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KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

**"Right forever on the Scaffold,
Wrong forever on the throne,
But that Scaffold sways the future
And behind the dim Unknown
Standeth God within the shadow
Keeping watch above His own."**

IN THE UNFAILING BOND

AMERICA

Nestling between two oceans, like a gem, lies the most wonderful land in all the world. Wonderful in its broad expanse of mountain, inland sea and fertile plain; wonderful in the coal in its hills and its hidden lakes of oil. Great beyond compare in its splendid harvests and its shining rivers; young in modern civilization, yet old in men whose bones have lain silent in her soil for thousands of years, telling of life and joy, struggle and existence when the world was young.

New Life

Life slept but to wake again. Out on the ocean battled the ships of men. Frail barks they were, sailing an uncharted sea. "Westward, Ever Westward" was their cry, and at last Land and a New World the prize. How wonderfully has that "New World"—America—responded to their love and devotion.

Shining ribbons of steel knit together both borders of the mighty land. Vast tonnage and thronging life speed from coast to coast. Cities, the marvel of the world, like magic go towering to the skies. A new type of men arose from her melting pot to astonish the world with their power and genius. These men have differed and fought; their remnants have arisen purified to again go on to bigger things and victory. Enemies have invaded her domain. Selfishness has tried to soil her virtue. Treason has crawled its slimy way across her breast only to be cast into the hell they deserve.

The Present Hour

Today she stands proud and strong in her millions of loyal sons and daughters. They are even these days challenging disloyal and narrow bigotry. Here millions are marshalling for

wars of peace more potent than the sword. Evils again have come. A public office has too often ceased to be a public trust. The unholy call of the profiteer is heard in the market place. Men of strange garb and stranger tongue fail to salute the flag. Dark color is creeping into the white man's blood. Our homes have lost something of the devotion that has made them the bulwark of our civilization, the castles of our happiness. The clink of the money changers' coin is too often heard in the temple.

Once again, like the soft sighing of the wind, comes the sigh of protest from the land against these things. Louder and louder it has grown, until today it has become a mighty anthem whose strain is filling all the land. It comes from the golden plains of the west and the comfortable eastern hills; it's singing in the southland and the north, with a new significance not lately heard on land or sea—

"My Country, 'tis of Thee
Sweet Land of Liberty,
Of Thee I sing."

"Long may our land be bright
With Freedom's holy light.
Protect us by Thy might,
Great God, our King."

FOREWORD

This book is not sent to you as a classic. It is written rather as a simple story to tell of appreciation of the splendid work done by men united in the strength of "The Unfailing Bond."

The writer hopes also it will bear a plain message to thousands of people who have asked serious questions only to have them answered by those who have access to the press, that has so often been antagonistic to the movement.

Service

In the face of slander and persecution, the men who have built the Klan have not counted the cost. Gladly they have dared and done.

Men of large ability and great vision have laid its policies and planned its great campaign. The nation, some day, in grateful remembrance, will chisel some of their names in historic marble.

Men who have guided the policies of states in which they shall have cleaned political life and brought reverence for law, will be had in grateful memory in many sovereign commonwealths.

Field Men

To the splendid fellows who have been in the heart of the scrap, we especially write. You have labored without gain, you have stood the shock of rotten politics and alien hate. Ignorance has rained its blows on your unconquered heads.

No words of ours can paint an eulogy worthy of the shock troops of this greatest of all American movements. Some day to the hearts of the millions of our redeemed land, a poet may tell the story or a thinker worthy of his task write of the manly men behind the mask, who enlisted the mighty army in the midst of opposition and wrong. Until then, accept these simple lines and deep regard of one who has walked and talked in the trail with you, heard your problems and admired your pluck.

Here's to you and the Spirit of America!

Lougher.

THE BIG CHIEF

The Klan has been called a "dream child," and it is true its ideals may often be found in the realm of the Spiritual. As such, it has made a universal appeal to the sentiment of our country. It has taken, however, the earnest thought of very practical men to bring the order and its vision into a field where it is actually applied to all the common affairs of daily life. Fiercest opposition had to be met. The spirit of mere "Hurrah" patriotism had to be crystalized into definite action. Men representing actual "man power" had to be enlisted for definite service—men who would attempt definite things stand in the face of criticism and actually put into operation the program of the Klan.

One of the finest things that can be said of the organization is that it has drawn to itself just such men—those of clear insight, executive ability and unquestioned devotion to the spirit of pure Americanism. These are the men who have fed this dream child on brains and toil until it has grown to a manly stature with power and purpose that cannot be ignored by even its most violent enemies.

Kentucky is fortunate in that there has arisen in our great commonwealth a man, we call him "George," who has weathered the storms that have beaten against the order. Through his effort and guidance scores of thousands have become identified with the Crusade. Kentucky, with her deep sense of patriotism, is rallying to his call for a mighty Klan in the State, of such proportions that it will sweep the State for all the Klan holds dear in home, in State and in Nation.

To those close enough to know his plans, they find him getting into every avenue of Kentucky life, analyzing conditions and applying to them the acid test of honesty and Americanism.

The day is surely coming when these plans carried out, will make a "new Kentucky." This is not prophecy, for with thousands of solid citizens now enlisted, it is becoming a progressive fact. Parties are discussing candidates with greater care, the law violator is becoming more alarmed; enemies all along the line are becoming aroused to great activity by actual invasion of their special fields by the Klan.

The men of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan realize how much patience, nerve and everlasting effort it takes to insure success in this work. These men know that in GEORGE this composition is finely mixed. His loyalty, work and splendid ability have brought Kentucky into the lime light of the Klan world in a most conspicuous manner. All Kentucky has been sitting up to talk and take notes on the aggressive nature of the order.

Thousands of Klansmen these days are rallying to his standard with fine determination to put across the plans of our BIG CHIEF.

To him we pledge our loyalty and our work. A mighty host today, we are marching on to still greater things. The Fiery Cross will burn, the call of the Klan will be heard and its uplifting power felt throughout the State as Klansmen work and watch.

IN THE UNFAILING BOND.

The Author.

THE CONSTITUTION

What has made the United States of America great?

The character of its Government.

The type of its religion.

It's natural resources.

The character of its people.

Perhaps we could reduce our civilization and progress to two things—our Constitution and our Religion, for the people and their institutions are but the products of their government and religious life.

The Constitution has been to the American people a cloud by day and a pillar of fire by night to guide them on their National Journey. It has made a weak nation strong, a poor nation rich, an obscure nation into one of world-wide importance.

Its Magna Charta

This wonder charter has guaranteed Free Speech, a Free Press, Lawful Assemblage, a trial by a jury of a man's peers, the pursuit of happiness and religious liberty. It is planted in the doctrine of a square deal. It makes the land an open track and free entry for every man. God bless you, and here's hoping you win.

Under this constitution we have become the richest nation in all the world, our homes the most luxurious. Our fields can feed the world. Our money and our missionaries have gone to the darkest corners of the earth. Our constitution and its spirit of freedom, have developed a nation of generous men. Since the war we have fed the children of a starving world. If an earthquake rocks Japan, her S. O. S. starts our money and our food to relieve her suffering. The weary and the downtrodden of the world turn always for a gleam of hope to the Land of the Setting Sun.

The Challenge

If all this be true, then real Americans should guard that constitution and that religious faith, that not one line or dot of their privilege or freedom be dimmed or destroyed.

If corrupt politics infringe, thank God we still remember, and claim the people are yet the masters in the land. If a foreign Hierarchy assails its position, remember it says there shall never be a union of Church and State, nor does it admit in civil government that the church stands superior to the state. It challenges such attack at every step of the way.

If an enemy, foreign or native, seeks to take from you any right under the constitution of these United States, arise in the power of your free American franchise and by your voice, your vote and your money, and on the honor of your Christian manhood, crush such attack as you value the privileges of a free country, not only for yourself but for posterity.

KENTUCKY

Resolution Passed by Outraged Lexington Citizenry

"WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States and the constitution of the Commonwealth of Kentucky guarantees to all men the right of free speech and,

"WHEREAS, this assemblage is informed and believes that the Constitutional, fundamental and sacred right was denied to Rev. E. H. Lougher and about 4,000 citizens of this community desiring to hear him on Wednesday evening, August 1, 1923, when he attempted to deliver a lecture and on which occasion he was subjected to the indignity of being interrupted and placed in a cell in the police station after he had led the audience in the Lord's Prayer and in the singing of one verse of 'America,' all of which is unprecedented in this community;

"THEREFORE, Be it Resolved, by the citizens of Lexington, County of Fayette, and State of Kentucky, that we deplore that unfortunate event and protest against such invasion of this constitutional right; and,

"Be it further resolved, that we do now and hereby protest against other and further acts of interruption of this sacred right of free speech, and

"Be it further resolved, that we do hereby ratify and reaffirm the Constitution of these United States and of the State of Kentucky, and particularly the guarantee of free speech."

Right of Free Speech

"Be it further resolved that we declare for and reaffirm the right of every person without regard to race, politics or religion to freely and fully speak on any subject, being responsible for the abuse of that liberty; and

"Be it further resolved that a committee composed of J. E. Keller, O. S. Johnson and George Ott be instructed to deliver copies of these resolutions to Rev. E. H. Lougher and to the Mayor and Commissioners of the City of Lexington and the press, and to extend to Dr. Lougher our regrets that he was subjected to such indignities in our city."

ADOPTED AT A MASS MEETING OF 8,000 PEOPLE
AT LEXINGTON COURT HOUSE

THE KLAN

Informational

The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is not a lodge or society, nor is it a political party. It is a mass movement or a crusade of American people who are beginning to realize they have neglected their public and religious duty. They had taken for granted that all American privileges and liberties were and always would be secure.

They have suddenly been awakened to the alarming fact that a dangerous alien mixture has taken place—that it is threatening American stock and standards, and that shrewd political propaganda is at work eating its way into the very foundations of American Government and institutions.

Americans have been aroused from a deep sleep in a fool's paradise to the fact that religion is at low tide, business ethics tangled and that the home fires need stirring; that men in public should again be reminded they are the hired servants of the people, and that a public office is a sacred obligation to be filled in the interest and welfare of all the people.

America Stands for Something

America stands for a definite form of government and social organization. These institutions and this government have been assailed and polluted. Her sons and daughters, fully convinced of this fact, are thoroughly aroused. They propose a program distinctly American—By Americans, For Americans, In America.

They believe her native sons can best interpret the country's ideals—that they can best put into operation the agencies necessary to keep such ideals strong and active in home, government and political life.

To the Klan every man, every condition, must stand the acid test of Americanism.

Crystalizing Opinion

Political parties have been tied by selfish interest. Pulpits have lacked courage except to generalize; the press has been muzzled, subsidized or by some means enervated in dealing with problems of unfit immigration, unassimilated aliens, hyphenism and the perversion of American rights and liberties. The courts of the land in many instances, have become mere political puppets and justice has indeed become blind.

Yes, surely we have been fed up on glittering generalities and discussions and investigation committees who have done nothing more than pass resolutions, or more often, to use the slang phrase, "Pass the Buck."

The Ku Klux Klan is the first definite voice to be raised with definite action behind it. To it religion must be militant as well as spiritual. Law violators must be brought to justice and politics must be cleaned.

The Klan has crystalized public opinion until results have been obtained in churches without empty pews, in the defeat of party machines, political bosses and corrupt politicians; in bringing to justice violators of the law; in obtaining real clean-ups in cities and towns and in general, inspiring people to a new dedication of themselves to the government of their fathers.

Very Much Alive

The Klan has grown so fast and won support from such a solid class of citizens in the face of bitter opposition, that it must be admitted it has enormous vitality.

It is foolish to think that the earnest people who are lining up with the Klan are impelled by a desire to merely masquerade in white robes and hoods. It is foolish to think that such earnest people would resort to the tar bucket and the lash. Current events and the courts are daily giving the lie to such nonsense. These thousands of serious-minded folk believe they are working well within the law and their rights to do definite things and carry out a program for the betterment of their country.

The Appeal

The organization has made an appeal to the deepest sentiment of the American people. Widespread conditions and fundamental issues form the foundation for the call to the hearts of these Americans. They are not thinking of themselves alone; they are trying to read the tomorrow and they feel that posterity, their children, are involved in the issue and are hanging in the balance.

These Klansfolk have roots deep planted in the past, growing through years of sacrifice and toil. This is the land of their fathers. In their memory burns the story of Washington and Valley Forge and its memorable issues. From that day even until this hour, those men who built this republic and who were builders of men, have been enshrined in the hearts of America's sons and daughters. To them this land is theirs and this government stands for something distinctive and apart from all the world.

Do you wonder that in these days of world change and the fall of governments and dynasties, this age of corruption and hyphenism, these days of political infidelity and religious hypocrisy, that these Americans are looking for something that will argue a prophecy for a land of tomorrow secure in all that Americans hold dear?

Every line of ritual, every act of Klanishness, every ideal of the order makes this appeal to the sons of the men who were the builders of the nation.

IT IS NOT THE SOIL OF AMERICA, BUT THE SOUL OF AMERICA WHICH IS IMPERILED

THE HEART OF A KLANSMAN'S OATH

"I swear that I will never recommend any person for membership in this order whose mind is unsound or whose reputation I know to be bad or whose character is doubtful or whose loyalty to our country is in any way questionable."

"I most solemnly assert and affirm that to the Government of the United States of America and any state thereof of which I may become a resident, I sacredly swear an unqualified allegiance, above any other and every kind of government in the whole world. I here and now pledge my life, my property, my vote and my sacred honor to uphold its flag, its constitution and constitutional laws, and will protect, defend and enforce same unto death."

"I most solemnly promise and swear that I will always, at all times and in all places, help, aid and assist the duly constituted officers of the law in the proper performance of their legal duties."

