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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION
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SUBJECT: THEOPHILUS "BULL" EUGENE CONNOR

FILE # 44-HQ-16495

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office BIRMINGHAM	Office of Origin BIRMINGHAM	Date 10/4/60	Investigative Period 9/30/60
TITLE OF CASE EUGENE BULL CONNOR, Commissioner of Public Safety, Birmingham, Alabama; JOHN L. SWINDLE, Chief, Birmingham Fire Department; [REDACTED] - VICTIM (B7C) UNKNOWN VICTIMS		Report made by [REDACTED] (B7C)	Typed By: rvm
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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

Copy to:

Report of: SA [REDACTED] (B7C) Office: Birmingham
Date: 10/4/60

Field Office File No.: BH 44-674

Bureau File No.:

Title: EUGENE BULL CONNOR, Commissioner
of Public Safety, Birmingham, Alabama;
JOHN L. SWINDLE, Chief, Birmingham
Fire Department;

Character: UNKNOWN VICTIMS
CIVIL RIGHTS

[REDACTED] - VICTIM; (B7C)

Synopsis:

(B7C) [REDACTED] who is employed as fireman, [REDACTED] stated rule in Fireman's Manual reflecting employees must live within Birmingham City Limits; however, rule not always enforced. Recently order, signed by JOHN L. SWINDLE, Chief of Birmingham Fire Department, issued by EUGENE BULL CONNOR, Commissioner of Public Safety, who has control of Fire Department, that employees now living outside City of Birmingham will be subject to dismissal on 11/1/60. [REDACTED] inquired as to whether this would be discrimination in violation of civil rights of those employees affected by this order.

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EUGENE BULL CONNOR, Commissioner of Public Safety;
JOHN L. SWINDLE, Chief, Fire Department, Birmingham, Ala.

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SUBJECT: THEOPHILUS "BULL" EUGENE CONNOR

FILE # 44-HQ-19726

5-31-62

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TO SAC, BIRMINGHAM
 FROM DIRECTOR, FBI
 EUGENE QUOTE BULL UNQUOTE CONNOR, POLICE COMMISSIONER,
 BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, POLICE DEPARTMENT AND OTHER UNNAMED
 OFFICERS, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, POLICE DEPARTMENT; WILLIAM E.
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FROM DIRECTOR 1-P

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM SAC BIRMINGHAM /44-786/ 1P

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BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, POLICE DEPARTMENT AND OTHER UNNAMED OFFICERS,
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, POLICE DEPARTMENT. WILLIAM E SHORTRIDGE
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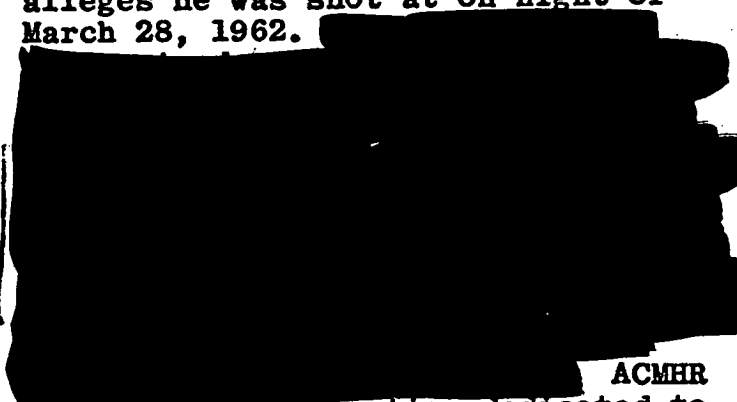
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GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

May 31, 1962

Victim, William E. Shortridge,
a leader of the Alabama Christian
Movement for Human Rights (ACMHR),
alleges he was shot at on night of
March 28, 1962.



