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LETTERS HIT LANESBORO EDITOR

O'Ryan Criticised by Reed

Some Statements of Attorney for Veterans Bureau Committee Repudiated.

(Bureau Publication and Education)

K-K-K
Mystery as to How Unauthorized Report Was Given Out to Newspapers.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Senator David A. Reed, of Pennsylvania, chairman of the special committee which has been investigating the veterans' bureau, practically repudiated parts of the report of General O'Ryan, the committee's counsel. He says no member of the committee knew just how publicity was given the report and that it was premature and in many parts altogether wrong. He declared before the Senate Tuesday that what was printed was taken from first proofs which have been substantially changed.

Senator Reed and his colleagues on the committee deplore what they characterized as a premature publication. The committee's report will not be ready to lay before the Senate for ten days and in the meantime the Pennsylvania senator asked other members of the Senate to withhold judgement on what was put out by the committee's counsel. There is a disagreement with General O'Ryan and the committee indicates that it will approve only part of findings as outlined by him. It is characterized as unauthorized and deplorable. In making his statement to the Senate, Senator Reed said:

Without Knowledge of Committee
"I desire to make a very brief statement in regard to the publication in the newspapers of what appears to be the report of counsel to the select committee which is examining into the veterans' bureau.
"The extracts from that so-called report were printed without the knowledge or consent of the committee of the Senate which is making the investigation. What was printed appears to be extracts from the first proof received from the printer of General O'Ryan's report and that has been very extensively changed in subsequent proofs.Statement Not Authorized
"General O'Ryan has not taken up the report with the committee, has not submitted his report to the committee, has not yet consulted most of the committee about it, and what appeared in the newspapers is not in any sense an approval or authorized final statement from the committee or from its counsel.

"I ask the Senate to pay no attention to the newspaper extracts that have appeared. We hope to have our final report, including that part of counsel's report with which we agree, ready for the Senate within ten days. There are a great many recommendations made by General O'Ryan with which we are in entire agreement, and there are some with which we do not agree. I ask the Senate to reserve judgment on this subject until we can get in our report in final form."

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ALIENS CONVICTED OF ATTACKING GIRLS

Alliance, Ohio.—Accused by two young girls, who declared the men kept them prisoners all night in a garage, two aliens are serving sentences of 90 and 60 days each in the Stark county workhouse.

They are Bernard Koroski, who was fined \$200 and costs, and sentenced to 90 days, and Andy Burnett, whose fine was fixed at \$150 and costs and 60 days' imprisonment. The trial was before Judge E. W. Diehl of Alliance.

The girls testified they were lured into an automobile by Koroski and Burnett in Sebring and were taken to the garage and locked in. Neither of the girls is 16 years old.

When the girls failed to return home, a search was started for them which finally led to the discovery that they were captives. There were threats of mob violence when the identity of the men became known, but the parents of the victims asked that the law be permitted to take its course.

ESCH-CUMMINS ACT MEETS OPPOSITION

K-K-K
New Chairman of Interstate Commerce Commission Favors Changes(Bureau Publication and Education)
WASHINGTON, D. C.—Now that Senator Cummins has been defeated for chairman of the Interstate Commerce committee of the Senate, progressive senators will begin action to bring a reduction of freight rates in this country. The new chairman, Senator Smith, Democrat, is in favor of amendments to the Esch-Cummins act to bring about a reduction and will have the active support of seven progressive and insurgent senators and the minority to help him.

Senator LaFollette, of Wisconsin, leader of the insurgents in the Senate has made the first move in the new Congress toward achieving his object along this line. He has offered drastic amendments to the Esch-Cummins law, in support of which he is said to expect the aid of all progressives and radicals in both parties. He contends that if the amendments can be enacted into law the country will be saved hundreds of millions of dollars in freight charges. He is said to count upon the new chairman of this committee, Senator Smith, of South Carolina, to help him get the bill out of committee.

According to Senator LaFollette's explanation of the bill containing the proposed amendments, it will require the Interstate Commerce Commission to fix railroad rates on the basis of actual service costs. By costs of service he means operating expenses plus actual capital cost, and that, he explains, is interest on bonds, plus fair dividends for stock that represents money invested. "I reject the theory," he says, "that public utilities have any right to earn profits on inflated and fictitious values."

Thus the old bill comes back to the old question of railway valuation, which has been a bone of contention for years, and which will be raised again in the ample debates which will follow. Senator LaFollette contends that the opposition of the railways has prevented the complete fulfillment of the purposes of the valuation act. His bill directs the commission to fulfill its provisions and to report the cost of the roads to date. He says the bill is based upon the principle that the private owners of railroads are entitled to be reimbursed for the actual cost of the services they perform and to be paid a fair return for the money they have "prudently invested in property now devoted to public service."

K-K-K

KLANSMEN IN SEARCH OF FLAG DESECRATOR

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Aid Legion and Police in Hunt for Alien Who Tore Emblem From Memorial

Vineland, N. J.—In an endeavor to find and bring to justice the criminals who recently tore down the American flag which floated over the American Legion Memorial, the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan have taken an official stand by offering a reward for the arrest and conviction of those implicated.

Since the flags were destroyed four weeks ago an investigation has been made by the Legion and citizens of the community.

Citizens of Vineland have prided themselves on the loyalty and support they have shown to the Stars and Stripes in all its difficulties and conflicts. They regard the affair an insult to them as American citizens and resent the attempt to disgrace and belittle the pride that they have taken in American history.

CONGRESS

K-K-K
Daily Index of American CongressK-K-K
Washington, D. C.
Monday, January 14
Senate—Met at noon; adjourned at 3:30 P. M.

Adopted Borah resolution calling upon the State Department for copies of reports made during the last six years on Russian affairs.

Considered minor bills on the calendar.
Shipping Board reported that the American Bar Association had selected a British ship for transportation of its delegates to the London meeting next summer, although the board had offered to meet every condition given by its competitor.

Senator McKellar, Tennessee, spoke in opposition to the recent offer of various Southern power companies for the lease of Muscle Shoals and urged the Henry Ford offer be accepted.

A message from President Coolidge recommended American participation in the international statistical bureau at The Hague.

Minority Leader Robinson said the Democrats desired to see the transportation system so improved that not only would investors in railroad securities be treated fairly, but that shippers and consumers may receive transportation service at just and reasonable rates.

K-K-K
House—Met at noon; adjourned at 5:20 P. M.

The Underwood rule, adopted in 1911 by the Democrats, designed to restrict amendments and limit debate on all revenue and tariff bills, was repealed by a vote of 208 to 177. This action was supported by the Democrats and 24 Progressive insurgents.

The Rules committee proposed 150 signatures to a petition to discharge from further consideration of any bill referred to it and the opposition proposed only 100 signatures. This started a four or five days' debate.
Ways and Means committee began open hearings on the Mellon tax reduction bill with representatives of various business interests present.K-K-K
Tuesday, January 15Senate—Met at noon; adjourned at 2:47 P. M.
Senator Walsh, Massachusetts, made an attack on the Fordney-McCumber tariff act.

Approved the action of the Finance committee in appointing a permanent subcommittee on "world war veterans' relief legislation."

Commerce committee favorably reported the bill designed to prevent oil pollution of coastal waters.

Audit committee favorably reported the Wheeler resolution to investigate the status of the seal fur industry of the United States.

Interstate Commerce committee held its first session, but there was no decision as to how soon railroad legislation would be considered.

Confirmed many nominations.

K-K-K
House—Met at noon; adjourned at 5:15 P. M.

Spent the entire day discussing the report of the Committee on Rules without taking any action. Splendid opportunity seized by members to make speeches for campaign material to be sent broadcast all over the country.

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Wednesday, January 16Senate—Met at noon; adjourned at 4 P. M.
Senator Borah, Idaho, in a speech charged that French officials are preparing to repudiate France's debt to the United States.

Senator Caraway, Arkansas, in a speech charged former Secretary Fall with "betraying a high trust imposed upon him" by leasing the Teapot Dome naval oil reserve, and that for a "corrupt consideration."

Passed a bill appropriating \$251,000 to reimburse Texas ranchmen for losses sustained through negligent dipping of tick-infested cattle to the number of 4,300 by representatives of the Department of Agriculture.

Concluded in House resolution extending to December 8, 1924, the time (Continued on page four)

COMMUNICATIONS REVEAL THE USELESSNESS OF ANTI-KLAN ATTACK BY LEVANG'S WEEKLY

Ola's Home Folks Freely Express Their Opinions and Indicate the Trend of their Thoughts in Regards to K. K. K.

