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RED WING KLAN MECCA

OKLAHOMA DESPOT STILL RULES WITH FEROCIOUS MADNESS

STATEMENT BY KLAN BARES REAL ISSUE.

Tulsa, Okla.—With the knowledge that the controlled press of the country would give but little heed to the Klan side of the controversy, the Call of the North has been requested to give national publicity to a statement constituting the reply which the Tulsa Klan, No. 2, made to President H. O. McClure, of the Chamber of Commerce. McClure, who at the instance of Walton, it is said, demanded the resignations of officials named by the governor as being members of the Klan, thus making them undesirable in his eyes as officeholders. The refusal of these officials to resign because of the governor's bull-dozing method is the reason given for the martial-law proclamation. The statement of the Tulsa Klan follows:

Statement of Klan

"The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is an organization with legal, lawful existence, under the laws of our nation and state; organized for the purpose of promulgating, protecting and defending the rights, liberties and traditions of American citizenship in accordance with constituted authority of the nation, the state, city and county in which the particular unit or lodge may be located; provided, always, that the 'courts of the land' and the 'ballot' are and shall ever be the only safeguard of the liberties of American citizenship.

Deny Violating Law

"Tulsa Klan, No. 2, as an organization declares and states that at no time or place, under any condition, has this Klan, its officers or members, as such, directly or indirectly, secretly or openly, violated or broken any of the laws of the nation, the state of Oklahoma, or the city and county of Tulsa, and that Tulsa Klan, No. 2, is now and ever has been ready, willing and anxious to give its influence, power and best efforts to the apprehension, and if tried and found guilty, punishment, as by law provided, for every violator of law and all criminals, without fear or favor, whether a member of this or any other Klan, or organization, whatsoever.

"Tulsa Klan hereby declares that it is in no way, directly or indirectly, responsible for or in any manner has contributed to existing conditions in Tulsa city or county as to the declaring and maintaining of martial law, the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus, or the reason therefor; and we further declare and request that the citizenship of Tulsa county and all civic, religious and fraternal organizations give to the constituted authorities of this state, city and county, their best efforts in the suppression of crime, punishment of criminals and protection of its citizenship from official tyranny or mob violence.

Pledges Aid to Officials

"And, as evidence thereof, Tulsa Klan, No. 2, does hereby officially and publicly declare that it pledges and guarantees, as an organization individually and collectively, to the full extent of its power, that it will aid and assist the executives of this state, county and city in requiring and endorsing full, complete and absolute obedience to and compliance with all law, in manner and form provided by the constitution and statutes of the state of Oklahoma.

"In conclusion, Tulsa Klan, No. 2, asks of the public such consideration as should be given to those whose purpose is to better conditions, to build up rather than tear down; in other words, to be constructive, not destructive.

"The enemies of the Klan demand that the Klan disband and remove from the state. This demand, or requirement, cannot and will not be complied with, so long as under the laws of the state and nation the Klan is entitled to legal existence.

"We declare it to be the purpose and intention of Klan No. 2, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, to exist and function as an organization, and we call upon all good citizens to give us their moral support and influence, and in return Tulsa Klan, No. 2, will do its part in making the city and county of Tulsa an abiding place for all honest, liberty-loving, law-abiding, home-making people to be proud of.

"Without malice and without fear, in the name of American justice and liberty, we hereby make this state-

ment and declaration.

(Signed)

"TULSA KLAN NO. 2, KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN."

In a separate statement Rogers said:

"As the authorized attorney of Tulsa Klan, No. 2, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, I am authorized to make the following statement:

"The executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce in an interview in the morning paper has thrown up its hands and admitted its inability to cope with, and has unjustly and unfairly attempted to throw the burden of the intolerable local situation upon the shoulders of Tulsa Klan.

"If the committee of the Chamber of Commerce then desires to desert the Klan in its patriotic efforts to execute these principles and allay the miserable and disgraceful conditions in our city, the Klan must continue to work without them.

"The Klan since its organization has been the chief exponent of law and order; it has ever sought to support and sustain the officers of the law; it has rendered every assistance to and has ever acted through the constituted authorities of the law; it has consistently condemned lawlessness in high places as well as low without partiality; it has never sought to control or dominate the constituted authorities and officers of the law; and no officer owes it any subversive nor the slightest obligation contravening his oath of office.

The Klan stands for equal, impartial and exact justice to all citizens. It has actively aided the officers of the law in apprehending criminals—as an example of which it delivered into the hands of the sheriff the murderer of Harry Aurandt, one of which is now at large through executive clemency. This the Klan condemns.

Disclaims Blame for Causes

"The Klan since its organization has been in now, and will continue to be dedicated to the observance of law, and order and to the maintenance, support and assistance of the duly constituted officers of the law. It disclaims any responsibility whatsoever for the causes leading to the presence of the militia in Tulsa; it denies that there was the slightest excuse or justification for martial law in this city. It condemns, it has condemned, and does condemn lawlessness, whether done by private citizens or public officers, by the high as well as the low. It is sternly opposed to martial law, the suppression of free speech and free press and to the suspension of the sacred writ of habeas corpus.

"If the Chamber of Commerce is correctly informed as to the alleged lawless conditions alleged to exist in our city is true, then the Klan again calls upon the committee of the Chamber of Commerce to assist it in relieving such conditions; and if 100 per cent of the alleged lawlessness does exist in this city then the Klan urges the governor to maintain and continue his military force in the city and to not desert us in such a horrible situation as he alleges exists; but upon the contrary to join the Klan in our continued efforts to see that law and order is upheld and that such alleged lawless condition may cease. However, the Klan calls attention to the fact that the alleged situation of lawlessness of which the governor complains existed, if at all, more than two years ago and the Klan points with pride that such alleged conditions are not now the facts and that Tulsa is cleaner, more moral, more peaceable and less lawless than ever in its history, which happy condition the Klan nationally aided in bringing to pass.

Klan Makes Promise

"Therefore the Klan urges the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce not to desert our city in its extremity and that both said committee and military committee and all religious, fraternal and civic bodies join in aiding the Klan to continue its self-sacrificing patriotic effort to rid our city of the intolerable condition, to put down lawlessness, to aid, maintain and support the constituted authorities to ascertain and punish the guilty, whether in the high places or low. To all of which the Klan again pledges itself as a body and

each individual member thereof as has been its fixed policy since its organization. The Klan proposes that if the militia be withdrawn from our city; free speech and free press re-established; and the proclamation of martial law, and the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus be revoked; and an investigation of the alleged lawless conditions of the city be made by a duly constituted civil board or court; and the governor cease his pardon and parole policy, the Klan will render every possible assistance to such board in maintenance of law and order, as it has heretofore done without fear or favor.

"KLAN NO. 2, KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN.

"By WILLIAM S. ROGERS, Attorney."

EDITORS LAUNCH WAR ON 'DESPOT OF OKLAHOMA'

Address to People of United States Issued After All-Day Meeting.

Tulsa, Okla.—An address to the people of the United States declaring that "the supreme issue in Oklahoma today is constitutional government or despotism," was made public last night by a group of Oklahoma daily newspaper publishers following an all-day meeting called by a local editor with a view of "pacing the true situation before the country."

Publishers of several of the largest dailies in the state signed the statement.

"Governor Walton, by his own act, has attempted to nullify rights guaranteed under our Constitution and to halt the lawful processes of republican government," the publishers declared.

A second declaration addressed to "members of the Legislature," said: "The editors of Oklahoma urge that the legislators meet immediately."

Situation Called Intolerable

Referring to recent events in connection with the declaration of state-wide martial law, which were termed instances indicative of Governor J. C. Walton's "despotic conception of his executive powers," the public address said that "these acts create an intolerable situation in Oklahoma—one which the people cannot endure and the press cannot condone."

The following personally signed the address:

E. E. Gaylord, the Daily Oklahoman and the Oklahoma City Times; S. Bronson, El Reno American; Richard Lloyd Jones, the Tulsa Tribune; E. K. Bixby, the Muskogee Phoenix; C. S. Kennedy, the Miami District Daily News; John W. Young, the Sapulpa Herald; Leon R. Caloney, the McAlester News-Capital; A. M. Ross, the Sapulpa Sun.

Telegraphic authorization to sign was received from the following, who could not be present:

Ned Shepler, the Lawson Constitution; Leslie G. Niblack, the Guthrie Leader.

Demand Free Press

"The newspaper of the state uphold rigid adherence to all the laws, and they are united in demanding that constitutional rights of assembly, free press, civil courts, grand juries and jury trial by law be preserved inviolate," the statement concluded.

Third statement addressed to the editors pledged legal assistance "to those editor who may have censorship imposed upon them because of their efforts to represent fairly the best interests of the state."

The legislators were urged by the journalists to convene in special session as soon as possible "to ascertain the truth or falsity of charges made frequently in the past few months (Continued on Page 4, Column 3)

KLANSMEN

When it comes to your attention that a Klansman is ill or suffering reverse, it should be your duty to inform an official of the Klan of the fact, so that arrangements can quickly be made to bring comfort or relief to the worthy brother. Let's make more than merely a passing effort to show our love for one another.

EDITOR.

THOUSANDS ASSEMBLE FOR BIG KLAN MEETING

Marching White-Clad Klansmen Parade Streets
Unmolested As People Cheer Them.

BY CRAFTON

Red Wing, Minn.—Three mammoth fiery crosses last Saturday night told assembled throngs of more than 8,000 onlookers that the Ku Klux Klan is a living power in Minnesota. A large number of candidates pledged themselves to unselfish Americanism and dedicated their lives to better citizenship in the flickering light of Christianity's sacred symbol within the bounds of Red Wing.

The scene was one of the most impressive of any which has attended a naturalization ceremony of the Klan within the state. Enhanced by the naturalization ceremony of the Klan hills of the Mississippi, the scene was one to be long remembered by the people who looked on in silent wonder. The Klan has come to Red Wing to stay, was the message carried by the fiery crosses which flickered and glowed on the hill side as 100 white clad Klansmen composing the state degree team publicly conducted the beautiful ritualistic work of the organization.

