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This matter was re-opened in Miami to explore the necessity of submission of supplemental non-prosecutive summary report.

The following investigation was conducted by SA RICHARD B. KELLOGG in West Palm Beach, Florida, on July 23, 1965:

Telephonic contact with subject's residence, 628 47th Street, West Palm Beach, telephone 648-4700, revealed he had just departed from there and could probably be located at the Velix Service Station, South Olive, West Palm Beach.

Mc Cants advised SA Kellogg on 7-23-65
Subject was interviewed at that Service Station. He said he had heard of recent Klan rallies in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, but if there is any Klan activity in the West Palm Beach area, he knows nothing about it and it must be a very secret thing if he has not heard of it.

Concerning the Minutemen, he said he had heard talk about that organization in the West Palm Beach area, and had seen some of their literature in the area, but so far as he knew, it had never gotten beyond the talking stage and never gotten to a point where any sort of organization came into being in the area. He said he felt rather certain there is no such thing as a Minutemen organization in the area.

Subject said he joined the Klan in 1929, at which time he thought it was a good organization based on sound principles. He indicated he was primarily impressed with their anti-Catholic ideas but at another point indicated he had been instrumental in getting Catholics into the Klan

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at that time. Subject said, however, he is trained in the law (it is believed he had some correspondence courses in law) and believes in things being done legally. He said he is not in favor of violence by either side to a disagreement because that is not justified, so he is not in favor of that aspect of the recent activity of some Klan members.

Subject said there was only one person who ever spoke to him about organizing the Klan in the area, and he could not think of that person's name. He said that person lived in the Palm Springs area of Lake Worth, Florida, and worked for the Florida Power and Light Company, but he had not seen him recently and did not believe he ever took any additional steps to organize the Klan in the area. He said he would try to remember that name and would make inquiries concerning the possibility of Klan activity in the area or any activity not designed to operate without violence and advise. It is noted former MM 866-R works for Florida Power and Light, and used to live in the Palm Springs area, but has not lived there for almost two years.

Subject said he has been very busy handling his contract to truck mail for the Post Office. He said his trucks have recently taken on a greater load since the use of the railroad by the Post Office has been curtailed so that keeps him too busy to do anything else.

Inquiry at the Palm Beach County, Florida, Motor Vehicle Registry revealed the subject still has registered to him the 1956 Buick sedan and the 1963 Oldsmobile sedan described in previous communications. The Buick now bears 1965 Florida license 6W-29896 and the Oldsmobile, 1965 Florida license 6W-15263. Subject said he now has 6 trucks he uses in his mail contract job.

In view of the above, along with the fact that no activity on the part of subject in racial matters has come to the attention of Miami since submission of last summary on subject, it is not believed a summary report is justified at this time.

Subject will be recontacted concerning his statement that he would make inquiries regarding any Klan or similar activity in the area and necessary action taken on any information furnished by him.