K-K-K
AN OPEN LETTER TO OLA LEVANG

Lanesboro, Minn.

Dear Mr. Levang:

You continuously go out of your way to feature Klansmen as sneaks, cowards, spies, instigators of hate, etc. I have known you for many years and am, therefore, in a position to understand your various stands on men, movements, policies, programs and events. But I am troubled somewhat by what outsiders get a wrong impression of the people in Lanesboro so I am taking this method of correction. You know as well as I do that you stand very nearly alone in Lanesboro, so far as Protestants go, in your uncompromising attitude toward the great Protestant movement. You have ventured a guess that only twenty-five Lanesboro men are members of the Ku Klux Klan. I must smile as I write when I compare the actual membership with your guess. It is, of course, none of your business how many Protestants in and near Lanesboro have seen the light of the new and better day.

It would be foolish to attempt an answer to your ridiculous, yes, absurd, accusations centered against the K. K. K. Your mind is not open to conviction on the Klan question. So why should I argue the matter? Anyway you are so "set on your opinions" so far as the Ku Klux Klan is concerned that I see the uselessness of attempting the impossible.

And on a second thought why is it necessary to dignify your opposition by means of any controversy with you? I am satisfied that you are doing the Klan a good turn through your antagonistic prattle. Rave on, old man, rave on. When the broadsides of the united-kept press and thunderbolts of oratorical whirlwinds have failed completely to stop the Klan, it is reasonable to expect no injury from a peanut-wagon weekly. You might as well attempt to kill an elephant with a tooth-brush as to expect to destroy the Ku Klux Klan with your publication.

Let it be known here and now that very few Protestants are being turned against the American Movement by your "pop-offs." Don't let me, however, discourage you in your work in behalf of those who grin a silly smile when they read your brain-products as printed in your weekly. If Martin Luther were on earth today and fighting for the great things he believed in with a burning zeal born of a mental awakening, I would expect to see Levang's Weekly denouncing the Reformation movement. That which you can't understand deserves your study before setting in type erroneous conclusions coming as a direct result of ignorance.

Yours truly,
An Old Friend.K-K-K
Lanesboro, Minn.Editor The Call of the North,
St. Paul, Minn.Dear "Twilight":
Every town has its "character" and we have it here. Guess who it is.

I enjoy your paper very much and hope you continue your good work indefinitely.

Yours very truly,
K-K-K
Rushford, Minn.

Dear Editor:

The people around here are thinking that you ought to step on "Lanesboro Ola," but I have been telling my

friends that that man will do like the proverbial calf, hang himself with his own rope, if he runs wild as at present.

A Klansman.

K-K-K
Lanesboro, Minn.Editor, The Call of the North,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Editor:

You hit the nail on the head when you stated editorially that a strong Klan organization is certain in the Lanesboro community, now that Ola Levang has come out against the K's.

Yours sincerely,
K-K-K
Lanesboro, Minn.

Dear Orn:

We have a rip-snorting editor down here who is suffering from an over-heated belly. We have long read his "puffs" much as one reads "Life" or "Judge." We simply can't take Ola seriously.

Yours truly,
K-K-K
Preston, Minn.

Dear Editor Orn:

I am sending you several copies of "Levang's Weekly." You will note the marked articles. Wow, but he slambangs the Klan something fierce. Issue after issue the Lanesboro "Groucher" growls. I think Ola has seven years' itch, and so can't help himself. Poor fellow.

Fraternally,
K-K-K
Rushford, Minn.

Dear Editor:

Some of us have been reading Levang's Weekly about the K. K. K. and would like to join the order. We want you to tell us who we can see so that we can get on the inside. The Klan is sure a good thing with Levang fighting it. Levang was for Preus when the Governor wanted to be Senator—and that helped Magnus Johnson win.

Yours for America,
K-K-K
Lanesboro, Minn.

Dear "Twilight" Orn:

Heard your lecture here last summer and enjoyed it very much. Your words were good for all of us. Ola Levang, however, has been slamming the Klan ever since you were here. We know why Ola Boola La Whang fights the Ku Klux Klan. He thinks about Sidney Anderson's job and is trying to get it. Ha! Ha! It's a joke—we must laugh.

Yours till the Cows Grow Feathers,
K-K-K
Preston, Minn.The Call of the North,
St. Paul, Minn.

Enclosed find clippings from Levang's Weekly of Lanesboro. Levang does enjoy printing cracks at the Klan but of the many people that I talk to every day very few, pay any attention to the "also-ran" man from Lanesboro. Ola gets the funniest ideas about the subject "How to Get to Congress." It looks very much as if Levang is fighting the Klan because he has a notion that it will make people think he is "fearless." I know positively that Ola is disappointed because he hasn't been given a coat of tar and feathers by the Klan. He is just wrong enough in his understanding of the Organization to think that we are a band of outlaws and self-appointed vigilantes. We who have followed Levang's career know that Ola enjoys featuring his courage—in fact he likes to parade the thing. Let him parade, but only a few around here will attend his circus.

Yours truly,
K-K-K
Lanesboro, Minn.

Dear Editor, The Call of the North:

"Whimpers Weekly" of this town continues hitting the Klu Kluxers with reckless wildness. The Week-

ly doesn't care about facts neither does it pay any attention to conclusive arguments so I have arrived at the point in my thinking where I consider the source and let it go at that. Whimper's Weekly is wrong end to so frequently as to make the thing look like what it is—Hillbilly's Howl.

The Editor of Whimper's Weekly might just as well go out on a hill and try to stop the clouds as to expect his whimpers to affect the Klan movement. We let the Hillbilly howl around here and laugh up our sleeves. Sincerely yours,
K-K-K
Lanesboro, Minn.

Dere Tville:

I spose yu vont puplish dis leter but I vant to speek for my frend Ola. He iss a brav man—yas yust es brav es dey mak dem. He fight dat dere turble Klan and iss not a bitt skared. Taak bout kurig, Ola shure hass gott a lot ov it. He certenly tells yuh fellers whare to go in such yucy vords that dey smart like onion in de eyes. Ve vonder yu im vild of de Nutt dosent yump on im vild fore pages anyvay. Yust yesterday de organizer ov de Klaxers vas in town and Ola new it rite avay. He called de preest and tall heem and in forty-three minits de town vas full of dem what hates de K. K. K., like Ola doss—vell de organizer ran from town on de next train mity fast, I tell yuh. Yuh can't mak Ola runn, he stand lik a vall of butter in Yanuary, stiff and salty.

Yurs sincerely,
Ola's fren.
K-K-K
Preston, Minn.

Editor, Call of the North:

The burning of a fiery cross in this vicinity brought forth several outbursts on the part of Ola Levang. He certainly searched the dictionary for words that would serve as instruments of vituperation. But he overshoot his mark and many who thought Mr. Levang absolutely sincere in his opposition to the Ku Klux Klan are now beginning to smile at a mouse. There is not the least doubt in my mind but that the motive back of Levang's anti-Klan stand is merely a play for political support. You perhaps have been informed concerning Levang's attitude toward Congressman Sidney Anderson. Levang's Weekly has quite frequently devoted space to bitter denunciation of our Congressman. It would not be strange to see an article in Levang's Weekly with a headline "Sydney Anderson Joins Hooded Order of Blackguards." Politics sometimes goes to man's head and then most anything can be expected. Mr. Levang certainly has not the following he thinks he has. There are visible signs in nearly all the communities in this part of the state.

Very sincerely yours,
K-K-K
Rushford, Minn.

Dear Mr. Orn:

Just a line to let you know that "Lie-Mint's Whispers" of Lanesboro took a whack at you. Copy under separate cover.

Yours for the K. K. K.
K-K-K
Fountain, Minn.

The Call of the North:

I have been wondering whether or not you have been getting copies of Le Vang's Weekly of Lanesboro. I am sending you several copies to make sure. Don't pay much attention to the anti-Klan stuff that Le Vang shoots. I have known the Lanesboro editor for many years and take whatever he writes with several grains of salt. Personally I am glad to see the editor of Lanesboro lined up as an anti-Klaner. Mr. Le Vang's support certainly would do the K. K. K. very little good, if any.

A Future Kluxer.
K-K-K
Lanesboro, Minn.

