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DENVER COLUMNIST PUBLICIZES CORE'S SUMMER SLUM CAMPAIGN

Denver, Colo., July 22, 1965---Denver CORE's summer campaign against slum housing has been publicized locally in the Denver Post by Columnist Charles Roos.

"The targets this summer will be what CORE calls the slumlords, the absentee owners of rundown apartments." Roos writes, "CORE says block work last year disclosed many unsafe and unsanitary conditions - bad wiring, loose boards, poor heating, inadequate plumbing, stuck windows and doors, permanent population of rats, mice and roaches.

"CORE charges that some owners never see their properties, leaving management and rent collections to managers. CORE charges that some owners allow slum conditions to exist so taxes stay low and profits high.

"The local housing chairman, Eugene Jackson Jr., says the organization 'is not concerned solely with substandard housing for Negroes, but substandard housing wherever it exists, regardless of who owns it.

"'At present,' he said, 'property owned by three prominent Negroes is under investigation, and it is certain that complaints will be filed with the Department of Health and Hospitals.'"

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