

## Ku Klux Klan Threat, circa 1868

## Image

Notice

To Teems, Davie, you must be a good boy and quit hunting on Sunday and shooting your gun in the night. you keep people from sleeping. I live in a big rock above the Ford of the Creek. I went from Lincoln County & County during the war I was killed at Manassus in 1861. I am here now as a Locust in the day time and at night I am a Ku Klux sent here to look after you and all the rest of the radicals and make you know your place. I have got my eye on you every day. I am at the Ford of the creek every evening from sundown till dark I want to meet you there next Saturday tell Platt Madison we have a Box for him and you. We nail all radicals up in Boxes and send them away to K K K there is 200 000 dead men returned to this country to make you and all the rest of the radicals good Democrats and vote right with the white people you have got it to do or leave this country no nigger is safe unless he joins the Democratic Club then you will be safe and have friends. Take heed and govern yourself accordingly and give all your friends timely warning.

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Ku Klux Klan to Davie Jeems, circa 1868.

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### Transcript

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[2] This man was elected in April to the Sheriffs Office of the County of Lincoln. Similar threats have prevented all the other Republican officers from taking their commissions