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## TWILIGHT'S THINKINGS

THINK IT OVER  
WHAT ARE YOU?  
WHERE ARE YOU  
CLASSIFIED?

WITHIN the bounds of the United States are to be found large groups that love not things American. These groups insist on using foreign ideals and standards in the solution of American problems. Group-interest is placed before national welfare. Organized foreignism is thwarting on every side the constructive activities of Americans who seek to preserve the fundamentals of our civilization. Progress on an American basis is frowned upon by the devotees of hyphenism. Half-Americans are threatened by alien forces seeking to make this country a haven of mongrelism.

Think it over! Speak and work in behalf of the public school and the "parochialists" denounce you in words of vituperation; advocate an American solution of the immigration problem and mobs may pound at your door; defy ecclesiastical authority as it seeks to unite church and state and you are boycotted or otherwise made to suffer; demand a true recognition of Nordic achievements and perchance a stiletto will find its way to your heart; express your belief in white supremacy and you are branded as an instigator of race hatred; call attention to corruption as it exists in the community, the state and the nation and you are ridiculed as a calamity howler; vote for the man rather than the party and you are catalogued as a mug-wump; let it be known that you recognize Jesus of Nazareth as the Beacon Light of the American civilization and at once you are branded as a Jew-baiter.

Think it over! No country rises higher than its citizenry. Where you find a people refusing to take an active interest in the affairs of a nation, there exist nauseating sloughs of graft and rotten politics. America is a nation governed by minorities, when majorities should guide the destiny of this country. In the United States 28,000,000 voters remain silent. Undecided matters of politics is a dangerous evil that must be overcome.

Think it over! These are days in America which are filled with critical conditions. These are days of momentous events. These are days demanding awakened Americanism. These are days calling for consecrated citizenship. These are days that test the stamina of men, of women, of the nation. These are days when the forces of evil are flowing with menacing threatening our national stability. These are days of unrest and uncertainty. These are days when pandemics of false doctrines press on every side. These are days with an unusual supply of half-baked theories. These are days that demand the undivided loyalty of every true lover of Old Glory and what that emblem represents.

Think it over! What are you? Perhaps you think that a foolish question. However, let's get right down to "brass tacks" and throw away all possibilities of evasion. Now then, what are you? Are you a four-flusher or a straight-shooter? Are you a side-stepper or a forward-walker? Are you a double-dealer or a four-square man? Are you a milk-sop or a fighter? Are you somebody's stoolpigeon or nobody's fool? Are you a "blower" or a doer? Are you a malefactor or a benefactor? Come clean. What are you?

HEAR ye, hear ye, America wants to know what you are. The Ku Klux Klan is making a permanent record as the people within this country take a stand either for the United States or against it. You must take a stand. You must take it now. You cannot dodge the classification which is being made. All persons in this country will be classified as Americans or aliens. You cannot stand with Americans unless you believe.

In the constitution of the United States of America. In just laws and liberty. In restrictive immigration laws which will prevent America being used as a cess-pool.

In the public school as the supreme institution of elementary education in the United States.

In impartial and fearless law enforcement by the duly constituted officers of the law.

In preventing the amalgamation of the pigmented and white races by education and legislation.

In freedom of speech as guaranteed by the American constitution.

In a press that is free from governmental censorship as well as freedom from commercial, racial, political or ecclesiastical domination.

That church and state should forever remain separate and independent.

In the prevention of mob violence by legal methods only. That lynchings are a travesty on justice and bloody rebukes. In doing your full duty as an American citizen.

In but one flag, and that the star-spangled banner.

# MINNESOTA G.O.P. FOR COOLIDGE

## FARMER-LABORITES BOOST LA FOLLETTE FOR PRESIDENT

Four Hundred Delegates Attend Convention of Minnesota Third Party at St. Paul—Talk of "Splits" in Ranks Proves to Be But Idle Chatter.

Platform For Public Ownership, Identical With That Adopted by Federation in Minneapolis, Is Approved by State Organization—Have Not Failed Farmers.

(By TWILIGHT)

ST. CLOUD, MINN., March 15.—The many "splits" in the ranks of the Farmer-Laborites were revealed today as being largely imaginary. The convention worked with complete harmony prevailing. If any threatening internal discord exists in the Farmer-Labor party of Minnesota, it certainly did not come to the surface on the convention floor or in the lobbies of the hotels of this city.

Four hundred delegates were present at the convention when Fred A. Pike presented state chairman, called for order. The convention was held in the St. Cloud armory. Banners bearing the legend "La Follette for President" decorated the walls of hall on every side. Mr. Pike's opening address was an appeal for harmony. He said, "Let us go forward with united hearts, and shoulder to shoulder, win the battle that all the states are looking to Minnesota to win next fall."

The resolution calling for endorsement of the national third party movement was offered by Frank Fisher and C. A. Hathaway of the St. Paul delegation.

It stated that "the two old parties both have been shown by the investigation of the Teapot Dome, veterans' bureau, and other scandals that they are completely in the hands of big business and against the interests of the working class, thus making it necessary for the farmer and workers to organize a Farmer-Labor party nationally, as well as in Minnesota."

The resolution was passed by a big standing vote.

La Follette Cheered When Mr. Pike eulogized "fighting Bob" La Follette of Wisconsin, wild demonstrations registered approval. He was mentioned as the logical candidate for president on a third party ticket.

After a floor battle lasting approximately an hour, David H. Evans of Tracy was elected temporary chairman. There were five others nominated for the job but they withdrew before Evans was elected.

After the third party movement had been approved by the convention, David Shier of Minneapolis, one of the Hennepin county delegates, raised the question about the conference for political action in Cleveland, July 4, and its bearing upon the third party movement initiated in St. Paul.

Mr. Mahoney answered that it is the desire of political leaders in the Farmer-Labor movement to give the public assurance that there would be a third party candidate in the next election. (Continued on page 5)

## SILENT ABOUT KLAN

Senator Underwood Talks to South Carolina Legislature

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 17.—Senator Oscar W. Underwood, of Alabama, candidate for the Democratic nomination for the presidency, addressed a joint session of the two houses of the general assembly last Wednesday. He was heard by about two-thirds of the membership and was given a respectful hearing, but not a great deal of enthusiasm. He presented his views of national political issues, but made no mention of the Ku Klux Klan. He has been quoted in the daily papers as being very much opposed to the organization.

Lull Follows in Cases of Indicted Rioters

PITTSBURGH, PA., March 15.—The proverbial lull after a storm seems applicable to the situation in western Pennsylvania now regarding the indictment of 11 persons by Allegheny county grand jury in connection with the fatal attack upon parading Klansmen in Carnegie last fall, during which Klansman Thomas R. Abbott of Atlasburg, was shot to death.

Between the time that the men involved in the cases were held for the grand jury by Justice Prosser, and their hearing before the grand jury, a veritable deluge of comment, prediction and counteraction emanated from the friends and relatives of the men. Now that the men have been indicted on various charges of murder, inciting riot and rioting, their backers seem to be cognizant of the fact that they attempted to stop one parade "too many."

## Operator Who Sets Most of Type For Fiery Cross Is Also An Author



ROY BUNTIN AND SON, ROBERT R. BUNTIN

It is seldom that a man excels in more than one calling. But Mr. Buntin of 1909 Seventh street, Des Moines, pictured above with his ten-year-old son, Robert Royal, takes honors, not only as an expert linotype operator, but also as a writer of stories.

Mr. Buntin is a typesetter at the Iowa Printing & Supply Company, Des Moines, where The Fiery Cross is published. It may truthfully be said that he is a linotype "swift," for he has shown his ability more than once by turning copy into metal in short order at the last minute so the official Ku Klux Klan paper could be issued on time.

For about 13 years, Mr. Buntin has been in the printing business. In 1914-15, Mr. Buntin was the publisher of The Bridgewater Times, at Bridgewater, Iowa, a country weekly newspaper. Therefore he is intimately acquainted with the ups and downs of an editor's life. That's why he treats the writer with sympathy; that's why he doesn't tear his hair and rave when copy isn't up to snuff. He fixes it up himself, and believe us, he knows how to do it.

But to turn to Mr. Buntin, the author. He has written stories for The People's Popular Monthly. A series of bedtime rhymes for children, entitled "Tommy Ted in Tangletoe," is now being syndicated throughout the country. He has also written short "squibs" for Judge, the national fun weekly.

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We could say a lot more nice things about Roy. But what's the use. He has to set the type for this story, and if we got too flowery he would cut it out. But take our word for it, when it comes to tickling the keys, he's right there.

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## Burial of Kansas Klansmen Marked By Fine Ceremony

LECOMPTON, KAN., March 17.—After the funeral services for Klansman Donald Taylor, 19, who was killed by an electric wire of the Lawrence power plant, were conducted in the Methodist church here recently by the Rev. H. A. Babbitt, knights from the adjoining Klans paid tribute to their deceased brother by a brief ceremony at the grave in Oak Hill cemetery at Lawrence.

Following the service at the church a long procession, which was met on the outskirts of Lawrence by mounted knights, went to the grave, where the Rev. Mr. Babbitt conducted a brief ceremony.

After sixty Lecompton Klansmen heard a brief talk by their exalted cyclops, they dropped the roses on the casket. A fiery cross of red carnations was added to the great bank of floral offerings. The services ended with a prayer by the Klan of the Lecompton unit.

## JAIL LEGISLATOR WHO WOULD PROBE LIQUOR WAR DEATH

Representative Knutson of Minnesota Errs From the "Straight and Narrow"

IS TERRIBLE MISTAKE?

Citizens of St. Cloud Who Flout Law, Say They Will Not Desert Him

Recently the public's attention was called to Harold Knutson's interest in the shooting of a soft-drink parlor operator in St. Cloud, Minnesota, by a federal officer, which seemed to indicate that the congressman was attempting to make an impression of a certain kind on his constituency. Now comes a Washington dispatch which appeared in the Minneapolis Journal, dated March 10, that will be read with much interest. The dispatch follows:

Washington, D. C., March 10.—Held since last night without bail, Representative Harold Knutson of the sixth Minnesota congressional district, was in the Arlington county, Virginia, jail today, on a charge involving alleged moral delinquency. Arrested with him was Leroy S. Hull of Washington, who said he was an employee of a government department. It was expected bail would be fixed for the two before tonight. They were arrested by police looking for bootleggers. Both pleaded not guilty to the charge.

All a Mistake Says Knutson "Washington, March 11.—I am the innocent victim of a terrible mistake."

"Rep. Knutson, Republican, Minnesota, so declared today in a formal statement, his first since he was arrested Sunday night on a statutory charge with L. M. Hull, a government clerk, while their automobile was parked at a deserted spot near Arlington national cemetery.

"Knutson and Hull were held all night in the Arlington county jail, and were released yesterday on \$5,000 bail each. Trial was set for March 17.

Go For Drive "On Sunday evening, Knutson said, he met Hull, whom he had not seen since 1917, at a local hotel and suggested that they drive into Virginia to pass the time.

"Shortly after passing Arlington," Knutson said, "Mr. Hull found it necessary to leave the car, and I drove into the first side road, where I stopped. As Mr. Hull stepped out of the car, I saw him was carrying a gun."

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## WANTS OLD CULTURE

United States Has No Real System of Education, Says Doctor

SAN DIEGO, CALIF., March 17.—Dr. Tully C. Knoles, president of the College of the Pacific, at San Jose, in addressing a group of teachers here, declared that while the United States has the most magnificent system of schools in the world it has no real system of education.

"We have not defined our objective in education," he explained, "but it is necessary that we do so in order to enable people to see that the greatest thing in the world is service for common humanity."

He called attention to the fact that the trend in the schools of today is toward social science, and that the old cultural subjects of Greek and Latin, so long considered the foundation of higher education, are gradually declining.

More than a week ago Mr. Anderson obtained an indefinite leave of absence from the house and now is confined in his home here.

## PARTY DISCORD IS ELIMINATED BY REPUBLICANS

For First Time in History, Acclamation Vote is Used On Floor

FOR KLAN PRINCIPLES

Condemn Mob Rule and Lynch Lawlessness Now in the United States

(By TWILIGHT)

The North Star state delegation to the Republican national convention, June 10, at Cleveland, Ohio, goes instructed for President Coolidge and pledged to support the soldiers' bonus and the McNary-Haugen bill. Seven delegates-at-large were elected by acclamation.

Col. Charles E. March, manager of the Coolidge campaign in Minnesota, was unanimously elected delegate-at-large. Some political dopesters point to his election as an indication that all discord in the ranks of the Minnesota G. O. P. has been ironed out. On the convention floor there was prevailing at all times an unusual harmony, and the aftermath of peace seemed to prove the contention of the dopesters.

March the Dominates There was only one outbreak in the harmonic chorus of the convention, and that came when J. H. Jacobson, late in the afternoon, proposed from the floor a resolution instructing the delegates of Minnesota to vote for March for committeeman.

Col. March arose and declined the committee post before Chairman A. J. Roche could place the motion. Jacobson, however, persisted in his motion, but was almost shouted down by the convention. After several had expressed their opinion in regard to the Jacobson motion, Chairman Roche interrupted further deliberation and acted against the Jacobson motion and was very nearly unanimously sustained by the convention. A considerable number of the delegates at the convention wished to turn the state convention into an endorsing convention to recommend candidates for state offices, or at least arrange for a subsequent convention with that purpose, but nobody put the matter up to the convention and it went by the boards.

Acclamation Votes Unusual For the first time in the history (Continued on page 5)

## BABCOCK RENEWS ROAD BOND FIGHT

\$20,000,000 Program Will Be Taken Before 1925 Legislature, Says Commission

The Minnesota highway department will renew its fight for the \$20,000,000 road bond issue in the 1925 legislature, C. M. Babcock, state highway commissioner, announced Wednesday.

The notice is being served well in advance of the legislative session so that the people of the state may have plenty of time to gather all the facts and weigh the proposal on its merits, Mr. Babcock said in a statement.

Mr. Babcock will renew to the legislature recommendations for the first issue of state truck highway bonds as provided in Good Roads Amendment No. 1, to care for two years—\$10,000,000 each year.

## Kentucky Passes Bond Bill For Education

FRANKFORT, KY., March 17.—Kentucky's \$75,000,000 good roads and educational bond issue bill was signed recently by Gov. William J. Fields. Unless attacked in the courts as unconstitutional, the measure will be voted on in November.

## OIL CHAIRMAN ILL

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 17.—The senate oil investigating committee has been forced to take an adjournment until next week, owing to the indisposition of Senator Walsh, of Montana, chief investigator and prosecutor. Senator Walsh is suffering from a cold and is to keep to the house for a few days in recuperation.



## CITIZENS OF BELLE PLAINE WANT STRICT IMMIGRATION

Letter and Petition Setting Forth Viewpoint of Iowa Americans Is Forwarded to Senator Smith W. Brookhart With Request That He Uphold Johnson Bill.

"To Be Frank, We Are Decidedly Opposed to Having Our Country Made a Dumping Ground For Undesirables From Eastern Asia and Southern Europe," Says Communication.

