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CRISP COUNTY, GEORGIA

County seat - Cordele, pop. 10,609 population of other towns
Negro 5,331 Arabi, 303

county pop. - 17,768
Negro - 7,649
% Negro - 43%

population change, 1950-1960 - increase of .06%

State representative - Howard H. Rainey, Cordele (district 69, post 1
income tax accountant, real estate and retail furniture operator;
Econey L. Booen, Vienna (district 69, post 2), auto dealer,
funeral director

state senator - Martin Young (district 13) of Rebecca, farmer and
merchant

U.S. Congressman - Maston O'Neal of Bainbridge, 2nd district, attorney

<u>education</u>	Negro	white
median school years completed - 8.3 kindergarten	2884	2462
Negro - 4.6 elementary	2008	1820
high school	353	605
college		

annual family income

income range	number of whites	number of Negroes
\$000-1000	200	487
1000-2000	376	430
2000-3000	384	245
3000-4000	322	101
4000-5000	396	537
5000-6000	198	40
6000-7000	222	12
7000-8000	144	12
8000-9000	79	8
9000-10000	55	5
over 10,000	240	4

median family income

all families \$3702
Negro families 1497
white families 4000

occupations of Negro workers

men	farm laborers	352, or 29% of all Negro employed men
	laborers	267, or 22%
	factory workers	214, or 18%
	craftsmen	91, or 7%
	farmers	83, or 7%
	service workers	79, or 6%

women	domestic workers	553, or 57% of all Negro employed women
	service workers	145, or 15%
	professional	95, or 10%
	farm laborers	76, or 8%

<u>labor force</u>	Negro	white
men	1224	2663
women	963	1065
unemployed	130	264
% of work force	6%	8%

<u>politics</u>	Democrat	Republican
1960 presidential vote	2365	963
1964 presidential vote	1756	3337

Banks

Cordele Banking Co. - deposits of \$5.8 million, directors: R M Fleen
L B Maddox, H H Parker, W E Pitts
First State Bank of Cordele - deposits of \$5.1 million, directors:

Herbert P. Haley, J W Cannon, C H Denning, T E Fletcher, C C Williams
A E Walton, J L Stirckland, J B Downs, J K Culpepper, C C Shaarer

agriculture (figures for 1959)

number of farms	560
average size of farms	291 acres
number of farms under 10	21
number of farms over 10000	31
percent of farms operated by	
by tenants	31.4%
acres of farmland	
operated by whites	157,891
acres operated by	
Negroes	5,274

products values sold, 1959

total	\$6,423,000
all crops	4,914,000
field crops	4,194,000
vegetables	305,000
fruits and nuts	286,000
forest products	217,000
livestock	1,509,000
average value of products sold per farm, 1959	\$11,659
number of share croppers, 1959	65

prominent lawyers

H. McCormick - corporation, real estate, commercial and probate law
George Nixon and Whitfield R. Forrester - attorneys for First State
Bank, First Federal Savings and Loan Assn, Cordale Sash Door and
Lumber Company, Cordale Production Credit Co., Atlantic Coast Line
RR, Ga. Southern and Florida RR, Hunt Foods and Industries, South-
eastern Mortgage Company
George Wright and Graydon Reddick - attorneys for Crisp Co., Crisp
Co. power Comm., Bd. of Education of Crisp Co., Cordale Banking Co.,
Seaboard Airline RR, Radio Station WJLM, several insurance companies

Businesses

Cordale Uniform Co. - 300-400 employees in Cordale, Cotton aprons and
work clothes, Jack Fisher manager
Glasser Brothers - 200-500 employees in Cordale, Georgia, slacks, Ray
E. Tyner manager, home office St. Louis, Missouri
Harris Foundry and Machine Co. - 200-250 employees in Cordale,
hydraulic shears and baling presses, RC Harris president, Paul Barton
vice pres., subsidiary of Williams - McWilliams Industries, Inc.
Southern Cotton Oil (division of Hunt Foods and Industries)

voter registration

	white	Negro
eligible		3,850
registered		1,553
percentage		14.9%
total registered in county	6,084	