"I swear that I will most zealously and valiantly shield and preserve, by any and all justifiable means and methods, the sacred constitutional rights and privileges of free public schools, free speech, free press, separation of church and state, liberty, white supremacy, just laws and the pursuit of happiness against any encroachment of any nature, by any person or persons, political party or parties, religious sect or people, native, naturalized or foreign, of any race, color, creed, lineage or tongue whatsoever."

THE KLAN—THE ELECTORATE

The Klan believes the very foundations of the country are in danger through the millions of aliens from many lands of the world. They view with alarm the mighty host streaming in, not only its quantity but its quality, or rather lack of quality.

There was a time when we prided ourselves that we were the "melting pot" of the world; that we took people of all nations, and from our crucible they came starry eyed, clean-souled and patriotic. Alas! Today our melting pot has changed to a garbage can. Too often it has been fouled by the mass of foreign, unassimilated stock.

We believe our electorate should be no further diluted with aliens who cannot and do not understand the genius of our government or appreciate our social standards.

We have more than enough such now. The Klan says: "SHUT THE GATES." Shut them tight until we have thoroughly Americanized the crowd we have, and make them fit for the use of the ballot.

The Klan believes in restricting citizenship franchise to native-born and to such as by education and patriotic record shall have shown themselves fitted and worthy. Citizenship in this land is the most coveted prize in all the world. It should not be cast as pearls before swine. It takes a native born American child twenty-one years to get ready to vote and accept full citizenship rights. Why shall the ignorant foreigner receive it on a golden platter in a few months of time?

Klansmen Are Thinking

Klansmen are going to school in the great life school of American citizenship these days. The more they learn the more precious it seems to them in this blessed land. They propose that the stranger shall learn some of these lessons and learn them well before he stands crowned with the supreme power of the ballot, the most powerful weapon in the most powerful nation in all the world.

THE KLAN IN POLITICS

The Klan is not a political party. We believe that to identify it with or espouse the cause of any political party would be fatal to the organization and to the real work of the crusade.

The Klan, however, is mighty active politically, and every Klansman is a politician in the highest sense of the word. This must necessarily be so, for its chief expression and effective-

ness will probably be found along political lines. Practically every problem or condition it wishes to solve can be settled by good laws, good government backed by a crystalized public opinion in favor of such laws and such government.

The Klan has no political ambitions or desires for itself or its members except as they come forth in the public field as other men come, impelled by a desire to serve.

The Klan demands all parties put up clean, honest, decent men—men who are American in heart and loyal in purpose to our institutions; men who believe in no foreign entanglements; men who will toady to no power, political or religious, either inside or outside the United States; men who believe in keeping separate the church and state, giving to all men equal opportunity in freedom of religious choice; men big enough to believe the time is here when officials, great and small, in the highest halls of the land and the lowest office in the village, should serve the people without petty graft or public dishonesty.

God give us a crop of such Statesmen!

The country waits to proclaim them indeed one hundred per cent American.

THE KLAN—TOLERANCE

The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan concede the right of the Knights of Columbus to accept men only of the Roman Catholic faith into their ranks. They concede the right of the Jews to the B'nai B'rith.

They concede to the Negro the right to organize in the African Blood Brotherhood Alliance men of their own race. In fact, they concede to men of all classes to organize those congenial to them or falling into groups of related blood, when these organizations and bonds are confined within the spirit of the law.

In so doing, they demand the same right for the major block of the population, which is, in the United States, composed of Protestant Americans. Each and every organization has its aims and program. The Knights of Columbus has one. Undoubtedly it includes social uplift and the welfare of the

men of the Roman Catholic faith. Judging from its activities, we conclude that it also has more or less political ambition. What is true of this organization is true in some measure of other organizations. The press or the public has made no outcry against them as such. Neither has the Klan been developed on a hate program against any sect, creed, color or nationality.

Liberality

While Klansmen concede such rights, they also demand for themselves as native Americans, the same right and consideration for all Protestants, who form the majority of the people of this country. These native Protestant Americans also have a program involving the type of men whom they regard safe for public office. They see the need and are working for a more active, practical church life among Protestants. They are dedicating themselves in the Klan to a new consecration of the faith handed down by their Protestant forefathers—men whom they revere as the spiritual and political leaders of the republic, the men who laid the foundations of the United States deep and strong, and handed down to us a constitutional guarantee that we should be protected in the enjoyment of all our rights and privileges belonging to us as citizens of the land.

Their program involves matters of immigration or a challenge to the world as to the type of people brought here through religious and industrial interests. They are also vitally interested in homes and schools in which are born and where must be trained the future citizens of the State. As a program, we challenge a comparison with any organization, even on the ground of "By their fruits ye shall know them." Turn on the spot light! Let us really know who are standing for the real things and the real life of America.

Not Peace at Any Price

Tolerance does not mean to sit down in lazy indifference and accept anything proposed. It does not mean to stand idly by when selfishness and disloyalty sit in the saddle and ene-

mies of the land cry their evil designs. It does not mean to allow lawlessness, bigotry and tyranny to run riot.

Tolerance means granting freedom of action within the law of our constitution whether civil, political or religious. Tolerance is never license. It means a challenge to everything narrow, unpatriotic or un-American.

Don't Mistake

The Klan says believe what you like, worship as you choose, but remember, your church is supposed to be a spiritual and not a political institution. Nowhere under the constitution of the United States nor under the whimpering cry of "Tolerance" will any sect, creed or church be allowed to dictate to or control the State. Neither will it be allowed unchallenged to discredit American institutions. The field of the church is spiritual, and its work is for the spiritual needs of men. This is not meant to take away the privilege of God's ministers to cry out against wrongdoing in all the walks of a nation's life. This is his duty. That is entirely different from political forms of intrigue and definite political effort to obtain control of government. To control police forces, subsidize the press, undermine public schools, import or lend aid in importing foreigners for religious-political purposes. It does not mean orderly Americans shall be terrorized, mobbed or murdered by communicants of any creed or church. By the help of the Eternal God and in the name of Tolerance these things shall not be permitted in the United States of America.

Choose Your Party

The Klan says choose your politics, write your platforms, show up the other fellow if he needs it, obey the rules of the game, be a good sport if you lose. All this—then remember the Klan still insists on that old, almost forgotten American truth that the citizen is the Master and the official has been selected as the servant, and the Master expects to pay him for his service. Sometimes that pay is in the very honor conferred, sometimes it is cold cash. In either case, there is no place for the modern official attitude—"The public be damned."

Your Dollars

The Klan says decide your business, but remember there are ethics in the marts of trade. There is something wrong with the deal when only one party to it profits. Don't forget that dirty dollars are not real 100% American dollars.

Remember the field for your profit is the people you serve. The Klan stands for the doctrine of a square deal. If you desire business contact with millions of American men and women, pledge to do that kind of business. It might be well to change your advertisements and see that goods are like the sample.

To Men

Take our hospitality, enjoy our comradeship if it pleases you, but don't forget our homes are our castles, the safeguard of our Nation. The purity of our women, we defend with our lives. To women: If you regard the gallant devotion these American men are pledging, unite with us in the exaltation of womanhood until the world will pay you the tribute of being the "Uncrowned Queens" of the world.

Tolerance again means deciding every problem in the great forum of public opinion. As Klansmen we are willing to submit every issue to the good common sense of the people. They cannot be fooled long. We invite a contest in the open on every plank in our platform.

We are not fighting the Catholic religion. We have no program of hate for the Jew. In no sense are we the enemy of the Negro. The Klan concedes them every political and religious right given them by the Constitution. Anyone who places the Klan in any other light before the people is either ignorant or a liar. There are problems connected with each of these as well as others, and there is only one way Americans can meet them, and that is without rancor or hate to frankly discuss them as we do all matters of importance, and decide the issue by the facts in the case. Everyone involved in every controversy may rest assured "No matter is ever settled in this country until it is settled right."

Tolerant! Ye gods! These Americans are the most tolerant of any people in the world. Go to Italy, go to Spain, go

to Russia or South America; tramp the world's highways as the writer has done and come back home to find what real freedom means, what tolerance really is. Hindu, Theosophist, Mohammedan, Catholic, 300 Protestant creeds and beliefs and the Klan and America stretches its tolerant hand and bids them go to it. Cuss and discuss their problems and beliefs, prosylite or win by recruits from the ranks of the Devil.

Klansmen

As for ourselves, we turn simply to Christ as the criterion of our character, and the New Testament as our guide. There are a few fundamentals on which we can all agree.

The Klan is trying to inject a little red blood and honest devotion into people who profess Protestant faith. If the enemies of the Klan were as tolerant as these Americans, we should have no riots, no arrests for using the Constitutional right of Free Speech, and no dirty journalism.

Know this, you howlers for Tolerance. Klansmen are over-indulgent within the limits of Americanism. That still gives us the right to give no quarter to alien bigotry and un-American interference with our homes, our church, our State.

A KLANSMAN'S CREED

I believe in God and in the tenets of the Christian religion and that a Godless nation cannot long prosper.

I believe that a church that is not grounded on the principles of morality and justice is a mockery to God and to man.

I believe that a church that does not have the welfare of the common people at heart is unworthy.

I believe in the eternal separation of Church and State.

I hold no allegiance to any foreign government, emperor, king, pope or any other foreign, political or religious power.

I hold my allegiance to the Stars and Stripes next to my allegiance to God alone.

I believe in just laws and liberty.

I believe in the upholding of the Constitution of these United States.

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

I believe in freedom of speech.

I believe in free press uncontrolled by political parties or by religious sects.

I believe in law and order.

I believe in the protection of our pure womanhood.

I do not believe in mob violence, but I do believe that laws should be enacted to prevent the causes of mob violence.

I believe in a closer relationship of capital and labor.

I believe in the prevention of unwarranted strikes by foreign labor agitators.

I believe in the limitation of foreign immigration.

I am a native-born American citizen, and I believe my rights in this country are superior to those of foreigners.

THE KLAN—FREE SPEECH

This privilege cost Anglo-Saxons hundreds of years of conflict with their kings. No right under the Constitution is more fundamental to democracy. All development, all progress is born in free, open discussion. Every error, every evil

must surely find its correction in public discussion. Throttle a man's voice and you soon have a slave. Stop discussion and publicity, and stinking corruption, vice, tyranny and intolerance breed in the silence.

A Constitutional Guarantee

"Congress shall make no laws respecting an establishment of religion or prohibition of the free exercise of the same, or abridging the right of **Freedom of Speech**, or of the press, or the right of the people to peacefully assemble and petition the Government for redress of grievances."

Yet men of splendid character, patriotic Americans, have been dragged from their platforms in this state and thrown into jails like common crooks, for daring to exercise this American privilege. Crowds of Americans have been denied the right of peaceful assemblage; murder has been done and riot forced on law-abiding citizens acting within their rights by constitutional guarantees as old as our nation.

It is time some of the police forces of this country change hands.

It is nearly time some ships had cargoes of human freight going back to Europe.

It is nearly time Protestant people teach a certain breed of dirty politicians where the real strength of government lies in this country.

It is high time Americans awake to the danger of organized minorities. Every menace, every infringement of right or privilege is possible only when Americans grow careless, selfish or indifferent.

REMEMBER

"**Eternal vigilance is the price of Liberty.**"

Every attempt to muzzle or gag the people is a stab at the heart of the nation. "The people may safely be trusted to hear everything true or false and to form correct judgment from it."

THE KLAN—DEMOCRACY

We are profoundly convinced that this democracy can only hold together so long as certain well defined propositions are held on to and invasion of the same soundly challenged.

Our forefathers blazed a new trail in human existence. They startled the world with their bold demands. Their wisdom has blossomed into the most marvelous Free State in the history of Mankind.

They knew full well that despotism, tyranny, narrow bigotry and selfish greed would hurl shafts of hate and the poison of intrigue.

Ignorance and religious intolerance would assail every step of progress to larger truth and greater light. So to make sure the "Declaration of Independence," they demanded for every citizen—

Separation of Church and State.

Freedom of thought, speech and the press.

Right of peaceful assembly.

Education, in Free Public Schools in which no creed or dogma should be taught.

The attacks came, bitter enemies had to be put down. Staunch patriotism bared its breast to the foe and victory saved the land.

The fight is on again in bitter attack against all these pillars of the State. The people are again being called to the colors to contend for the great facts that have made us great.

Do you believe in progress, science and true religion? If then, you are neither coward nor craven; stand forth in these days in the full stature of your American manhood. Fling back with clarion call the challenge to those who would take from you the rights and privileges that belong to you; stoutly oppose those who would tear down the pillars that uphold this mighty republic.

Who owns this country, anyhow? Are you going to surrender it to hosts of aliens who have yet to learn our language, or to others who boast of allegiance to a potentate in a foreign land?

If you lose it, what will you lose? What will your children lose?

Free Inquiry

We intend to dig into the rotten mess as long and as deeply as is necessary to learn the whole truth in every field of national life. We expect to exercise our right of inquiry concerning politics, social life and religion. If they measure up to a standard that is American, well and good. If they do not, they certainly are going to have a rough road to travel. Without such sincere inquiry, roguery, wrong and ignorance will flourish—indeed, they have flourished!

Give men the right to think and talk and they will soon know the true from the false. Take that right away and you make serfs and sow a field with the seeds of Anarchy.

The Voice of Our Fathers

Listen to the voice of Washington "Against the insidious wiles of foreign influence, I adjure you to believe me, Fellow Citizens, the jealousy of a free people ought to be constantly awake, since history and experience prove that foreign influence is one of the most baneful foes of American Government."

Washington had in mind influences still abroad and reaching across an ocean stretch of thousands of miles.