Goodhue Asks Aid

Klansmen from nearly every Klan in Minnesota were represented at the ceremonial, as well as Knights of the order from Wisconsin towns across the river.

An interesting incident occurred when officers of the state organization and the Red Wing Klan were approached by non-members from Goodhue who appealed for help to remove conditions detrimental to their city. Aid was promised and moral lepers, law breakers and wrong doers of Goodhue will soon find themselves opposed in their course of lawlessness and opposition to good government.

Klansmen gathered at Red Wing all day and among the unusual number of strangers in the city, St. Paul Klansmen with their big emblems were noticeable. Shortly after eight o'clock, visiting Klansmen composing the degree team gathered at the ball park across the river and led by the Hayward uniformed band and a horseback contingent, preceded across the river and down the main streets of the town, robed but not masked. Several women in the garb of lady Kluxers were in the parade, both on horseback and on foot.

The parade swept majestically up the wide Red Wing avenues to the circus grounds in the south part of town where 8,000 people had gathered in the shadow of the bluffs to await their coming. The robed Klansmen in the parade were but a small part of the number actually present, but unrevealed.

Orn and Harper Speak

Rockets and daylight bombs announced the arrival of the Klansmen who grouped around the rostrum which had been erected at the foot of the hill. In the light of an electric cross King Kleagle Gross opened the public session. Speaking on the aims, history and purposes of the Klan, P. J. Orn, editor of the Call of the North, touched briefly on the Oklahoma affair and won an ovation when he declared that "The people of Oklahoma are behind the Klan because they know that it is fighting for better conditions and true liberty. By his high handed and unlawful fight against the Klan, Governor Walton has dug his political grave." Dr. W. Smith Harper, Methodist divine and national lecturer of the Klan spoke on the motives of the order, its absolute sanity, and law-abiding principles.

At the conclusion of the public part of the session, rockets and red fire lit up the scene and a hundred white robed Klansmen were discovered on the hill side among the trees. As the band struck up "Onward Christian Soldiers," they filed slowly down the hill and formed a hollow square, defined by the glare of burning red lights, around the altar.

The band stopped, and from the hill came a stentorian voice proclaiming "God give us men." Then the candidates came in sight, twenty strong, all strangers to the audience, while the great portion of the class of initiates remained in the background concealed from view by a curtain of darkness.

Arranged before the altar, the candidates took their oath as Klansmen in tones audible to most of the audience. In the glare of bursting bombs and rockets they stood, one hundred white robed Klansmen raised their hands towards heaven and in ringing tones re-affirmed their allegiance to the government and the constitution, the most effective answer that could be given to lies and slanders against the order.

Fiery Crosses Blaze

Then followed the impressive second section of the naturalization ceremony. As the candidates knelt before the altar, three enormous fiery crosses lit the sky, the band played, and from a thousand deep throats burst the words of "Nearer My God to Thee."

A prayer followed. Then as bombs and rockets flared and crashed the band struck up the strains of the "Star Spangled Banner," a light played on the Stars and Stripes and as the flag was slowly lowered, Klansmen stood at attention.

Slowly the Klansmen filed from the place, not more silent nor thoughtful than the majority of the throngs which witnessed the ceremony and were deeply impressed by the obvious sincerity and purity of purpose of the order which has been undeservedly slandered.

Hospitality Praised

After the ceremony, visiting Klansmen were guests of the Red Wing organization at a supper at Fraternal Hall and spent an hour in the genial business of making the acquaintance of their hospitable Red Wing brothers. Red Wing has a large and powerful organization and, with the aid of the state organization, staged a most effective ceremonial. The Red Wing brethren are to be congratulated upon their splendid Klan and their fine spirit of Americanism.

Great Crowds View Parade and Initiation Program at Circus Grounds—Staged Amidst Nature's Most Beautiful Setting.

(Red Wing Republican.) Impressively beautiful was the ceremonial of the Ku Klux Klan, which was held in this city on Saturday evening and which was witnessed by a crowd estimated all the way from 7,500 to 10,000 persons. Staged as it was in Nature's prettiest setting with a bright autumn moon shining down from a cloudless sky and enhancing the marvelous colors of the foliage, now dressed in their prettiest hues after the recent visit of Jack Frost, the wonder artist, the scene was one which could not help but impress all who saw it, regardless of their opinions of the Klan.

The demonstration opened with a procession through the business section of the city. Led by three Klansmen on horseback, the riders wearing the white robes and the horses the regalia of the organization, the marchers filed slowly across the bridge from their gathering place on the island. Following the horsemen came the color bearers and then a delegation of Klansmen in their regalia on foot. The Hayward, Wis. band, came next, then three more horsemen, another delegation of Klan members on foot, including three women, and then Klan members in uniform.

Exercises at Circus Grounds

The parade wound up at the circus grounds, those taking part disappearing into the woods on the knoll overlooking the place selected for the ceremonials.

Slowly the white-robed figures, with arms folded over their breasts marched in single file to the platform where the exercises were held. The marchers passed through a lane of colored lights and as they took their stations three large crosses, which had been planted on the hill-sides, suddenly gleamed forth. Fireworks, consisting of huge sky-rockets, Roman candles, and noise bombs, were fired off at intervals lending an added touch of picturesqueness to the scene.

This was the first big event here for the organization which, during the past few years has attracted

nationalwide attention and publicity. A place with a more compelling setting could not have been chosen. In the foreground were the large meadowy acres and in the background the wooded hillsides, rising to the height of 200 or 300 feet above the surroundings.

Long before the hour set for the ceremonials hundreds of cars and thousands of people assembled and crowded the space up to the ceremonial limits.

Impressive Spectacle

The white robed figures, some of the officials on horseback—no one wearing masks—the fiery crosses, the address by Mr. Orn and others, telling of the purposes of the Ku Klux Klan, which they said, stands for patriotism, Americanism, honesty, morality, law enforcement, and above all the Christian religion exemplified by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, made up a program of a most impressive nature.

The oath of allegiance to the Klan, which has ordinarily been supposed to be secret, was given in public and did not differ greatly from the pledges taken in other secret societies. A large class of new members were initiated. The oath of allegiance to the constitution of the United States was deeply impressive and a great many people who did not belong to the Ku Klux Klan and who have had no intention of becoming members, repeated the pledge as it was given to the candidates whose installation into the Klan was the occasion for the great Red Wing meeting.

Band Plays

The music of the Hayward band was delightful. They played patriotic, religious and popular numbers and demonstrated their musicianship to a marked degree.

Mr. Orn, editor of the official newspaper for the Ku Klux Klan, deprecated what he declared erroneous statements in some newspapers regarding the Klan.

He explained the meaning of the Ku Klux Klan to be a circle, and that they were a definite patriotic and religious organization. The state head of the Klan said that there were three things that the Klan did not divulge, the password, grip and sign. None of the local Klansmen were present in garb as it is not the purpose of the organization to disclose their membership. The reason for this was explained by the speaker. He said that detectives never exposed themselves unnecessarily, and neither do the K. K. K.

The K. K. K. stands for law enforcement and are always on the lookout for the transgressors of the law, said Mr. Orn.

Several other Klan leaders spoke along the same line.

The Klansmen March Through Streets and Follow Parade With Public Initiatory Ceremonies at Circus Grounds.

(Red Wing Daily Eagle.)

Red Wing was the Mecca for thousands of Ku Klux Klan members and persons curious to see the Klan in ritualistic ceremonies, Saturday night when the organization staged a parade demonstration and public initiation in this city.

Downtown streets were jammed to capacity and when the gowned and hooded Klansmen marched through the streets solid walls of humanity were packed in close along the line of march. Visitors came from all the surrounding community, while Klans in Rochester, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Albert Lea, Austin, Mankato and other cities sent regular delegations.

The parade was led by officers of the Klan on horseback, followed by a band. Then came Klansmen in gowns and hoods and others riding in automobiles. About 100 were in the regulation Klan gown.

The march was made to the circus grounds on South Bush street where over 5,000 people gathered to witness the public demonstration. Grand Dragon Clark, of the Minneapolis realm of the Klan, presided at the initiation which was preceded by a short musical and speaking program.

Speakers were Dragon Clark, C. J. Orn, editor of the Call of the North, the Ku Klux Klan official state paper, and Dr. Harper, national Klan speaker.

Klan principles were explained and some of the aims and objects of the order were discussed by the speakers. Mr. Clark explained the secrecy of membership by saying that the Klansmen were pledged to law enforcement and that by keeping membership secret much lawlessness could be ferreted out. For instance he said:

"Bootleggers of Red Wing and Goodhue county will some day be surprised when the authorities will make arrests on evidence which we may give to them, and bootleggers will wonder how the authorities got the evidence."

He left his hearers to "figure out" the balance of his intimation.

Mr. Orn declared that Governor Walton of Oklahoma was just beginning to learn the power of the Klan and said that "he had dug his own political grave."

The program was followed by the regular initiatory ceremonies which proved a veritable pageant of beauty. With the hills as a background, a bright moon shining overhead, a flaming cross alight and Klansmen in robes fitting like ghosts and spirits through the tree, the initiatory work proved very impressive. The robed Klansmen filed down the hill, through a wooded plot, to stations in front of a raised platform. Here Klan officers administered the oaths to six candidates representative of a class from Red Wing and other sections of the state.

Colored torches and bursting bombs overhead added to the picturesque beauty of the work during its progress, and as a final climax three huge crosses were fired.

Grand Dragon Clark Declares Walton Has Dug His Political Grave.

Red Wing, Minn.—Gathered on the hillside that backs the circus grounds, between 5,000 and 10,000 persons witnessed the initiation of a large number of men into the ranks of the Red Wing Klan of the Ku Klux Klan.

Automobiles packed with persons from the Twin Cities, Mankato, Rochester, Albert Lea, Austin, and all the surrounding towns—Klansmen being sent from all these towns—poured into this city all day for the ceremonies.

The meeting was conducted by state officers of the Klan, about 100 of them being robed in white. At the call of Dragon Clark, who presided at the Dragon Clark, who presided at the ceremonies, these robed knights went their way in single file through the woods and took their station in front of a raised platform.

