

Klan's Stand Against Nixon Pardon

Stone Mountain, Ga.

A leader of the Ku Klux Klan said yesterday that the Klan opposes amnesty for draft evaders or immunity from prosecution for former President Richard Nixon.

James R. Venable, the Imperial Wizard of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, said about 300 Klan officers attended the annual Stone Mountain "cross lighting" rally near the giant Confederate monument carved into the side of the granite mountain.

The Klan had its rebirth in the 1920s at the base of the mountain just outside Atlanta.

Venable said the KKK adopted resolutions against amnesty for Vietnam war resisters, immunity for Mr. Nixon and the genocide treaty pending before the U.S. Senate. Resolutions also opposed Nelson Rockefeller's nomination as vice president and called for the United Nations to be located outside the boundaries of the United States.

"All the Klan groups are going to work in close connection with each other to try to fight off communism and preserve our country and our white race," Venable said.

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