Remember This

Since those strong words were uttered by that great American, a thousand ships have landed that baneful influence at our very doors. It is sounding from the altars of the church. It is filling the streets of our cities. It is boldly tramping our political highways. It is seeping like poison into our public schools. It is darkening the color of our blood. It is polluting the currents of Patriotism. It has stung us like an adder and the sleep of death is upon us.

In God's name, my Countrymen, Awake! Shake off this destroying influence, relight the fire on the altars. Sing "Jehovah is God," then lend your lives to a new devotion and consecration to home, to flag and Native Land.

THE KLAN—WHAT IS ITS PROGRAM?

1. To teach all Americans in or outside the Klan, the duties as well as the privileges of citizenship. We believe when our people get the vision of real American citizenship, they will work a cure for every evil and an American solution for every problem.

2. The Klan hopes to build into the heart and life of all classes love of country, loyalty to institutions, regard for religion as worship of God, chivalry toward woman, and devotion to clean ideals. If, as a nation, we can come anywhere near to such a program, our nation will be safe.

3. The Klan stands square for the public school and for instructors whose unquestioned loyalty to our ideals fits them to prepare for life and patriotic duty the citizens of tomorrow.

4. The Klan believes the right of the ballot should be restricted to men and women who are able by birth and education to understand Americanism.

5. The Klan stands for a closed gate. We have more than enough foreigners here now. Stop immigration until we have caught up and until there is a real need for others. We have taken the halt and lame, the ignorant, unfortunate and degenerate for 140 years. The very law of self preservation demands we stop and stop now.

6. The Klan proposes men for public office of undisputed loyalty with a record that insures us that they regard a "public office as a public trust."

7. The Klan demands in local affairs, respectable, competent, honest men as officials, who stand for

Law enforcement.

Stopping private graft and the spoils system.

Healthful environment in public schools.

Clean moral surroundings for children.

How Will We Do It?

The Klan will educate and influence the public to vote for the best candidates in every election, regardless of party. It has been demonstrated absolutely this can be done.

Give people full and complete information on every candidate, who and what he is. Tell men facts about all issues from



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sources they can trust. Then leave it to them to form their own opinions and exercise their own judgment.

"Let Their Conscience be Their Guide."

Americans respond to this treatment like flowers to the sunshine. They go out to upset all boss programs, and are the terror of corrupt political machines.

The Klan does not attempt to control votes. It has a higher, safer program. Educate, instruct, tell them the truth, and leave it to the people.

The Klan is above all parties. It would destroy itself if it were tied to a political party. Its issue is the pure, clean doctrine of Americanism instilled into the hearts and souls of men. Teach men how to apply it to candidates and issues, and they will clean house where it is necessary. They will stand by real men and measures that have the welfare of the whole people at heart.

THE KLAN—WHO ARE KLANSMEN?

The Klan is composed of native born, white, Gentile Protestant men and women of good character. To be eligible a man or woman must be all that. We do know that such a test is absolutely made. If you will stop a moment to consider who is eligible, we feel sure you must conclude they are not a bad bunch to tie to.

Within its ranks are ministers, doctors, lawyers, bankers, business men, railroad men, farmers, laborers, public officials, and so on. It has been charged the organization is composed of duped victims. The splendid people who compose the Klan are thinking people, solid folk who have studied it from every angle and have become convinced a need exists; that the Klan program is a real one and its methods of operation sane.

Real Folks

They are a whole-souled crowd of people very much in love with Uncle Sam, who are viewing with grave concern the trend of affairs that seems to be weakening their hold on the country and sapping the principles that have made them a Protestant, liberty-loving people.

They are simply determined to guide the affairs of this country for a while yet. They are demanding a square deal

in business and constitutional application to all activities of the church and religion. That is all. What is wrong with it or them?

Six Feet and Then Some

They are not so narrow as to imagine they hold all patriotism, all loyalty, all spirit of sacrifice within their own ranks. They know there has been loyalty, love and sacrifice on the part of many who are not native born nor eligible to the order. They would not belittle such, nor take any of the glory or praise which is their due.

They concede all that citizenship implies to every creed, class or color in these United States, who live right and do right within the limits of the Constitution.

They do claim that for purposes for which they are organized they can with least friction and surest result bring to pass the great program they have adopted.

Look Around

If the Klan is in your community, and probably it is, just look around for the people you call your best citizens, and you will find the type who belong and probably some of the actual members are in the class you have selected.

On the other hand, make a list of all the undesirables in your community, the law violator, the crook, the degenerate, the bully and the brawler and the politicians lined up with them. Bet your dollars to doughnuts they don't belong to the Klan.

THE KLAN—SOMETHING LESS THAN 100%

The man who tries to use the Klan as a political stepping stone; the Klansman who pussyfoots into the order, sits down and lets the world go by; the man who is so yellow he dare not tell the officers of the law of crime and wrong doing; the man who joins the Klan and then violates the law; the man who does not place American womanhood on a high pedestal and live himself by the same standard; the fellow who thinks the Klan is meant for himself, his special friend, and his community alone; the fellow who cannot Klux until the wee small hours, sleep a wink or two, wash his face and smile as he says, "Now for another day!"; the worthy citizen who is going to

wait until he sees how it is going; the man who lets "George do it" and when the laurel wreaths of victory are being passed out says "me too" and climbs onto the band wagon; the man who is ashamed of religion or lacks the courage to put it into practice; the fellow who doesn't believe this is the greatest country in all the world and splits his loyalty with a potentate in another country; the man who milks the American cow and goes on for years without taking out his papers or bearing his share of citizenship burden; the man who, under the cloak of religion, seeks to carry out his selfish plans; the Protestant who professes to be a Christian then sells his birthright—He is worst of all—a knave and a hypocrite.

THE KLAN—DO KLANSMEN EVER GO WRONG?

Do church members ever go wrong? Do fraternal societies find misfits within their ranks? Do political parties ever have traitors? Of course they do.

In any organization of great numbers there will always be men whose wheels do not track straight, whose judgment gets warped or whose untrained enthusiasm runs away with them. The Klan is no exception. It is human. The fanatic, the crank, the meddler, the Jonah is always with us. In spite of all care in church, societies or political parties they slip in.

A Narrow Front Door

The Klan has a narrow front door. It watches that portal with jealous care. It would surprise the public if it knew how many men are rejected purely on character grounds, who are otherwise eligible. If men go wrong, the Klan banishes them from the order without fear or favor.

There is something intangible in the spirit of the Klan that purges it of those whose conduct does not measure up with the Soul of the Order.

When you take into consideration the far-flung lines of the organization, its vast numbers, it is one of the most remarkable things that so few Klansmen have brought disrepute upon the organization. In our judgment, it stands at the very top in this respect.

It is not fair nor just that anyone should blame the organization for an individual act any more than you would blame the Baptist church for the wrong doing of a member.

Let's give this Protestant order a square deal. It stands for things good and patriotic.

For which of them will ye stone it?

THE KLAN IS CHANGING

All living things change; all creeds of churches change. All expression of art, all ideas of science change. The very language you use has changed. You could not read nor understand the English of the tenth century. Party platforms and issues change. Change, continual change, with more light and greater knowledge, has kept us as a nation, in every field in the front rank. Some things have had to be eliminated, other things added, in the growing life of church and state.

The Klan is no exception. It is alive, very much alive. Worn out methods and ideas must give way to better and larger issues and methods of activity.

The Klan was a dream child. It came out of the heart of a man struggling with a whirling mass of wrong and error, clashing with truth and patriotism. He saw a need, he made a call, he suggested a plan. It may have been more or less crude. He probably did not, could not foresee the lines on which the battle would be formed. He saw only great need, and summoned Americans to the field.

New Light

The Klan has been changing every month of its existence in methods of action, in widening its field of activity. Where plans have been weak, they have been discarded for better; where men and leaders have been at fault they have been let go; where the program showed any inconsistency it has been revised.

Yes, the Klan has changed and is changing, always we believe, for the better. The Klan is fearless. It will not tolerate national disease without the probe and an attempt at cure. It is equally heroic about itself. Where any disease or weakness developed and an operation or medicine was necessary,

its own membership has administered it in as large doses as were necessary to make it healthy and sound.

Yes, the Klan will change with every great national need. It will change in method and form of activity just as often as it finds better means and more effective methods. Like doctors, preachers, business, politics it will continue to grow and meet new problems with new power, always crystalized in public opinion, the power behind all effective law and national action.

THE CALL OF THE KLAN

The crying need of America is for men who stand squarely on their own feet, men who serve their country in a whole-hearted, patriotic fashion, men who can live with dignity and not lose touch with the common mass. There is all too much blaming others as an excuse for not doing ourselves. There is too much grandstand playing and not enough "delivering the goods;" too much "passing the buck" to the other fellow to escape the responsibility of personal decision and action.

"Attention"

If you are an American worthy of your blood, get into the game, be something, do something. It took real life, real action to bring this nation into being. It will take all that to preserve it.

On both feet, men. Eyes to the front.

Ready! Let's go!

Abuse

The press and certain classes and creeds have tried to cloud the issue by heaping ridicule, slander and persecution on the Klan. Of course they have failed, for "Truth crushed to earth will rise again." In spite of every tirade of opposition, the Klan will hold to its program. It is calling to legislators with courage of conviction, to give the people a square deal. Don't sell out to any group or balance of power. Fight a clean, square fight, be defeated at the polls or in the legislative halls if need be, but play fair with your country. You will at least be "Captain of your soul" and one hundred per cent Americans will reward you with their devotion.

In the end it will spell Victory. Every reform move, every champion of better things has had to endure and sometimes die for the thing he dares declare. Klansmen and all real men are on the altar of their country's need.

Preachers

Stand up and look your responsibility square in the face. This is a land of religious freedom. If the leaders of Protestant faith falter or halt before cliques or bigotry, if they lose the vision of the most wonderful gospel in a most wonderful land, then God pity the masses.

The Klan calls you to hammer without mercy crimes against women, rotten surroundings in which children must grow, money grabbers and miserly souls, using the cloak of Christianity to cover the rottenness of their unholy, festering manhood.

The Call

In the name of your Master, let there be a ringing call to American men, to hold sacred their birthright in a Christian land. Thousands are selling it for a beastly mess of pottage these days. The call of the Klan is a call for more practical Christianity. Yes, we believe in the sunlit hill of God's eternity. We have a vision of the "land that is fairer than day." We can sing "All hail the power of Jesus' name." What we want is thousands, yes, millions of our countrymen with their hands to the plough, men bearing burdens, fellows who make their lives square with their song; that bit of doggerel is timely:

"I want to be an angel,
For this I hope and pray,
I want to be an angel,
But of course not right away."

There is too much of a mess to clean up here yet awhile.

You ministers of the spiritual empire, that's an invisible empire, too, send ringing down the corridors and along the highways of our lives and the land the challenge:

"Onward, Christian Soldiers,
Marching as to war
With the cross of Jesus,
Going on before."

Men

The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan calls men to its standards, not to pass resolutions or for dress parade, nor merely

to wear regalia or to feed on the mystery of the order. It calls you in the most dauntless fashion known to men to separate yourself from weaklings, to make your patriotism something more than noise, to make it a thrilling, throbbing experience in action and devotion to your country and its institutions, to wake up and see who are the real enemies of the Klan.

Ask yourself, Mr. Man, if you are by your life conduct and effort defending the inalienable right of home, religion and citizenship? If you are not, you had better take in your flag and pray God to help you until every star is a command and every stripe a highway of responsibility. Honestly, men, where do we stand and where do we go from here?

Hate

The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, by the very nature of its program and the kind of people it calls, cannot, dare not, indulge a program of hate.

Hate is the damning policy of Hell. Hate crawled its intolerant trail through the fires of the Inquisition. Intolerant Hate burned, sawed and mutilated the bodies of men in the name of religion. Hate yelled its way, a crazy mob, to drive the nails in the hands and murder the Saviour of the world, He who was God's message of light and good will to a race.

Even Now

Hate has rolled from the presses of this country against the Klan. Hate has attacked Protestant ministers as they stood singing America and leading thousands in the Lord's prayer, pleading for finer devotion to the land and the religion of their fathers. Hate never conquers. It must finally crawl back to the pit from whence it came. It's dirty yelp drowned in the glorious anthem:

Law, Liberty and Love.

Love

Not silly sentiment, but profound devotion to a great cause is the badge of a Klansman's power and honor. It is his most powerful weapon. It means self-control, determined purpose

and patient endurance. Love in action is sometimes as sharp as the sword. Love is always jealous of the object of its affection. Klansmen can afford to ignore the mad passion of hate that dashes itself against the pillars of American liberty. We need not take time to argue with the slanderers of American manhood.

The Rock

Our principles are our best arguments against narrow prejudice. Forget all this and more. The Klan program is one of honor, patriotism and religion.

We are sure we stand firm and do no wrong while we consecrate ourselves to the protection of

The white man's home,
The white man's honor,
The white man's country.

The supremacy of the white man in this country can never work injury to other men.

"To thine own self be true,
And it must follow as the night the day,
Thou canst not then be false to any man."

THE KLAN—WHITE LIGHT

Let us turn the pure, cold, pitiless white light of publicity on the Klan and see if it stands the test of Patriotism, Christianity and Tolerance.

With open Bible on the Flag and above him the cross, hear him, ye scoffers at law and liberty, you defamers of men so far above you that you are lost in the night of your sin-soaked souls; hear the Klansman say

"I most solemnly assert and affirm that to the Government of the United States of America and any State thereof of which I shall become a citizen, I sacredly swear an unqualified allegiance above any other and every kind of Government in the whole world.

"I here and now pledge my life, my property, my vote and my sacred honor to uphold its flag, its constitution and constitutional laws and will protect, defend and enforce the same until death."

Read it again and decide what kind of a man is he who binds himself to such a pledge.

