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Klansmen Aid In Sensational Raids

INFORMATION IS FURNISHED AT MARION, ILL.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY ALLEGED BOOTLEGGERS ARE BOULED UP BY OFFICERS—FOUR MEN SHOT IN DRIVE AGAINST LAW VIOLATORS

Williamson and Franklin Counties Scene of Drive Against Lawlessness—Moral Pressure of Klan Felt and Movement for Better Government is Started

(By Staff Correspondent)
MARION, Ill., Dec. 24.—The movement for law enforcement initiated by the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, and which resulted in a sensational drive against bootleggers and other law violators starting here last week, were still under way today. Approximately one hundred and fifty arrests have been made to this time, during which pistol fights have ensued in which four persons were wounded. The drive is being conducted throughout Franklin and Williamson counties.

The drive started at about 9 o'clock last Saturday night under the direction of S. Glenn Young, federal prohibition agent. Two men are now suffering from bullet wounds received in a pistol duel and two men are today nursing injuries received from shotguns. Among the wounded are Officers Peters and Williams. The former was wounded at Freeman and the latter received his injury at Herrin.

Moral Pressure of Klan
The raids are the outcome of agitation by the Klansmen of this territory to stop the many flagrant law violations and it is understood that much of the evidence was furnished by members of the Ku Klux Klan. For some time past the moral pressure brought to bear by the Klan as it grew steadily, has been felt here. It is understood that the Klan is now serving as a catalyst in the law enforcement movement. Agent Young declared that the raids were the most successful in which he had ever had a part, and said that he had chosen six hundred citizens to aid him in securing evidence. Among the government witnesses who will testify at the trials will be bankers, a judge, prominent business men and many other citizens.

Among those arrested is Otto Clark, one of the defendants in the Herrin massacre trial.

Under Section Bond
Clark conducted a roadhouse. While officers were searching the place Clark drew a pistol. He was disarmed by Young and held under \$25,000 bond on a charge of attack with intent to murder.

Lavin Rogers, who operates a saloon at Freeman avenue, was held under \$25,000 bond on a charge of attack with intent to murder. It was charged he escaped from his saloon when the officers came and that he fired 11 shots through a window at them.

"I believe the raid was the most successful ever conducted in the country," said Young, "and we are citizens to aid me." The plans were laid weeks ago and it is remarkable that not a place was "topped off."

Klansmen Greatly Helped
Young, recently was appointed to be United States commissioner here. He has a long record as a special agent for the department of justice in the Blue-Ridge country of Kentucky.

The evidence secured by Klansmen and the information given by them to the officials has been of the greatest aid to the officials in securing the law violators. In this community fear the Klan and have formed an active part of the organized opposition which has fought the organization.

CLAY BY BANDITS
MARION, Ohio, Dec. 22.—Thomas J. Mead, a member of the city council, has received word from Mexico that his son, Elmer Mead, 45 years old, had been slain by a band of Mexican bandits. Elmer Mead was a consulting engineer for the Santa Rosa Mining Company, with headquarters at San Antonio, Texas.

ANOTHER PETITION IN MAYFIELD CASE IS FILED BY YOUNG

Copies of Correspondence With Texas Secretary of State Attached

Long Star Senator Voices Views on Ball Question—Expense of Trips Unnecessary

(Special to The Fiery Cross)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—One more petition in the contest growing out of the election of Senator Mayfield of Texas was filed with the Senate yesterday. It bore the signature of Henry Young of San Antonio, who asked that he be heard in connection with any inquiry concerning the validity of the election in 1922, at which Mayfield was chosen. He has copied correspondence with the secretary of state for Texas, leading to the refusal of that official to place Young's name on the official ballot.

The Senate committee on privileges and elections has appointed a sub-committee of five members to investigate the protest and charges against Senator Mayfield which were filed by his opponent, G. E. Paddy. The sub-committee is composed of Senators Spencer, of Missouri; Ernst, of Kentucky; Greene, of Vermont; Neely, of West Virginia and King, of Utah. The first three named are Republicans and the last two are Democrats who will act as referees throughout the hearings in the Mayfield case.

Apparition is Asked
The committee authorized introduction in the Senate of a resolution to give it authority to call for ballots and all other evidence; to subpoena witnesses and to provide the necessary clerical help for the hearings, and appropriate whatever money is needed in the inquiry.

The adjournment of Congress for the Christmas holidays means that the hearings will be delayed until early in January, but the exact date has not been fixed by the committee.

MAYFIELD VOICES VIEWS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—Senator Mayfield, Democrat, of Texas, has joined that group of coalition Progressive-Democrats for Congress that is clamoring for drastic revision of the transportation act in the hope of reducing the freight rates. In fact, Senator Mayfield goes further than some of his colleagues by favoring outright repeal of the Zach-Commins law, including abolishment of the United States railroad labor board.

