity, to wit: "Ignorance of the law is no excuse!" But when
this same supposedly fair-minded judge is looking around for jurors, he is constant
on the alert for those only who are totally, or almost totally, ignorant of the law.

And in order for the judge to keep you and the other members of the jury in
that happy (and extremely convenient for him) state of legal ignorance, he will,
whenever the governing law is being decided in open court, herd all of you like a
flock of sheep back into the soundproof jury room where you cannot possibly hear or
be guided by any of the debate on the law then taking place out in the public
room. And, of course, no one out there will be allowed to tell you what went on
behind your back. So, when it comes time for the judge to give you his little
jury-tampering "Sermon From the Mount," he can talk to you as if he were, indeed,
a little God or a little Caesar, and the whole lot of you nothing but a gathering
of carefully selected idiots, completely void of any concept of law or natural
justice, totally under the control of the court, and more than willing to accept
any fallacy, illusory argument, or misstatement of the law that he, the judge, a
highly trained mind-bender, is able to come up with. And you, the now thoroughly
misinformed and brainwashed jury, sit in awe, especially in a criminal trial, as
the prosecutor next in turn completes the underhanded work initiated by the judge
in his, the prosecutor's, final two assaults upon your natural right, as a juror,
to judge every aspect of the case being tried by you in the light of your own
consciences—free from any attempt on the part of the judge and his chief assist-
ant (or legal advisor), the prosecuting attorney, to arbitrarily or in effect nus-
serize you into accomplishing their will and shouldering the blame, should the
verdict against the defendant be in conflict with what an uninhibited or un-
brainwashed jury would be quick to recognize as right, fair, or just, from a pure
natural or common law point of view.

And sandwiched in between the prosecutor's two sets of closing arguments the
defendant has his chance, if you can call it that, to undo all of the damage that
has already been done to him by the judge and the prosecutor (and also, in not a
few cases, by his own attorney) and, in some magical way or other, suddenly con-
vince your now thoroughly made-up minds that the government which (as the judges
would have you believe) has "given" you so much is, nevertheless, in the wrong,
and that the defendant, the alleged "culprit," is actually in the right. But,
given your initial (and very often carefully arranged for) ignorance of the law
and the judge's continuing attempts to keep you in that easy-to-sway mental condi-
tion, it is not likely that you will bring in anything but the government's des
And this is especially true if some of your income (in goods, services, or money) is provided for you, directly or indirectly, through the imposition of court-ordered fines and penalties, whether warranted by the facts and constitutional law or not.

However, should you desire to know what your rights, as a juror, really are, and what the jury, as originally intended, has the power to do, please feel free to ask for the little 12-page booklet of instructions and advice for trial jurors currently being distributed by the Snohomish County POSSE COMMITATUS. Or, if time is pressing, you may borrow a copy from your local public library which has been, or will shortly be, supplied with a suitable number of the afore-mentioned 12-page booklet entitled, "Handbook of Information for Trial Jurors," written by the author of the letter you are now reading. Should you decide to write for a copy, which will prove to be of lasting benefit and decisive importance to you as a juror, please address your request to Jerry Hurd, 7210 Beverly Lane, Everett, WA 98203. There is no charge for this service. But the actual cost of the delivered handbook (in preparation, printing, and postage) is approximately sixty-five cents. So, please don't ask for a free copy unless you intend to make good use of it.

Incidentally, this invaluable booklet will tell you, amongst other things, and back every assertion up with citations from the nation's highest courts, that you have not only the power but also the right to disregard the law as laid down to you by the so-called trial "judge," and also to disregard any of the selected "facts" that were permitted by him to be placed in evidence. And that it is your right and your duty (as guardian of the people's liberty against the usurpations of a ruthless and ever-expanding governmental bureaucracy) to judge of the justice of the law; and to hold all laws invalid that are, in your opinion, unjust or oppressive, and all powers and acts in violation, or in restraint the execution of, such laws.
If you could stand to read the judges' little handbook of misinformation (it is truly a masterpiece of dreariness and calculated deception, backed up by no legal citations from any court however low or insignificant), you will thoroughly enjoy reading the POSSE's little 12-page offering—if for no other reason than in virtue of its exhilarating contrast to what the learned judges have to offer.

So, if you are sincere in your desire to be a fair-minded juror and if you do not look forward to spending the next few weeks in a psychologically induced state of fear, wonderment, and near-hypnosis—all cleverly programmed and stage-handed by the strutting and theatrically clothed judges, who consider it an accomplishment of no small moment to have the jury so misinformed, awe-stricken, mystified and off-balance as to be, for all intents and purposes, under their complete domination and control—then by all means contact some member of your own local Snohomish County POSSE COMITATUS, an organization of patriotic citizens dedicated to the re-establishment of constitutional law and to the repeal or nullification of every statute, ordinance, executive order, bureaucratic regulation, or other so-called "law" in conflict therewith.

A brainwashed, frightened, and subservient jury (such as we have been getting in Snohomish County for many years) is of no earthly use to the poor defendant or to the ordinary citizens represented by him. And if we, the people, cannot arrange to have an intelligent, fully informed, and nonintimidated jury, the defendant would be well advised to face the judge alone, without a jury, so that should the verdict be unfair and against the defendant, it will be the judge himself, and the poor misguided jurors, who will have to bear the brunt of any physical repercussions flowing from the court's latest miscarriage of justice. Indeed, it is considered opinion, based on what we have seen or experienced, that most of the Superior Court judges of Snohomish County, as well as most of the vaccinating from elsewhere in the state, prefer to do their dirty work (when such they are
through a conveniently provided jury of scapegots, so that when retribution for an unjust verdict is threatened or imminent, the judge can always say to his beaten and outraged victim: "Don't blame me—it was the jury, and not I, who brought in the verdict of 'Guilty as charged.' And if revenge is what you want, look to them and not to me." So, jurors of Snohomish County, be on your guard lest you find yourselves being used as a protective shield by some vindictive and conniving judge out to "get" a particular defendant.

One last word of advice: If you are selected for jury duty, be sure to take not only the judges' little booklet but also the POSSSE's handbook with you when you come into court. And do not surrender either copy to the judges, or to the bailiffs, or to any representative of the enveloping bureaucracy, regardless of what they may say or threaten to do; for, if it was not unlawful for these booklets to be sent to you in the first place, it certainly cannot be against the law for you to take them with you into the jury room, and there to read and be guided by them, or whichever one of the two you consider to be the most authoritative, truthful, and urgent.

It would not be proper to conclude this letter, however, without acknowledging that some judges (but scarcely any at all in Snohomish County) are trying to be as fair and honest as they can possibly be—given the present situation of a corrupted legal system that they had no part in fashioning. And to these few we look for at least some semblance of justice. But to all of the others we can look for and expect to get nothing but sickening arrogance, pig-headedness, retaliation, and defeat. And with that as our closing remark, we bid you all adieu—for now.

Yours for the establishment of an independent, fully informed, nonintimidated, 12-man, 12-judge, Common Law, Magna Carta jury...AND...a noncorrupt judiciary!

[Signature]

...for and on behalf of your own local Snohomish County POSSSE COMMITATUS. Phone 353-3034...after 7 P.M.
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUM

On June 11, 1975, USA advised that the fifteenth member of the aforementioned group was tried and found guilty of income tax evasion. It reported no further incidents occurred following the trial of Robert E. Walsh on May 13, 1975.

On June 12, 1975, Bud Fuehling, Clerk of USDC, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, furnished the following disposition list of the fifteen defendants who were tried for income tax evasion from May 13, 1975 through June 11, 1975.

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On May 12, 1975, United States Marshal (USM) Northern District of Iowa (NDI), Dubuque, Iowa, advised that thirteen separate trials involving alleged members of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) (See Appendix) charged with income tax evasion, were to be held in United States District Court (USDC), Cedar Rapids, Iowa, commencing May 13, 1975.

On May 13, 1975, USM advised Robert E. Walsh, Benton, Wisconsin, an alleged member of the SPC, was tried at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, for income tax evasion. He was found guilty and sentenced to thirty months' imprisonment. In the courtroom at the time of his sentence were the other fourteen defendants along with many family members, who shouted obscenities in protest to the verdict and sentence. Federal United States Marshals present at the time were spat upon and a Federal law clerk was shoved several times by one unidentified member of the group. A confrontation developed between the aforementioned group, numbering about thirty, and the United States Marshals, numbering about eight. Only after prolonged discussion were the United States Marshals able to remove the group from the Federal Building without any arrests being made. USDC Judge Edward J. McManus, United States Attorney (USA) Evan L. Hultman and members of their staffs were escorted to their residences by United States Marshals.
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

On May 14, 1975, USM [REDACTED] provided a copy of two pamphlets entitled "Handbook of Information for Trial Jurors" and "To All Potential Jurors For The People Of Snohomish County."

