

## TWILIGHT'S THINKINGS

THE SOUL OF THE KLAN  
AN EDUCATIONAL FETISH  
THE HOLY WRIT

THE Living Christ is the Center of the Ku Klux Klan. The spirit of the Nazarene gives the Protestant movement its mountainous strength for the upholding of righteousness. With a Christ-kindled zeal the citizens of the Invisible Empire have concentrated their forces for the overthrow of evil. With its divine soul the Klan will ever move forward toward the zenith of human betterment. We must never forget that Jesus is the Criterion of all Klansmen, and therefore the dominating factor of our organization. If the day ever comes, and God forbid, when the Galilean no longer glorifies the Ku Klux Klan that day will mark the passage of our movement as a power for good. We should early come to realize that the Eternal Spirit dwells not in the darkness of the Satan-ic night. It behooves you, Klansmen all, that you keep the Lamp of High Twelve burning bright in the Tower of the Invisible Empire.

IN OUR SCHOOLS, it is true, we have been worshipping a fetish, "knowledge for the sake of knowledge." Our courses of study have been organized from the standpoint of culture rather than efficient living. Someone has said: "Scholarship is not the aim of American schools, and never should be; the emphasis upon it has isolated schools from public service, promoted pedantry, aristocracy, and snobbery. So long as subjects not citizenship remain the aim of educational institutions of this country, these institutions will be anti-democratic." O. H. Benson says: "Education is life, but it does not follow that knowledge is life. Very often it is dead, inorganic, and putrefying. Knowledge is not power. Only the application of knowledge to human needs gives it power."

Professor W. C. Bagley says: "Many of the so-called culture studies have little or no practical utility under present conditions. They represent, in other words, experiences which the individual has very little occasion to apply to existing problems of life. Yet they remain a part of the curriculum of the schools, and in many cases they dominate the curriculum. They are condoned and justified in various ways—some of the attempts to justify their continuance being so labored and involved as almost to appear ridiculous. The real reason for their persistence, however, is that they represent, especially in ultra-conservative countries like England, 'the things that a gentleman must know,' which is only another way of saying that they give a man the earmarks of gentility—certain habits of thought, certain tricks of speech, that serve to differentiate him from the ungentle." The American schools are gradually getting away from that educational fetish which we have worshipped too long, "knowledge for the sake of knowledge." But only the other day I entered a classroom in one of our high schools where the students were struggling with the various dynasties of ancient Egypt. The end is not yet.

I WONDER how much dust covers your Bible. It would be interesting to know how well preserved your copy of the Word of God really is. Are there any finger prints or marginal notations on its pages? Can you turn quickly to John iii:16 or Esther iii:5? Have you ever read the second chapter of the general Epistle of Jude. Some people know so little about the Bible that they think that the Epistles were the wives of the Apostles. Many of you know your ledgers and journals better than Holy Writ. Every dozen times in a while I come across women, yes, mothers, who are more familiar with the writings of Bertha Clay than the Sublime Library. To not a few, "Ashes of Love," is more interesting than the Gospel according to St. John. I, when all is said and done, would rather have my children grow to adulthood with only a common school education and a thorough knowledge of God's Word than a college education minus a Biblical training. Consider well that statement.

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## SCHMAHL ENTERS RACE FOR GOPHER GOVERNORSHIP

Was Secretary of State for  
14 Years—Is Sixth  
Republican

### "MORE THE MERRIER"

Scores Indifference of Citizenship  
in Exercising Prerogatives  
of Government

Julius A. Schmah, for 14 years secretary of state, has filed for the Republican nomination for governor at the state primary election June 16. In a statement issued at the time of his filing with Secretary of State Mike Holm, Mr. Schmah said that he was entering the primary race as a "friendly competitor," and not as an opponent of those already filed.

Six Republicans in Race  
With this latest entry, there are now six Republicans in the gubernatorial race. They are:  
Curtis M. Johnson of Rush City; Theodore Christanson of Dawson; O. P. B. Jacobson of Minneapolis; Mayor George E. Leach of Minneapolis; and Franklin F. Ellsworth, Minneapolis attorney and author, and Mr. Schmah.

"Numerosity of filings in a primary election is desirable as long as they are friendly competitors and not uncompromising opponents," Mr. Schmah's statement said.

Sees Interest Stimulated  
"They stimulate party interest and give every voter an opportunity to express his individual preferences, and if harmonious action follows primary results, they form an active, enthusiastic working force that presages success at the polls."

"I am constrained to believe that there never has been a time when the exigencies of the situation made a Republican victory as essential to the welfare of the state and nation as at present. Any candidate who enters the Republican primaries who does not unqualifiedly pledge his support to the winners is not entitled to any support at the hands of the Republicans, and to such support I pledge myself without reservation or qualification."

Less Taxes  
"The paramount issue before the public is the lessening of the almost intolerable burden of taxation, ditto."

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## ROCHESTER KLANSMEN ENTERTAIN NEIGHBORS

Delegations from Winona, Faribault and Northfield Attend Meeting

ROCHESTER, MINN., May 1.—Klansmen from Winona, Faribault, Northfield, and other nearby cities were the guests of the Olmsted county Klan tonight. The Winona delegation was the largest, numbering more than a hundred.

During the evening a program was presented by the Olmsted county Klansmen, which was much enjoyed by all present. The Imperial Representative for Minnesota and a national lecturer were called upon for short addresses filled with many interesting points of thought.

Dr. W. Smith Harper  
Talks in Minnesota

CLAREMONT, MINN., April 30.—Dr. W. Smith Harper conducted Easter services at the Presbyterian church of this place. On the Sunday of April 20 he filled the pulpit, substituting for the Rev. Mr. Rothwell, who is confined to the hospital at Owatonna. Large congregations listened to the sermons. Many here would like to hear Dr. Harper again, and hope he may return in the near future.

Sunday, May 4, Dr. Harper preached in the Olivet Methodist Episcopal church at Minneapolis. The doctor was well received.

## CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES MAY BE ABOLISHED BY 150 HOUSE MEMBERS

(Bureau of Publication and Education)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 5.—A big and important fight is on in the house of representatives this week over one of the new rules adopted by this congress, viz., if 150 members of the house sign a petition to discharge a committee, the matter can be brought to the floor of the house for action. One of the first test cases under this new rule was brought by Representative Barkley, of Kentucky. The Kentucky member has been trying to get the interstate commerce committee to consider his bill for the abolition of the railroad labor board, and he claims the committee has pigeon-holed it as per an old custom. Mr. Barkley therefore got busy and got the necessary signatures

## Missouri City Officials Would Arrest Klan News Agent

SPRINGFIELD, MO., May 5.—City officials are discriminating against patriotic newspapers. They recently ordered a policeman at a depot to bar The Fiery Cross from the platform, but continue to allow the sale of the Knights of Columbus organs and St. Louis newspapers.

## LAND FRAUD EVIDENCE BLOCKED BY SENATOR

Chairman Moses Refuses to Allow Kansas City Witnesses to Testify

(Bureau of Publication and Education)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 6.—Senator Heflin, of Alabama, and his attorney, James R. Page, of Kansas City, Mo., are having a hard time of it with the subcommittee appointed to hear the case against R. B. Creger and others for alleged land frauds in the Rio Grande valley in Texas. For instance, the government went to the expense of bringing witnesses from Kansas City to Washington to tell what they knew of the treatment of prospective land purchasers after they were herded together in Kansas City, loaded on Pullman cars, special cars for the trip to Texas having been secured, and then what steps were taken by the Texas companies to handle the prospects after they were aboard the train.

Chairman Moses, New Hampshire, would not permit the Kansas City witnesses to tell what action the land company agents took on the train to give the new homeowners certain information, they were taken to get and to keep away from them any others who might want to give them other information. This testimony will be gotten into The Record.

## HUGE CEREMONY HELD

Candidates Brought Onto Field in Impressive Manner by Robed Men

MONCK'S CORNER, S. C., May 2.—Thousands of people gathered near here a few nights ago to witness the open-air ceremony of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. It was one of the most impressive sights witnessed here in many years and caused much favorable comment from the spectators.

The initiation ceremony was preceded by a short speech by the Rev. S. J. Parrish, of St. George, who spoke on Americanism. He stressed the importance of every true American citizen being on the alert in behalf of his country.

At the conclusion of this important address a signal was given in the woodland near the ceremonial grounds, and hundreds of robed Klansmen marched onto the field in an orderly manner, without speaking a word. Behind the robed Klansmen came scores of candidates in charge of an officer of the Klan, who directed their movements with military commands.

Dr. Nowell Talks at  
Macon Georgia

MACON, GA., April 30.—Dixie Klan No. 33 has just had the pleasure of hearing a great orator in the person of Dr. L. H. Nowell, of Chattanooga, Tennessee. A large audience was in attendance, and enthusiasm ran high. Dr. Nowell's message was an inspiring masterpiece of intellectual appeal, and it was received by his listeners with the appreciation it so much deserved. The local Klan has opened a drive for 1,500 new members before June 15.

Klansmen Give Purse  
To Baptist Church

LAURENS, S. C., May 2.—After the song and prayer service at the Lucas Avenue Baptist church Sunday night, eight robed Klansmen entered the door and marched down the aisle to the pulpit, where they presented Rev. J. E. Dupree with a well-filled purse. A note accompanying the gift stated that the donation was made by the Thomas B. Crews Klan "as a recognition of the splendid work you have done while in our midst."

## Primary Versus the Old Convention Days Debated

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., April 25.—The moot question, "Party convention or direct primary?" was before Lincoln club members Friday noon at a luncheon in the West hotel. Representative John E. Stevens of the Thirty-third district argued for the return of the party convention system, claiming that the primary is a heavy expense, that the selection of a party nominee is not obtained by majority vote, and that a convention is necessary to establish a platform to which candidates would be held responsible.

W. T. Coe championed the present direct primary. He contended that in the 23 years of its operation in Minnesota, and particularly the last 12 years when it was state-wide, no public scandals have arisen in the state, and the caliber of men in public office has been high. He believed the judicial branch of the government in particular had been elevated by the primary.

Stevens Opposes Primary  
"I oppose the primary system," Mr. Stevens told the Republicans at the luncheon, "because the large expense involved endangers the freedom of the candidate more than a regulated convention system. It takes \$50,000 to reach the voters of Minnesota with one circular letter alone. The primary prevents the calling or drafting a candidate and forces the selection to be from those who seek office for no other reason than to satisfy their own ideas and desires."

## O'Brien County Klan Unit Has Complete Band

SHELDON, IA., May 5.—The O'Brien county Klan unit claims the first complete band in the state. It will not be long until the band is composed of 100 pieces.

The first public appearance of the band was made recently when a large meeting was held at Hartley near here. There were over 700 men present, and over 200 of them took the obligation of citizenship in the Invisible Empire.

On the Saturday night before Easter large fiery crosses were burned in Sheldon, Sanborn and Hartley. The citizens of these communities know that the Klan is active in the county. With the coming of good weather and an improvement in roads, it is confidently expected by local Klan officials that there will be great increases in membership. There are many Protestant Americans throughout the county who are anxiously awaiting the opportunity to join the ever-growing throng of Klansmen.

## FT. MADISON PASTORS PRAISE KU KLUX KLAN

Special Services Held in Many Churches of Southern Iowa Community

FORT MADISON, IA., May 5.—The Protestant ministers of this community believe that in the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is the one organization that will weld all Protestant Americans in one common bond.

Recently 20 robed members of the order visited the Santa Fe Avenue Methodist Episcopal church and presented the Rev. Mr. Whitman, pastor, with an envelope containing \$25. The Klansmen entered the church from the basement as the congregation was singing. They knelt in front of the altar and participated in prayer with the congregation and pastor. Following the service a fiery cross was burned from a hilltop on the opposite side of town.

An open meeting for the Klan was recently held at the Christian church by the Rev. Mr. Kindred, who came to Fort Madison from Oklahoma. He talked on the principles of the organization. A similar meeting was held on a recent Sunday evening by the Rev. Mr. Miller of the Baptist church. Tenets of Klankraft were praised by the minister and pointed out as being principles of Americanism and Christianity.

During the funeral service here of Mr. Bowser, a railroad engineer, four Klansmen appeared at his grave and planted a huge fiery cross, made of flowers. Mr. Bowser was a resident of St. Joseph, Missouri, and his body was brought here for burial.

The Women of the Ku Klux Klan are growing rapidly in this territory as well as in the men's organization.

## Klan Grows in Spite of Much Opposition

WALNUT, KAN., May 5.—Misrepresentation of the Ku Klux Klan in so-called news stories and the determined opposition to it were named as two of the reasons for the order's rapid growth by a lecturer of the organization at a recent open meeting here.

The order is not anti anything, the speaker declared. It wants everyone to enjoy their rights as guaranteed under the constitution, he said. The speaker declared that many confused the present organization with the one of 1867 and pointed out that there was no reason for distrust, as the early organization was not a lawless one.

## Klan Has Great Future in Minnesota, Says Representative

In a conversation recently the Imperial Representative of Minnesota expressed himself so enthusiastically as to reveal an optimistic attitude toward Klan problems in the Gopher state. He has been traveling in various parts of the state getting matters adjusted for a membership drive that will open the eyes of the "antis" to the determination of Americans in Minnesota.

## EX-POLICE CHIEF SHOULD GO TO JAIL

John Lick of Faribault Faces  
Sentence for Bootlegging  
Liquor

(By EYETHERE)

Friends, Americans, Klansmen, lend me your ears:  
Recently former Chief of Police John Lick of Faribault, Minnesota, was arrested while in the act of transporting liquor, and when his residence was searched, liquor aggregating twelve gallons was found.

When arraigned in justice court, John Lick pleaded guilty to maintaining a nuisance, and was fined \$100.00 and costs. At the preliminary hearing on the transportation charges, Lick waived examination and was taken before District Judge Fred W. Senn and pleaded guilty. Whereupon the judge imposed a sentence of \$150.00 fine and 45 days in Rice county jail.

The judge since has granted Mr. Lick two stays of sentence, the last to expire May 8, but listen, dear reader, rumors are current that delegations of the bootlegger's sympathizers have made special trips to Waseca and called upon His Honor asking for lenience for Mr. Lick, it is further rumored that boasts have been made that John Lick will never go to jail.

The citizens of Faribault, including even some of the bootlegger's patrons, are wrathful at the prospect of a suspended sentence in Mr. Lick's case, and are clamoring for law and justice to take its course. The proper disposal of this case will set a precedent and admonish all officers and representatives of the people not to betray the public trust in the future.

The 100 per cent Americans of Rice county and all good citizens who want to see the constitution upheld and the laws enforced are expecting a vindication of our good judge in spite of the hypnotic efforts of the un-American element.

## EX-ATTORNEY GENERAL FIGHTS SENATE PROBE

Harry M. Daugherty Files Suit  
Against Upper House and  
Brookhart Committee

(Bureau of Publication and Education)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 3.—Former Attorney General Daugherty has staged a comeback, and the senate investigating committee is now preparing to force a showdown on the issue. The committee will challenge his authority to stop examination of his private telegrams and will ask Attorney General Stone to contest action on the injunction.

Mr. Daugherty has filed suit in the district supreme court against the Brookhart committee, the sergeant-at-arms of the senate and the Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies to prevent the committee from investigating. While the suit is directed at the production of telegrams, Daugherty challenges the committee's power to investigate his alleged failure to prosecute anti-trust cases and Albert B. Fall, Harry Sinclair and E. L. Doheny.

Committee members have been ordered to appear soon to show cause why injunctions should not be issued against Brookhart and Wheeler are considerably aroused over the suit. Mr. Daugherty in his brief declared "the committee is conducting an inquiry into the affairs of a private citizen."

## Patriots Placed on Board of Education

RICH HILL, MO., May 5.—Receiving the support of Klansmen and other patriots in the recent election, three representative citizens were elected to membership on the board of education by majorities of five to one. As a part of their program of law enforcement, local Klans have advertised cash rewards for the apprehension and conviction of parties committing certain crimes in the town.