Calling for "real men," six members were brought forward by Klan officers as representatives of the large class which was initiated. Following the taking of the "obligation," two large crosses, one on each side of Dragon Clark, were lighted, while a smaller one had been burning all during the ceremony.

Preceding the meeting on the hillside, a parade, witnessed by approximately 26,000 persons, was held on the main streets.

As part of the ceremonies, Dragon Clark delivered an address. He referred to the Klan situation in Oklahoma, declaring that "Governor Walton had dug his own political grave and learned what a mighty power the Ku Klux Klan was."—Minneapolis Tribune.

Hornell, N. Y.—What is said to be the largest gathering of the Ku Klux Klan in this part of the state was held near the Ledges of Almond recently. It is estimated that between five and six hundred Klansmen took part in the ceremonies. The Klansmen proceeded to the meeting place in motor cars, none of them wearing robes or hoods, which they donned after reaching their destination. Many of the most prominent men of Hornell were among those who attended the ceremony.

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NORTHERN MAN LAUDS WORK OF THE OLD KLAN

The following is an extract from "Secret Political Societies in the South during the period of Reconstruction," written by Walter Henry Cook, of Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio. "The Ku Klux Klan accomplished much. From a political viewpoint it secured home rule for several of the Southern States. It ended the disgraceful rule of the carpetbaggers therein, and it helped to re-establish honest and efficient governmental institutions. The example was an inspiration which, after 1872, soon led the men of the Southern States still in radical control of a GLORIOUS VICTORY in regaining self-government.

"From an economic standpoint, the negroes had been frightened into going to work and were prevented, to a large extent, from breaking labor contracts. These were important services in the rehabilitation of the South.

"From a social standpoint the Klan protected property, protected life, and brought order out of chaos."

K-K-K

AN EFFECTIVE SUNDAY SCHOOL

A question came up in our office today and was debated with considerable real interest. "What is the young man of today doing about the Sunday School?"—was the question. After thinking about the important matter we turned the question squarely around and asked pointedly—"What is the Sunday School doing FOR the young man? We didn't want to jump at conclusions based on indifferent observation or casual thinking, so decided to go into the subject somewhat carefully.

At the out-set, we came across a most interesting and effective Sunday school class composed of the finest type of young men. The spirit and enthusiasm existing was so unusually delightful that we sought some definite information concerning the class.

The Sunday school class is located in St. Paul. To be exact, the class is held every Sunday in the Central Park M. E. church, not far from the heart of the Sainly City. The membership totals sixty-seven fine-looking, red-blooded, earnest, sincere, Christian young men, real Americans every one. It made our heart beat with joy to learn that there are many young men in this country entirely different from the common cake-eater type.

Not only did we find a splendid group of young men, but we also discovered a wonderful organization that tied young men between the ages of sixteen and twenty-one securely to the church, the Protestant church. Think what that means, Dear Reader. Here, in a St. Paul church, a great problem seemingly has been solved. Every church-worker knows the difficulty of keeping the young man interested in the church. Many a minister has been praying most fervently for a solution of the mighty important problem, has been sincerely seeking a door that opens into a full Sunday school of young men, but for some unknown reason has not found that much desired and needed condition—a Sunday school that holds the young man at the age when he needs the influence of the church possibly more than at any other time in his life. Certainly the church needs the young men between the ages of sixteen and twenty-one. We think the Kappa Chi class of the Central M. E. church meets a long felt want.

The Kappa Chi does succeed in doing the thing that may seem impossible. The young men in this class had an interest in the church that extended over the week, over the month, over the year. Surely that means something. The young men of the Kappa Chi stand solidly for honest and fair athletics, appreciate the better things in music, possess a clean, wholesome valuation of social life, understand the necessity for Christian living.

The members of the Kappa Chi wear on their coat lapels the Cross of Christ. They are not ashamed to stand before the world as Sunday school lads. Existing within the group was a beautiful loyalty, a delightful friendliness and a common understanding of one another. Truly, it seemed they were brothers in Jesus Christ.

We learned that the office of the Kappa Chi is 311 McClure building, St. Paul, Minnesota. We feel certain that a letter addressed there will bring information regarding the work and methods of organization of the Kappa Chi.

K-K-K

I AM WALTON

I came to thee, Oklahoma, but a few years ago and found a place for myself that giveth me that which I must crave—publicity.

I came with an itching within me which permits no peace unless I am on the front page of the newspaper.

I seek the spectacular, for nothing else attracts attention, which to me is honey sweeter than saccharine.

Whatever stands between me and personal eulogy, I surely will crush like an apple in a cider-press.

I readeth Shakespeare, especially "Julius Caesar," for there I can learn much concerning Brutus, who to me is an inspiration.

I hate the Klan most violently; that thing is a thorn in the flesh and causeth me much pain where my ego dwelleth.

Let no man question my ways of impulse, for I am a fury when aroused. I will brook no interference. When I speak, the dog that barketh shall have his tail amputated one inch behind his ears.

Ask not about thine own affairs. Neither must thou speak to me of rights or liberties. Thou art the pickle and I am the brine, so learn to endure my brackish ways.

I am as fickle as a chorus girl, as changeable as a vane on a cow-barn, nevertheless, that privilege is mine, and not thine is the right ridicule or belittle.

I doth pardon the murderer when I choose to do so—and I often do. But that to thee, is neither here nor there. Jurors are nuts, so juries must be nutty, and I act in behalf of the man that killeth and is sent to the "pen" for punishment.

Recklessly I spendeth the people's money. I have fed the multitudes with sandwiches and not paid a mark for the bread and meat consumed. I sliced not the beef thin. Knowest thou not that the state payeth? Which maketh the celebration cheap for me, so I worry not concerning my wife's hat.

The Invisible Empire demandeth that I cease my childish down-sittings and baby-like up-standings, so I calleth forth the soldiers and ordereth the night-shirts from my state, lest they

interfere with my easy ways of wildness.

To the world I telleth interesting fairy-tales of many whipping bees. I desire very much to be vice-president, and whatever I sayeth about the Kluxers I expect to aid in my ambitious plans.

I am a political opportunist, which explaineth many things that I doeth. All my actions are necessary, as my wife thinketh, for the advancement of Walton—and that is of most concern to me.

Yes, I am Walton.

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE

QUOTATIONS ASSEMBLED FROM RECENT PUBLIC UTTERANCES AND WRITINGS OF THE NEW PRESIDENT INDICATE HIS RELATION TO ISSUES OF TODAY, IN DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN PROBLEMS OF GOVERNMENT.

DO THE DAY'S WORK

Do the day's work. If it is to protect the rights of the weak, whoever objects, do it. If it be to help a powerful corporation better to serve the people, whatever the opposition, do that. Expect to be called a stand-patter, but don't be a standpatter. Expect to be called a demagogue, but don't be a demagogue. Don't hesitate to be as revolutionary as science, or as reactionary as the multiplication table. Don't expect to build up the weak by pulling down the strong. Don't hurry to legislate. Give administration a chance to catch up with legislation.

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SPOILED CHILDREN

Back in 1880, when I was a child at Plymouth, I asked my father for a cent to buy some hoarhound candy. He heard me gravely and then informed me just as gravely that it looked to him as if a democratic president would be elected that fall, and that it behooved every prudent man to exercise special thrift. Therefore he would be obliged to deny my request.

Now that sounds absurd in these days when money is so plentiful and when parents in very modest circumstances often give their children \$15 to \$20 a week as mere spending money and not to be accounted for at all. But there is a good deal of sense in it. Children brought up under that regime of thrift and prudent forethought were better off in later years than children treated with unwise generosity.

I am sure that this habit of providing inexperienced young people with more money than is good for them is responsible for the ruin of many lives and for a great deal of injury to society.

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LEGISLATION BY CLAMOR

We have had too much legislation by clamor, by tumult, by pressure. Representative government ceases when outside influence of any kind is substituted for the judgment of the representative. This does not mean that the opinion of constituents is to be ignored. It is to be weighed most carefully, for the representative must represent, but his oath provides that it must be "faithfully and impartially" according to the best of his abilities and understanding, agreeably to the rules and regulations of the constitution and laws.

Opinions and instructions do not outmatch the constitution. Against it they are void. Instructions are not given unless given constitutionally. There can be no constitutional instruction to do an unconstitutional act.

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PROHIBITION ENFORCEMENT

The authority of the law is questioned in these days all too much. The binding obligation of obedience against personal desire is denied in many quarters. If these doctrines prevail, all organized government, all liberty, all security are at an end. Force alone will prevail. Can those instructed with the gravest authority set any example save that of the sternest obedience to law?

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LAW AND ORDER

The matter of public order is so clear and so fundamental that it is difficult to see how any one would think of compromising or avoiding that issue. . . . Not the private will but the public will must be maintained as the supreme authority.

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THE AMERICAN HOME

The destiny, the greatness of America lies around the hearthstone. If thrift and industry are taught there and the example of self-sacrifice appears, if honor abiding, and high ideals, if there the building of fortune be subordinate to the building of character, America will lie in security, rejoicing in an abundant prosperity and good government at home, and in peace, respect and confidence abroad.

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MORAL POWER

Have faith in the moral power of America. It gave independence under Washington and freedom under Lincoln. Here right never lost. Here wrong never won. However powerful the forces of evil may appear, somewhere there are more powerful forces of righteousness. Courage and confidence are our heritage. Justice is our right. The outcome is in your hand, my fellow American; if you deserve to win, the nation can-

not lose. Reverence is the measure not of others but of ourselves.

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AMERICA'S STRENGTH

America must furnish more than armies and navies for the future. If armies and navies were to be supreme Germany would be right. There are other and greater forces in the world than march to the roll of the drum. As we are turning the scale with our sword now, so hereafter we must turn the scale with the moral power of America. It must be our disinterested plans that are to restore Europe to a place through justice when we have secured victory through the sword.

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WORK AND SERVE

To us, the man of means who does not work, who does not serve, is of exactly the same class as the tramp or the vagabond, and the day is not distant when we shall treat him as such.

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THE POWER OF RELIGION

It was because religion gave the people a new importance and a new glory that they demanded a new freedom and a new government. We cannot in our generation reject the cause and retain the result. If the institutions they adopted are to survive, if the government which they founded is to endure, it will be because the people continue to have similar religious beliefs. It is idle to discuss freedom and equality on any other basis. It is useless to expect substantial reform from any other motive. They cannot be administered from without. They must come from within.

