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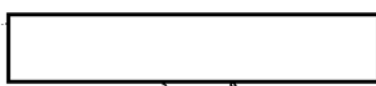
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Report of: **THOMAS H. ZOELLER**  
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Synopsis: **ROY GEORGE CROSBY, Jr., Missoula, Montana, claims to have met with ROBERT DePUGH at Idaho Falls, Idaho, about mid-May, 1964, at which time CROSBY agreed to be Montana "Minutemen" organizer. DePUGH told CROSBY there are two to three thousand "Minutemen" in Montana, but CROSBY discounts this, estimating there might be one thousand; not over 1,500. Since mid-May CROSBY has contacted at least 250 individuals in Montana whom he considers active participating members. CROSBY will not furnish names. CROSBY denied membership in any other organization and claims most "Minutemen" contacted will have nothing to do with JOHN BIRCH Society as they consider JOHN BIRCH Society an extremist group. "Minutemen" correspondence furnished by CROSBY set out. Additional activities and contacts of GRANVILLE McCOLLOUGH and ROBERT H. BURNS in Big Timber-Billings, Montana, area described. BERNARD ALLEN KESSELHEIM, Libby, Montana, denies "Minutemen" membership, stating he is a member of JOHN BIRCH Society. McCOLLOUGH AND BURNS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND POSSIBLY DANGEROUS.**

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ACTIVITIES AND CONTACTS OF  
GRANVILLE E. McCOLLOUGH AND  
ROBERT H. BURNS IN THE  
BILLINGS - BIG TIMBER, MONTANA  
AREA

BT T-1 furnished information on June 8, 1964, that he was advised on that date by GRANVILLE E. McCOLLOUGH that a meeting would be held in Billings, Montana, that evening.

At approximately 7:30 p.m., the following individuals met at the Standard Service Station, 847 Grand Avenue, Billings:

~~GRANVILLE McCOLLOUGH~~  
GRANVILLE E. McCOLLOUGH; BILLINGS, MONT

BORN 12-16-1913

~~E. K. BEEKLY (Identified as EMERSON KEAGY BEEKLY);~~ BILLINGS, MONT

BORN 1-11-1921

~~ERNEST TIMM (Identified as ERNEST WAYNE TIMM);~~ 4036 RIVERSIDE BILLINGS MONT

~~JAMES REINEKING (Identified as JAMES WHITCOMB REINEKING);~~ BILLINGS, MONT

BORN 3-28-1927

~~DONALD WHITNEY, owner of the above station (Identified as DONALD ALBERT WHITNEY).~~ STANDARD SERVICE STATION  
847 GRAND AVE  
BILLINGS, MONT

At the station it was decided to hold the meeting at TIMM's residence located at 4036 Riverside, Billings. TIMM has a cabinet shop at the rear of his residence and the above individuals entered the cabinet shop at ten-minute intervals.

The meeting was conducted by McCOLLOUGH who indicated the purpose of the meeting was for the individuals present to become acquainted with each other. McCOLLOUGH

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McCOLLOUGH again discussed armor plating a Cadillac automobile and it was agreed this would be done.

No definite plans were made for another meeting but McCOLLOUGH indicated he would contact them when the next meeting was to be held.

It was BT T-1's understanding that ~~BOB McCOLLOUGH~~, GRANVILLE's son, was also to have attended this meeting but for some reason was unable to do so. MONT

BORN 10-26-1931 It was also BT T-1's understanding from comments made by McCOLLOUGH that DONALD WHITNEY's brother, ROY MANNING WHITNEY also employed at this service station, is interested in this group. ROY WHITNEY resides at 2618 Silver in Billings; MONT  
DONALD WHITNEY resides at 2419 Golden Boulevard in Billings.

X BT T-1 also advised on June 8, 1964, that HARLEY SCHRECK of 732 Miles Avenue, Billings, and employed by the CONTINENTAL OIL COMPANY, had contacted BT T-1 three or four days ago and asked if he were interested in joining a vigilante group in Billings. He did not further identify the vigilante group. SCHRECK purchased a two shot .22 caliber Derringer Magnum Hi-Standard, Serial #367464, at the time of this conversation. MONT

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BT T-1 furnished the following information on July 2, 1964:

ROBERT HORATIO BURNS recently left a book with BT T-1 instructing him to read it and if possible purchase two or three copies to give to associates and friends. The book is titled "None Dare Call It Treason" by JOHN A. STORMER and it is published by Liberty Bell Press, P. O. Box #32, Florissant, Missouri.

BURNS also indicated that he wanted to purchase additional primers and some 30.06 bullets. Also BURNS is obtaining an old model Lewis machine gun. Also he desires to obtain some cheap shot guns that could have the barrels sawed off to twenty inches for use by their group.

INFORMATION CONCERNING AND  
INTERVIEW OF BERNARD ALLEN  
KESSELHEIM