(Special Correspondence)

BELLE PLAINE, IA., March 18.—The following letter was recently forwarded to Smith W. Brookhart, United States senator from Iowa, by the American-born citizens of Belle Plaine and surrounding country. The senator is requested to use his influence in obtaining the enactment of the Johnson restrictive immigration bill, which is soon to come before the house of representatives, having already been reported favorably out of committee.

The letter was accompanied by a petition signed with hundreds of names, voicing the sentiment of the people in that locality.

Americans in other parts of Iowa should get up similar petitions and letters and send them to their representatives as well as senators. The representatives should be addressed first, because in their hands lies the decision as to whether or not the Johnson bill, or a similar measure, will ever reach the senate.

**Text of Letter**

The text of the letter accompanying the petition, is as follows: Herewith enclosed you will find a petition which was circulated in this city relative to the Johnson restrictive immigration bill, which will soon be in line for consideration.

Kindly be advised that the signers of this petition made their signatures with a very determined intention that same be given your personal attention when this bill comes up for action, and request that you as our representative use your influence and vote to have same made a law, basing the number of foreign immigrants to this country on the census as taken of the year 1890.

**U. S. Not Dumping Ground**

Inasmuch as it is a fact that foreign elements and capitalistic influences are contriving every available means to have this bill killed or pigeon-holed and another substituted, we take this means to advise you exactly how we stand and what action we desire to take regarding this matter. To be frank, we are very decidedly opposed to having a dumping grounds made of our country for the foreign element which we have been receiving from southern Europe and Eastern Asia.

We contend that these elements tend to lower the American standard of living, produce unemployment for our American born citizens, produce an element who have no respect for law and order, lower the efficiency of our American institutions, and last but not least we do not care to see the time when our grandchildren do not send their children to the American public schools, and have made statements that it was their desire to raise their children to be-

come citizens of the country from whence they came, we are of the opinion they are tending to undermine our great American fundamental principles, which were established by our forefathers who fought and bled, and suffered the privations which were necessary to make these United States of America what they are today, and we believe that instead of these people being an asset to the further advancement of our government and development of our country that they will be a detriment and burden upon our government, inasmuch as the statistics for the state of New York and other eastern states show that the inmates of the penal institutions and insane institutions are of a very high percentage of the foreign born and un-naturalized foreigners.

**Americans Want Law**

On the political side of this question it is very evident that from the attitude taken by some of our eastern representatives, foreign influences are being pressed to the utmost as we cannot conceive of any other reason for any man, who is a good American citizen, and has America's interest at heart advising that the portals of this country be opened wide to all who may seek entrance, and meet them with outstretched arms and say to them: "Welcome to our shores, take what you may." We do not believe that a good American citizen would allow foreign influences to lower his patriotism to such an extent that he would even think of making such a statement to be heralded throughout the country even though the naturalized and un-naturalized foreigners were in a majority in his particular state, we consider it very unjust treatment to the American born citizen of his state and other states of the union, and the same should not be given any consideration whatever or have any bearing on the question of immigration as we are of the opinion that he was not voicing the request of the American citizens of his state in making such an outrageous statement. We are of the opinion that citizens who believe in the motto, "One country, one flag, and one language," and we fear that if the foreign element which we have been receiving in this country continue to pour in that we will be forced to stand by and see our motto broken on account of their influence.

We consider it every 100 per cent American citizen's duty to request that we receive into this country immigrants of the very highest intellect and those who are allowed declare their intentions of becoming naturalized at the earliest possible date after arrival in this country, and that none be allowed to leave the shores of a foreign country who will not meet the requirements of the highest possible standards.

Will assure you that we have expressed the opinion of the majority of the native born Americans of the state of Iowa.

Some people hitch their wagon to a star, but the true Klansman binds his heart to the fiery cross.

## Unique Inkstand is Given to Coolidge



PRESIDENT'S INKSTAND

T. J. Atkins, of Boise, Idaho, is the designer of the unusual inkstand pictured above. It is made from two steel horse shoes. Mr. Atkins is a blacksmith. It was presented to President Coolidge recently and has been placed in active service on the chief executive's desk in the White House.

## PRESENT KLAN REGIME AGAINST LAWLESSNESS

Ousting of E. Y. Clarke Was Good Move—Convicted of Violating Mann Act

(Bureau of Publication and Education)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 11.—Klansmen loyal to the present organization cannot help but feel that a good housecleaning has been going on in getting rid of such members and officers as E. Y. Clarke, of Atlanta, who has just pleaded guilty in federal court to violating the Mann act, and was fined \$5,000 by Judge J. C. Hutcheson Jr., at Houston, Texas.

The charge involved the former Klan officer and a young Houston woman. It was alleged that Clarke transported her to New Orleans in February, 1921.

"You have entered a plea of guilty, which shows that you have gone a long way toward making restitution," the judge said. "If you had pleaded not guilty and tried to lie your way out of it, I would have sent you to the penitentiary."

The woman in the case was in court as sentence was passed. All of which goes to show the Ku Klux Klan did right in ousting Clarke from his official position sometime ago. The present administration has no use for any official who willfully violates the laws of his country.

## KLAN ENEMY GOES OUT OF BUSINESS

Wallace, W. Va., Man Was Chairman of National Vigilance Association

(Bureau of Publication and Education)

WALLACE, W. VA., March 17.—O. R. Kincaid, who has been in the mercantile business here for the past four years, and who recently announced that he is chairman of the national vigilance association in Harrison county, has advertised his business for sale.

According to the tone of the advertising bills it is a forced sale. Kincaid has had his property advertised for sale in certain publications for the past few weeks. Although it cannot be verified it is said that decreases in business is the cause of Kincaid's move.

An advertising bill says: "Everybody welcome regardless of race, color or religion." Kincaid has not made a statement as to where he expects to go or as to whether or not he will again enter the mercantile business.

The national vigilance association is the ghost of a movement started sometime ago to bust the Klan. It is said that the emblem of the organization is a fiery cross. A member of the vigilantes at Wallace told the writer of this article that they, the vigilantes, had two to one more members than the Klan. Whether or not Kincaid will remain in the capacity of county chairman is not known.

## Church Ladies Will Serve Chicken Dinner

To raise funds for the church, the ladies of the Park avenue Presbyterian church, Des Moines, will serve a chicken dinner Thursday noon, March 20, at the Grotto hall, Eighth and Locust streets. Dinner will be served between 11 a. m. and 2 p. m.

## URGES STRICT ALIEN LAW

CLARKEBURG, W. VA., March 18.—The Rev. W. M. Burns, Mt. Lake Park, Md., delivered a patriotic lecture to members of the Women of the Ku Klux Klan at the local Klan Klavern Monday night last. The Rev. Mr. Burns advocated education for foreigners that are now in the United States and declared that a strict immigration law should be passed that would prohibit "undesirable foreigners" from coming into this country. The minister also declared that he was a firm believer in white supremacy but said that the only way we can have white supremacy is for the white race to make itself such.

## WHAT FORD WILL DO UNDER SHOALS BILL

Representative La Guardia Calls Teapot Dome "Petty Larceny" Compared to Ford's Offer

(Bureau of Publication and Education)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 17.—Under the bill the house of representatives has just passed here is what Henry Ford will do at Muscle Shoals.

Lease dams 2 and 3 at Muscle Shoals, Alabama, for 100 years, the lease to be granted to a \$10,000,000 corporation formed by Ford.

Complete dams 2 and 3, providing water for production of power.

Pay the government annual rental of 4 per cent plus \$55,000 for maintenance and repair.

Purchase nitrate plants 1 and 2, and the Weiburg, paying the government \$5,000,000.

Manufacture a minimum of 40,000 tons of nitrate for fertilizer annually and sell it to farmers at a profit not greater than 8 per cent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 7.—

In discussing in the house of representatives Henry Ford's offer to buy Muscle Shoals some warm things were said about the Detroit manufacturer and Michigan would-be politician. Representative La Guardia, Republican of New York, who is of Italian parents and who boasts that his race gave the world its literature and poetry made a bitter personal attack on Mr. Ford.

The New York congressman declared that if given Muscle Shoals Mr. Ford might be "bound on a peace ship trying to get the boys out of the trenches," adding that the only person Mr. Ford got out of the trenches was "his own son."

Mr. La Guardia declared that Mr. Ford "through insidious propaganda," was responsible for the massacre of the Jews in Poland in 1918 and 1920, and that giving Muscle Shoals to the manufacturer would "make Teapot Dome look like petty larceny."

"It would even be worse than the Teapot leases," Mr. La Guardia said, for in the oil case it may be possible to the courts to nullify such a contract. Turning partly around so as to face the speaker's stand, back of which hangs an American flag, Mr. La Guardia said giving Muscle Shoals to Mr. Ford would be "tearing down the American flag and putting the dollar sign in its place."

Representative Boylston, Democrat of New York, took up the debate, and, also turning so the he partly faced the flag, asked if Mr. La Guardia would "tear down the American flag and raise the British ensign."

Both Representatives La Guardia and Boylston, of New York, represent foreign districts and both men are fighting the immigration measure day and night.

## CALLS COOLIDGE'S VICTORY 'APPARENT'

Minnesota Machine Went Counter to Wishes of Progressive Republicans

CHICAGO, March 6.—"The apparent victory" of the Coolidge forces in the Minnesota county convention Wednesday should serve as a warning to the friends of the president's campaign that the "machine" is running counter to the will of the Progressive Republicans of the county," Harold L. Ickes, Illinois manager for Senator Hiram Johnson, declared today.

"The machine can control the nomination in Minnesota, but the results of the last seven general elections in that state show it cannot control beyond the nomination," the formal statements said.

The result was expected. The machine controlled and the machine, a flower of which is now on exhibition in Washington, is for President Coolidge, who is himself part of that system. Minnesota is without a direct primary law so that the rank and file of the Republican voters have no opportunity to express themselves.

## KLAN AIDS IN RAID

Member of City Council and Others Arrested by Special Deputies

(Bureau of Publication and Education)

SPENCER, W. VA., March 17.—Three men, one a member of the local city council, and four women were arrested, and one gallon of alcohol and a quantity of wine was seized, when local officers, assisted by deputized members of the Ku Klux Klan, raided the home of H. J. Simmons, prominent Spencer business man. The raid was made in the absence of Simmons' wife who is in a Parkersburg hospital. The sextette pleaded guilty and each drew fines of \$20 and costs.

Simmons was held for the grand jury on a charge of having liquor in his possession.

## Ohioan To Prosecute Teapot Dome Case



ATLEE POMERENE

Attorney Pomerene, a former senator from Ohio, has been named by President Coolidge, one of the two government counselors to prosecute the Teapot Dome cases. It is the work of Mr. Pomerene to see that the oil leases are properly restored to the United States and those negligent in their official duties, prosecuted.

## Mohammedan Expansion

In view of the address made in Des Moines recently by Dr. G. C. Minor, of the national lecture bureau of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in which the rise of the colored races of the world was discussed in a most scholarly fashion, the following editorial from a recent issue of The New York Times is of unusual interest.

The editorial, dealing in particular with the Mohammedan question, is as follows:

Mustapha Kemal's rise to the Caliphate was presumably dictated by the logic of domestic Turkish politics. Such prestige as the Ankara government derived from its connection with the spiritual head of the great body of Mohammedans was presumably counterbalanced by the danger of a rival power in the state, about which conceivably a counter-revolution might center. Possibly Kemal Pasha shared the opinion of his former soviet friends that religion is the opiate of the people. But we need not be surprised if the Ankara nationalists discover that perhaps there is a practical side to religion, if religious institutions can be captured and utilized for one's particular set of ideas. Parallel to the creation in Soviet Russia of a new church, largely as a political instrument, the new Turkey may yet witness the revival of a transformed Caliphate with a purely utilitarian purpose.

Merely as a matter of statistics, there is a certain propriety in the disappearance of the Turkish Caliphate. Before the war Turkey, with a population of about fifteen millions, embraced perhaps 7 per cent of the Mohammedan population of the world. There were nearly four and a half times as many followers of Islam in British India as in the largest of the independent Moslem countries. Today Turkey with a population of twelve millions is not even the leading independent nation in Islam, though in a military sense she is still obviously the first. Egypt has a million and a half more inhabitants. Persia is a very close second to Turkey with ten million inhabitants, though not of the orthodox Sunni faith. Afghanistan with an extremely warlike population of more than six millions is now, in an international sense, the second state in Islam. Strategically situated on the flank of India, Afghanistan will continue to play an important part as a buffer state in peace and a menace in troubled times. That role will continue to be of increasing importance until soviet Russia's intentions with regard to the populations of the middle east, which means India, have been clarified.

Whether the Pan-Islamic problem, to which European statesmen gave much thought before the war, will now have to be reckoned with, once the spiritual union of the Moslem world has been broken is doubtful. The bonds of race cannot be expected to take the place of the bonds of religious communion, because there is no overwhelming community of race in Islam. Ethnologically it is the most diversified of the great world religions. It ranges all the way from the white tribesmen of the Caucasus to the peoples of Central Africa. It includes more than ten million Chinese and thirty-five million Malays and Negroes in the East Indies and Oceania. In Central Africa it has been the testimony of Christian observers that Mohammedanism has been first in winning the natives away from paganism, and tribute has been paid in other respects to the civilizing influence of the spread of the Islamic teaching. The rise of great missionary or crusading orders like the Senussi and outbreaks like Mahdism have been taken as evidence of an abundant vitality in the Mohammedan faith. What the future must show is whether this faith will demand the restoration in Turkey or elsewhere, of a visible head of Islam.

## AMERICA NEEDS HERO WORSHIP, TEACHERS TOLD

W. F. Webster of Minneapolis Schools Talks at Fargo, N. D.

(Bureau of Publication and Education)

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Mr. Webster is a former resident of Moorhead, where he was superintendent of schools 30 years ago.

"The most wonderful thing we should be doing is not to teach geography or any other so-called practical subject, but to form a beautiful life," he said. "Each child is raising a temple of his spirit. It may be ugly or lovely; that will depend upon the imagination of those who build, his parents, teachers, self."

**Stress Citizenship**

"The temple must contain health as a foundation; skill; discriminating tastes; worthy citizenship; and love of truth and honor. While all should be there in due proportion to make a perfect life, just now our attention is centered on one—citizenship."

"These are shameful days. Six years ago we were proud of America because of what she had done. We saw our country, the beautiful, our ideal clad all in white; but today that robe is spotted and the eyes drop down with shame. We men and women, citizens of this republic, have not cared, and the result of our indifference is our present disgrace."

"As teachers we must come back to the worship of heroes. In this hall of heroes we place first that imperial man, cast in massive mold, that unblemished gentleman, George Washington; and beside him Lincoln, new product of a new soil, the first American; and in these later days, Roosevelt, unafraid, firmly for right, daring to smile evil without favor; and Wilson, who nobly failed, yet in his failure showed a new world where the noblest rivalry shall be for the people."

**Numbers Unimportant**

In discussing the value of particular subjects in the curriculum, Mr. Webster called attention to the changes recent years have wrought in their relative importance. "Numbers, considered the most practical subject of all, is today perhaps the least needed subject in the school course. With machines used so extensively in business offices, there is little need for skill in the part of an employee. What a business wants is a man who is intelligent and honest. In teaching numbers, the child should be forced to use his imagination, not to depend upon subjects, Mr. Webster said. He called attention to the modern possibilities of conceiving big numbers. Radio, airplanes and other modern inventions have opened up such a new world that a child can now imagine the distance to the sun," he said.