Dear Mr. Orn:

The Klan is getting a lot of free

advertising in this part of the hills absolutely free of charge. Ola Levang is happy now that he has something to jump on with all fours. I am a farmer and subscribe for Levang's Weekly, but don't like the position its editor takes on so many things. Don't think for a minute that Levang's Weekly hurts the Klan in the least. You should encourage Levang in his work in behalf of the Klan—believe me when I say that Ola Levang is making friends for the K. K. K. in his hotshots against the organization.

Yours truly,
K-K-K
Preston, Minn.

Dear Orn:

Just a line to tell you that I am asking only for one thing—a chance to help vote Levang into oblivion. I wish he would run for Congress or poundmaster or something.

Yours always,
K-K-K

BISHOP'S STAND CREATES A STIR IN METHODIST CHURCH

K-K-K
Joseph H. Berry of Asbury Park District, Would Bar Klansmen From ChurchesK-K-K
Asbury Park, N. J.—Great surprise and considerable resentment has been occasioned in many Methodist homes of this community by the public statement of Bishop Joseph F. Berry, senior bishop of the Methodist Episcopal church in New Jersey, in which he said that members of the Ku Klux Klan, as an organization, should not be permitted in the churches and that no money should be accepted from them.

While the opinion has not been conveyed to the New Jersey conference as an order, it is expected that it will be presented in the near future. Developments are certain to follow this order and they are awaited anxiously by members of the church. The Klan is said to be strong in the Methodist churches along the seashore, and naturally there has been resentment against the unwarranted attack and attitude taken by the bishop.

Co-operation Was Solicited
Methodist Episcopal clergymen in this district have been cordial to the organization, as there has been a popular demand from members of their congregations for a co-operative attitude between the church and the Klan. The Klan has been attending many churches on the invitations of ministers throughout the state. Members of the church in this district are expecting the issue to be brought up at the conference at Atlantic City in March.

It is difficult for members and pastors of the church to form any defense for the stand taken by the bishop. The prosperity of the congregations since the advent of the Klan has been unparalleled in the history of Methodism in this district. Church attendance has increased while the spiritual atmosphere has correspondingly healthy growth. The Klan is looked on as being vital to the preservation of the church from a national standpoint.

Hasty Decision
A Klansman of this community, in a recent statement, said: "It looks as though members of the Ku Klux Klan will have to build churches to accommodate the 1,500,000 Methodists who are members of the organization. I cannot understand why the bishop has made such an unwarranted attack, unless it is because he has no information and is ignorant of the true principles for which the Klan is striving. The organization has been working for the churches of this district. It is certain that if we are not invited to attend the Methodist Episcopal churches we will go elsewhere as a body. I believe that Bishop Berry has made a hasty decision and will regret it."

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F. J. ORN, Editor in Chief

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THE PRESENT CRISIS

By JOHN A. JEFFREY

It is rarely, if ever, that mankind realizes the transition from one age to another. We may not do so now. The new age was perhaps on the way several years before we began to notice it. But the time is upon us now when mighty forces of social transformation are in operation. The function of good citizenship is then to so direct and control the public mind and give the people the vision of the new age, that the present great opportunity may not lead to disaster, rather than to achievement.

Stanley Frost in "The Outlook" for December 19, 1923, has commenced a series of articles on the Ku Klux Klan, "the Giant in the White Hood." He has learned the Klan can neither be lied, ridiculed or frightened out of existence, and that its immense and rapid growth proves that the movement "has an appeal to some deep-seated sentiment, instinct, prejudice, condition, or whatever you care to call it—something widespread, fundamental and very much alive."

He claims the near future will show whether it is "insanity or inspiration." He is of the opinion that all the opposition to and persecution of the Klan has but speeded up its growth. Mr. Frost admits the Klan with 4,000,000 members and trembles to think what it will be when another million shall be added. He also sees the other million coming into its ranks in a short time.

So there is a change in the public opinion of the nation regarding the Klan, and that change is growing into wonder at its power and progress. This is the close of a great year for our Order. It is also the beginning of another year greater beyond all computation. Our power to control the nation shall be great, but greater beyond all measure is and

shall be our responsibility to guide it right. The highest dedication and consecration to this holy service is the call of duty and of God to each one of us.

Let us see that nothing smaller than this great aim is allowed to creep into our minds or hearts. Let us make a New Year resolution that we will turn every impulse of our mind, our heart and our hand to the public service nearest to us.

Let us choose the right kind of a governor for Washington and the right kind of a mayor for Seattle. Let us pass a public school education bill.

Let us pass the Towner-Sterling bill.

Let us elect the right kind of state and local public officers who dare to be right.

Let us cling to the national budget system and strict economy in government.

Let us clean up and build up our own state.

Let us elect a President of the United States and senators and congressmen who will help us do these things without faltering or equivocation.

Let us be worthy of the most sublime lineage in all history—American citizenship.

We shall grow so long as we live up to this sacred trust. The Order, the nation, the world, mankind and civilization need such high consecration to duty. Shall we falter or fail? We have set in motion high and tremendous forces. We have aroused in opposition to them all the powers of darkness and wrong. We cannot—we dare not refuse or fail to acquit ourselves like real men. The battle is joined already.—The Watcher on the Tower.

DAILY NEWSPAPERS AGAIN RAP KLAN

The daily newspapers have again taken a rap at the Klan. My, what a wallop they gave us this time! But in a couple of issues the thing is over—the "hurricane" has passed and once more quiet reigns.

We presume such periodical spasms are a part of their daily editorial curriculum, so we are willing. The enemy may have cause to gloat over such yellow journalism and if it gets any consolation out of that kind of work, we suppose it is all right.

Fine reading, Klansmen, isn't it, to hear how the Klan has been shattered into smithereens, rent asunder and annihilated. But why doesn't the Klan "die?" says someone.

We will tell you: All the forces of Hades turned loose in America can't kill the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan! Such wonderful principles will never die! Lambasting the Klan only tends to make it grow. Where is the force on earth that can put down those mighty principles of ours—ONE GOD, ONE FLAG, ONE SCHOOL, ONE COUNTRY! Those four splendid fundamentals spell the greatest word in the English language today:

Americanism!

Where is there a red-blooded man or woman within our shores who would not stand by those principles? "America is for Americans!" Never was there a truer sentence uttered than that daily almost throughout our land. Sermons are being preached from our Protestant pulpits upon the subject of Americanism. Do the daily newspapers print those sermons? They do not. And for why?

Because of an alien influence that has, octopus-like, thrown its long arms about a great many of our un-American newspaper publishers. That is the truth told in no uncertain terms.

Many American newspaper publishers today are tied hand and foot to

Rome. Her bidding must be done. Did any residing in Dayton ever see a line printed in either of our three dailies favorable in any way to the Ku Klux Klan?

Not much!

There, dear reader, is your alien influence at work in our own home town. Next to the enemy itself, the politician, the gambler, the bootlegger and the foreigner are all fighting the Klan. The reason for this is they fear the cleanup that positively is getting results. The Klan is making America better day by day, but it works so effectively and so quietly that few know the wonderful things that are being accomplished.

The Klan isn't dying. Nor is it going to die. The truth is that thousands of fine men and women all over this country are answering the clarion call to Americanism daily.

And there is one sure bet—that the newspapers can't kill the Ku Klux Klan! It's been tried too often. Every time the press lets out that familiar wail the Klan takes a new hold on the bits and that makes us better Klansmen.

The world has never seen a movement to equal the Ku Klux Klan! One hundred per cent Americans are everywhere. Patriotism for Americans is the spur that goes to the American millions to their goal—a cleaner America. The growth of the Klan, indeed, is gratifying everywhere. Not a tremor ever has been felt within the organization that would tend to make us believe that the Klan is losing ground or that the people of America need a foreign potentate to tell us what is best for us, so if that is a sign that the Klan is going to stay among us, then we shall rest assured that Old Glory will continue to wave over every schoolhouse wherein the Holy Bible is taught to oncoming generations.—Exchange.

"BACK TO CHURCH" MOVE IS A SUCCESS

Morris town, N. J.—The "back-to-church" campaign, started by the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, covering every district of Morris county, is meeting with more success than the leaders of the local organization anticipated in the beginning.

Each Sunday night Klan services are held in six or seven churches. The attendance and interest has not been limited to members of the organization—everybody goes.

Exceptionally fine co-operation has been received from the ministers, regardless of their affiliations or personal attitude. The spirit is not limited to the ministers, but has been manifested by the public, which is clamoring for a wider range of activity of the Klan services.