USM [REDACTED] explained these two pamphlets were mailed to each of the jury members following the first trial at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, involving Robert E. Walsh, Jr. One of the members of the jury subsequently turned over these pamphlets to USM [REDACTED]. He said that although there was no return address on the envelopes, if the pamphlets to a juror, he feels the mailing of these pamphlets could be logically attributed to SPC.

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Handbook of
Information for
Trial Jurors
HAIL TO THE JURY—OUR ONLY DEFENSE

AGAINST THE USURPATIONS OF

AN OPRESSIVE AND TYRANNICAL GOVERNMENT

MAGNA CANTA, the great Charter of our liberties, wrung from a frightened would-be dictator-king at the point of a sword 739 years ago, and by far the most important legal document supporting our federal and state constitutions, is still, and to say, pretty much of a dead letter in Snohomish County.

But you—as a juror—armed merely with the knowledge of what a Common Law Jury really is, and what your common law rights, powers, and duties really are, can do more to re-establish liberty and justice in the State of Washington and, ultimately, throughout all of the United States, than all of our Senators and Representatives put together. Why? Because even without the concurrence of any of your fellow-jurors in a criminal trial, you can—with your single vote of "Not guilty"—nullify or invalidate any man-made law involved in the case that, in your opinion, for one reason or another, ought not to be enforced.

If you feel that the statute involved in any criminal case being tried by you is unfair, or that it infringes upon the defendant's natural or constitutional rights, then you must affirm that the offending statute is really no law at all, and that the violation of it is no crime at all—for no man is bound to obey an unjust command. Which means, in other words, that if the defendant has discovered some man-made criminal statute, and the statute itself, in your opinion, is unjust, he has committed no crime. And you—having ruled on the justice of the law involved (as you have a perfect right to do), and finding it opposed in whole or in part to your own natural concept of what is basically right or proper—are bound to hold for the acquittal of said defendant. And your vote of "Not guilty" must be respected by all other members of
the jury—for you are not there as a fool, merely to agree with the majority, but as an officer of the court and a qualified judge in your own right. And, regardless of the pressures, or even abuse, that may be heaped on you by any or all other members of the jury, you can walk back into the courtroom (for the reading of the verdict) with your head held high, and with your dignity and self-respect still intact, if, but only if, you have voted your own conscience—and not somebody else's.

And therein lies your opportunity for the accomplishment of more good than any person can possibly measure, or even estimate. For if you, and numerous other jurors throughout the state and nation, begin and continue to bring in verdicts of "not guilty" in every case where a man-made statute, in your opinion, is defective, or in any way opposed to the common good (as, for example, many of our tax laws, in your opinion, may very well be), these statutes will become as ineffective as if they had never been written. And it only takes one juror to affect a verdict of "not guilty" in any so-called criminal trial—a fact that could prove to be of more than passing interest to you, should you, yourself, be the defendant, and your accuser happen to be the State of Washington, or the once powerful, but now rapidly disintegrating, Internal Revenue Service.

THE JURY'S "UNCONTESTABLE" RIGHTS, POWERS, AND DUTIES

As the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia has clearly acknowledged, there can be no doubt that the jury has an "unreviewable and irreversible power...to acquit in disregard of the instructions on the law given by the trial judge." U.S. v. Dougherty, 473 F.2d 1113, 1139 (1972).
Or, as this same truth was stated in an earlier decision by the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Maryland: "We recognize, as appellants urge, the undisputed power of the jury to acquit, even if its verdict is contrary to the law as given by the judge, and contrary to the evidence. This is a power that must exist as long as we adhere to the general verdict in criminal cases, for the courts cannot search the minds of the jurors to find the basis upon which they judge. If the jury feels that the law under which the defendant is accused is unjust, or that extenuating circumstances justified the actions of the accused, or for any reason which appeals to their logic or passion, the jury has the power to acquit, and the courts must abide by that decision." U.S. v. Hoylan, 417 F.2d 1022, 1026 (1969).

The law as written, and invoked by prosecutors, "demands conviction of persons when local or even general opinion does not desire to punish." See "Law in Books and Law in Action," Dean Roscoe Pound, 42 American Law Review, 12, 16 (1910). Hence, Jury disregard of the limited and generally conviction-oriented evidence presented for its consideration, and Jury disregard for what the gentleman in the flowing black robes wants them to believe is the controlling law in any particular case—sometimes facetiously referred to as Jury lawlessness—is not something to be scrupulously avoided but, rather,
encouraged; as witness the following quotation from the eminent legal authority above-mentioned: "Jury lawlessness is the greatest corrective of law in its actual administration. The will of the state at large imposed on a reluctant community, the will of a majority imposed on a vigorous and determined minority, find the same obstacle in the local jury that formerly confronted kings and ministers." Dougherty, cited above, note 32, at 1130.

"The pages of history shine on instances of the jury's exercise of its prerogative to disregard uncontradicted evidence and instructions of the judge. Most often mentioned are the 18th century acquittal of Peter Zenger of seditious libel, on the plea of Andrew Hamilton, and the 19th century acquittals in prosecutions under the fugitive slave law. The values involved drop a notch (but are worthy of note, nonetheless) when the liberty vindicated by the verdict relates to the defendant's shooting of his wife's paramour, or purchase during Prohibition of alcoholic beverages." (Dougherty, cited above, at 1130. But rather than referring to the above as instances of "jury lawlessness," we would say, what appears to be far more likely, that they are examples of courageous adherence, by one or more jurors in each case, to the natural law of justice— as tempered, perhaps, by the radiant glow of a little kindness, understanding, or mercy.

THE JURY'S RIGHT TO BE TOLD OF ITS POWER

Every jury in Snohomish County has the right (carefully concealed from it by our District and Superior Court "judges") to bring in a verdict based on— not whether the defendant's act or omission was merely contrary to a "dictionary interpretation" of the words or phrases used in some man-made statute recited.
to it by the government's agent in flowing black robes—but whether or not the defendant's act or omission was truly blameworthy according to the jury's (and, representatively, according to the community's) natural sense of morality and justice; for it is a well-established principle in criminal jurisprudence that an act or omission does not make a man guilty unless he be so by intention.

The right of the jury to disregard either the law (as laid down by the trial "judge," so-called) or the facts (as permitted by him to be placed in evidence) is referred to in legal terminology as the jury's prerogative of nullification—which means in ordinary language, as does the expression, "jury lawlessness," that where the jurors cannot in conscience impose blame, they cannot in conscience allow punishment.

Now, the prerogative of nullification is not merely a legitimate, but also a praiseworthy, option of the jury. It is a mechanism that permits it, as spokesman for the community's conscience, to disregard the strict requirements of man-made law (and the "judge's" instructions in regard to same) where it finds that those requirements cannot justly be applied in a particular case. The doctrine or prerogative of nullification, in brief, "permits the jury to bring to bear on the criminal process a sense of fairness and particularized justice." (Dougherty, cited above, at 1142.) These, obviously, are worthy objectives. But in the courts of Snohomish County this unassailable doctrine is not merely concealed from the jury by our fair-minded "judges," but is effectively condemned by them in the jury's presence.

"The way the jury operates may be radically altered if there is alteration in the way it is told to operate." (Dougherty, cited above, at 1135) And its options are by no means limited to the choices presented to it in the courtroom. "The jury gets its understanding as to the arrangements in the legal system from more than one voice. There is the formal communication
from the judge. There is the informal communication from the total culture—literature, current events, conversation, and, of course, history and tradition." (Dougherty, cited above, at 1135) The totality of input from the above-mentioned informal sources (which latter term certainly includes your present correspondent) should be such as to convey adequately enough to the jurors the idea of presumptive, of their freedom to decide the guilt or innocence of a defendant according to their own consciences—regardless of the facts permitted by the "judge" to be placed in evidence, and regardless of his so-called "charge to the jury," which final set of unasked-for and generally disliked instructions will contain, among other things, what he considers to be the controlling law, or what he wants the jurors to think is the controlling law, in the particular case being tried by him.