## DEGREE TEAM INITIATES Class at Vero, Florida

VERO, FLA., May 2.—Last Wednesday night Vero Klan No. 24, naturalized citizens as well as aliens, with the assistance of Albert Sidney Johnson Klan No. 50. Preparations had been made for sometime for this class and the famous Kloranic drill team of the West Palm Beach Klan was invited to attend and put on the work for the Vero Klan.

## TO SETTLE MAYFIELD CASE NOW

Senate Committee Could Arrive at Legal Decision at Once, if It Desires

BASED ON CHALLENGE

Attorney W. F. Zumbrunn for  
Texas Senator Brings Up  
Startling Point

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 2.—A plea for immediate decision on the contested election of Senator Mayfield of Texas, was made before the special senate committee trying the charges by W. F. Zumbrunn, of Kansas City, Mayfield's attorney.

Zumbrunn declared that if it desired, the committee could determine the case within three days. He added that Senator Mayfield was anxious for a speedy settlement of the case.

"The recount of the election is before the senate," Zumbrunn said. "If the challenged votes are not taken into consideration it shows that Mayfield is elected three to one. The question now is to decide whether the challenges are legal. The committee can do this within three days without necessity of calling witnesses. If you decide the challenges as made by Paddy's attorneys are not legal, then Mayfield is duly elected senator and that is all there is to it."

Luther Nichols, counsel for G. E. B. Paddy, who was defeated by Mayfield and contested the election, urged that the committee press its investigation by calling witnesses and wait until the census bureau has completed its tabulation of the recount before deciding the legality of the challenges.

"If the contention of the contestant (Paddy) as to the ballots that were challenged for technical reasons is tenable, that ends the case and we don't have to go into anything," said Zumbrunn. "We can decide that a question of law, in three days' time, and not subpoena a single witness." Opposing Zumbrunn's move, Nichols said: "the big question now is whether there was a violation of the corrupt practice act, and if so, what penalty ought to be applied." All of which shows that Paddy's attorney jump from one thing to another before settling any one thing definitely.

## Klan Lecturer Cheered at Wahkon

WAHKON, MINN., April 25.—Although rain had continued all day and showed no signs of a let-up when evening approached, the people of this community filled a local hall where a Klan lecture was advertised. When the national Klan lecturer appeared he was cheered. The consensus of opinion seems to be that the lecture was one of the best ever heard in this part of the state for many a day. Many around here have already signified their willingness to petition for membership in the Ku Klux Klan.

RED WING, MINN.—A state Ku Klux Klan lecturer spoke at an invitation meeting here Friday, May 2. This meeting resulted in a material increase in membership of the Goodhue county Klan.

## Frame-up on Alleged Klansman by Aliens Falls Through

CLARKSBURG, W. VA., May 6.—A can of milk and a handful of aliens nearly cost C. C. Lanham, Stealey Heights, car inspector for the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, his job.

The aliens, who are Lanham's fellow workers, thought that Lanham was a member of the Ku Klux Klan it is said. Tuesday some of Lanham's enemies saw a can of milk in his locker at the local Baltimore & Ohio freight station. They immediately notified a railroad policeman who placed Lanham under arrest charging him with stealing the commodity.

Lanham was brought before Magistrate Huey Alexander, where he was given a hearing on charges of pilfering interstate shipments. At the hearing, however, J. R. Chalfant, manager of a local Piggy Wiggly store, West Pike street, testified that he sold Lanham the can of milk that day. Chalfant remembered Lanham on account of the two men being friends. The case was dismissed. It is believed by many that it was the plan of the aliens to have Lanham discharged. When the case was dismissed, however, Lanham was permitted to go back to work without anything being said about being discharged. The official force of the Baltimore & Ohio company here are alleged to be opposed to the Klan.



## PLAN TO HINDER KLAN UNCOVERED IN 'ANTI' LETTER

Communication Addressed to Luke E. Hart of St. Louis by Un-American

### FEAR ORDER'S POWER

Would Present Every Candidate With Affidavit Stating That He Is Unbiased

(Bureau of Publication and Education) WASHINGTON, D. C., April 30.—A letter written on stationery of the Associated Shorthand Reporters, 801-803 Federal Reserve Bank Building, St. Louis, and addressed to Luke E. Hart, La Salle building, St. Louis, makes interesting reading. Hart is the man who replaced Pellittier, the deposed Knight of Columbus official whom Senator James A. Reed, of Missouri, defended some time ago. It is interesting because it outlines the reaction which is taking place in the minds of the opposition towards the Ku Klux Klan. The writer and author of the letter are known, and it is unnecessary to say that both are non-Protestants. The letter is as follows:

"St. Louis, Mo., April 17, 1924. "Mr. Luke E. Hart, "La Salle Bldg., "St. Louis, Mo.

"Dear Luke:—"You, no doubt, read in the papers yesterday the details of the debate at the Democratic convention at Springfield on the Ku Klux Klan resolution, and were impressed no doubt by the strength the organization showed in defeating the resolution as prepared. I firmly believe that it is high time some offensive movement is undertaken to stop their activities and prevent their misleading the American public.

"When you consider the great harm they are doing, and the powerful force behind a properly organized combination of the Catholics, Jews and negroes, if properly directed, you cannot help but realize we ought not lie dormant.

"I suggest you foster a movement towards this end and in my humble way have outlined a rough manner for its accomplishment. This idea can be greatly improved upon by you

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THIS Spring fever  
THIS Ball game  
THIS fishing  
THIS golf course  
THIS tennis court  
THIS sprinting  
THIS row, row, rowing  
THIS Park, park, parking  
THIS Lovers lane  
THIS evening locomoting  
THIS aerial maneuvering  
BUT, OH BABY  
THIS warm weather  
KU KLUXING nuf sed  
GET your outfit  
C'Mon  
THANK U

and other men of brains. The working basis is as follows:

"First, that representatives be appointed or elected by each of the three, viz: Catholics, Jews and negroes to carry on this work.

"Second, that an affidavit, be presented to all candidates for public office by these representatives, said affidavit being substantially that: 'I solemnly swear that I will never in any way, shape, manner or form, directly, or indirectly, oppose, oppress or show preference for or against any man or group of men on account of their race, color or religion.' That every candidate refusing or neglecting to sign said affidavit have his name published as broadly as funds will permit, stating that he had refused or neglected to sign affidavit, and calling on every Catholic, Jew, or negro to scratch said candidate.

"Third, that funds be solicited among the three for the purpose of publishing the harm being done by the Ku Klux in stirring up strife and citing their records in Louisiana and recent occurrence in Pittsburg, etc., the graft in order and records of their deeds.

"There are many rich Catholics and Jews, and many also that are not rich who would contribute generously to this fund; and I believe if a systematic plan is worked out you can wipe this organization from the land.

"Kindly give the matter your serious consideration, as you are in a splendid position to start and foster this movement through the Knights of Columbus."

**South Carolina Klans Plan Naturalization**

CHARLESTON, S. C., May 2.—The wide-awake chaps who are at the head of the local Klans in Province No. 3 are planning for a public naturalization to be held at some convenient point in the near future. Nearly every Klan in the province has a class ready, and it is planned to have these consolidated and given the secrets of the organization at the same time. Committees are already working out the details, and it is expected that a definite announcement can be made in the near future as to the time and place.

**BURN CROSS ON MAIN STREET**  
ALMA, NEBR.—A large fiery cross was burned on the main street of Alma recently, the first public demonstration of the Ku Klux Klan in this locality.

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## Events in the Lives of Little Men



## COOLIDGE FACES HARD KNOT IN ALIEN BILL

Endeavoring to Please Congress and Church Faction and Secretary Hughes

(Bureau of Publication and Education) WASHINGTON, D. C., April 29.—President Coolidge is squirming to beat the band on the immigration bill on account of the Japanese exclusion clause, and he is seeking a respite of 60 days in which to try to find a way out of the perplexing situation.

It is reported on pretty good authority that the president has about decided not to accept the bill as it is with the Japanese exclusion legislation a part of it. He also knows that the present bill passed both houses of congress by overwhelming majorities, and it begins to look like a test of strength between the executive, and legislative branches of government.

President Coolidge no doubt wants to do the right thing, but he is confronted on one hand by the insistence of Secretary of State Hughes and subjected to enormous pressure being exerted by the organized church interests of the country that some method be found to soothe Japan's wounded pride. In this manner, Secretary of State Hughes is hopeful of hitting upon a solution of the question that will satisfy the exclusionists in congress and at the same time apply a poultice to Japanese feeling. Whether it can be accomplished or not is extremely problematical.

As originally drawn, the house bill would make Japanese exclusion effective July 1, when the present immigration law expires. Smarting under the sting of Ambassador Hanihara's "grave consequences" letter, the senate passed a bill making exclusion effective immediately.

The two bills are now in conference. President Coolidge has asked and probably will obtain an agreement on the July 1 date fixed by the house for the exclusion clause to take effect.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 28.—If you want to know just how the people of the Pacific coast feel about the immigration bill and the Japanese exclusion clause, read the following editorial from The Seattle Star: "At last, it seems, the white man is to have a chance in his native land. Both the United States house of representatives and the senate have in no uncertain terms called Japan's bluff. The immigration bill, with the Japanese exclusion clause, has gained the approbation of both houses of congress, in spite of Jap threats and traitorous pro-Jap action on the part of some Americans who pose as statesmen.

"For years The Seattle Star, almost single handed, has been fighting for just that thing. Barring of oriental immigration marks victory. "There is no doubt concerning the danger of unrestricted Japanese immigration. There is no question of the Mitsui chicanery, as evidenced in the Standard Aircraft cases. These things being as they are, just why did a lot of newspapers betray the white race? Failure to take up and fight the white man's battle for ownership of his native land was just that. "We have a most excellent example of it right here in Seattle."

**AID PARENT-TEACHERS**  
BRISTOL, TENN.—Warmly commending the child welfare work of the Parent-teacher association of the Anderson street school, the local Klan recently paid a visit to the school, presented the president of the association, Mrs. Clyde Emmert, with an envelope containing a \$50 bill. Following the presentation a fiery cross was lighted in the evening, west of the city.

**MANOR, PA.**—A huge demonstration is being planned here by the Klansmen of Westmoreland county to take place in the near future. Applications for membership are coming in daily, it is said, and it is expected that the coming demonstration will result in a great influx of new members.

## Wig Wags from Washington

(Bureau of Publication and Education) WASHINGTON, D. C., April 29.—Counsel for former Governor J. C. Walton, of Oklahoma, in a brief filed with the United States supreme court, announced that they entertained "faint hope" on favorable action by the court upon the appeal in which the former governor sought a review of his impeachment by the Oklahoma legislature.

When the case was called for argument, counsel for the former governor was granted further time in which to file a brief, the court refusing, after having advanced the case at the request of the former governor, to postpone its consideration.

The brief which has just reached the high court covers substantially the same grounds for appealing to the federal courts as were given in the brief filed when the appeal was docketed. It alleged conspiracy on the part of the Ku Klux Klan to get him out of office after he had declared martial law in his fight against that organization. In closing the brief, counsel said that "with great respect" for the supreme court, they had submitted the case for final decision "with faint hopes" of success.

**Difficult to Pronounce**  
Picked at random from today's list of appointments to commissions in the officers' reserve corps at the war department, appear the following names: Harold Simmelkjaer, Johann Cissna, Adrien Ferdinand Tarté, Thor Wangberg, Robert Goeltz, Abraham Lazarus Kushner, Simplicio Vargas, Carl Kapka, William O'Leary, Solomon Goldstein, Carl Lohr and Heber Sotzin.

These fellows think they are Americans; perhaps they are by adoption, but the point is that they are commissioned to enter the great citizens' army of this country and will fight the next war if it comes. This list of appointments is almost every nationality in the world.

Is it any wonder the Klan and others are fighting for restricted immigration laws?

**First Division Monument**  
First division men (the Rainbow division) of the American army that went overseas is interested in knowing that the 35-foot marble shaft of that division has been raised in position on its base just south of the state, war and navy building in Washington. It is going to be a magnificent monument when it is finished.

A solid piece of marble, 35 feet long and weighing 56 tons, is said to be the largest block of stone ever taken out of an American quarry. Private Daniel Edwards will unveil the monument on October 4 of this year. Edwards was selected as the first division's outstanding hero. He lost his right arm and the use of his left leg in overseas fighting. His last exploit was to go AWOL from his hospital to join the division in the Somme offensive.

President Coolidge will have a part in the dedication of the shaft.

**Washington State Wants School Law Like Oregon**

(Scottish Rite News Bureau) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 5.—That the voters of Washington will have a chance to determine whether or not they want the so-called Oregon school law on their statute books, is the statement made by proponents of the Oregon law, regardless of the fact that the Oregon law has been held unconstitutional in that state. It is the belief of those who are planning the submission of similar acts to their electorates, if the appeal which has been taken to the supreme court is successful.

## SENATOR BORAH DENOUNCES CORRUPT INFLUENCES IN AMERICAN POLITICS

In a forceful speech in Washington recently Senator Borah declared that huge campaign funds were a corrupt influence in politics. Large contributions from corporate and financial concerns, he asserted placed a political party under obligations to private interests and made honest, public-spirited, efficient government impossible. The seriousness of the situation is greatly enhanced when campaign managers openly solicit these contributions.

Students of political conditions will readily admit the force of Senator Borah's criticism. Immense campaign funds are a demoralizing influence in public affairs, and drastic laws properly made may be enacted to curb the evil.

But while we are discussing demoralizing factors, why not tell the whole truth and point out that another class of interests is menacing democratic institutions in the United States. They are the racial and sectarian groups, well-organized, well-financed, following an unscrupulous and astute leadership, and who are persistently seeking to undermine and to vitiate American ideals by the interference into our national life of principles foreign to our American ideals and culture.

The restless and lawless spirit in this nation at the present time are not the result of economic injustice and social inequality so much as the logical consequence of continual agitation by clerical and racial propagandists, who, in order to promote the interests of a church or to maintain an alien racial culture, carry on sinister campaigns of incitement and condemnation of American institutions. By means of emotional sermons and addresses and by cleverly worded pamphlets, an effective appeal is made to the prejudice, passions and ignorance of the people, and wide-spread dissatisfaction and turbulence are inevitable.

The ferment is capitalized through organizations and propaganda and is used as a club over the heads of legislators and administrative officials for the purpose of controlling legislation and the execution of the laws. Like the sword of Damocles, the threat of defeat hangs over the heads of the fearful public officials. Usually the menace is greater than the actual peril, but the timid politician

is prone to take the threat at its face value. A loud voice, a bulldozing manner, a hundred well-directed letters, and the sectarian or racial menace assume in the imagination of the worried office-holder overwhelming proportions.

The average legislator may well exclaim: propaganda doth make cowards of us all. At a recent dinner in Washington a well-known statesman declared that the average congressman was honest, but lacked courage.

A baptism of moral courage and a passion for American principles would enable our legislators to boldly challenge these sectarian and anti-American agitators and under a brave attack their boasted power would collapse like the Spanish fleet under Dewey's guns. Their propagandas are mostly noise, pretense and fustian, and their influence all out of proportion to their actual strength.

But meanwhile their influence upon our state and national law-making bodies is demoralizing and utterly subversive of those principles of righteousness and even-handed justice that must prevail in a well-ordered and progressive democratic commonwealth.

So we recommend that while congress is investigating the influence upon current legislation of large contributions to partisan campaigns, it also take up an investigation of the activities of those religious and other organizations whose character and objects are frankly alien to American institutions and culture.

### ENJOY ENTERTAINMENT

HANOVER, PA.—Klansmen of Hanover Klan, No. 1, held a large "get-together" meeting recently, when eight vaudeville acts were secured to entertain. Addresses were made by prominent Klan speakers. This Klan recently visited the U. B. church to hear a sermon by Rev. C. C. Miller.