Tolerance

Beneath the fiery cross, listen to the truth every candidate has burned into his mind:

"Sirs, the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, as a great and essentially a patriotic, fraternal and benevolent order, does not discriminate against a man on account of his religious or political creed when same does not conflict with or antagonize the sacred rights and privileges guaranteed by our Civil Government, Christian ideals and institutions."

Will the men and movements fighting the Klan be as big and broad and tolerant and Christian as that? If they were, Klansmen would not be arrested and their meetings disturbed and their rights continually ignored not only by the rabble, but in many so-called Courts of Justice.

"Men speak of love and live in hate,
Men talk of faith and trust to fate.
Oh, might men do the things they teach!
Oh, might men live the lives they preach!"

Then the thrones of Avarice would fall and the Clangor
Of Grim Selfishness o'er the earth would cease;
Love would tread out the baleful fire of Anger,
And in the ashes plant the lily of Peace."

Peace at Any Price

Christianity, Patriotism or Tolerance does not mean to stand idly by and watch ideals shatter and law go by the board. It does not mean to raise the white flag of surrender when all that men of a free country hold dear is the stake in the game of greed and wrong.

No Quarter

To the bootlegger and violator of the law.
To the man who violates the chastity of woman.
To a traitor who would sell his country to a potentate in a foreign land.

To the man who puts greedy gain before service.
To the hypocrite who wears a cloak of Protestant religion and fights with the enemy.
To the man who won't fight his country's battles according to the rules of the game.

NOTICE

We here and now serve notice to all such, that the Klan working by means of the law and public opinion, intends to bend and break such men until the day shall come when they, too, shall catch the vision and know it's not hate. It is just truth acting like a TWO EDGED SWORD.

Klansmen, we have posted the notice—

"CAN YOU ALWAYS BE DEPENDED UPON"

THE FIERY CROSS

The badge of shame on which the Master died—it has now been glorified and stands as the most powerful emblem in all the world. It's the sign of earth's greatest victories. Its influence has changed political boundaries. Out of barbarism it has led the way to a mighty civilization. It has loosed men's tongues and inspired their souls until they sang new songs of life.

In the midst of clamor and clang of sordid selfishness and wrong it is the only anchor that holds. When sorrow, defeat and death are near, it is God's light upon the hill. There is a mighty host which is lifted on the wings of light and faith as it sings—"The Way of the Cross Leads Home." Men have crossed oceans, left home and native land for love of it. They have fought wars in its defense. Today the wayside cross is marking off the years for millions in their journey to the land beyond the hills of time.

This Christian order of Klansmen accepts this cross in all the fullness of its meaning. It stands as a pledge of earthly comfort and a hope of life beyond.

The Fiery Cross

From ancient times, fire has been considered a purifying element, burning out the dross and refining the gold. It flashed the message of primitive man from mountain peak to peak. To the ancient, the blazing sun stood for God himself.

The Fiery Cross to the Klansman represents the vitalizing power of a living Christ, with power to burn the dross from individual, community and national life. What finer thing could men accept, or under what more powerful emblem fight a clean, square fight for things worth while? The spirit of the "Bright Fiery Cross" will eventually fill our Protestant churches and let us most earnestly pray.

"Bring America Back to God."

FROM THE KLORAN OF THE KLAN

The spirit of the Ku Klux Klan still lives and should live, a priceless heritage to be sacredly treasured by all who love their country, regardless of section, and who are proud of its sacred traditions.

That this spirit may live always to warm the hearts of manly men, unify them by the spirit of holy clanishness, to assuage the billowing tide of fraternal alienation that surges in human breasts and inspire them to achieve the highest and noblest in defense of our country, our homes, each other and humanity, is the paramount ideal of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

THE KLAN—WHY THE SECRECY

One of the bitterest fights against the Klan is that it is a secret organization and conceals its identity. It is true it is a secret order, but it is built scientifically and lawfully. There are certain laws of life and action that cannot be ignored in the organization of any great movement in order to enlist, function and endure.

Mystery

There is something instinctive in the human animal that responds to the mysterious or the unknown. It finds expression in baby life as the mother covers its face and plays with it. Later it hides behind the chair and fills itself with glee as it plays Peek-a-boo. The boy early seeks his false face or hides his eggs for Easter. The wife says to her husband, "Open your mouth and shut your eyes, and I'll give you something to make you wise." The man with any imagination builds his airy castles that are dim and half concealed in a world of mystery. At the altar of Masonry the silence of mystery fills his soul. Have you ever felt the call of something inside as you watched a mighty parade of Klansmen with silent tread go marching by? Their very silence and mystery tugs at the heart strings. The burning cross on the hill sends its mysterious call to the hearts of men. The mysterious passions of love, faith and hope are all bedded deep in his very existence. Even so, the Klan with the hood, the Klavern, the plan, the silent force, the mighty something of mystery in it all, appeals to his manhood. You will praise it or blame it as you choose, but it's there. Call it primitive, but remember that elementary forces are the mightiest forces of the universe. The Klan builds right when it appeals to the ideal, the vision and spirit of mystery of men's lives.

Strategy

Success implies a certain amount of secrecy. It is used in every field of human contest and competition. Does any one imagine the Roman Hierarchy places all its cards on the table in the open? From Pope to priest it is a closed corporation and its greatest successes have arisen through its secret strategy. Good or bad though its aims may be, its real purposes and plans for operation are worked out in secret.

Big business maintains its service for information on markets, works in secret its greatest plans to meet competition in production and distribution. The keenest private strategy is used in buying and selling stocks and bonds.

The newspaper gets a tip, and forthwith its reporters are off like the wind. Gunshoeing and silent, their secret strategy

got the story, and triumphantly the headline of the paper proclaims a "Scoop." Did General Foch proclaim to the advancing Germans he was commandeering autos, taxicabs and every mode of transportation from Paris to hurl a secret army against the right wing of the German divisions at the first battle of the Marne? He did not. France, Paris, the war was hanging in the balance. All lights were out, all lines of communication cut, profound secret strategy was at work. Then, Crash! The battle, the turning tide, the rout and victory and Paris and France saved.

The Klan in secrecy is simply using the same tactics as are recognized as legitimate and necessary in a great campaign for the right.

Protection

The secrecy of the organization has proved its strongest protection for its members. A little observation only will convince you that the Klan is fighting enemies of law and order and a class which will stop at nothing if it can reach the objects of its mad rage. Klansmen have been boycotted in business, their characters have been attacked, their property destroyed and their families terrorized. Violence and murder have been done and peaceful citizens arrested in pursuing their constitutional right.

The use of the mask and secrecy of membership has reduced this to the minimum. Stir up a hornet's nest and you need a bee net; uncover a loathsome cesspool and you need a gas mask. These Americans are trying to protect themselves as best they can in their determination to tear down the hornet's nest and clean out the filthy cesspool. It is not cowardice, it is the trench spirit of effective warfare. It protects the soldier as he holds the sector and when the need comes, he goes "Over the top."

Effect

Has the Klan made the right appeal and has its plan worked?

Millions have enlisted under the mysterious call of the Klan. They have come from north and east, from south and west. They are entering the silent lines, their lives are being

thrilled with spiritual patriotism. The strategy of the Klan is flanking the army of the aliens. It is bombarding political camps with a power they have never felt before. It is the smooth stone in David's sling that is bringing down the Goliath of disloyalty.

Enemies of the Klan would give much, yes, very much, to know who are Klansmen, how many there are in a particular county, town or state. It is the invisible something that gets their goat. Moonshiners and bootleggers have the jim-jams for they do not know whom to approach, as one said, "I've got the stuff, but I don't dare to try to sell it for fear I will be talking to a Kluxer." Whole communities are quietly changing; better order, fuller churches and a healthful active Americanism is beginning to develop.

The secrecy of the Klan appeals to the sentiment of men. Its secret strategy works patriotic wonders. It protects Klansmen from unlawful attack. It is the power that rocks the enemy's boat.

THAT "MESSAGE TO GARCIA"

Elbert Hubbard tells the story—"When the war broke out between Spain and the United States it was necessary to communicate quickly with the leader of the insurgents. Garcia was somewhere in the mountain fastnesses of Cuba—no one knew where—no mail or telegraph message could reach him. The President must secure his co-operation and quickly. What should he do?

Some one said to the President: "There is a fellow by the name of Rowan who will find Garcia if any one can."

Rowan was sent for and given a letter to be delivered to Garcia.

How the "fellow by the name of Rowan" took the letter, sealed it up in an oil skin pouch, strapped it over his heart, in four days landed by night on the coast of Cuba from an open boat, disappeared into the jungle and in three weeks came out the other side of the island, having traversed a hostile country on foot and delivered his message to Garcia—are

things I have no desire to tell in detail. The point I wish to make is this:

McKinley gave Rowan a letter to be delivered to Garcia. Rowan took the letter and did not ask, "Where is he at?" By the eternal, there is a man whose form should be cast in deathless bronze and the statue placed in every college in the land."

Our Garcia

It is not high sounding phrases or loud promises we need in carrying the message of Americanism to the citizenship of this country; citizens who are living in the jungles of selfishness and disloyalty, surrounded by bigotry and alien hate, shut in by barriers of ignorance and indifference. Uncle Sam wants to know, "Where is the fellow by the name of Rowan" who will not make excuses, the man who will not stop to haggle over the price or count the cost, who will strap the message of Americanism over his heart, take to the open sea, plunge into the jungle and deliver that message or die in the attempt?

This is the challenge plainly put up to men these days. Where there should be a thousand Rowans filled with determination and courage, fired with patriotism and ready for action, we find slipshod assistance, dead indifference or half-hearted consecration.

God give us a crop of men these days who are something more than politicians. Heaven send an army of Americans who are something beside parasites feeding on the country's privileges and drinking from its fountains of liberty, thinking only of personal gain, filled with a sense of their own importance and content to work out petty problems affecting their own welfare.

The Politician

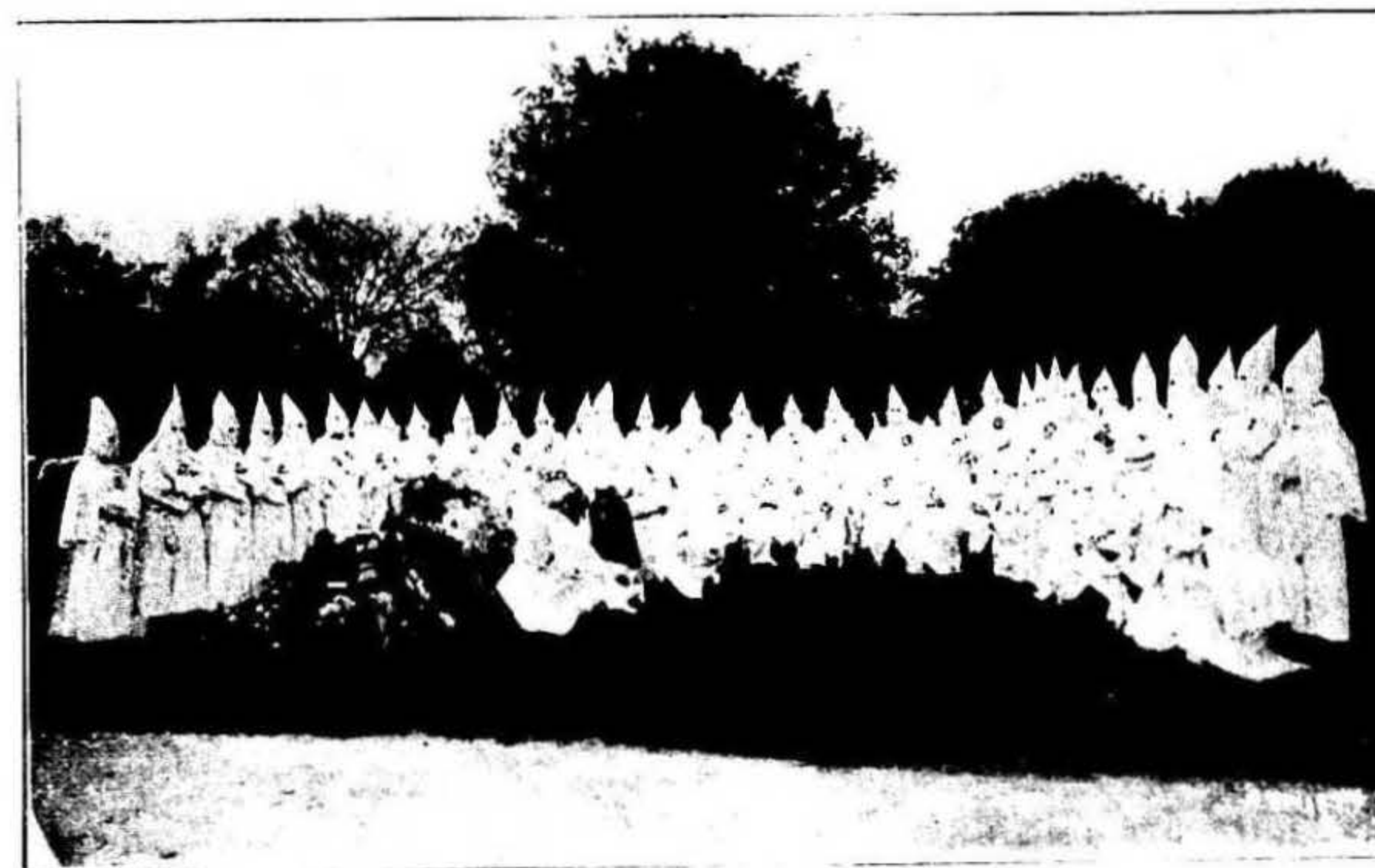
Thank God for the man who will dedicate his time and brains to the public service of his country; who accepts the honor conferred with a deep sense of obligation, who stands before the demagogue without flinching; the man who really desires to serve. Clear-eyed, he sees his country's need;

square-jawed, he reads his country's law, and in the light and love of these, he faces every problem in his public career.