But the jurors in Snohomish County have never been told, either formally or informally, that they have the right to judge for themselves what the controlling law is, or ought to be, in any particular case, and, furthermore, that each individual juror has the right to decide for himself what things (even though not admitted into evidence by the "judge") are to be accounted as fact, and what things (even though accepted as fact by the "judge") are not worthy to be so accounted.

Hence it devolves upon the members of the POSSE COMITATUS—sworn to uphold the natural, constitutional, and common law rights of any person who has been or is about to be victimized by any branch of federal, state, or local government—to inform every juror in Snohomish County that (regardless of any vespertine "juror's oath," so-called, binding him to decide the particular case being tried by him according to the law, as given to him by the trial "judge," and the facts, as permitted by said "judge" to be placed in evidence) his paramount and abiding duty—which takes precedence over any
subsequent agreement with the gentleman behind the bench to forgo or renounce it—is to decide the particular case being tried by him, and every legal and evidentiary aspect of it, according to his own conscience; and to accept no dictation whatsoever, either as to law or fact, from the so-called trial “judge,” who, in a trial by jury, is merely the chief assistant of the 12 true-judges sworn to hear and try the case.

And if there be anyone who might properly be referred to as the presiding officer in any such trial, it is the foreman of the jury—and not the so-called trial “judge,” who, in every legal contest between a private party and the government, is the representative and advocate of the latter, hence not even qualified to sit in judgment between the two parties; for no man ought to be a judge in his own cause. And if such a “judge” had any decency about him at all, or had any regard for the elementary rules of justice, he would disqualify himself, and openly admit that the twelve judges in the jury box are the only qualified and lawful judges that may be had in any legal dispute between a private citizen, or a private corporation, and any branch of federal, state, or local government.

And such a fictitious or presumed “judge” ought to admit further, as we allege, that any member of the above-indicated jury of twelve bona fide judges has, in a criminal trial, not only the power but also the right to effect a verdict of “Not guilty”—if such be the verdict most agreeable to his conscience—whether affirmed by all or none of the other eleven jurors, whether in line with the program of an over-sealous or vindictive prosecuting attorney or not, and whether or not in conformity with the final jury-tampering monologue (or so-called “Charge to the jury”) of an ignorant, arbitrary, prejudiced, case-hardened, or corrupt trial “judge.”
FUTURE OBSERVATIONS

For a full 750 years now—that is, since the 15th day of June, in the year of 1215, when the embattled barons of England met King John on the meadow at Runnymede and there forced him to sign the Great Charter of our liberties—there has been no clearer principle of constitutional law than that it is not only the right and duty of jurors to judge what are the facts; what is the controlling law; and what was the moral intent of the accused; but that it is also their right, and their primary and paramount duty, to judge of the justice of the law; and to hold all laws invalid that are, in their opinion, unjust or oppressive; and all persons guilty in violating, or resisting the execution of, such laws.

Unless such be the right and duty of jurors, it is plain that, instead of judicar being a "palladium of liberty"—a barrier against the tyranny and oppression of the government—they are really mere tools in its hands, for carrying into execution any injustice and oppression it may desire to have executed.

But for each juror's right to rule on the interpretation of the law, and the justice of the law, jurors would be no protection to an accused person, even as to matters of fact; for, if the government can dictate to the jurors any law whatever, it can certainly dictate to them the laws of evidence. That is, it can decide, all on its own, what evidence is admissible, and what inadmissible, and also what importance, if any, is to be given to the evidence admitted. And if the government can thus manipulate and control the evidence that the jurors are allowed to consider, and then require them to decide according to that evidence and none other, it can also manipulate and control their deliberations in the jury room. In which case the trial is, in reality,
a trial by the government (and a rigged one at that), and not a trial by the jury at all.

But jurors—who are the only lawful judges in any case being tried by them—are under no obligation to accept or even to be guided by the law, as given to them by the government through its agent, the "judge," and there is no rule of common justice or common right by which the twelve juror-judges can be held to consider only the evidence that has met with the government's approval, or by which they can be prevented from taking other facts or circumstances into consideration. And they should do, or refuse to do, whatever in their opinion is the best thing to do, from the standpoint of preventing or averting injustice. For, unless the jurors—who represent the people, and who alone are in a legal position to effectively shelter them from official abuse—begin and continue to fend off the blows of an increasingly hostile and oppressive government, we will, like many another locally unsheathed people, succumb little by little to its enveloping tyranny.

And that is why it is absolutely necessary that jurors, throughout the State of Washington, and throughout the United States, begin and continue to disregard the law as laid down to them by the trial "judge," whenever, in their opinion, the law is violative of any of the defendant's natural or constitutional rights, or is in any way opposed to the peace and happiness of mankind. For, in this way—and only in this way—can the trend toward centralized government and a socialistic one-world dictatorship be halted and reversed.

For example, is it not true that whenever any rule or regulation (however oppressive or tyrannical it may be) is placed in the statute books, and the "judge" imposes this newly adopted "law" upon the jury as being authoritative and binding (when, in fact, its binding force has never been ascertained,
certainly not finally or conclusively); and the jurors, through fear of offending the "Judge," bring in a verdict in accordance therewith, the authority and presumed binding force of the untested statute is thereby established (by case law or precedent—as the spineless attorneys and their black-robed ramrodding manipulators are quick to point out); and the whole people are thus brought under the yoke of the new "law," and a wide-sweeping tyranny at once put into operation; because the people will then understand that the "law," having been upheld in one or more previous cases, will be enforced against them in future, should they refuse to comply with its unjust prescriptions or exactions.

That this is not an exaggerated statement of the case is evident, when it is recalled that there are literally tens of thousands of so-called "bread-and-butter" statutes placed in the law books every year throughout the United States, for no other reason than to create jobs for the numbers and hangers-on of the legal fraternity—as attorneys for both sides in every legal battle, as legal researchers for plaintiff and defendant alike, as appeal bondsmen for cases carried into the higher courts, as "judges," bailiffs, court reporters, and so on... and so on... ad infinitum—all paid for by an overly pliant and thoroughly victimized general public.

But you— as jurors—can halt and reverse this disgraceful plunge into servitude under an all-encompassing, all-devouring bureaucratic dictatorship. For you have it within your power—as occupiers of the most important decision-making office in the land—to nullify every rule or regulation that, in your opinion, is not in accordance with the principles of natural, common, or constitutional law. And it is precisely this power of nullification that makes the trial by jury our most important right—for it is the one and only right that can protect and preserve all of our other rights. Hence, the jury—for the legal fraternity—will now begin to feel its claws.
It should be abundantly clear from the foregoing that our best, most readily available, and, ultimately, our only real legal protection against the criminal activities of our elected and appointed officials, and against the ever-increasing usurpations of federal, state, and local government, lies in the Common Law or Magna Carta Jury as set forth, at least in part, herein.

The Constitution of the United States—designed (especially as regards the Bill of Rights) to hold the national government in check—as much as we may admire it, is of no real or practical value as a safeguard to our liberties, should it stand in the way of a government that has either the cunning to evade its requirements, or the force to overrule those who attempt its defense. Consequently, if there exists no tribunal apart from, uncontrolled by, and above the government—with power to nullify its unjust enactments as fast as they can be written up and entered in our statute books—we are slaves, pure and simple: and wholly at the mercy of the few disproportionately powerful socialists, communists, one-worlders, and other assorted collectivists whom we have elected, or who have been appointed, to key positions of authority within our various organs of government.

But there does exist, fortunately for us, just such a tribunal—and, as previously indicated, it is none other than the long-familiar, but too long overlooked 12-man, 12-judge, Common Law jury, which was first accurately described in Magna Carta, back in 1215; which was put into effect, with all its powers, by the people of the United States on March 4th, 1789; and which had we only the good sense to use its immense power—would make it unnecessary for us to ever be concerned about such an unimportant thing as a bill of rights.

The honorable Theo. Parsons, in the Massachusetts convention of 1788, answering the objection that the Constitution of the United States, as sub-
mited to the people for adoption, contained no Bill of Rights, said: "The people themselves have it in their power effectually to resist usurpation, without being driven to an appeal to arms. An act of usurpation is not obligatory; it is not law; and any man may be justified in his resistance. Let him be considered as a criminal by the general government, yet only his fellow-citizens can convict him; they are his jury, and if they pronounce him innocent, not all the powers of Congress can hurt him; and innocent they will pronounce him, if the supposed law be resisted was an act of usurpation."