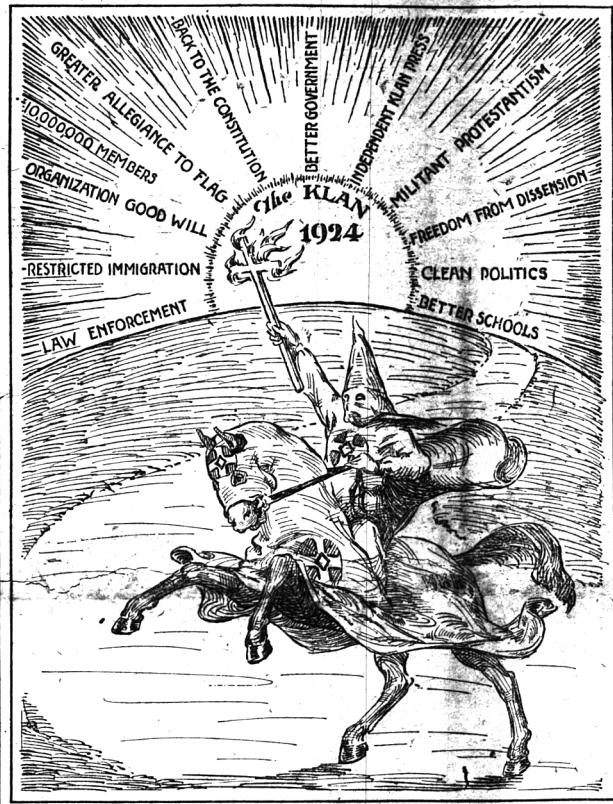
"I intend to introduce legislation repealing the transportation act of 1920 and abolishing the labor board," the Texas senator said. "It is unfair to the public for freight rates to be taken care of and agencies of workers were kept busy long during the night making deliveries to every part of the city. Every effort was made to not miss any of those on the long lists that had been prepared by committees who had charge of listing the needy ones. Many names were turned in at the last moment, which necessitated adding to the force which was buying food and packing baskets."

ATTEND FUNERAL OF MRS. MINNIE NELSON

Fifty Klanswomen March in Full Regalia to Grave—Leave Fiery Cross of Flowers

PLAINVILLE, Ind., Dec. 24.—Fifty women of the Ku Klux Klan attended the funeral of Mrs. Minnie Nelson here last week. The women were in rows when the funeral arrived and presented a striking appearance in front of the church where they lined up when the procession started to the cemetery it was led by the white-clad figures.

At the grave the women gathered silently about while the last ceremonies were being held and softly sang "My God, to Thee." It was a very beautiful and impressive scene, and after the body had been lowered to the last resting place, an elaborate fiery cross was placed among the other floral offerings and the Klanswomen made their way silently from the place.



Under the Fiery Cross

CHRISTMAS CHEER IS CARRIED IN TRUCKS

Klansmen Work Far in Night Delivering Baskets to Needy—Part of General Program

Carrying out the policy of the Ku Klux Klan in distributing Christmas cheer, many local Klans throughout Indiana carried baskets containing the necessary food for Christmas dinners, to thousands of needy families in all parts of Indiana, immediately before Christmas. The plans followed were much the same as those of the fraternal organizations of the country.

In Indianapolis, the local Klan was busy all day Monday delivering many hundreds of well filled baskets in all parts of the city. A large number of people were kept busy several days in purchasing supplies and filling baskets which were delivered in "trucks and privately owned automobiles."

Many families at last minute in straitened circumstances were taken care of and squads of workers were kept busy long during the night making deliveries to every part of the city. Every effort was made to not miss any of those on the long lists that had been prepared by committees who had charge of listing the needy ones. Many names were turned in at the last moment, which necessitated adding to the force which was buying food and packing baskets.

The delivery of the baskets in Indianapolis and Indiana was in keeping with the general policy which prevailed throughout all America in which local Klans furnished Christmas cheer in the way of big baskets of food to the poor of their respective communities.

INCREASE IN CALIFORNIA
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 24.—Reports from local Klans show an increase in membership in practically every part of the state.

Is Brotherhood Cleaning Up? Murphy Resigns

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 21.—Following the announcement here that M. J. Murphy, vice-president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, had resigned his position, the question is now being asked, "is the brotherhood cleaning up?"

In view of past events, it would appear that such a question is not unwarranted. The resignation of Mr. Murphy, the resignation has been accepted by the board of directors and will take effect December 31.

BOARD SQUIRMS WHEN KLAN WINS DEBATE

High School Pro-and-Con Discussion Won by Affirmative Causes Row

WYANDOTTE, Mich., Dec. 27.—When plans were announced recently for a public debate on the Ku Klux Klan, to be held in the auditorium of the new Roosevelt high school, a chill ran up and down the spine of each member of the school board.

Something ought to be done, the members told one another, but exactly what, none of them seemed to know. While the board was still feverishly deliberating upon the best course to pursue, the debate took place as scheduled. This was the first time the school board had ever been so severely felt, but the third and greatest stunner was yet to come when the affirmative side won.

"Don't be frightened," gasped the board members, singly and in chorus. "Something must be done!"

It can hardly be said that the board had suggested the case. The board members, who were fairly split the town wide open, indignant sobs began writing letters to the newspapers about it. It was an outrage, they insisted, that high school students should be permitted to discuss such a subject in public schools. Even the fairness of the judges was attacked by innuendo.

Petition is Presented
The next step of the opposition was to present a petition to the town in which the debate was characterized as "an open and flagrant insult to a large class of our citizenship."

The petitioners, however, suggested no action, but expressed confidence in the result to the citizens and Jewish citizens of Wyandotte. The petition was properly dealt with, but it was understood that the board would not take any regular meeting.

"ARMITAGE SENT FOR ME" SAYS GARY FOREIGNER

Now Holds Position in Police Department—New Move to Build Up "Following" Throughout State—Other Men Placed in Asphalt Plant and City Street Department

Latest Bid for Cheap Notoriety Is Giving of Candy, Donated by Merchants, to Children in "Mc and Sarah" Bags—Mayor Insists on Running for Governor "On His Record" But Says Nothing of His Dictator's Long Police Record.

