

*Adams Kenneth*

ADAMS, KENNETH

A former member of the Ku Klux Klan, he once jumped on a stage at Birmingham, Alabama, and tried to attack Nat King Cole, then performing. He was also in the Birmingham group that was charged with the burning of the first bus of freedom riders outside Birmingham. He was recently again convicted to 180 days in jail and fined a \$100 on counts of firing shotgun blasts into a church and the home of two Negroes. (Washington Post, 5/26/63)

He was freed on bond from the above sentence pending an appeal; was also accused of firing a shot into a Negro church 5/12/63; was found innocent by a jury 1/9/64. (AHL Facts, May 1965)

Alabama;

Head of the National States Rights Party and charged with "receiving and intent to convert into his own use" an arsenal of Government explosives. The arsenal was stolen from Ft. McClellan in 1965; Adams was jailed in lieu of \$5000 bond.

Admitted on charges concerned with the burning of a Freedom Rider bus in 1961, but was freed for lack of evidence. (Washington Post, 8/21/65; F-National States Rights