BARS AT LAST LET DOWN

At last the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan has formed an auxiliary organization which permits intelligible to the Klan to join an organization associated with the Klan and working unitedly for the common purpose of a better America.

The four R's, the Royal Riders of the Red Robe is the order referred to and today is being organized in many places. For a long time such a move had been contemplated by Klan leaders. When the Klan was organized it was evident that for instance Canadians were near-eligible, but while no doubt adopting our creed, could not be allowed to come into such membership. To offset this a new auxiliary has come into being, as given in detail in the following article:

The organization is in no sense a competitor of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, but may, on the other hand, be considered an auxiliary of that great patriotic organization which of necessity excludes foreign born citizens from its membership.

In keeping with the high purposes and patriotic principles of the "Royal Riders" its ritualistic features are inspiring and soul-stirring. Its regalia, official titles and other distinguishing characteristics are unique and pleasing. The secrecy with which its personnel is clothed protects them from the attacks of those who oppose defenders of Americanism.

Founded by Dr. Martin W. Rose, now Imperial Regent, with headquarters in Portland, the organization has branched out to all sections of the United States in response to the immediate and insistent demands made by those who saw it in the one effective medium of unifying some millions of our best citizenship in a common cause.

The large foreign born population of the large cities, as well as of urban centers throughout the United States, is expected to rally to the Royal Riders of the Red Robe, the one organization that has adopted and is carrying out a program of aggressive and constructive Americanism.

Leaders of the several racial groups who inculcate the ideals of true Americanism into the hearts of their fellows, Americans of foreign birth whose love for "Oly Glory" is as unquestioned as that of those legions that fought under the "Stars and Stripes" overseas, and representatives of those very legions will be called together in a short time to outline the organization campaign in many states.

Thousands of men, who except for the accident of foreign birth, would now be members of the Klan, have

already signified their intention not only of joining the new organization, but of working aggressively for it.

It is pointed out that the Royal Riders of the Red Robe is the only organization in which native and naturalized Americans can meet on a common plane for a common cause with all racial distinction wiped out—all "Royal Riders" are Americans, and Americans only.

Protestants from the United Kingdom, Sweden, Norway, Canada, Germany, and other countries in Europe who left their homes in the old world and deliberately chose to become Americans because of the high ideals of our citizenship and the opportunities for greater achievements have long sought an agency through which they might assert their Americanism.

Many splendid and powerful organizations have been developed by the several groups but until the formation of the "Royal Riders" there has been no combination of all interests in one constructive combination.

Again it is pointed out that many Americans who have come to this country to escape the tyrannies of the Roman Catholic church and the evils of church domination over political governments have had little opportunity to make their experience valuable to those native-born Americans who have so far escaped Papal domination. The new organization affords them that opportunity and is proving a great power for the protection of this country against the encroachments of those agencies that make life a misery in many countries across the sea.

Appreciating the fact that immigration must not only be greatly restricted, but that foreigners who have come to America must be inculcated with that spirit of Americanism which can only come through close association and personal contact with the best representatives of our people, Klansmen see in the "Royal Riders" an opportunity for supplementary service and at the same time a chance for a broadening and educational influence that will prove beneficial to themselves.

With large foreign-born populations in our large cities and in the scores of mining and manufacturing towns it is expected that organizations of the "Royal Riders" will be formed immediately. Naturalized Americans in these centers have long awaited an opportunity to take an active part in such work as is being done so successfully by the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Directors of the preliminary work have suggested that those interested in organization should communicate the nearest state headquarters.

THE FIRST GREAT AWAKENING

The first foot of film of scenes ever made of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in action is being shown at Memorial Hall, Dayton, Ohio.

Immense crowds are attending and the wonderful reception, "The Toll of Justice," has received from the Dayton public is indeed gratifying, not only to the management, but to every patriot whose soul has been stirred to its very depths by its tone of 100 per cent Americanism.

The "Toll of Justice," and it has been rightly named, has for its introductory part, a lesson in patriotism which has been aroused for the first time, within the bosom of a sturdy youth, and reflects on down through the various periods of the militant chapter of our great American history-making periods and grips the audience from the outset as one of the very cleanest pieces of American fiction ever produced anywhere.

The predominating thought of the author has been the protection of pure womanhood and to clean our country of filth. The cast is well chosen, reflecting upon its producer most favorable comment where it has been shown.

The play is new, just put out to the public, and those who have seen it are a unit in saying there is not a cleaner, more fascinating, better balanced play in America today.

The story has to do with James Dale, a man of position and influence, head of the great Dale Motor Corporation, a clean, self-made man. Two lovely daughters, Aileen, whose nature has molded into a model of sweet womanhood and Billy, a dashing young thing, filled with the spirit of the times. Tom Grant, an engineer, who has steadily climbed the ladder from office boy, is a refined young man, and Saunders, the clerk, who, through bad company and drugs, has begun the downward journey. Haskell resorts to unfair measures as a tutor of the beautiful Aileen, the sweetheart of Tom Grant, and through his villainous scheming, he is sent to death. The latter, finding he cannot win the love of his rival's sweetheart, resorts to brute force. He is apprehended with his gang of un-Americans in his den, an old deserted house, where he takes his captive, the beautiful Aileen, daughter of the motor king, and binds and gags the unfortunate girl. Dashing Billy, the sister, forces her way into the dilapidated house and, with the aid of the Klan, rescues the all but crazed woman just in the nick of time.

The thrill of the entire play comes when swooping birdmen enter and make things exciting with airplane battles high above the clouds with another plane. Meanwhile, the fair

maiden, by means of a rope ladder, leaps from one plane to another in mid-air.

This part of the production holds great interest, from the fact that the scenes were made at Fairfield during the past summer by Dayton fliers.

The story is replete with love, thrills and excitement every minute.

The villain fights like a madman the beautiful girl who spurns his love, seeking the while to drag her to the depths. The hero falls into a trap set by this worker of iniquity and is cast into prison. This devilish, intriguing monster is but one type of the un-American today who fears the force of the Ku Klux Klan in its clean-up of America. He hates it for what it is worth to the righteous cause of Americanism.

There are times when the audience laughs and, at other times the heart leaps for joy and swells with pride when those gallant Kluxers come forth to the rescue. One is brought to tears many times, so true are the lessons brought home to him.

Twenty thousand Klansmen, in full regalia, were filmed at the great Buckeye Lake Klonslave at Columbus last July for this production, and the author weaves them into the story in a most creditable manner.

To those who love fiction, that is so life-like that one can all but believe the story true in detail, we will say don't miss it.

Owing to the immense demand for this play and coupled with the handicap afforded by recent zero weather, the management has decided to remain for another week.

Don't let our first Klan picture get away from you—see it.

To Buckeye Klan No. 8, is due a large share of success for this production.—Exchange.

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WALTON OUSTED BY MASONS

Oklahoma City.—J. C. Walton, deposed governor, was tried on charges of conduct unbecoming a Mason and was removed from membership in Siloam Lodge here recently, according to the members of the lodge who declined to permit their games to be made public.

They declare the former governor did not appear in person and did not send counsel to represent him and that the Grand Master named counsel for him.

The trial, they say, began in the afternoon and continued until midnight with hundreds of Masons in attendance.

TAXES

Tax the people, tax with care. To help the multi-millionaire.

Tax the farmer, tax his fowl. Tax the dog, and tax his howl.

Tax the hen, and tax her egg. And let the bloomin' mudsill beg.

Tax his pig, and tax its squeal. Tax his boots run down at heel;

Tax his horse, tax his lands. Tax the blisters on his hands.

Tax his plow and tax his clothes. Tax the rag that wipes his nose.

Tax his house, and tax his bed. Tax the bald spot on his head.

Tax the ox and tax the ass. Tax his "Henry," tax his gas;

Tax the road that he must pass. And make him travel o'er the grass.

Tax his cow, and tax the calf. Tax him if he dares to laugh.

He is but a common man, So tax the cuss just all you can.

Tax the lab'rer, but be discreet—Tax him for walking on the street.

Tax his bread and tax his meat. Tax the shoes clear off his feet.

Tax the payroll, tax the sale. Tax all his hard-earned paper kale;

Tax his pipe, and tax his smoke. Teach him government is no joke.

Tax their coffins, tax their shrouds. Tax their souls beyond the clouds.

Tax all business, tax the shop. Tax their incomes, tax their stocks;

Tax the living, tax the dead. Tax the unborn before they're fed.

Tax the water, tax the air. Tax the sunlight if you dare.

Tax them all and tax them well. Tax them to the gates of hell.

