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Actress Patient

TOPEKA, Kan. (U)—Film star Gene Tierney is a psychiatric patient at the Menninger Foundation here. A foundation spokesman said Miss Tierney was admitted "shortly before the first of the year." Details of her illness were not specified.

2 Die In Fire

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (U)—Two small children were burned to death and their mother was left in serious condition today when fire destroyed their home in the Pratt City area.

Strike Continues

NASSAU, Bahamas (U)—A general strike which has turned this tourist center into a virtual ghost town went into its 10th day today with no settlement in sight. Pickets have been marching in front of shops but no disturbances have been reported.

Reduction Advised

WASHINGTON (U)—Ches-ter W. Nimitz, former top Navy officer, proposed today that the joint chiefs of staff be reduced to three members.

Marine Convicted

YOKOSUKA, Japan (U)—Philadelphia Marine Sgt. Adrian A. McLane was convicted today of nine charges of cruelty and one of assault against brig prisoners under his supervision.

Spy Conviction

BERLIN (U)—An East German newspaper reported today that a 46-year-old locksmith, Albert Kiesel, has been convicted of gathering information about Soviet troops for U.S. intelligence. The paper said an East German district court sentenced Kiesel to five years in prison.

\$10 Billion Slump

SAN FRANCISCO (U)—Economist Wilson Wright predicted today the nation's gross national income will slump 10 billion dollars in 1958.

Home Stimulus

CHICAGO (U)—Rep. Rains (D-Ill.) today suggested the possibility of lower down payments and reduced interest rates on FHA home loans as a means of stimulating the nation's home building industry.

Strike Threat

CARACAS, Venezuela (U)—Ident Marcos Perez Jimenez' embattled government braced itself today for a threatened general strike which opposition leaders warned might bring bloodshed.

'Reform' Hearing

WASHINGTON (U)—Senate rackets probes sought in hearings today to show what happened when self-styled "reformers" seized command of the Operating Engineers Union's big San Francisco Local No. 3.



Today's Weather
RAIN
Rain today becoming heavier this afternoon and tonight. Rain gradually ending tomorrow and becoming a little colder.
Low tomorrow morning: 40
High today: 60
High tomorrow: 50
Low tomorrow: 40
Sunrise today: 7:29 a.m.
Sunset today: 5:40 p.m.

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—THE POLICE KNOW HIM WELL—

The Klan's 'Rev.' Jimmy Cole

By JULIAN SCHEER
News Staff Writer

The scene is a familiar one. It has been repeated some 20-odd times in fields from Lincoln in the west to Fayetteville in the east during the past year. A robed figure stands before a microphone on the flatbed of a truck preaching the gospel of "a white supremacy and the principles of a 'pure Americanism.'"

Among his words are carefully chosen phrases attacking newspapers. Last week the man told a friend, "The only reason I talk about newspapers at my meetings is to get them to write about me."

For a week now, Jimmy Cole has had more than his share of publicity. Newspapers in North Carolina, across the nation and even in Soviet Russia have written about the Rev. James W. Cole of Marion, S. C.

His willingness to talk brought the wrath of Robeson County Indians on his neck.

Now the Robeson County Super-

ior Court may be the scene of a trial for Cole — and a colleague — on charges of inciting to riot Saturday night.

It will not be the first time Cole has had a brush with the law. Nor is it likely to stop his work as Grand Wizard of the North Carolina Ku Klux Klan.

PICK UP SPEED

Cole and the Klan have picked up speed in the last 15 months and membership in their organization has grown. There have been 20 meetings identified with the Klan during the past year and possibly many more the public knows nothing about. They have been attended by a handful of followers (at some sessions) to nearly 6,000 at a Salisbury rally in July.

The Klan in North Carolina was considered dead in 1952 after state and federal authorities broke up the Klan in Robeson and Columbus counties. At that time 75 Klansmen drew prison terms after a year of

night-riding had brought terror to the area.

The Klan was dealt another blow when the General Assembly passed a law banning the wearing of masks and outlawing cross burnings on private property without the consent of the owner.

The May, 1954, Supreme Court school segregation decision apparently gave the Klan new hope and members have been enlisted in increasing numbers.

The real revival of the Ku Klux Klan in North Carolina can be traced to an Oct. 19, 1956, meeting and cross burning at Shannon, near Fayetteville. The chief speaker identified himself as "Jimmy Cole" of Marion, S. C., and denounced any "mixing of whites and niggers."

BLANKS PASSED

Copies of Vol. I, No. 1 of Truth Magazine was sold and membership blanks passed out. Members were obtainable through P. O. Box 261, Chadwick Station,

Charlotte. This is Imperial Headquarters for the North Carolina Klan and Cole is, apparently, the Grand Wizard.