Geography, too has "ceased to be a subject where names of cities and rivers are learned like the part of a recitation table, and now is a subject dealing with human beings," he said. "The world has become a little thing around which the child can see, and his neighbors are all mankind."

Imagination is very necessary in reading, he pointed out. "A man cannot create literature, unless he has imagination, nor can he read it without imagination. We must have images, pictures of things in mind he said, "is the farthest reach of expression in words." Like the painter in his picture, and the musician in his composition, the poet in a stanza "carries us away from the common things to a new life, to a land beyond the land of the senses."

**Dare to See Future**

"You are going into school rooms to be surrounded by little children, representing every race, speaking a various language, having different standards of conduct. Look down the road and 30 years from now they will

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Two Congressmen, Under Suspicion, Ask for Probe of Their Affairs

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## West Virginians Burn Seven Fiery Crosses

ROSEMONT, W. VA., March 18.—

A touch of the unusual was experienced here Thursday evening last when the grand total of seven fiery crosses burning simultaneously in two different communities, were discernable from local streets. While four crosses blazed forth on the hills, surrounding this town three blazing emblems also seen burning on the eminence sheltering a Flemington, a small town about two and one half miles from here. The Women of the Ku Klux Klan are said to have burned one of the large crosses that were seen here. The exact reason for the brilliant spectacle is not known. It is thought, however, that it signifies a large increase in the local membership.

be coming toward you. What will you see? A level seeing man and a delicate, refined woman making her place in the world, or a tramp and a drab? They are what you have made them, and what you have done will be what you have dared to see."

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## ALLEGHENY GRAND JURY INDICTS 11 CARNEGIE RIOTERS

Thirteen True Bills Returned Against Men Who Caused Disturbance

### TESTIMONY INTERESTS

Klan Investigator From Atlanta Digs Up Most of Evidence Used

PITTSBURGH, PA., March 8.—Protestantism and justice scored another victory here Friday when the Allegheny county grand jury returned 13 true bills involving 11 persons on various charges of rioting and inciting riot, in connection with the fatal attack upon parading Knights of the Ku Klux Klan at Carnegie, Pa., Saturday night, August 25, 1923, during which Klansman Thomas R. Abbott of Atlasburg, Pa., was killed.

Patrick J. McDermott, an undertaker of Carnegie, who was indicted February 19 by the same jury for the murder of Klansman Abbott, was among those yesterday indicted by the same grand jury on a charge of rioting.

Possibly the most notable among the persons indicted Friday on charges of rioting and inciting riot are John Conley and Ira (alias Ike) Irving, Burgess and Constable of Carnegie respectively. Testimony introduced during the preliminary hearings before Justice of the Peace W. H. Prosser of Scott township, near Carnegie, when Conley was held for the present grand jury hearing, brought out that he had ordered the heads of his fire and police departments to have the men in readiness to prevent the parade of the Klansmen through that borough. It was testified at that time that Conley had ordered the chief of the fire department to have the fire hose connected to prevent their procession.

Names Others  
The others indicted Friday were: Wm. Flaherty, Joseph Joyce, Lawrence Kemmel, Wm. Laecock, Wm. E. Melley, James McIntyre, Chas. McKenna, and Timothy O'Donnell. All

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## Discourtesy to Klan Members Is Denounced

PITTSBURGH, PA., March 6.—Indignation over the treatment accorded robed Knights of the Ku Klux Klan who attended services in the Methodist Protestant church at Knoxville, was expressed in a letter to the Keystone American, Pennsylvania Klan paper, from J. D. Cox, representative of the Homestead Council No. 110, Jr. O. U. A. M. Mr. Cox stated that an invitation had been extended to the Klansmen to attend the special services, at which time Judge F. P. Schoonmaker of the United States district court, was to deliver a special patriotic address. In response to this invitation, more than 75 robed members appeared in the church. At no time during the services, Mr. Cox declared in his letter, was any mention made of the presence of the members in the church made, nor was any welcome extended. The Klansmen took part in the services and left at the conclusion, it was stated, making no declaration of any kind regarding the lack of courtesy extended them.

of these are charged with rioting. Anthony Scrow, Steve Burdis, Joseph Sayes, and Michael Hayes had all been held to the grand jury charged with riot, but true bills are not returned in their cases.

Intimations that all of the indicted may be charged with murder later on, if they are convicted of having participated in the riot, were given by W. H. Proper of Atlanta, Ga., national Ku Klux Klan investigator, following the return of the true bills. Mr. Proper has had charge of all investigation into the riot and its fatal consequences. Mr. Proper stated that it has been considered invoking the 1922 act of the Pennsylvania assembly which declares that all who have taken part in a riot that terminates fatally are liable for murder.

Strong Fight Seen  
Three copies of the Martyred Klansman, a booklet containing all testimony introduced during the hearings of defendants in the Carnegie riot, were sold late Friday afternoon to a nephew of Patrick McDermott, at the office of the Keystone American in Pittsburgh, it was reported, which tends to show that both McDermott, his relatives, and the church at large, are planning to wage a strong fight for his salvation.

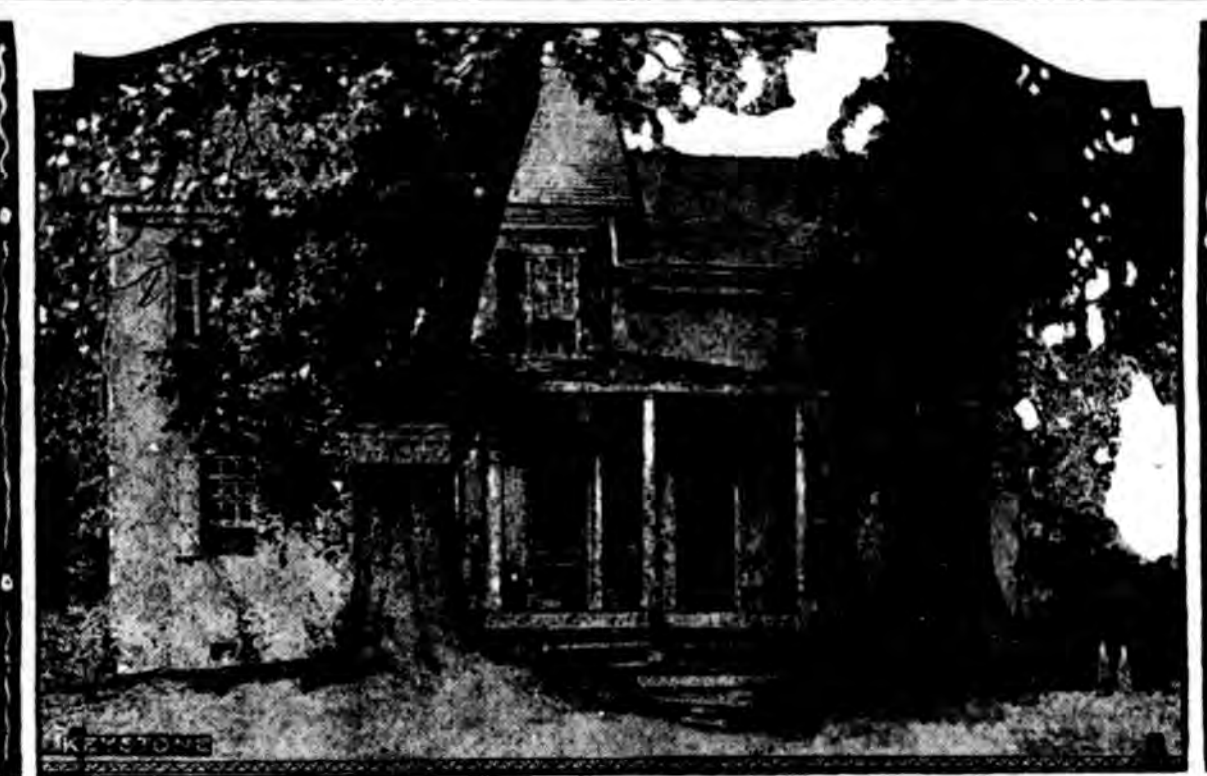
Un-American residents of Carnegie were highly jubilant during the last two months of 1923, after the Allegheny county coroner's jury had failed to fix the blame for the killing of Abbott, shortly after the fatal August 25; and had released all of the alleged participants in the fatal riot, when they were brought for a hearing before Alderman Geo. Anderson of Fifth and Wylie avenues, on various charges of rioting and inciting riot.

Friday's action of the Allegheny county grand jury, it is believed, will somewhat tend to show lawless elements in this and every section of the United States that justice can be brought into play, even though every sinister political and religious influence be brought to bear to the contrary.

No definite date for the court hearings, of all the men indicted, has been set.

CLARKSBURG, W. VA., March 12.—Clarksbury chapter of the American Red Cross has made an appeal to all foreign-born ex-service men to appear at the local headquarters before March 3 and make application for their second citizenship papers. They will not have to go through the long grind of red tape, officers of the organization declare. The United States government has set March 3 as the last day when foreign-born men may take advantage of this offer. Service in the American army entitles them to first papers without the usual questioning and routine work, according to Mrs. Corrine Lockren, secretary of the local organization. It is believed by some that this is a move to combat the power for good of the Klan in the coming election.

## Headquarters of General Washington at Chadds Ford May Be Made National Shrine to First Great American



A nationwide movement is afoot to make General George Washington's headquarters at Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania, a national shrine to the father of his country. It was here that the American flag was for the first time raised over a continental army headquarters in the revolutionary war. During the battle of Brandywine, this was headquarters for the army. Many tourists stop at the building during the vacation months of the year.

## Iowa's Present Bible Law Called Worthless

BY A KLANSMAN

The present Bible law of Iowa really does not mean anything, merely stating a fact without any provision for enforcing and carrying out of that statement of fact.

The government of the United States of America, was inspired by the teachings of the Bible. The constitution of our government was taken from the twelfth chapter of the Book of Romans. When we consider the government changing certain laws, we have so far failed in this mission, a law of this nature must be placed upon the statute books to see to it that those who have the responsibility of our future generations are rightly guided.

The government of the United States of America, does not compel any man or woman to enter its public school system as a servant, but on the contrary they enter this service of their own volition. If the public school with its regulations and methods does not call forth the loyal and unflinching support of the members of its staff; they can and should retire from its service to fields of endeavor that will meet with their approval. Instead of this we find, however, that they are insisting upon the government changing certain rules and making certain laws to appease their scruples on some personal or organized creed, to which they have subscribed; forgetting that they entered this public service of their own free will and accord.

There can not be offered any reason, worthy of consideration, why the Bible should not be read in every teacher, in every public school room in this nation each and every morning.

The Bible made possible the greatest document that ever came from the pen of mortal man, the constitution of the United States of America. Therefore, the two are inseparable. The American public school is here because of that unity of the Bible and the constitution.

We are a Christian nation because we recognize that the Bible is the inspired Word of God, and believe in the teachings of the Son of God, as our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

## KLAN SHOWS HAND IN SHELDON ACTIVITIES

Burn Fiery Cross, Donate to Church and Put Over School Election

SHELDON, IA., March 15.—The Klan has shown its presence here recently by several activities.

Last Monday at the school board election, 1100 votes were polled, which is said to be the largest number in recent years. It is understood that the candidates favorable to the all-American organization were elected.

Sunday evening a delegation of Klansmen visited the First Christian church and left a donation, to be applied to the work of the congregation.

Saturday evening the community was startled to see the burning of a large fiery cross on a hill top. These activities are evidence of the fact that the Klan here is one of the most active in northern Iowa. It is reported that it is growing in numbers and will soon count in its ranks the finest citizens of this town and county.

The Klansman who goes to lodge with a peevish disposition and a long face often finds that the devil is walking by his side.

and because we chose to base our constitution upon His Word. Therefore, the Bible having this direct relation, and being the fundamental principle of our government, the reading therefrom in any institution that has come about through the application of the constitution cannot be in any manner injurious to any such institutions.

The Bible is not sectarian nor does it teach sectarianism, sectarianism is the fruit of the brain of man and not inspired by God.

To become efficient in any one thing one must understand the fundamental principles of that thing, whatever it may be. There can not be found any better way of conveying American ideals to those who are to become American citizens than to permit the reading, and if you please force such reading if need be, from the book by which this nation came into being. When this has come about we will be able to assimilate into our national life and make real American citizens of those who come into our country and their children.

## IMMIGRATION PERILS NATION, SAYS SPEAKER

Melting Pot Does Not Melt in New York City, Declares Rev. E. D. Walker

PITTSBURGH, KAN., March 10.—The splendid address on the aims and principles of the Ku Klux Klan given by the Rev. E. D. Walker, of Wichita, during his recent visit to Pittsburgh, gave a new impetus to the movement in Crawford county and resulted in the addition of a large number of members to both Klan and the Women's organization. Two thousand persons heard his address.

"The greatest peril to the freedom of the people of the United States at the present time is foreign immigration," the Rev. Mr. Walker declared. "Foreigners coming to the United States congregated in the large cities, speak their own tongue, read their own foreign publications, perpetuate their own customs and do not try to become Americanized." He pointed out the fallacy of the United States being a melting pot. "They do not melt, and New York is today the most foreign city in the United States."

The Rev. Mr. Walker, admitting that he is a Klansman, denied that the organization is fighting the Jews, the Catholics or the negroes.

## EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM ON KLANKRAFT IS BEING PROMULGATED THROUGHOUT ILLINOIS

CHICAGO, ILL., March 11.—Realizing the necessity of calling the Klansmen's attention to his need for closer relationship to God, his country and his home, and the importance of educating himself and his family along patriotic lines with a view to making him a more devoted man, increasing his interest in governmental affairs, and civic affairs, an educational and patriotic program has been promulgated by the Grand Dragon of Illinois.

This program will make the Klan a real asset to the individual member and to our country. The following schedule will be strictly adhered to for the next five months, during which period the subjects outlined will be discussed in every Klan in the nation, says an announcement from the headquarters of the Grand Dragon, Realm of Illinois.

The subjects and schedule for the months of March, April, May, June and July follow:

Week beginning March 10: "Christ, the Klansman's Criterion of Character."

Week beginning March 24: "The Relation of the Klan to the Protestant Church."

## RICHMOND KLAN TO BUILD CLUB HOUSE

River Site Selected for Summer Colony for Americans Only

(By Staff Correspondent)

RICHMOND, VA., March 8.—After being tied up in court litigation for a period of nine months, Richmond Klan No. 1, of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, loyal to the present regime of Dr. Evans and his organization, is rapidly getting on its feet and will soon be meeting in its own club house.

The Richmond Klan since its reorganization last June is rapidly approaching the 1,000 membership list and proposes to show the rest of the country what real hustlers can accomplish in a short time. Numbered in its present membership is a first-class real estate man, and through him the organization has taken over Recreation Park, an amusement resort 11 miles from the city, situated on the Chickahominy river. It is also on an interurban railway line, and there is mighty fine fishing in the river at that point, and picnic and camping grounds.