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Telephone, 353-3084.
TO ALL POTENTIAL JURORS FOR THE PEOPLE OF SNOHOMISH COUNTY

Do not be led astray by the Superior Court judges' 20-page pamphlet, called "A Handbook of Information for Trial Jurors," which was given to you by the Snohomish County Clerk. This Handbook—which has the approval of no higher authority than the so-called "Judicial Conference" held at Tacoma, Washington, on September 8th, 1961—was designed to weaken the constitutional powers of the jury, to puppetize it, and to convert it into a rubber stamp of approval for all of the mistakes, mandates, and arbitrary rulings of our so-called trial "judges." And, especially, do not be deceived or led astray by the judges' accompanying letter (that was sent to you along with their little 20-page booklet) which purports to warn you against certain "unauthorized" or "unsanctioned" communications—such as this letter and the 12-page booklet entitled, "Handbook of Information for Trial Jurors," currently being distributed throughout the state by your own local POSSE COMITATUS. But will you, as an intelligent citizen, allow the judges' use of a few carefully chosen meaningless lawyer-type scare-words keep you from considering both sides of the jury question? Just because the Superior Court judges have not "authorized" or "sanctioned" my report concerning the evils they are attempting to further in this county is no indication that my assertions with regard to same are unfounded. Indeed, if what I have said is not true, and if the Superior Court judges of Snohomish County are not engaged in a conspiracy to subvert, incapacitate, and control the juries (which same were originally intended for the defendant's protection), then let these same blackrobed despoilers of the people's natural and constitutionally guaranteed rights take legal action against me, out in the open for all to see—and cease their childish game of stuffing mailboxes with weasel-worded cover letters filled with vague and meaningless warnings against the person or freedom of your present correspondent or against any of his writings.

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My 12-page Handbook of Information for Trial Jurors, incidentally, was turned over by Judge Phil Sheridan to the state attorney general's office in Olympia for the express purpose of determining if I had broken any law in mailing it out to the potential jurors. And, although this urgent request for the Attorney General's opinion was made more than four months ago, no adverse ruling by him has as yet been received. If there is something wrong in my distributing a rebuttal to the judges' handbook of misinformation, where is the "appropriate action" with regard to me that Judge Sheridan was so sure he was going to get from the Attorney General? (See page 1A of the Everett Herald at the Public Library, dated June 19, 1974.)

The judges' little handbook begins, for example, by attempting to make all potential jurors feel that they are in some way obligated to the government for all of the wonderful things it has done for them in the past (as if these same exploited taxslaves had not already paid many times over for any so-called favors received by them from, or rather, through the government), and, consequently, that it is now their duty to repay said government (for all of its manifold "gifts" to them) by cooperating with its judicial representatives (the judges, the prosecuting attorneys, and every other member of their monopolistic and unconstitutional Bar Association) in their combined attack upon what they generally hope to end up with, namely, a beaten, impoverished, subdued, and completely helpless defendant, fit only to join the ranks of our "Great Society" as a despondent and suicide-prone (or violently anti-social) welfare recipient.

But the jury, as you probably already know, was never intended by our Founding Fathers to be the tool, instrument of control, or scapegoat for either the judges or the prosecuting attorneys but was intended to be, on the contrary, the supreme guardian of our liberties, the invincible fortress standing between an otherwise all-encompassing, all-consuming and all-conquering bureaucratic state (as represented by the judges, the prosecutors, and their unconstitutional Bar Association)
and the poor defenseless defendant who, even though "counseled" by an attorney, is, in almost every case, simply wasting his money on a mealy-mouthed hypocrite who, as an officer of the court, has already placed himself in bondage to the judge, and, as a member of the Bar Association (to which the prosecuting attorneys also belong), has already formed numerous social and financial ties of allegiance to these last-named enemies of the people. In short, the jury is there—as the only true representative of the accused, and as the only true representative of the common people—to see to it that the bureaucracy's array of power (the judge, the prosecuting attorney, and, generally, the defendant's own lawyer) shall not be used to deprive the defendant of any of his inalienable or God-given rights, many of which are spelled out in detail in the Constitution which, whether our bureaucratic rulers like it or not (and, indeed, they do not) is still the supreme law of the land.

And, come to think of it, what precisely do you owe the government that must now be returned to it by you, as a juror, in the form of blind obedience to, or unthinking cooperation with, its judicial representatives? Is it not the government that is mainly responsible for your present financial predicament? Is it not the unnecessarily high taxes imposed upon you by our own corrupt local, state, and national bureaucratic officials that has led to your present distress? Is it not the crooked judges and the crooked attorneys, members of the same corrupt Bar Association, who design and perpetuate the legal snare which enable them to live in luxury off of your hard-earned savings? Is it not the crooked judges and the crooked lawyers who steal your property by every legal (as opposed to lawful) means painstakingly developed by them? And is it not the above-named doomsdaymen and shysters who, in the event of some death in your family, move in on you (or upon your survivors) for their final devastating clean-up of everything they can get their greedy hands on in the most lucrative and diabolical of all skin games, namely, the one masquerading under the soothing and gently disarming title of "probate." No wonder these
shining examples of propriety and material success can recite the following advice
to their offspring, and mean every word of it: "Why take up a life of crime, sonny
boy (or darling daughter), when there are so many legal ways to be dishonest?"

And so we say to you good jurors, who alone have it within your power to put
a stop to governmental tyranny, do not permit yourselves to be outwitted, bamboozled,
or taken in by the judges' brainwashing insinuations that you owe a debt of
gratitude to the Bureaucracy for all it has given to you or done for you. If you
owe the present governmental bureaucracy any gratitude at all it must needs be for
its not having as yet stolen your last remaining material possession, or for its
not having as yet sprung the final trap that will plunge you (and all the rest of
us non-Establishment citizens) into complete, abject, and irreversible slavery
under the national socialist government in Washington, D. C., and finally, under
the "One World" socialist government scheduled to be centered, more or less equally,
in Moscow, Peking, and New York.

And another thing, not totally unimportant: The judges' handbook (see p. 14)
warms the jurors that they are not to take notes. And it goes on to state what
purports to be a "reason" for this obviously unreasonable restriction. But, if you
have eyes to see with, you will surely observe the judge himself, bless his little
heart, taking all kinds of notes. And any that he fails to take while occupied
otherwise (as, for example, when he is drawing doodles behind the shield of his
big wooden bench) will surely be set down in writing by his trusty and subservient-
hand-picked court reporter who, when forced to produce a transcript of his shorthand
or stenographic scribblings, will invariably doctor them up so as to make his boss,
the judge, look even better than good, and the defeated party (usually the defendant)
correspondingly worse than bad. Why, then, should you not also be allowed to take
notes, especially in a criminal trial? Could it be, perhaps, that the judge and the
prosecutor (both of whom represent the government against the defendant) are afraid

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that if you jot down points favorable to the accused early in the trial, you just might remember those same points later on in the jury room. And this, of course, would never do—as every jury-tampering judge and prosecutor wants you to enter upon your deliberations at the end of the court-portion of the trial with only those carefully court-sifted points of law and evidence that they want you to recall, all neatly and freshly imbedded in your memory by the judge’s own unlawful and totally uncalled for freedom-inhibiting “Charge to the jury,” together with the prosecutor’s ace-in-the-hole closing argument to the jury which he knows (from our unfair court rules) the poor defendant will not be permitted to answer or even to comment upon.

And finally, did you ever wonder why, as a defendant, you are presumed to know the law but, as a juror, you are not merely presumed but confidently expected to be totally ignorant of it—so much so that the judge must then take you in hand, like a bunch of first graders, and explain it to you, or at least, his own particular slanted or unconstitutional version of it? If you are a defendant and you attempt to excuse yourself, or merit for yourself a lighter penalty, by explaining to the judge that you didn’t even realize that there was such a law or regulation as the one you are accused of breaking, he will immediately come back at you with that old reliable legal absurdity, to wit: “Ignorance of the law is no excuse!” But when this same supposedly fair-minded judge is looking around for jurors, he is constantly on the alert for those only who are totally, or almost totally, ignorant of the law.