ACMHR
is a Negro organization dedicated to
removal of Negroes from second class
citizenship, and at the present time
the organization is pushing the
boycott of white merchants in
Birmingham by Negroes. Matter will
be discussed with Department

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Date: May 29, 1962

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To: Director, FBI

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EUGENE "BULL" CONNOR
 POLICE COMMISSIONER
 BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, POLICE DEPARTMENT
 AND OTHER UNNAMED OFFICERS, BIRMINGHAM,
 ALABAMA, POLICE DEPARTMENT
 WILLIAM E. SHORTRIDGE - VICTIM
 CIVIL RIGHTS

Victim, William E. Shortridge, advised on May 29, 1962, that he was shot at while standing on his porch on the night of March 28, 1962. He stated he was shot at four times all shots missing him by inches. He stated that previous to the shooting, he had seen a man run out from the side of his car, which was parked in his driveway at his residence, 1430 - 19th Street, Ensley Station, Birmingham, Alabama. He stated this man was in a "stooped" position and ran and got into an old model Cadillac, probably a 1951, 1952, or 1953 model. In a few minutes this same automobile passed the victim's house and one of the two male occupants fired at him four times as stated above. Victim stated he recognized this man to be [REDACTED] but could not be positive.

The victim called the Birmingham Police Department and in about ten minutes uniformed policemen of the Birmingham Police Department came and made an investigation. Victim states they found two bullets on the floor which they described as .38 caliber. Victim stated late the next evening, March 29, 1962, a Birmingham Police Department Detective questioned him about this matter and since that time he has heard nothing else from the Birmingham Police Department.

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Subject EUGENE "BULL" CONNOR is well known in his capacity as Police Commissioner for the City of Birmingham. The victim, WILLIAM E. SHORTRIDGE, furnished the following descriptive data concerning himself:

Place of birth:	Birmingham, Alabama
Date of birth:	March 17, 1900
Race:	Negro
Height:	5 feet, 6 inches
Weight:	158 lbs.
Complexion:	Light
Hair:	Brown and balding
Residence:	1430 19th Street, Ensley Station, Birmingham, Alabama
Occupation:	Negro funeral director

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(B7C) [REDACTED]

The files of the Birmingham Office also reflect a case entitled, "W. E. SHORTRIDGE, alias, Willie Shortridge, Veterans Bureau Matter." This case was based on a complaint by ADELLE GIBSON, a Negro, on March 4, 1946, who asked WILLIE SHORTRIDGE, operator of the Shortridge Funeral Home, help her to get a pension from the Government inasmuch as her deceased husband had served in the U. S. Army in the First World War. Shortridge, according to ADELLE GIBSON, agreed to help her and told her if she got anything from the Government, he would "expect a little sum," but that if she did not get anything he did not expect her to pay him. She stated that Shortridge wrote several letters to the Government for her and signed her name to them and that Shortridge answered several letters from the Government which came to her address. She stated later that she got a check from the U. S. Government for \$590.33. She stated that she immediately took this check to Shortridge and he had her endorse the check. She then asked Shortridge what she owed him and he told her he was charging her \$350.00. She then told Shortridge that if she paid him \$350.00, she would not have anything left to support her children, and he replied that she would still have her monthly income and as a matter of fact, he should take the entire check for the help he had given her. She stated that Shortridge then kept the Government check which she had endorsed and then mailed her a personal check for \$240.33.

The Birmingham files reflect that Shortridge was sentenced to pay a \$500.00 fine in the U. S. District Court at Birmingham, Alabama, on June 24, 1946. He was placed on two years probation and gave a ninety day suspended sentence.

The "Birmingham World," a Negro newspaper on June 8, 1956, printed an article which stated that the Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights was organized on the night of June 5, 1956.

This group was dedicated to "press forward for the removal from our society of any forms of second class citizenship." The article noted that Dr. W. E. Shortridge, undertaker, was named treasurer.

The Birmingham files also reflect W. E. Shortridge has FBI No.4620013. He was arrested by the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, Birmingham, Alabama, their No.34535, on January 2, 1945, charged with assaulting with a weapon.

On April 23, 1945, this charge was nolle prossed on costs of \$33.55 being paid to the Circuit Court.

In view of [REDACTED]

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B7D) [REDACTED] no preliminary investigation is being conducted and a closing report is being submitted.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE BIRMINGHAM	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BIRMINGHAM	DATE 6/4/62	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 5/29/62
TITLE OF CASE CHANGED: EUGENE "BULL" CONNOR, Police Commissioner, Birmingham, Alabama, Police Department, and Other Un-named Officers, Birmingham, Alabama, Police Department; WILLIAM E. SHORTRIDGE, aka Willie Shortridge - VICTIM		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED] (B7C)	TYPED dr
		CHARACTER OF CASE CR	

The title of this report is being changed to reflect that victim SHORTRIDGE is also known as WILLIE SHORTRIDGE.