A PICNIC PROTEST

An ant is on your sandwich, Nancy dear,
A dolebug is swimming in the jam;
And, Nancy, what is this that we have here?
A yellow-jacket's sampling the ham!
A spider's dropping, Nancy, just before you;
I think, my dear, that we had better move—
Nancy, although you know that I adore you,
Picnics are crawly things I can't approve.

A bee zooms round you, Nancy, and I fear
A fly has nestled on your chicken wing;
And, Nancy, though I would not damp your cheer,
That blithesome bee is very apt to sting.
A caterpillar, dear, hangs just above you,
A tumblebug is clowning on the pie;
Oh, Nancy, dear, you know how well I love you,
But picnics were not made for such as I.

An inch-worm's on the biscuits, Nancy dear,
A ladybug is in the honey pot;
A gnat disgorges himself in the root beer,
A beetle in the salad casts his lot;
Nancy, my own, you know your love I cherish,
But picnics draw too many guests for me—
Come, dear one, pray, before I starve and perish,
Let's find some place inside to have our tea!

—E. Rutherford, Jr., in the New York Evening Post.

NEGRO WANTED TO ENTER PLATTSBURG

The National Association for the Uplift of Colored Gentlemen seemingly has got another job of work to do. The Plattsburg (N. Y.) Citizens Military Training Camp, since its inception open only to white soldiers, refused to accept a smart young negro who tried to force himself into the ranks recently.

Now the uplifters want Secretary Weeks to kiss the rookie and apologize.

The War Department has offered to provide a separate training camp for negroes if enough of them wish to serve. There are few applicants, however.

Support your paper

THE BIBLE--

"A TRANSLATION"

Boston Transcript

A professor at the University of Chicago has undertaken to supplant the King James version of the Bible by what he calls an "American Translation;" his three and a half years' work was completed last Thursday. This professor says "We use words intelligible to the American ear." Why is this necessary? Is not the Bible understood in America today? Have we so lost the knowledge of our own language that we can no longer understand the finest example of it? Is the one book of all others acclaimed by English speaking peoples the world over to be "the noblest monument of English prose"—is this book to be thrown into the discard?

The Chicago professor undoubtedly meant well. But when he attempts to do away with a great work of art, when he tries to supplant a manual of faith ingrained in us by all the ties of holy belief by three and a half years' work, he shows that his sense of proportion is lacking. Of course what he proposes cannot be done.

A quotation from his "American translation" will show how uninspired and matter of fact his version is. When read in contrast with the same passage in the King James version, it suggests comparing an automobile horn to a cathedral organ. Here is the Chicago professor's "translation" of Jesus feeding the multitude:

The disciples said to Him:
"Where can we get bread enough in this solitude to feed such a crowd?"
Jesus said to them:
"How many loaves have you?"
They said:
"Seven, and a few small fish."

And so it goes. Contrast the same passage in the gospel according to St. Mark with the King James Version: And his disciples, answered him. From whence can a man satisfy these men here with bread in the wilderness?

And he asked them, How many loaves have ye? And they said, Seven.

The contrast is here so obvious that no comment is needed.

If the American can no longer feel the beauty of our Bible, for it is our Bible and part of our American tradition, if its meaning is no longer clear to him, if he demands as "American translation" of the noblest monument in English prose, then disappointing is his condition. Fortunately this is not the case and happily the King James version of the Holy Bible is strong enough to withstand this attempt at replacement.

It has withstood far worse shocks in its time. May it continue to withstand them!

KLAN TO TEST WALKER LAWS

"The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan will thoroughly test the validity of the Walker law in the State of New York," declares Paul S. Etheredge, Imperial Klonsel and head of the legal department of the order.

"The rights of every Klansman in New York will be fully protected by the national organization. We believe that the Walker law is discriminatory and unconstitutional and that the courts will rule it to be invalid. We will fight it to the limit in the highest courts if necessary."

It was pointed out by the Imperial Klonsel of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan that the national organization had nothing to do with the recent incorporation proceedings of the Klan in New York state which were effected for the purpose of evading the Walker law.

"The purpose of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan was from the very beginning to meet the Walker law squarely and contest its validity through a test case. Incorporation proceedings were instituted without the knowledge of national officials of the order in Atlanta without their advice and without their consent. The action in New York was taken by certain individual Klansmen. The order will now proceed with its original program of contesting the law. Klansmen, should the Walker law be held valid, will obey it just as they are sworn to obey every other law. There will be no defiance and no disobedience of the properly constituted authorities."

THOUGHTFUL

Isadore Levinsky was dying of the small poxes. The doctor had just told him the terrible truth.

"Send for the priest," he murmured.

"You mean the rabbi, don't you?" asked the doctor.

"No, the priest. Do you think I want the rabbi to have such a seckness what I got?"—Current News.

A young man with a pretty but notoriously flirtatious fiancée wrote to a supposed rival, "I've been told that you have been seen kissing my girl. Come to my office at 11 on Friday. I want to have this matter out." The rival answered, "I've received a copy of your circular letter and will be present at the meeting."—Argonaut, San Francisco.

OREGON SCHOOL

LAW IN COURT

Washington, D. C.—National Capital educators are intensely interested in the legal test to be made of the Oregon school law. Suit for a test of the constitutionality of the bill, which became a law at the general election last November, has been filed in United States District Court by a Catholic Society.

Adopted after a bitter fight in the last Oregon election this law makes it compulsory for all children below high school age to attend the public schools. It has been generally regarded as an effort to drive private schools out of business, and Catholics have looked upon it as aimed especially at their institutions.

Proponents of the law, which included a heavy majority of the citizens of Oregon, maintain that as the institution of a state is the product of, and live or die by the character of its citizens, the state has a right to say how and by whom its future citizens are to be trained. Opponents of the law see in it an invasion of the rights of the individual to train his child as he pleases.

It is noted that the law does not, as has been claimed, drive out the private school, since private instruction is permitted children who are taught the same subjects for the same period of time, as are taught in the public schools.

The test of the Constitutionality of the law has been looked for ever since its enactment, and the results of this court action will be most carefully considered by educators and legislators in other states, who are only awaiting a definite pronouncement on the Oregon law before imitating similar legislation in their own jurisdictions.

CONSIDER THE CIRCUS

Circuses are a constant source of attraction to me. Perhaps, at my age I ought not to confess that such frivolity as a circus draws me from my desk, but the fact remains that I see all the circus parades and all the circus performances that take place in this town.

And when I go to a circus I want to go clean through it—from "Hot Dogs" to the "Grand Concert."

I start in at the corner of the lot, with a long glass of red lemonade—passing quickly to the popcorn man, and the taffy man, and with my pockets well filled with peanuts to feed the elephants, I make my way to the side show.

It is the last circus that I attended that furnishes me with the subject for my letter to you to-day:

When I arrived at the sideshow I made a careful examination of every banner because in no other way can one fully understand and appreciate the wonders inside the tent.

This particular sideshow advertised an "Educated Horse" that could all talk—an "Educated Pig" that was supposed to have a better education than some people—an "Educated Monkey" that was guaranteed to be the missing link.

Armed with the "trimmings" that go to make one's trip to a circus successful, I paid for my ticket and entered the tent.

The show man was just preparing to exhibit the "Educated Horse." Tapping the leg of the horse, he asked the animal how old he was. The horse stamped eight times with one of his right feet, which told us that he was eight years old. Next the horse was asked what date of the month it was, and he went over to some blocks and picked up one upon which was painted the date of the month.

Next the educated pig was exhibited. He rolled a barrel about on the platform.

Now it was the Monkey's turn and the trainer handed him a plug of tobacco. The monkey bit off a good generous chunk—rolled it about in his mouth and spit at a box of sawdust and hit it squarely the first pop—did it better than I have seen some men do it.

Then that show was over. Now, were those animals educated? No! They were only trained.

Animals cannot be educated. They can be trained to do certain things when their surroundings are just as they were when they first learned to do the trick.

Change the surroundings—change the location of that block and the horse could not find it. Change the location of that box of sawdust and the monkey would not spit in it.

So it is with some men. They can be trained to do and to say certain things, but they cannot be "educated."

—Selected

The famous editor of the New York Sun, Charles A. Dana, used to enjoy telling the story of a man who asked his friend:

"Have you ever heard of a machine that can tell when a man is lying?"

"I surely have," said the friend.

"Have you ever seen one?" asked the first man.

"Seen one?" said the friend. "I married one!"

"The average woman has a vocabulary of only eight hundred words. It is a small stock, but think of the turn-over."—Oakland Tribune.

"KU KLUX" DEFINED

Many people today are far at sea as to the meaning of the name, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. Many have the false idea that the name is arbitrarily coined and has no special significance. That is not true. The word, "Ku Klux," for it is really one word, and frequently hyphenated, is an American derivation of the Greek word, "kuklos," meaning a circle. In other words, the Ku Klux Klan is the Circle Klan. It is a closed organization and ring of brothers inseparably joined, as is the continuous, unending line of a circle.

The Klan is a group of men bound together by a solemn oath of loyalty to God, country, home and each other. Any man who can fit the requirements of the organization and who assumes this binding oath, becomes a part of the circle; a member of the continuous clan.

The Invisible Empire is an organization often described as one "Here yesterday, here today, here forever." And like the eternal line of the circle or the kuklos, the principles and infallible ideals for which the Invisible Empire stands, have been here forever, most assuredly are here and in operation today and will exist for all eternity as long as God is in His Heaven.

KLAN HOSPITAL

\$1,000,000 Institution Is Well Under Way at Topeka; \$50,000 Soon To Be Raised.

Topeka, Kan.—The first unit of the American hospital to be operated and controlled by the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan will be opened here early in September. When entirely completed the hospital will represent an investment of approximately \$1,000,000.

Members of the Topeka Klan met last May and made plans to establish a Protestant hospital here. At a closed meeting \$50,000 was raised for the project within one hour. Of this amount \$25,000 has been paid toward the purchase of a dwelling located in eight acres of wooded land in Topeka. This house has been transformed into a temporary hospital and will accommodate 30 patients.