But close your eyes, so you can't see. The coupon-clipper go tax free.

—Exchange.

NO BABY IN THE HOUSE

No baby in the house, I know. 'Tis far too nice and clean.

No toys, by careless fingers strewn, Upon the floor are seen.

No finger-marks are on the panes, No scratches on the chairs;

No wooden men set in rows, Or marshaled off in pair;

No little stockings to be darned, All ragged at the toes

No pile of mending to be done, Made up of baby clothes;

No little troubles to be soothed; No little hands to fold;

No grimy fingers to be washed; No stories to be told;

No tender kiss to be given, No nicknames, "Dove" and "Mouse,"

No merry frolics after tea—No baby in the house.

—Clara G. Dolliver.

K-K-K

"What a Grass Widow Knows" is a new book. The thing must have about 10,000,000 pages.

Seven Symbols of the Klan

By W. C. Wright, Plainview, Texas

The language of symbolism is the most beautiful, the most impressive and the most expressive of any language known to mankind. Who can read the story of Noah's Ark without thinking of the Church; or the story of the scapegoat, the brazen serpent or the feast of the Passover without thinking of the Christ who takes away all of our iniquities and delivers us from the bondage of sin?

In the sublime ceremonies of Klanscraft, I take it that we use seven significant symbols, each of which conveys and inculcates a very beautiful lesson, and emphasizes a great Klan principle, when the language of symbols is properly understood. They are, in order of their importance: The Bible, the Cross, the Flag, the Sword, the Water, The Robe and the Mask.

The Bible

This Book Divine signifies that there is a God. No sane man of reasonable intelligence can look upon this sacred volume without thinking of God as its author, righteousness as its aim, and eternal life as its end. It is a constant reminder that God is our Father, life is our opportunity and Heaven is our Home. It reveals the way of life and the cause of death. It is a lamp unto our feet, a light unto our pathway, and the only sure guide to right living. It is the book or books and reveals the only true God.

In a Klavern you will always find this wonderful Book opened at the twelfth chapter of Romans. This is the most practical and the most complete chapter in the whole Bible for Christian living. It is a constant reminder of the tents of the Christian religion and is a Klansman's law of life. Every Klansman should read it the first thing every morning and endeavor to live by it during the day. "I beseech you therefore brethren by the mercies of God" that you follow its teachings.

The Cross

Out of the wonderful story of the sacred pages of this old Book Divine comes the sad, sweet story of Calvary's rugged but holy cross. The old cross is a symbol of sacrifice and service, and a sign of the Christian religion. Sanctified and made holy nearly nineteen centuries ago by the suffering and blood of fifty million martyrs who died in the most holy faith, it stands in every Klavern of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan as a constant reminder that Christ is our criterion of character, and His teachings our rule of life-blood

bought, holy sanctified and sublime. It was once a sign of ignominy, disgrace and shame; but being bathed in the blood of the lowly Nazarene, it has been transformed into a symbol of Faith, Hope and Love. It inspired the Crusaders of the Middle Ages in their perilous efforts to rescue the Holy Land from the heathen Turks; and is today being used to rally the forces of Christianity against the ever increasing hoards of anti-Christ and the enemies of the principles of a pure Americanism.

We have added the light to signify that "Christ is the light of the world." As light drives away the darkness and gloom, so a knowledge of the truth dispels ignorance and superstition. As fire purifies gold, silver and precious stones, but destroys the dross, wood, hay and stubble, so by the fire of Calvary's cross we mean to purify and cleanse our virtues by burning out our vices with the fire of His word. Who can look upon this sublime symbol, or sit in its sacred, holy light without being inspired with a holy desire and determination to be a better man? "By his sign we conquer."

The Flag

This old flag, purchased by the blood and suffering of American heroes, represents the price paid for American liberties. It is the symbol of the Constitution of the United States of America, free speech, free press, free schools, freedom of worship, and all Constitutional laws, both state and national.

Its red is the blood of American heroes that stained a hundred battlefields. Its white symbolizes the purity of American womanhood and the sanctity of American homes. Its blue is but a patch of America's unclouded sky, snatched from the diamond studded canopy that bends over our native land. Its stars represent an aggregation of undefeated states bound together in an inseparable union.

"Its red is the red of the sunset's evening glow, Its white is the white of the winter's driven snow, Its blue is the blue of the ocean sea and sky, Its stars the states of a union that must never die."

It has never been trailed in the dust, trampled in the mud, or defeated in battle. It has never led a retreat or been hauled down at the command of an enemy. It is the greatest and most glorious flag that ever floated in a breeze or waved over

er land or sea. It was purchased by the sacrifice and blood of our fathers, and we have most sacredly vowed that we will uphold and defend it with our sacred honor, our property, our blood and our lives. May we ever be true to our vow. Under its fluttering folds, as it floats in the gentle breeze in every Klavern, the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan will forever defend the principles of a pure Americanism, and thus perpetuate the sacred memory of our venerable and heroic dead.

Who can stand under these Stars and Stripes, remembering the sacred traditions that entwine about its holy past, without feeling that sublime patriotism that inspired our noble sires to die for our own, our native land?

The Sword

This unsheathed sword of steel is a symbol of law enforcement. It represents the military or enforcement powers of our government, from the president down to the constable. Its presence on our sacred altar signifies that we, as an organization, are solidly behind every enforcement officer in the land, to "help, aid and assist in the proper performance of their legal duties." We stand unconditionally and unqualifiedly for the just and impartial enforcement of law, and for the defence and protection of all rights and privileges of all citizens alike, regardless of race, color, creed, lineage or tongue.

This sword also signifies that we are set for the defense of our Flag, and all that it symbolizes, against the attack and invasion of every foreign power, government, sect, ruler or people in the whole world. We believe in America for Americans, and are sworn to defend it by all justifiable means and methods, from any encroachment whatever, from any source whatever, whether it be traitors within or enemies without.

This sword is a constant reminder of our obligation to defend our country and enforce its laws, through duly constituted authorities and justifiable means and methods. May we wield it wisely and well in defense of our country, our home, our flag, our liberties and humanity.

The Water

"This God-given, powerful life-giving fluid, more precious and far more significant than all the sacred oils of the ancients," is a symbol of the purity of life and the unity of purpose. With this divinely distilled fluid we have been dedicated and set

part, in body, in mind, in spirit and in life, to the sacred, sublime and holy principles of Klanscraft. In this dedicated service are solemnly admonished to keep our character as transparent and as clear and clean as the liquid in this glass. A drop of ink or blood in this crystal fluid will have the same effect as sin in our lives. May we keep our record clear and transparent, free from the sin-stains of evil and wrong doing.

As water is useful to human life, so may we, as Klansmen, be useful to humanity. As drops of water mingle and intermingle, thus becoming one solid mass, may we, as Klansmen become one solid mass, or one body in Klanscraft. Thus we see that water is a beautiful symbol of unity, usefulness and purity. Who can fail to learn from these drops of water, the lesson of real Klansmanship, and of brotherhood in a common service to mankind?

The Robe

"The distinguished marks of a Klansman are not found in the fiber of his garments, or in his social, political or financial standing; but they are spiritual, viz: a chivalric head, a compassionate heart, a prudent tongue and a courageous will; all devoted and consecrated to our country, our homes, our Klan and each other."

We use the robe to signify that we do not judge men by the clothes they wear, and to conceal the difference in our clothing as well as our personality. There are no rich or poor, high or low, in Klanscraft. As we look upon a body of Klansmen robed in white we are forcibly reminded that they are on a common level. By this means we also help to conceal our identity, which is an essential principle of Klanscraft.

This white robe is also a symbol of that robe of righteousness to be worn by the saints in the land of Yet-to-Come. The aged apostle, a prisoner on the island of Patmos, peeped into the portals of the Great Beyond, and caught a glimpse of the saints robed in white, "which was the righteousness of Christ." Taking Christ as our criterion of character, and endeavoring to follow His teachings, Klansmen wear this white robe to signify that they desire to put on that white robe which is the righteousness of Christ, in that Empire Invisible, that lies out beyond the vale of death where there will be no more parting and no more tears.

"A lying scoundrel may wrap his disgraceful frame in the sacred folds

of a Klansman's robe and deceive the very elect, but only a Klansman possesses a Klansman's heart, and a Klansman's soul." Therefore, as we seek to cover here our filthy rags and imperfect lives with the robe of a Klansman, may we through the grace of God and by following His Christ, be able to hide the scars and stains of sin with the righteousness of Christ when we stand before His Great White Throne.