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Report of: SA [REDACTED] (B7C)
Date: 6/4/62

Office: BIRMINGHAM

Field Office File No.: 44-786

Bureau File No.:

Title: EUGENE "BULL" CONNOR, Police Commissioner, Birmingham, Alabama, Police Department, and Other Unnamed Officers, Birmingham, Alabama, Police Department;
WILLIAM E. SHORTRIDGE - VICTIM

Character: CIVIL RIGHTS

Synopsis: Victim WILLIAM E. SHORTRIDGE advised he believes he was shot at on the night of 3/28/62 by an individual he believes to be

[REDACTED]

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that he charged a Negro woman \$350.00 to get a Government pension for her, and on June 24, 1946, he was found guilty in this matter, fined \$500.00, placed on two years' probation, and given a 90-day suspended sentence. Arrested 1945 and charged with assault with deadly weapon, nolle prossed April 23, 1945.

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Witness:

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[REDACTED] Special Agent FBI
Birmingham 3, Ala. 5/29/62.
[REDACTED] Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
B'ham, Ala. 5/29/62."

(B7C) In addition to the above signed statement, victim
SHORTRIDGE furnished the following physical descriptions of
Police Commissioner CONNOR, [REDACTED] and himself:

Name	EUGENE "BULL" CONNOR
Race	white
Sex	male
Age	about 65
Height	5'8"
Weight	about 160 pounds
Hair	grey
Complexion	medium
Occupation	Police Commissioner, Birmingham, Alabama

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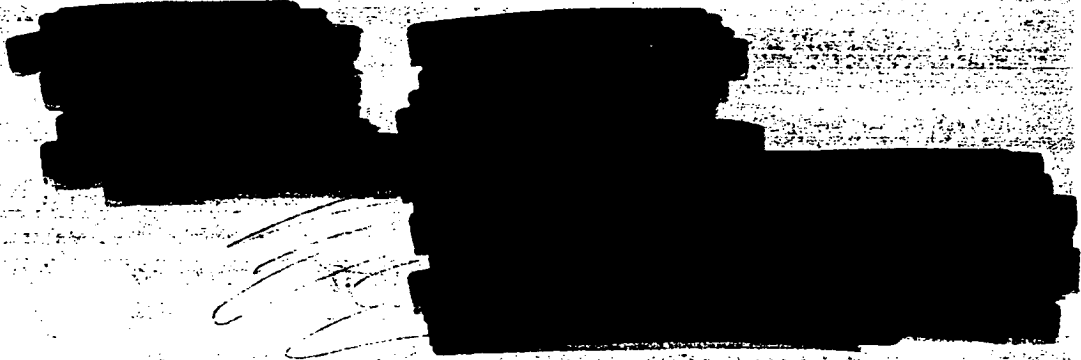
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Name	WILLIAM E. SHORTRIDGE, aka Willie
Race	Negro
Sex	male
Date of Birth	March 17, 1900
Place of Birth	Birmingham, Alabama
Height	5'6"
Weight	158 pounds
Complexion	light
Hair	brown and balding
Residence	1430 19th Street, Ensley Station, Birmingham, Alabama
Occupation	owner, Shortridge Funeral Home, 311 17th Street, Ensley Station, Birmingham.

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(B7C) The files of the Birmingham Office reflect the following information:

On March 4, 1946, ADELLE GIBSON, a Negro woman, advised that she asked WILLIAM SHORTRIDGE, operator of the Shortridge Funeral Home, to help her secure a pension from the U. S. Government inasmuch as her deceased husband had served in the U. S. Army in the First World War. According to ADELLE GIBSON, SHORTRIDGE agreed to help her and told her if she got anything from the Government he would "expect a little sum", but that if she did not get anything he would not expect her to pay him. She stated that SHORTRIDGE wrote several letters to the Government for her and signed her name to them, and that SHORTRIDGE answered several letters from the Government which came to her address. She stated later that she got a check from the U. S. Government for \$590.33. She stated that she immediately took this check to SHORTRIDGE, and he had her endorse the check. She then asked SHORTRIDGE what she owed him, and he told her he was charging her \$350.00. She then told SHORTRIDGE that if she paid him \$350.00 she would not have anything left to support her children, and he replied that she would still have her month income, and, as a matter of fact, he should take the entire check for the help he had given her. She stated that SHORTRIDGE then kept the Government check which she had endorsed and then mailed her a personal check for \$240.33.