The Present Hour

If ever there WAS a time when men of this guage were needed, it is now. Yet how few measure up to this standard of public need! Too often he is a boss who has dominated a political situation or a stool pigeon to represent some powerful interest. He is the fellow who takes orders from the gang and is a traitor to the trust imposed by the people.

Too many public men spend the most of their time building their political fences or lying flat with their ear to the ground for the slightest rumble of danger coming to disturb them in their political castle.



THE LAST SAD RITE

Men in public life these days will do well to give heed to the new spirit of public opinion. No matter where or how you may be entrenched it will reach you. This crystalized public opinion is saying in no uncertain tone to the public men on the firing line

Hold up American standards.
Fight a square, vigorous battle for pure American principles.

Don't betray the trust common folks have placed in you.

These same people are straightening their spines these days to look squarely at men. They are asking pertinent questions of those who hold or aspire to hold, public office.

Party

There never was a time when men were more loosely tied to party. They are pondering, thinking and demanding just the plain truth; unvarnished facts about candidates. Elections these days are the horror and nightmare of professional politicians—Why? Simply because Americans will no longer be dominated by a mere party label. They will not submit to the boss or ward heeler.

Their demand, fine, ringing and stinging is: "Give us a man who will carry the message to Garcia."

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

There is no more important message of Americanism to be carried than that of loyalty to and love for our American institutions, chief among which is the public school of the country. Too much ignorance exists in this land of large responsibility. Here the burden of the state rests upon the citizen.

Our shame was broadcasted to the world when 25% of the men drafted for the army were found so ignorant they could not pass the simplest tests of education.

There are millions of children in the United States out of touch with our public school system. In private and parochial schools they are withdrawn from daily contact with the mass of our boys and girls. Such policy can only develop snobbery and breed misunderstanding. It puts a great number out of joint with the throbbing young life of the bulk of our future citizens.

There is only one way to keep harmony and perfect understanding. That is during the growing, moulding age of child life to let all classes of our children stick their feet under the same desk in the same school. Gentile, Jew, Protestant, Cath-

olic—let them fight their battles, develop their gangs, exalt their heroes, condemn their sissies, knock the sawdust out of their bullies and select their common loves and friendships. Not until this comes to pass, and Catholic, Jew and Protestants mingle in our common school, will we be able to solve the spirit of tolerance and lay down the broad foundation of understanding.

Here lies the way to banish all sorts of alien spirit and exalt a spirit of pure Americanism.

WHAT SHALL WE DO?

The Klan demands that every child be placed in a public school and that in that school there shall be only those teachers who shall teach:

Loyalty to the United States as a first and sacred duty.

Love for its flag and institutions.

Sacred reverence for the Christian religion, barring any special creed or dogma.

A profound regard for law.

A code of honest business ethics, decent morals and the doctrine of a square deal.

Any teacher who cannot qualify in these matters has no place in the public schools of the United States. If such are in, they should be put out. If they are out, they should be kept out. There is no more dangerous policy than that of messing up American stock.

The Preacher

This is a Protestant country. We mean by that, its earliest people in the main were of that faith, and they have continued to form the largest block of the population. It is Protestant in spirit in that its fathers laid the foundation deep and strong in regard to Tolerance and Religious Freedom. That spirit has been kept alive. The country has been tolerant toward all classes. People of many faiths worship with the utmost freedom under the Stars and Stripes in this land of spiritual liberty.

The Big Job

The big job of serving the spiritual needs of the vast majority of the people of the United States belongs to the Protestant minister. There are different practices and creedal statements, but in fundamentals the story, the plan, the work is one.

It is high time we found a common ground of understanding. Church federations have their limitations, both in matters of union and program. There is a sense in which all Protestant Christians may unite under the banner of the Klan for a more militant expression of Christianity.

The Klan in no way is meant to take over or usurp the program or function of the church. It is trying to make a platform broad enough upon which all Protestants can stand and still retain their own interpretation of truth.

Be Big Enough

The Klan has built a program that makes a universal appeal to all the followers of Christ. It is calling the Christian ministry to interpret this program to the millions of Protestants in this Protestant Christian country.

What we ask these Protestant leaders to do is to learn frankly and honestly the truth about the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan—read the oath, study the program, find out first hand its methods and how it operates. Do not rely on the enemies of the order for your information. You owe it to yourself and your people to know the facts in the case.

There are men in every community, probably in your own congregation, who are willing and capable to inform you. They can at least tell you where you can find out. Do not be satisfied with anything but the **WHOLE TRUTH**.

As you value the future of the Protestants in America, equip yourself with the big truths about the greatest chivalric order of modern times.

Some Preacher

The man who says: "I don't know anything about the Klan. I do not want to know anything about it. I am not

open to conviction" (we sometimes meet with this specimen). How would you like to be under the leadership of a man of that gauge? The preacher who is so afraid of his job that he steps with minds so narrow and souls so small that they would have no trouble in slipping through "the eye of the needle" we read about—the man who is so intellectually lazy he will not take the time to read the truth nor has he the inclination to move out of his comfortable nest onto the firing line where the real fight is on, and where he-men swell their chests and with a glance to God's eternal hills from whence cometh strength to gloriously do and dare—the preacher who knows nothing but "the peace that passeth all understanding," that may be "peace at any price." The Master said something about truth and a "two-edged sword." Christian peace is not the peace brought on by chloroform or sleep in selfish satisfaction. It is rather the quiet satisfaction of truth told and lived and of battles fought and won.

The man who spends his time in fighting for creed and dogma, who specializes in platitudes and pretty words, content with pink teas and passing resolutions—God forgive him and smoke him out! There is life and living, stinking pools and rotten life, agony, sorrow, sin and misery, clinking coin in holy places, fields of grain for the real reaper, stiff hills for real climbers, long, hard roads for the man well shod. Listen, Man, to the song of a mighty host singing as they go—

"Onward Christian Soldiers,
Marching as to war,
With the Cross of Jesus
Going on before."

Tribute to Whom Tribute is Due

Be it known that the preachers of the whole country have most nobly responded to the call. Thousands of them are in line. Their gospel message has taken on a new significance. Men are coming to them long absent from their churches. Practical Christianity is again becoming popular.

These splendid men have gone on public platforms, they have thrilled thousands with their clean cut Christian messages, their tolerant views and cutting truth. They have been

shot at, insulted, cast into prison, maligned and beaten, but so was their Master, and by exactly the same classes as are attacking the Protestant ministers today who dare bear the same message against hypocrisy, bigotry, national sin and political corruption. Some of them may have to pay the supreme price. So did our boys on the fields of France. So did the Son of God on Calvary. They are a same bunch, these followers of a holy cause, these proclaimers of truth and saviours of a Christian land!

Indiana, with its hundreds of thousands, Ohio with its mighty host, Illinois with its claim of a million, Kentucky with its mounting thousands, the mighty army in all the land, are all tributes to the zeal, courage and faith of the Protestant minister. We welcome you, Brother. You belong to the cause. It's your fight. It is the Master's challenge.

"On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
The emblem of suffering and shame,
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain."

THE KLAN—THE IMPENDING CRISIS

The land is stirred with conflict in politics, disturbed with shifting currents of business. Public interest is aroused in the news of the present hour. These things are merely surface flurries.

One cannot discuss the deeper problems of Americanism without going back to the heart and soul of the people themselves. Who are they? What are they? What standards guide them? Are they fit, in body, mind and soul to have it said, "The voice of the people is the voice of God?"

Whatever may be their voice, it is this same common mass that will color the future for this country, hold its traditions secure and through their power either bless or curse the world. Out of this mass and from no other source must come national strength or national weakness. Success or failure to the republic.

Who is Who?

The census for 1920 shows a cross section of the American people we dare not indifferently pass by.

Born abroad, living in United States.....	13,712,750
Children in United States of foreign parents.....	15,694,500
Children of foreign and native stock.....	6,991,665
A total of first and second generation of white foreigners.....	36,398,915

Negroes in United States.....	10,463,100
Indians, Orientals and all others.....	500,000

Total of Foreigners and Negroes..... 47,362,015

The Nation's combined population in 1920 was.... 105,710,620

This means we have an American stock of..... 58,348,605

Many of these also have a foreign ancestry not very far back. All this means that we have a more or less diluted Anglo Saxon stock in this country of about 10,886,655 more than the aliens within our borders.

A close analysis might show that we have but about one-third of Anglo Saxon stock out of the entire population.

This is appalling when we consider that millions included in these figures are not the type that furnished in earlier years the brain, muscle and moral fibre of the land.

With the increasing multitude has come a corresponding decrease in the character and health of the host that has flowed like a mighty river from Europe to the United States.

Reliable figures show we have:

Illiterates to the appalling number of.....	4,932,000
Mentally defective and physically diseased.....	5,000,000
Paupers, criminals in prison and dependents everywhere more than.....	500,000
A mighty army of defectives and social delinquents of	10,432,000

That means that one out of every ten people is below par. They cannot contribute to the common good. They are parasites on the living body of the nation. We have perhaps not

more than 30,000,000 real Americans in the country and on whom must rest the heavier burden of the national welfare.

Where Are They?

The bulk of the foreigners have worked their way into the east, north and west. They are sectioned in vast numbers in our cities and industrial centers. They maintain contact with the world from which they came, read foreign papers, talk foreign language and act in alien fashion.

They have rejected the American melting pot, and simply exist as strangers within our gates. They are the hotbed in which the crooked politician works out his ambition. They respond to the radical and the agitator. They prostitute the ballot and are the deciding factor in most important local and national issues.

South

The south is nearly untouched by this vast army of invaders, but she has her problem in the negro, and both negroes and aliens are responsible for a large part of the political crookedness in the country.

The Bright Lights of the City

About three-fifths of the people on our farms are of native stock. Almost the entire balance is of the older foreign stock. The vast hordes of later immigrants have huddled in our cities and centers of industry where disease, immorality and political corruption run riot.

To this must be added the trek of the Negroes from the southern fields to the factories of the north. The north is rapidly developing a Negro problem different from any that ever faced the people of the south.

Crowded in the cities, they fall, as do the weak alien stock, victims of social diseases, consumption, alcoholism and narcotics. They are easily depraved in morals and fall victims to the designing crook and unholy politician.

The Klan will never fold its banners nor stop its campaign until this stream of alien corruption is halted; until we have assimilated everything possible and drilled by education and

law the balance into reasonably intelligent American citizens. No other way can the land be made "Safe for Democracy."

THE KLAN—ELEMENTS WE CANNOT ASSIMILATE

Charges have been laid at the door of the Klan—that it is religiously intolerant, that it is developing race hatred and is therefore un-American and un-Christian.

If these charges were true in only a slight degree, it would form just ground for condemnation.

Remember, the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is an American organization, claiming to stand for American principles and the protection of American ideals and institutions.

It claims these are in danger from millions of unassimilated foreigners, enjoying American privileges and franchise, from other millions because they are not educated and because of their natural limitations; still others whose racial characteristics and prohibition of intermarriage utterly unfit them for assimilation with Americans.

The Klan claims they cannot and never will be assimilated because of impossible social, racial and religious barriers. The question then arises, "Are they or are the native stock and standards to be the controlling power of the Republic?"

The Negro

Ten millions of them in the United States—about one-tenth of the entire population. They have not attained nor can they attain, the Anglo Saxon standards. God seems to have created them with more limitations than any other race. After all these years of contact with other types of civilization they are still effected by the low mentality of a savage ancestry.

Such limitations must remain except as centuries of civilization and education can change them. He cannot be lifted by intermarriage with the white race. Both would fall by God's great law of life. The curse of natural law would fall upon our civilization.

No nation ever mixed its blood with that of another race and got by with it. Mental, moral and physical degeneracy has always called a halt or disaster destroyed the mixture. In

no generation of American life can the Negro be assimilated. He must, in the nature of the thing, stand apart.

He is here, white men brought him here. He is entitled to generous treatment and opportunity and the pursuit of happiness. All things to promote his welfare, health and industry should be matters of deep concern to us. His religious needs should find fullest opportunity for expression. American law and life admits all this and still maintains that the white man's supremacy can do most for the Negro.

The Klan is all that the word American implies at its best.

The Jew

He is different, that's all. Since the days when Abram dwelt in the land of Ur of the Chaldees he has been a Jew apart. In Egypt he refused to mix. In the land of Canaan he some times forgot his caste and mixed with the Canaanite in the land; but always there came the harking back to the call of the blood and Jewish law.

Since his ejection from Judea he has been a wanderer on the earth. No one talks of his country, his flag, his patriotic ties. In the nature of his history and his racial traits it is simply impossible for him to feel as the Anglo Saxon feels, who for centuries has struggled to maintain home and native land.

The Jew should love this land. It is the most tolerant of any in which he has ever lived. The Jew has suffered. The hand of all the world except America, has been against him. One wonders if all the world has been wrong and the Jew alone the blameless one.

There is room to believe his traits, his habits, his unchanging separation have been the things that have put nation after nation in line against him.

The Melting Pot

Where has it changed the Jew in America? He has passed through its fires. He is a Jew still. He has rubbed against an American world of business. His methods are distinctly his own. Does he sometimes marry a Gentile? No Jewish trait fades away or blends in the mixture. Racial or religious intermingling touches him not. Since a frenzied Jewish mob cruci-

fied Jesus of Nazareth on Calvary, unrelenting and unchanged they have come down through the centuries, apart.

As a people, they obey the technical side of the law. Their homes are sacred to them. They are keen of mind and "Go getters" after business, but in home, business and religion or relation to the law they are Jews, not Americans, in all that word implies.

Business

The Jew is not a home builder or a tiller of the soil. His forms of wealth are often the elusive kind. The Huguenot, the Puritan and the Cavalier came; they blended and finally lost themselves in the land of their adoption, and one has to dig deeply into family history to trace their stock. Not so the Jew. A thousand years of American life, judging from the past, will find him the same.