The board of trustees, all prominent business men of Topeka, has obtained the services of Prof. Albert Haberstro, formerly of Washburn University, who will assume the executive management of the institution.

One million dollars is the financial objective, and it is expected this amount will be raised in one year.

SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED

Sectarian Institutions Take Their Place and Funds.

Johnstown, Pa., Aug. 1.—Thirteen public schools in one county of this state have been closed and succeeded by sectarian schools it was reported by a county superintendent.

In some counties state appropriations for public schools are being used for sectarian schools, he reports.

The report was read at a meeting of the Progressive American League, where resolutions were drawn indorsing a national department of education with a secretary in the president's cabinet.

Protestants should look out. Scores of our public schools may be closed one of these days if Rome continues to grow. It is coming. Tolerance is on the drive. You do not believe it? All right—time will tell!—Mo. Valley Independent.

A LEGAL RELIGION UN-AMERICAN AND ANTI-CHRISTIAN

We hold it for a fundamental and undeniable truth, "That religion, or the duty which we owe to our Creator, and the manner of discharging it, can be directed only by reason and conviction, not by force or violence."

The religion, then, of every man must be left to the conviction and conscience of every man; and it is the right of every man to exercise it as these may dictate. This right is in its nature an unalienable right. It is unalienable, because the opinions of me, depending only on the evidence cannot follow the dictates of other men. It is unalienable, also, because what is here a right toward men is a duty toward the Creator. It is the duty of every man to render to the Creator such homage, and such only, as he believes to be acceptable to Him. This duty is precedent, both in order of time and in degree of obligation, to the claims of civil society.

... We maintain therefore, that in matters of religion no man's right is abridged by the institution of civil society, and that religion is wholly exempt from its cognizance.—James Madison's Memorial to the Honorable, the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia, 1785.

END AND MEANS

Dorothy—"When will you get your new fur coat, mamma?"

Mother—"Your dad says it can't be done."

Dorothy—"Say Mamsie, have you ever tried throwing yourself on the floor and kicking your feet the way I do?"



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WALTON, ANTI-KLAN CHAMPION

BY PHILLIP KINGSLEY, in Minneapolis Journal

Ten years ago Walton was a Kansas City electrical supply salesman. He did business with the state departments here and in 1913 moved here and opened an office as consulting engineer. He became a city commissioner and in 1919 was elected mayor. He was known as a union labor man and, always has been associated with the radical wing of the democratic party.

In his reign as mayor he saw the rise of the Klan to political power. One of the largest initiations ever conducted took place while he was mayor. He took no stand on the matter. There was a strike in the packingtown and a Negro strike-breaker was lynched. The city police did little to stop the mob. The town was wide open for a while, but Walton fired his chief of police and personally led raiding squads into saloons and dives until he had cleaned the town.

Had Eye for Spectacular He used to march with his police to the Christian church to attend services. He always had an eye for the spectacular and in politics was quick to seize on the current nostrum that appealed to the imagination of the crowd.

In 1922, while he still was mayor, he was made the nominee of the reconstruction league of the state for governor. This organization, led by the Oklahoma Leader, a radical publication, had sensed in Walton a winning political figure after his city success against the conservative democrats. The league was formed on the line of the Nonpartisan league of North Dakota, capitalizing the discontent of the farmer and the union labor sentiment. Their tactics were to bore into the old party. The Shawnee convention of this organization in 1921 endorsed Walton on a radical platform. He went into the campaign and although he lost in the capital and had most of the big state papers against him he won in the state by the biggest majority that any governor ever received.

Staged Famous Barbecue He jumped into the limelight with his famous inauguration barbecue, where all the farmers were invited to come in their overalls. He turned out the militia and gave the state three days of the wildest kind of a picnic. He was the idol of the plain people, their governor and friend. He was going to turn the agricultural and mechanical college back to them, take out the classics from college courses and get back to dirt and grease. He was going to clean out the bank thieves from the state, reform the budget and get down to economics to relieve the farmer from tax burdens.

Today, despite failure to do any of these things, he still can draw great crowds on a new issue. Though he has broken away from the reconstruction league and led them into the camp of the enemy, he is rebuilding a powerful state machine. On the Ku Klux Klan issue he is planning to become politically impregnable, become senator, or vice-presidential candidate.

Call Walton Traitor The dream of the little group of idealists whose work contributed so largely to Walton's election soon were found hopeless. Today they call Walton a traitor. They found that Walton was not a true radical but a shallow thinker and a political opportunist who had used them and dropped them. The true, unselfish radicals will never go back to his banner, although they hate the Ku Klux Klan as much or more than he does. He has put them and many other groups of good Oklahoma citizens in an ineffective and perplexing situation. If they oppose him they are accused of being "Klan." He has muddled the waters and forced the

issue so cleverly that there is only one thing for the majority to do—go with him.

Walton's first act which threw down the wrath of his supporters was his action in the Agricultural and Mechanical college presidency. He had promised to make George Wilson, an Oklahoma school teacher, president of the college. He did not keep his promise. Farmers and labor delegates called on him and forced him to make the appointment. Later, he fired Wilson.

The Leader, on July 25, announced it was through with him, quoting Browning's "The Lost Leader"—"Just for a handful of silver he left us," etc.

Banking Situation Bad

The banking situation in the state had been in a bad way and depositors had lost millions in failures and liquidations under state bank managers who looted and fled the state. The farmers and labor group had the governor appoint Joe Strain, in whose honesty everyone believed. Strain took office. He found an attorney asking \$45,000 fee for services in a small bank liquidation. Then Strain was fired. E. T. Byrum was put in as bank commissioner, although he had had no other experience in finance than managing Walton's political campaign in Tulsa. The state banking law states that the commissioners must have had five years banking experience.

About this time the scandal in "pardons and paroles" began to break. From Jan. 6, last, Governor Walton had extended 253 acts of executive clemency at the McAlester penitentiary.

Miss Sue Bonds of Okmulgee county, was attacked in 1918. Her fiancé Holden H. Vance, was overseas. She died a year later in Arkansas, brokenhearted. Ira Williams was convicted for this crime and sentenced to 25 years in prison. He was a traveling salesman.

Paroled Girl's Attacker

May 18, last, Walton paroled him. Vance wrote the governor a harsh letter and the parole was revoked. In the meantime, Williams had fled and still is at liberty.

In 1912 Charles T. Reuter, an attorney, was murdered. Guy McKenzie was convicted and sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder. He had conspired with the attorney's wife to kill him. McKenzie was paroled by former Governor Robertson two years ago. He was caught bootlegging and was returned. June 15, Walton paroled him.

There is a long list of such cases, reaching up to two days ago. This list of paroles includes Dick Ivey, bank bandit, who killed a bank cashier at Ketchum while on parole. The list includes 158 felons, 55 pardoned and the remaining 103 received commutations or reprieves.

Executive clemency has been extended to 29 murderers.

Defends Actions

The "leave of absence" is an institution established by Walton, under which convicts are released for various periods. There is no record of the number of these cases.

Governor Walton announced early in his term that he would not permit anyone to die in the electric chair.

Instead of reducing taxes to the farmers, the governor has piled on expenses until today deficiency warrants totaling \$177,722 have been issued. The bankers and farmers have been uneasy over the situation.

Twenty men, most of them former policemen when Walton was mayor, are kept as a personal bodyguard for the governor, drawing state funds. There are five at his side nearly all the time, even at night.

Vetoed \$6,000,000 Budget

At the close of the last session Walton vetoed \$6,000,000 in appropriations and vetoed a refund of \$1-

000,000 to oil companies. Most of his added expenses since have been in his war on the Klan.

These are chief points in his record leading to the martial law period. This began Aug. 14 last.

The immediate cause of the proclamation of martial law at Tulsa was the whipping of Nate Hantaman, a bootlegger. He was whipped with the aid and consent of the police of that city, court records are said to show. He was not whipped, because he was selling whisky, but because he had gossiped that he had paid protection money to the police. Thus Oklahoma's "insurrection" may be laid indirectly at the door of the mockery of prohibition enforcement.

There was not talk of impeachment or any extraordinary session of the Oklahoma legislature until the martial law and his "fight to the death" campaign against the Klan. The charges which will be made against him rest entirely upon his usurpation of dictatorial power and his new reign of military absolutism. He admits all these charges, so there is really nothing for the legislature to "investigate."

WHY DO THEY WEAR MASKS?

C. K. INGLER

"When an organization can't face the people without masks, have no use for it." This bit of advice, relative to the Ku Klux Klan, recently came in a letter to this office. Behold, how great a matter a fiery cross kindleth! How a piece of white cotton can blind some people's eyes! Truly the god of Romanism has blinded the unbelieving minds of many Protestants so as to shut out the glorious sunshine of Christianity and patriotism.

If the Klan organization had been of human origin, it would have ceased to exist long ago; but somehow it is thriving mightily on the milk of persecution and making bold strides up and down our great country, even in frigid Alaska. Like the Hebrews of Moses' time, the more they are afflicted the more they multiply and grow.

"Masks!" It might as well be said that the Allies should not have held private conferences, covered their big guns and officers' headquarters with underbrush, camouflaged their ships, lived in dugouts, or fought in trenches. They were afraid of the enemy and ashamed of their cause; their should have done everything in the open and above board.

In Old Testament times the Children of Israel had no business to protect themselves from their enemies by the use of the word "Shibboleth" as a password. The early Christians should not have lived in dens and caves of the earth. When forbidden to display the sign of the cross, they should not have made themselves known to each other by the sign of a fish. The Savior of all mankind called three of his immediate followers into His inner circle; and to the twelve disciples on one occasion He said: "I have many things to say unto you, but ye can not bear them now." The Christ must have been evil-minded, ashamed and afraid.

All this hue and din of the deceived multitudes about the mask which has been adopted by the "Knights of the Invisible Empire" as part of its uniform, is nothing compared to the secret plans and devices of the Roman hierarchy to rob us of everything good and ennobling that God in His love ad mercy has vouchsafed unto this glorious republic. By the character of the enemy and its methods of attack, a person or organization should be judged.