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## AMERICAN'S DEATH STARTS PROBE OF JAIL CONDITIONS

Klansman Owen H. Poorbaugh of Johnstown Dies of Pneumonia in Prison

### HUGE FUNERAL IS HELD

Members From All Parts of Pennsylvania Attend Last Rites for Colleague

(By S. THOMAS ZENER, Jr.)

JOHNSTOWN, PA., April 29.—All Pennsylvania is awaiting the outcome of the investigation tomorrow by the prison board of Cambria county into conditions and circumstances at the Ebensburg jail, which resulted in the death by pneumonia of Klansman Owen H. Poorbaugh, aged 48, of Johnstown, last Friday.

Poorbaugh's sister, Mrs. Nellie G. Shaffer, in a sworn affidavit, declares he stated before his death here in Memorial hospital that he had been forced to sleep in a draft with insufficient bedding and was required to walk to the ambulance which took him to Johnstown, after a writ of habeas corpus had been granted by Judge John E. Evans for his release under guard. Poorbaugh was a companion prisoner with 27 other Klansmen in the Ebensburg jail, being held in connection with the riot at Lilly, Pa., Saturday night, April 5, when a mob of townspeople attacked marching Klansmen.

What action will be taken by the prison board is entirely a matter of conjecture, denial of Poorbaugh's sister's affidavit having been strongly made by one of the prison attaches. It has come to the mind of right-thinking persons throughout the state that a man on his death bed would hardly issue statements derogatory to anyone, and especially one of the charges of Poorbaugh.

The funeral services held Sunday afternoon for the martyred Klansman marked possibly one of the most epochal events in the history of the country—certainly in Pennsylvania—feeling has been aroused to a high pitch throughout the entire Cambria county district due to the attack

## Five Factors in Good Citizenship Asserts Educator

(Scottish Rite News Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 1.—There are five factors of good citizenship, according to Dr. Henry Lewis Smith, President of Washington and Lee University. These five great ideas, action according to which is essential if citizenship is to attain its true worth and dignity, are:

First, the children of the nation are at once the richest asset and the chief source of power, more potential than all of the other human sources combined; therefore, their proper development is of the first importance.

Second, the supreme task of a Christian democracy is the right training of all its citizens.

Third, education of intellect alone is fatally inadequate. The heart and the character must be developed as the mind is improved, for if they are not, the work will have been in vain.

Fourth, mere political and industrial democracy may by its triumph cause the downfall of civilization, unless education and religion reach the masses before they seize the power.

Fifth, when democracy has outgrown its experimental stage and has become strong, it will be seen that the real leaders are not politicians, bankers or statesmen, but those who have devoted their lives to training boys and girls. They will be known then as the real builders of nations and civilization.

upon the Klansmen at Lilly, and the refusal of Judge Evans at Ebensburg to permit them to furnish bail. The result of this intense feeling which has permeated virtually the entire Keystone state was manifested in the huge crowd which attended both the services in the Dale Evangelical church here, and at the graveside in Grandview cemetery.

At 68 Sell street, the hundreds of Klansmen, directed by Altoona Klavalliers, marched through long lines of men, women and children to the church. Crossed wires in the ignition of the motor hearse fired the dash board, but the casket was saved from the fire, another took its place, and the procession moved on.

Arriving at the church, the long procession filed through the mass of persons that had gathered in the triangle formed by the intersection of two streets bounding the church. Led by the stars and stripes and the fiery cross of the Klan, the pallbearers carried the remains of the Klansman to the flower draped altar, where it lay in state while services were conducted in the presence of more than 2,000 persons who were able to get in.

The procession from the church to Grandview cemetery, about two miles away, was more than two miles in length. Street car and automobile traffic was halted by Pennsylvania state police and local officers during the entire procession. Large groups and knots of silent persons gathered at every vantage point to view the sad march.

At the cemetery, the thousands had gathered to view the last rites of the Ku Klux Klan. State police and county officers here made a lane through the mass of people direct to the open grave, and through this passed the Exalted Cyclops of Johnstown, and Sam D. Rich, Acting Grand Dragon of Pennsylvania. A huge circle, more than 100 yards in diameter, was formed, robed Klansmen and Klanswomen, four deep locking arms and keeping the huge crowd back. At one point in the circle the casket was borne through to the grave.

The last rites of the Klan were given by King Kleagle Rich at the graveside. A quartet of Klansmen sang "Abide With Me" and other hymns. As the casket was slowly lowered into the grave, the final adieu of the mournful Klansmen was waved to the martyred Klansmen.

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## Scenes at Funeral of Martyred Pennsylvania Klansman Held at Johnstown



Upper (left) photo shows Klansmen marching to Dale Evangelical church, Johnstown, where services were held for Owen H. Poorbaugh, of Johnstown, who died Friday morning, April 25, in Memorial Hospital, Johnstown, to which he had been removed from Cambria county jail at Ebensburg. An affidavit sworn to by Mrs.

Nellie G. Shaffer, his sister, sets forth the declaration that Poorbaugh's death was due to insufficient bedding in the jail, lack of proper medical attention and uncivil treatment when being taken to the hospital. Poorbaugh was a companion prisoner with 27 other Klansmen, all being held in connection with the attack upon marching Klansmen at

Lilly, Pennsylvania, Saturday night, April 5.

Right—Klansmen bearing remains of martyred Klansman from the church.

Lower (left)—This photo gives mute evidence of the spirit manifested by thousands of Pennsylvania Klansmen and other citizens at Johnstown. The throngs are seen

—Courtesy The Keystone American.

waiting for the arrival of the funeral procession from the church.

Right—Photo shows circle, more than 100 yards in diameter, formed by robed Klansmen and Klanswomen, four deep, which kept the thousands of spectators back. Altoona Klavalliers took charge. King Kleagle and Acting Grand Dragon Sam D. Rich, of Pittsburgh, officiated in the last rites of the Klan at the grave.

## The Klan a Distinctive Organization; Called Benefit to Every Community

By W. C. WRIGHT, Plainview, Texas

### Author's Note

This article giving reasons why the Klan should exist has been written for a two-fold purpose.

First, it is one of the themes for discussion in the nation-wide educational campaign now being conducted by the Klan.

Second, it is an answer to the hundreds and thousands of good men who, because they have no Negroes, Jews, Catholics or foreigners in their community, fail to see a reason for the Klan.

In the great western plains country of Texas there are comparatively few Negroes, Jews, Catholics and foreigners. Fully ninety per cent of the population are native-born, white, Gentile, Protestant Americans; and a very large percentage of them are of good moral character who believe in law enforcement and the tenets of the Christian religion. In view of these facts, we believe that to justify the existence of the Klan in this section would prove its necessity to any community in America.

We therefore undertake to show that the Klan has a distinctive place to fill, a special work to do, and is a vital necessity to every community. No organization has any right to exist, nor can it lay any just claim to the support of good men, unless it can show that it fills a distinctive place, and performs a specific service to humanity. Money extorted from the people to support an institution that renders no service in return, is a form of theft, and should be frowned upon by all good men. Such an institution is a burden instead of a blessing.

We have often heard it said, "there are but few Negroes, Jews, Catholics and foreigners in this community, and we see no need of the Klan." Those who think that the purpose and business of the Klan is to oppose and fight Negroes, Jews, Catholics and foreigners are sadly mistaken, and have no conception of its ideals and principles. True, we do not admit these classes to membership; but we make no fight on races or religions.

Masons do not admit men who have lost an arm or a leg; but Masons are not fighting cripples. They simply demand that a man must be sound in body to be eligible to membership. We do not believe that the negro is fighting the white race because he excludes the white man from his secret orders; or that the Jew is fighting Christians because he excludes them from the B'nai B'rith; or that Catholics are fighting Protestants simply because they exclude them from the Knights of Columbus. They have a perfect right to name these conditions of membership.

Since the Klan is not fighting races or religions, the presence of these elements in a community does not justify the existence of the Klan, neither does their absence prove that it is unnecessary.

First, it should be remembered that the Klan is a national organization and deals with nation-wide problems, as well as local conditions. Even if its activities were entirely local it could not be truly said of any community, "we have no need of a Klan here." But since every community should be vitally interested in the public welfare of the nation as a whole, and each one has special conditions with which the Klan deals, it cannot be truthfully stated of any place that there is no need of an organization that has to do with national problems and seeks to improve national as well as local conditions.

### Church Attendance and Support

The church attendance over the country is not what it should be, and the support of the church is entirely too meager. Many good men in every community do not realize the impor-

tance and responsibility of attending and supporting the church. The Klan is a great force and influence in compelling men to take more interest in the church. Every Klansman is urged to attend, support and unite with some church; to accept Christ, not only as his criterion of character, but as his personal savior as well.

This phase of the Klan's work alone has brought thousands of good men into more active Christian service, and is badly needed in every community in America.

Co-ordinating Force  
Religious and fraternal affairs in America today are in a deplorable condition. Protestantism is divided into nearly two hundred factions, and fraternalism into scores of secret societies. Each one stands for some great principle of right, but our divided and segregated condition greatly weakens our cause and lessens our chance for success in accomplishing the things we stand for.

What we need in every community in America is some co-ordinating medium that will bring together all these various organizations into one solid body so we can present a united front. There cannot be such a thing as an organic union of all Protestant churches, nor the combination of all fraternal societies; but we can have a kind of clearing house where we can meet, forget our petty differences and fight for the real fundamentals for which we all stand. The Klan is just that kind of an organization and serves that purpose as no other can.

It seeks to bind all Protestantism together in a common cause against a common foe. It seeks to bind all Christianity together against heathenism, infidelity, agnosticism, atheism and idolatry. It seeks to bind the white Caucasian race together against the overwhelming hordes of colored races. It seeks to bind all law-abiding, peaceful, liberty-loving people together against the vicious lawless elements who have no regard nor respect for constituted authority. It seeks to bind together the good men who believe in clean government, who believe in clean politics, who believe in clean citizenship, who believe in clean character, who believe in clean law, who believe in clean order, who believe in clean justice, who believe in clean morality, who believe in clean religion, who believe in clean everything.

Development of Character Klan Aim  
The prime purpose of this great order is to develop character. We are never lived in a community where the character of its citizenship, as a whole, was what it should be. We believe that the development of real manly character is a vital need in every community.

We know hundreds of men in the Klan whose characters have been materially and substantially improved through the influence, environment and teachings of the Klan. We also believe that all real Klansmen have a more profound sense of honor, higher ideals of morality, keener appreciation of Christianity, a greater respect for law and constituted authority, and a broader vision of the duties of citizenship than they had before they became Klansmen.

The Klan, by its high ideals, noble sentiments and sacred principles, we cultivate and cultivate a manly desire to be better, cleaner men, morally, mentally, physically and spiritually. The citizens of every community, and especially young men, need just such moral, spiritual and patriotic training, environments and influence as the Klan affords. It is a great character builder because of its high ideals, noble purposes and sacred sentiments. Every Klansman, by the presence of the cross, is constantly reminded that he has accepted Christ as his criterion of character and the twelfth chapter of Romans as his law of life.

This reason alone, the development of character, is sufficient to justify the need of a Klan in every community.

### KLAN AID UNFORTUNATE

VANCOUVER, WASH.—Klansmen men and Klanswomen gathered here recently for the two-fold purpose of having a good social time as well as for the benefit of those less fortunate. The occasion took the form of a basket social. Fifty-six dollars was raised, which was afterwards turned over to the Vancouver associated charities.

### DURHAM, N. C.—Rev. E. Earn-

hardt, pastor of Calvary Methodist church, was visited by the Klan last week, and presented with \$50, the money to be used for the "no debt" campaign being conducted by the church.

## PUBLIC SCHOOLS COST CITIZENS 4½ CENTS DAILY

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### TOPIC IS YELLOW PERIL

Rotten Politics is Nation-Wide Problem—Only 48 Per Cent Of People Voted

DAVENPORT, IA., May 3.—"The cost of maintaining the public school system in the United States amounts to approximately four and one-half cents per day per person," declared J. H. Krenmyre in speaking recently before the Masonic Study club of this place. The topic of his address was, "The Yellow Peril."

"That does seem expensive, doesn't it?" continued the speaker. "But remember that according to the report of the American Tobacco Company it cost us about 9 cents per person per day for tobacco and about 6 cents per person per day for candy and 15 cents for joy rides. Now it isn't that our schools cost too much when we compare them with other things."

### Leaders Needed

"The thing that man is crying for who is against the school tax is that we should ease up on it so that he will have more for these other things. We need men with backbone to champion the cause of the public school."

"One of the very fundamentals of our fraternity is the 'equality of opportunity.' We must give every boy and girl an equal chance. Is it any wonder that our laboring people become dissatisfied when repeatedly they hear and read of attempts to curtail their only chance of self-improvement?"

### Speaking of politics, Mr. Krenmyre said:

"The problem of rotten politics is another problem that need not be. Do you know that only 48 per cent of our voters cast a ballot at the last election? Think of 52 per cent staying at home. Then think of how many voted politics instead of good government. There isn't a grifter or a radical in politics but that is there because of the lack of backbone in our citizenship."

"If any of you are guilty, you are even more guilty than the rest, for you have sworn to defend good government. The blood of the crimes of the day is upon the hands of those who fail in this civic duty. Equality before the law, law enforcement, and justice can be ours if we go forth remembering that we belong to the common brotherhood of man and then do our duty."

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## THE GAME OF CENTURIES

In the daily papers of last Thursday there was carried the news that the schools of the District of Columbia would suffer as appropriations had been slashed. School officials, it was stated, feel discouraged when they learned that two very important items—the text book fund and the building fund—had been cut by the committee.

The condition in the District of Columbia is no different from practically all other states. In Ohio it was necessary to close public schools at certain places, several weeks ago. Throughout Indiana the schools are crowded and wholly inadequate to take care of the school children. Other states report the same existing conditions. In a nation where the public schools have been the backbone of progress and which have done so much to bring America to a point much nearer Democracy than any other country has ever reached, this condition seems impossible.

Is America to believe that the innumerable reports of the same existing conditions are merely coincidences? In the face of the fact that an indefatigable system is known to be opposing the public schools, is it possible that this same system has a hand in "cutting appropriations" and blocking bond issues from which these situations arise?

At this time Detroit has approximately 12,000 school children over and above the capacity of the schools. Detroit is but one city of scores that face this same condition. In Indianapolis a Catholic member of the school board has consistently fought new buildings and has succeeded in blocking a building program. The school boards of the United States are among the most important executive bodies in our system of government. Unfortunately little thought is given these boards by the voters unless some incident brings the spotlight to bear upon the persons seeking membership upon them. And yet it is in their hands to do with the schools as they wish—make them efficient or make them inefficient. The county trustees, or in states where, while relatively the same, they may bear other titles, have the welfare of the school in their hands; and yet the voters fail to realize the importance of putting men of worth and men known to favor public schools, into these offices.

Americans should watch their schools. Our wisdom can be no more than the wisdom of those within its borders. The children of today are the mayors, the governors, the statesmen and the presidents of future years, the destiny and future of our country lies in the hands of the school children of today and in posterity. Our prosperity and our democracy and our hope of the future must lie in the hands of these children, and if these children are not properly educated—there can be but one answer.

It is quite true that should this condition which now exists in the public schools of America should continue, and even grow worse, that there would remain a certain amount of persons, each year growing less. But what happens when the education of a country is not general? We have plenty of illustrations in Europe today. 'Tis a well known fact that a group of men do the thinking for the entire population. Due to lack of education, these populations do not know this isn't right. In fact, they never "think"—that is why these conditions are deplorable.

The game being played today by the forces that would disrupt our educational system is not a game of a month, a year or even a score of years. It is a game of centuries. If it may be put that way. The system has been operating for centuries; it expects to operate for centuries to come. Education, the printing press and "thinking" by the populace are its worst enemies. Naturally it will try every method to first restrict education and in the end to kill it entirely except for those whom they wish to have it.