The Klan through its real estate member has laid out 320 lots at or adjoining Recreation Park and these are being sold to Klan members only. No one else can get even a look at these fine building sites, and it is proposed to have a regular Klan colony at this place. On selling the lots the Klan comes into a deed for a little less than eight acres on which it is proposed to build a club house where the Klan can hold its meetings, etc. This new club house is to be fashioned like an old-fashioned log house, and it is going to be a mighty fine Klavern for Virginia to look upon, and it will be the home and pride of the Richmond Klan.

On Saturday, March 15, it has been planned to have a wienner roast at the site of the new club house and further plan the new resort. Klansmen will roll up their sleeves and help clear off the place, remove trees and underbrush, and get ready for the laying of the "corner stone," as it were. Later on when the weather moderates a little more Klansmen will clean out the river at Recreation park and make it ready for good boating as well as fishing.

When the Richmond Klan gets ready to dedicate its new home it is proposed to have Dr. Evans and other high officials of the organization pay Richmond a visit and do the honors. That occasion will be a great time in the history of Richmond's organization, and visitors will be welcomed from all over the country.

The patrol wagon came and the newspaper salesman and the Jew boy were ordered to step into the wagon. As the Fiery Cross salesman entered the wagon, loud shouts came from every side.

"Stick to it boy. We're with you. You can depend on us. Don't let anyone scare you. We'll soon find out who is running this town. Three cheers for the Klukers."

The wagon hardly started for the central station when another Fiery Cross salesman was attacked and was severely beaten. Quick work on the part of the police broke up one group of attackers after another, but within a half an hour things quieted down. Yet there was more or less "milling" around until an early hour of the morning.

Some Comedy Seen  
It seems that every tragedy has its comedy, and Saturday night on Hennipin avenue with the mob in action was no exception. A foreigner came up to a Fiery Cross salesman and stood glaring at him for several minutes, then planted his feet for a "round house swing." The Klansman watched every move of the stranger, and when the "swing" was released, side-stepped. The assailant's fist crashed into a mail box. Thrice he repeated the "swings" and everyone was a miss. Then the Klansman said, smilingly, "What's the matter, mister, are you fighting butterflies, or something?"

In spite of Saturday night's anti-Klan mob activities on Hennipin avenue, The Minnesota Fiery Cross will be sold in Minneapolis. Hundreds of Protestants who were present at the scene demanded that something be done to safeguard the rights of Americans. Thousands of Minneapolisians are determined in their stand for a city free from anti-Protestant mobs such as "ran wild" here tonight.

In passing we might say that if Mr. Fall's middle name is Bacon, no wonder he brought it home.

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## ORGANIZED MOBBER ATTACK SALESMEN FOR FIERY CROSS

Minneapolis is Scene of Many Fistic Battles When Agents for Ku Klux Klan Newspaper Start Street Sales—Men's Conduct Shows Remarkable Restraint.

Police Suppress Rioting and Disperse Crowd of Rowdies—One News Vendor and Boy Arrested—Minnesota Paper Will Be Sold on Streets of Flour City Despite Threats Made by Un-Americans.

(By TWILIGHT)

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., March 8.—Eighteen salesmen for The Minnesota Fiery Cross were attacked and threatened by an anti-Klan mob composed mostly of Jews here tonight. Before open attacks were made by the mob, the men selling The Minnesota Fiery Cross, official Ku Klux Klan publication, were the centers of vicious and profane insults. To the credit of the Klansmen it can be said that they at all times conducted themselves with unusual restraint.

Shortly after the appearance of The Fiery Cross salesmen on Hennipin avenue, at the corners of intersections, Fifth street and Hennipin avenue, Sixth street and Hennipin avenue, Seventh street and Hennipin avenue and Eighth street and Hennipin avenue, there seemed to be individuals, who were energetically organizing groups.

The first outbreak of the "antis" took place at Fifth street and Hennipin avenue. A man, obviously a Jew, stepped up to The Fiery Cross salesman and said, "What are you selling?" The salesman replied, "Minnesota Fiery Cross, a Ku Klux Klan paper."

Tirade of Abuse  
A tirade of abuse now came from the mouth of the pedestrian. The Fiery Cross representative ignored entirely the profane words of insult. Finally the Jew said, "Give me a paper." The purchaser immediately went into a near-by confectionery store, scrutinized the paper somewhat carefully, and registered by means of characteristic motions and active mouths that the Ku Klux Klan paper was not to their liking.

After a time a group of "antis" in the confectionery store betook themselves to the street where the whole gang made deliberate efforts to involve The Fiery Cross salesman in a fistic battle.

As the rowdies continued their acts of intimidation, they recruited others of their race, who chanced to pass by. However, failing to draw the Klansman into an open fight, the mob moved up Hennipin avenue to Sixth street, where there was practically a repetition of what had taken place on the intersection of Fifth street and Hennipin avenue.

It was noticed at this point, however, that the would-be mobbers did not approach the big husky fellows, confining their verbal attacks to the smaller men. Whenever individuals of the mob found an opening to grab papers from The Fiery Cross salesmen, they did so, and tore the papers into small pieces. The mob wearied somewhat after a time, and moved up Hennipin avenue again, stopping when it gained the intersection of Seventh street.

The Fiery Cross salesmen located on the four corners of this intersection were "showered" with threats and profane denunciations, but followed instructions by entirely ignoring the mobbers who were "spilling" for a fight. After devoting 15 or 20 minutes to the Klansman selling papers on Seventh street and Hennipin avenue, the mob once more sought a new field in its efforts to locate trouble. Shortly, Eighth street and Hennipin avenue was selected by the mob as the place for some real action.

A rowdy stepped up to a Fiery Cross salesman at this intersection and asked for a paper. The first thing The Fiery Cross salesman knew a fist came into contact with his face. Several hallies straightway jumped on The Fiery Cross salesman, and beat him severely.

A policeman standing not far away rushed into the mob and forced back many of the assailants, who were filling the air with profanity and threats. From every side people came running and it wasn't long before thousands of people were pressing toward the center of action. Policemen shouted to the crowd, "Get back, get back." In his haste the officer of the law, after taking custody of The Fiery Cross salesman, reached out and got his hands on a boy, who is alleged to have been one of the attackers. Holding the two with a firm grip, the policeman forced his way to the patrol box.

The patrol wagon came and the newspaper salesman and the Jew boy were ordered to step into the wagon. As the Fiery Cross salesman entered the wagon, loud shouts came from every side.

"Stick to it boy. We're with you. You can depend on us. Don't let anyone scare you. We'll soon find out who is running this town. Three cheers for the Klukers."

The wagon hardly started for the central station when another Fiery Cross salesman was attacked and was severely beaten. Quick work on the part of the police broke up one group of attackers after another, but within a half an hour things quieted down. Yet there was more or less "milling" around until an early hour of the morning.

Some Comedy Seen  
It seems that every tragedy has its comedy, and Saturday night on Hennipin avenue with the mob in action was no exception. A foreigner came up to a Fiery Cross salesman and stood glaring at him for several minutes, then planted his feet for a "round house swing." The Klansman watched every move of the stranger, and when the "swing" was released, side-stepped. The assailant's fist crashed into a mail box. Thrice he repeated the "swings" and everyone was a miss. Then the Klansman said, smilingly, "What's the matter, mister, are you fighting butterflies, or something?"

In spite of Saturday night's anti-Klan mob activities on Hennipin avenue, The Minnesota Fiery Cross will be sold in Minneapolis. Hundreds of Protestants who were present at the scene demanded that something be done to safeguard the rights of Americans. Thousands of Minneapolisians are determined in their stand for a city free from anti-Protestant mobs such as "ran wild" here tonight.

In passing we might say that if Mr. Fall's middle name is Bacon, no wonder he brought it home.

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**DISCORD ELIMINATED  
BY GOPHER G. O. P.**

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of the Republican government of Minnesota, all the delegates-at-large were chosen by acclamation and no record vote was taken on any candidate. Strange as it may seem not a single delegate contest went before the credential committee. The following seven delegates at large and their alternates were elected by the Republican state convention:

Col. Charles H. March, Litchfield.  
Charles N. Orr, St. Paul.  
Fred A. Dickey, Minneapolis.  
A. O. Moreaux, Luverne.  
J. J. Rachac, Faribault.  
Mrs. P. L. DeVost, Duluth.  
John H. Marks, Wadena.

**March Made Delegate**

In that the convention did not act on any national committee, and only two active candidates in the field are State Senator William F. Brooks and Fred H. Carpenter, both of Minneapolis. Their campaign so far has figured entirely in the Hennepin county convention, with endorsed Mr. Carpenter; the fifth district convention, which elected Senator Brooks; and the tenth district convention which elected Carpenter's delegates, and instructed them for Mr. Carpenter. What the final outcome will be no one can at this time accurately prophesy.

**Five Resolutions Adopted**

Five resolutions all told were passed by the state convention; one on "National Affairs and President," one on "Recognition of Service Men," one on "Agriculture," one on "Anti-

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Lynch and Mob Rule," and one on "Party Government." The anti-lynch and mob rule resolution reads very much as if the Klan influence prevailed at the Gopher state Republican convention. This resolution runs right in line with the principles of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

The committee on resolutions was composed of the following members: Senator F. E. Putnam, of Blue Earth, Chairman.

First District—Hattie S. Fuller, Freeborn; Senator A. J. Furlow, Olmsted.

Second—Mrs. Will E. Curtis, Watonwan; J. E. Haycraft, Martin.

Third—Henry N. Benson, Nicollet; Mrs. Thomas Moline, Goodhue.

Fourth—Leavitt Corning, Mrs. H. M. Kean, Ramsey county.

Fifth—Mrs. L. H. McKay, J. H. Ellison, Hennepin.

Sixth—C. W. Potts, Crow Wing; Mrs. H. J. Petrborg, Wilkin.

Seventh—F. W. Murphy, Travers; Mrs. A. A. Secore, Douglas.

Eighth—H. V. Eya, St. Louis; Mrs. E. D. Vibert, Carlton.

Ninth—N. F. Fields, Ottertail; Mrs. H. Lovstrom, Kittson.

Tenth—W. Gustafson, Elias Nordgren, Chicago county.

The resolutions are given in full as they were presented on the convention floor:

**National Affairs and President**

Whereas, a large majority of our citizens, regardless of party belief in the singleness of purpose and integrity of the present Republican chief executive of the United States, and

Whereas, they are convinced that his wise and well considered conduct of affairs and the present efforts to stir up class hatreds and partisan strife is deserving of all commendation, and

Whereas, we share the confidence of the vast majority that the present chief executive, called to his high office at the death of his distinguished, high-minded, great hearted and deeply mourned predecessor, will continue to use those qualities of cool-headedness and unswerving devotion to the public welfare which have ever marked his official conduct during his long and honorable public career, and

Whereas, we believe that men who have criminal designs on the nation and its resources do not hesitate to align themselves with which ever political party is in power, and

Whereas, we believe it to be the duty of the honest men and women who compose the great majority of the rank and file of the Republican party, both in state and nation to prevent any sinister influences attaining power in its councils, and

Whereas, we believe that the present chief executive of this nation is, and throughout all his public career, has been, one of the most powerful instrumentalities against the misuse of great political parties by those with unworthy private ends to gain, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we commend the private character and public accomplishments and utterances of President Coolidge, to the consideration of every thinking individual who wishes to see right triumph over wrong and real, courageous, honest statesmanship over time-serving, un-

scrupulous demagoguery, and be it further

Resolved, that this man of silence, of deliberation, of tremendous efficiency and ability possesses that hold on the public which comes only to men in whom the public recognizes those great natures whose decisions are made solely at the dictates of conscience and without regard to the effect on their personal and political fortunes; and, be it further

Resolved, that we recognize in his career a striking example of the possibilities and opportunities afforded by our country to the individual of humble beginnings and dowered with the slightest of financial resources; that we commend his wisdom and honesty; that we appreciate his realization of the tremendous responsibilities of the position to which he has been called; that we congratulate the country on the marked success which has attended his efforts to solve the numerous, intricate and delicate problems which have confronted him from the moment of his assumption of his present office; that we admire his steadfast exemplification of and devotion to the real principles of true Americanism; and be it further

Resolved, that this convention hereby instructs the delegates selected by it to represent the state of Minnesota at the national Republican convention, to be held in the city of Cleveland, state of Ohio, beginning on the 10th day of June, 1924, to vote for the nomination of Calvin Coolidge for the office of president of the United States, and to use your honorable means to secure his endorsement by that convention, believing as we do that by earnestly dedicating ourselves and our representatives to his nomination and election we are best serving the welfare of our common country and the prosperity and happiness of every man, woman and child who dwells within its borders.

**Recognition of Service Men**

We recognize that the state and nation owe a never-to-be forgotten debt of gratitude to the men who served their country during the late World war. Our state was among the first to grant a soldiers' bonus and funds for special training of ex-service men. The Republican party of Minnesota pledges its support to the following matters in which ex-service men are interested:

Adequate and prompt aid to disabled war veterans.

Just application and enforcement of the soldiers' preference act.

Adjusted compensation to ex-service men by the national government and no unnecessary delay in developing a method to obtain funds whereby same may be promptly paid.

**Here's Reproduction of Handbill Proclamation With  
Which Sioux Rapids Mayor Advertised Klan Meeting****Mayor's Proclamation  
To The Law Abiding Citizens of Sioux Rapids, Iowa**

WHEREAS, It has been called to my attention as mayor of Sioux Rapids, Iowa, that an organizer and a speaker of the Ku Klux Klan is Rapids, Iowa, for the purpose of hoay night, March 10, 1924 in Sioux to secret meeting on Mondlding a meeting to organize at Sioux Rapids, Iowa.

AND WHEREAS, Certain RED CARDS of admission have been circulated and citizens solicited to attend.

AND WHEREAS, The organization is Un American and seeks to rule through a masked minority and an invisible dictation and contrary to the laws of our land, and whereas it tends to promote discord and dissension, to tear down rather than build up and appeals to hate and passion rather than fellowship and reason.

AND WHEREAS, Our state and national constitutions both guarantee freedom of speech.

AND WHEREAS, A duly appointed officer will be present at the meeting to see that the privilege of free speech is not abused.

AND WHEREAS, The American Legion is holding a County meeting in Sioux Rapids, Iowa on that evening and the Methodist Revival Meetings will be in progress at the Methodist Church.

AND WHEREAS, some citizens through curiosity or other motives might encourage through their presence at the Klan lecture, those would be secret dictators of Sioux Rapids, Iowa.

NOW THEREFORE, I, CHARLES E. PENDLETON, Mayor of Sioux Rapids, wishing to preserve the good name of Sioux Rapids, Iowa, to maintain our open and visible forms of government, to discourage those outside would-be dictators. RESPECTFULLY REQUEST the good citizens of Sioux Rapids, Iowa, to refrain from attending the Ku Klux Klan gathering or listening to any of their lectures or in any way encouraging or molesting them in their meeting. For those wishing to hear something worthwhile, I recommend the American Legion Meeting or the Methodist revival meeting.

