

# National

## Ex-Klan chief quizzed on coup

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NEW ORLEANS — A federal grand jury Thursday questioned former Ku Klux Klan leader David

Duke about an attempt by mercenaries to invade and take over a tiny island republic in the Caribbean.

Duke said he was advised by his lawyer not to answer any questions.

Roger Hadley, Alabama grand dragon of the Invisible Empire of the Knights of the KKK, the group headed by Bill Wilkinson of Denham Springs, La., said earlier at least six Klansmen had been subpoenaed.

Six of the 10 soldiers of fortune, arrested last month before they could set sail for Dominica to carry out the plot, were tied to Klan organizations.

The coup attempt was funded by a Baton Rouge resident identified as "Jim White... a business guy," according to U.S. Treasury agents in Houston.

Duke, who gave up his post as grand wizard of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan last year to form the National Association for the Advancement of White People, said he knew some of the suspects.

"I was subpoenaed because I knew a couple of the guys," Duke said. "They asked if I was going to answer any questions and, on the advice of my lawyer, I said 'No.' I haven't been in the Klan since last year."

Duke said he was a friend of Stephen Don Black, of Birmingham, Ala., who replaced him as Grand Wizard of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

"I don't think it was any kind of KKK thing," Duke said. "What could the KKK get out of it? Those traced to the Klan had been in-

involved with it in the past."

Dominica is a tiny nation of blacks on a 29-by-16-mile island 300 miles southeast of Puerto Rico.

Former classmates of Black in Athens, Ala., said he used to talk about taking over a country.

"He always used to say 'one of these days I'm going to take over the world or a country,'" said Limestone County District Attorney Marc Sandlin after the arrest was reported.

Arrested with Black were Michael E. Perdue, 32, Houston, the group leader; Michael S. Norris, 21, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Wolfgang W. Droegge, 31, Toronto; Robert W. Prichard Jr., 30, Raleigh, N.C.; William B. Waldrop Jr., 33, Braxton, Miss.; Christopher B. Anderson, 41, Oklahoma City; Joe D. Hawkins, 37, Smith County, Miss.; George T. Malvaney, 21, Jackson, Miss.; and Larry L. Jackson, 22, Listowell, Ontario, Canada.

Court documents filed in Houston by U.S. Treasury agents indicated the government believes the mercenary group intended to overthrow the government of Prime Minister Mary Eugenia Charles and replace it with another headed by a former prime minister.

Since the arrest of the group, former Prime Minister Patrick John has been arrested and charged with plotting to overthrow the government.

## He's turned Turkeyville into a booming eatery

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TURKEYVILLE, Mich. — Wayne Cornwell talks turkey. And when he does, the citizens of Turkeyville — all eight of them — listen.

Cornwell has been talking turkey for more than 40 years, first as a turkey farmer and now as owner of Cornwell's Turkey House, "Home of the world's best turkey sandwich."

He sells baked turkey sandwiches, barbecued turkey, turkey salad, smoked turkey, turkey franks and turkey dinners — including turkey chow mein.

Cornwell transformed Turkeyville from a three-table lunchroom into a million-dollar-a-year business. He also put it on the map — or at least got the state to put a highway sign on I-69 north of Marshall so people could find it.

"If you have something people like, they'll find you in the middle of a cornfield," said Cornwell, who sometimes is referred to as "the mayor."

Cornwell stopped raising turkeys as his main business about 13 years ago when the government ordered him to build an office and shower for an inspector to monitor his farm, which produced about 14,000 turkeys a year.

At the urging of folks who had supped on their turkey fare at the Calhoun County Fair, he and his wife, Marjorie, had set up a small lunchroom at the farm.

With the lunchroom going fairly well and the government moving in on his production, Cornwell decided to become a full-time restaurateur.

"We had this restaurant started and we realized it would go," said Al, his oldest son and partner.

And go it did. It mushroomed into a massive roadside restaurant with seating space for 285 inside and another 120 at picnic tables outside. An ice cream parlor was added recently, serving such delights as the

four-dip Gobbler's Gourmet Turkeyville Supreme and a \$1.50 per Tom.

Whether he's adding a waiter to the restaurant or moving hundreds of customers through the kitchen into the ice cream parlor and onto the gift shop, most of the help comes from the eight Turkeyville residents — a family.

Al's wife, Joellyn, and their three sons all work fulltime at Turkeyville and his son's wife work there, too.

With all that employment and tourist trade from the thousands of people who stop for lunch at Turkeyville, Cornwell decided it was his civic duty to provide entertainment for Calhoun County residents.

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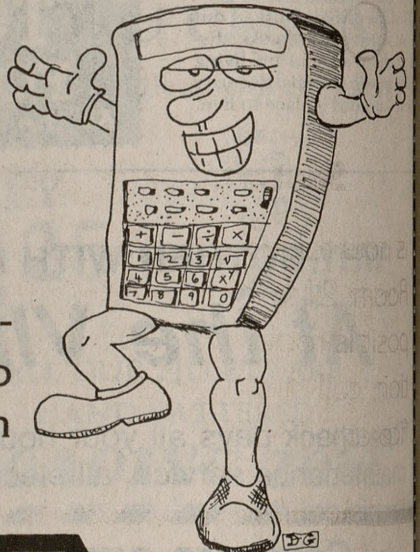
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