Remember that you wish the principles for which you stand to live after you; that you wish your children and their children to have the same freedom of thought which you now have. Play the game with this system; get their angle and realize that other players will take your place and that you want to leave the game with as many points in favor of your side that you can possibly turn over to the other players when you pass from this earthly existence.

Remember that other side isn't looking into the future only for the next few years. Look as far as they do. Watch your vote when voting for "little offices," such as those which control our schools. Vote for men and women whom you know to be favorable to our system of general and free education. Watch the men who "slash appropriations" affecting the efficiency of our schools; keep track of those persons who block bond issues for schools—always on some other pretext.

When George Washington led the troops who were fighting for independence, he said, "Let none but Americans be placed on guard." Remember his warning when you go to the polls to vote for "little offices." George Washington was fighting for independence; an independence which we can keep only through the dissemination of knowledge through our public schools. Without the dissemination of knowledge to a nation as a whole—and not to a group of individuals—can we hope to retain our independence. In this sense, it is not meant your own personal independence, but the independence of the millions to follow.

Always remember that it is a game which will still be played long after you have left this mundane sphere. It will end some day, of course, and the system which always has, is now and always will be against free public education will win or lose. Quite naturally, we believe that system will lose—but it will not lose if the people of the United States fail to "Let none but Americans be placed on guard."

## CO-OPERATION WINS

It is most gratifying to note the many reports from all parts of the country that tell of the Bible being placed in the public schools and of a more thorough understanding of real patriotism by the school children. The growing movement of placing Bibles in the schools means much to America even though the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan has been criticized by its enemies for activities in this connection.

The Klan is creating a new patriotism in America; this has brought alien wrath down upon it but naught can prevail against this organization founded upon Christianity and love of home and country. The continued increase of Bibles in public schools but emphasized the moral effect of the Klan.

Peculiar as it may seem, those persons who attempt to brand the public schools as "Godless," are the chief enemy in the light to keep the Holy Writ out of the schools. Little by little, however, the friends of the Bible in the public schools have gained ground until, at the present time, thousands of Bibles are going into the schools each week. With 1924 only one-fourth gone, great strides have been made since January first.

Americans can win! Events of the past few weeks have demonstrated that. In the past co-ordination was lacking. With the advent of the Klan, this has been put into operation.

With co-operation now a reality, only determination to save American principles, traditions and ideals is needed. These three things the American people will no doubt furnish.

## Sparks from the Fiery Cross

By John Eight Point

"The noblest motive is the public good."—Virgil

Sooner or later anti-Klan pride is sure to step on pro-Klan dynamite.

Uncover when the flag goes by—it is the blood-stained ark of every holy American covenant.

Are you out of the Klan? It's not easy you are buying—it is patriotism you're trading for lies.

The clarion note,  
As from trumpet blown,  
Is the call of the Klan—  
No uncertain tone.  
It speaks the thought,  
As when Jesus fed,  
The hungering hosts  
With heavenly bread.

The Japs think it very cruel that we are barring Japanese laborers from coming to America, and yet she is shutting Chinese laborers out of Japan—and China is right at Nippon's door. Keep your eye on the Jap, Klansman, because he is likely to show his old Mongolian-Siberian race stock.

There is no more eloquent thing in the world than a Klansh life.

The people who walk in the dark are those who fear the sparks from the fiery cross.

The Klan's work can never be too weak for your strongest powers.

The achievements of white civilization attest the supremacy of the white man's mind; but they do not attest that those achievements have been made without the co-operation of all races and types working as a unit in the body of human life. The colored man has come to know that the Ku Klux Klan is his friend and that the righteousness of law regulates both white and negro in all their relations toward civilization. It is not the Klan that exalts fundamental difference in type.

The Klan attitude has been described as "uncritically patriotic." We think it better to be "uncritically patriotic" than critically unpatriotic.

### Make Him Understand

Klansman, tell your friend the unadulterated truth always—you are not a true Klansman if you do not. You know that there is nothing in our ritual that should subject it or us to unkind, impertinent criticism. You know that all of our official documents indicate in clear, unequivocal language that the Klan is a purely fraternal and patriotic organization pledged to good government, distinctive American institutions, and the "constitutional rights of free speech, free public schools, free press, and the separation of church and state." Tell your friend that—tell him so he will understand it.

### Advice

Go breathe your prayer;  
So sing your song;  
Go help your friend  
Bear truth along;  
Go spend your life  
In Klansh deeds—  
You have no time  
To fight over creeds.  
Build your best life  
Upon the Klan,  
'Twill tell the world  
You are a man.

### The Ideal Citizenship

Schools, reform schools, jails and penitentiaries—Is there any progressive relationship? What do you think, Klansman? Schools are built to inform, reformatories to reform and penitentiaries to UNIFORM. If schools did more FORMING instead of so much INFORMING, it is conceivable that there would be less need for REFORMING and no need for UNIFORMING. Schools of the type our early educators dreamed could empty jails; colleges like the Fathers planned and visioned could close penitentiaries. Klan planned schools and colleges, living up to the prophetic ideal, would build the ideal citizenship and consequently a nobler civilization.

Remember, Klansman, "the fox has many tricks, the hedgehog only one"—beware of both!

It was Ibsen who said that one should never put on one's best trousers to go out to fight for freedom. Certainly not. One should wear battleplate and sixteen inch guns, not forgetting the sword of the spirit and a little of the staunch, old-style patriotism.

The Klansman does what he ought to do, and seeks no praise because it is his duty.

### Shooting

They've shot the Klan with guns and bricks;  
They've shot the Klan with stones and sticks;  
They've shot the Klan with twisted rules;  
They've shot the Klan with Rome-taught schools;

But the ammunition that's hurt the worst,  
In all the hate campaigns accurst,  
Has been the festering falsehood—lies.  
They shot across the Klan's clean skies.

They shot that bolt of mean refuse  
When they said: "You know the Klan hates Jews."

And it's simply awful the way the Klan  
Is down on the harmless colored man.  
And again that clumsy lie of old,  
"The Klan is out to get the gold."  
And this double lie that almost smokes:  
"The Klan is scaring and whipping folks."

Go up the world, go down its lanes,  
You'll find in its sewer pipes and drains,  
The poison gas some love to spray  
On the Klan you read about each day.

Go up the world, go in and out  
Where people pass such stuff about  
And you'll note the war these rebels press  
On the Klan that strives for righteousness.

But it matters not what foemen shoot,  
The Klan's entrenched from head to foot;

Its robe and visor protect it well  
Against the fumes of Romish hell.  
And those who dwell in Wisdom's Booth  
Can quickly learn the naked truth—

No matter how they shoot the Klan,  
It is Simon Pure American!

If the Klan should not be thorough and genuine not alone would the organization suffer, but the country as well—even the enemies of the Klan, as units in the commonwealth. We do not "live unto ourselves"—there is a kind of amalgamation in nature that forbids separate tendencies.

They used to call the Ku Klux Klan the "salesmen of hate," but it would be difficult to find how or where this phrase could apply. Ask the struggling pastors of hundreds of little churches who have received aid—ask the thousands of helpless families, white and black, that have been the recipients of Klan charity and helpfulness. "Salesmen of hate," indeed.

### Theories And Opinions

Cramming Romish theories and pre-digested, pro-European opinions down the gullet of American youth is not education. Schools and school children do not exist primarily for the exploitation of biased textbooks gotten out by warped authors and subsidized publishers. Besides, things change so quickly nowadays that by the time teachers and pupils have examined the title page and learned the name of the author of any one book, there is a new text out exploding all the conclusions reached by the former author and setting forth an entirely new doctrine. Children learn all about gravitation, only to have Einstein come along and tell them it was all a lie. As Klansmen, we believe in the teaching of facts without bias or prejudice. Back of this we desire that children shall be trained to think things out for themselves. As teachers, we shall not require children to memorize perverted facts but shall show them how to study true principles and formulate their own opinions.

Somewhere in the Klan a place is waiting for you—you with your own talents, your own ambitions for patriotic service, and your own high possibilities. The place will wait for you because the Klan is strong and cannot fail—it will wait for you, but you should prepare yourself for it, seek it, step into it.

### "Nullification"

Modify the Volstead law? Well, why not modify the law that makes it a crime to go out and burn your neighbor's property? We might change the law enough to permit "light arson and near murder," you know, so that a fellow could burn just the upper story off a man's house and knock him senseless if he wanted to, without being amenable. It's easy enough to see where that would take us. Those fellows that harp so much on "modification" really want nullification. It took a Civil War to settle that theory, but it was settled for all time so far as the United States of America is concerned. Though the old rule still holds, no doubt, that

A "wet" convinced against his will,  
Is of the same opinion still.

To possess Klan spirit in its richness of sacred adventure, we must do more than merely accept it—we must appropriate it. We must let the notions of Klan life and spiritual education become a substantial part of our daily existence. To enjoy the Klan, we must absorb it—we must possess it utterly.

## MRS. ADDIE BOUCHER



A new departure in Indian welfare work has been undertaken by the state of Nebraska. Mrs. Addie Boucher, a full-blooded Sioux woman, who also is a graduate nurse, has been assigned to work among the Indian women on all of the reservations in the state. She is to operate under the provisions of the Sheppard-Towner Maternity act. Her work will be to consult with Indian women and advise them on all problems relating to maternity, care of mothers before birth, and the care of children after.

## ANOTHER REVOLUTION IN CUBA, IS REPORT

Havana.—Open revolt broke out in Santa Clara province. Some twenty-five soldiers in the city of Santa Clara deserted with their arms, two machine guns and their horses and attacked the city hall and seized the safe in the nearby town of San Juan de los Yeras. In a clash there between the revolting soldiers and loyalist forces a woman and a girl were injured. The government immediately sent soldiers in pursuit of the rebels and ordered the arrest of leaders of the Veterans and Patriots' association, which has been threatening a revolution since it was organized last August.

Dispatches received here stated that armed civilians were joining the revolting soldiers who took to the open country after the clash at San Juan de los Yeras. The wires leading to the town of Santo Domingo, province of Oriente, were cut.

Cries of "down with President Zayas" and "down with re-election" were heard as the soldiers fled from Santa Clara just before daybreak. It is asserted that while the revolt seemingly was designed as a protest against the movement to re-elect President Zayas next fall, it did not appear to be in the interest of any particular candidate.

## Widow Sues for \$302,000 When Her Wedding Fails

Los Angeles, Cal.—Heart balm of \$302,000 is sought by Mrs. Clara Bell Leasig, fifty-six, in suits on file in the Superior court here against Amos Peasley Spencer, wealthy seventy-five-year-old widower of Oskaloosa, Ia. Twenty-four wedding guests had assembled at her home last Friday, the day she and Spencer were to have been married, the complaint recites, when suddenly a deputy sheriff appeared and carried the groom away to the psychopathic ward of the county hospital.

## \$90,000 Film Extortion for the Olympic Games

Paris.—Representatives of the three biggest American news film agencies were given an ultimatum by the French concession commissioners of the Olympic games that they must pay 1,800,000 francs, or some \$90,000, for the privilege of taking pictures of the games. The concession commissioners themselves paid \$20,000 for the world rights.

## Tired of Life at 103, "Oldest Man" Kills Self

Mantowoc, Wis.—John Levandowski, said to be one hundred and three years old, the county's oldest resident, committed suicide at a hospital here. A year ago when he celebrated his one hundred and second birthday, Mr. Levandowski walked to church services and participated in the reunion at his home. He was a native of Poland and had lived here for seventy years.

## Japs Hatching Far East War, Is Trotsky Warning

Moscow.—Leon Trotsky, addressing the Moscow soviet here, sounded a warning that a Russo-Japanese war is being hatched by militaristic Japanese circles planning to recoup in the Far East the losses suffered through the American ban on Japanese immigration.

## Seven Destroyers Added to the U. S. Navy Fleet

Washington.—Seven destroyers have been transferred at Philadelphia from the Navy to the Treasury department to augment the coast guard fleet. The Navy department announced. The destroyers were the Jonett, Patterson, Benloe, Chasin, Downes, Paulding and Ammen.

## Under The Dome

Who Will Be The Dark Horse?—That Third Party—The Japanese Noise—From Investigation To Business—The 1,000,000 Child Laborers

(Bureau of Publication and Education).

If the right man pops up at the psychological moment in the coming national Democratic convention in New York City in June and makes a whirlwind speech like William Jennings Bryan did at Chicago 23 years ago he stands a good chance of sweeping the delegates off their feet and landing the presidential nomination of that party, so Washington leaders profess to believe nowadays.

The country may see that very thing done this year as the Democrats are still navigating a sea of uncertainty as between the present candidates for the place. Messrs. McAdoo, Underwood and Governor Smith, the leading candidates, don't seem to be making much headway nowadays; they have gone a pretty good pace, it is true, but not fast enough to put them over under the two-thirds rule. Next in line comes Senator Ralston and John W. Davis, but neither of these can get over the top unless they go faster in the next thirty days than they have been going.

David F. Houston, former cabinet officer, breaks into the limelight ever so often; so does Senator Glass, of Virginia, also a former cabinet officer, and there is a little talk about Senator Copeland, of New York, but it begins to look as though the Democratic party might be obliged to turn to some man not now in the running. It is believed that he must be a distinct Progressive from the west or middle west to offset the old-guard, conservative Coolidge, of New England, who is almost sure to be nominated by the Republicans at Cleveland two weeks before the Democrats meet.

### THIRD PARTY FORCES

The proposed third party forces are not idle. Already two such conventions have been called, one to meet in St. Paul, June 17 and the other at Cleveland on July 4. The country can almost bank on radical platforms and radical tickets if the third party develops sufficient strength to adopt a platform and nominate a ticket. Their hope is to obtain enough votes to be able to throw the result of the election into the House and settle the matter there.

The Japanese have made a noise, they yelled like good fellows over the passage of the immigration bill containing the Japanese exclusion paragraph but it isn't going to undo the splendid work of our American Congress, which came mighty near being 100 per cent. Americans on that piece of legislation.

Neither is Japan going to make war on us for protecting our own people from the orientals who seek to flock in here by the tens of thousands. The Japanese situation is far less tense than it was a week ago and there is not going to be any international trouble over this matter. Talk to the contrary is all bosh. We do not insult the people of Japan when we call attention to the fact that her people do not fit in well with the people of the United States. They are two distinct races and ought not to mix closely when it comes to residence and living conditions.

Of course Japan feels a little hurt over this exclusion business and it is a well known fact that the oriental has a long memory. Japan may retaliate to some extent but Americans can stand it.

### Sameness Of Mind

There are those who profess to believe that President Coolidge will veto the immigration bill on account of the Japanese exclusion paragraph but on the other hand the man in the White House cannot afford to overlook the big majorities by which the bill passed

## Underpaid School Teachers

William Mather Lewis, president of George Washington University, says that "the safety of the nation depends on the recognition of the need of patriotic education in the schools of the country."

White school teachers in South Carolina receive an average daily wage of \$3.75, according to a recent study made by a university class in school administration. Compared to the teachers' wages, statistics presented show that South Carolina plumbers receive an average daily wage of \$11.25, steamfitters \$11.25, sheet metal workers \$6.40 to \$8, and carpenters \$4 to \$6.

While South Carolina's statistics may not be the average for the entire country, they are indicative of a fact which is well recognized, that the teaching profession is badly underpaid.

"But," says the economist, "the law of supply and demand takes care of the situation; teachers are willing to accept little, therefore little is paid." But the economist forgets that teachers are willing to accept little because the country is satisfied with teachers willing to accept little! We are willing to have our children taught by

each branch of congress and it cannot help but make an impression on President Coolidge. And then again he is likely to consider now the two houses of congress were almost of the same mind on the exclusion business and it is thought he will hardly dare veto the bill on that account.

Of course, the attitude of Secretary Hughes is thrown in the balance on the side of Japan but it is not believed that even this fact will sway the President and keep him from signing the bill. Secretary Hughes predicts that the entire work of the Washington conference will be undone but he practically stands alone on that proposition.