The Mask

That hated mask, the terror of every crook in the land, how they cry, "take off the mask." But they don't know what they say. They do not understand why we wear it or what it means. If they only knew.

In the first place it helps to conceal our membership. The secret of our power lies in the secrecy of our membership. We are a great secret service organization to aid the officers of the law and we can do our best work when we are not known to the public. By this means we see and hear everything. We know the criminal but he does not know us. By our secret membership we gather a world of evidence and help to gather thousands of crooks into the meshes of the law that would otherwise escape.

It is a symbol of unselfishness. With the mask we hide our individuality and sink ourselves into the great sea of Klanscraft. Not as individuals, but as Klansmen, "we sacrifice to serve." Our motto is, "Non Silba Sed Anthar—not for self but for others." Therefore we hide self behind the mask that we may be unselfish in our service.

Who can look upon a multitude of white robed Klansmen without thinking of the equality and unselfishness of that throng of white robed saints in the Glory Land? May the God of Heaven, Who looks not upon the outward appearance, but upon the heart, find every Klansman worthy of the robe and mask that he wears. Then when we "do the things we teach" and "live the lives we preach" the title of Klansman will be the most honorable title among men.

The K-K-K in its Relation to the Church

By A Minister whom the Devil Hates (St. Paul, Minn.)

To the uninformed church men and women who have not taken particular pains and made special effort to know and understand the Ku Klux Klan in its true and real makeup and purpose, there is ever present the question as to what the relation of this so grossly misunderstood organization is to the church of Jesus Christ. And, because of ignorance of the principles and workings of the organization, too often they conclude that it is hostile or opposed to the real spirit of the church itself. Hence, there is ever being asked such questions as, "Does it not try to displace the church?" "Are the things it stands for not un-Christian, and, therefore, to be condemned by the church?" "Is it not a fact that its membership is largely made up of that class and type of men who neither go to or support the church?" "Does it not inject into the church a spirit of hatred for certain races and classes of people, and, therefore, make of no effect the commandment of Jesus when he says, 'Love thy neighbor?'" etc.

Klan a Movement of God
On the other hand those churchmen and women who are in full touch with this wonderful movement, for it is a movement and a movement of God for the bringing of righteousness to America in all the various phases of her life, fail to understand how the great church of the living God can be so slow to grasp such a wonderful opportunity for the bringing of the kingdom of God here on earth.

For ages we have been sending up our plea that somehow God would make His will to be done here on earth as it is done in heaven. But when we stop to note the too antagonistic attitude of the Protestant churches toward the Ku Klux Klan, we are sometimes made to ask ourselves the question, "Is it not true that after all, we want God to do the thing, but do it in the way and by the tactics that most appeal to us?" In other words, we fear it is too often, "Thy kingdom come, but come in our way."

We Must Reckon Well
History makes known to us one great truth with which we must reckon and reckon well. That is that all through the ages when a people or a nation have swung too far from the things of right, God has raised up a great man or movement, or both, by which He has been able to work out His will in His way. To the informed man or woman, and by informed we mean those informed on the subject on which we are writing, the Ku Klux Klan is a mighty movement, born of God for the redeeming of the whole life of America. And that America needs a cleansing is too well known by the student of her political, social, religious and educational life, of the present time.

Our Purpose
It shall be our purpose, then, in this article to state clearly, if we can, some of the things for which this great organization is standing and for which it came into existence. We are not ignorant of the fact that anything which we may have to say will be of little value to any man or woman except those who are willing to lay aside their prejudices and face facts just as they are, whether those facts are pleasing or not. Any other class of individuals is not only hopeless, but dangerous as well. Knowledge is a composition of facts, and facts are to be had by an open mind only. The facts stated in this article are given in the hope that they may help compose a true knowledge for some open-minded folks, who, when they have obtained the truth, will by it be made free from the misrepresentations and malicious falsehoods that have caused them to take a wrong attitude toward the greatest organization, outside of the church itself, that was ever formed under the Stars and Stripes for righteous Americanism.

Studied Klan Carefully
Over six years ago the writer began a study of the Klan, and through all the following years has been in close touch with the various movements of same. We have also taken careful pains to follow the daily newspapers in their reports from time to time that we might ascertain whether the reported misdoings of the "Hooded Men" were based on truth or falsehood, or a malicious purpose. Our attitude all along has been, what can be found out as truth about this mysterious Klan must be the one thing which shall pass judgment upon it. We feel sure, then, we are fair in all our considerations if we are willing to apply this test to the Klan as it relates itself to the church.

We must needs consider some very essential questions and determine what the correct answer to them is if we would speak with any degree of certainty. This we all shall do, endeavoring to leave the reader to form his own conclusions then, as to the value of an organization like this for a time such as this.

Moody's Standard
Mr. Moody had one standard by which he tested everything that re-

lated itself in any way to his life or conduct. That was the one question, "Is it right?" If he could satisfy himself it was right, no matter what it was, he had a place for it in his life experience and gave it his support. Can we use a better standard in applying our test to the Klan, especially as it relates itself to the church? If we can determine whether it is right then I feel sure we have decided sure what its relation to the church ought to be at least. Or better said what the relation of the Protestant church to it ought to be. The only test to use in determining the right or wrong of anything or individual is, what are they doing? For "can a bitter fountain give forth sweet water?" We feel the church might, with very great profit to itself, read again that passage in Mark 9:38-40, and remember that Jesus said to his disciples, "He that is not against us is in our part." No individual enlightened on the subject of the Ku Klux Klan can truthfully maintain that it is in anyway against the church.

Winning Over the Enemy
When Moses was leading the Israelites out of Egypt there came a time when they were compelled to face the enemy in the person of King Amalek. We are told that when Moses held up his hands the enemy was defeated, but when he let them drop down the enemy prevailed. The hands of Moses became very tired and he was unable to hold them up longer. Then it was that Aaron and Hur placed themselves one on either side of Moses and held up his hands, and Israel prevailed, and won over the enemy.

The Klan does not in any way displace the church, neither does it pose as the church or as doing the work of the church.

It is here to hold up the hands of the Protestant church in its mighty conflict to put to rout the forces of evil in their deadly effort to destroy the kingdom of God as it relates itself to all phases of America's life.

The time has come when the church of the living Christ must give a better account of itself and cut a deeper gash in the body of sin or God must needs raise up some other way by which He can bring His kingdom in America and through America in the rest of the world.

Klan Here to Help the Protestant Church

The Klan is here to help the Protestant church to life up Christ so He can draw all men unto Himself. Not to be the church, but to be a helper to the church.

And just how much influence the Protestant church will have in the near future in making the world Christian will, in the opinion of the writer depend very largely upon to what extent it opens its arms to this new God-sent friend and power; and with an army of men and women, such as the church has not been able in a long time, if ever, to muster, marches forth to battle afraid of nothing, but sin wherever it is found, and of nobody but the devil in whatever individual or institution—religious, political, educational, or otherwise—he may be hiding like a skulking pup to bite and poison America's life.

God sends opportunity to men and institutions, but "he will not always chide," and there comes a time when neglected opportunity becomes the curse of the individual or the institution that neglects it. We believe this wonderful organization, this mighty movement of God, is the church's supreme opportunity for the winning of men and women to the principles of Christ; and through these men and women injecting them into the social, religious, political, industrial, moral, educational and family life of America.

When the Church Steps Forward

And when the church has done this for America then has she stepped forward a long stride toward bringing the rest of the world to the "Foot of the Cross." The Protestant church of today is very much in the same position, in its relation to the world of sin, as was the young man who stood with Elisha when surrounded with the Syrian enemy. All he could see was the chariots and armies of the Syrians, the opposing forces.

He was apparently helpless in the face of such a multitude as he compared it with himself and Elisha. But that great man of God, Elisha, with a vision so far superior to that of the average individual, offered this prayer, "Jehovah, I pray Thee, open the young man's eyes, that he may see." Then it was that the young man was able to see God's chariots and armies in the sky and say to himself, with assurance, "They that are with us are more than they that are with them." So those who have beheld the hand of God in this movement must pray as never before, that God will open the eyes of the Protestant churches that they may see. Then they will be able to see the Klan as the chariots and armies of God to help them in a time like this when the armies of sin are marching hard against them and the kingdom of

God. And when the eyes of the church are opened it will look upon this great body of real men and women as united with itself in a common cause and say, "They that are with us are more than they that are with them." And the forces of sin will begin to move out of America as never in a long while and the Protestant church will come into its own, and God the Father and Christ the Son will be exalted in all the nations of the earth.