**Chas. E. Pendleton  
Mayor**

Above is an exact reproduction of the handbill proclamation with which Mayor Charles E. Pendleton of Sioux Rapids helped organize the Ku Klux Klan in that city on Monday night, March 10. "His Honor" had his opinions, as set forth in the official document, broadcast over the city

Monday before the meeting. From the results obtained by Klan organizers, it would seem, that instead of attending the Methodist revival (worthy of public support as it is) and the American Legion convention (despite its high aims) as was suggested, the greatest number of men were at the "secret" Klan meeting.

Besides taking the greatest share of the honors for organizing the Klan, the mayor walks off with all the laurels when it comes to grammar, spelling and punctuation. Despite his efforts the "invisible" government is established in his little kingdom in northwestern Iowa. 'Sto bad mayor!

**Agriculture**

The Adamson act; the restrictive immigration act; the transportation act; the high tariff law and other kindred legislation has resulted to the advantage of labor and industry and disadvantage of the farmer. This system of governmental protection has brought about a marked disparity in prices between what the farmer pays for, what he purchases and what he receives for his products. The purchasing power of the men and women of the farm is only about 50 per cent of pre-war levels. This condition is fundamental and serious. It must not be permitted to continue. The best welfare of the nation is menaced by the experience of this organic defeat in our economic system. The purchasing power of the farmer's product must be equalized on a parity with the prices obtained in other industries. He must have the same measure of protection afforded others. Therefore, to meet and correct this situation and in furtherance of the traditional policy of the Republican party to stand for equal rights to all, we do hereby endorse and approve the principles of the McNary-Haugen bill now pending in congress and call upon our esteemed president and the members of congress from this state to use their earnest endeavors to secure the enactment of the proposed legislation. That copies of these resolutions be forwarded to the president and the members of congress of Minnesota.

**Anti-Lynch and Mob Rule**

Whereas, mob rule, lynching, intimidation and coercion have grown to an alarming extent in every part of America; and

Whereas, this defiance of the laws of state and nation is a constant menace to the tranquillity and well being of our common country;

Therefore be it resolved, that the Republican party of the state of Minnesota in convention, assembled, approve and endorse that part of the national Republican platform of 1920 which calls for appropriate legislation to check this growing evil.

**Party Government**

Whereas, we conceive party government to be fundamental to the genius of American institutions.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that we favor the enactment of a law by the next legislature of this state which will restore party designations to the candidacies of prospective members of the legislature of this state.

Assistant secretaries named from the 10 districts were:

First District—Grace Nye, H. A. Layson.

Second—Mrs. Phil Liesch, J. G. Mott.

Third—H. G. Dressell, Bertha Weibozohn.

Fourth—Mrs. David Wallblom, Fred A. Snyder.

Fifth—T. Mahaney, Mrs. Ed Lafond.

Sixth—S. J. Van Vorst, Mrs. Charles Bolsta.

Seventh—Mrs. C. F. Blackmer, Carver Richards.

Ninth—A. C. Knudson, Mrs. Alex Adams.

Tenth—Fred Newton, Mrs. M. M. Ferrall.

**WORLD GETTING  
BETTER SAYS TEACHER**

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fer to obtain a divorce and then go on honorably with the new affair of the heart. Marriage was never so free from materialism as it is in the United States today."

**Warns Against War**

Prof. Ross pointed out how the public attitude toward election results has solidified the political fabric of this country, but heralded the danger of attempts to influence the public mind through the control of newspapers.

He warned of excessive preparation for war, and the probable outcome of the next war, with deadly gases as the chief weapons. "Present developments," he said, "indicate that the only survivors will be the members of the air fleet which goes to attack other countries."

During the entire talk Prof. Ross made no mention of evolution, the subject which Dr. Riley gave as his reason for the bitter attack on Prof. Ross as a "scoffer at Christianity."

The audience howled down a member who sought to question the speaker on astrology; other questions by scores were asked and answered.

Prof. Ross left Madison last night after being dinner guest of Prof. F. Stuart Chapin, head of the University of Minnesota sociology department.

**Klan Favored Because  
of Church Contribution**

CLEVELAND, KAN., March 17.—Surprising guests at a local church social recently, a group of six robed Klansmen entered the church and presented the Rev. Mr. Butler, pastor, with an envelope containing \$130. After the leader explained the principles of the great order, the Knights were led in prayer by the pastor after which they retired as silently as they entered. The contribution has caused much favorable comment toward the Klan in this community.

So many fiery crosses have been burned the past year that a good many different degrees of darkness are getting ashamed of themselves.

**THIRD PARTY FOR  
SENATOR LA FOLLETTE**

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election. He insisted the Cleveland meeting would not nominate candidates but would merely discuss them.

**Thanks From Montana**

Thanks from the "bankrupt farmers" of Montana for Minnesota's action in paving the way for the third party meeting was expressed by State Senator Charles E. Taylor, of Montana.

"You've made history today and you've shown our bankrupt farmers of Montana that the Farmer-Labor party of Minnesota has not failed the northwest. The people are looking to your party as their guiding star. Montana will come down here with a big delegation."

A platform identical with the public ownership platform which the Farmer-Labor federation adopted in Minneapolis Thursday was adopted by the state convention with the addition of a few national policies, including urging a soldier bonus, government operation of banks and a child welfare bureau.

**To Nominate Electors**

The convention authorized the state central committee to call a subsequent state convention of the party to nominate presidential electors in anticipation of having a third party candidate in the field. This suggestion had been made by Mr. Pike in his opening address when he declared that Minnesota should vote on its choice for president regardless of what the Farmer-Labor parties of other states do.

Plans now are to have the call for the June 17 national convention in the Twin Cities issued by the Farmer-Labor party of Minnesota, which will invite other liberal groups and organizations to participate in the gathering and the nomination of candidates for president and vice president.

**72 COUNTIES HAVE  
WELFARE BOARDS**

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mate, dependent, neglected, and delinquent children, to cooperate to this end with juvenile courts and all reputable child-helping and child-placing agencies of a public or private character, and to take the initiative in all matters involving the interests of such children where adequate provision therefore has not already been made.

The magnitude of the work under this law is shown by the reports of the children's bureau for the five and one-half years ending June 30, 1923. Cases relating to the welfare of children, acted upon by the child welfare boards were as follows:

Investigations of homes for temporary placement of children—1721.

Investigations of homes for adoption—2128.

Cases of unmarried mothers—6413.

Feeble-minded, committed to the state board of control—1543.

Miscellaneous cases of neglect, delinquency, etc.—3175.

A total of 14,980.

In addition to this work, the board inspected and certified:

Maternity hospitals—198.

Child-caring institutions—24.

Child-caring agencies—90.

Boarding houses—219.

The child welfare board of each county acts as the agent of the state board of control in carrying on this work. It cooperates with the county board of commissioners, the county attorney, and the juvenile and district courts in a program of social welfare which each community owes towards its helpless and unfortunate.

**JAIL LEGISLATOR WHO  
WOULD PROBE RAID**

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the car I turned out the lights. In a minute or so I got out and stood on the other side of the car.

"Suddenly I saw another car approaching. I hurriedly got in my own car and called to Hull to do likewise, which he did."

**Deputies Drive Up**

"The oncoming car was brought to a stop beside my car, and two men, whom I later learned to be deputy sheriffs, jumped out. One flashed a light into my car and demanded to know if I did not know it was against the law to park alongside the road. I replied I did not, but that if I was violating the law I would move on. At this point the officers said we were under arrest."

**In Crowded Cell**

"Upon my arrival at the jail my request to call up my aged mother and some of my colleagues was denied and we were kept in a crowded cell for 15 hours, every moment of which I suffered the most indescribable mental agony throughout the long night. Though half dazed at the enormity of the situation, I was sustained by a consciousness of my complete innocence."

St. Cloud today was almost unanimous for Representative Knutson.

"We will not desert him," citizens and officials said, "on the strength of what little news and details have come from Washington."

And from what we know of him here before he went to Washington we refuse to believe such a charge against him."

Nothing official has been done in St. Cloud in the way of resolutions or expressions for or against Mr. Knutson.

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**SCHOOL BANK HAS  
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**Woman Is Named Manager of  
Clearing House at Sioux  
City, Iowa**

SIoux CITY, IA., March 17.—A valuable lesson in juvenile thrift is to be found in the \$50,000 placed on deposit in local banks in the names of school pupils of this city through the operation of the Sioux City Schools Savings bank. Mrs. Ethel Brostrom manager of this school bank, recently was appointed manager of the Sioux City Clearing House association. She is said to be the only woman in the United States acting in this capacity.

School teachers are provided with deposit slips for the school savings banks. Pupils fill in the blanks for their deposits of pennies and nickels, designating the bank with which the money is to be deposited. The deposits are turned over by the teacher to the principal of the school, and once a week a messenger from the schools bank makes collections. Mrs. Brostrom and her corps of assistants sort the deposits and send them to the banks for which they were intended. This organization has been operating two years.

In regard to the clearing house activity, Mrs. Brostrom says:

I like the work, am in love with it. The necessity for being accurate, alert, for checking up possible errors, and the need for greatest care at all times appeals to me. Of course, I had some years of experience in various capacities on the management of the schools' bank. The management of the clearing house seemed to follow naturally, so I feel perfectly at home.

Mrs. Brostrom has been a resident of Iowa eight years, and of Sioux City for six years. She served in various capacities in the American Savings bank of Sioux City during the war, acting as teller, paying and receiving, and for some time as assistant cashier. For a time, until she was placed in charge of the schools' bank, she was employed in confidential capacities by other banks of the city.

**Enemies Leave Funeral  
When Klansmen Appear**

EDGERTON, KAN., March 18.—The Klan opposition expressed much consternation here recently, when Klansmen of this vicinity entered a local church to pay their last tribute to their deceased brother, Klansman Nathaniel H. Wollard, at a funeral conducted by ministers of three denominations, assisted by Edgerton Klan No. 83 and Palestine lodge No. 172, A. F. and A. M. When the Knights entered the edifice a number of Catholics and their sympathizers rushed out of the building. Thirty-four Klansmen present were attired in full regalia. It was one of the first times the Klansmen had appeared in public in uniform.

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ca For Americans"

(Bureau of Publication and Education)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 12.—  
The American Federation of Labor  
has come out in support of the John-  
son immigration measure, now pend-  
ing before congress, because it is the  
best measure that has been present-  
ed to clarify the immigration muddle.  
The declaration was made by  
Hugh Frayne, general organizer for  
the American Federation of Labor.

**Japanese Menace**  
California has had its day on the  
immigration question before the sen-  
ate committee on immigration. Sen-  
ator Phelan, one of the Sacramento  
editors, and the district attorney at  
San Francisco all told the senate  
committee that California is against  
the Japanese immigration to its  
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## Klan Is Power Behind Broom That Is Sweeping the Nation of Rottenness



Just recently Bushnell, the nationally-known cartoonist, whose  
pictures are syndicated through many newspapers in the country,  
illustrated a broom, sweeping out the hyena of vice and all its at-  
tendant evils. However, he failed to show who had hold of the  
broom handle and was the driving force behind the clean-up. The  
above cartoon, the idea of which is taken from Bushnell's illustra-  
tion, shows just who is behind the clean-up drive that is spreading  
over the country. Iowa is in the line of the on-coming broom. It  
will not be long before bootleggers, vice denizens and crooked poli-  
ticians feel the full force of the Klan broom. The Klan has cleaned  
up in Indiana, Ohio, and it is going to do the same thing in Iowa.  
The Klan is liked for the enemies it makes, and one of the most  
bitter of these is the crooked politician, with his criminal satellites.

## Wig Wags from Washington

(Bureau of Publication and Education)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 10.—  
The soldiers' bonus bill that is under  
consideration for the session of con-  
gress is now in the hands of the sub-  
committee of the house ways and  
means committee for the finishing  
touches. It is believed that it will  
be ready to report to the house in a  
few days, and when it is reported,  
Chairman Green says he will seek a  
special rule making the bill immedi-  
ately in order for consideration by the house.

The form of the paid-up insurance  
policy provision, the basis of the new  
measure, has been taken up by the  
subcommittee. Several proposals for  
such a provision have been present-  
ed, including that of a member from  
New Jersey, for 30-year endowment  
policies payable at the age of 62, but  
the method of figuring the values of  
the policies has not yet been deter-  
mined.

It is now believed that the bonus  
question will come up in the house  
immediately after the Muscle Shoals  
project is finished. If this proves  
correct, the bill will have been ahead  
of the immigration measure,  
which has been on the house calendar  
for some time awaiting its chance to  
get up for consideration on the floor  
of the house.

**Not Politically Inclined**  
Walter Bossert, well known to ev-  
ery Klansman in Indiana, and like-  
wise to many members of the organi-  
zation in other states, doesn't seem  
to be paying much attention to that  
political bee that has been buzzing  
around him recently. According to  
Indianapolis newspapers, Bossert is  
being fought by Senator Watson and  
his crowd to keep Bossert from go-  
ing to the Republican national con-  
vention.

Mr. Bossert was in Washington over  
Sunday and his Hoosier friends down  
here were kidding him about the  
Watson opposition, but Bossert just  
smiled and denied the whole thing.  
He says it is amusing to him the way  
others are trying to draw him out  
when he has no political ambi-  
tions and is seeking no political hon-  
ors. When Mr. Bossert's attention  
was called to the statements of the  
Indianapolis papers, he issued the  
following statement:

"I am not a candidate for any fed-  
eral, state or county political office.  
Neither am I a candidate as a dele-  
gate to any national or state con-  
vention. I am only interested in my  
own private business affairs and I  
have my hands full."

Mr. Bossert did, however, digress  
just far enough to admit that he  
was interested in the success of the  
candidacy of Hon. Ed Jackson for  
governor of Indiana, and that he in-  
tended to do everything in his power  
to help nominate and elect him.  
"That's as far as my political ambi-  
tion goes right now," said Bossert.

**Opposition for Underwood**  
Much of the opposition to Senator  
Underwood in the south in his race  
for the Democratic presidential nom-  
ination comes from his unreserved  
denunciation of the Ku Klux Klan.  
Senator Underwood in nearly all his  
references to the Klan has dealt

wholly on the undesirable features of  
it, and he has made no concession to  
the existence of anti-immigration  
sentiment and other local causes  
which have led so many persons in  
the south to join the Klan organiza-  
tion.

Organized labor is also unfriend-  
ly to Underwood in his own state,  
where he is best known. His strong  
opposition to woman suffrage and al-  
so to prohibition are against his  
chances now. It is said that Under-  
wood leaders fear the Klan more than  
any other element.

**Speaking to Former Immigrants**  
The Louisville Courier-Journal said  
recently: "Politicians already are  
playing politics with the Johnson im-  
migration bill now before congress.  
A typical example of this was the  
utterance of Representative La Guar-  
dia in Brooklyn the other day when  
he said, 'This measure is not based  
on reason or economics, but on nar-  
row-minded prejudice, and we will  
have to fight it.'"

**Made a Clean Sweep**  
The Ku Klux Klan proved its po-  
litical strength, if you want to call  
it that way, up in Maine when can-  
didates of three cities, bearing the en-  
dorsement of the Invisible Empire,  
were swept to victory. It was a  
clean sweep in Saco and Rockland,  
and in one instance put into office a  
party that had previously suffered  
successive defeats.

