

## LETTERS

To the Editor,

I just finished reading your article "You Can't Burn History: Getting Right with the Klan in Noblesville, Indiana," by Allen Safianow. I am now 88 years in age and was a teenager in the 1920s and do remember the Klan marches in Noblesville, Sheridan, and Boxley. I lived 1 mile west of Boxley and knew some of the members and saw them march. I remember the marches when I was very young and could identify some of them by shoes they wore and pant legs of trousers.

Also, I was an elected sheriff of Hamilton County, Indiana, 1967 to 1971. In those years D. C. Stephenson applied for a new trial in Hamilton County Circuit Court, Judge Edward F. New presiding, and he sent me to Michigan City, Indiana, to pick him up from state prison there and bring him to Noblesville for a hearing for a new trial. The hearing was short and a new trial was denied, and he was returned by me to serve the balance of his life sentence. The article was real interesting to me as I saw it in action.

Also in the 1960s they [the Klan] had what I think was their last meeting held at Eagletown, Indiana, a small village in Washington Township west of Westfield, Indiana. They came to my office at the above-mentioned time and got my approval for the meeting, and the only restrictions I gave to them were No Cross Burnings and No Disorderly Conduct. They had the meeting and I never heard from them again.

P.S. I was a Boxley, Indiana, resident in youth. I resided in the jail residence at 8th and Conner in Noblesville, Indiana, 1958 to 1971. The jail held the following notables from the 1860s to 1971: D. C. Stephenson, Robert and Willadine Wotring, Charles Manson, William Dudley Pelley.

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