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In reply to many inquiries we are pleased to announce that former Governor Martin made a thorough investigation of Klan activities in Pennsylvania. We cooperated 100% as promised, and his announcement read that no violation had been found against us. Not having been incorporated in Pennsylvania we are therefore an unincorporated voluntary organization, and are not amenable to the corporate laws of any state and are operating under the United States Constitution which guarantees freedom of assembly.

The old K. K. K. Incorporated, under the Georgia laws, suspended all laws, revoked the charters and released all members from their oath and obligation so far as the Incorporated Klan is concerned.

The Franklin County group is not incorporated, but our ideals and principles are the same as the old incorporated Klan which disbanded April 23, 1944. We have the right and privilege to operate under the Klan name but cannot use the word Incorporated. Everything is voluntary. No salary, no set dues, no profits. Therefore we are within our rights and will operate accordingly.

Every member must stand the test as heretofore and new members must be white, Gentile, member of a Protestant Church, subscribe to free speech, free public school, salute the flag of our nation, pledge allegiance to the flag, and a strict adherence to the laws of our land and the Constitution of the U. S. A., which provides for one nation, one flag, and equal rights to all citizens. We pledge our undying support to our country and our undying hatred for Communism and every other ism not 100% Americanism. That, friends, is our story, What say you?

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