**Opposition Expected**  
Opposition of the La Guardia type  
to immigration was expected and  
ought to be expected. And it may  
be looked for in the future when you  
party that had previously suffered  
successive defeats.

Klansman, do not advertise  
your religion on your stationery,  
but mix it with your every-day  
business so that the whole world  
will see that you didn't learn  
your honesty in six weeks at a  
business college.

## ODD FELLOWS HAVE MEMBERSHIP OF 126,000 IN IOWA; 1250 LODGES FOR MEN AND WOMEN

Of the 1,938,467 Odd Fellows in the  
United States, approximately 66,000  
are found in Iowa according to L.  
W. Smith grand secretary-scribe of  
the I. O. O. F. in Iowa, with offices  
located in Des Moines. There are  
60,000 members of the Rebekah in  
the Hawkeye state and 735,890 in the  
entire country.

In Iowa there are 650 lodges of  
Odd Fellows and 600 lodges of Re-  
bekahs. In Polk county there are  
3500 members of the order. Des  
Moines has nine lodges.

According to a recent report of  
J. Edwin Kroh, grand secretary of  
the Sovereign Grand lodge of Odd  
Fellows, the fraternity now owns 61  
homes for widows and orphans, the

## PAPER GIVES FAIR KLAN NEWS STORY

Dr. G. C. Minor Addresses Audi-  
ence of Selected Men at  
Osceola

OSCEOLA, IA., March 17.—Dr. G.  
C. Minor, of the national lecture  
platform of the Knights of the Ku  
Klux Klan, who is touring Iowa mak-  
ing public addresses in the interest  
of the organization, talked to an au-  
dience of selected men at this place  
recently.

The Tribune here has up to date  
been one of the very few newspapers  
in the state to publish an account of  
Dr. Minor's address. It was entire-  
ly fair in its account, part of which  
is as follows:

"The general tenor of the speech  
was said to have been along patrio-  
tic lines. There was no racial, reli-  
gious or other propaganda indulged  
in. The speaker made an appeal for  
higher ideals in government, a more  
zealous Americanism and declared  
against vice and corruption that ap-  
pears to exist in high places. He also  
discussed in a general way the his-  
tory and growth of the Ku Klux  
movement, endeavoring to show that  
the organization was purely a patri-  
otic and American one at heart op-  
posed to all narrow partisanship and  
racial and religious prejudices, claim-  
ing that the true mission of the  
Klan was to foster safeguard and  
perpetuate the true American prin-  
ciples outlined by the fathers. The  
mildness and conciliatory policy of  
the speaker was a surprise to many,  
who appear to have expected some-  
thing more radical.

"The audience of the speaker was  
composed, it is stated, of lawyers,  
doctors, ministers, business men and  
representative citizens of the town.  
The speaker said that out of seven-  
teen secret orders, the Klan was the  
only one that had its ritual and creed  
on Washington D. C., together with  
the complete membership open to  
the inspection of everybody. The  
nearest he came to touching upon the  
religious phase of his subject is said  
to have been when he jokingly re-  
marked that when Al Smith was  
elected president, Gov. Parker of  
Louisiana vice president, and ex-  
Gov. Walton of Oklahoma made se-  
cretary of state, we would have a  
new star in the flag."

## CITIZENS GIVE SILVER SERVICE TO VESSEL

West Virginia Legislature Falls  
to Pass the Necessary  
Appropriation

CHARLESTON, W. VA., March 10.  
—The West Virginia legislature hav-  
ing failed to make an appropriation  
for a silver service to be presented  
to the battleship "West Virginia,"  
Uncle Sam's newest and mightiest  
dreadnaught which will be commis-  
sioned in a few months, citizens of  
this state are now preparing to pur-  
chase a service through subscription.  
It is the plans of West Virginians  
to purchase one of the best services  
money can buy. Funds are being  
raised by school children. It is the  
plan to have each school student do-  
nate a dime toward the fund. It is  
pointed out that the money can eas-  
ily be raised in this manner.

It is the custom for each state for  
to present the ship with a silver ser-  
vice. The West Virginia legislature,  
which is often times referred to as  
the "modern feast of Belshazzar,"  
failed to make an appropriation to  
take care of the silver service. Seem-  
ingly many of the representatives  
were too busy to think about an ap-  
propriation for a service.

It seems as though the eastern  
press has taken a fendiish delight in  
misrepresenting the inhabitants of  
West Virginia. Citizens of this state  
are equal to any and superior to  
many when it comes to upholding the  
honor of a state. With this thought  
in mind the loyal mountaineers are  
taking private subscriptions that  
this state shall not be made look lit-  
tle, even to presenting a service to  
a ship.

Unemployment in Great Britain  
has commended the most active in-  
terest of the churches. Recently, in  
City Temple, London, a special meet-  
ing of the unemployed was held un-  
der the auspices of a Brotherhood  
Movement. At a conference, just con-  
cluded, of the larger Christian  
churches of Great Britain, it was re-  
solved, in addition to offering tangi-  
ble aid in the present situation, "that  
Christian people cannot rest content  
with an order of society and a  
scheme of industry which appear nec-  
essarily to involve periods of more or  
less acute unemployment."

## Agitator Calls For Revolution in U. S.



WILLIAM Z. FOSTER

Foster is one of the most notori-  
ous bolshevik agitators in the United  
States. He was connected with the  
steel strike of 1919 and was in the  
hands of federal secret service men,  
following his activities. He is head  
of the so-called Trade Union Educa-  
tional league whose main staple of  
"education" is soviet doctrine as it  
is taught in Russia. That Foster is  
agitating for an armed revolution in  
the United States was made plain re-  
cently when he said to a crowd in  
Madison Square Garden in New York  
City: "Join the party of Lenin and  
further the work of revolution in  
the United States."

## CROSS BURNS NEAR POLITICAL CAUCUS

Kasson, Minn., Crowd Gets Real  
Thrill When Emblem Is  
Ignited

KASSON, MINN., March 8.—What  
was apparently a well timed climax  
for Kasson's municipal election cau-  
cus held here Friday night, March 7,  
appeared in the form of the fiery  
cross of the Knights of the Ku Klux  
Klan. The burning emblem sudden-  
ly appeared in all its glory just  
across the street from the place  
where the caucus was held just as  
the voters began leaving the hall.

Speculation was rife as to whether  
the cross was set ablaze by the Klan  
itself, local or outside, or whether  
some practical joker pulled the  
stunt. In either case the spectacle  
was just as effective and made the  
cold chills run up and down the  
spines of some local law breakers,  
and some men of doubtful character.  
Such remarks as "I wonder if the  
Klan has come to Kasson," and "It  
looks as if those dirty robed Kluxers  
have landed here," and others, favor-  
able and otherwise were overheard.

Nobody saw the cross ignited or  
has the slightest idea who is respon-  
sible, but the general opinion is that  
the Klan is spreading throughout  
Dodge county and that many a fiery  
cross will blaze forth this summer.  
The Klan will be welcomed by the  
best citizens here.

FAIRMONT, W. VA., March 11.—A  
nice new shiny Ford touring car, sans  
the proverbial rattle, and with a tank  
full of good gasoline, will be the  
gift of Fairmont Klan, Knights of the  
Ku Klux Klan, to the local Salva-  
tion Army. An order was passed by  
the local Klan body at its Thursday  
night meeting, authorizing the pur-  
chase of an automobile to be donated  
to Captain Alfred Carr, commander  
of the local Salvation Army post.  
While the machine is being present-  
ed to Captain Carr, it is, of course,  
to be the property of the religious  
institution. It is understood that  
among the many things the car will  
be used for, it will transport unfor-  
tunate Fairmont kiddies to and from  
the country during the coming sum-  
mer.

## EVOLUTION SCORED BY BAPTIST PASTOR

Dr. W. B. Riley Makes Address  
Before University of Minne-  
sota Club

ST. PAUL, MINN., March 17.—  
Carrying on his fight against the  
evolution theory to the campus of  
the University of Minnesota, Dr. W.  
B. Riley, pastor of the First Baptist  
church, attacked three text books in  
use at the university in an address  
before the Liberal Discussion club in  
the auditorium of the engineering  
building. He described the books as  
"atheistic."

"If these text books remain and  
professors in sympathy with them  
continue their attacks upon the citi-  
del of revealed religion, the time  
will speedily come when our state  
will be no more secure than is the  
status of Russia, where this social  
gospel already has triumphed against  
God and His word," Dr. Riley said.

"The current notion that man be-  
gan as a fourlegged creature and de-  
veloped to the high level of the  
modernist professor is pitifully short  
of proof," he said. "That philosophy  
would be more readily received had  
the nineteenth century produced an-  
other Moses or the twentieth century  
another Solomon or were America  
now producing such a generation of  
great ones as Greece brought to the  
birth and lifted to eternal fame  
something more than 2,000 years ago."

Mr. Riley declared that the most  
alarming feature of the "evil evolu-  
tion" of the present day is "that it  
is a product of the present day teach-  
ing and its seeds are found not so  
much in society as in the school."

## Klan Gives Pastor Money for Trip

MULVANE, KAN., March 10.—The  
attitude of this country toward the  
Ku Klux Klan has undergone a decid-  
ed change since a body of robed and  
hooded men appeared at the Bethel  
church, near here, last Sunday night  
and presented the pastor with a  
purse to enable him to go to his  
mother's bedside.

The good deed made such an im-  
pression upon members of the con-  
gregation that they passed the hat  
among themselves and collected al-  
most \$100, which was given to the  
pastor. Several men who had previ-  
ously regarded the Klan in an unfa-  
vorable light made application for  
membership following the Bethel  
church incident.

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## STATE FORESTER BLAMED FOR 1918 MOOSE LAKE FIRE

Governor Preus of Minnesota Accuses W. T. Cox In Duluth Speech

LOSS WAS \$60,000,000

Railroads Were Not Prosecuted For Failure to Maintain Patrolmen

DULUTH, MINN., March 5.—Railroads caused the \$60,000,000 Moose Lake fire in October, 1918, and W. T. Cox, former state forester, was blamed by Governor Preus for not prosecuting the railroads, in an address delivered today to a gathering of forest rangers.

The governor asserted that Mr. Cox, at the time of the fire, attempted to lay the blame on the legislature for not making a sufficiently large appropriation in 1917 to enable him to fight forest fires.

Despite a wave of protest, Governor Preus removed Mr. Cox, recognized as one of the foremost forest conservationists in the country because Mr. Cox refused to accede to the wishes of the timber interests.

Interests Get Voice  
The governor accomplished the removal of Mr. Cox by placing on the forestry board members whose interests were with the timber interests rather than with forest conservation.

The governor's statement, in which he seeks to shift the responsibility upon Mr. Cox, follows in part:

"On the twelfth day of October in 1918 I was in Duluth. Smoke was filling the city. Evening came and the city just barely escaped destruction.

tion by fire. The following morning we had the announcement of the most dreadful fire in the history of the state.

Went to Moose Lake  
"I proceeded to Moose Lake, where a great effort was being put forth to save people. Every hour brought reports of those who had been burned to death. Never shall I forget one burial of 186 charred bodies along the roadside at Moose Lake. Never has so profound an impression been made upon me of the helplessness of human effort struggling with the elements.

"Instantly, the question came, 'What was the cause of the fire?' The forester, who was the employee of your board, issued at Federal Dam to the press a statement in which he said: 'The men of the legislature who cut our appropriation from \$150,000 to \$40,000, or \$50,000, are directly responsible for the death roll in the woods.'

"Members of the legislature were charged by the executive officer of your board directly with the destruction of \$60,000,000 worth of property and the lives of 453 human beings. No more cruel, no more false accusation could have been made.

Upholds Legislature

"The legislature had cut the appropriations of your department from \$85,000 a year to \$40,000, in 1917 for the reason that the money which had been appropriated had in part been utilized for political propaganda in the election of 1914 in passing a constitutional amendment known as amendment No. 9. Furthermore, your department was not putting forth the efforts required by law to prevent the great catastrophe of 1918. Section 3795 G. S. 1913, reads as follows: 'When in the judgment of the state forester there is danger of fires from locomotive engines, he shall order any railroad company to provide patrolmen to follow each train throughout such fire patrol district. When the state forester has given a railroad company notice to provide such patrol, the said railway company shall immediately comply, and upon its failure so to do, the state forester may employ patrolmen to patrol the rights-of-way of said railroad, and the expenses of the same shall be charged to the said railroad company and in addition thereto, the said company shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.'

Blames Railroads  
"Why did your department not enforce this statute? You ask me, was the fire caused by locomotives the principal cause of the Moose Lake fire? You have but to consult the court records of the fifty or sixty millions' worth of damage done in that catastrophe.

"The law was not enforced in that year. One man alone devoted his life to checking up locomotives as provided in Section 3796, providing for spark arresters and ash pans, but there is not a single piece of evidence wherein your forestry department employed men to patrol the railroad tracks.

"There were no prosecutions in that year of railroad men who violated the law although the law in that year was most notoriously violated. Seven days before the Moose Lake fire, the Soo line was requested to employ 10 men to patrol the forest area which they traversed. John McLaren, the national forest examiner, in his report entitled 'The Great Minnesota Fire,' made October 30, 1918, states on page 29, 'the region which was fire swept, as I was told by State Forester Cox, has a normal precipitation of from 14 to 20 inches, but this year only about four inches had fallen.'

Urges Enforcement  
"In view of this knowledge in your department, you should have had employees capable of coping with the situation and compelling the railroad companies to obey the law. Had Sections 3795 and 3796, Gen. Stat. 1913, been rigidly enforced by the forestry department, whose specific duty it was to enforce them, the great forest fire of that year would not have claimed the lives of 453 citizens and destroyed \$60,000,000 of property. This board and its employees should see in the future that these laws are enforced.

"I would urge upon this board that the tenure and personnel of the forest rangers be made as permanent as possible. The training which you gentlemen have had in the past constitutes you the best employees for your positions."

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## Jackies in United States Navy Participating in War Maneuvers Off Panama, Take Day and Visit Islands



It was not all work for the sailors of the United States Navy who participated in the sham war maneuvers off the coast of Panama recently. The Jackies enjoyed many side trips to places of interest. The photograph above was taken while a group of them were visiting the Virginia Islands. They are seen on their way from the battleship to Dewey, Culebra island, one of the Virginias.

## Norwegian Novelist Pays Debt Contracted 40 Years Ago When in Minnesota

FORTY years ago, a penniless immigrant, a failure at every job he tried in Minneapolis, his health failing and his high hopes shattered, borrowed \$40.

Recently word came to Minneapolis that Knut Hamsun, most famous Norwegian novelist, has paid his debt at last, 40 years from the day when he was the penniless immigrant who needed the money to ward off death itself.

Back of that brief statement is a long story—the story of the intense youth who came to the northwest, planning to write great poetry to be read by the Norwegians in America, who was discharged from a job as a bricklayer and later failed as a preacher in Minneapolis, who tried to give a lecture tour with the admission price set at 10 cents per person, and failed; who failed by turn at everything he tried, until he went back to Norway and began the writing that has made him famous.

H. M. Johnston met Hamsun when the young Norwegian was clerk in a store owned by John Hart at Elroy, Wisconsin. He had gone there on the suggestion of Professor Erasmus B. Anderson of the University of Wisconsin.