(By Wingfoot)
With many taxpayers of Indianapolis out of employment who are capable men, Mayor Shank is importing men from over the state and placing them in city positions in an effort to build up "certain connections" throughout the state which, no doubt, Bill Armitage feels will be of use in the campaign of Mayor Shank for governor. In one particular "appointment" it is shown conclusively that Chief of Police Rikhoif is either chief of police in name only or thorough in accord with the system of employing men now in vogue.

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT PREVAILS AT 'LOGAN'

Klanswomen of Bridge City Hold Party for Tiny Tots and Give Baskets of Food

LOGANSPORT, Ind., Dec. 24.—Children from the Christ Mission, the orphan home, and the Salvation Army were included among the guests of the Women of the Ku Klux Klan at a Christmas party given at the Odd Fellows hall here.

The hall was elaborately decorated and a large Christmas tree, brilliantly lighted, was a thing of joy to the kiddies, who eagerly awaited the arrival of Santa Claus.

A number of games were played and finally when Santa arrived each child was given a stocking filled with the brim with candy, nuts, and other regalia of the regime.

The entertainment program was as follows:
Song—"America".....By All Reading
Master MacBoyer—Mr. Near Pass Reading.....Mary Ferguson Song to the Tune.....By All Salute to the Flag.....Boy Juniors Piano and Violin Duet.....Misses Boatman

Song—"America".....By All Piano Solo.....Janetta McKelhaney Community Singing

Eight Hundred Guests
The county guests of the Klanswomen numbered about eight hundred and fifty, and the happiness in their faces and the joyous ring of laughter from those who do not find much pleasure, was more than payment for all the efforts put forth by the women.

The women followed up the entertainment for the kiddies with a distribution of Christmas baskets to the poor. Each basket contained a chicken and everything that goes to make up a Christmas dinner with plenty to spare.

A sixteen-foot electric fiery cross is burning from the top of the I. O. O. F. building during the holidays.

GRAND RAPIDS SEES FLAMING SYMBOL

Burning of Cross on Highest Spot in Town Causes Call to Police Department

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 24.—The burning of a fiery cross here last Saturday night attracted considerable attention and caused much comment as to the activities of the Ku Klux Klan in this city.

The cross was placed at the edge of the old reservoir, which is the highest point in the city and its flames could be seen for miles around. Citizens whose names could not be learned, tried to create a sensation by informing the police that the cross was setting fire to the grass about the place and that it was probably a fire trap.

The police evidently knew something about the lay of the land at the reservoir and did not take this complaint seriously.

"Armitage sent for me," declared a foreigner from Gary, who was placed on the police department. Other men have been imported and placed in the asphalt plant and in the street department. These rumors that men have actually been brought from outside the state. The rumors, however, have not been verified at this time.

It is quite evident, however, that Mayor Shank and Bill Armitage with his long police record are using every means possible to assure the election of Mayor Shank who has as one of his "platform planks" the lighting of country roads from border to border of the state while dangerous strips of city streets running beneath elevated tracks are enveloped in Stygian darkness every night with no evidence that lights will be placed in these hazardous places.

Pedestrians who are forced to use these streets, where in some instances they run for almost a block under elevated tracks, are at the absolute mercy of the thugs and holdup men that infest the city and the regime of Chief Rikhoif.

With this condition prevailing, Mayor Shank is out telling the voters of Indiana he will bring the highways from the shores of Lake Michigan to the banks of the Ohio river and from Illinois to Ohio. However, Mayor Shank will tell the voters anything that he believes will gain him votes.

Cheap Publicity

The mayor has resorted to much cheap publicity, but that he is thought by many to be about the cheapest up to this date is the story of the "platform plank" that the candy was given to children, along with other presents, that were gathered by city firemen and donated by the merchants of Indianapolis. Committees were appointed at the various fire stations throughout the city and these men for approximately two weeks, immediately before the presents and candy were to be packed to distribute on last Saturday night, consignments of paper bags bearing the words, "Mc and Sarah With You a Merry Christmas," were delivered to the fire houses with strict instructions to place the candy in them and then put into the larger bags which held the total the children were to receive from the firemen. Even psychology isn't being overlooked by Armitage in his effort to place his name in the head of the state government.

It is doubtful, however, that even the child bringing home the presents "from Mayor Shank" would create a kindly feeling toward the unemployed father who knows that the mayor is importing men to all positions in the city that he (the father) could ally off. Of course, the father might realize that it is Armitage who is doing these things but that doesn't make him feel any more kindly toward an executive that garnish himself to be elected by an "ex"-professional gambler in whose gaming house in the past, possibly his wife has lost money, and that it was necessary for the children to go forth and receive presents from others at Christmas.

It should be noted that Mayor Shank's record it can only be said that it is such that intelligent people should be aware of.

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Air Journey From London to Berlin Cut to 4 1/2 Hours

BERLIN, Dec. 22.—A record air journey from London to Berlin was made when a machine negotiated the distance in four and one-half hours flying time, according to the German Aero-Lloyd line, which conducts the service jointly with the English Daimler company. The plane made half hour stops at Rotterdam and Hanover.

For Steel Passenger Cars

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—A bill to require the use of steel passenger cars in interstate commerce has been introduced by Senator Harris, Democrat, Georgia.