What will be the future influence of this unassimilated group in our midst? One wonders!

In religion they are not obnoxious.

In politics not aggressive.

Their vocabulary spells business, but it takes something besides BUSINESS to make a real American.

The Catholic

No nation can rest secure with any considerable portion of its people permitted to give allegiance to any kind of power called greater than their own government. Catholicism claims the church is superior to the state and therefore the state should be in subjection to the church.

History is filled with the fallacy of attempts to rule civil government through the church. No attempt, ancient or modern, has brought anything but disaster to both church and state.

Roman Catholicism is demanding more and more insistently positions of influence and power outside the church and in the realm of the state.

She is demanding that a large portion of our future citizens be trained under the care and influence of the church, claiming superiority in matters of education over the state;

yet when education is left to the church in many lands either the church has proved unable to educate or ignorance has been desired as being more easily controlled.

The following table is interesting in showing conditions of education in countries where the church educates and where the state educates.

Roman Catholic Countries Where the Church Educates		Protestant Countries Where the State Educates	
	Per Cent. Illiterate		Per Cent. Illiterate
Ireland	17	Germany	1.10
Belgium	18	Denmark	1.5
Austria	26	Switzerland	3.10
Hungary	40	Sweden	3.10
Italy	48	Scotland	3.5
Argentina	54	Holland	4.
Cuba	56	England	5.45
Spain	78	America	5.38
Brazil	85		
Guatemala	92		

As long as comparisons of this kind can be made, this country will not turn over the educational system of America to the Church of Rome.

Italy has had church education since the fourth century. Look at the column above and find Italy. The home and headquarters of the church for many centuries.

Remember, too, this is the church that is demanding that education of our youth be taken out of the public school and placed in her hands. Remember, also, that this church is under control of a priesthood teaching supreme obedience to a power not even resident in the United States. They tell us there are seventeen millions of people in the United States giving such allegiance and getting education under such influence.

I leave it to you to figure out the result!

READ AND KEEP IN MIND

From "The New Age," the Official Organ of the Supreme Council, Thirty-third Degree, A. & A. Scottish Rite of Free Masonry

There has been sent to us a copy of "Almanac of the Sacred Heart," 1922, published at 801 West 181st Street, New York City. Price, 17 cents per copy, postpaid.

On pages 67-8 is an article entitled, "The Parish School," and signed by Paul L. Blakely, S. J. In view of the strenuous statements that the Roman Hierarchy is not opposed to the public schools, we quote from this article:

"Our first duty to the public school is not to pay taxes for its maintenance. We pay under protest; not because we admit an obligation in justice. Justice cannot oblige the support of a system we are FORBIDDEN IN CONSCIENCE TO USE as a system we conscientiously hold to be bad in principle and bad in ultimate consequences; and if one point is clear in the decisions of those who rule us by the authority of God (The Pope) it is we cannot approve a system in which religion is separated from education.

"We have paid our taxes in the past and the least apprehension which state officials can have is, that we may refuse to pay them. But there neither is nor can be any obligation for any American, Catholic or non-Catholic, to approve either as best or for the common good, or tolerable as an educational system, schools which exclude all religious training.

"The first duty of every Catholic father to the public school is to keep his children out of it. The first duty of every Catholic American to education in general is to support the Catholic schools. It is true he cannot regard the spectacle which public education now presents and its probable effects on the coming generation with indifference. But he will not improve matters by compromising with the shortcomings of that system, much less by imitating them.

"His best contribution to the solution of the problem of what shall be done with our unchurched children is his support of the school which recognizes that a child has a soul as well as a brain and trains him for eternal happiness as well as for temporal success. But we need not greatly concern ourselves with our duty to the public school until we have more closely approached the realization of the Catholic ideal, 'Every Catholic child in a Catholic school.' "

What Will We Do About It?

Steady streams of people of Catholic faith have poured into the country for the last quarter of a century. Their children have been enrolled in parochial schools. The influence that has been given them is the same influence they left in foreign lands. The Church is supreme, the state secondary. They have not been lifted into the realm of American ideals. What wonder, crime has increased, institutions of correction are inadequate, life cheaper and law defied!

The Klan asks "What will we do about it?"

We claim unrestricted immigration is a crime. It is surrendering God's great good land to the unfit. The quota law that limits immigrants to a certain per cent. of the nationals of any country living in the United States is absolutely unsound; it may help in regard to quantity but it does not consider quality.

Exclusion acts to shut out Orientals are not enough.

Literary tests are easily evaded.

Laws to shut out anarchists, polygamists, prostitutes, diseased persons, lunatics, idiots and contract labor are not enough.

Shut the Gate

Let us shut the gate tight and take an inventory. Let us see what kind of a package we have drawn. If undesirables are here we can better afford to send them home than let their relatives in. There is no room for the radical and the alien that bites the hand that feeds him. Send him back to be company for Emma Goldman or subjects of the Soviet. When we start again, let us demand the same stock that made America great. Stock with racial and religious tendencies that will make it possible for them to be real Americans.

FACTS

It cannot be denied that:

The character of people coming to America has changed.

That they are bringing lower standards of health.

That they are not our brothers in ideals and patriotic spirit.

They are making "Sodom" out of our cities.

That vast hordes of them are not ours and they never can be really ours.

Therefore: When we need and want other thousands, let us invite them in the light of our especial need. We commend the idea of our Imperial Wizard when he says: "Laying aside all selfish consideration save constructive benefit to our land, thinking only of a superior civilization for America, and after learning where, why and to what extent immigration can advance our common welfare, let us say to kindred countries having our ideals and aspirations, 'There is a place in America for so many thousands of your best citizens. We invite them to settle in this or that particular section where agricultural production or creative labor is needed. Our Ellis Island will be moved to your country for mental, physical and moral investigation.'

"Officially and spiritually we will want to welcome them. They shall be our kindred and our God shall be their God. Guided, directed, encouraged, they will build into American life and together we shall grow into a happy balanced republic and a blessing to man."

THAT IS A SPLENDID STATEMENT BY A GREAT AMERICAN.

The Law

The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan have been accused of being crooks, criminals, ruffians and violators of the law.

They have been arrested, fined, mobbed and insulted by those who would destroy their order and break their nerve.

What is the relation of the organization to the law? Simply this. The order binds its membership with iron clad rules to obey the law and administer it in an orderly way. Every Klansman has had burned into his system that law, orderly, just law, is the foundation of the land. He sees this law violated on every hand by rich and poor, high and low. He is told that law is the friend of every loyal American. It registers his birth and records his death. It protects the chastity of his wife. It educates his children. It makes a deed for him and holds his property for him against all comers. It holds aloft the torch of liberty that grants Free Speech, Free Press, Free Thought and Religious Liberty.

Anarchy

Outside the law are murder and riot, violators of chastity, selfishness, greed and disloyalty. The lawless strike at the law and foundations of government. They hiss at the upright and clean. Lawlessness poisons the wells of patriotism and lies in wait to do bodily harm. It robs the widow and orphan. It cloaks bigotry in the garb of religion. It is hellish, damnable, traitorous.

More than 500,000 are in our jails and prisons convicted of crime. If we count petty crimes more than a million and a quarter breaches of law occurred last year. We paid out SIX HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS last year for the upkeep of all grades of prisons and the direct loss caused by crime.

We led the civilized world last year in the crime of murder. Thirty-three murders to every 350,000 of our population. St. Louis alone is credited with 426 known murders.

The Cost of Crime

You cannot figure it in terms of money. The men in prison today, if they only do their minimum sentences, must do the gigantic total of 387,000 years of worse than wasted life in the criminal institutions of the country.

Let us summon the army of women whose lives have been burned, blistered and blackened by crime. Let us march in mighty column the children of the land who have been robbed of a square deal and a chance to come to the age of manhood and womanhood clean and strong to bear the responsibility of citizenship. It is the wailing cry of their helplessness that has reached the ears of Klansmen and they are pledging themselves to come to the rescue of America's children.

People Alarmed

Citizens have become alarmed at encroachments against fundamentals and the guarantees granted them as American people. Certain religious bigots and bad political crooks had challenged citizenship rights until the hot blood of resentment found expression in the Klan.

Officers elected and sworn to protect life and property have become partners in crime with the lowest and vilest scum of our "Sodom" cities, demanding a rake off from women selling their bodies for gain, drunken revels in the homes of the rich and clubs of the social set, bootleggers and moonshiners in violation of constitutional law.

Determined Men

Is it not time that from somewhere came a protest against such things? Thank God, there are still Americans who believe in decency, plain morals and a regard for the laws that have secured for them the largest measure of liberty without giving away to license.

The Klan has sounded the call.

They will give no quarter; the law violator will be brought to justice.

\$400.00 REWARD

FOR THE ARREST AND DELIVERY OF

GLEN VANHOOSE

WANTED FOR WILFUL MURDER

Age 23 years, 5 feet 8 inches tall, light brown hair, brown eyes, slightly freckled, weight about 150 pounds

DELIVER TO SHERIFF J. M. JOHNSON

AT PIKEVILLE, KENTUCKY

\$250 of the above reward deposited in the Bank of Hellier, Hellier, Kentucky, by the local unit of

KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

\$150 by State and County

The above amount was raised to \$500. The man was captured and is in jail awaiting trial. The Klan stands for orderly law.

ARE KLANSMEN NARROW MINDED

This movement can justly be called a Native movement. The one fundamental on which all Klansmen agree is that:

Native born citizens, trained in the National Schools, sons and heirs of the men who built the nation, are on the whole better interpreters of national thought and purposes; hence more fitted to rule the country than people of alien blood, tradition and training, whom these native Americans have admitted to a share in their advantages.

Aliens Band Together

Religiously, politically and socially aliens very naturally band together. As early as 1835 Morse, the inventor of the telegraph, wrote letters charging an alien Catholic conspiracy to seize and hold the American Government.

In 1848-50 following the potato famine in Ireland, great numbers came to this country. Political developments came that swamped the American voters. The "Sons of 1776" and the order of the "Star Spangled Banner" were formed to fight alien influence.

Who will deny that the millions who have come during the past few years do not form a threatening menace? One-fifth of all the Jewish race is now in the United States.

In view of this situation the country may best be guided by native Americans until, by stoppage of immigration and a definite program of Americanization, we have worked over and educated our present millions in the mould of real American Citizenship.

THE KLAN IS NOT NARROW. IT IS NATIONAL.

Our Boys

They are the men of tomorrow. What a pace life is setting for them today! Men are gambling with their own lives and making an environment for the boys that is sure to breed the crook. Remember, any normal boy who goes wrong is the victim of bad surroundings. The appalling fact comes that the major crimes are passing out of the hands of men into the hands of boys. Vast numbers of the most serious crimes last year were committed by boys under nineteen years of age.

Klansmen's Duty

Klansmen are dedicating their lives to the service of pure womanhood. That means the home. How much energy are you devoting to the boys in the homes of your town? Is the town you live in a healthy place for the morals of the boy? You cannot settle the boy problem by paying the boy's fine or building a larger reform school. The price you may pay for his corrupted morals, some day may come home to you when grown to young manhood he places his foul hands on the fairest flower in your home, robs your property or threatens your life. Then you may realize the thing the Klan is trying to burn into your soul—**Love and Reverence for Law!**

Who Libels the Klan

It would be interesting to check up on the men and papers who are fighting the Klan.

Where do they line up in politics?

What is their record in law obedience and enforcement?

What is their religious belief?

What is their nationality?

It is nearly time honest critics began to love us for some of the enemies we have made. I invite you to point out a single bootlegger, hi-jacker, black-leg, gambler, den-keeper, rone, crook, Bolshevik, anarchist, demagogue, political hypocrite or scoundrel who likes the Klan.

TAKE NOTICE

The following are a few of the untruthful statements about the Klan. Is it ignorance or wilful untruth?

"There is no place in this community for the regulator. There is no place for the coward who under cloak of disguise or by force of numbers tries to intimidate or inflict punishment upon another." Judge Richard C. Stoll to the Grand Jury opening the term of Fayette County, Kentucky, Circuit court.

"Further, any man or set of men who attempt to deprive the humblest citizen of his rights are beyond the pale of law and strike a blow at American Liberty." Judge Stoll.

Yes, Judge, what about the gang who pulled Dr. Lougher from the Court House steps in your own town where he was about to exercise his AMERICAN RIGHT of free speech in an orderly assembly of thousands of Fayette County citizens? Who "acted outside the pale of the law?" Who "was striking a blow at the foundation of American liberty?" Was there any Klansman who acted discourteous or unlawful? Are the Catholic controlled police force and as shady a bunch of politicians as ever ruled a fair Kentucky city, friends of yours, Judge, or the Klan?

Judge Richard C. Stoll should know, if he does not, that he expresses Klan doctrine exactly in his statement to the Grand Jury. Will the Judge tell us when in Fayette County a Klansman has attempted to take the law into his own hands or denied a citizen, "high or low," his full citizenship rights? In this same Fayette County and Fayette County Courts, however, American citizens HAVE BEEN DENIED their constitutional rights of Free Speech, peaceable assemblage and that, too, by officers elected to protect them in these rights.

Ye gods! Is it any wonder the law is held in contempt when fine sounding phrases are understood by the people to be but hollow mockery.

Catholic priest, Brookville, Ky.:

"Whereas the reputation of the promoters (of the Klan) is such that no one believes they are in the movement for altruistic, patriotic and religious motives, but manifestly for GRAFT and will endeavor by terror and unlawful conspiracy to exact dollars from their unwilling victims," etc.

"Whereas, the Ku Klux Klan has made four distinct attempts to organize without success"—

What is hurting the righteous soul of the holy father and the congregation of St. James Catholic Church? If the Klan is so weak it cannot organize why all this excitement and an S. O. S. letter to the President of the United States for help?

