CHARLES B. CUHLER 1 111 Sutter Street San Francisco, California 94104 Telephone: SU 1-0666 2 FILHD 3 Attorney for plaintiff MAR 2 3 1956 Robert Charles Jordan, Jr. 4 5 JAMES P. WELSH, Clink 6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT 7 OF CALIFORNIA, SOUTHERN DIVISION 8 9 ROBERT CHARLES JORDAN, JR., 10 Plaintiff. 11 12 vs. STATE OF CALIFORNIA, CORRECTIONAL 13 TRAINING FACILITY at SOLEDAD, CALIFORNIA, RICHARD A. McGEE, CLETUS 14 J. FITZHARRIS, R. H. DONNELLY, C. L. SWAGGERTY, GEORGE F. JOHNSTON, AL 15 DeCARLI, WILLIAM T. KIEPURA, and EDWARD KUNKEL, 16 17 Defendants. 18 19 AMENDED COMPLAINT FOR INJUNCTION AND DAMAGES UNDER FEDERAL CIVIL RIGHTS ACTS 20 Plaintiff Robert Charles Jordan, Jr., complains of defendants 21 State of California, Correctional Training Facility at Soledad, 22 23 California, Richard A. McGee, Cletus J. Fitzharris, R. H. Don-24nelly, C. L. Swaggerty, George F. Johnston, Al DeCarli, William 25 T. Kiepura, and Edward Kunkel as follows: 26 Plaintiff Robert Charles Jordan, Jr., is and was 27 at all times herein relevant incarcerated at the Correctional 28 Training Facility at Soledad, California (hereinafter referred 29 to as the "Correctional Training Facility"). Plaintiff is a 30 citizen of the United States and of the State of California,

- 1 residing within the Northern District of California. Plaintiff
- 2 is a member of the Negro race.
- 3 2. The Correctional Training Facility is and was at
- 4 all times herein relevant a penal institution operated by the
- 5 State of California at Soledad, California, within the Northern
- B District of California. Each individual defendant named herein
- 7 is and was at all times herein relevant an employee of the State
- 8 of California, employed at the Correctional Training Facility,
- 9 except Richard A. McGee is and was at all times herein relevant
- an employee of the State of California, employed as Director of
- 11 Corrections. Each and every action hereinafter alleged was
- 12 taken by one or more defendants under color of the law of the
- 13 State of California.
- 3. Defendant Richard A. McGee is and was at all times
- 15 herein relevant Director of Corrections of the State of Califor-
- 16 nia and resides in the State of California.
- 17 4. Defendant Cletus J. Fitzharris is and was at all
- 18 times herein relevant Superintendent of the Correctional Train-
- 19 ing Facility and resides in the Northern District of California.
- 5. Defendant R. H. Donnelly is and was at all times
- 21 herein relevant Deputy Superintendent of the Correctional Train-
- 22 ing Facility and resides in the Northern District of California.
- 23 6. Defendant C. L. Swaggerty is and was at all times
- 24 herein relevant Associate Superintendent of the Correctional
- 25 Training Facility and resides in the Northern District of Cali-
- 26 formia.
- 7. Defendant George F. Johnston is and was at εll
- times herein relevant Unit Three Program Administrator of the
- 29 Correctional Training Facility and resides in the Northern Dis-
- 30 trict of California.

- 8. Defendant Al DeCarli is and was at all times
 herein relevant Correctional Counselor Grade I at the Correctional Training Facility and resides in the Northern District of California.
 - 9. Defendant William T. Kiepura is and was at all times herein relevant Correctional Counselor Grade II at the Correctional Training Facility and resides in the Northern District of California.

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- p 10. Defendant Edward Kunkel is and was at all times
 herein relevant Chief Medical Officer of the Correctional
 Training Facility and resides in the Northern District of
 California.
- 11. This action is founded upon claims arising from violations of 42 U.S.C. §§ 1981, 1983, 1985 and 1986, and this Court has jurisdiction of this action under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1343 and 1331.
 - 22. On or about July 9, 1965, plaintiff was placed in a special punishment unit at the Correctional Training Facility, known as a "strip cell" (hereinafter referred to as "strip cell"). Plaintiff was continuously confined in solitary confinement in said strip cell for twelve consecutive days.
- 13. Said strip cell is approximately 8 feet by 12 22 feet in size. The front of the cell is barred and faces out 23 to a wall approximately two feet away. This wall is solid, 24 with the exception of shutter "flaps" and a solid door which 25 are beyond the control of anyone confined in the strip cell. 26 Beyond this second wall is a corridor running between the faces 27: of the second walls of several strip cells and the outside wall 28 29 of the building.
 - During plaintiff's confinement in said strip cell,

plaintiff was forced to remain in said strip cell with said flaps and door of the second wall closed. As a result, plaintiff was deprived of light and ventilation for twelve days, except that twice a day the door of the second wall was opened for approximately fifteen minutes.