The Klan Is Christian
Now our contention is that the Klan is placing itself to hold up the hands of the church. It is, therefore, undoubtedly Christian, and if Christian then right. It is holding up the hands of the church, in what it believes. The belief of the church is summarized in the Apostles' Creed. Let us note just a few statements from that creed as we use it. "I believe in God the Father Almighty. * * * In Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. * * * In the Holy Spirit; in the Holy catholic (church of God in general) church. No man dare call these things un-Christian for they are not. They are the very incarnation of all that Christ taught himself. Let us place alongside of these some of the things gleaned from the creed of a Klansman, if we may be allowed to call it a creed. "I believe in the tenets of the Christian religion; in God—in Jesus Christ His Son—in the Holy Spirit and the Bible as the message of God to man. I believe that every man owes it to himself, to his family, his posterity, and his God to ally himself with some Protestant church. And that the church should unflinchingly stand for the principles of morality and justice."

Klan Is With the Church
If these are un-Christian then the above are also. But no man dare call them so lest he place himself in the same class with those Jews who called the Christ a man of lies and misrepresentations and then spit in His face. Truly can it be said that so far as its belief is concerned, Klan is with the church. And let us add that this organization is almost daily (and nightly), emphasizing these mighty truths before men and women than is the church itself. And among these multitudes are men and women whom the church never got a chance to reach until through the Klan they were turned into the path that leads to the door of the church. The preacher whose heart is in this movement is finding an opportunity to preach to more folks than he who is opposed. And the man who, with this God-given opportunity, fails to drive home the real gospel message to these men and women who, through the influence of this organization, are awakening to the need of Jesus Christ in their lives, is falling far below the wonderful possibilities that have come to him.

For these folks, for the most part, are hungry for the gospel that saves a man and makes him good for something in this world. The church has eliminated much of the real gospel and put in something else in its effort to catch men.

Klan Should Welcome the Klan As a Helpmeet

The Klan is trying to help the church back to Christ in this sense. Why should it not welcome a helpmeet like unto this? No sane man with a knowledge of the subject and the real attitude and program of the Klan can give a reason. He may offer an excuse.

The Klan is holding up the hands of the church in its ideals. What are the ideals of the Protestant church? As we think of them we might state them all in one, and say the ideal of the church is for all men and women, the life and teachings of Jesus Christ.

The gospel which the church has been commissioned to preach is that man must apply the principles and teachings of Christ to every act of his life whether it is political, social or what. In other words we might state it in the language of St. Paul when he wrote to the Corinthian people that he was determined to know nothing among them but Jesus Christ. That is to say that whatever phase of their life he might touch he must come into contact only through applying the principles of Jesus. Now what is the ideal of the Klan?

Let me give it in the words of one of the national officers of the organization as he thundered it forth from the platform where there were gathered some fifteen thousand people. "The watchword of a Klansman is honor. The one and only pattern for a Klansman's life and conduct is Jesus Christ. Let us emblazon upon the sky that no man can be a good Klansman unless he pattern his life after 'The man of Galilee.' And whenever we leave out the Christian philosophy we no longer have an organization worthy of real men. Men, I charge you to affiliate yourselves with and back up the Protestant churches."

Jesus Is the Ideal of the Church
Jesus Christ is the ideal of the church and His teachings are its gospel. The Klan's watchword is honor. Its worshiping place is the Protestant church. Its philosophy is Christianity. And its pattern and ideal for life is Jesus Christ. Can any man charge justly that it is either un-Christian or undeserving of the heartiest support and co-operation of the Protestant churches of America? If he do so then must he also charge the church of wrong ideals and an unsafe gospel, and stamp St. Paul as one who preached a gospel which was incorrect.

Let us look now at some of the ways in which the Klan is seeking to make these ideals materialize in the individual and national life of our country. We hear a great deal about the large part the church had in making our country dry. Very few ministers but what had at least some voice in the great temperance movement because they believed it right and a part of the business of the church. The church has done itself credit in doing so. And since the eighteenth amendment went into effect we have spent much time and speech on the subject of law enforcement.

No Protestant church that is American will allow one spoken word from its pulpit against this amendment. We give as our reason that it is right and a part of our Christian duty as being loyal to the interests of the kingdom of Christ.

Where the Klan Stands
What then, are the things the Klan is advocating along this same line and what is it doing? Again let us look at the principles to which the Klansmen subscribe:

"Just laws and liberty; the upholding of the constitution of these United States; he much needed local reforms; law and order."

It is ferreting out the "bootlegging joints" and demanding that the bootlegger be dealt with according to law, believing that any judge or officer who fails here is untrue to his oath of office and disloyal to the American flag.

It is insisting that every officer, from the lowest to the highest, play a clean game or be removed from office. And because of its fearless, clean, Christian and American stand on these things it has been instrumental in doing more to clean up corrupt communities than any other body of men and women.

Klan Does Not Parade Its Deeds
True you don't hear all about it because it believes in "not letting your right hand know what your left hand is about." Neither does it stop to blow a bugle of false notes every time it does its duty as a Christian and an American organization. Should the church oppose an organization which is determined to enforce a law which was passed largely through its own instrumentality?

In other words, the church passed this law because it believed in the protection of the American home and of American manhood and womanhood. The Klan is helping to enforce it because it believes in the honor of the Protestant church and of the American nation; and holds that every man ought to respect that honor either voluntarily or by compulsion.

The church has been making a plea for better moral conditions in our American life. Denunciations have come from preacher and layman alike of the corruptness that has crept into our homes, our schools and our society. We deplore many of the conditions which we are compelled to face today and are longing and hoping for some means by which we may right them. Yet in the very face of the church and its splendid efforts to combat with these things we find what were once Christian homes becoming homes of sin and adultery through the intrusion of un-Godly men and women, who pave the way to the divorce courts for these husbands and wives.

The American Home
And with much amazement we note the rapidly increasing number of divorce cases in our courts until it is now claimed that America leads all other civilized nations in the number of divorces granted. At the very cornerstone of America, the home, where there ought to be things righteous we find all kind of corruption, discord, dissension, and things which despoil. Like a thief in the night has crept the enemy, a wolf in sheep's clothing, into the very fold of the church itself and stolen that which is, not only the rock upon which stands the church, but upon which stands all that is American, the Holy Bible, until today the Protestant church and beloved America must stand with heads bowed with shame as they read, "Out the back door of the school houses of four-fifths of America's cities has gone the Bible; kicked out by certain hyphenated citizens."

And apparently the church has been as helpless as a babe to either replace the ousted book or stop the progress of its disappearance from an ever-increasing number of our public schools. The business and goal of our public school can be no better stated than in the words of

Daniel Webster, when speaking of education: "The feelings are to be disciplined, the passions are to be restrained, true and worthy motives are to be inspired; a profound religious feeling is to be instilled, and a pure morality inculcated under all circumstances. All this is comprised in education."

With the Bible out and the dance and other devices of the devil in, apparently producing a laxity of moral and religious standards in our school life, who dare say the church is not justified of these things poisonous and to replace the Bible to its rightful place in our public school? Truly, "while we slept the enemy came and sowed tares among the good seed."

Society Is Honeycombed With Corruption

One keen observer of the social life of America has said: "The social circles of our country have imbibed so much of the social practices and customs of nations with less morality and decency, that it has become honeycombed with all kind of corruptness and character-destroying elements." And on every hand we hear complaint, and just complaint it is, of earnest and anxious parents that they stand in fear all the time lest their sons or daughters be dragged down into the cesspool of corrupt society in which they are almost compelled to mingle or be ostracized. Till the parent problem of today is what to allow and not allow in dealing with their children. And the American woman today can hardly tread upon the street of any American city without being insulted, directly or indirectly, by some moral degenerate who has neither love nor respect for things right, decent or American.

The church of Jesus Christ stands against this type of citizenship and looks upon all such characters as being not only dangerous but a menace to our community life, and unsafe to the principles of righteousness for which it is standing. Its attitude has always been, and properly so, that such persons must be restrained either by a "new birth" or by law. And the social task of the church has been, and still is, to cleanse human society by directing its course along the pathway of the Galilean.