The fact is that Japan will probably grin and bear it and the people of the Pacific Coast states will have their way after a long and hard fight against the Japanese menace to their country. We may have some trouble in the far East as a result but nothing serious is really expected. It was thought the President would have something to say on the subject in his New York speech to the Associated Press this week but he remained silent on the matter.

Don't be an alarmist for America is not doomed. George Washington had his trials and tribulations and he surmounted them all. So did Abraham Lincoln, so have all our Presidents survived and come out on top of all their knotty problems.

This country may be smeared up a little with oil right now but it is better to lose an oil reserve or two than to lose faith in our government. Up to date we have not lost even one oil reserve and be assured that the government at Washington still lives and is going on and on. There are too many good Americans in this country to let it be otherwise.

Criminal proceedings are under way against former Secretary Fall and Doheny and Sinclair and those in authority promise that no guilty man shall escape. That is as it should be, only there might well be a little more speed with the legal end of the prosecution.

Congress is gradually getting away from the endless investigations and seems to be settling down to its many legislative tasks for the good of the country and its people. Business is getting back to normal in Washington and it looks now like Congress is going to rush business from now on in an effort to get through before June 10, the date of the Republican national convention at Cleveland. There is now a desire to step on the gas and go some.

### PUT HOUSE IN ORDER

President Coolidge seems to have made a hit in his New York speech in serving notice on Europe to put its own house in order and then talk to Uncle Sam about a program of helpfulness. Mr. Coolidge wants to make sure in his own mind that Europe is even willing to promise to be good before she comes at us for more favors.

### THINK ABOUT THIS

Here is something for Klansmen to think seriously about. Do we want to work our children or educate them? There are today 1,000,000 children employed in working establishments in this country and one-third of them are under 14 years of age. There are 11 states in this union that allow children under 16 years of age to work or be worked without violating any law. If this continues what can we expect of future generations? All child labor laws so far enacted have been declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court. We need legislation on this subject that will stick.

teachers often but little less ignorant than their scholars.

With a full recognition of the wonderful band of devoted men and women who are well trained, able, anxious to serve, who teach because they would rather teach than do anything else, it is nevertheless a fact that, taken as a whole, our schools are taught by those who have not prepared for that vocation, who are not able to teach well, because they know little, who are acceptable because they are cheap, not because they are able.

Can any one teach patriotism? If we are willing to have patriotic ideals inculcated by men and women who could not stand an examination on American history, how can we expect our children to grow up patriots? If Dr. Lewis is right, and patriotism taught in the schools is more important than the usual school subjects, is it not high time we looked to our school budgets, to make sure they are large enough to buy the services of those who understand and can teach that love of country, without which all American education is useless?

The Klan believes in set purpose and thoroughness along all lines. It puts men in jail, but it does not forget to see that the jail is well roofed and that the bars across the windows are made of iron rather than painted wood.



# PRIMARY VERSUS OLD CONVENTION DEBATED

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ventions, and would furnish a dignified manner for securing men of ability to accept public trusts."

Mr. Coe prefaced his argument for the primary system by stating that the object of government is to secure happiness and prosperity for the people.

## Three Parties in State

"We are committed to party government," he said. "We now have three parties in Minnesota as vigorous and militant as they ever were."

"Minnesota has operated for 23 years under a primary election law, the last 12 of which have been statewide, that is, including state officers. It seems to me that those 23 years have been full of happiness and prosperity. There is little of unemployment in the cities, and what there is of financial depression there is among the farmers cannot be charged to any misgovernment within the state of Minnesota. There are no scandals now, and in those 23 years there have been no serious scandals in government in this state. It appears to me that the state of Minnesota has been exceptionally well governed on the whole during that period."

"The personnel of our state and congressional officers has been as

high during the last 12 years as they were during the previous 20 years."

## Judiciary Improved

"There has been decided improvement in one branch of the government under the primary law, namely, the judiciary. To demonstrate that, let me ask you this question: If there was a matter involving popular rights to be submitted to a court, which court would you prefer to have determine it, the district court of the state or the federal court? Our district judges are all nominated under the primary law. The federal judges are all appointed under the old system."

"The state-wide primary law assumes that the citizens are capable of selecting for themselves their state officers. The delegate system assumes that they are not. I think that they are. Under the primary system the individual voter goes to the polls, and all alone with his pencil in a little booth, makes a mark opposite the names of the men he would like to have govern him under his own party. Under the delegate system, all a voter could do would be to go and make a mark after the name of one of his neighbors to whom he would deliver the right to select a candidate for him."

"If there has been any weakening of party discipline, it has been due rather to the non-partisan features of the law by which county officials and members of the legislature are named without party distinction. I have no objection whatever to having that changed. In particular, I think it would be desirable to have the city officers, including the aldermen, elected on a partisan ticket but I would have them nominated at a primary election, just as we nominate them now."

It is claimed that the state-wide primary makes it so expensive upon the candidate. Granted. But a delegate system would make it more expensive. It has always been expensive to secure nominations to high office. I know of no way to prevent it. It is claimed that it is a disgusting spectacle to see a large number of candidates file for the office of governor. It does no harm at all. Let them file. Only the best can be elected. All they do is waste their time."

"This morning's Tribune states the official returns from Michigan on the presidential primary. In round figures, 45,000 people voted, of which President Coolidge secured a substantial majority. When you consider that Henry Ford got more votes than his Democratic opponent, and Ford has already endorsed Coolidge, you can add another 48,000, making a grand total of 280,000 votes out of 450,000 votes for Coolidge. In the face of these returns, can you say that the people do not know who they want?"

Says G. O. P. Can Win

The Republican party can win the next fight. We have a good record. Four years ago when we took command, we found the factories down, trade was stagnant, labor cried aloud in the market place. Our ships rotted in the harbors. Business men were going bankrupt every hour. War frauds had been a stench in the nostrils of the people. Our sacred Liberty bonds were selling at 85c on the dollar. Now, what have we? Liberty bonds are selling at par. Every factory in the United States is running practically full blast. The dining hall of the laborer is full. Wages are high. There is no unemployment and very few bankruptcies. The seven seas are covered with the wide wings of our commerce. All this in four years. It is a record of achievement to be proud of."

The forum on party conventions and direct primary was the third which the Lincoln club has conducted to incite interest in the year's election campaigns. The previous luncheons were held day affairs at which the candidates for governor and United States senator spoke.

**WINONA KLAN HEARS SPEAKER**  
WINONA, MINN., April 25.—A state Ku Klux Klan lecture was given by local Klansmen in Klavern assembled. The Americans in this city are rapidly awakening to the real need of the great Protestant organization. In Winona there is already a Klan that is effectively working for better things.



1—Scene during million-dollar fire in New York harbor in which several ships were destroyed. 2—Senators and representatives taking lessons on how to keep fit from Bernard MacFadden. 3—Orville Wright, inventor of the airplane, receiving from G. A. E. Dumont, military attaché of the French embassy, the medal of the Legion of Honor.

# NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

## Al Smith Jumps to Fore in Race for Nomination by the Democrats.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

**PRESIDENT COOLIDGE'S** nomination by the Republicans in the Cleveland convention being conceded, as it must be, the country is turning its political attention mainly to the race among the Democratic aspirants. Who of that numerous company has the best of it depends on where your news comes from. In New York it is Al Smith, in Indiana it is Senator Ralston, in the southeast it may be Senator Underwood, and so it goes.

The death of Charles F. Murphy, chief of Tammany, was thought at first to be a blow to Smith's chances for the satchel was managing the governor's campaign. But last week the Smith cohorts in New York went forward with a rush and placed their candidate in the strategic position. George Brennan of Chicago, leader of the Illinois Democracy, was there and was hailed as the man to succeed Murphy as the national boss of the party, and while he did not come out openly as leader of the Smith forces, it became evident that he would be the director of their tactics. The governor announced that Franklin D. Roosevelt had been selected as chairman of his campaign committee, which includes representatives of all states. Mr. Roosevelt was assistant secretary of the navy in the Wilson administration and candidate for the vice presidency four years ago. He was always known as an anti-Tammany man, so his selection may take from the Smith candidacy what sections remote from New York might regard as the curse of Tammany favor.

Of course the supporters of all other Democratic candidates continue to assert that Smith's nomination, or his election, is impossible because he is a Roman Catholic and because he is an open advocate of the legalizing of light wines and beer. His friends insist that the South will vote for him as for any Democratic nominee, despite the great strength of the Ku Klux Klan down there. Some other politicians are not so sure of this; and they call attention to the apparent growth of the Klan elsewhere, too. Only a few nights ago it held a meeting on Long Island which was attended by many thousands and 900 new members were initiated.

Indiana Democrats are, perhaps prematurely, pushing Senator Samuel Ralston toward the front as the logical choice of the New York convention. As one correspondent puts it: "The home-grown Democrats of Indiana say Ralston is well liked by both wets and dries, by conservatives and progressives, by Kluxers and anti-Kluxers, by capital and labor. No hatreds are focused on him. Besides, Indiana and Ohio may be the key to the strategy in the western campaign this year, and Ralston is the one centralized candidate."

Chicagans who went to New York for the funeral of Murphy returned with the impression that their favorite son, Mayor Dever, really has a chance to win the nomination for the presidency. Stranger things have happened in national conventions. New Jersey believes Governor Silzer is the man of destiny, and it is said Brennan has him on his list of possibilities.

**OHIO, Massachusetts and Missouri** having added their delegates to the Coolidge column, William M. Butler, the President's national campaign manager, announced that Mr. Coolidge now has a total of 825 pledged delegates. Only 556 are needed to insure nomination. The Republican executive committee, in session in Cleveland, selected Theodore E. Burton of Ohio, representative and former senator, as temporary chairman of the convention, he being Mr. Coolidge's choice. The temporary organization for the big meeting was completed by the committee. There was a lot of talk among Republicans last week about the possibility of nominating Brig. Gen. Charles G. Dawes for the

## vice presidency. He has just returned from Europe, and the added fame he gained by his fine work as head of the reparations expert committee makes him a strong party asset. His only comment was that he had no intention of going into politics.

W. M. Butler, it is announced, will succeed Mr. Adams as chairman of the national committee after the convention.

In the Ohio primaries Coolidge beat Hiram Johnson about 6 to 1, and in the landslide Harry M. Daugherty was carried to victory as a delegate at large. He was last in the Coolidge list of seven, but ran far ahead of the leading Johnson candidate.

**MUSCLE SHOALS** was a leading topic of the week, the hearings held by the senate agricultural committee developing some interesting features. First of these was a telegram sent October 12 last by James Martin Miller, who claims to have been a Washington representative of Ford, to Ernest Liebold, Ford's confidential secretary. It read: "In private interview had with President Coolidge this morning he said incidentally: 'I am friendly to Mr. Ford, but wish some one would convey to him it is my hope that Mr. Ford will not do or say anything that will make it difficult for me to deliver Muscle Shoals to him, which I am trying to do.' While President didn't say so, an sure Weeks has been consultation with President this morning in view Mr. Ford's reported interview today's papers."

President Coolidge, from whom a denial was unnecessary, promptly issued a statement reiterating his position concerning Muscle Shoals, quoting from his message on the subject, and added: "I have never said I was trying to deliver Muscle Shoals to Mr. Ford or to anyone else. I do not think his favor is for sale. I wanted him to have his proposal fairly considered, just as I wanted any other proposals fairly considered." Mr. Liebold denied that Miller was an employee of Ford. Miller said his telegram quoted the President correctly. The most generous conclusion is that Miller's memory failed him.

Governor Pinchot of Pennsylvania pointed out to the committee jokers in the Ford bid for Muscle Shoals which, he said, would enable the automobile manufacturer to "hamstring" the entire South, industrially and agriculturally. Then appeared Maj. E. B. Stahlman, publisher of the Nashville Banner, who urged the committee to "just give Henry whatever he wants; he will do the right thing." He was backed up in this by his counsel, W. B. Waldo, but right there Senator Norris of Nebraska, chairman of the committee, broke loose. Part of what he said to Mr. Waldo was:

"You're a Ford man, coming here in the guise of disinterested counsel of an improvement association. The minutes of your society show it organized just to boost Ford. Now answer this: Why is it you Ford people are always prating about the great things Ford will do, but when some one wants to amend the bill to specify those things, you refuse? Why is it that Ford people in congress are controlled by such as you, just as a mother hen controls her chicks?"

"Why do you misrepresent everything that you people with the thousands of dollars you spend in pro-Ford propaganda? Why do you make it appear to be a fight between Ford and trusts, when it isn't, when the greatest trust of all would be the Ford power trust if he's given Muscle Shoals?"

"I wouldn't vote for Muscle Shoals for Ford if every voter in my state told me to, for I think more of the country's welfare than I do of my own re-election to office—and that's more than some pro-Ford senators can say."

**THOUGH** the senate investigations in Washington have become a good deal of a bore, some mention must be made of them in a review of the week. Brookhart's committee dipped into a "scandal" concerning the conviction and pardon of a Chicagoan who violated the prohibition law, and a number of witnesses were subpoenaed to tell more about it. These included Kenneth M. Landis, who was on the bench at the time and whose testimony was expected to be lively. The committee also heard considerable talk about failure or delay by the federal law department under Mr. Daugherty

## in prosecuting lumber manufacturers and the International Harvester company under the anti-trust statutes.

Senator Walsh and his Teapot Dome committee didn't seem to be doing much, but the special grand jury began its work of investigating criminal charges growing out of the oil inquiry. Former Secretary of the Navy Daniels was the first witness.

**THE** senate made considerable headway with the tax bill, and at this writing the principal parts of it to be decided on are the normal and surtax rates, over which the biggest fight is being waged. Senator Simmons of North Carolina proposed, as a substitute for the Mellon plan, a schedule calling for reduction of the maximum surtax rate to 40 per cent and for a 50 per cent cut in the normal taxes on incomes below \$8,000. The Democratic senators in conference formally approved of this schedule.

**LAST** winter's maneuvers of the American fleet demonstrated seemingly that it is far below the ratio provided by the Washington conference treaties, according to the report made by Admiral Coontz, its commander. The two main lessons learned were that the fleet is unable to maneuver as a unit at a speed of even ten knots, because of the slowness of the auxiliary vessels, and that the submarines completely failed to function for fleet work. The admiral makes many recommendations designed to remedy conditions, these including construction of airplane carriers, submarines and destroyer tenders, new cruisers, modern submarines, destroyer squadron leaders and airplanes for use with the fleet. The report also advises that eight of the older battleships be modernized, including an increase in the elevation of the turret guns on these and several other ships, to reduce the disparity in range that now exists between our fleet and those of Japan and Great Britain.

**WARREN T. MCGRAY** last week lost his position as governor of Indiana and his liberty for a decade. Convicted of using the mails in a scheme to defraud, he was sentenced by Federal Judge Anderson to ten years in the penitentiary at Atlanta and to pay a fine of \$10,000. The judge in pronouncing sentence, declared that if McGray "lived to be as old as Methuselah, I could not mete out enough punishment." McGray within a few hours was on his way to his cell.

**TERRIFIC** storms that reached the proportions of tornadoes swept across the Southern states last Wednesday, killing 113 persons, injuring a thousand others and doing vast property damage. In South Carolina the dead numbered 66, in Georgia 18 and in Alabama 11. The American Red Cross instantly went to the relief of the sufferers and was aided by many other organizations.

**AFTER** being delayed for days at Chignik, Alaska, by storms, Major Martin, commander of the world-circling squadron, left Wednesday to rejoin his comrades at Dutch Harbor, but up to the time of writing this he had not been heard from, and it was feared he had come to grief in a new storm. Fishing boats were searching along the route for his plane.

**EFFORTS** of the United States to bring peace to Honduras are bearing fruit. The Central American governments united in a conference which has agreed that Gen. Vicente Tosta shall be provisional president of Honduras pending the holding of new elections. Meanwhile one faction of Hondurans has captured Tegucigalpa, the capital, after twelve hours of bloody fighting.