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EXQUISITE JEWELS IN TUTT'S COLLECTION

Display in Cairo Museum Gives
Visitors Idea of Rare Work
Done in Past Ages

LUXOR, Egypt, Dec. 21.—Six more showcases containing rare and beautiful treasures from Tutankhamun's tomb have just been added to the collection of seven cases already on display in the Cairo Museum, giving visitors an admirable idea of the artistry of the eighteenth dynasty craftsmen. Probably the finest piece in the collection, of which almost every object is a masterpiece, is the Pharaoh's little jewel box, of solid ivory yellowed with age, with knobs, hinges and feet of solid gold, inscribed on the front with the king's name and on the back with the lotus symbol of Upper Egypt.

Interest in King's Buckles

Also of interest are the king's buckles, of openwork sheet gold, with scenes inscribed in tiny gold granules, representing a process said to be unknown today, while the gold pendants, scarabs and bezels are exquisitely carved. There are a number of signet rings and amulets, and four torch holders of bronze and gold. In one of these holders the wick of twisted linen is in position in the oil cup. One of the cases contains a collection of green or blue glass drinking cups and vessels, the latter shaped like modern teapots.

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KLAN SYMBOL BURNS AT VIRGINIA, MINN.

Flaming Cross Seen on Top of
Lonely Hill—Increased
Activity Planned

VIRGINIA, Minn., Dec. 21.—Residents of Virginia and persons living south of town between Virginia and Eveleveth are wondering today just what was the significance of the burning of a huge cross near the top of Auburn hill Wednesday night. This is the second demonstration of its nature within the past five months. The first occurred on a recent evening just preceding the annual school board election and was attributed to the Ku Klux Klan, which, rumors have it, is organized on the Mesaba range.

Call of Klan

As the city has no elections in the immediate future, nor any political or religious question of importance to be decided, the incident is taken by those who believe in the Klan rumors to have been a mere act of the organization, called for an open demonstration or initiation. The site of the gathering for hundreds of footprints around the church corner of the cross, lies about half way between the old Eveleveth-Virginia road and the new paved highway connecting the two cities near the top of Auburn hill.

Burned at Midnight

The cross was burned about midnight Wednesday, but owing to the fact that the location is hardly accessible by automobile and represents a long walk through woods and snow-covered fields, few, if any, outsiders were drawn to the scene. The burning of two crosses on the night of July 22 not far from the scene of Wednesday night's occurrence was followed by rumors of Klan activities and was thought to have had a bearing on the school election that was to be held the next day.

JEWISH CONGRESS WOULD DROP BARS

Delegation to Appeal to Wash-
ington for Bill to Keep Over-
flow of Aliens Here

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—About 150 of the 900 delegates to the annual congress of the American Jewish Congress, held on Ellis Island since the beginning of the month, and whose deportation has been protested against by the American Jewish Congress, have been sent home, according to Maj. Henry H. Curran, commissioner of immigration at Ellis Island.

While the disposition of a few of these immigrants is still pending, said Mr. Curran, the other 750 are being held until further instructions from Washington. There is plenty of room for them on Ellis Island, he declared. He denied the suggestion that they were being discriminated against in favor of the excess quota of other nations.

For Permanent Admission

A delegation from the American Jewish Congress left here for Washington to ask James J. Davis, secretary of labor, to admit on bond, for temporary stay, all those in excess of the Russian quota. The delegation also intends to put before Congress emergency relief legislation making their admission permanent.

REGAN TRAIN CONTROL DEVICE IS APPROVED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The Interstate commerce commission made a report approving the automatic train-control device of the Regan Safety Devices Co., Inc., now installed on the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad. In an order issued on June 13, 1922, forty-nine railroads were directed to install automatic train-control devices by January 1, 1925.

The commission says that the device as installed was found to meet all requirements of our specifications and order installation approved except as indicated. The installation, the commission adds, consists of an automatic train-control device of the intermittent electrical contact type and has been tested between Rock Island and Blue Island, Ill., 145 miles, by the commission's bureau of safety and the American Railway Association.

SUBURBAN KLAN IN CO-OPERATION

TULLAHOMA, Tenn., Dec. 21.—As a means of furthering Klankraft and to help each other, five suburban Klans of Atlanta, Decatur, Decatur, Eastpoint, College Park and Bolton—hold joint meetings regularly once each month. These five Klans recently appointed a committee of three to meet in conference with the Grand Dragon of the Realm twice each month for the purpose of planning programs for their co-operative meetings and discussing ways and means of helping the weaker Klans.

These five co-operative Klans will

hold their next meeting in Decatur the second Tuesday night in December. The last meeting was held at College Park. Those present listened to a very able address. A good crowd was in attendance and much enthusiasm was manifested.

GOULD LITIGATION IS NEARING THE CLOSE

After Thirty-one Years Rela-
tives Begin Final Phase
of Estate Fight

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Descendants of Jay Gould have begun the final phase of a legal fight which ultimately will determine what is to become of his \$35,000,000 estate. The litigation is the outgrowth of the application in 1917 by the four executors of the estate for the approval of their accounting. Its filing was the signal for innumerable legal controversies between counter-claimants, intervenors, and fraud and mismanagement charges against George J. Gould, who recently died in France, and who was his father's principal executor and the manager of his business interests after his death. Numerous affidavits had to be taken; depositions were necessary in London and in various parts of the world; and other legal complications delayed the estate until thirty-one years after Jay Gould's death. The hearing, begun before a referee, probably will continue for many weeks.

ECONOMIC FARMING URGED IN ADDRESS

Practical Application Empha-
sized by Dr. H. C. Taylor
of United States Bureau

Practical application of economic studies to current agricultural problems, was emphasized by Dr. H. C. Taylor, chief of the bureau of agricultural economics of the United States department of agriculture, in a pressing need of American agriculture, in a recent address at the thirty-seventh annual convention of the Association of Land Grant Colleges.