And in order for the judge to keep you and the other members of the jury in that happy (and extremely convenient for him) state of legal ignorance, he will, whenever the governing law is being decided in open court, herd all of you like a flock of sheep back into the soundproof jury room where you cannot possibly hear or be guided by any of the debate on the law then taking place out in the open courtroom. And, of course, no one out there will be allowed to tell you what went on.
behind your back. So, when it comes time for the judge to give you his little jury-tampering "Sermon From the Mount," he can talk to you as if he were, indeed, a little God or a little Caesar, and the whole lot of you nothing—but a gathering of carefully selected idiots, completely void of any concept of law or natural justice, totally under the control of the court, and more than willing to accept any fallacy, illusory argument, or misstatement of the law that he, the judge, a highly trained mind-bender, is able to come up with. And you, the now thoroughly misinformed and brainwashed jury, sit in awe, especially in a criminal trial, as the prosecutor next in turn completes the underhanded work initiated by the judge in his, the prosecutor's, final two assaults upon your natural right, as a juror, to judge every aspect of the case being tried by you in the light of your own consciences—free from any attempt on the part of the judge and his chief assistant (or legal advisor), the prosecuting attorney, to arbitrarily or in effect mesmerize you into accomplishing their will and shouldering the blame, should the verdict against the defendant be in conflict with what an unintimidated or unbrainwashed jury would be quick to recognize as right, fair, or just, from a purely natural or common law point of view.

And sandwiched in between the prosecutor's two sets of closing arguments the defendant has his chance, if you can call it that, to undo all of the damage that has already been done to him by the judge and the prosecutor (and also, in not a few cases, by his own attorney) and, in some magical way or other, suddenly convince your now thoroughly made-up minds that the government which (as the judges would have you believe) has "given" you so much is, nevertheless, in the wrong, and that the defendant, the alleged "culprit," is actually in the right. But, given your initial (and very often carefully arranged for) ignorance of the law, and the judge's continuing attempts to keep you in that easy-to-sway mental condition, it is not likely that you will bring in anything but the government's desire
right of 'guilt as charged.' And this is especially true if some of your income (in goods, services, or money) is provided for you, directly or indirectly, through the imposition of court-ordered fines and penalties, whether warranted by the facts and constitutional law or not.

However, should you desire to know what your rights, as a juror, really are, and what the jury, as originally intended, has the power to do, please feel free to ask for the little 12-page booklet of instructions and advice for trial jurors currently being distributed by the Snohomish County POSSE COMITATUS. Or, if time is pressing, you may borrow a copy from your local public library which has been, or will shortly be, supplied with a suitable number of the afore-mentioned 12-page booklet entitled, "Handbook of Information for Trial Jurors," written by the author of the letter you are now reading. Should you decide to write for a copy, which will prove to be of lasting benefit and decisive importance to you as a juror, please address your request to Jerry Hurd, 7210 Beverly Lane, Everett, WA 98203. There is no charge for this service. But the actual cost of the delivered handbook (in preparation, printing, and postage) is approximately sixty-five cents. So, please don't ask for a free copy unless you intend to make good use of it.

Incidentally, this invaluable booklet will tell you, amongst other things, and back every assertion up with citations from the nation's highest courts, that you have not only the power but also the right to disregard the law as laid down to you by the so-called trial "judge," and also to disregard any of the selected "facts" that were permitted by him to be placed in evidence. And that it is your right and your duty (as guardian of the people's liberty against the usurpations of a ruthless and ever-expanding governmental bureaucracy) to judge of the justice of the law; and to hold all laws invalid that are, in your opinion, unjust or oppressive, and all persons guiltless in violating, or in resisting the execution of, such laws.
If you could stand to read the judges' little handbook of misinformation (and it is truly a masterpiece of dreariness and calculated deception, backed up by no legal citations from any court however low or insignificant), you will thoroughly enjoy reading the POSSE's little 12-page offering—if for no other reason than by virtue of its exhilarating contrast to what the learned judges have to offer.

So, if you are sincere in your desire to be a fair-minded juror and if you do not look forward to spending the next few weeks in a psychologically induced state of fear, wonderment, and near-hypnosis—all cleverly programmed and stage-handled by the strutting and theatrically clothed judges, who consider it an accomplishment of no small moment to have the jury so misinformed, awe-stricken, mystified and off-balance as to be, for all intents and purposes, under their complete domination and control—then by all means contact some member of your own local Snohomish County POSSE COMITATUS, an organization of patriotic citizens dedicated to the re-establishment of constitutional law and to the repeal or nullification of every statute, ordinance, executive order, bureaucratic regulation, or other so-called "law" in conflict therewith.

A brainwashed, frightened, and subservient jury (such as we have been getting in Snohomish County for many years) is of no earthly use to the poor defendant or to the ordinary citizens represented by him. And if we, the people, cannot arrange to have an intelligent, fully informed, and nonintimidated jury, the defendant would be well advised to face the judge alone, without a jury, so that should the verdict be unfair and against the defendant, it will be the judge himself, and not the poor misguided jurors, who will have to bear the brunt of any physical repercussions flowing from the recent miscarriage of justice. Indeed, it is our considered opinion, based on what we have seen or experienced, that most of the Superior Court judges of Snohomish County, as well as most of the visiting judges from elsewhere in the state, prefer to do their dirty work (when such they are
through a conveniently provided jury of scapegoats, so that when retribution for an unjust verdict is threatened or imminent, the judge can always say to his beaten and outraged victim: "Don't blame me—it was the jury, and not I, who brought in the verdict of 'Guilty as charged.' And if revenge is what you want, look to them and not to me." So, jurors of Snohomish County, be on your guard lest you find yourselves being used as a protective shield by some vindictive and conniving judge out to "get" a particular defendant.

One last word of advice: If you are selected for jury duty, be sure to take not only the judges' little booklet but also the POSSE's handbook with you when you come into court. And do not surrender either copy to the judges, or to the bailiffs, or to any representative of the enveloping bureaucracy, regardless of what they may say or threaten to do; for, if it was not unlawful for these booklets to be sent to you in the first place, it certainly cannot be against the law for you to take them with you into the jury room, and there to reread and be guided by them, or whichever one of the two you consider to be the most authoritative, truthful, and urgent.

It would not be proper to conclude this letter, however, without acknowledging that some judges (but scarcely any at all in Snohomish County) are trying to be as fair and honest as they can possibly be—given the present situation of a corrupted legal system that they had no part in fashioning. And to these few we look for at least some semblance of justice. But to all of the others we can look for and expect to get nothing but sickening arrogance, pig-headedness, retaliation, and defeat. And with that as our closing remark, we bid you all adieu—for now.

Yours for the establishment of an independent, fully informed, nonintimidated, 12-man, 12-judge, Common Law, Magna Carta jury....AND....a noncorrupt judiciary!

Jerry Bird

for and on behalf of your own local Snohomish County POSSE COMITATUS. Phone 353-3034....after 7 P.M.

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On June 11, 1975, USA advised that the fifteenth member of the aforementioned group was tried and found guilty of income tax evasion, reported no further incidents occurred following the trial of Robert E. Walsh on May 13, 1975.

On June 12, 1975, Bud Fuehling, Clerk of USDC, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, furnished the following disposition list of the fifteen defendants who were tried for income tax evasion from May 13, 1975 through June 11, 1975.

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<th>Name and Address</th>
<th>Date Tried or Pled</th>
<th>Sentence</th>
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<td>Robert E. Walsh, Jr. Benton, Wisconsin</td>
<td>May 13, 1975 (Tried)</td>
<td>30 months' imprisonment; $1,250 fine</td>
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<tr>
<td>John H. McAuliffe 1323 Garfield Avenue Dubuque, Iowa</td>
<td>May 14, 1975 (Tried)</td>
<td>6 months each count; $250 each count</td>
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<td>Thomas Walton, Jr. 2539 Hanover Drive Dubuque, Iowa</td>
<td>May 21, 1975 (Pled)</td>
<td>$300 fine and 3 years probation</td>
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<td>Mark Mulvehill Rural Route 1 Cuba City, Wisconsin</td>
<td>May 23, 1975 (Pled)</td>
<td>$200 fine and 2 years probation</td>
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<td>Bernard Hinderman Rural Route 3 Bellevue, Iowa</td>
<td>May 23, 1975 (Tried)</td>
<td>1 year imprisonment with reduction on June 10, 1975; to 179 days; $500 fine</td>
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<td>Duane Lyster 119 West Clay Street Cuba City, Wisconsin</td>
<td>May 19, 1975 (Pled)</td>
<td>$100 fine and 2 years probation</td>
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As a result of the above, On April 15, 1975, Intelligence Agent, IRS, Lubbock,

On May 7, 1975, Deputy U. S. Marshal, Lubbock, Texas, advised there had been no problems concerning hearings held at Lubbock, Texas. He said that one individual had tried to take a tape recorder into the court room, but had surrendered it when
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told recorders were not allowed in the court room. He
said that the hearings had been completed on the afternoon
of May 6, 1975, and Judge had returned to
Brownsville on May 6, 1975. He continued that a
trial date had not been set for the criminal case
against as one of the motions filed in behalf of
was for dismissal of the case against him. He
said that Judge did not rule on this motion.