If Protestants had been wise, a word years ago would have been sufficient. But too many of them are asleep and willingly ignorant of the impending peril. Our country is facing a struggle fiercer than the late world conflict, and only now and then can one be found who realizes the situation.

Instead of falsely accusing and condemning the Klan, it should be hailed as the 20th century savior of America's political and religious freedom; and every effort put forth to assist them in the heaven-inspired cause which they have been called to champion.

"Truth forever on the scaffold, Wrong forever on the throne,— Yet that scaffold sways the future, And behind the dim unknown Standeth God within the shadows 'Keeping watch above His own.'—Good Citizen Magazine.

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BEATING HIS TO A FRAZZLE

The party was in progress. One of those outspoken brethren met his friend and gesturing toward a certain lady asked: "Who's that frump over there?" The interrogated got his worst frown ready and said: "That's my wife." The gay questioner was ready. "Zatso, you ought to see mine."

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Klansmen—to Church!

THAT BLAZING CROSS

All America stood amazed when the newspapers heralded the fact that, standing beside the other mammoth floral tributes on the lawn of his old home, as the body of Warren G. Harding passed, was a beautiful cross of red roses with a beautiful heart of white, and on the arm the letters K. K. K., a tribute from the largest secret fraternity in America, the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. I say, all America stood amazed, for the report had gone forth that mighty political powers would seek to prevent the placing of that floral offering among the others on that lawn. But it was placed there and there it remained.

And now that Warren Harding has crossed into the land where the Sun goeth not down, it might be well to remind America that this great President had a very tender place in his heart for this great American organization, and on at least two occasions gave those who sought its downfall by unjust methods to understand that he would not join them in so cowardly an undertaking. And so it was fitting that, standing majestically back among its fellows, this blazing cross of red roses should bear silent witness to his fidelity and tell to the thousands who looked upon its withering petals the story of the love for and appreciation of such a man by such an organization. And it was fitting also that even the foes of that organization and of those American principles for which it triumphantly stands today should step back, nor dare to lay their hands upon that cross.

Indeed, there must be a sickening dread within the hearts of those influences and forces that have contested every inch of ground over which the Ku Klux Klan has come, as they see the organization winning first place among all the secret orders of America and gathering like an avalanche against every un-American ideal that brings its blot and stain to the pages of our swiftly making history. And that dread must become a panic indeed within the heart of those forces as they realize that the loved ones and friends of America's departed President count themselves honored that this mighty multitude of Americans should bring their flaming cross and plant it by the body of their dead.

Gentlemen of the Ku Klux Klan, I urge you to stand true to every ideal and standard of life that is American that you may be worthy indeed to take your place in the leadership of the life of this mighty Republic, to which glorious heritage God has undoubtedly called you. You have faced a mighty foe, a foe that fought your country before it fought you. You have faced an enemy that despises the ideals and principles that are American. You have fought through and up until at last your banner is planted on the hills and your blazing cross flames afar. The nation looks to you for a mighty revival of Americanism, true and undefiled. It is your happy heritage to defend the ideals for which your fathers died on bloody battle fields. I call upon you to stand true, to make good, to be clean and honorable, to live lives of rectitude and humble service.

And if thus you live and thus you forge forward, your blazing cross shall light the way for mighty men of leadership within this Republic and you shall hold aloft their hands while they, in the name of the Christ who died upon that cross, leads this Republic forward to victory. And when their forms shall lie within the dust from whence they came, your blood red roses shall wither on the mound that marks their sleeping place and America shall lift its hat as it passes by.

This writer has stood outside the door of this organization and has prayed that God would lead it to the hilltops of a mighty opportunity for service. Undoubtedly, God has led. Your multitudes have gathered from sea to sea. Your hosts are marching from shore to shore. You number your crusaders by the hundreds of thousands. God help you to serve, to bless, to benefit, to build up, to achieve and to battle ever for our nation's salvation from those insidious forces that seek to suck the very life blood from her heart.—Bob Shuler.

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SHADES OF NELSON! THIS IS FAIRNESS

Colonel Nelson, who used to dictate the policies of the Kansas City Star, made a great newspaper out of it in his day because he demanded that its columns be kept strictly accurate and its editorials fair to everyone.

The Colonel would have turned over in his grave on August 25, last, if he had been able to read the following eminently "fair" quotation from the sheet which he founded:

"Down South the Klansmen never let their 100 per cent Americanism get far below par. The minute they see it drop a point or two they ride over and catch a minister's wife and give her a flogging."

The Kansas City Star at present is suffering from fatty degeneration of the business office, caused by the fact that its editorials are written on a cash register.

HOW THE KLAN CAN BE MADE A TRUE CIVIC ASSET IN EVERY PROGRESSIVE COMMUNITY

An actively functioning Klan is the greatest asset of which any American city, town or village can boast today.

The Klan in its civic operations should prove itself a veritable driving power for the good and should typify the ideals of the God-fearing home-loving citizens who reside in every American community.

There is not a Klan in the United States which should sit idle with the excuse that there is nothing for its membership to do. Klansmen in every American settlement, be it great manufacturing metropolis in the North or humble Southern hamlet need only look around them and they can see on every side tasks worthy of their self-sacrifice and devotion.

This does not mean that it is the duty of the Klan to pry into other people's business, to meddle with private affairs with which they have nothing to do. It means that the work of the Klan in every community should be for the public weal. The efforts of every Klan should be to make their city a better place in which to live and in which the coming generations of Americans shall be raised.

Fostering Education

The opportunities for a Klansman to serve his fellow citizens are countless. Keeping a watchful eye on the public school system for instance.

I have before me a newspaper article concerning the work of the Klan in effecting the passage of a large bond issue for the public schools in a great city in the state of Alabama. The city was sadly in need of new schools, yet a certain element boldly fought the bonds, caring nothing for the welfare of the boys and girls who in a generation will control the destinies of the municipality.

And then the Klan swung into the fight. They spoke for the bond issue, showing how imperative it was to make education a paramount civic project. They urged their friends to support the bonds and every Klansman went to the polls and voted for them.

As a result the bond issue carried by a good majority and city officials through the columns of reluctant newspapers praised the Klan for its splendid work.

It is actions such as this which make the Klan a civic asset.

Already the leaven of the Klan is making itself felt in many American cities. In municipalities which in past years have been either honeycombed with administrative graft or whose treasuries have been depleted by political extravagance slowly but surely the campaign of the Klan for good government has made itself felt. Incompetents have been ousted from office through the force of public opinion generated by the Klan. Men of high ideals, loyal Americans, devoted citizens have been prevailed upon to accept governmental honors at a sacrifice to themselves. Better government has come to many towns and cities, and is coming to many more, thanks to the activity of the Klan.

Klan Not In Politics

Mind you, by this it is not to be understood that the Klan is in politics. It is neither Democratic nor Republican. It favors the man—not the party. The Klan teaches that the rights of American citizenship should be exercised to the fullest degree by all loyal Americans so that foreign and un-American influences shall not control the destinies and sap the loyalty of this nation. And one of the primary rights of citizenship is fulfilled at the ballot box. The Klan in every city stands adamantly for good government.

The Klan teaches also that American citizens should not shirk their duties incumbent upon them and imbues its membership with true civic pride. Since the Klan has come to America there is less jury dodging on the part of American citizens. The Klansman is taught that the call to jury service is as sacred as a call to arms in defense of his beloved America. For years the judiciary of the United States has lamented the evasion of jury service by loyal but thoughtless Americans. The excuses and evasions of good men have permitted professional jurors to acquit criminals in many cases where powerful outside influences were active in their behalf. Now with Klansmen refusing to make technical excuses to avoid service, criminals are being sent to jail with astonishing regularity in cities where the Klan membership is relatively strong. It is interesting to note that the country over the attorneys seeking to secure the acquittal of crooks, bootleggers, dope sellers and this class of cattle use every trick and exercise every challenge to exclude a man suspected of membership in the Klan from a jury while conscientious states' attorneys are glad to have them, knowing that Klansmen are level-headed, honest American citizens sworn to do their duty and enforce the law.

Aids Law Enforcement

The Klan is also civic asset in the cause of law enforcement. Klansmen are sworn not only to obey the laws themselves but also to aid the constituted authorities in enforcing them. Many a bootlegger and illicit narcotic

dealer, many a trafficker in the shame of womanhood, many a vagrant loafer and thief has met his downfall directly owing to information lodged with the proper authorities by Klansmen. Klansmen by thus aiding the officers of the law are making their home cities happier, safer, brighter and cleaner places in which American women and children may live. Should officers of the law be loath to do their duty, Klansmen, working on public sentiment, are able to make them take action.

Another civic betterment directly attributable to the Klan is a general and nation-wide revival of militant Protestantism. While a man may be a Klansman without attending any church, yet Klansmen are taught that they become much better Klansmen if they attend divine services regularly with their wives and families and support the Sunday Schools of their city. As a result, church attendance has noticeably increased, especially amongst the male citizenship, in communities where the Klan is flourishing and is a growing power for the good.

The Klan is composed of no one creed of the Protestant faith. Presbyterians, Baptists, Episcopalians, Methodists and many other branches of the Protestant church rub elbows at its meetings form lasting friendship for each other as they work in a common and holy cause. As the result of this co-mingling in many cities the Protestant congregations have united on occasion in great Union Protestant services held alternately at various churches. This means that a forward stride has been made for a United Protestantism which will present a solid front to those who would engender ill feeling among Protestants and weaken their church organizations for the benefit of the un-Christian and un-American forces who are constantly on the alert to rend and prey.

There are scores, yes hundreds, of other ways in which the Klan is proving itself of value to the cities and towns where loyal Americans are banded together in America's cause.

Protestant Institutions

All over the country the Klans are unselfishly giving their funds to construct Protestant institutions. In Louisiana a girls' home is being built, a children's home is being constructed in Oregon, great Klan hospitals are being built in Texas, Arkansas and Kansas. In my own city a \$75,000 home for orphan babies has been built by the Klan. Surely these great institutions are a benefit not only to the city boasting them but to the nation as well.