On June 24, 1946, SHORTRIDGE was found guilty and sentenced to pay a \$500.00 fine in the U. S. District Court at Birmingham, Alabama. He was also placed on two years' probation and given a 90-day suspended sentence in this matter.

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The Birmingham World, a Negro newspaper, on June 8, 1956, printed an article which stated that the Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights was organized on the night of June 5, 1956, and this group was dedicated to "press forward for the removal from our society of any forms of second class citizenship." The article noted that Dr. W. E. SHORTRIDGE, an undertaker, was named treasurer.

W. E. SHORTRIDGE has FBI # 462 0013. He was arrested by the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, Birmingham, Alabama, under number 34535 on January 2, 1946, and charged with assault with a weapon. On April 23, 1945, this charge was nolle prossed on cost of \$33.55 being paid to the Circuit Court.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Memorandum

TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: AUG 15 1962

FROM : *BM* Burke Marshall
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

BM:INT:rb 10,658

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SUBJECT: Eugene "Bull" Connor, Police Commissioner,
Birmingham, Alabama, Police Department, and
Other Un-named Officers, Birmingham, Alabama,
Police Department;
William E. Shortridge - Victim
Civil Rights

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Reference is made to your memorandum of June 5, 1962, with the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated June 4, 1962, at Birmingham, Alabama, attached.

(B7C)

Please secure the results of the local investigation.

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To: SAC, Birmingham (44-786)

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EUGENE "BULL" CONNOR, Police Commissioner,
Birmingham, Alabama, Police Department, and
Other Unnamed Officers, Birmingham, Alabama,
Police Department;
WILLIAM E. SHORTRIDGE, AKA WILLIE SHORTRIDGE -
VICTIM
CIVIL RIGHTS

Rerep of SA [redacted] dated 6/4/62, at
Birmingham.

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Enclosed herewith are two copies of a self-explanatory memorandum from the Department dated 8/15/62, requesting results of the local investigation in this matter.

Handle. Advise appropriate officials and persons contacted that the investigation is being conducted at the request of the Attorney General of the United States.

Surep within three days of receipt of this airtel indicating in the first paragraph of the details of the report that it is a limited investigation.

Enclosures (2)

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NOTE: Victim alleged that he was shot at while standing on his porch on the night of 3/28/62. Victim is active in the Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights and he indicated he was shot at at the instigation of "Bull" Connor and others to discourage his participation in the Birmingham boycott. He reported the matter to the police and indicated they were conducting an investigation. Details of his complaint were furnished to the Department by report of 6/4/62. Department now requests results of local investigation.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE BIRMINGHAM	OFFICE OF ORIGIN BIRMINGHAM	DATE 8/22/62	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 8/22/62
TITLE OF CASE EUGENE "BULL" CONNOR, Police Commissioner, Birmingham, Alabama, Police Department, and Other Unnamed Officers, Birmingham, Alabama, Police Department; WILLIAM E. SHORTRIDGE, AKA WILLIE SHORTRIDGE-VICTIM		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED] (B7C)	TYPED BY ea.j
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1-USA, Birmingham

Report of: SA [REDACTED] (B7C)
Date: August 22, 1962

Office: Birmingham, Alabama

Field Office File No.: 44-786

Bureau File No.: 44-19726

Title: EUGENE "BULL" CONNOR, Police Commissioner,
Birmingham, Alabama, Police Department, and Other
Unnamed Officers, Birmingham, Alabama, Police Department;
WILLIAM E. SHORTRIDGE-VICTIM

Character: CIVIL RIGHTS

Synopsis: [REDACTED] Birmingham Police Department (B7C)
declined to make available result of any investigation
conducted [REDACTED] in this matter.

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DETAILS:

This is a limited investigation.

On August 21, 1962 [REDACTED] (B7C)
[REDACTED] Birmingham Police Department, was advised of
the institution of this investigation.

[REDACTED] advised since FBI was conducting
investigation in this matter he preferred Department
of Justice to develop information desired first hand
rather than to review result of any investigation
conducted by Birmingham Police Department.

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When Mr. TAYLOR was subsequently contacted on 7/9/63 for additional information, he requested that a copy of the closing report be furnished to the U. S. Attorney's Office for use of the U. S. Attorney in corresponding with the Department of Justice regarding this matter. Therefore, one copy of this report is being furnished to the U. S. Attorney at Birmingham.