Other Klan officers include a Grand Kiegale and a Grand Titan and the president of a local unit or Klavern is known as the Exalted Cyclops.

The 33-year-old Cole lives with his wife and two young children at 300 S. Pine St., Marion, S. C., a neat and clean frame home.

TENT REVIVALS

Cole is about five feet, six inches tall and of medium build. He has an affinity for mustaches and is now growing a closely cropped beard which may turn into a van dyke.

He is a jovial, congenial man who talks freely and willingly, but he darts sidesteps leading questions, occasionally spouting Biblical quotations for vague answers.

There is no record that he has any income except that from

preaching. He has a church between Marion and Mullins. He says he has a church near Fairmont, but residents in that area say he has not been affiliated with it for some time.

He has held tent revivals in the area and has been heard on an area radio station.

Cole's former home town is Kingston, N. C., and Kingston police say he has a long police record there before he turned to preaching.

His police record contains a string of misdemeanors dating back to 1940. The charges range from making false statements to simple assault, to assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill. He has been convicted on most of them.

The first item was a 1940 assault charge in which he won a not pros when the case came to trial.

In October, 1941, Cole was charged with reckless driving

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GRAND WIZARD JIMMY COLE

Cole Fails To Appear In Robeson

By BILL HUGHES
News Staff Writer

LUMBERTON — James W. Cole failed to appear in Robeson County today to post \$1,000 bond on charges of inciting a riot.

Cole, Grand Wizard of the Klan in the Carolinas, was indicted yesterday by the Robeson County jury.

The Klan leader said he hesitated to come here.

"LIFE THREATENED"

"My life has been threatened if I enter Robeson County," he said. Legal action continues to pile up against members of the Klan. Tomorrow in Maxton Recorder's Court Judge Early Bullard, an Indian, will preside at the trial of James G. Garland of Reidsville, the only Klansman arrested during the Saturday night fracas.

Martin was found, allegedly drunk, after the crowds fled from the Klan rally site near Maxton. He is charged with public drunkenness and carrying a concealed weapon. Highway Patrolmen who arrested Martin said he was carrying a .32 caliber automatic pistol and a shotgun.

Another legal action — possibly a major one — remained only a threat today. Mr. Cole says he will initiate action against Robeson County Sheriff Malcolm McLeod.

The 33-year-old preacher said he will charge Sheriff McLeod with violation of the First and Fourteenth amendments of the U. S. Constitution. He maintains his followers were "deprived of the right of peaceable assembly" and that their civil rights were violated. The exact form of the action and when it will take place are uncertain. Mr. Cole says he is handling the legal details.

MAIN WITNESS

Sheriff McLeod will be the state's main witness in the riot charge against Mr. Cole. When and if that case comes to trial, he appeared before the grand jury yesterday before the indictment on the rare charge was returned.

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BOND SALE

RALEIGH (U)—The Local Government Commission today sold \$4,750,000 in City of Charlotte bonds at an interest rate of 2.755 per cent.



(News Staff Photo by Tom Franklin—Doug Martin)

A Study In Deep Concentration

Three Mecklenburg County Commissioners listen intently during a meeting last night to discuss proposed expansion of the court house. They are (left to right)

Ernest Brown, Herbert Garrison and Sam McNinch. Commission clerk Mrs. Ethel D. Byrd is in the background. (See story on page 1-B.)

Young Robbers Net 37 Cents

DALLAS (U)—Two teen-age bandits held up and terrorized three pedestrians before they were captured by police last night.

The crime spree netted them only 37 cents.

Police identified the two youths as Robert Lee Thomas, 19, and Mark Barefield.

The pair surrendered a blank pistol to Patrolman E. W. McElree, who arrested them as they drove an old model car.

The elder youth told officers the robbery was staged, "just for kicks because we got tired of movies and had nothing else to do." The younger boy said they needed cash to pay traffic tickets.

In the hour before their arrest, police said the boys terrorized Cleveland Street, 24 W. M. Clark, 24, and Floyd Wright, 25.

Sneed and Clark were taken from gangland style rides at gunpoint, and then were freed.

Insurance Dodge

'Tag-Jumpers' Running Risks

By JOHN KILGO
News Staff Writer

Police said today some North Carolinians are buying 1958 auto license plates in South Carolina — where the tags cost half price and there's no liability insurance requirement.

But city and county officers warned, they're keeping a sharp lookout for these "tag-jumpers." And, they said, the law provides stiff penalties, which will be promptly invoked if you're caught.

TWO ARRESTED

City police Lt. James B. Siegal said two young men — who had the cash for new cars but not for the insurance required

of Tar Heel drivers — have already been arrested with the South Carolina tags.