The Klan and Church Work For Betterment

The church believes all this is a veritable part of the task of building the kingdom of God here on earth, and is included in the gospel of Christ which it is commissioned to preach. It will be neither overlooked or neglected by the true servant of the Master. No one would be so foolish as to even venture a suggestion that the church's attitude on these things is un-Christian. What, then, can we say for the Klan as touching these things which are so large a part of the church life and task?

Let us here give you the "Home Ideal" of the Klan in the words of one of its national officers as he sent it out to his workers everywhere. A man with wonderful vision, a great heart, a zeal for right, and a true spirit of love. A man who, we believe "has come to the kingdom for such a time as this."

Klan and Tenets of the Christian Religion
In stating the purpose and ideal of the Klan he said: "First, and foremost we are trying to restore the tenets of the Christian religion to their individual. By his we mean the acceptance of Christ and His teachings; the restoring of the family altar and a little old fashioned religion."

What that will do for the home life in our beloved country we need not stop to comment upon for well may we still ask ourselves the question, when thinking of our homes, "If God be for us who can be against us?"

Does the church not preach individual salvation and through the individual the salvation of the masses? In other words, its text has always been, "A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump." Has it not been the earnest plea of the church through pulpit and press alike, that the family altar be given first place in our homes as of yore? Has not the song of the church for more than a quarter of a century been, "The Old Time Religion," and "Faith of Our Fathers?" Why, then, should it not welcome a friend and helper with motive so pure, with vision so heavenly, with effort so earnest, and with a purpose so Christianlike, as the above.

In the Ku Klux Klan
In the Ku Klux Klan is a great company of men and women united in the common cause of the American home, that somehow it may return to its Puritanic standard. They are ready to hold up the hands of the church in its efforts to defeat the enemy of our home life. What is the church going to say to them? Right at this point it seems to the writer he lines of he poet are very suggestive to the Protestant church of today:

"B think, ere you stumble of what may B fall,
B true to your self, and B faithful to all."

From the earliest time of which the writer can remember, two things in particular have been emphasized from the Protestant pulpit as being an essential part of our public schools, viz.: The principles and teachings of the Bible for the building of good moral character. And teachers in whose lives the pupil might observe these at work producing manhood and womanhood. And the church has been backed in its attitude in these things by every great American who has expressed himself along these lines. It was Theodore Roosevelt who said: "To every man who faces life with a real desire to do his part in everything, I appeal for a study of the Bible. No book of any kind ever written has so affected the whole life of a people." And in support of the church's attitude as to the teacher let me quote Chas. W. Eliot: "Nobody knows how to teach morality effectively without religion. Exclude religion from education and you leave no foundation upon which to build a moral character." Only the disbeliever would attempt to claim these things as un-Christian.

How Klan Corresponds With Church

How, then, does the advocacy of the Klan correspond with that of the church here? In one brief statement we can put a summary of all it holds along this particular line, viz: The Stars and Stripes waving from every school building in America, the Holy Bible (and the whole Bible), on the desk of and read in every public school in America, every teacher in our public schools a product of our schools and willing to teach and practice the principles of Christ in the school room and out of it.

If this be un-Christian or un-American, the above attitude of the church and belief of the men quoted are, too, wrong. If right, then in its relation to the church is not the Klan "like a mighty army moving with the church of God, marching as to war" against the foe that is trying to destroy the cornerstone of the institution where our boys and girls are moulded for manly and womanly leadership, "with the cross of Jesus going on before?"

We feel that the Klan is upholding the hands of the church here and that the church ought to welcome it with an

"Onward, then ye people!
Join our happy throng,
Blend with ours your voices
In the Triumph-Song."

Our Society Then Will Be Fit

In touching the social life of America we feel that little more, if anything, need to be said in behalf of this great organization. For when the things spoken of above are accomplished our society will be a fit place and safe for any one, young or old. And the Klan holds that nothing but the principles of the Christ at work will redeem any society, American, European or otherwise. So suffice it to quote just a statement or two from the principles to which every true Klansman holds: Protection of our pure womanhood from those who, through lust or avarice would destroy it; the closer relationship of pure Americanism, and the much needed local reforms along every line.

All this the church has been trying to promote since its beginning. It is right that it should and it must if it would continue to "fulfill its mission high." Its hands have been up a long time in the noble fight. Now the Klan has come to stay. "We will support your hands till the Syrian of corrupt society has been put to rout."

So into hamlet, and city and countryside has gone this new friend of Christianity and uncovered some of the cesspools of social corruption and stench which breed vice, immorality and crime in these places to justice. Thus it is making the social deserts of America in many places to blossom as a rose. Here again the Klan is standing in closest relationship with the church and only helping it with the accomplishing of its own task which seems to have become too large for it, and has too long been delayed in the doing. Will the church catch the mighty vision of the Klan and join hands with it in all of this? This question the church must answer for itself. On its answer depends many things; things so vital that the answer must be made carefully, intelligently, prayerfully and without haste or prejudice.

Klan Is Hopeful of the Best

The Klan is hopeful of the best and patient in its waiting for the church to grasp the vision of what it is trying to put across for Christ and America. The attitude of the church so far has been that of slapping it up to the one cheek. But the Klan is still loving enough in its spirit to "turn the other also" in hopes that the church may soon see in this new movement a friend and not an enemy.

The program of the Klan is to clean up America. This it hopes to do by being an instrument in the hand of God wielded always for right. This we believe to be in full accord with the program of the church, and can and will be done. For:

"How did the world get started son? Why someone said: 'It can't be done!' That settled it. The troglodyte Came out of darkness into light. 'It can't be done!' somebody said. And, lo the green fields gave us bread. With that taunt ringing in his ears Has man gone upward through the years."

You should have seen the mill wheels run
When someone said: 'It can't be done!'

'It can't be done!' they said before
A sail put out to sea from shore.
Since world's remote and dismal dawn
Those magic words have spurred us on.

It drove Columbus where the sun
Went redly down: 'It can't be done!'
'It can't be done!' the weakling said,
And lo! the Wrights flew over head.
'It can't be done!' it's what they cried
When Fulton offered them a ride.

They said it, and Marconi sent
His message through the firmament.
That is the way it happened son;
Praise God for this: 'It can't be done.'

So we send this article forth in hopes that we have in some small way helped some one to see the better side of this new movement, as the friend of the church and of all that is right and American. And to the Ku Klux Klan we would say: "Build on and make thy castles high and fair,
Rising and reaching upward to the skies;
Listen to voices in the upper air,
Nor lose thy simple faith in mysteries."

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WHY KLAN SUCCEEDS DESPITE ENEMIES

1—Its members believe in God and in the tenets of the Christian religion and that a godless nation can not long prosper.

2—They believe that a church that is not founded on the principles of morality and justice is a mockery to God and to man.

3—Klansmen maintain that a church that does not have the welfare of the common people at heart is unworthy.

4—Like all real Americans they believe in the eternal separation of Church and State.

5—No Klansman can hold allegiance to any foreign government, emperor, king, pope or any other foreign political or religious power.

6—Each one holds his allegiance to the Stars and Stripes next to his allegiance to God.

7—And all believe in just laws and liberty.

8—They uphold the Constitution of these United States.

9—Klansmen believe that our Free Public School is the cornerstone of good government and that those who are seeking to destroy it are enemies of our Republic and are unworthy of citizenship.

10—They fight for freedom of speech.

11—And support a free press uncontrolled by political parties or by religious sects.

12—The organization believes in law and order.

13—Every real Klansman is a protector of pure womanhood.

14—They assert that laws should be enacted to prevent the causes of mob violence.

15—The Klan stands for a closer relationship of capital and labor.

16—Its members favor the prevention of unwarranted strikes by foreign labor agitators.

17—Each Klansman believes his rights in this country are superior to those of un-naturalized citizens.

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COLLEGE PRESIDENT IS TERRIBLY UPSET

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Crosses Burned Outside University of Dayton Grounds Worries

Rev. Mr. O'Reilly

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Dayton, Ohio.—"Students of the University of Dayton are losing sleep and getting behind in their studies, all because of the activities of the Ku Klux Klan in burning fiery crosses where they may be seen from the dormitories."

Thus complained the Rev. Bernard P. O'Reilly, president of the institution, to Chief of Police James H. Woodward, and he demands that the police department put an end immediately to the practice.

After the burning of a huge cross recently, Dayton detectives made an investigation, but reported they could find no clues which might reveal the identity of the participants. However, the Rev. Mr. O'Reilly apparently wasn't satisfied with the report of the detectives, so he appeared personally before city officials and urged that immediate action be taken to discover the identity of the alleged Klan members.