**GREAT BRITAIN, Belgium, Italy, Japan and Yugoslavia** have accepted the Dawes report on Germany, but France still is jockeying for alterations. However, the prospects are bright if Germany makes a prompt start to carry out its provisions. Premier Theunis and Foreign Minister Hymans of Belgium are in England discussing the matter with Prime Minister MacDonald. American bankers stand ready to furnish half of the \$200,000,000 loan to Germany.

# SCHMAHL ENTERS RACE FOR GOVERNORSHIP

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rect and indirect, which at the present time so seriously handicaps every line of business endeavor, and from which the people, regardless of business or occupation, are so insistently demanding relief.

"Every expenditure that is made must be met, and the only way a reduction of taxation can be secured is to reduce expenditures, curb all extravagance and insist on as rigid economy in the maintenance of state institutions as is compatible with good service. I firmly believe that, in order to accomplish this, we must return to party responsibility in the legislative branch of the government, as enunciated by the platform of the Republican party of Minnesota."

"I am of the opinion that my twenty years of public service, of which people of the state are cognizant, is better evidence that I will endeavor to bring about economy, equity and fairness in government, than any statement that I might make."

**Voters' Indifference Scored**  
"The indifference of the people in exercising their prerogatives of citizenship is appalling, and a real menace to the welfare of the republic—only about 50 per cent of the voters, as a rule, participating in the selective primaries. I shall devote much of my time and effort in the coming primary in arousing the voters to a realizing sense of their responsibility in the matter."

Mr. Schmah, a former newspaper man, was elected chief clerk of the house in the Minnesota legislature in 1901. In 1906 he was elected secretary of state, a position to which he was re-elected for fourteen years until he retired in 1920.

Four years ago Mr. Schmah announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination for governor, but withdrew on the eve of the Republican endorsing convention, charging unfair tactics on the part of Governor Preus.

Mr. Schmah is president of the Cosmopolitan State bank and a resident of St. Paul. He is married and has a family.

## Packers and Wholesalers Get the Lion's Share

Washington.—Packers and wholesalers get 76 cents out of every dollar paid by consumers of meat to retail dealers, 19 cents pays the dealers' expenses, and 5 cents represents the dealers' profit, the Department of Agriculture announced in making public a survey of 143 retail meat stores in Chicago, Cleveland and New York, from March, 1923, to February, 1924.

## Canada's Effort to Lure Yankee Settlers Fails

Ottawa, Ont.—Though during the last four fiscal years Canada has spent \$1,900,000 on immigration activities and advertising throughout the United States to get new settlers, the results have been disappointing. The records show that the arrivals from the United States during March were only 1,401, compared with 1,601 of March, 1923, and 2,870 in March, 1922.

## W. T. McCray Enters Cell; Becomes Number 17746

Atlanta, Ga.—Ex. Gov. Warren T. McCray became prisoner No. 17746 in the Atlanta federal penitentiary and began serving his sentence of ten years for fraudulent use of the mails. He also must pay a fine of \$10,000. At 1:25 p. m. Thursday the inner steel gate of the prison closed upon the former Indiana executive, pushed to by J. P. Hayes, also of Indiana.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt appreciation and sincere gratitude to our many neighbors and friends, together with the Knights and Women of the Ku Klux Klan for their many tokens of love and sympathy extended to us during our recent bereavement in connection with the loss of our beloved daughter and sister, Grace Rachel Huffman.

W. F. Huffman,  
Dorothy Huffman.

## CROSS STARTLES UNDERWORLD

LARNED, KAN., May 5.—Burning a fiery cross on a recent evening in front of a house of disreputable character, local Klansmen made their first public demonstration. Many persons were attracted by the glare of the cross.

The following morning four persons of disreputable character left here, and more are expected to follow. Such persons, who are present and violate the law, will be prosecuted.

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# COURT TO DECIDE IF FLAPPERS MAY GO STOCKINGLESS

Much Depends on Disposition of Case Against Clarkesburg, West Virginia, Girl.

CLARKESBURG, W. VA., May 5.—Just because a widely-known hosiery company advertises "you just know she wears them," is no reason to believe that there is always truth in advertising. And no one is more aware of this fact than dainty Miss Rita Varner, a typical flapper, who appeared on local streets today immaculately attired and sans stockings.

With stylish stick and ultra-fashionable clothes, she promenade the city's principal thoroughfares for a short while when she was espied by Chief of Police Laco M. Wolfe. The officer stopped, rubbed his eyes and adjusted his spectacles. Yes, he was right—no doubt about it. The girl was not wearing any stockings. He approached the demure little miss and asked her if she had any stockings.

"Sure, lots of them at home," she replied. The police chief then informed her that she would have to go down to police station and put up a cash bond for appearance in police court next morning.

Now comes the sad part. Police Judge Orville L. McDonald will be obliged to decide whether or not Clarkesburg flappers may appear in public without stockings. Much hinges on his decision, it is said.

## Un-American Candidates Defeated in School Vote

VALLEY FALLS, KAN., May 5.—After injecting the Klan issue into the local school board election, which was held recently, the opposition received a decisive defeat. Two candidates, supported by Klansmen, were elected by majorities of two to one. The advertisements published and cards distributed by the opposition reacted in favor of representative Americans, 98 per cent of the patrons having cast ballots. Among the tactics of the opposition was the circulating of a story that Roman Catholic teachers would not be hired by certain candidates if elected, there being one Roman teacher on the staff.

## PEOPLE ARE GOING KU KLUX

FAIRMONT, MINN., April 24.—A national Klan lecturer addressed a large invitational meeting here tonight. A goodly number of men and over a hundred women petitioned for membership in the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and the Women of the Ku Klux Klan, respectively.

## REPRESENTATIVE AT DULUTH

DULUTH, MINN., April 24.—The Imperial Representative for Minnesota spoke at an invitational meeting and presented the Klan principles so effectively that every prospective candidate petitioned for membership in the Ku Klux Klan.

## KLAN FIELDMEN TO MEET

A report coming from state headquarters indicates that a meeting of Ku Klux Klan fieldmen is contemplated in St. Paul soon. This meeting will be devoted to a study of present needs of Klankraft in the state.

## KLAN TO MEET OUTDOORS

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—The North Star Klan No. 2 will meet in its outdoor Klavern shortly. A special program is being arranged for this get-together. A record attendance is expected and plans are being made accordingly.

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A. E. LUND,  
(Notary Public.)  
(My commission expires Sept. 25, 1926.)



## Churches Call Klan's Gifts 'Cheap Publicity'

BUCKHANNON, W. VA., May 3.—Does the Ku Klux Klan need publicity? If so, from what source does it get it?

Those two pertinent questions are fast finding their way through the brains of fair-minded Upshur county citizens following the colossal failure of an anti-Klan press agent to discredit the great patriotic organization.

Easter Sunday, Buckhannon Klan, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, made liberal donations to every church in Buckhannon and its vicinity. Every church returned the money with the exception of the Buckhannon Baptist church. The Rev. W. H. Barlow, pastor of the church, took the matter up with his congregation, and it was voted to accept the money and extend the thanks of the church.

Those who returned the money were negro Methodists, prejudiced caucasian United Brethren, Presbyterians, and Methodists. The United Brethren are members said to be reconsidering the matter of accepting the money. The super-eminent church of felons objected to accepting the gift on account of it was "a cheap advertising scheme of the Klan," it is understood.

With this, a local correspondent for the Clarksburg Exponent, who became notorious in this backwoods county for propaganda sent out against the Klan, immediately mailed his paper a story delineating the fact that the "cheap Klan advertising trick had been foiled."

In his story the enthusiastic correspondent failed to relate, however, that the Klan did not make a public appearance in Buckhannon when the gifts were made. The correspondent also omitted the fact that the gifts were unostentatiously placed on collection plates when the regular Sunday offering was taken, and that they were sealed in plain envelopes. With each Klan offering was a communication setting forth its desire to encourage agencies of the Protestant religion—no advertising, just plain praise for the church.

As Buckhannon is situated on a branch railroad in an isolated county and does not support a daily paper—just why would the Ku Klux Klan, an organization of international fame, go to a place of that sort to pull a publicity stunt? Each of the Klan offerings contained from \$25.00 to \$50.00. There was no ceremony in presenting the money, and it was placed on the collection plates in plain envelopes. Fair minded persons are at a loss to know just how the dilapidated reporter fathoms that the Klan offerings was "a cheap publicity stunt."

Buckhannon Klan has gone over the top in membership and now a chartered organization. When a Klan gets a charter it is then supposed to be through taking in members. The Klan is not dependent on church officials—but church officials are dependent on Klansmen.

If members of the Ku Klux Klan

should stop giving individual aid to the various religious institutions in this state, half of the churches in West Virginia would close their doors before the expiration of six months. However, it is hoped that Klansmen will be too broad minded to cease their contributions to religious institutions on account of a handful of bigots in the back county of Upshur.

The Ku Klux Klan does not need publicity, especially the kind where a church would have to be brought into a propaganda scheme. Today, people are thundering at the doors of the Klan for admission—"cheap advertising" is not needed. There was a time when the Klan needed publicity. It got it, and it didn't pay for it. The organized opposition furnished the publicity with knocks which, in each instance, proved to be a one-hundred per cent boost.

The Ku Klux Klan does not maintain a publicity staff, but relies upon antagonistic newspapers. The articles written by the Exponent's correspondent which were subsequently exposed, are the most successful forms of Klan publicity.

### What About America?

(From Duluth News Tribune)

All but two of the 22 New York congressmen have united in a protest to congress against the immigration bill that has been reported to the house by the committee. They protest that it is unjust to foreigners.

But what about a little justice to Americans?

Nobody should longer question America's right to limit and select her immigrants. Immigration is a peaceful invasion of America. If our immigrants are in sufficient numbers and of a type that is not easily assimilated by the republic they are a menace to our form of government and our living standards and surely America has every right to protect herself against the invasion.

More than 150 years ago our forefathers launched the greatest experiment in government the world had ever seen. They founded a republic based on the principles of representative self government. It is our right and our duty to protect that republic by shutting the gates against those who have neither the desire nor the faculty of self-government. If such persons are coming to our shores in sufficient numbers to threaten our institutions, surely we have a right to put up the bars.

There are millions of Europeans who look upon America as the promised land. But this nation cannot absorb them without lowering the living standards of its own people, and without endangering the very institutions that have kept American living standards higher than those of other countries. To admit this flood of immigrants would not improve conditions in other countries, but it would materially lower living standards here.

Surely, under those conditions, America has a right to limit immigration and to select the immigrants she will admit. And surely congress should not be concerned about the effect on "foreigners" so much as they are concerned about the effect on America.

Unfortunately, however, immigration is likely to be considered on political grounds and not on social or economic grounds. Many representatives are likely to think of the racial pride of certain big groups of voters, and this factor, combined with the influence of those who want "cheap labor" may have sufficient weight to prevent the adoption of a sane and permanent immigration during this crazy session of a muck-raking congress.

MARYSVILLE, CALIF.—Klansmen entertained their families and friends at a public meeting and social recently, former Kleagle B. R. Tooke and William Walker, of Texas, speaking.

## IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL Sunday School Lesson

REV. P. H. FITZWATER, D.D., Teacher of English Bible in the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.  
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### Lesson for May 11

#### JEHOIADA'S VICTORY OVER BAAL

LESSON TEXT—II Kings 11:1-18. GOLDEN TEXT—"Be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might!"—Eph. 6:10.

PRIMARY TOPIC—A Kind Woman Saves a Baby King. JUNIOR TOPIC—The Story of a Boy King.

INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—God's Hand in Human Affairs. YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—What Jehoiada Meant to Judah.

Joash, viewed in the light of his ancestors, was a poor prospect for a king. His grandmother was the wicked Athaliah and his great-grandparents were Ahab and Jezebel. There was enough bad blood in his veins to assure his doom. Despite this fact, he brought about some noble reforms and turned the people back to God.

I. Athaliah Usurps the Throne. (vv. 1-3).

1. Her Attempt to Destroy the Seed Royal (v. 1). In order to remove any rightful claimant to the throne she tried to kill all the royal male children. The act was not of sudden impulse, but of deliberate purpose.

2. Joash Preserved by Jehoshabea (vv. 2, 3). Though Athaliah was keen eyed, she was checked by another woman. This woman, the wife of the priest, stole away this child and hid him away in a bedchamber for six years. God had promised that through the Davidic line the Messiah should come. In order that this line be unbroken Joash must be preserved. No purpose of God can fail.

II. Joash Crowned King (vv. 4-12). 1. Jehoiada's Preparations (vv. 4-11). The high priest and his wife were strong characters. As the high priest, Jehoiada felt that it was his duty to thwart the heathen project of Athaliah. His wife's co-operation made possible the saving of Joash.

(1) Seeks the aid of the military leaders (v. 4). He knew somehow that these men were not loyal to Athaliah.

(2) He took an oath of them in the house of the Lord (v. 4). He bound them to their agreement by every available means.

(3) He incited their spirit of patriotism (v. 4). He gave them a sight of the king's son. This, no doubt, was a great surprise. Now, having seen the heir to the throne, they would risk everything, even their lives, in order to set him on the throne.

(4) He co-ordinates all matters (vv. 5-11). The soldiers were divided into companies and arms were distributed to them. Each group was assigned to specific duties.

2. The Coronation (v. 12). (1) The king's son brought forth. This was a great day in Jerusalem.

(2) Put the crown upon him. This was the formal induction into office.

(3) Gave him the testimony. This was a copy of the law indicating that the king was to rule according to the law of God. The act of putting the law on his head showed that the king himself would be under control of the law.

(4) Made him king. This shows that he had been made king by the choice of the people.

(5) Anointed him. They poured oil upon his head. This was the usual method of consecrating prophets, priests and kings.

(6) Clapped their hands. This was a token of joy. The deed being done, they were ready to publicly proclaim it. They shouted "Long live the king."

III. Athaliah Slain (vv. 13-17). 1. The Noise of the Coronation of Joash Brought Athaliah to the Temple (v. 13). Up to this time she thought her place on the throne was secure and that her heathen religion had free course.

2. Her Doom (v. 14). Upon her arrival at the temple she saw the king wearing the crown and surrounded by guards so that she could do nothing. In her despair she exclaimed "Treason, treason." This was not treason, but the triumph of right over wrong—the defeat of conspiracy and plotting.

3. Athaliah Executed (vv. 15, 16). The orders were that she should not be killed in the temple. They led her out by the way of the horses' entrance to the king's palace and slew her. What a tragic end for the sinner. Sin can only prosper for a time.

IV. Worship of the People (vv. 17, 18).

Joash was seven years old when he was made king. The high priest made a covenant between the Lord, the king and the people that they would be the Lord's people. In carrying out this covenant they broke down the temple of Baal and slew the priests of Baal.

BLANCHARD, MICH.—A large audience filled the local theater recently when a minister explained the principles of the Klan. The chief theme of the lecturer was "Christ wants us to be real militant Christians." The lecture was well received, and many made application for membership in the order.

GREAT BEND, KAN., April 30.—Little Glenn Dupree, of Pawnee Rock, has presented a Bible, containing large type, to district school No. 45. The district has been in a turmoil for some time relative to the reading of the Bible in the school.

## Iowa News

Items of Interest Summarized for Busy Readers.

Nevada's paving program for 1924 now totals fifty-five blocks.

Iowa now has 97 of its 99 counties enrolled in some kind of project work. The annual migration of Mexican laborers into the best fields of northern Iowa has begun.

At Charles City the D. A. R. chapter members have planted three wild crab apple trees in a park.

A camp ground has been provided for the many Iowa farmers who drive to Ames on sight-seeing trips.

The annual convention of the Iowa State Federation of Labor will be held in Waterloo June 17th to 21st.