"The type of economic discussion which shows that the present distressed financial condition of the farmer is due to certain well-defined economic forces, but which prescribes no remedy, will not find a permanent place in our agricultural colleges," Dr. Taylor said. "There is only one thing worse than passive attitude on the part of economists and that is political gestures by those who have no serious intention of helping the farmer, but who would accept a following by prescribing ineffective remedies."

"Economic studies that are worth while look toward intelligent programs of action. They should lead to a practical and profitable program for the economic forces and adequate, up-to-date information regarding economic facts which should be provided constantly by public sources, give the basis for working out programs by each farmer and for making intelligent adjustments in farming operations to the individual farmer. Up-to-date information interpreted in the light of basic economic principles enable the farmer not only to choose more wisely what he should produce, but also to select more wisely the time, method and place of marketing his product."

FARM LOAN BOARD DEFENDS BIG SALARY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Responding to a Senate resolution, the farm loan board has transmitted a statement of its salaries and expenses, including an explanation of the employment at \$25,000 a year of Charles E. Lobbiel as fiscal agent and general counsel, which had been criticized by members of congress.

Creation of the position held by Mr. Lobbiel, the statement said, had resulted in a great saving to the land banks in the marketing of their securities. The action was taken, it was explained, by a resolution unanimously adopted by the twelve land bank presidents June 12 of this year, among which the expense of maintaining a fiscal agent and general counsel was prorated among them.

MOROCCAN BANDIT DEAD

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The Daily Mail's Tangiers correspondent sends the announcement of the death of the notorious Moorish chief, Raisuli. It is suspected, according to this dispatch, that Raisuli was poisoned.

NEW YORK CHURCH TO HAVE 24-STORY BLOCK

Structure to Cost \$4,000,000
Will Contain Auditorium,
Stores, Apartments

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The Broadway Temple, a \$4,000,000, 24-story building, containing apartments, dormitory rooms, stores, an immense church, and space for community and welfare activities, will be built on Broadway, between One Hundred and Seventy-third and One Hundred and Seventy-fourth streets, as soon as building costs permit, Dr. Christian P. Reiser, pastor of the Chelsea Methodist Episcopal Church, has announced. The enterprise is expected to be self-supporting.

Standing on the highest spot on Broadway, the church will be the most impressive structure of Washington Heights, and one of the outstanding buildings of the city. Its cross, topping a central tower, will be visible for miles, and will be higher in air than the top of the Woolworth building.

Half of the cost of the building will be borrowed on a first mortgage. The public is asked to provide the other half, \$2,000,000, by buying second mortgage 5 per cent gold bonds. A bond sale campaign is under way. The project is endorsed and supported by more than a score of prominent citizens. The Broadway Temple Building Corporation has been formed. Its plans provide for a central church auditorium seating 2,200 persons, with convenient church offices and 70-day school equipment, surrounded by a tower which will contain 600 dormitory rooms to be rented to young men.

DRY POLICY PLAYED BY NEW YORK JUDGE

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Declaring there were thousands of places in the city where one could get whiskey for a dollar a glass and champagne for \$25 a bottle, Federal Judge Julian W. Mack, in court attacked the police department for arresting only "small violators" of the Volstead act. Judge Mack delivered his attack when imposing a dollar fine on a negro porter, who pleaded guilty, having sold a 10-cent glass of beer to a detective.

"It's a pity," said the court, "we can not get the big fellows. We too bad we have to arrest poor fellows on these violations. It will be a great many dollars and a great many days if we get one of the big fellows."

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BAT CAVE BECOMES NATIONAL MUSEUM

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covered twenty-five years ago and which
achieved its name because it was the
habitat of innumerable bats, has
been established as a national monu-
ment by proclamation of the presi-
dent, and named the Carlsbad Cave.

A survey of the cave was made by Mineral Inspector Holley of the general land office, who had to travel several miles through underground passages and descend a vertical distance of about 300 feet. A statement from the department of the interior says that no passage was explored to the end and that the total depth of the cave is unknown.

Blind Hero Honored

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 22.—Lieutenant Frank Schobles, Jr., of Wyncote, a blind veteran of the world war, and a senior at the University of Pennsylvania, has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa, the highest scholastic honor a student can receive. Five days before the armistice he was blinded by shrapnel while leading his men into action. After the war he mastered the Braille system for reading by touch and re-entered the university in the fall of 1921, having left in 1919. He is a member of the debating team.

FURNITURE

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No Creed to Be Recognized—Rabbi Only Person Quoted as Opposing Move

AKRON, Ohio, Dec. 22.—An elective course in Bible study has been adopted for the Akron high schools by the board of education. This action follows a determined campaign waged by the Ku Klux Klan for several months to have the Bible placed in the public schools, although no mention is made of the Klan's influence by the board in its action.

A resolution was adopted this week, instructing Carroll H. Reed, superintendent, to provide the course and to obtain teachers to carry out adequately the instruction of such classes. H. T. Waller, who introduced the measure, said he had "the matter under consideration since August of last year, when it was proposed to teach the Bible in the grade schools."

The manner in which the Scripture is to be taught in the grade schools is to be decided by local church members, who will determine whether or not their children will be allowed to take the course, it was indicated by the board.

"I will permit my children to take the Bible study course, provided it is taught through co-operation with the respective churches," said O. C. Atling, a member of the Evangelical church.

"By teaching a certain creed, not accepted by all members of the class, more could be torn down than built up."

