JUDGE ANGERS KLAN

GRANITE QUARRY, N.C. - (NPI) -- The grand dragon of the North Carolina Ku Klux Klan and Superior Court Judge Allen H. Gwyn have locked horns on whether Klansmen should serve on juries.

KKK leader Robert Jones retorted that a Klansman "has every right to be a juryman," after the judge asked Klansmen not to serve on

juries.

JONES ACCUSED the judge of not "practicing what he preaches" and urged the judge to retire if he "does not care to live up to the Constitution..." "Every Klansman swears his first allegiance is to God, country, and Constitution," said Jones.

The judge had said he was not issuing a "judicial mandate," but he noted that "members of secret organizations who feed on hate and racism, who foment strife, who apread terror, and who create a climate of revolt and disobedience are enemies to our system."

"The basic philosophy upon which our Constitution and government are founded is the dignity of human personality and equality of men before the law," he said. "Thus from a melting pot of immigrants from all nations, all classes, all colors, all creeds and all religions has emerged a nation that leads the world in the advance of civilization, materially, intellectually, and spiritually.

"From time to time voices are heard in our midst, which are strange and inconsistent with our scheme of life. Those misguided souls unwittingly are like birds that would foul their

own nests....

"Offenders against our laws are brought to trial in the open where the accused may confront his accusers, where the rights and liabilities of people may be determined in the light of day and not in the darkness of night; and where official conduct is subject to public scrutiny. "Trials conducted in secrecy behind closed doors by unidentified prosecutors are incompatible with human freedom.

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Teachers Cool To Merger

NEW ORLEANS - (NPI) -- There seems to be no big rush upon the part of the members of the Louisiana Education Association to join the white counterpart, the Louisiana Teachers Association, following their removal of the racial bars and the permission for Negroes to join. The white body removed the bars at their convention Nov. 23 after the National Education Association ruled that they must do or lose membership in the national body.

The Negro organization unanimously adopted a resolution that there must first be discussions at the top level as to the participation of Ne-

groes if the two were merged.

A REPORTED poll of the general membership of the Negro body revealed that the Negroes were not anxious to join the white organization merely for the companionship. They wanted to be assured that they would have equal rights, privileges and participation as any and all other members.

One member said "We do not intend to join and then take a seat in the buzzard's roost."

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IN WASHINGTON, the Roman Catholic Bishops of the United States unanimously supported open housing programs that will allow Negroes to buy or rent homes in the "white-belt" suburbs of America's cities. Racial discrimination in housing, employment, education, or any other area of life is "contrary to right reason and to Christian teaching," they said.

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Meanwhile, Ald. Thomas E. Keane of Chicago asserted that no open occupancy agreement had been made between civic and rights leaders. The leaders agreed on "goals" but there was no "city summit agreement," he said.

The Coordinating Council of Community Organizations took issue with the alderman, asserting that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., was to remain in Chicago to "watchdog the agreement."

CCCO also charged that there have been "no significant steps by elected government officials or their appointees" to live up to the "summit agreement" by equalizing, integrating, and improving housing conditions.

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