The school of journalism at Grinnell college will forecast the Cleveland G. O. P. convention in a farce play.

The semi-annual distribution of government funds at Tracer left each of the 216 Indians participating \$22.94 richer.

Telephone calls in Des Moines during 1923 averaged more than 650 each for every man, woman and child in the city.

Sales of farms at Alta, Shenandoah and Charles City at \$240, \$250 and \$225 an acre respectively have been reported.

The Newton graduating class will leave a fund of \$100 interest on it to go to a substantial book for the library every year.

Scholarship requirements to membership in Iowa Wesleyan college Greek letter fraternities have been banned at Mt. Pleasant.

To live long enough to rejoice in the golden wedding of his son, is the unique record of Charles M. Hubbard, 97 years old of Cedar Rapids.

Reports from over the state show that the farmers are too pre-occupied with crop planting and other duties to pay much attention to the political fight.

Leslie M. Shaw, former secretary of the treasury, will give the commencement address at Teachers' college June 3. The college will have about 500 graduates.

In the tremendous production of beef and cattle necessary to satisfy Uncle Sam's prodigious appetite for this meat, Iowa, as usual, is playing a leading part.

The building committee of Za-Ga-Zig temple is busy gathering information and formulating plans for the new Shrine temple to be erected in Des Moines.

Miss Mary Albert of Lansing, a nurse at the Cook County hospital in Chicago, is home for a month. She bobbed her hair and was suspended for that period.

Books dealing with the intimacy of government life at Washington and those outlining the various departmental activities of the government are in great demand throughout Iowa.

The fight against typhoid fever in Iowa is gaining ground. Reports which are printed in the current Iowa Health Bulletin, issued by the state board, show that typhoid deaths have steadily decreased.

Contrasting with the gubernatorial campaign two years ago, Des Moines will be the hub of campaign activities for the eight candidates in this year's race, five of whom are planning headquarters there.

The Iowa traveling library of Des Moines is composed of thousands of volumes which are made available to unorganized library communities, societies and groups of people not in close touch with a public library.

For the fifth time in as many years Iowa schools are leaders in health education work, according to announcement received at the office of the Iowa Tuberculosis Association from the national association at New York.

The road building and paving campaign program of the Iowa Good Roads association, launched at a meeting of leading business men of Iowa is receiving the unqualified support of all of those cities which were represented at the conference.

Announcement of the second annual training course for teachers in vacation Bible schools, which will be held May 20th to 22nd at the Iowa Bible Training school, has been made by the executive secretary of the Polk County Sunday School Council of Religious Education, Des Moines.

The 1924 crop in Iowa has started under fairly favorable conditions. The early spring was rather cold and backward, but notwithstanding, the oat crop was practically all in on time. Only certain portions of the state were delayed with the seeding of this crop. There appears to be some increase in the amount of oats sown in the state.

Camp Dodge swimming pool will open either on June 7th or June 14th, according to the weather. It is announced by the Des Moines Playground association now engaged in choosing the manager, life guards and assistants to have charge this summer.

Three thousand dollars has been raised at Des Moines for the National Jewish hospital for consumptives at Denver at the meeting held at the Jewish community center. Dr. William S. Friedman, founder of the hospital, addressed the meeting and also the state conference.

## Partial List of Candidates in June Primary

UNITED STATES SENATORS. Republican—Burton E. Sweet of Waverly, Smith W. Brookhart of Washington. Democratic—Charles R. Keyes of Des Moines, John D. Denison of Des Moines, Daniel F. Stock of Ottumwa. STATE OFFICERS. Governor.

Republican—J. H. Anderson of Thompson, A. J. Banks of Montour, John Hammill of Britt, Glenn C. Haynes of Mason City, W. J. Bursbank of Waterloo, Jonas D. Buser of Conesville.

Democratic—Daniel Unsicker of Wright, J. C. Murtagh of Waterloo. Lieutenant Governor.

Republican—Clem F. Kimball of Council Bluffs, John R. Price of Albia. Democratic—L. W. Housel of Humboldt.

Secretary of State. Republican—Walter C. Ramsay of Belmond. Democratic—Maude Lauderdale of Fort Dodge.

Auditor of State. Republican—James C. McClune of Oskaloosa, William H. Nye of Rockwell City, O. E. Wilson of Moravia, J. W. Lemley of Leon, J. C. Tuck of Corning, G. H. Getty of Boone. Democratic—E. T. Likes of Des Moines.

Treasurer of State. Republican—Ray E. Johnson of Muscatine, G. G. Wolfe of Mount Vernon, Leon W. Almsworth of Des Moines. Democratic—Edward McDonald of Coon Rapids.

Attorney General. Republican—Ben J. Gibson of Corning.

Democratic—V. R. McGinnis of Leon, M. F. Donegan of Davenport. Railroad Commissioner.

Republican—Fred P. Woodruff of Knoxville, C. W. Felton of Sioux City, B. M. Richardson of Cedar Rapids. Democratic—B. B. Burchett of Bloomfield.

Secretary of Agriculture.

Republican—R. W. Cassidy of Whiting.

The Boone County Farm bureau annual picnic will be held June 18th. Plenty of chewing tobacco and wood chopping are given as sure promoters to a long life by David Leake, 95 years old, of Shenandoah.

Nels Rice, Cass county farmer, has lost 13 head of hogs from hydrophobia caused by a number of the porkers being bitten by a stray dog.

An effort is being made by the commercial club of Boone to prevent another bus line from here to Des Moines stating that rail facilities are adequate.

In the last fourteen years 273 Des Moines people have died from diphtheria, according to figures compiled by Dr. H. L. Saylor, city health commissioner.

J. Carson Duncan, member of the Louisa county board of supervisors, declares that chances are good for a \$125,000 appropriation for levees at Point Louisa.

Secretary of Labor James J. Davis has been engaged to address the forty-third annual convention of the Mississippi Valley Spiritualists association here August 3rd to August 31st.

Ray and Clinton Miller, of Sutherland are champion growers of soy beans. Last season they threshed 800 bushels from 45 acres. They have planted 85 acres for this year.

Between 500 and 600 boy scouts are planning to enter events in the third annual field day of the Des Moines scout council to be held about the middle of May. It is announced by the scout executive.

The June commencement season at Iowa State College will open June 6, with senior day and continue thru until Monday, June 9, when the graduating class will be addressed by Glenn Frank, editor of the Century magazine, and something like 600 degrees and certificates will be awarded.

There are as many different styles of soy beans as there are ladies' dresses. About 140 different varieties have been tested at the Iowa agricultural experiment station. Each year for the past four years seed of ten or twelve of the standard varieties have been sold to farmers by the farm crops extension service for local co-operative demonstrations.

Many Iowa farmers are becoming interested in the growing of soy beans for hay production and to assist those who wish to give them a trial the Iowa Agricultural Experiment association offers to send one bushel of Peking to any farmer who will send \$4 to the secretary-treasurer, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa. Peking is a late, tall, upright growing variety.

Temple commandery, No. 4, Knights Templar of Des Moines is making preparations for the observance of the sixtieth anniversary of the institution of the order in Des Moines on June 10th. The Masonic grand lodge of Iowa will be in session in Des Moines at the same time and efforts will be made to bring a large percentage of the 12,000 Knights Templar in Iowa to Des Moines for the celebration.

Dr. Rodney P. Fagen, secretary of the Iowa state board of health, and Dr. Peter Malcolm, chief of the bureau of animal industry, state department of agriculture last night emphatically denied that an epidemic of hoof and mouth disease was threatening southern Iowa.

The most extensive paving and grading program ever undertaken by the city of Des Moines will be started at once and pushed through to completion by late fall at a cost which may exceed \$500,000, according to the superintendent of the department of streets and public improvements.

## W. S. VARE



W. S. Vare, congressman from Philadelphia, who helped defeat Governor Pinchot for the place of delegate at large to the Republican national convention.

## STATE GOVERNOR TO COMBAT FALSE TEXTS

Louis F. Hart of Washington Will Devote Time to Public Education

(Scottish Rite News Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 5.—The ignorant textbook writer and the inaccurate school book are to face a vigorous fight when Governor Louis F. Hart, of Washington, gets through in office. Governor Hart is not a candidate for re-election, and intends to devote much of his time when relieved from the cares of office to combating the use of inaccurate and misleading textbooks.

"Some of the statements I have found in our school books are so preposterous and inaccurate as to be almost amusing," he says. "Nevertheless it is a very serious thing that our state should be so much misrepresented and its resources touched upon with such careless disregard of facts. It is wrong, in the first place, that the children in our schools should be expected to depend upon such textbooks; but when we remember that the same misstatements are carried into the schools in many other states, we get a better appreciation of the magnitude of such misguidance."

## "The Fiery Cross Has Never Mentioned My Klan"

Make sure that your Exalted Cyclops or your Kligrapp lets the Fiery Cross have the news happenings in your Klanton. If necessary, introduce a resolution at your next meeting calling for the appointment of a publicity officer to let The Fiery Cross know about the worth-while religious and Klan activities of your community.

The Fiery Cross wants good, especially group, photographs that illustrate the result of Klan endeavor.

Right now The Fiery Cross wants to hear from all Klans which have found new and novel ways of effecting reform, of taking care of their community's poor, or any other ideas that might be made beneficial to other Klans throughout our logical territory.

## INTER-RACIAL PLAY BOOSTED BY PAPERS

New York Times and Hearst's Publications Praise Eugene O'Neill

(Bureau of Publication and Education) NEW YORK, May 5.—The New York Times as well as the Hearst papers seems to take a delight in advertising Eugene O'Neill's play "All God's Chillun Got Wings," representing it as a play worth while, although to most people it certainly smacks of the danger line. It is high time that the American people were waking up to what is going on along such lines.

Think of these newspapers stooping to the position of making out of themselves a propaganda machine for influence that would favor mixed marriages and mongrelize the American race.

Are we to prostitute the American public to where it can look with favor on a white woman playing opposite a negro either on the stage or on the screen, becoming like sniffs and slave and in the last scene made to stoop to kiss the negro's hand?

No good American citizen can favor that sort of rot. It's repulsive to all decent people, including the negro race as well as the white race. It's against God's law and man's law and reflects a low intelligence on the part of all who have anything to do with encouragement of such practice.

## Daily Bible Reading Texts

Saturday JESUS SAID UNTO HER, I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live; And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.—John 11:25.

Sunday SERVE THE LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing. For the Lord is good: his mercy is everlasting: and his truth endureth to all generations.—Psalm 100:2, 5.

Monday THE KINGDOM OF GOD cometh not with observation: Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for behold the Kingdom of God is within you.—Luke 17:20, 21.

Tuesday THUS SAITH THE LORD, Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not. Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and I will cure them, and will reveal unto them the abundance of peace and truth.—Jeremiah 33:2, 3, 6.

Wednesday BE CAREFUL FOR NOTHING; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.—Philippians 4:6, 7.

Thursday THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD GOD is upon me; because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek: he hath sent me to bind up the broken hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound.—Isaiah 61:1.

Friday HE THAT TRUSTETH IN HIS OWN HEART IS A FOOL.—Prov. 28:26.

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## Recently Elected Officials of Columbus Junction All Women

COLUMBUS JUNCTION, IA., April 28.—The new Iowa idea. A town ruled entirely by women. A woman mayor, a woman treasurer, a woman assessor, a woman council.

Columbus City is a thriving city in southeastern Iowa. It was established July 4, 1841, by a hardy group of pioneers who drove out the Musquagees, Fox and Sac Indians and claims now to be the first town in the world to elect an entire personnel of women city officials. Grandmothers of the new order fashioned the rude log cabins into homes and reared the mothers of the new officials on prairie bedsides—but few of the present generation know what a prairie bedsides is.

### "I Told You So"

Seasoned politicians who fought woman suffrage tooth and nail, now have their innings and are walking about the streets of this Iowa city with that air of satisfaction which says plainly enough, "I told you so." They are already thinking of the way they will like it when a woman assessor asks them how old they are, at how much they value their best horse and how much money and credits they are going to report.

The men of the city held their convention. They left their convention hall and went down to Kern's store where someone suggested that a woman's ticket be placed in the field. A ticket was arranged. The women consented and the ticket was filed with the city clerk. Election day came. People flocked to the polls. A 50 per cent larger vote than the average was recorded. The women won—in a walkway.

The new administration has not outlined fully the policy it will pursue. The city—just as the state and nation—is dry, but the new mayor might be classified as somewhat damp. She believes in the use of liquor for medicinal purposes. "But we will not tolerate bootlegging or any other form of lawbreaking," she declares. "Who will clean the streets?" she was asked by one of the disappointed men. "They will be cleaned," was her prompt reply.

### Who Are They?

The mayor, Miss Eva Bietz, has taught school twelve years. She is five feet two, has a determined chin, a vigorous personality and a general bearing that radiates efficiency. She is against bobbed hair and cigarettes for women. She asserts that she re-

ally was surprised at the result of the election. "However," she set her determined chin a little higher and snapped her black eyes just a little quicker, "we are going to do the best we can."

Miss Mary Moore, the new treasurer, is also a school teacher, and superintendent of the United Presbyterian Sunday school.

Miss Nellie Moore, the assessor, is a school teacher and a cousin of the treasurer.

Of the councilwomen, Mrs. Minnie Richie is the wife of a hardware merchant and undertaker. He opposed her on the ticket, but she defeated him by 28 votes.

Mrs. Grace Robertson is the wife of a real estate dealer and stockman. Mrs. Bessie Jamieson's husband is the Rev. R. W. Jamieson, pastor of the United Presbyterian church. She believes that mere man will no longer be permitted to occupy the attention of history and of the world.

Mrs. Elsie Allen is the wife of Joe Allen, local housekeeper and stone mason.

None of the new officials has bobbed hair.

## CITIZEN TRAINING CAMPS IN AUGUST

Men Between 17 and 24 Years of Age May Enlist for One Month

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA., May 5.—Young men, from 17 to 24 years of age, are wanted for training in citizens' military training camps at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and Fort Des Moines, Iowa, from August 1 to August 30, 1924.

Attendance in the training camp does not constitute any present or future contract of enlistment in the army of the United States.

The United States government pays the expenses of those attending, including transportation to and from camp, uniforms, food and medical attention.

The object of the training camp is to bring young men of high type from all sections of the country on a common basis of equality and under the most favorable conditions of outdoor life, to stimulate and promote good citizenship, patriotism and Americanism, and to realize their obligations to their country.

For application, or any information desired, address: Major William Noble, JAG, ORC, United States Army, Box 1213, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

## 165,000 Women Sign Pleas for World Court

Washington.—Petitions signed by 160,000 Minnesota women favoring American participation in the world court were presented in the senate by Senator Shipstead, Farmer-Labor, Minnesota. Chairman Lodge of the foreign relations committee also put in a petition presented to him by 35,000 Iowa women dealing with the same subject.

## Bluejackets Reported Killed in Honduras

San Salvador.—Several American bluejackets have been killed in Honduras, according to advices received here. An attaché of the American legation in Tegucigalpa is said to have proceeded to La Libertad, Salvador, a cable station, to communicate with the government at Washington.

## Bill To Raise Congress Pay to \$10,000 a Year

Washington.—Increase in salaries of senators, and congressmen from \$7,500 to \$10,000 a year is proposed in a bill introduced in the house by Representative Celler, Democrat of New York. The increased salaries would be paid to members of the next congress, to be elected in November, and the hold-over senators.

FRESNO, CALIF.—Dr. L. F. Luckie, lecturing under the auspices of Fresno Klan, No. 1, spoke at the Woodmen of the World hall here last week, taking as his subject, "The Ballot Box." At the close of his address the several hundred persons in the audience unanimously voted to send a resolution to the California senators to fight for the immigration measure based on the 1890 census.

AUBURN, N. Y.—Interest in the Ku Klux Klan has been aroused here since the burning of three fiery crosses on the evening of April 1, celebrating a large gain in membership.