Almost every Klan in the country performs countless deeds of helpful nature in behalf of fellow citizens regardless of race, color or creed. Never has a request for aid from any worthy person or enterprise fallen on deaf ears when presented to any Klan. The enemies of the Klan say that the news of donations to ministers, Protestant institutions and worthy enterprises and individuals which sometimes find their way into the public press are actions merely for advertisement. I tell you that not one hundredth of the charitable work of the Klan is ever advertised. The Klans of America give away a million dollars a year to better conditions in their various communities about which nothing is ever said and nothing is ever known outside of the Klavern walls. This is a conservative estimate.

Summing up in brief the value of the Klan to the American community it may be brought to mind that this order is composed of only the tried, loyal and true American citizenship sworn to uphold the highest ideals. With such a membership and with such aims the Klan cannot fail to be of vast benefit to the citizenship as a whole.

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MINNEAPOLIS GAMBLING,
LIQUOR AND VICE POLICE
ACTIVITIES

The Minneapolis police vice squad is credited with 281 arrests for the month of July, 1923, a very commendable showing indeed, but it is to be regretted that these arrests seem to have been almost, if not entirely, confined to petty offenders rather than to the rounding up of some of the really important prohibition, vice and gambling law violators. If the law enforcement departments of all classes would concentrate in good faith for just one month on securing evidence against, arresting and convicting some of the really way-up criminals, they would put more of the fear of God and the Law into the hearts of law violators of all kinds than would any five years of chasing the tiddlywinks type.

Bringing to justice the few fellows of crime, of course, would not clean up all criminality, but it would put most if it out of business. The lesser type of criminals cannot long exist to any extent without the backing and material assistance of the powerful and influential crooks in high places. Go after and get the small fry by all means when they can be picked up without too much trouble, but bait the police hooks for the big ones and fish for them until they are caught.—National Observer.

KLAN LECTURER PELTED WITH "LOVE-APPLES"

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Stillwater Ruffians Started Something That They Didn't Finish.

When "Twilight" Orm had been speaking a few minutes a volley of tomatoes was directed towards his head, one tomato hitting the Klan speaker on his breast. Mr. Orm had just finished the statement "The parochial school is the most mistaken institution in America today" when the "guns" of the enemy unlimbered and went into action. This barrage the speaker ignored entirely and went on as if nothing unusual had taken place.

Klan investigators moved rapidly through the crowd and found bulging pockets quite numerous. It was evident that a cannery had been previously robbed in order to supply ammunition for the ruffians. The speaker was signalled to rapidly close his lecture, but it seemed, refused to be easily frightened. Mr. Orm went on with blissful indifference of carefully planned attacks. Shortly another volley of "love-apples" filled the air around the lecture platform, this time several "shots" took effect. Mr. Orm now turned on the "heroic defenders of foreignism" and told them that he wasn't going to stop speaking until he finished his message, insisting that the rank and file of Stillwater people were of the kind that would stand for no actions if lawlessness by organized dubs that happened to live in the community. Then the speaker impressed the following statement: "There are so many Klansmen in the audience that if I were to tell you how many, you wouldn't believe me." A dead silence fell over the crowd. One of the investigators of the Klan worked his way into the Kowward Columns and heard them discuss ways and means whereby they might be more dirty and "gloriously tolerant." One "low-brow," obviously a parochial school graduate, ventured the suggestion,

"Let's all throw at once from every side." Someone decided that caution might be in order adding that "it is possible the speaker is telling the truth about there being hundreds of truth-shirers in the crowd." The "Kub Cats" then decided definitely to behave themselves, more than a difficult thing to do.

About a month ago the Mayor of Stillwater, Mr. Coffeen, stopped a Klan lecture after some hedging. Then Stillwater Klansmen became more determined than ever to fight for the right of free speech and rent private property for a public lecture on the principles of the Ku Klux Klan. Wednesday, a week ago, heralds appeared on the street advertising a Klan lecture for the next day. At once persistent rumors went the rounds pointing to possible attempts of violence in an effort to stop the lecture. Klan officials gave little consideration to these rumors. When Mr. Orm didn't appear at the time set for the meeting many thought that something must have happened in line with the rumors. About 2,000 people were waiting for the Klan lecturer somewhat impatiently. Then Mr. Orm appeared on the scene and with the least possible delay went into the action.

Outside of the furriers during the first fifteen minutes of the lecture, the meeting went on as well as one could wish. Mr. Orm was at his best and for more than an hour held the large throng in a most remarkable way. Cheers and applause were frequent and spontaneous, revealing a general acceptance of the Klan principles.

After the lecture Mr. Orm was approached and said, "I wish my advancement had told the ruffians that I like eggs much better than tomatoes."

OKLAHOMA DESPOT STILL RULES.

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that the chief executive of the state has been guilty of specific violations of the laws and constitution of the state."

All three statements were signed by the same men.

Called by Tulsa Editor

The meeting today was called by Victor Barnett, managing editor of the Tulsa Tribune, after conferences extending over several days with editors throughout the state. Mr. Barnett presided.

The public address follows:

"The Governor of Oklahoma, J. C. Walton, has invoked martial law for the entire state of Oklahoma, proclaiming that a state of insurrection and rebellion against the laws and constitution and constituted authorities of Oklahoma does exist within and throughout the state of Oklahoma."

"This declaration must not go unchallenged. We, the undersigned editors of daily newspapers in Oklahoma, make the following statements to the people of the United States.

Libel Against State

"The governor's declaration is a libel against the state of Oklahoma. There has not been any riot, insurrection nor rebellion in any part of the state, nor have the civil authorities been defied or overthrown. No group of citizens nor civil officers have made a request for military intervention."

"The criminal records of counties and cities in Oklahoma show that there has been less crime during the past year than in any year since the war. Almost without exception the communities of the state were as peaceful and law-abiding as any normal community in America when this proclamation was issued. Since August 14, when martial law first was invoked in Tulsa county, the forces of the National Guard have not been used in a single instance to quell any riot or civil commotion."

"Governor Walton by his own acts has attempted to nullify rights guaranteed under our Constitution and to halt the lawful processes of republican government."

"First, he has stationed armed guards before the legislative chambers at the state capital to prevent the Legislature from peaceably assembling and he has threatened to arrest any legislators who attempt to assemble and to keep them in jail during his term of office."

"Second, he has ordered the dissolution of a grand jury which was about to convene in a lawful manner for purpose of investigating some of his official acts and he had a machine gun trained on the grand jury room of the courthouse."

Suspends Habeas Corpus Right

"Third, by his own fiat he ordered the writ of habeas corpus suspended, although the constitution of the state specifically declares that 'the privilege of the writ of habeas corpus never shall be suspended by the authorities of the state.' The Federal Constitution also guarantees this right to American citizens."

"Fourth, he established censorship over two newspapers and threatened other newspapers with the same treatment, thus suppressing the freedom of the press, another fundamental right guaranteed both by national and state authorities."

"Fifth, he has ordered the military forces to take over the courts and the law enforcement branches of the civil government in Tulsa and Oklahoma counties, in conflict with decisions of the state supreme court, which provided that the military forces of the state shall at all times be subordinate to the civil authorities."

"Sixth, although posing as the champion of law enforcement, he has released from the state penitentiary nearly three hundred convicts, including murderers, rapists, bandits and lynchers, during the nine months of his administration. In some instances criminals who have been tried, convicted and sentenced in our courts were immediately freed when they produced pardons or paroles signed by the governor."

"These instances clearly indicated Governor Walton's despotic conception of his executive powers. Under his administration our visible or republican form of government has been set at naught, our civil courts supplanted by military inquisitorial bodies, our officers of the peace replaced, our grand juries charged with ferreting out crime disbanded under the threat of machine gun fire, and our legislature forbidden at the point of bayonets to assemble peaceably."

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We know a fellow who has sworn off smoking cigarettes because they make him so effeminate.—Norfolk Ledger Dispatch.

With Germany on the one hand and Russia on the other, there may be a little Pole-vaulting in central Europe almost any time.—Marion Star.

Statistics from Washington state that bananas have increased three per cent. That isn't so bad considering that we haven't any.—New Castle News.

30,000 LOUDLY CHEER KLANSMEN

Jacksonville, Fla.—Thirty thousand people cheered wildly as members of the Ku Klux Klan paraded through the business section of Jacksonville last week, and 5,000 others applauded the 200 new members initiated later in the evening at the baseball park. There was no repetition of the unwarranted Klan attacks at Perth Amboy, N. J., and Carnegie, Pa., and no disorders were reported to the police. The crowds who packed the streets along the line of march enthusiastically clapped their hands as the Klansmen passed by.

"Professional gamblers must go," was written on one of the banners carried by the Klansmen. "We believe in law enforcement; clean politics; marriage vows must be respected by both persons; we believe in white supremacy; K. K. K. letters must bear Klan seal; free public schools; the eighteenth amendment must be enforced; confidence men must go; separation of church and state; and free speech;" were on other signs in the parade.

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Walton's "Siege of Tulsa"

The following clever article was printed in a Tulsa, Okla. paper after martial law had been declared there by Governor Walton without cause except in an attempt to discredit the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan:

And it came to pass that there were floggings in the land of Tulsa and the mighty Jack who ruleth supreme, spake unto his general, saying: "Mark, they have been pulling some 'ruff' stuff over on the East Side and as Commander-in-Chief of the army and navy I command thee to proceed thither—lay siege to the city and depart not until thou hast secured a Klux to the Klan that is doing the dirt." Mark saluted and remarked: "Master, thou knowest thy prunes exceedingly well and before the sun shall have gone down on another day thine army shall be entrenched on the 'Eastern front.'" Like Kaleb of old, Mark sallied forth at the head of his army and while the sun was still high in the heavens on the second day of the siege, he led his gallant men to a room with bath. Then the men who beat the man who had beaten his wife and torn the book were brought before the high court accused of riot. Their counsel, a man learned in the law, spake unto "Your Honor," saying: "I am for my government; I am for my country and against any invisible empire within the confines of our country. * * * The boys are guilty but not most guilty and I ask for mercy upon them." Then Jack spake unto Mark, saying: "Good work, thou knowest thy merchandise and before our reign shall have ended, we will show these birds that they ain't nothin' we can't do."