But, though plates cost only \$6 in South Carolina, police said they won't be much of a bargain if you're caught.

Take the case of the two young men already nabbed. They paid out \$6 apiece for the South Carolina tags. Then, when apprehended by police here, they posted \$13 bonds, which were forfeited — but, first, they had to have the North Carolina tags they should have bought in the first place.

That means their South Carolina "bargain" cost 'em exactly

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Blizzard Hits Two States

KANSAS CITY (U)—The season's worst snowstorm virtually paralyzed Kansas City and large sections of Missouri and Kansas today.

Depths in the border areas of the two states ranged from six to 14 inches and the blizzard continued. Winds whipped up drifts that blocked major highways.

In Kansas City the snow cover was 10 inches at 9 a.m. Blowing snow and fog obscured visibility and added to traffic hazards. Thousands of workers were late to work and traffic arteries were snarled with stranded vehicles.

No serious accidents had been reported. The highway patrol said motorists were traveling too slow to cause any serious smashups.

Schools in many areas were ordered closed.

In most of the storm area the temperature was in the low 20s.

Billion Plus Voted To Aid Missile Race

WASHINGTON (U)—The House Appropriations Committee today voted an emergency "time-bumping" \$1,410,000,000 fund to speed missile programs and give more punch to the Air Force's retaliatory power.

This is 40 million more than President Eisenhower requested two weeks ago.

The addition is all for the Army, to bolster its missile programs. A last-minute revision doubled the proposed increase by allotting 20 million for the Pershing project, aimed to develop a solid-fuel successor to the Army's 200-mile range Redstone.

Of the total, 1 1/2 million is new cash and 150 million is authority to transfer funds already available. The 40 million dollar increase is in the transfer funds.

STRONG DRIVE

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The House will consider the committee's action tomorrow and there are indications of a strong drive to provide even more money.

The new money will be made available to the Defense Department immediately to finance space age weapons programs which are developing faster than anticipated.

In a report written by Rep. Mahon (D-Tex.), chairman of a subcommittee that drafted the measure, the committee said "our military strength as of today, in the over-all, is superior to that of the U.S.S.R." although in the critical areas of space satellites and ballistic missiles generally behind Russia.

CAN'T AFFORD IT

In those vital areas, the committee added, "We cannot afford to be in second place."

Today's superiority of the United States over Russia, the committee said, is due to the striking power of the Strategic Air Command, whose long-range bombers now are a deterrent to aggression but would not continue to be against an aggressor equipped with a substantial stockpile of operational missiles.

The Air Force share of the new bill is the emergency bill is 90 million dollars, earmarked for dispersal of the fleet of nuclear-bomb planes, construction of new

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11 Go On Trial For Flogging Negro Farmer

GREENVILLE, S. C. (U)—A crowded courtroom saw 11 white men come to trial here today, charged with flogging a Negro farmer in upper Greenville County six months ago.

Greenville County General Sessions courtroom was jammed with about 200 spectators. Numerous other persons were unable to get inside.

Solicitor James R. Mann called the cases to trial before Circuit Judge James M. Bralstead at 10:15 a. m. Indictments charged all 11 defendants with conspiring to commit assault and battery and conspiring to housebreak. In addition, five defendants were charged with assault and battery and housebreaking.

Mann and defense attorney J. Wiley Brown began picking jurors for the trial immediately after the case was called. Each prospective juror was being questioned about relationship to any defendant, and attitude toward the trial and other matters.

TWO EXCUSED

Two early prospective jurors were excused because of relationships to one or more of the defendants. Drawing of the 12-man jury was expected to consume quite a bit of time.

The victim was Claude Cruell, 58, a farmer, landowner and Baptist deacon.

About 15 men broke into Cruell's home the night of July 21 as he and his wife cared for seven children of a white neighbor. The children's father was at a hospital with his wife, who was confined because of kidney trouble.

The Cruells have owned their 100-acre farm about 10 miles north of here for about 25 years. The white neighbor, Sherwood Turner, 34-year-old partly disabled truck driver, rented a house on the Cruell property.

Police said that one of the defendants, Andrew Marshall Rochester, told them he headed a Greenville County Klan organization and that other defendants acknowledged membership.

Mrs. Cruell said, "When I turned around, I saw the house full of white men, hollering and talking about us trying to mix with the white people and keeping the white children. They didn't like it because we own all this land."

Evening Prayer

Loving Father, in simple, humble trust we thank Thee for the blessing of Thy day. We dwell through all the experiences of life. Dwell evermore in our hearts, and lead us, by Thy everlasting love, in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.