Inasmuch as this report pertains to racial matters as well as possible anti-trust violation, an additional copy is being furnished to the Bureau for use in the event additional dissemination appears warranted.

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DETAILS: AT BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

On June 26, 1963, Mr. MACON L. WEAVER, U. S. Attorney, Birmingham, telephonically contacted Assistant Special Agent in Charge ROBERT G. JENSEN and advised that [redacted] store in Birmingham, had recently talked with Mr. WEAVER concerning a possible anti-trust violation by ARTHUR J. HANES and EUGENE T. CONNOR, former City Commissioners at Birmingham. [redacted] told Mr. WEAVER that HANES and CONNOR have become associated with "hate groups" and are putting out a sheet in which they are urging a boycott by white people of the stores in Birmingham that are managed by members of the Senior Citizens Committee. It was pointed out further that the Senior Citizens Committee, composed of leading business and professional people of Birmingham, during the recent racial demonstrations had attempted to negotiate with Negroes and favored relaxing segregation policies in the city. (B)

Mr. WEAVER further advised that [redacted] had indicated that because of this boycott and the general tenor of the publication or sheet which HANES and CONNOR are putting out, he, [redacted] was of the opinion that there was a possible anti-trust violation involved.

Mr. WEAVER suggested that this office secure a copy of the sheet reportedly put out by HANES and CONNOR.

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COVER SHEET

SUBJECT: THEOPHILUS "BULL" EUGENE CONNOR

FILE # 62-HQ-109900

CONNOR FELLOWSHIP DINNER
Tutwiler Hotel
Birmingham, Alabama

December 31, 1964

- Mr. Tolson ✓
- Mr. Belmont ✓
- Mr. Mohr ✓
- Mr. DeLoach ✓
- Mr. Casper ✓
- Mr. Callahan ✓
- Mr. Conrad ✓
- Mr. Felt ✓
- Mr. Gale ✓
- Mr. Rosen ✓
- Mr. Sullivan ✓
- Mr. Tavel ✓
- Mr. Trotter ✓
- Tele. Room ✓
- Miss Holmes ✓
- Miss Gandy ✓

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

We are sending you this special invitation as a friend of Eugene 'Bull' Connor to attend his inaugural dinner at the Tutwiler Hotel Monday night, January 11. As you know, our good friend, 'Bull' Connor was elected president of the Alabama Public Service Commission and takes office on Monday, January 18. He is being sworn in by Chief Justice Ed Livingston at this dinner in a ceremony that to our knowledge, will be unique in Alabama's political history.

This ceremony is being performed in Birmingham because of Mr. Connor's love of his home town which he served so well as Police Public Safety Commissioner for 23 years. Prior to this he served in the state legislature for three years, a record of public service which seldom has been equaled. In addition to these offices, Mr. Connor was elected Alabama's Democratic National Committeeman for two terms, and is now serving in that capacity. He was elected delegate to the National Democratic Convention three times.

Many of Mr. Connor's friends will be on hand for the "get-acquainted" hour which begins at 6 p.m. His former associates in Birmingham on the City government and his friends and neighbors of the community will be here to wish him well in his new office. His associate commissioners on the Public Service Commission will welcome him to the new post and pledge their cooperation in establishing a progressive term for the next four years.

The enclosed card needs only your signature and a designated number of tickets which you wish reserved.

Cordial regards,

Don Brennan
Don Brennan Ala
Connor Fellowship Dinner Chairman

Joe W. Reid
Joe W. Reid Ala
Vice Chairman
Res. 592-1121 Office 787-4617

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I shall attend

The Eugene 'Bull' Conner Fellowship Dinner and Inauguration Ceremony Monday night, January 11, 1965.

Enclosed is my check for \$_____ for _____ reservations (\$10.00 per person). I understand that this includes the Social Hour, Dinner, Tax, Gratuity and Entertainment.

Social Hour 6:00 p.m.
Dinner 7:00 p.m.
Tutwiler Hotel

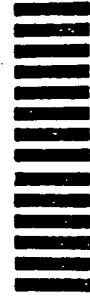
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Mr. Joe W. Reid
CONNOR FELLOWSHIP DINNER
Tutwiler Hotel
Birmingham, Alabama