Gave Up Lecture Tour  
"Hamsun had in mind to try a lecture tour in Wisconsin, but somehow his talk, after he had prepared it, did not carry much of an appeal to the people of the state, and he was obliged to give up the idea," Mr. Johnston said. "I was teaching in village school there, and used to give him lessons in English during the winter evenings."

"About this time, he fell ill, and

came to see me as soon as he was able to be up, with a request for some funds. I loaned him \$40 to recuperate."

He went back to Norway. He came back to America again, to work in a logging camp in North Dakota, to spend a winter in Minnesota logging camps, to run a street car in Chicago. Then, in 1888, he went back to Norway, and "Hunger," his greatest success, followed.

Friends Surprised  
Picture the surprise of his old friends in Elroy, and picture the greater surprise of H. M. Johnston, who wrote to Hamsun, congratulating him on his winning of the Nobel prize three years ago, and received this reply.

"Not able to correspond, poor health, unable to work with pen. Have tried during 20 or 30 years to find your address, even through South America. You have perhaps been moving. Someone told me that you were living in Eau Claire. I wrote to Eau Claire, but you were not to be found. Long ago, I got a letter from Silver Lake, Madeline (Minn.), lumberman of that time. I answered him that I was owing you some money, but he did not give me your address. Queer, indeed, our earth is not very large, but you, I could not find."

"I now let a money bank in Christiania send you a check on my debt. You will, I hope, receive it a few days after this letter. I thank you, Mr. Johnston, for your help and your kindness."

The check was for \$40, plus many times the interest due.

## MANY ENDORSE TOWNER-STERLING BILL WHICH CALLS FOR FEDERAL DEPARTMENT

"I know of no more potent influence or effective service that could be rendered education in all parts of the country than the enactment by congress of a measure similar to the Towner-Sterling bill. A department of education in the national government would afford a unifying influence throughout the land which would stabilize and promote educational activities in every state in the union and would in no way interfere with well-established state or local rights and privileges or decrease or minimize the influence of a single state in its educational affairs," declared Dr. Thomas E. Finigan, commissioner of education, commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

"Time after time when I have endeavored to promote some educational reform within my official province, or to effect legislative results which would improve the opportunities of boys and girls, I have felt the need of the power and influence which can be supplied through a federal department of education," he continued. "Having a viewpoint of the state administrator, as I have worked in such capacity all my life, I have no fears whatever of a national department of education interfering with the prerogatives of the state or the influence of the American Library association. 'Not until it is so recognized by placing a secretary in the president's cabinet will it have the attention necessary to its development. Schools and libraries have for years found it necessary to spend part of their strength in fighting an atheistic public for support, and in experimental and research which should be done by a central government department. With public attention focused upon education, our schools and libraries will develop greater efficiency in bringing adequate educational opportunities to all our citizens.'"

"Each state and the nation itself must join in giving to every boy and girl in the land the opportunity of obtaining the education which will best fit them for the service of the republic."

Mrs. Robert E. Speer, president, national board of the Young Women's Christian association, stated her position in the following words: "Believing that the development of personality is the goal of all education, the association's program is based on education, to the end that young women may be able to adapt themselves to their social environment, to appreciate the world in which they live, and to become intelligent and creative citizens in the

social order of their day. Therefore, the Y. W. C. A. is particularly glad to see education come to be considered as one of the major interests of our national life, and to see adequate provision made therefor in our local and national budgets.

The provision for research in education is one of our greatest needs today and should lead us forth into new ways of enriching the life of our people as well as the lives of others.

"As a nation we are striving to achieve democracy. This may only be done by building on the foundation of an educated citizenry. We cannot look with complacency upon the changing forms of our social life so long as their growth and stability are menaced by illiteracy, and the bitterness of soul which comes from lack of opportunity to find one's self in unselfish service. All of these things are problems of education which alone can insure the creation of a sane, intelligent public opinion which shall not become the tool of half-truths nor of propaganda."

"Education is just as important to our national life as commerce, agriculture, labor, or the army," was the assertion of J. T. Jennings, president, American Library association. "Not until it is so recognized by placing a secretary in the president's cabinet will it have the attention necessary to its development. Schools and libraries have for years found it necessary to spend part of their strength in fighting an atheistic public for support, and in experimental and research which should be done by a central government department. With public attention focused upon education, our schools and libraries will develop greater efficiency in bringing adequate educational opportunities to all our citizens."

## Traveling Evangelist Receives Klan Gift

FAIRMONT, W. VA., March 11.—Attired in full regalia of the order, approximately 100 members of Fairmont Klan, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, marched down the aisle of the First Baptist church a recent evening, and presented the Rev. Dr. Harrington, an evangelist who is holding a series of revival services at that institution, with a substantial cash donation. A note accompanied the gift, explaining that it was given in appreciation of the minister's efforts here. Dr. Harrington, who is a traveling evangelist, thanked the men for their donation, after which the robed figures marched quietly out of the church.

## FLAMING CIRCLE RIOT SUPPRESSED AT START

Glenn Young in Full Accord With Action of Federal Grand Jury

MARION, ILL., March 15.—Glenn Young, federal prohibition law enforcement officer, who was the center of the clean-up in Williamson county, Illinois, was in this city recently.

As soon as it was learned that Young was in town, the word was spread to the Flaming Circle, the anti-Klan organization for bootleggers and law breakers in general.

The gang which is opposed to law and order met at Murphysboro and resolved to start on a clean-up beginning at Marion. They left Murphysboro and as their cars were going through Carbondale, the chief of police of that city phoned Chief of Police Thomas Boyd of Marion to be on the lookout. The sheriff was notified and word sent to Herrin. Hugh Willis, under instructions from Sheriff Galligan, requested that part of the troops stationed there proceed to Marion. It was told that the objective point of the Flaming Circle was Whiteside's garage on North Market street, where Mr. Young sometimes puts in part of his time. As the word scattered about Marion that the Flaming Circle was on its way to Marion to get Glenn Young and dynamite Whiteside's garage, several hundred patriotic American citizens gathered and volunteered their services to guard the place. Upon the arrival of the soldiers they marched about the square a few times and went to the garage. Assisted by the citizens who volunteered help, a guard was placed about the garage. It is said there were several hundred guns in the crowd and that four machine guns were planted at convenient places. Several of the guards occupied places on the roof of neighboring houses. Evidently the word received by the Flaming Circle that a warm reception was waiting for them here, as they disbanded shortly after passing through Herrin. Prompt action by the chief of police at Carbondale served to place Marion on its guard and the efficient work of Chief of Police Boyd and his assistants was the means of everything being ready here for the invaders when they should arrive.

Glenn Young was seen by a newspaper representative and seemed quite happy. He answered such questions as were asked him and gave expression to his attitude throughout the investigation at Danville. First, he said that he was in perfect harmony with the federal officers and the federal grand jury in all they did. He had never been disarmed or requested to disarm except by the Sheriff of Danville, and as soon as Young showed him his high authority for carrying arms, the request was withdrawn. And as for the statement made through the press reports that he had called the federal grand jury a "gang of bootleggers," he had never made any such expression. All he said was that two of the members of the jury had been arrested some time ago for bootlegging. The story of wholesale condemnation grew from that statement. He asserted positively that the feeling between him and the federal officers and grand jury were harmonious in every particular. He satisfied them of his authority to conduct the raids, and that was sufficient. They accepted his evidence and the evidence of his witnesses.

Church Memberships Show Increases

The census of religions in the United States for 1923, compiled by the Christian Herald and made public today, shows there are 45,457,366 communicants, representing a gain of 680,015 during the year, as compared with a gain of 797,555 in 1922. There are 286,843 ministers, a gain of 2733, and 237,404 houses of worship, a gain of 2884. Fourteen bodies of Baptists gained 192,520 communicants, raising their totals to an aggregate of 8,237,021, while fifteen bodies of Methodists have 8,622,836 communicants, a gain of 87,683. There are 2,465,841 Lutherans, 22,825 more than last year; 2,465,857 Presbyterians, a gain of 61,200; 1,140,076 Episcopalians, a gain of 10,463 and 1,621,202 communicants of the Disciples of Christ, a gain of 68,490. Among the larger of the other Protestant denominations which show gains are: Reformed, United Brethren, Latter Day Saints, Evangelical, Synod and Congregational.

## British Officials Religious Idealists

It is maintained that the Labor party in England owes its sudden rise to a considerable extent, to the religious idealism which characterizes many of its leaders, and which has drawn into its ranks an unprecedented number of the youth of England. A London daily prints an appeal from a clergyman for a similar idealism in all parties, which declares that "there is a widespread feeling among the younger members of the Unionist party that its leaders must get back to first principles if that party is really to win the allegiance of youth. Never in recent years have high ideals had a bigger opportunity than they have today. Whichever political leader convinces this nation that his program is broad-based on Christian principles will not only command a big majority but will attract to his standard the voiceless millions who in obscurity and loneliness are waiting for the dawn."

## American Bible Society Funds Are Low; Church Members Urged to Act

"The place of the American Bible society in the Presbyterian budget this year is for \$92,340. The actual receipts for the 11 months of the fiscal year is \$30,020, on 32 per cent," writes Frank H. Mann, general secretary.

"It is our hope that the churches throughout the communion may do whatever is possible before the close of the fiscal year on March 31 to complete their quota for the American Bible society. We do not ask for more than is apportioned to us in the budget."

"The society is in the budget because there is no other agency of the church to do Bible work. This society has been recognized for many years by the general assembly as its authorized agency for this essential work."

"There are still many Presbyterian churches where these facts have not been realized or, at least, have not been acted upon."

"We covet a place in the budget of every Presbyterian church throughout the country; and if not already on the budget of your church, we would appreciate such recognition before the close of the present fiscal year."

"We circulate the Scriptures in more than 175 languages without note or comment in practically every country of the world. We do it in the name of the church and we turn to the church for support."

## SHOULD TEACH YOUTH HIGH MORAL IDEALS

St. Paul Parent-Teacher Association of Higher Standard Than Many

ST. PAUL, MINN., March 17.—To break away from being bound by "things," to rise above them and to attain the idealism that makes boys and girls into men and women with resistance enough to withstand wrong and temptation is the immediate goal for which parents and educators should strive, W. F. Webster, superintendent of schools, said at the annual banquet of the Central Council of Parents and Teachers associations, conducted at the Central Y. M. C. A. on March 6.

"If we have not the nerve to do this, we are cowards," Mr. Webster said. "If we do not do it, there is no hope that our children will avoid some of the scandals that are breaking today."

Henry Bessemer, president of the council, as chairman of the meeting, stressed the value of "getting together and exchanging problems and their solutions and devoting all energies to character building."

Minneapolis already excelled in three things he said: Child welfare; law enforcement for juveniles and a parent-teacher magazine.

Philip E. Carlson, principal of Roosevelt high school, urged members to write their representatives at Washington to support the Sterling-Reed bill—which provides for a federal bureau of education—now before congress.

Mrs. Bessemer, chairman of the law enforcement committee, brought out the point that "parents and teachers must be willing to appear as witnesses against lawbreakers, especially in cases of cigarette selling to minors."

E. E. Williams, principal of the Glen Lake farm school, said that every boy at the school—all of them convicted of stealing—was a cigarette addict.

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## GIVE TO CHURCH

VICTOR MINES, W. VA., March 17.—Several members of the Ku Klux Klan, Shinnston, visited the local Protestant church a recent evening and gave the pastor a liberal donation. The minister thanked the mysterious men for their donation, after which they filed silently out of the church. They entered the building while services were in progress. Although robed Klansmen are an oddity here, the presence of the white clad men did not cause any alarm.

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## HALF-FOREIGN NATION CANNOT LONG ENDURE

St. Louis Lawyer Gives Stirring Address to Genoa, Ill., Audience

GENOA, ILL., March 10.—A fiery cross burning on the outskirts of town, proclaimed to the citizens of Genoa, that the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan was very much alive in their city. The fact was further demonstrated when C. I. Hoy, prominent lawyer of St. Louis, Mo., addressed a public gathering of more than 500 people here on the principles of the Knights of the Klan.

Mr. Hoy sketched very interestingly the birth of our nation, and the nation Washington and his followers had planned with the people of the same speech, manners and religion, compared with the United States at the present time wherein 11 different tongues are spoken every day within its boundaries.

Lincoln said a country half slave and half free couldn't stand, while the Klan holds that a country half foreign, with foreign ideals, manners and speech, cannot stand. The case of the Bible being taken out of our public schools was also pleaded by Mr. Hoy.

That the Klan has some of the best men in the country, in all walks of life, rich and poor, in all institutions, in congress, in the senate, and closely related to the cabinet, was intimated by Mr. Hoy. "Our enemies have accused us of everything vile and corrupt, of being murderers, and even of treason to our country, but they have never proven a single accusation. The futility of their efforts is shown in the fact that while so much was stirred up in Louisiana against the Klan, Louisiana now has a governor who is in sympathy with the Klan."

## Camp Meade Builders Sued for \$7,000,000

(Bureau of Publication and Education)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 17.—And here we have another "war fraud" case coming up. The long list has been extended to the builders of Camp Meade, United States District Attorney Woodcock has filed suit to recover \$7,000,000 from Smith, Hauser & McIsaac, New York contractors. They "wantonly, recklessly and fraudulently wasted the government's material and money," in building the cantonment, it is charged. The camp cost the government \$18,000,000, according to the complaint.

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## Daily Index to Congress

Monday, March 10

SENATE—Met at noon; adjourned at 5:03 p. m.

During consideration of the crop diversification bill, by a vote of 34 to 28, refused to approve an item of \$5,000,000 to be loaned to farmers to finance purchases of fertilizers, as proposed by Senator Harriid, of Georgia.

Chairman Norris, of Agricultural committee, argued that the government was largely responsible for prevailing distress among the wheat farmers and should regard their situation as outside usual limitations.

Senator King, Utah, attacked provisions of the bill as "violating the constitution" and more to be condemned than the committee who seek to overthrow the government.

Senator Reed, Missouri, expressed his sympathy for the farmers but said he was opposed to "taking money, gathered from all the people, for the benefit of a particular class."

Senator Dill, Washington, proposed a constitutional amendment under which all justices of the supreme court would be selected by the president from the inferior courts, the latter to be elected by direct vote of the people.

Attorney General Daugherty advised the senate in response to a resolution that the packer's dissolution decree of 1920 had been fully carried out except for clauses dealing with unrelayed commodities and to the stockyards, and that these had been carried out "in spirit."

A bill extending until April, 1925, the time within which certain claims for refunds on 1917 and 1918 taxes may be entertained by the treasury was passed.

The Finance committee agreed to complete administrative features of the revenue bill before taking any action on rates of taxation. An amendment was approved limiting to six years the period in which the government may institute court proceedings to collect tax assessments.

Senator Walsh, of the oil investigating committee, announced that reports of experts showed that so far Senator Elkins and Attorney General Daugherty are the only public officials who had transactions in Sinclair oil stock.

HOUSE—Met at noon; adjourned at 5:45 p. m.

Passed the McKenzie bill providing for the acceptance of Henry Ford's offer for the Muscle Shoals project by a vote of 227 to 142. Efforts to make drastic changes in the measure failed, and it goes to the senate virtually as reported by the military affairs committee.