Such attacks are pitiful because of the ignorance expressed. It is not even good, clean-cut propaganda. The Klan has no quarrel with the Catholic church as such. "Father," it is just a mighty movement of plain Americans (not grafters) contending for political cleanliness and constitutional right.

If you stand for these things, don't be alarmed. Terror, vengeance and mob law have no place in the Klan program. Those opposing the Klan are the only people doing things of that character today. Your church is safe. Your congregation is safe. You are safe, as far as Klansmen are concerned. You are living in America and Klansmen are native-born, white, Gentile Protestant Americans.

ASHLAND

"There is no need of the Ku Klux Klan or any similar organization around Ashland. It is an insult to our people. Protestants, Catholics, whites and blacks live peacefully and profitably together. * * * *"—Ashland Independent.

If there is any city in all Kentucky that needs cleaning, it is Ashland. What about politics around the City Hall and police headquarters? How about moonshine stills and open violation of law? Has there been any Federal demand lately, telling Ashland officials to get busy? Some people in Ashland would not like us to take off the lid.

Ashland has a world of good people, but they have been brow-beaten by as lawless a crowd as one could well imagine.

Soon

Some day the Klan will help the Independent to say truthfully, "Ashland is law-abiding and clean." It is no insult to the good citizens of that fine city that the Klan proposes to clean up and clean out. The other class you couldn't insult. They are past that. The only thing that will impress them will be fine and imprisonment and defeat at the polls.

Who is the Klan in Ashland? Why? Why? Ashland's own high-grade good people, that's who! They appeal to the press of the city to get behind this American movement. It is there, you cannot ignore it. It has come to stay. You cannot hurt it. Its last call will not be heard until the city has clean government and its morals and religion are more nearly one hundred per cent.

THE VIGILANTES

Washington, D. C.

"The Klan is rapidly degenerating into the most disintegrating influence ever felt in our national life."

In order to give color and weight to their program of false propaganda, "The Vigilantes" put on its list of membership prominent business and professional men throughout the country without authority. Denials from many prominent people came saying they were in no shape or manner identified with "The Vigilantes" and their names were used without authority."

If The Vigilantes mean by "disintegration" that the Klan is shaking the country loose from some of the influences throttling its rights and laws, WE AGREE.

Never in the history of the country has a more breaking up machine come along. We are finding out who are Americans. We will find out if "The Vigilantes" are Americans before we are through. There are a lot of people in these United States claiming citizenship rights and privileges whose hearts and souls are in lands beyond the sea. The Klan is smoking out a lot of politicians who are betraying the trust in them. "Disintegration." It does good once in a while to clean out the garrett and shake out the clothes, dig out the cellar and open up the drains and let the sunlight in.

The Klan is giving things a much needed airing and the bug under the chip is sure trying to get under cover.

If you are all American high, and all American wide, it won't hurt you. We think it will do us all good.

MAYFIELD, KY.

"No civilized community has a place for an order whose masks may gather all the rowdies, sneaks and cowards of the community. The bullying, bull-doing tactics of the Klan are being turned against them."—An Editorial.

Mayfield is the town where the "bullies" he mentioned, half a dozen of them, assaulted a Klansman without reason, for which they will have to face indictments. The rowdies, sneaks and cowards mentioned by the Mayfield editor seem to be against the Klan. "Wouldn't it be terrible, Editor, if you should find they belong on your side of the fence?"

OKLAHOMA—UNDER THE STARS AND STRIPES

"Our Government under the Stars and Stripes or under the Fiery Cross?"

"This is the trumpet call uttered by Governor Walton, of Oklahoma, who, exasperated by the effrontery of the Ku Klux Klan ordered struck down the FIERY CROSS which has blazed over Oklahoma since the Governor set out to break the power of the Klan in his state. The cry is on, around which the loyal citizens of the country may rally to sustain the nation's government under law."

Fine Sounding Words, But Listen:

This same state of Oklahoma, and a splendid commonwealth it is, repudiated Walton 5 to 1 in an election; impeached him in the State Legislature, ousted him as governor and indicted him in the criminal courts. Today he stands unhonored and unsung and his great commonwealth of Americans goes marching grandly on.

The greatest thing in the world is truth. You cannot down it.

ANOTHER VIEW OF THE KLAN

FULTON, KY.

The Community Christmas tree drew a good crowd and all enjoyed the carols that were rendered. One of the features of the occasion was a truck load of Klansmen who were distributing gifts to the poor during the night.

ATTENTION, LEBANON, KY.

GRANT COUNTY, KY.

It is said that the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan are gaining members rapidly in Grant County and that many local business, professional men and farmers have joined. They are looking forward to the next meeting to be held in the neighborhood.

DID YOU NOTICE THE KIND OF MEN JOINING, JUDGE?

WILLIAMSTOWN, KY.

The speaker impressed his audience with the desire of the Klan to co-operate with local, state and national officers in maintaining law and order and making Grant County a better place in which to live.



THE KLAN PLAYS SANTA CLAUS TO THE POOR

ATTENTION, LEBANON, KY. MOTHERS AND CHILDREN

We take this method of thanking the good people for groceries, toys and money given us, and for coal and other things given us by the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

WICHITA KLAN

Distributes more than fifteen tons of groceries to the poor.

INDIANAPOLIS

More than 500 baskets of food distributed by Klansmen. Every family reported was taken care of in the best possible manner.

Is this the work of "Rowdies, Sneaks and Cowards?"

PRAISE THE KLAN

SCOTTSVILLE, KY.

The meeting was orderly and all who attended appeared very much interested, as was demonstrated by great and hearty applause.

LANCASTER, KY.

If the Klan lives up to what their advocates are preaching, the time is not far distant when every 100% American will be a member of the Ku Klux Klan.

FRANKFORT, KY.

The Ku Klux Klan in this city is continuing its uninterrupted growth and the change is seen in sentiment toward the Klan. It is very noticeable.

IRVINE, KY. ESTILL TRIBUNE.

We have found since our study of the Klan, that the organization is just as good and made from as good incentives as any organization ever organized. We find you must be:

100 per cent. American.

100 per cent. for the Stars and Stripes.

You must be a Christian.

You must believe in God and that He must be worshipped first, last and always.

That the American flag must be respected and that no insult will ever be made in the presence of a Klansman.

DOES KENTUCKY NEED THE KLAN?

The Constitutional Guarantee

"Congress shall make no laws respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof, or abridging the freedom of speech or of press or the right of the people peaceably to assemble and petition Government for redress of grievances."

Could anything be plainer?

In view of absolute constitutional law and rights, what do you think of the situation in Kentucky and who is responsible for it?

1. Ashland.

"Chief of Police Amy will have a cordon of police in the City Park tonight to see that any Ku Klux Klan speaking that is done is done in the jail."

2. Owensboro.

"Dr. E. H. Lougher, representative of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, was arrested after he had spoken half an hour to a crowd of 3,000 people gathered on R. E. Massie's farm." (Private property, no warrant.)

3. Hopkinsville.

"No permission was asked for anything further than a lawful speaking and meeting. After securing opinion of City Attorney James Breathitt, Sr., this was denied."

4. Lexington.

"A clash with county officers Thursday night prevented an address and initiation of a class of candidates to the Ku Klux Klan on the Blythe Anderson farm. Certain members who raised objection to the officers entrance on private property without a warrant, were arrested."

5. Fulton.

"A national speaker is denied the use of the city hall for an address and it was ordered no meeting of this kind should be held."

6. Louisville.

"While extra squads of police guarded the place and kept the thousands of Klansmen and pedestrians moving along the street, a detail of police arrested Rev. E. H. Lougher, well known publicist of the Ku Klux Klan, who was to have spoken on the lot adjoining the Cadle Tabernacle." (Private property, absolutely no police authority.)

7. Richmond.

"On a warrant sworn out by Judge J. T. Goodloe, a national speaker was arrested for attempting to speak on the issues of the Klan. The charge was criminal syndacalism and carries a penalty of 21 years." (With apologies to Russia). By the way, we understand the Judge says he does not expect to run for office again. What a pity!

8. Mayfield.

"An ordinance passed to prevent any public speaking, lecture or mass meeting on any public street or alley or in public buildings without first obtaining the consent and a permit from the Chief of Police and the Mayor." War-time measure, I suppose. Germany passed the same kind of an order in Belgium.

9. Brooksville.

A petition by Father Connelly and St. James Catholic Church, protesting against Klan gatherings and address.

PEOPLE OF KENTUCKY, ATTENTION!

Do We Live in Russia, or America?

THE KLAN SWEEPS ON TO VICTORY

SHELBYVILLE

Six hundred candidates were initiated in a great open air ceremonial at Shelbyville last Tuesday night. More than eight thousand Klansmen came from the Blue Grass, the Bear Grass and the lowlands of pennyrile. They came to be present at one of the largest meetings ever held in this section of Kentucky.

Over the entry gate were draped American flags on which the search lights played. The electrically lighted grounds, the inspiring music of the bands and the wonderful crowd will never be forgotten by the thousands attending.

The meeting closed by singing America and repeating the Lord's Prayer.

Throng of 50,000 Gathers

With lifted visors so their faces could be seen, more than 30,000 Klansmen and women marched in a parade more than a mile long. Great bursts of applause occurred as Old Glory passed along. Heads were bared and a profound reverence came over the vast multitude. The gathering showed the tremendous strength of the order.

KOKOMO, IND., JULY 4th

One of the greatest gatherings in the history of the country!

One of the mightiest gatherings in the history of famous gatherings in our country occurred when more than 250,000 Klansmen and their families from many states gathered in their own park at Kokomo, Ind. More than 50,000 automobiles streaming in over a hundred highways brought them. Roads were blocked and jammed and it was estimated 3,000 autos never got nearer than five miles from the park.

Speakers of national reputation were there. Men in highest position in this great American order thrilled the mighty throng with words of burning patriotism. Not a discourteous word or act was seen or heard during the day, not a trace of rowdyism or liquor anywhere. Good will, good cheer reigned supreme. It was a wonderful crowd of outstanding Americans. The country will always be safe with such people on guard.

65,000 IN PARADE, OVER FIVE MILES LONG,
EAST LIVERPOOL, OHIO

Fireworks, lighting effects and a mighty throng made Fishers' Field a memorable sight in one of the greatest gatherings ever held in Eastern Ohio.

With plainclothes men, police and Klaviliers handling the crowd lining the streets, the parade passed off without a single hitch. A large class was initiated and splendid enthusiasm prevailed.

75,000 VIEW KLAN PARADE—FORT WAYNE, IND.

Marching to the soul inspiring strains of "Onward, Christian Soldiers," many thousands of Klansmen paraded while a crowd of 75,000 lined the streets of the city. Continuous applause and wild cheering greeted the marchers at every step.

Beautiful electric crosses, floats and decorated autos added to the brilliant scene which was carried out without a single disturbing element.

THESE ARE THEY WHO GUARD AMERICAN LIBERTY.

KLAN WAVE HITS KENTUCKY

Arrests and Riot by Enemies of the Order Lend Momentum to the Movement

Reports from all parts of the state show that the membership is mounting more rapidly than ever.

Overt acts by the opposition have done more than anything else to promote its growth. It has given American people a

glimpse of the menace that confronts the nation. Speakers arrested, buildings shot into, men assaulted, officers of the law deliberately violating the law—such things are causing Americans to ask "What next?" AND THAT NEXT HAS USUALLY BEEN TO JOIN THE KLAN.

STANLEY FROST IN THE OUTLOOK

says the Klan is the most vigorous, effective and active organization in the United States. He also admits it is growing at a tremendous speed.

"Its influence affects every public question and every activity that depends on public opinion. It controls in a way no political party ever controlled, cities, towns, counties and some states. It numbers millions in its membership.

NO BIGGER THAN A MAN'S HAND

"Two years ago the cloud was no bigger than a man's hand. Today it has covered a great part of the heaven and is still spreading. It is surely on a road to supreme power."

It is time a re-appraisal of the Klan took place. It does not make one atom of difference what your opinion, attitude, or criticism of the Klan may be. The thing that really matters is: WHAT ARE THE FACTS ABOUT THE KLAN?

GOOD SOLID CITIZENS ARE JOINING

"They are the good solid middle class people, the backbone of the nation. It is simply absurd to believe that these people are criminally minded or more likely to commit outrages than any other equal sized body of citizens.

"So it is clear, the opinion most of us formed two years ago, that the Klan was an attempt to gather wild, lawless elements into power, that it was composed of gangs of nightriding hoodlums, probably criminal, certainly crazy—it is clear this judgment is no longer correct.

A GREAT NATIONAL MOVEMENT

"It is clear the Klan can no longer be dismissed as unimportant. It has become a great national movement and entitled to all the dignity and respect which belong to such movements.

"The very fact of its growth today is proof enough that it cannot be harmed by persecution, prosecution, ridicule, ignorant criticism or any other method so far used."

OUTRAGE CHARGES UNPROVED

"It is pure folly to longer attack it as 'lawless.' It is true a lawless act may have been committed or an individual Klansman gone wrong, but when you consider the mighty host of Klansmen and that in states where they are the strongest not a single charge has been sustained, it must be admitted the charge falls flat as to such conduct."

Which Foot

"The shoe is now in fact on the other foot.

It is the officials who have become "lawless" and the Klan is suffering illegal persecution. Hundreds of minor officials are stretching their powers as did Governor Walton of Oklahoma."

Reaches Into High Places

"The Klan reaches into high places. In New York City three men may be mentioned as typical of its upper layer.

A man near the top of America's biggest manufacturing corporation.

A doctor near the head of his profession in the country.

The owner of a powerful magazine.

ALL ARE ACTIVE CHURCHMEN."