Citizens approve
Several representative citizens have questioned concerning their views, and all agreed that, provided it was taught broadly, without regard to denomination or creed, it was a good thing.

"My only possible objection to Bible classes in the schools," said the mother of a high school girl, "is that there are so many denominations, and the teacher is likely to teach the denominational creed. If this is not done, I shall want my daughter to attend the class."

Only one man who was interviewed by an Akron newspaper voiced an objection to the proposed plan. That was Rabbi David Alexander, who asserted the Bible should be left to the churches.

However, only lukewarm enthusiasm was expressed by C. Smoyer, president of the board, who voted reluctantly in favor of the course. President Smoyer said the matter was brought to the board, introduced a resolution ordering Principal C. J. Bowman of South Side high school to return to the board an American flag which a group of Junior Klansmen in full regalia presented to the school in chapel exercises.

"In supporting the motion," Smoyer said, "I don't want it to appear that I am trimming my sails because of agitation."

One Member Votes "No"
The Rev. E. M. Lewis, pastor of the South Main Street Methodist Episcopal church, said he would instruct his children to take such a course even under a teacher of some other denomination, "provided he was a broad-minded man, such as I think the board of education would employ."

The only member of the board who voted against the resolution was Mrs. A. R. Reed, who asserted she thought the Bible instruction afforded by the Sunday schools sufficient for the children of Akron.

KLANSMEN PRESENT FLAG AND A BIBLE

PERRYSBURG, O., Dec. 22.—An American flag and a Bible were presented to a local institution at chapel exercises last week. Eight Klansmen in full regalia appeared unannounced, were received by C. B. Biggie, the superintendent, who accepted the gifts, thanking the Klansmen for their thoughtfulness in remembering the members of the institution.

In his talk Mr. Biggie dwelt on the significance of the flag as an emblem of liberty and justice, and the Bible as the moral code for good citizenship.

The ceremony was closed by the pupils singing "America."

In speaking of the incident after the Klansmen had left, Mr. Biggie said he did not know the visitors were coming, did not know from whence they came or whether they were citizens of Perrysburg, as he recognized no number of them and made no inquiry as to who they were.

MT. VERNON INITIATES A CLASS OF 30 WOMEN

MT. VERNON, O., Dec. 22.—A class of thirty women was initiated in the order at a meeting this week. It was a fine meeting, largely attended and enthusiasm was widespread.

Members were present from Bangs, Mt. Liberty, Martinsburg, Milwood, Danville, Gambler and Fredericktown.

The Women of the Klan of Mt. Vernon, assisted by Klansmen, did a splendid work in passing out food to the unfortunate of the community before Christmas. Many homes were made happy by the noble work done by the Klan organization.

KLAN AIDS IN CHURCH

GROWTH, SAYS PASTOR

Organization Will Prevent Overthrow of American Principles, Minister Asserts

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, Dec. 22.—A strong plea for a United Protestantism was made by the Rev. A. H. Griffith, local pastor, in a sermon in which he declared the Ku Klux Klan is waging a fight against an organization which is seeking to break down the rule of America by Americans.

"Protestants are divided into 155 denominations," he said. "Against a divided Protestantism we have a united Catholic church and a united Jewish church. United, there would be a great saving of the Lord's time neighborhood there are six Protestant churches within a mile of each other. A united church could speak with one voice."

"There is an organization in our land seeking to break down the great institutions of America," he continued. "In our city a man is penalized for being an American and obeying the laws of God and the state. He opens a store in our city, keeps the law of God and the land, by closing on the Sabbath. He is persecuted by having competitors open a store who keeps open seven days a week, in open violation of the law of God and the state. This is true of every moving picture theater in the city and parks. This invisible organization is seeking to drive the Bible from our public schools, to make it a sealed book."

"The Klan, believing this organization is seeking to break down the most sacred organizations of America, has organized to prevent this taking place in this Christian land. Any organization that stands for these things can not but be a help to the Protestant church. The Klan has held the church in that it has directed the minds of men and women to Christ and his churches."

"I have re-estimated this matter, and find all through this part of the country, where the minister has been sympathetic to the Klan his attendance at church service has been materially increased. Not only so, but he has received many into the church, otherwise he would not have been able to reach. More men have heard the gospel in this community through the Klansmen than they have heard since Billy Sunday was in our city."

Large Gospel Meetings
"During the summer months it was an unusual thing for 5,000 men and women to assemble in the open on Sabbath afternoon and hear a gospel sermon."

"To the Klansmen gathered here this evening I wish to say that you profess to believe in Jesus Christ as the only Saviour of men. This being true, it is your duty to come out boldly on His side, if you have not already done so, and unite with some Protestant church."

CLEARWATER OPENS DOORS TO KLANSMEN

CLEARWATER, Fla., Dec. 22.—Knights of the Ku Klux Klan celebrated Klan day in Clearwater, Sunday, December 10. In a column article in the Independent, St. Petersburg, the Clearwater correspondent of that paper described the parade as a beautiful ceremony which took place in the streets and at the court house of the city. The following extracts are taken from the Independent article:

"The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan furnished entertainment for the county on Sunday afternoon. An announcement that the K. K. K. would parade, and that an address would be delivered at the court house, set forth the principles of the Klan, brought out one of the largest crowds which ever assembled in Clearwater."

All Available Space Taken
"Early in the afternoon the parking of cars in the vicinity of Court square began, and by 3 o'clock every available parking space from Turner street to Cleveland on Fort Harrison avenue had been taken, and Court street and the other wide thoroughfares of Court square were simply filled with automobiles so that traffic in the area was stopped."