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A FOOL THERE WAS

The Ku Klux Klan is whining because one of its leaders in Pennsylvania has been "murdered" by a mob. The family of the poor, prejudiced devil who was killed by the Carnegie mob deserves sympathy, but his associates in the Klan deserve none. The leaders of the mob which attacked them ought to be punished, as a process of orderly government, but the Klan has merely reaped what it has sown. Violence begets violence. They who take up the sword shall perish by the sword.—Faribault Daily News.

A fool there was, and he pounded a typewriter in an editorial sanctum. We didn't think there was a man serving as editor in Minnesota that would make an effort to justify murder. Note the quotation marks around the word "murder." Obviously an effort is being made in the editorial to make the killing of Tom Abbott by a crazed Roman Catholic an act worthy of applause. The statement contained in the editorial asserting that the leaders of the mob ought to be punished, is entirely out of line with the rest of the editorial. It was merely slipped in to give a possible complexion of reason to the prattle of ignorance. That the editor of the "Faribault Daily News" is absolutely ignorant when it comes to Klancraft stands without argument. He reminds us of the kindergarten who attacked the Einstein theory. Nobody paid any attention to the child for it went without saying that ignorance spatters piffle.

SOLONS SAY DEFEAT

IS TEMPORARY
Oklahoma City, Okla.—The Oklahoma legislature has not given up its fight to convene for the impeachment of Gov. Walton, according to a "war bulletin" issued this afternoon by Rep. McBee.

McBee's statement made immediately after the legislature had obeyed the military order to disperse follows: "About 7 members of the house of representatives, feeling it their duty to convene to restore constitutional government in Oklahoma to take the place of a condition of despotism, have met the enemy by convening with a duly elected speaker pro tem, and temporarily 'we are theirs.'"

"We realize our constitutional rights are in the balance just as did our forefathers in 1776. We feel that our cause is just and we will carry on. Never in the history of the American republic has such complete dictatorship been established and carried on to such extent as now prevails in the once fair state of Oklahoma. "There is more to follow."

A DRAMATIC MOMENT

A dramatic moment in the Ku Klux Klan demonstration that brought a heavy round of applause occurred when King Kleagle Gross, just before the beginning of the initiation ceremonies announced to the "bootleggers" in the audience that the Klan was definitely on their trail. "If the officers need help in locating you violators of a constitutional law, they shall have it from the Klan, and already we have an amazing amount of evidence against the illicit moonshine peddlers who are selling their vile stuff to the booze hounds of Austin and vicinity," he said, but when the Klan cracks down on law violators it does it hard. "We are not disposed to stand on the sidelines and do nothing while the honest man works hard for a living and the bootlegger breaks the law and cleans up a fortune," said the state officer to a reporter after the meeting.—Austin Herald.

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KLAN AND RADICALISM

If the Ku Klux Klan is the thorough American organization it claims to be, it is overlooking a good bet in not putting the iron heel on the "invisible empire" down on the neck of red radicalism and in not using its influence to prevail upon the administration to cease liberating seditionists and traitors from prison. Why attempt to swallow a camel and gag at a goat? Radicalism is the one great menace to our national progress and if the K. K. K. can help stamp it out, the job is cut out for it. You can't make a desirable citizen out of a disloyalist through coddling, any more than you can make a suitable playmate for a baby by petting a rattle snake.—St. James Independent.

In America today there is no organization that is as effectively combating "red" radicalism, as the Ku Klux Klan. With the Klan in America there is no danger of our government being overthrown by the "pink list," for the Invisible Empire is militantly on the job and ever watchful. The greatest danger in this country today is not the wild ranter advocating violent revolution, but the indifferent citizen. The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan are arousing Americans to the point of real constructive interest in all matters of government. Any person who will read Klan publications will find that careful investigations are continuously being made in order to keep accurately in touch with conditions. We seek to be always forewarned knowing that when we are harmed.—EDITOR.

PLACARDS AROUSE MUCH COMMENT

"Information" Given to People of Owatonna in Unique Way.

Owatonna, Minn.—Placards appeared on the streets here that aroused much comment. These cards were large enough to attract attention. There seemed to be three kinds of cards. One card read:

Here Yesterday

Here Today

Here Forever

K. K. K.

Another card read:

Yes! We Burnt the Cross at the Fair

Friday Night.

K. K. K.

And still another card:

Bootleggers and Gamblers

Beware

K. K. K.

Milwaukee, Wis.—The legislature of Wisconsin, by a vote of 58 to 19, recently killed the Peterson bill, memorializing Congress to make it treason for the Ku Klux Klan to refuse to submit its roster of membership at request of public officials.

QUALITY USED CAR

Ford Delivery, you better come early \$55
Chevrolet 1920-490 Touring, some buy \$195
Chevrolet F.A. Touring, very good shape \$165
Elgin 1919-6 Touring, a real buy at \$275
Overland 4 Roadster, very good tires \$115
Kissell Sedan, has had very good care \$235
Studebaker 1922 light 6 Touring a snap \$585
Paige 1922-666 Brougham, like new. National 1920 4 Pass. Sextet, just Refinished.
Haynes 1920 model 45 Touring, a dandy.
Buick H-50 7 Passenger Sedan, just refinished.
Buick K 44-1920 Roadster, very classy
Buick E 49 Touring, summer and winter top.
Chandler 4-pass. Coupe, see this now.
Cole Aero 8 Sedan, a dandy car for taxi.
Studebaker Special 6 Touring, some buy.

MANY OTHER REAL BARGAINS.

A. P. NELSON

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NEWSITES FROM HERE AND THERE

Larimore, N. D.—Klan No. 2 of the Realm of North Dakota was formally organized here last week. The ceremony took place about a mile north of Larimore, the exercises being opened by Rev. F. Halsey Ambrose, of Grand Forks. About a thousand Klansmen were present from towns adjacent to Larimore, a goodly proportion of them being from Grand Forks.

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San Antonio, Tex.—The Ku Klux Klan held a big barbecue and public initiation here this week, when it is said approximately 2,500 candidates were initiated into the "Invisible Empire" in the presence of a large crowd of visitors. A large sum was realized from the sale of tickets, which was turned over to the San Antonio Protestant Orphans' home.

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Douglas, Wyo.—Three thousand people witnessed the initiation ceremony of the Ku Klux Klan staged here last week at the Wyoming state fair grounds. The event took place on the day before the last of the fair, and although it was reported that Governor Ross had said he would not permit the ceremony at the fair grounds, there was no interference with the meeting.

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Muskogee, Okla.—Will Richardson, candidate for mayor of Wapanucka, Johnson county, on an anti-Ku Klux Klan ticket, is under arrest charged with looting freight cars, according to Homer Watson, of this city, special agent for the Kansas, Oklahoma and Gulf railway. He was apprehended at Atoka selling commodities alleged to have been stolen from the company's car at Wapanucka last week.

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Burlington, Ia.—(Special)—Burlington Knights of the Ku Klux Klan have promised the other Klans of Iowa that Burlington is going to have the largest and most active Klan in the state in proportion to population. Here is Burlington's motto:

United We Stick
Divided We're Stuck
The Tighter We Stick
The Better we KLUCK.

—K-K-K—

Stubenville, O.—New interest was added to the mayoralty contest here when Herman Passavant, understood to be a Ku Klux Klan member, announced his candidacy on an independent ticket. He stated that he was not a candidate brought forward by the Klan, but was supported by "citizens who want the laws upheld."

Passavant formerly was a member of the city council. He is a grandson of the founder of the Passavant hospital in Pittsburgh. The entry of Passavant into the field makes the race three-cornered. The present mayor, Frank Hawkins, is the Republican candidate, and James Keane, the Democratic. In the primaries, held August 14, a Klan candidate, Albert Truman Smith, opposed Hawkins for the Republican nomination, but was defeated. Smith, a teacher in the high school, resigned and left town.

FARIBAULT SEES IT

FIREMEN PUT OUT

FIERY KLAN CROSS
Faribault firemen last night performed the unusual task of extinguishing a fiery cross of the Ku Klux Klan.

The flaming emblem of the hooded order was burning on East Second street bridge and residents of the vicinity called out the fire fighters who, anticipating a burning house, found the cross which they threw in the river.

A second cross was burned on the bluffs below St. Mary's hall, about 7:30 p. m., and was watched by hundreds of downtown pedestrians for over 15 minutes. The cross was constructed of wood and oil-soaked rope, which gave a brilliant illumination.

K. K. K. SET FIERY CROSS NEAR FAIR

Demonstration Put On Friday Evening in Sterling's Pasture.

A fiery cross, the emblem of the Ku Klux Klan, blazed in Lew Sterling's pasture last Friday evening right after the fireworks at the county fair. Mrs. M. C. Grant noticed two men come out of the pasture and told them to close the gate after them, or the cattle would get out. One of the men got out of the car and closed the gate. They were dressed in plain clothes and gave no evidence of the usual Klan regalia.

The people at the fair were surprised when they saw this large cross flaring in the sky. Two two by four about twenty feet long were nailed together and some crossbars were nailed to this. The cross was then raised and three cans of kerosene were used to saturate the wood and cause the flames.

Who the men were who built and erected the cross and where they went is unknown. As far as we are able to learn there is no Klan organization in Waseca.—Waseca Journal.

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HOTEL KEEPERS TAKE NOTICE

A man traveling under the name of W. L. Swyer and giving Minneapolis as his home, is representing himself as a Klan organizer. We learn that this man is "jumping" hotel bills at frequent intervals and this reflecting unfavorably on the K. K. K. Mr. Swyer is not a Klan organizer and no weight should be given to his claims.

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EDITOR. BOOTLEGGERS ARE BEING PUT OUT OF NEW HAVEN

New Haven, Conn.—As federal officers here have been unable to cope with the flagrant violations of the liquor laws, the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan have recently gone to their aid in securing information in other ways possible only to those not in authority and a much better condition has already manifested itself.

Application Blank

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The Separation of Church and State.
Freedom of Speech and Press.
Closer Relationship between Capital and Labor.
REAL MEN whose oaths are inviolate are needed.
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ALL DAY SESSION

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