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facilities, except that there is a raised concrete platform at the rear of the cell containing a hole to receive bodily wastes. There is no mechanism within the cell for "flushing" bodily wastes from this hole. "Flushing" is controlled by personnel of the Correctional Training Facility from the ϵx -terior of said strip cell. The hole was only "flushed" at approximately 8:30 A.M. and 9:00 P.M. on some of the twelve days plaintiff was confined in said strip cell.

the strip cell was never cleaned. As a result of the continuous state of filth to which plaintiff was subjected, plaintiff was often nauseous and vomitted, and the vomit was never cleaned from plaintiff's cell. When plaintiff was first brought to the strip cell, the floor and walls of the strip cell were covered with the bodily wastes of previous inhabitants of the strip cell. Plaintiff is informed and believes and on that basis alleges that said strip cell had-not been cleaned for at least thirty days before plaintiff was confined therein.

Plaintiff was forced to remain in said strip cell for twelve days without any means of cleaning his hands, body or teeth. No means was provided which could enable plaintiff to clean any part of his body at any time. Plaintiff was forced to handle and eat his food without even the semblance of cleanliness or any provision for sanitary conditions.

ment in said strip cell, plaintiff was not permitted clothing of any nature and was forced to remain in said strip cell absolutely naked. Thereafter, plaintiff was given a pair of rough overalls only.

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with no place to sleep but upon the cold concrete floor of the strip cell, except that a stiff canvass mat approximately 4 1/2 feet by 5 1/2 feet was provided. Said mat was so stiff that it could not be folded to cover plaintiff without such conscious exertion by plaintiff that sleep was impossible. Plaintiff is six feet and one inch tall and could not be adequately covered by said stiff canvass mat even when holding said mat over himself. The strip cell was not heated during the time that plaintiff was forced to remain there.

Plaintiff is informed and believes and on that basis alleges that plaintiff has been and may be subjected to confinement in said strip cell without the authorization of the Superintendent, the Deputy Superintendent, the Associate Superintendent, or anyone of comparable administrative rank; that lower-rank personnel of the Correctional Training Facility purport to have exercised and intend to exercise in the future broad discretion in confining plaintiff in said strip cell; that said lower-rank personnel purport to have the discretion to confine plaintiff in said strip cell for 60 consecutive days; and that there are no standards for the proper exercise of such discretion.

21. On many occasions prior to July 9, 1965, plaintiff has been confined in said strip cell, plaintiff is continually living under the threat of repeated confinement in said strip cell, and plaintiff is constantly subject to confinement in said strip cell pursuant to purported disciplinary procedures as they presently exist and will continue to exist unless enjoined by this Court.

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prior to, during, and subsequent to said confinement in said strip cell, despite repeated oral and written requests for same made in good faith by or on behalf of plaintiff.

- Prior to and subsequent to said confinement in said strip cell, plaintiff has been forced to endure confinement in "O Wing" of the Correctional Training Facility without adequate protection from the raw outdoor elements, in that plaintiff's cell front offers no protection from the elements, being only bars, there are no window panes for the large window openings in the outside wall of the corridor which is directly outside plaintiff's cell, and there is insufficient artificial heat, if any, to combat the outdoor climatic conditions which prevail in plaintiff's cell.
- 24. Defendants have jointly and severally taken each action hereinabove alleged in violation of 42 U.S.C. §§ 1981, 1983, 1985 and 1986.
- 25. Beginning at least as early as July 1, 1965, defendants entered into a conspiracy to take each action hereinabove alleged, and each action hereinabove alleged was taken pursuant to said conspiracy in violation of 42 U.S.C. §§ 1981, 1983, 1985 and 1986.
- 26. As a result of the actions hereinabove alleged, plaintiff has suffered damage to his person and pain and suffering in the amount of at least \$25,000 to date, and will unless defendants be restrained by this Court from taking such

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2	27. Defendants, and each of them, have had knowledge
3	that the wrongs conspired to be done as hereinabove alleged
.1	were about to be committed, and have had the power to prevent
5	or aid in preventing the commission of said wrongs by the
б	exercise of due diligence, but have neglected or refused to
7	do so.
8	28. As a result of said neglect or failure herein-
9	above alleged plaintiff has suffered damage to his person and
10	pain and suffering in the amount of at least \$25,000 to date.
11	WHEREFORE plaintiff prays as follows:
12	1. That defendants be enjoined permanently from
13	subjecting plaintiff to violations of 42 U.S.C. §§ 1981, 1983,
14	1985 and 1986;
15	2. That plaintiff be awarded damages against all
16	defendants jointly and severally in the sum of \$25,000 for
17	injury to his person and pain and suffering;
18	3. That plaintiff be awarded damages against all
19	defendants jointly and severally in the sum of \$75,000 as and
20	for exemplary damages;
21	4. That plaintiff be awarded his costs of suit in-
22	curred and such other and further relief as may be proper.
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