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"The lawn was crowded with people from over the county, when a speaker, who said that he was from Klan 13, of Marion, Ind., mounted the granite steps and began his speech, setting forth the principles of the Klan organization."

"He emphasized the statement that the Klan stood for the separation of church and state; he asserted that the K. K. K. was not 'anti' anything, but was merely pro-American, and its members owed allegiance to nothing except the stars and stripes."

"Through the regularly constituted authorities, averred the Klansman, America was to be made a clean land for clean people. The Klan insisted upon the importance of the free public schools, freedom of speech and freedom of the press and right of peaceable assembly."

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SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, Dec. 22.—A glowing tribute to the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan was paid at the funeral services of Harry O. Byers here this week, by the Rev. Gordon W. Savage, pastor of the Logodona American Congregational Church.

The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is a Christian organization, and is founded, not on hate, but on love," Dr. Savage said. "The man or woman who goes about spreading the propa-
ganda of hate is disloyal to the organization, and the lives of the great movement. The emblem of the Klan is the cross and the American flag, and it is the duty of the Klan to stand for the principles of the American flag and the light of the cross of Calvary."

The cross of the Klan is an emblem of the cross on which Jesus Christ gave his earthly life for the sins of mankind, and for ages that cross has hung in the heavens as the only sure hope of humanity. No life can be wrong, inspired by these emblems, and the lives of the Klan are guided by the duties that these emblems suggest. No more useful life could be lived than that of the Klan, which is the light of the cross of Calvary.

Your is a noble mission, Klansmen and Klanswomen, and I beseech you to order your lives by the principles of the Klan that is the heart and soul of the Klansman. May be as white and pure as the robe he wears in the glory of the American flag and the light of the cross, you can not fail."

Klansman Byers was one of the most beloved men in the community, and his last rites were attended by a host of friends, hundreds of whom are members of the organization. A large floral cross of red, white and green of ferns, was the chief floral tribute.

CHURCHES JOIN KLAN
IN CHRISTMAS WORK

WASHINGTON C. H., Ohio, Dec. 22.—Plans for a community Christmas tree, sponsored by the local Ku Klux Klan, were approved by Mayor Dahl. Proponent churches of all denominations were invited to take part. The tree, one of huge proportions, was erected on the public square, and the program carried out was elaborate. Unfortunately, children of the city received first consideration in the distribution of candy and other Christmas cheer.

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This astounding engineering triumph is due not to Ford's technical alone. It requires, also, the perfect process, but it was Ford's discontent with the nuisance and prodigality of smoke and his determination to eradicate this evil experiment that spurred them to successful results. And when they had partly succeeded and were ready to quit he kept them on the job until they had achieved the results above described. Still he is not satisfied and the experiments are even now continuing.

NEW ORGANIZATION
IN TRUMBULL COUNTY

WARREN, Ohio, Dec. 22.—Plans for the organization of a new Klan in Trumbull county, to be known as Klan No. 70, have been announced here. Officers will be elected within a short time, steps having been taken toward the selection of a nominating committee. The committee will be composed of one Klansman from each township and ward in the city, and three candidates will be chosen for each office. According to preliminary Klansmen, balloting will take place within two weeks.

The county charter was presented to the organization before an audience of several hundred Klansmen, and the program included a talk by a national officer, who made an inspiring address on the Klan.

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THREAT OF ARREST
IS NOT CARRIED OUT

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, Dec. 22.—The threatened arrest of Klansmen by Chief of Police O'Brien failed to materialize here when more than 800 members of the organization, clad in full regalia, marched out of their headquarters and through the principal streets of the city recently. Every member wore his visor down—a thing which Chief O'Brien had asserted they wouldn't dare to do.

No attempt to arrest the paraders or interfere with the procession was made by the police. In fact, only one policeman was seen, and he, a traffic officer, helped to escort the Klansmen through the congested district. Thousands of persons lined the pavement to witness the spectacle.

It is denied in police circles that any arrests were intended, but they were unable to explain how the rumor to that effect was started. It is believed that the report was circulated by the police department in the hope that the Klan would reach Klan headquarters and cause the organization to abandon its plans. However, the bluff failed to work, and Springfield has witnessed its second large Klan demonstration.

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SAYS FRIEND SERVED
TERM FOR HIS CRIME

Joseph Sakelos Has Difficulty Getting Arrested When He Seeks to Atone

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Joseph Sakelos, 25 years old, for whom it is alleged, George P. Pelegrino, former head of the American Company of Commerce, was convicted although innocent and served three years in Alcatraz prison, returned to New York from Chicago to atone.

He found neither police nor federal officials were interested in him. After half an hour's effort at police headquarters, he was accepted as a voluntary prisoner, charged with larceny on the complaint of Detective Gray of the Oak street station. Bernard Sandler, a lawyer, and Pelegrino, who captured him in Chicago and persuaded him to come to New York, accompanied him.

"My hair has turned gray because of my conscience," he said. "I want to clear my friend of stain."

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Mrs. Coolidge finished her Christmas shopping several days ago, but just what she bought for John and Calvin, Jr., is being kept as much of a secret as though the boys were of the Santa Claus age.