On that same date, Winkler
County Clerk, advised that she was unable to locate
any reference in her files concerning the Sheriff's Posse
Comitatus, or the Citizens Law Enforcement
Research Committee. She stated that she would
immediately contact the FBI Office at Midland, Texas, should
anything concerning either organization come to her
attention.
On July 10, 1975, Deputy U. S. Marshal [redacted] of Midland, Texas, advised that [redacted], a member of SPC, has attempted to serve summons on individuals in [redacted] pertaining to his firing for claiming too many dependents. Deputy [redacted] has refused to serve a summons in lieu of a deposit by [redacted] and [redacted] had threatened to sue him.
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3131 PM URGENT 12/12/75 DH
TO
DIRECTOR, FBI
EL PASO
PORTLAND
FROM
DALLAS

ATTENTION: INT. SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS, AKA EM-WHG,
U/C: PORTLAND, PORTLAND FILE 157-1432, BUFILE 157-33487,
EL PASO FILE 157-536, DALLAS FILE 157-3360.
AKA EM-SPC, 00: DALLAS, BUFILE
157-33487, EL PASO FILE 157-529, DALLAS FILE 157-3285.

DEPUTY U. S. MARSHAL [REDACTED] LUBBOCK, TEXAS,
ADvised DECEMBER 11, 1975 SUBJECT [REDACTED] SCHEDULED TO BE
TRIED ON TAX CHARGES IN USDC, LUBBOCK, TEXAS, COMMENCING
MORNING OF [REDACTED] HE STATED THERE WILL BE A
PRE-TRIAL HEARING LATE ON AFTERNOON OF [REDACTED]
DEALING WITH MOTIONS.

[REDACTED] STATED THERE WILL BE FOUR DEPUTY MARSHALS
ASSIGNED TO THIS TRIAL AND TWO GSA GUARDS. HE STATED ALL
PERSONS WHO INTEND TO ENTER COURTROOM WILL BE SEARCHED,
AND NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED ON THE FLOOR WHERE THE COURTROOM
IS LOCATED WHO DOES NOT HAVE BUSINESS THERE. IN ADDITION,
ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 12/30/75 BY SP8BDJ

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HE STATED A METAL DETECTOR WILL BE UTILIZED TO MAKE SURE NO WEAPONS ARE TAKEN INTO THE COURTROOM.

EL PASO AND PORTLAND REQUESTED TO CONTACT SOURCES FAMILIAR WITH ACTIVITIES OF SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS AND ADVISE DALLAS OF THE IDENTITY OF ANY MEMBERS WHO INTEND TO ATTEND THE ABOVE TRIAL.

DALLAS WILL FOLLOW THIS MATTER AND KEEP THE BUREAU AND INTERESTED OFFICES ADVISED. P.

END

PLS HOLD FOR ONE MORE
Memorandum

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-33487) DATE: 6/10/76

FROM: SAC, PORTLAND (157-1432) (P)

SUBJECT: SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), aka EM-WHG (00:PORTLAND)

Enclosed for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM captioned as above. Two copies of LHM are being disseminated to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Intelligence, Portland, Oregon.

INFORMANTS

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Special Agent referred to in enclosed LHM is

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The following individuals mentioned in LHM are subjects of investigation as indicated below:

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Agency: Secret Service
Dep. - AAG Civil Rights Div.
AAG Criminal Div.
Attn: ISS

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Date 6/10/70

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly in the Payroll Savings Plan
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On April 30, 1976 U. S. Marshal [redacted] Portland, Oregon, advised that [redacted] individuals are scheduled for trial on [redacted] for income tax evasion in U. S. District Court, Portland, Oregon. These individuals are alleged members of the Sheriff's Posse Comitatus (SPC) (see appendix).

[Redacted] advised these individuals will be defending themselves with legal advice from Federal Defender [redacted]. Their cases will be heard before U. S. District Court Judge [redacted].

[Redacted] stated on April 30, 1976 that Judge [redacted] held a meeting with U. S. Attorney (USA) [redacted] and Marshall [redacted] advised that [redacted] had previously advised that the defendants had been talking about planning some action against Judge [redacted] or Assistant U. S. Attorney (AUSA) [redacted] who is prosecuting the defendants. [Redacted] advised that this group has espoused a lot of rhetoric common to SPC members, but the rhetoric is now to the point where he feels that Judge [redacted] could be the subject of violent actions by this group. [Redacted] did not convey the type of threat or type of possible violation, but felt it was his obligation to notify the Judge of this matter. [Redacted] further stated that on [redacted] this group plans to hold a meeting in the State of Washington to determine what type of action they might take against [redacted]. Also stated that he has told the defendants that he was going to notify Judge [redacted].

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DATE 5/10/80 BY [Signature]

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.

ENCLOSURE
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

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Page D6 of the May 3, 1976 edition of the "Oregonian," a daily Portland, Oregon, newspaper, carried the following article:

"Posse leader airs warning

"ELLENSBURG, Wash. (AP) - The leader of Snohomish County's Posse Comitatus said Sunday that the national anti-Christ movement is setting 'brush fires from one end of the nation to the other.'

"Anti-Christians, said Doc Graber, are bankrupting American patriots by forcing them to fight the 'brush fires' in court.

"'Be careful,' he told a meeting of posses from Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Alaska, 'don't go bankrupt. The enemy is trying to get you out of the fight by taking you to court.

"Graber urged his listeners to stop fighting symptoms and look at causes. 'You have to have a road map....Know the enemy and know the cause,' he said. And he urged posse members to 'take a stand for God and America.'

"The posse comitatus are organized on the county level and hold that the county sheriff is the only legal law enforcement officer in the nation. The posse say they are organized to preserve the peace and uphold the law, but that since the sheriff is a servant of the people, a posse can be formed without his consent."
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"The posses have been in conflict with law enforcement officers and the courts on several occasions as a result of their beliefs.

"Graber urged the group to study and know the history of the United States. He said without knowledge it is impossible to fight the 'dreadful authority' evidenced in the anti-Christ movement.

"Without knowledge, he told the audience, the enemy will force them to live by animal instinct.

"'Can you shoot a gun? Can you hit the enemy between the eyes from 100 yards? Or would you rather be a coward?'

On May 3, 1976 U. S. Marshal [redacted] advised that reportedly members of the SPC, appeared at a hearing in U. S. District Court (USDC), Portland, on [redacted] and were scheduled to appear for trial in USDC [redacted]. They had been previously released on their own recognizance and this was continued. In addition to being ordered to appear for trial at 1976, U. S. District Judge [redacted] ordered these individuals to appear in his courtroom at [redacted] 1976, in order to hear any pre-trial motions.

[redacted] stated that the above individuals appeared as scheduled on [redacted] in Judge [redacted] courtroom and the motions made by AUSA [redacted] were concluded within approximately twenty minutes. At this time the defendants presented citizen arrest warrants to Judge [redacted] and Mr. [redacted] naming them in the warrants, and requested Deputy U. S. Marshal [redacted] to arrest Judge [redacted] and Mr. [redacted] stating further that if the Marshal or the Sheriff failed in this duty, they would execute the warrants themselves. [redacted] refused to execute the warrants and Judge [redacted] recessed court and ordered the defendants to appear in ten minutes in Judge [redacted].
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The defendants left the U.S. Courthouse and did not appear for trial as instructed.

On _, advised that bench warrants were issued for the defendants, charging them with failure to appear for trial. Judge_ ordered the issuance of the warrants and fixed bail at $10,000 each.

In addition, _ advised that Judge_ had received a telegram from _ a posse leader from Oregon. _ had been attending the aforementioned legal proceedings.

_furnished a copy of the telegram and posse arrest warrants.
CASE, YOU DENIED THE BIBLE, THE SUPREME
CLAUSE—THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION AND LAWS IN PURSUANCE THEREOF
SHALL BE THE SUPREME LAW OF THE LAND AND THE JUDGES IN EVERY STAFF
SHALL BE BOUND THEREBY. A CRIMINAL VIOLATION OF YOUR OATH OF OFFICE
UNLESS YOU HAVE TAKEN THE KOL-NIDNE AL VOWS PRAYER, TRANSCRIPTS SAY
YOU ARE GOING TO JURY TAXPER. WITHOUT A DEGREE IN CONSTITUTIONAL
LAW, YOU ARE IN CONTEMPT OF OUR COURT AND SHOWING THE DEEPEST
DISREGARD FOR THE U.S. CONSTITUTION.