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### PLANT TREES ALONG ROADS

Entire Stretch of Sixty Miles of Paved Highway in New Jersey to Be Beautified.

Beautifying New Jersey highways by planting shade trees, started years ago in scattered districts by individual efforts, has been given considerable stimulus by the indorsement of the new state highway commission and women's organizations in different counties.

The movement, an outgrowth of the World war memorial idea, is for utility as well as beauty. The trees will serve as guard rails along highways leading to the sea.

Camden county is given credit for the most ambitious scheme of tree planting. Through the movement, originated by women's clubs, the entire stretch of 60 miles of paved highway from the Delaware river to the Atlantic on the White Horse pike route is to be beautified.

At the present time beautiful shaded highways are to be found in sections of Salem and Gloucester counties, where most of the trees were planted more than fifty years ago. The plan, as favored by the state department of forestry, entails co-operation on the part of communities and counties in the systematic planting of trees.

It has been suggested that different kinds of trees be planted on different highways. Instead of being identified by numbers, the state routes eventually might be known as Maple, Elm or Spruce routes.

Cherry, apple and other fruit trees have been planted in double rows for short distances on some of the roads. This idea has met with approval by individuals, who say it carries out in a fashion the Italian idea of having grapes growing along the public ways. Dogwood has added variety in some rural sections; and a big land owner has planted chestnut trees along one of the roads.

Road experts say shaded highways last longer, as the trees protect the pavement from the deterioration of intense heat in summer and serve as windbreaks to keep the roads clear of snow in winter. Drainage also is improved, these men say, and the tree roots prevent water undermining the hard surfaced highways.—Philadelphia Record.

## SPLENDID NEW YORK TOWN

Proportion of Owners to Renters in Canton, N. Y., is Approximately Six to One.

A gazetteer informs us that Canton New York, is "a banking post-village, the capital of St. Lawrence county, on the Grand River and the New York Central and Hudson River railroad, 50 miles northeast of Watertown; it has extensive steam sawmills and flour mills, boat works and manufactures of cheese and cheese boxes, printing presses, etc., and is the seat of St. Lawrence university; its population is 2,757."

There appears to be nothing particularly startling or noteworthy in these facts. There are bigger sawmill towns along the Kennebec, more ambitious flour mills in Minneapolis, more cheese produced in any of a hundred Wisconsin towns and more boats built in any eastern harbor.

What especially distinguishes this northern New York town is that of the 768 houses in Canton 652 are inhabited by owners, that is approximately 6 to 1. This precisely is the condition that makes more directly than any other for splendid citizenship. The pride and satisfaction that accrues to the owner of a home because of that fact inevitably reflects itself in every manifestation of that citizenship, in his attitude toward his community, toward his state and his government, in his sense of civic and social responsibility, in his attachment to health and family which is the base on which our whole structure of civilization rests.

Canton, New York, must be a splendid town.

City Will Spend a Million. Improvement in city streets and sewers amounting to close to \$1,000,000 is the program for Portsmouth (Ohio) during the next year. Already three of the city's main streets have been resurfaced with asphalt, after a battle in council which lasted months, and other improvements have been provided for. At a recent meeting of the council a bond issue amounting to \$127,000 was awarded to state commission and city sinking fund trustees, the greater portion of which is for improvement of some kind or other. A Chicago firm of consulting engineers has completed a sewer survey of the city.

FRANKFORT, KY.—The local Klan has furnished information to the Federal prohibition officers which has led to the arrest of many alleged liquor law violators. It is rumored that gambling dives and places selling liquor are running wide open in the heart of the city, but conditions are expected to change after the next city election.

KINGWOOD, W. VA.—An organizer for the Women of the Ku Klux Klan has been sent to Kingwood, and a large class already has been naturalized, it is said.

## LEGISLATIVE NOTES

What the Iowa Legislators Are Doing at Special Session For Code Revision

LEGISLAURE TAKES RECESS UNTIL JULY 22

Iowa's fourth code revision session of the legislature recessed with all of the work of revising the statute law completed, bills enrolled and signed by the officers of senate and house, until July 22nd, when it is expected formal action of adoption of the new code may be taken.

The report of the house judiciary committee on its investigation of the conduct of her office by Miss May E. Francis, state superintendent of public instruction, was deferred, with the consent of the house, until the legislature reconvenes in July.

The end was calmly reached, the last light of the session having been made on the floor of the senate when the conference report on the prison labor sections of the board of control bill was finally adopted. All of the formal work of the session was completed before noon; but it was necessary to stop the clocks and recess until 5:30 in the afternoon in order to receive the last two enrolled bills.

The last day's work of the special session included the passage of the concurrent resolution fixing the time of reconvening as 11 o'clock Tuesday morning, July 23; passage of a joint resolution authorizing the cancellation by the board of control of contracts for labor of prisoners and legalizing new contracts from July 1, 1924 to July 1, 1927; defeat of the Brooks resolution requesting a recess investigation of prison labor employment; passage of a resolution of appreciation of the work of Code Commissioners U. G. Whitney, J. H. Trevelyan and J. C. Mabry; and passage of a resolution deferring the report of the Francis investigating committee until the legislature reconvenes in July.

Those who have given close attention to the work of the codifiers are satisfied that accurate and painstaking work has been done. The work of codifying was done by a commission of three lawyers. This work has now been read, debated and ratified by the general assembly. The law-makers assert that nothing has escaped their attention and that when the code is completed it will represent what the people have wanted in the way of laws. It will be several months before the code is ready for public use. The printing will be much more promptly done than it was in 1897, for the reason that type setting is now done by rapid machines. It is stated that the special code session of the legislature will cost the state more than \$300,000. The state of Iowa has been passing laws for seventy-eight years. To keep all of these laws in order, for ready reference and to avoid conflict, is a tedious and costly process.

Teachers of Iowa who have had three or more years of successful teaching experience are not to be affected by retroactive certification rules issued by the superintendent of public instruction or the state board of examiners, under the terms of a joint resolution voted out by the judiciary committee, which has been investigating the official acts of Miss May E. Francis, superintendent of public instruction. Likewise, the resolution will protect schools of the state in their accredited standing against teacher qualification rulings that might take them off the accredited list by the disbarment of experienced teachers and state aid may not be denied accredited schools under such conditions. The resolution was framed by the committee prior to the opening of the Francis investigation but the inquiry was responsible in part for its introduction in the house.

Governor Kendall has officially announced that Fred L. Maytag of Newton would be appointed director of the budget under the law recently passed by the Iowa legislature. His statement said: "I had some delicacy in announcing his appointment before the bill was signed, but I am thoroughly acquainted with the provisions of the measure passed by the general assembly, and it will have my sanction. The state is fortunate in that I was able to induce Senator Maytag to undertake the organization of the work. The question of his salary was not mentioned by him or by me in the discussion of the subject. I presented the matter to him as offering a high opportunity to render the state a vital service, and he accepted the position in that same lofty spirit."

The amendment to the pools and trust bill authorizing the state executive council to sell gasoline, coal and fuel oil whenever it was to the interest to the people, went to its death in the lower house of the legislature by a vote of 79 to 5.

The work of the legislature received the praise of Lieutenant Governor John Hammill in a statement issued. Hammill declared the accomplishment of the legislatures will long be remembered. Under the Board of Control bill at finally passed, the board of control is authorized to enter into contracts for prison labor with private concerns, provided the price received for that labor is adequate, compared with prices paid for labor in like industries. The board is permitted to take into account all of the elements entering into the value of prison labor.

Although forty of the forty-eight states in the union have some form of budget legislation, Iowa is a pioneer in progressive budgetary regulation. At present an overwhelming number of states which employ the budget system merely require the various expending bodies to file with the governor a detailed report showing the estimate amount of expenditures and all sources of income, a survey of the budget laws shows. From these reports the governors, in the case of twenty-one states, compile their state's budgets and recommend passage to the houses of the state legislatures. Before the enactment of the budget law by the state legislature Iowa was in the class which forms its budget on the governor's recommendation. Because of its departure from ordinary budgetary systems, Iowa will be closely watched during the next few years by every state in the union and its wholly probable that upon this state's success or failure to apply its budget plan, will hinge changes in legislation along this line in other states.

The prison labor controversy which has been waged throughout this special session was ended in the senate with the adoption of the second conference report on the board of control bill. The house has also adopted the report. This bill embraces one-fifth of the sections revised at the special session. The report gives the board of control final authority in making contracts for the labor of prisoners with private concerns, subject to the approval, on appeal, of the special appeal board created in the budget law. The contracts, under the report and the bill, may be made for three years, at which time private contracts will be replaced by the state use system.

The code supervising committee, authorized in the law prescribing methods of preparation and publication of the new code, was named by President Hammill of the senate and Speaker Anderson of the house. Members of the committee are Senators Dutcher of Johnson and Smith of Madison, and Representatives Clark of Linn, Harrison of Pottawattamie, and Doolittle of Delaware. This legislative committee will work with Code Editor U. G. Whitney, O. K. Patton and their code revising staff from the recess of the legislature until the code is printed, bound and ready for distribution.

Senators who are retiring this year include many senate leaders. The seventeen senators not candidates for reelection are: Senators Abben of Lyon, Adams of Kosciusko, Banta of Delaware, Dutcher of Johnson, Ethell of Davis, Hale of Jones, Holdrege of Calhoun, Johnston of Lucas, Newberry of Clayton, Olson of Boone, Price of Monroe, Scott of Marshall, Sloan of Worth, Smith of Madison, Thurston of Clark, Tuck of Taylor and Wichman of Hancock.

On the house side thirty-seven representatives will retire. Of the seventy-one candidates for reelection fourteen have no opposition in either party. Twenty-two will have no opposition in the primary election; but each will have an opponent in November. There are two new candidates for representative who are the only ones to file in their district. Northern Iowa seems especially well satisfied with its representatives as seven have no opposition.

Lieut. Gov. John Hammill, retiring president of the state senate, in spite of long-established custom, failed to get the chair which he occupied during the 40th General Assembly. Solons feared that taxpayers would not consider the gift in line with the economy program carried out by the special session. Retiring legislators failed to avail themselves of the custom which permits them to buy their chairs for \$10 and shipping charges.

Governor Kendall has vetoed no bills passed by the special session and is not expected to veto any. There is virtually no doubt he will sign the board of control bill, which organized labor leaders asked him to veto. This bill comprises one-third of the sections revised and interlocks with eight or ten other bills, and its veto would require the legislature to reassemble, it was stated at the capitol.

Departing members of the legislature exchanged good wishes and those whose terms expire were offered assistance in their campaigns by hold-over members and others who have no opposition for reelection. The members of this special session have become especially well acquainted because they have all sat with each other through two sessions and some have been colleagues in three sessions. Governor Kendall undoubtedly will sign the prison labor bill, over which there was much controversy during the special session of the legislature had asked Governor Kendall to veto the bill because they could not agree with its provisions relative to competition by prison workers with free labor.

The budget bill will correct many of the evils of unjust assessments. It will put the operation of a county and state business on a plan similar in conduct to any private enterprise. There will be many new faces in both the senate and the house of the forty-first Iowa general assembly when it convenes next January.

Present alignments in both houses will be somewhat different in the next sessions of the legislature. The house farm bloc will lose but thirteen members. Seven of them are candidates for election to the senate. The conservative faction in the senate is losing more members than the progressive group; but the prospects are that when the next senate is organized it will have gathered enough reinforcements to hold its own again.



Bob Lindneux, the famous outdoor artist, has been studying the Grand canyon in preparation for fulfilling a commission received from a prominent New Yorker.

## DIARY NOTES IN QUIZ DISAPPEAR

Means Duped by Fake Officers Who Carry Away Evidence.

Washington.—Gaston B. Means, the international investigator whom William J. Burns praised as the "greatest detective in the world," frankly admitted to the Brookhart committee that he had been duped.

Fake officers, carrying a letter bearing the forged signature of Senator Brookhart, called on Mr. Means and calmly carried away the volumes of written evidence which was to have been the food and drink of the committee for another two weeks.

Twenty-three Volume Diary. It was this mass of papers which was to have substantiated the mass of verbal testimony which Means had offered at intervals since midwinter. Included in the missing record was the 23-volume diary of Mr. Means himself. Somewhere on the pages of these mysterious books was the story of how Means had "gotten the low down" on Secretary Mellon.

Members of the committee reluctantly confessed when they heard the news of the disappearance that the backbone of the Means testimony had been fractured, if not completely broken.

The documents were spirited away several days ago. The fact that there was something wrong about the transaction developed when the clerk of the Brookhart committee reminded Mr. Means to bring his records with him when he made his appearance before the committee. "Disappeared Several Days Ago." "I turned those records over on your order of March 31—the committee has all the records," Means told C. H. Rankin, the committee's clerk. Means went home. In half an hour he returned with the letter itself. It read:

"You are hereby commanded to deliver to the senate committee on investigation of the Department of Justice all your records, files, diaries, reports, copies of reports, and all papers in your possession in connection with the Department of Justice, to be impounded."

The letter was signed, "Smith W. Brookhart, chairman."

## Inherits \$2,000,000; Fears He Owes More

Chicago.—Suit was started here to determine whether a \$2,000,000 legacy to Col. Robert H. Morse is an asset or a liability. The will disposing of the \$2,000,000 estate of his father, Charles H. Morse, seems to provide that Col. Morse shall pay the federal and state taxes, plus the attorney's fees, which amount to \$600,000 more than the legacy itself. The suit is to have the will construed.

## Earth Shifts Four Feet in Hawaiian Island Quake

Honolulu.—It is estimated that the Puna district, on the island of Hilo, the heart of the recent earthquake disturbances, has been shifted four feet towards the mountains. In the last two days the Kapoho railway station of the Hawaiian Consolidated railroad has dropped four feet from its former resting place. The railroad tracks in some places have sunk seven feet. Traffic has been suspended.

KLAN GROWING EVART, MICH.—The local branch of the Klan is growing rapidly. At a recent meeting a large class of candidates was initiated. After the meeting adjourned a large fiery cross was burned in the public square.

## PENOLOGY IS SUBJECT OF WORLD DISCUSSION

"If Crime Is Disease, Men Should Not Be Punished for It" Is Charge

(Scottish Rite News Bureau) WASHINGTON, D. C., May 5.—In discussing the abolition of capital punishment in Canada, some interesting information was given the house of commons. The labor member from Calgary said:

"If crime were in the nature of disease, as modern criminologists aver, they put themselves in the ridiculous situation of punishing a man for disease. If crimes are fewer today than they were in the eighteenth century, it is because intellectually, morally and economically the race has outgrown them; they were not stamped out by the death penalty."

Oregon, Nebraska and Maine have gone on record through their attorneys general as stating that capital punishment is no deterrent.

In Melbourne, Australia, a demonstration was recently held against capital punishment. Thousands of signatures are reported to a petition to the cabinet, for its abolition.

New York state is endeavoring to abolish the chair. Many states in the south are amending and changing their penal laws, North Carolina being the most recent to plan reforms in prisons. It had a "Committee of One Hundred" formed from citizen ranks, which has put forth a program calling for the institution of district jails to supplant the present county system, separate colonies for women prisoners, the abolition of flogging and dark cells at county camps, abolition of the lease system, the honor system for all prisoners, the establishment of industries at the state's prison, compulsory education among prisoners, and the employment of teachers.

Public sentiment is crystallizing away from the Mosaic law of an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth, and towards the conviction that, in a very real sense, men are indeed their brothers' keepers.

## AMERICANS WIN ELECTION

JOPLIN, MO.—Americanism won a signal victory at the polls in the municipal election held here recently. The casting of ballots was preceded by a deluge of advertisements sent out by the anti-Klan forces, which not only contained many misleading statements, but were in some instances downright falsehoods.

GRAVE CITY, PA.—Klansmen of Grave City made their first public appearance here last week, when they met in the I. O. O. F. hall and marched in a body to the Grace Methodist Episcopal church for the evening service. Approximately 800 men and women members were in the body.

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