An amendment under which the project would be placed under the federal water power act and the term of the lease reduced from 100 to 50 years was defeated by a vote of 224 to 144.

Republican leaders turned down a last-minute attempt by party members to put through a resolution pro-

viding for a 25 per cent reduction in income taxes payable this year.

Tuesday, March 11

SENATE—Met at noon; adjourned at 5 p. m.

Continued, without final action, the farm diversification bill for wheat growers and, by a vote of 49 to 15, rejected an amendment that would exclude added \$25,000,000 for the same purpose for loans to cotton growers.

Senator Brookhart, Iowa, charged the Chamber of Commerce of the United States was "attempting to become the super-government of the United States."

President Coolidge transmitted a brief special message to congress recommending a reduction before March 15 of 25 per cent on income taxes for 1923 and declared the importance of such action would justify laying aside all other legislative business for its consideration.

Senator Brookhart, chairman of the Daugherty investigating committee, introduced a resolution designed to give that body authority to travel about the country and hold hearings if the committee thought it desirable.

From Southern Pines, N. C., where he has gone to recover his health, Senator Lenroot, Wisconsin, on the advice of his physician, has tendered his resignation as chairman and member of the public lands committee, now engaged in the oil investigation.

Four California organizations before the immigration committee of the senate urged retention in the pending bill of the section which excludes aliens not eligible to citizenship. This is the section against which the Japanese embassy has protested.

HOUSE—Met at noon; adjourned at 5:55 p. m.

After an all-day debate, decided to leave to the department of justice for the present investigation of charges against two representatives before a Chicago grand jury. The resolution reported by the judiciary committee, which also instructed the department of justice to proceed without delay in the investigation, was adopted by a vote of 222 to 108.

In the debate Representative Zihlman, Maryland, whose name has been mentioned, demanded the house authorize a searching investigation and declared he was guilty of no wrongdoing.

Chairman Green, of the ways and means committee, said the soldier bonus bill would be completed this week and probably be ready to submit to the house for its consideration by Monday of next week.

Wednesday, March 12

SENATE—Met at noon; recessed at 5 p. m.

Continued debate on the bill to appropriate \$50,000,000 for diversification of crops of the wheat-raising farmers of the northwest, but without final action.

A partisan debate on the subject of taxation was precipitated when Democratic Leader Robinson said he believed President Coolidge knew it would be impossible to obtain action on his request by March 15 reducing rates on income taxes payable for 1923 by 25 per cent.

Adopted the Couzens resolution for an investigation of the internal revenue bureau and a committee was

appointed, consisting of Senator Watson, Couzens, Ernst, Jones and King. Senator McKeller made a demand upon Congress for legislation authorizing publicity of income tax returns.

Representatives of the federal council of churches committee on American-Japanese relations before the immigration committee urged that any modification in restriction of Japanese immigration should be the result of conference and negotiation with the Tokyo government and through legislation.

The committee investigating Attorney General Daugherty held its opening session, with Mrs. Hoxie Stinson, of Columbus, Ohio, divorced wife of Jesse W. Smith, as the first witness. She testified concerning the source of Smith's income, both before and after his coming to Washington.

When Paul Howland, attorney for Mr. Daugherty, sought to make a preliminary statement he was refused, and a moment later when he objected to the general line of questions Senator Wheeler, conducting the prosecution, charged Mr. Howland with attempting to "bulldoze" him.

HOUSE—Met at noon; adjourned at 5:20 p. m.

Reversing its action of Tuesday, the house ordered a congressional investigation of criminal charges said to have been developed before a Chicago grand jury against two members of the house. A resolution to that effect, offered by Democratic Leader Garrett, was adopted viva voce after motion to refer the resolution to the committee on rules had been defeated by a vote of 197 to 158.

Carrying a total of \$326,224,993, or \$16,224,268 less than last year, the annual army appropriation bill was reported to the house. It provides for the regular army at the present strength of 12,000 commissioned officers and 125,000 enlisted men.

The subcommittee of ways and means formulating the soldier bonus bill fixed the paid-up life insurance policies which will be given veterans at a value of \$1 a day for home service and \$1.25 a day for overseas service, the total cost of the bonus being estimated at \$2,000,000,000.

Thursday, March 13

SENATE—Met at noon; adjourned at 5:35 p. m.

Defeated the Norbeck-Burnett bill, first of the special farm relief measures to be taken up at this session, by a vote of 32 to 41. Against the bill were 23 Democrats and 18 Republicans, while 10 Democrats and 20 Republicans and 2 Farmer-Laborers voted for it.

After a three-hour debate in executive session the liquor treaty between the United States and Great Britain was ratified by a vote of 61 to 7.

In a letter put into the Congressional Record, Senator Cameron, of Arizona, who had been charged with attempting to gain control of Bright Angel trail into the Grand canyon by refusing to vacate claims on lands of the supreme court, stated that for many years prior to the creation of the Grand Canyon National park he has had no interest in claims title to which is being litigated by the government.

Discussing the question of Japanese immigration before the immigration committee of the senate, former Senator Phelan of California, declared that efforts to deal adequately with Japanese immigration have failed because of "subversive character" of American diplomacy, "actuated by fear mostly" in dealing with Japan.

Before the finance committee Secretary Mellon pointed out that the money paid to the United States by England and other countries by their loans must be applied under the law to the retirement of the bonds which made those loans possible and could not be used as a means of making a greater surplus available for tax reduction.

Appointment of Senator Ladd as chairman of the committee investigating the oil question was confirmed by the senate, but the vacancy caused by the resignation of Senator Lenroot was not filled.

The Daugherty investigating committee heard further testimony from Miss Roxie Stinson, divorced wife of Jesse W. Smith. Senators Wheeler and Ashurst, Democratic members of the committee, again charged Paul Howland, attorney for Mr. Daugherty, with "trying to run a bluff on the committee."

HOUSE—Met at noon; adjourned at 5:58 p. m.

Considered the conference report on the interior department appropriation bill.

By a vote of 305 to 49 passed a bill which would authorize transfer to the coast guard of surplus naval vessels adapted for patrol work.

Representatives of the Northern Pacific railroad before the public lands committee denied charges that the company had sought to obtain title through erroneous claims to 3,000,000 acres of national forest lands.

The ways and means committee ordered a favorable report on the house on the soldier bonus bill providing for paid-up life insurance policies and cash payments to veterans not entitled to more than \$50. An attempt will be made to bring the bill up in the house for consideration the first of next week under suspensions of the rules.

Friday, March 14

SENATE—Met at noon; recessed at 5 p. m.

Debated the Norris resolution for a constitutional amendment providing for the inauguration of the president and the beginning of the congress in the January following election, without reaching a final conclusion.

Toward the close of the day Senator Harris, of Georgia, offered an amendment to fix the presidential term at six years, with ineligibility for re-election.

Passed bill making Lincoln's birth-

## Assists in Legal Side of Oil Case



K. H. HOLLEN

Attorney Hollen has been engaged by the government to assist in the prosecution of the charges growing out of the oil scandal over the leasing of Elk Hills and Teapot Dome naval oil reserve stations. He is a Chicago lawyer.

day anniversary a legal holiday in the District of Columbia.

Senator Shipstead, Minnesota, introduced a resolution asking for information from the state department concerning the \$100,000,000 loan to France and what steps have been taken to collect the French war debt.

Senator Harrison, Mississippi, in a speech declared that President Coolidge was waiting "until the presidential electoral delegates have been chosen in Ohio" to oust Attorney General Daugherty from the cabinet.

Sensors Reed and Pepper, of Pennsylvania, and Copeland, of New York, directing attention to the large population of their states and declaring a senatorship is financially a losing proposition, asked the senate to grant them additional money for clerk hire, but Senator Willis, of Ohio, blocked action by demanding similar benefits be extended to other senators.

Senator Brookhart, Iowa, gave notice he intended to introduce a resolution for an investigation of alleged lobbying for the Ford Muscle Shoals offer, adding he had "considerable information along this line."

President Coolidge sent to the senate the nomination of Chief Justice Curtis D. Wilbur, of the California supreme court, to be secretary of the navy.

Hearings on the pending restrictive immigration bill closed and the committee will take up the bill for consideration and action in executive session next week.

The Daugherty investigating committee heard Gaston B. Means, former agent of the department of justice, now under indictment, who related the details of many alleged sensational investigations in which he pictured himself as taking a chief part.

HOUSE—Met at noon; adjourned at 6:10 p. m.

Passed a deficiency bill, carrying a total of \$125,000,000 which \$13,850,000 was for addition coast guard craft and personnel for use against rum runners.

Speaker Gillett announced he would entertain a motion to suspend the rules and pass the soldier bonus bill approved by the ways and means committee, which insures a vote Tuesday, when the bill is to be called up.

Saturday, March 15

SENATE—Continued the debate on the Norris resolution proposing a change of date for inaugurations and for the assembling of new congresses. Much favorable discussion heard in behalf of the amendment of Senator Harris, of Georgia, to make the presidential term for six years only with ineligibility for re-election. Both political parties seem to favor this amendment but it is doubtful if it will pass when it comes right down to voting for it.

Senator Harrison, of Mississippi, renewed his attack on President Coolidge, charging the chief executives with playing politics along with senators of both parties in the senate. In fact the whole thing, so far as this session of congress is concerned, is a game of politics. Legislation is consequently suffering. Senators don't enjoy being told this is true but it is the truth that hurts.

HOUSE—Met at noon; in session most of the afternoon.

Debated items in the navy appropriation bill.

Lecturer Injects Wit Into Americanism Talk

WHITEWATER, KAN., March 18.—The largest audience ever seated in the local high school auditorium since it was erected last year enjoyed a lecture of fun and philosophy on Americanism as related to the Ku Klux Klan delivered by the Rev. Arthur Brooks, Newton, recently. Music was provided by the Ku Klux Klan quartet.

Labor organizations and Christians will be discussed for six Sunday morning conferences at the First Congregational church, Cambridge, Mass., beginning March 9. Men acquainted with both sides of recent labor controversies will speak at these forums.

## Congress and Country Get Nowhere With Buck-Passing, Pussyfooting and Gabbing

(Bureau of Publication and Education)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 12.—Let's take another look at the political situation while we are indoors and March weather is at its worst. We have heard a lot about the slush funds, particularly as to oil, and now we are kept indoors by another slush, composed principally of snow, rain, sleet and high winds. This nasty weather won't last long, and three months from right now we will be in the midst of national conventions in Cleveland and New York, and the merry month of June will be with us.

Presidential primaries are going on all around us, and within a few weeks all the delegates to both national conventions will have been selected and the roar of political battle will be heard on all sides. Democratic leaders in Washington are growing more and more confident from week to week of victory, and they now feel positive that any good Democrat can win.

On the other hand, President Coolidge and the Republican leaders are becoming more and more confident every day that the man in the White House is going to be nominated without any trouble, and elected after a short, sharp skirmish with the enemy.

May Use Big Stick

It begins to look as though the silent, careful, cautious, conservative man in the White House might resurrect Teddy's Big Stick and proceed to use it pretty soon on congress. The president sent congress a little message this week that had ringing in it it sounded like the crack of a whip when President Coolidge asked congress to lay aside all other issues before it right now and get busy and cut the 1923 taxes for the benefit of the taxpayers of the country. The country, as a whole, will like that.

Then the president proceeds to tell or intimate to congress that it has been in session three months and has not enacted into law a single one of the 58 specific pieces of legislation which he recommended in his first message in early December. No president likes to recommend and then have his recommendations ignored. Therefore, Mr. Coolidge is likely to drag out the Big Stick and commence using it pretty soon, if he expects to accomplish what he started out to do.

Nothing But Investigations

The trouble with congress is that the fellows up on Capitol hill have forgotten that they are sent here to legislate and they seem to have turned into investigating bodies and nothing else. The country is going to get mad one of these days and say: "Oh shucks, what do all these investigations amount to any way? It looks like it is all being done for political purposes and every body is playing the political game for all it is worth. It makes us tired. Why not get down to real serious business?"

Lenroot Resigns

Chairman Lenroot, of the oil investigating committee, has sent his resignation as head of that committee to Washington from down south where he is resting and trying to regain his health which he claims is shattered by hard work the last three months at the head of this investigating committee. He says he now realizes that he is nearing the point of complete exhaustion and gives up his place to another senator.

Now the country wants to know if all this gossip, rumors, reports, plain gabble if you please, for the last three months is to get us anything, or is it all to go up as a smoke screen. The nation is more than anxious that all mystery about this affair soon be cleared up and let the country count on some tangible results. If it don't, the country is sooner or later going to regard all this fuss as one big, grand bluff.

Government Still Lives

However, the government at Washington still lives and there is a little less hysteria in the air right now than there was weeks ago. People

## KLAN ORGANIZED IN STORM LAKE, IOWA

Meeting Held Recently Brings Many into American Order

STORM LAKE, IA., March 18. The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan have organized a local unit here, and scores of the best Protestant American citizens of the community are flocking to its standard.

A meeting was recently held in a downtown hall, and a speaker for the organization made an address outlining its principles and aims.

The Storm Lake Tribune makes the statement that the membership of the local unit totals 70, but they don't know half of it.

Plans are under way by Storm Lake Klansmen to hold one of the earliest outdoor meetings of the spring. At that time Klansmen from surrounding counties will participate in the ceremonies.

Mill City Man Files For Railroad Board

MINNEAPOLIS, March 11.—L. J. Altman, 1317 Russell avenue, north, today filed his name as the first candidate for the state railroad and warehouse commission. His filing, in the secretary of state's office, says he will run on the Farmer-Labor ticket.

## DE MOLAY SEEKS TO DOUBLE MEMBERSHIP

Grand Council Wants 125,000 New Members Before San Francisco Conclave

KANSAS CITY, MO., March 17.—Discussion of detailed plans to extend its service to youth and to double the present membership of the order marked the close here of the fourth annual session of the grand council of the order of De Molay.

Frank S. Land of Kansas City, founder of the order and now grand scribe, declared that, as a result of the momentum gained at the sessions just ended, efforts to double the membership by the end of another year were sure to be successful. In the four years since the order was founded the membership has grown to 125,000. Fifty thousand boys have attained the age limit of the order, 21 years and automatically have become inactive.

Changes made in the by-laws by the De Molay grand council were a shift in the annual session date from the first to the third Monday in March and the end of the fiscal year from December 30 to September 30. The latter was to give headquarters offices in Kansas City time to complete reports from chapters of the order in various parts of the world.

Following next year's session in San Francisco, the council will meet in Kansas City in 1926 and at intervals of two years thereafter. Judge Alexander G. Cochran of St. Louis, who presided at sessions here, respectively Dr. Edgar C. Powers, Catonsville, Md., Grand chaplain, and Louis G. Lower, Kansas City, Grand Sentinel.

## State Legion Head Warns Against Strife

Ludwig Roe, Minnesota Legion commander, in an address Tuesday night warned the American Legion against factional strife.

He spoke before Merriam Park and St. Anthony posts in Liberty Hall, Selby and Snelling avenues. In his address he also reminded legionnaires of their individual responsibility for work done in their own districts.

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