MARSHAL [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] CR
CITIZEN'S ARREST WARRANT

AND COMPLAINT

YOU ARE HEREBY GIVEN NOTICE THAT YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN SILENT; THAT ANYTHING YOU SAY MAY BE USED AGAINST YOU; AND THAT YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO COUNSEL.

Know All Persons By These Presents--

UNDER AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, OR THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA, WE THE UNDERSIGNED CITIZEN(S) OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA, DO HEREBY ARREST AND ACCUSE YOU OF THE CRIME OR CRIMES OF CONSPIRACY AGAINST RIGHTS OF CITIZENS IN VIOLATION OF TITLE 18, SECTION 241 U.S. CRIMINAL CODE, WHICH READS AS FOLLOWS:

If two or more persons conspire to injure, oppress, threaten, or intimidate any citizen in the free exercise or enjoyment of any right or privilege secured to him by the Constitution or laws of the United States, or because of his having so exercised the same, ...

They shall be fined not more than $10,000 or imprisoned not more than ten years, or both; and if death results, they shall be subject to imprisonment for any term of years or for life.

COMMITTED IN THE MANNER AND FORM AS FOLLOWS. TO-WIT:

[Redacted]

All of which criminal acts were done with willful, corrupt and felonious intent, and done in violation of the Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, and Fourteenth (section 1) Amendments of the Constitution of the United States of America, and against the peace and dignity of the people of the United States of America.

This arrest is made pursuant to the common law rule that, "A private person may make an arrest when they have reasonable grounds to believe that the accused has committed a felony," and the rule that a private person making an arrest under this rule has all the power and protection of law that any peace officer would have in making such arrest. This common law rule has been incorporated in the criminal codes of all the states.

The Affiants state they have read the statements in the foregoing Warrant of Arrest, and that they are true as they verily believe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me in person this the 3rd day of August, 1976

My commission expires on Sept 20, 1977

Notary Public in and for the county of
[Signature]
Know All Persons By These Presents--

UNDER AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, OR THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA, WE THE UNDERSIGNED CITIZEN(S) OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA, DO HEREBY ARREST AND ACCUSE YOU OF THE CRIME OR CRIMES OF CONSPIRACY AGAINST RIGHTS OF CITIZENS IN VIOLATION OF TITLE 18, SECTION 241 U.S. CRIMINAL CODE, WHICH READS AS FOLLOWS:

If two or more persons conspire to injure, oppress, threaten, or intimidate any citizens in the free exercise or enjoyment of any right or privilege secured to him by the Constitution or laws of the United States, or because of his having so exercised the same:

They shall be fined not more than $10,000 or imprisoned not more than ten years, or both; and if death results, they shall be subject to imprisonment for any term of years or for life.

COMMITTED IN THE MANNER AND FORM AS FOLLOWS. — TO WIT:

[Redacted]

All of which criminal acts were done with willful, corrupt and felonious intent, and done in violation of the Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, and Fourteenth (section 1) Amendments of the Constitution of the United States of America, and against the peace and dignity of the people of the United States of America.

This arrest is made pursuant to the common law rule that, "A private person may make an arrest when they have reasonable grounds to believe that the accused has committed a felony," and the rule that a private person making an arrest under this rule has all the power and protection of law that any peace officer would have in making such arrest. This common law rule has been incorporated in the criminal codes of all the states.

The Affiants state they have read the statements in the foregoing Warrant of Arrest, and that they are true as they verify believe.

Subscribed and sworn to before me in person this 2nd day of May, 1976.

Notary Public in and for the county of

[Signature]
On U. S. Marshal advised that on the afternoon of
appeared before U. S. District Judge reduced their bail to $1,000 - 10%, which all subjects paid. They will be released this afternoon.

He further advised that their release on bond was on the condition that they do not change their residence or leave the state and that all the firearms they own be turned in to their attorneys. Also their attorneys must be provided the telephone number where the attorneys can reach the defendants.
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

On [redacted] U.S. Marshal [redacted] advised that on July 22, 1976, a defendant had made bail of $10,000 by putting up his property. Judge [redacted] lowered bail from $10,000 to $5,000 on July 22, 1976, and both these individuals are expected to post bail by putting up personal property on July 22, 1976.

Judge [redacted] set conditions on the release of the aforementioned individuals that they must turn all personally owned weapons over to their attorneys and must report to their probation officer daily.

On May 11, 1976 AUSA [redacted] advised the following events preceded the defendants' failure to appear for trial:

Informations were filed at Portland, Oregon on July 22, 1976. The informations charged that on or about the above individuals, then employed by [redacted], who were required under the Internal Revenue laws to furnish with a signed withholding allowance certificate, did willfully supply a false and fraudulent statement on which they claimed they had incurred no liability for federal income tax for 1974; as they then and there well knew, they had incurred such liability in 1974, in violation of 7205, Internal Revenue Code; Title 26, United States Code, Section 7205.

The defendants appeared before USDC Judge [redacted] for arraignment on July 22, 1976. The arraignment was continued and all individuals were released on their own recognizance. The individuals entered not guilty pleas and moved to defend themselves. The trial was set on [redacted].

On [redacted] an information was filed charging him with the same violation as the aforementioned individuals. [redacted] was arraigned on [redacted] and released on his own recognizance.
SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS

On December 12, 1975 the defendants, in a pretrial discussion with USDC Judges, changed their plea to guilty.

All defendants appeared before Judge on for sentencing. At this time all the defendants changed their pleas to not guilty and requested a jury trial which Judge allowed. Trial date was set for

During a pretrial conference, the defendants made several motions before Judge which were denied. Some of the motions were: motion for a Christian Judge; for a Christian jury; dismissal of their cases as the defendants were not indicted by a grand jury.

On the defendants moved for a continuance which was denied.

On May 11, 1976 U. S. Marshal, Portland, Oregon, advised that self-appointed leader in the SPC movement from Oregon, came to office after the arrest of the defendants on

spent one and one-half hours talking about his family problems and the SPC. stated that he knew what was going to happen in the courtroom and had attended the proceedings as well as keeping contact with the defendants in Clackamas County in order to avoid bloodshed. stated the posse could have had 100 men hiding in barns, trees and everywhere but that guns were not the answer and he wanted to prevent violence.

stated that he and the defendants had attended a posse meeting in Ellensburg, Washington, this past weekend, which he did not elaborate on.

requested to talk to USDC Judge and Marshal accompanied to office. told Judge that he sent the telegram to make the boys happy. He stated that the actions of the defendants in court and failure to appear for trial was an effort to test the system. then went on about how the good Lord took his trigger finger and his other personal problems.
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[Text begins]

Marshal [redacted] added that [redacted] has been in to see him several times in the past. Several weeks ago [redacted] wanted Marshal [redacted] to deputize [redacted] and twelve other men so that they could keep the different posses under control. [redacted] stated that he goes around to different posses to calm down the "hot heads" and to prevent posse members from using guns in their posse activities, and that they should work within the system.

Marshal [redacted] advised that [redacted] in past conversations, has always complained about his personal problems, that the good Lord took his trigger finger, and espoused posse rhetoric. Marshal [redacted] advised that appears to be mentally unstable.
BOND DEFAULT, (CO: PORTLAND)

C SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS; EM-SPC, (CO: PORTLAND)

(FILE 157-33487)

ON MAY 3, 1976, U. S. MARSHAL

TELEPHONICALLY FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION TO THE

PORTLAND DIVISION, FBI:

CARTOONED SUBJECTS, REPORTEDLY MEMBERS OF THE SHERIFF'S

POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), WHICH IS ALSO KNOWN AS THE CITIZEN'S

LAW ENFORCEMENT RESEARCH COMMITTEE (CERC), IS A LOOSE-

KNOT NATIONAL ORGANIZATION ESTABLISHED IN PORTLAND,

OREGON, IN 1973, BY PORTLAND RESIDENT HENRY LAMONT

(MIKE) BEACH. THE SPC IS A NON-AFFILIATED OFFSHOOT OF

THE IDENTITY GROUP (IG) A CALIFORNIA BASED TAX REBELLION

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 7/11/76 BY SPD B. HUBBARD 7-33487

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SOME MEMBERS AND LEADERSHIP OF THE SPC HAVE VOICED HATRED FOR JEWS AND NEGROES, ADVOCATED THE ASSASSINATION OF FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENTS, AND HAVE ENGAGED IN ACTS OF PROVOCATION AND ASSAULT AGAINST FEDERAL AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS.