FLASHES FROM THE FIELD

The men who are carrying this fight into the enemies lines, who are stirring up patriotic spirit in the midst of indifference and wrong, are worthy of the highest praise. These samples are but a few of the hundreds occurring every day in lining up Kentucky's manhood.

"A man came to me who had been drinking and asked to come in. He promised to never take another drink. I took him at his word. After he had been in the movement a short time he began to attend church. He built a small Bible class to three times its number and has brought thirty-nine men into the Klan."

THE KLAN IS A BUILDER OF MEN

"Uphill and down we went until at last we arrived at a little shack called a store. My partner said, 'Wait, I'll go in

and run 'em out.' He did and there in the road we Kluxed them and naturalized them in a shed in the rear of the store. Then inside the store we sat on bags of potatoes and listened to Negroes play and dance. Of course they did not know we were Klansmen."

OVERHEARD AT EDDYVILLE

The lady was discussing our "Non Silba" card that gives the platform of the Klan. She remarked, "The principles on this card read all right but that Latin phrase at the top is where the dirty work comes in." Here are the words she meant, but could not read: "Non Silba Sed Anthar," meaning "Not for self, but for others."

SOME MORE FLASHES

"The infernal indifference of some people who should be in, is what gets me. I wonder what it will take to pry them loose, when they admit the truth of your statements, acknowledge the need of the Klan—anything, everything, then say: 'I'll think it over.'"

"Talk about secrecy; four men brought four others. No man knew the other belonged until it was time to sign. Then to their surprise they found the whole eight were members. Talk about Kluxing; that is it. If our own men have such a time finding out, what about the outsider?"

"The speaker, good and true, did not know his danger or the black threats that had been made against him. He climbed into the auto and went to work, while two or three grim, determined men watched every move to guard his safety. Out of that night's work has grown a splendid Klan. The barriers of opposition have been burned away."

"I have seen men here who have been lifelong enemies make friends with each other after becoming members of the Klan. I have seen men who had lacked courage become real men in reporting violations of law. They have had their backbones stiffened and are regular Americans since they joined the movement."

"We have been insulted and lied about in a good many ways, but grim determination and the knowledge that we were right kept us going. Now all is changed. The best people of the county are lining up and the Spirit of Americanism is running high."

"I was arrested at Irvine on the charge of Sedition. Was acquitted later. This is the first time a man has been ar-

rested in Kentucky since the Civil War on that charge. It seems to be a serious matter to stand for the American flag and the American home."

"I wanted a flag. Not one could be found in the town for sale or for their own display. The bank did not have one. The post office had none. The public school had lost their's two years before and never located it. All this in an American town." Some need for the Klan to stir the dry bones.

FLING OUT THE FLAG

"I have tramped over the mountains when my clothes were covered with ice and cracked at every step. I have driven over flooded roads and lost my mule in the mud, but the game is worth it all. There is no place to stop. This is a fight to the finish for FLAG, FOR HOME and COUNTRY."

"We placed the burning cross 285 feet above the ground on the Davis Monument. Its sacred light was seen for miles around. Let them burn, I say, on every high place, that the land may know THE AMERICANS ARE HERE!"

KLANSMEN WELL REPAID

ASHLAND, KY.—"Political situation changed. Churches open for American addresses. Public opinion favorable, many stills captured. Officers compelled to act."

MICHIGAN CITY.—"Operation of bootleggers halted; soft drink joints closed. Gambling restricted. The whole city has changed since the Klan became active."

PERU, IND.—"A successful campaign, resulted in many bootleggers arrested and a clean-up of the city that is most gratifying to the better element of citizens."

INDIANAPOLIS.—"Klan investigators were busy for weeks with the result that the worst offenders were given long sentences and heavy fines. A smashing blow was dealt to vice in the city."

PARIS, ILL.—"One paper states: The city is undergoing one of the greatest clean-ups since its incorporation one hundred years ago."

NEWARK, OHIO.—"The Klan program halted vice in the city and purged it of its worst violators. The better element, Klansmen or not Klansmen, were heartily in accord with the program that gave us a clean city."

GARRIOTT, KY.—"For the first time in years, Garriott has passed a Christmas without killings and lawless disorder. A spirit of deep contentment was over the town. The Klan is entitled to the credit." (Garriott is a mountain town.)

MARION, ILL.—"7,000 people gathered in a demonstration for good citizenship. Foreigners and alien violators were opposed to American citizens. Officers and citizens were shot. The clean-up was made and law and order again prevails."

LEBANON, KY.—"Klan meeting raided by hoodlums, windows shot out; plate glass broken, rocks hurled into the room filled with women and men. Orderly Klansmen, cool heads and law abiding spirit won. The Klan paid for damage caused by the wreckers. The Klan is heartily respected for its real American conduct."

OHIO.—"With mayors of many cities and towns going into office, who have been sponsored by the Klan, state-wide clean-up programs have begun in many cities like Lorain, Hamilton, Newark and Dayton."

FORT WAYNE.—"Klan investigators turned over 85 barrels and 4 jugs of liquor as evidence to the Federal officers in the clean-up drive. Bootleggers, gamblers, and law violators were preying on young girls. Within a week after the crusade started roadhouses of the most disreputable character and where young girls were found drunk, some of them not over 14 years of age, were closed, chairs piled on the tables. More than 100 bootleggers were sentenced by Federal judges."

LISTEN

These are only samples of what has been going on in a thousand places all over the country. Flagrant violators arrested, the Bible put back in the public schools, greater respect for the flag, many churches filled with people renewing their pledge to God.

The spotlight of publicity has been turned on many evils. Cities, towns, churches and individuals have felt the uplifting influence.

None but the most prejudiced can deny the marvelous benefit that has come to hundreds of communities by the efforts of the Klan organization.

SPARKS FROM THE ANVIL

The greatest men America ever produced took two words for the rule and guide of their lives—God and Country.

You need not read anti-Klan papers or printed lists to find out who Klansmen are. They are living all about you, doing kindly deeds and living straight lives.

The handshake that awakes the heartbeats is the true grip of a Klansman.

The Devil will throw no stones at the Klansman who is not as true in business as he is behind the locked door of his order.

Whoop-er-up. The Saints are already saved, but God help the rest of the world.

What shall it profit a man to howl to the whole world about patriotism if he is a stranger to the mightiest organization that fosters it?

When the world rises up and hits you a slap,
Keep on!
Just tighten the reins and say "Gid-dap."
Keep on!
For this world of ours has a curious way,
Sometimes of handing a big bouquet
To the fighter who has the nerve to say
Keep on!

If at first you should fail, why don't stand aghast,
Keep on!
You are not the first, you won't be the last,
Keep on!
Remember, Klansmen, the world will pay
The man who can clean it up clean, and then say
Get right, Mr. World, or get out of my way,
Keep on!

When confronted by two evils, a lot of men choose both if they are good lookers.

WOMAN AND THE KLAN

Dedicated to the Protection of Pure Womanhood

Since the world was young, woman's lot has been hard. Do they say, "The hand that rocks the cradle rules the world," a pretty tribute, but the story of the ages has been one of brutal subjection.

The majority of the world still holds her a chattel, a bearer of burdens; her back must bend, her arms must toil, that her master may rest in a lordship, the absolute King in his Castle.

What tribute of words can pay her for her enduring patience, her mighty contribution to the comfort of the world?

It is time these mothers of men came into possession of the tardy reward due them since the dawn of day.

A nation can rise no higher than the spirit and virtue of its womanhood. Our land, after all, owes its eminence to the fine spirit of the women at whose knees we learned life's first lessons and its first prayers.

Behind the throne of life has always been the spirit of some good woman urging men onward and upward toward the highest ideals within them.

The women of yesterday are sleeping but they have passed on to their daughters of today the heritage of large opportunity. These women are our mothers, our wives and sweethearts, and the children in our homes.

No finer spirit of chivalry touches the Klansman than his pledge to protect womanhood. She is today the victim of lust and selfishness, too often tossed on the uncertain Sea of Marriage, and commercialized for selfish gain.

These are the days when, as a nation, we have given her franchise, larger duty, more splendid opportunity. In this larger life Klansmen are pledged to protect her honor and her chastity and demand the world give her clean comradeship.

Klansmen demand that all men treat women fairly and honestly. We stand pledged to protect her and claim to be champions of her interests and her welfare.

No class has as much at stake in the matter of good government as the mothers of the land.

Give the Bible to their children in the schools.

Demand clean surroundings in the city for her young.
Give her boys text books that do not apologize for our national heroes.

Churches that ring with a clarion call to duty.
Do all these things and, devoted to our womanhood, our land will be safe from serious harm.

WHO ARE THE HOODLUMS, NIGHTRIDERS AND TERRORIZERS?

During the past week the large plate glass windows of the Weaver Furniture Company in West Washington Street were shattered by having five bricks hurled through them at 2 o'clock in the morning.

A firm on Madison Street felt the wrath of anti-Protestants by having their windows broken out by bricks. These vandals drive through the streets in taxicabs. These were Protestant stores in Indianapolis.

Why?

Dr. Lougher, a National speaker, taken by force and cast into jail by Catholic police of Lexington, Ky., as he attempted to speak from the Court House steps, permission having been given him by the proper authorities, was arrested as he was leading six thousand people in singing America and repeating the Lord's Prayer.

Where in Kentucky has the Klan ever been guilty of such lawless intimidation?

THE KLAN IN KENTUCKY HAS JUST STARTED

**Public Opinion Did It—Paducah Candidate for Mayor
Fights Klan; Is Defeated**

**Wynn Tully, Only Man on Entire Ticket Who Was Not
Elected—Defeated Candidate Took Active Part
in Attempt to Stop Klan Speaker**

Paducah, Ky., Nov. 13, 1923.—Wynn Tully, candidate for Mayor of this city, and who, it is understood, took active part in the move to prevent Dr. E. H. Lougher, a speaker for the

Ku Klux Klan, being given a permit to speak in Paducah on the night of November 2d, was defeated at the polls by Dr. J. N. Baily. Mr. Tully was the only man on his ticket who was not elected. The election clearly demonstrated that the voters refuse to place in office men who hold the right of Freedom of Speech lightly.

The News Democrat, of this city, carried an editorial commending Mr. Tully on his actions and forecasting his election. The News Democrat had previously said that an attempt to "inject the Ku Klux Klan issue" into the election "had thrown many Republican and Independent votes to him," but when these same votes were counted the "extra ballots in favor of Mr. Tully seem not to have been cast!"

REST OF TICKET ELECTED

"The fact that all other candidates on Mr. Tully's ticket were elected, shows conclusively that his act in aiding the faction that attempted to stop the Klan speaker brought about his downfall. Mr. Tully is today in the same position as scores of other ex-candidates who posed before the voters as anti-Klan candidates. Kentucky, it would seem, is no different from her sister states, and the Americans within her borders showed displeasure for those who make mockery of the Constitution of America, which emphasizes the right of FREE SPEECH."

WATCH KENTUCKY NEXT

**Politicians Begin to Take Heed—Ohio Voters Uphold Klan—
Anti-Klan Candidates are Beaten Throughout
the Entire State**

Columbus, Ohio, Nov. 12, 1923.—Tickets sponsored by the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan won sweeping victories throughout Ohio at the elections last Tuesday. One single exception in a city where the foreign population takes on gigantic proportions compared with the total number of the inhabitants "proved the rule" of Klansmen throughout Ohio.

One of the greatest showings made by the Klansmen was the election of certain candidates where the foreign population fought them bitterly because of the fact that Klansmen had sponsored them openly.

At Portsmouth, Ralph Calvert, candidate for Mayor, backed by the Klansmen, was elected over Mayor William N. Gableman, who about two weeks ago took steps to have a

number of Klansmen arrested who were released on account of the flimsiness of the charge.

At Springfield, the anti-administration ticket won a complete victory. The present administration has fought the Klan bitterly and the result is that the ticket backed by the Klan has routed it from office.

POLITICIANS TAKE HEED

As a result of the election Ohio politicians "have their ear" to the ground. They realize there must be a housecleaning in politics and that it is now demanded by the Klansmen who are determined to have good government.

The elections have clearly proved that the aliens of this state and the crooked politicians in the future will have a new force to contend with. The Klansmen have shown that they are intent on placing in office only those who will give good government and have the best interests of America at heart.

THE LAST CALL

Some day it shall be said, in a time when men's souls shrank, and weak men said "The battle is lost;" when weak spirits wailed and wrong and injury stalked the land; when disloyalty was plauded and liberty's head was bowed—THE KLAN WAS BORN. It fired the souls of men anew. It lifted "Old Glory" from the mire. Peak after peak it scaled until high, high, that all the world might see, it floated still over a nation of brave men and protected women.

Some day in grateful memory men will write the story of the Fiery Cross—the cross that once was the badge of shame and disgrace on which a Saviour died, now the badge of Christian honor. Woven with that story will be the devotion of millions of American men and women, standing against greed and wrong, defending a civilization beloved of God and dear to the heart of the world.

The last call of the Klan will be heard when its need shall have melted into a nation and a people saved; when honor prevails in the land; when public servants serve; when happy children laugh in a garden clean; when hatred, malice, passion and envy give way to higher and better things.

Then will the Klan scatter to its homes and listen to a song of victory worthy of the soldier who fought a clean fight and won.

With this vision of a glorious day, let us again resolve deeply, sincerely, that that call shall come only when America is a land of real Americans; when its law is law and the spirit of God covers the land as the waters cover the sea.

Land 'o mine, mine, mine!
Land 'o mine, mine, mine!
From Atlantic to Pacific,
From the palm leaf to the pine,
With the old flag waving o'er us
There's no foe can stand before us,
Land 'o mine, mine, mine!
Land 'o mine, mine, mine!

There is the Starry Flag,
There is the Fiery Cross.

MARCH ON!