ALL SUBJECTS APPEARED AT A HEARING IN U. S. DISTRICT COURT (USDC), PORTLAND, ON [REDACTED] AND WERE [REDACTED] ON [REDACTED] SCHEDULED TO APPEAR FOR TRIAL IN USDC [REDACTED] ON [REDACTED].
ABOVE SUBJECTS HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY RELEASED ON THEIR OWN RECOGNIZANCE AND THIS WAS CONTINUED. IN ADDITION TO BEING ORDERED TO APPEAR FOR TRIAL AT U. S. DISTRICT JUDGE ORDERED SUBJECTS TO APPEAR IN HIS COURTROOM AT IN ORDER TO HEAR ANY PRE-TRIAL MOTIONS.

SUBJECTS APPEARED AS SCHEDULED ON IN JUDGE COURTROOM AND THE MOTIONS MADE BY ASSISTANT U. S. ATTORNEY WERE CONCLUDED WITHIN APPROXIMATELY TWENTY MINUTES. AT THIS TIME, SUBJECTS PRESENTED TWO CITIZEN ARREST WARRANTS TO JUDGE AND NAMING THEM IN THE WARRANTS AND SUBJECTS REQUESTED DEPUTY U. S. MARSHAL TO ARREST JUDGE AND STATING FURTHER, THAT IF THE MARSHAL OR THE SHERIFF FAILED IN THIS DUTY THEY WOULD EXECUTE THE WARRIANTS THEMSELVES. REFUSED TO EXECUTE THE WARRANTS AND JUDGE RECESS COURT AND ORDERED
SUBJECTS TO APPEAR IN TEN MINUTES IN JUDGE _ REDACTED _ COURTROOM FOR TRIAL. ABOVE SUBJECTS LEFT THE U. S. COURTHOUSE AND DID NOT APPEAR FOR TRIAL AS INSTRUCTED.

ON _ REDACTED _ BENCH WARRANTS WERE ISSUED FOR THE SUBJECTS, CHARGING THEM WITH FAILURE TO APPEAR FOR TRIAL. JUDGE _ REDACTED _ ORDERED THE ISSUANCE OF THE WARRANTS, FIXED BAIL AT $10,000 EACH, AND THE WARRANTS WERE SIGNED BY USDC CLERK _ REDACTED _ ADMINISTRATIVE

RE PORTLAND NITEL DATED MAY 1, 1976, ENTITLED, "SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS; EM-SPC, CO: PORTLAND"

(ATTN: INTD)

FUGITIVE INVESTIGATION CONCERNING CAPTIONED SUBJECTS BEING CONDUCTED AT SPECIFIC REQUEST OF U. S. ATTORNEY _ REDACTED _ PORTLAND, OREGON.

PORTLAND DIVISION PLANNING SIMULTANEOUS ARRESTS OF _ REDACTED _ CAPTIONED SUBJECTS _ REDACTED _ ARREST TEAMS TO INCLUDE ONE IRS AGENT PER TEAM WILL PARTICIPATE IN ARRESTS.
GE FIVE
EXTENSIVE PUBLICITY EXPECTED IN THIS MATTER DUE TO SPC'S OFTEN STATED DESIRE TO BE ARRESTED AND TO UTILIZE INCIDENT FOR PUBLICITY PURPOSES.
PORTLAND DIVISION OPENING SEPARATE BOND DEFAULT CASES ON ALL SUBJECTS.
DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION ON SUBJECTS CURRENTLY BEING COMPILED.
FOR INFORMATION OF BEING, JUDGE DESIRIOUS OF, AND CONTINUES TO BE UNDER PROTECTION OF U.S. MARSHAL.
HAS REQUESTED EXPEDITIOUS EXECUTION OF WARRANTS IN THIS MATTER.
IN VIEW OF THE FACT SPC MEMBERS KNOWN TO ACQUIRE AND MAINTAIN FIREARMS, ALL SUBJECTS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.
END
PLS HOLD
TO:  DIRECTOR (157-33487)
FROM:  PORTLAND (157-1432) (P)
ATTN:  INTD

SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC), AKA CITIZENS LAW ENFORCEMENT AND RESEARCH COMMITTEE (CLERC), EM - WHITE HATE GROUP, CO:PORTLAND.

ON JUNE 8, 1976, U.S. MARSHAL (USM) PORTLAND, OREGON, ADVISED THAT U.S. JUDGE SECRETARY, HAD RECEIVED A LETTER AND WHAT APPEARED TO BE A WANTED POSTER FROM THE SHERIFF'S POSSE COMITATUS (SPC) DIRECTED TO JUDGE ON JUNE 8, 1976.

OVER THE CITIZENS OF THE REPUBLIC."

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THE XEROXED LETTER ON LETTERHEAD STATIONERY CAPTIONED "POSSE COMITATUS, UNITES STATES CITIZENS FOR CONSTITUTIONAL
RIGHTS, "CIVILIAN OFFICERS"*, DATED MAY 10, 1976, IS
ADDRESSED TO "TO PUBLIC SERVANTS OR TO WHOM IT MAY
CONCERN, GREETINGS: PLEASE BE ADVISED AS TO THE
FOLLOWING.". STATED THAT THE THREE PAGE
XEROXED LETTER DISCUSSES THE "SUPREME LAW OF THE LAND."
THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND ITS RELATION TO STATE GOVERN-
MENT, NUMEROUS AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED
STATES, CRIMINAL VIOLATIONS OF OATHS OF OFFICE OF JUDGES,
CONGRESSMEN, SENATORS, LEGISLATORS, THE FBI, BUREAU OF
LAND MANAGEMENT, WELFARE, REGIONAL GOVERNMENT, "ULTRA-
VIRES-AGENCIES", LAND USE PLANNING, AND GRAND JURIES.
THE LETTER STATES "THE COUNTY SHERIFF IS THE ONLY LEGAL
LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.
HE IS ELECTED BY THE PEOPLE. IT IS HIS RESPONSIBILITY
TO PROTECT THE PEOPLE OF HIS COUNTY FROM UNLAWFUL ACTS
ON THE PART OF ANYONE, INCLUDING OFFICIALS OF GOVERNMENT,
WHETHER THESE BE 'JUDGES' OF COURTS OR FEDERAL OR STATE
AGENTS OF ANY KIND WHATSOEVER." THE LETTER ALSO STATES
That the Constitution is the Supreme Law of the Land, and this is a Christian Nation, so it goes without saying that Judges and Attorneys (Lawyers) must have a degree in Constitutional Law, otherwise they are showing the 'deepest disregard and contempt for the U.S. Constitution.'

The letter is from "Civilian Law Enforcement Officers, Christian Citizens Posse Comitatus" and was signed, however, the signature was illegible.

Further advised that attached to the letter was a xeroxed copy of the first page of a magazine article captioned "Military Participation in Civilian Law Enforcement by Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C.", which article discusses the Posse Comitatus Act (18 U.S.C. 1385). Also attached was a partially handprinted and typewritten page from "Civilian Law Enforcement Officers, Christian Citizens Posse Comitatus" containing an illegible signature, which read as follows:

"Wanted Dead or Alive Felonious Public Servants For..."
CRIMINAL VIOLAION OF OATH OF OFFICE UNDER THE
SUPREMAY CLAUSE-THE CONSTITUTION AND LAWS IN PERSUANCE
THEREOF SHALL BE THE SUPREME LAW OF THE LAND AND JUDGES IN
EVERY STATE SHALL BE BOUND THERBY (THE NECK) ARTICAL
VI ARTICLE 1, SEC. 9- NO BILL OF ATTAINDE OR EX-POSTFACTO
LAW SHALL BE PASSED SO OUR UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION CAN
NEVER BE CHANGED, ALTERED OR SUBSTITUTED. JUDGES DO NOT
HOLD OFFICE FOR LIFE BUT ONLY DURING GOOD BEHAVIOR, DIS-
REGARD FOR THE CONSTITUTION IS NOT GOOD BEHAVIOR ON THE
PART OF ANY JUDGE, IT IS A CRIMINAL VIOLAION OF THEIR OATH
OF OFFICE TO, UPHOLD, PRESERVE, AND DEFEND THE CONSTITUTION,
AGAINST ALL ENEMIES. JUDGES AND LAWYERS (ATTORNEYS) MUST
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SHOWING THE DEEPST DISREGARD AND CONTEMPT FOR THE U.S.
CONSTITUTION."