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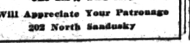
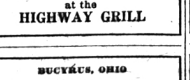
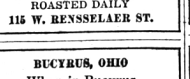
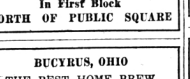
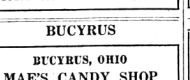
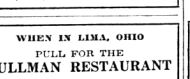
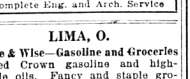
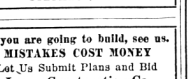
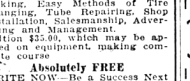
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KLAN PROMOTES BEST INTERESTS OF HOME

Zanesville Pastor Delivers Strong Sermon on Americanism

ZANESVILLE, O., Dec. 21.—"The Relation and Attitude of the Ku Klux Klan to Protestantism," was the text of a sermon delivered by the Rev. W. D. Mitchell, pastor of the First United Brethren Church of Cambridge, before several hundred persons at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

The speaker ridiculed the protests of the opposition who charge that the Klan is anti-negro, anti-Jewish and anti-Catholic. He pointed out that the Klan is not opposed to any race, color or creed, so long as it does not interfere with law enforcement nor attempt to inject religion into political issues.

He also declared the Klan has been accused by aliens of almost every crime from sending threatening letters to using tar and feathers and even murder, but in not a single instance, he said, has the organization been found guilty of these charges. In fact, he said, most of the accusations are made in a vague and abstract manner, merely as propaganda to arouse the hatred of uneducated persons. He also pointed out that the chief foe of the Klan has been the Catholic church, which he said pledges its highest allegiance to the pope, and opposes the Klan simply because the Klan is pro-American and against domination of the United States government by foreign interests.

Hundreds of thousands of real Americans, he said, know that the Klan is pledged to promote the best interests of the home, the school and the American flag and is unalterably opposed to any forces seeking to undermine or destroy these institutions.

The fact that the Klan is growing as rapidly as its principles become known, he said, proves that it is right.

KLANSMEN BUY PIANO FOR CHURCH IN OHIO

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 22.—As a result of a visit of the Hamilton county Ku Klux Klan to the church at the California (Ohio) church last Sunday evening, the church has a new piano to aid the congregation in giving its Christmas program. The Klansmen had full charge of the services Sunday evening, when the church was filled to overflowing. The address was made by a representative of the Hamilton headquarters of the Klan. The church is a progressive one, but it was in need of a musical instrument. At the close of the services some one suggested that a piano be obtained and within minutes \$30.70 was subscribed. A delegation of the Klan organization was authorized to view the piano and have it placed in the church, which was done.

CLARK CO. CHORUS IN GREAT DEMAND

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, Dec. 22.—The gleeful chorus of the Clark county Klan organization, officially known as the Klark County Korus, is filling successful engagements in many churches and at numerous public meetings. Recently the korus gave a concert at the Shores, Hayes Memorial church, Belmont and Main streets. The church was crowded and so many were turned away that a second concert followed immediately after the close of the first. The church was again filled to capacity by those unable to gain entrance at the first services. This organization includes some of the best male voices in Clark county, and its services are in great demand. Requests for concerts are becoming so numerous that the secretary of the organization has been officially authorized to make engagements for the korus, and any communication directed to him will receive prompt attention.

SIX MEETINGS A WEEK IN LAWRENCE COUNTY

THONTON, Ohio, Dec. 22.—If you doubt the activity of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Lawrence county, just step out any night in the town to make a little investigation on your own hook. Any night in the week you will be able to find an enthusiastic meeting in some part of the county, where good speakers are setting forth the principles of the great American organization. Lawrence county has not had a lily-white reputation. Its laws have not been so strictly enforced as to cause the rougher element to complain, but change is coming rapidly. Klansmen are so numerous in this county now that their efforts for good are being revealed daily. A well-developed program for the enforcement of law and order is being waged successfully, and membership in the organization is gaining rapidly and steadily. And this is only the beginning.

TRI-STATE MEETING OF KLAN A SUCCESS

BAITMORE, Md., Dec. 22.—The Klansmen of the Maryland, Delaware and Virginia state staged a great ceremony at Pocomoke City. Pocomoke Klan had raised a thirty-foot cross on the fair ground, thirty feet in height and at 8 o'clock in the evening the parade of several hundred Klansmen, led by a large band, paraded the city. After the parade the cross was lighted and by its light Dr. Burke of Ocean City, Klan, Realm of Maryland, delivered a very forceful address on the principles and purposes of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan to several thousand people, who received it with great enthusiasm. He was applauded to the echo.

IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY TO THE FIERY CROSS WANT ADS

'ARMITAGE SENT FOR ME,' SAYS FOREIGNER

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ple stand against it, his statement that he is running on his record. The record has been one of cheap notoriety such as that of the "me" and "my" man. On the other hand, there are such incidents as the importing of men for city positions. In one instance, a man was quoted as saying, "Armitage sent for me." That man is placed on the police force while chief of Police Ruff removes efficient men from their positions. These are the men who are making headway against crime. One of the most notable cases is that of the removal of an officer from a district teaming with vice and from which the police immediately after drag forth a man now convicted of a brutal murder. In the meantime the long list of unsolved murders, all and sundry, are being solved. The main deep mysteries, it is understood, that Inspector of Detectives Mullin, who has been waiting successfully called into the prosecutor's office, knows a great deal about a certain murder in Greenlaw cemetery, but the county has been convicted for that crime.

These many facts, however, do not seem to deter the foreigner from his race for the governorship, although, of course, they will dimly defeat him.

BOARD SQUIRMS WHEN KLAN WINS DEBATE

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but no action was taken. The secretary offered a motion that the board be appointed a committee to make a whole to decide as to what should be done. It is understood that such action will be taken shortly and an announcement of the result will be made. A well-developed program for the enforcement of law and order is being waged successfully, and membership in the organization is gaining rapidly and steadily. And this is only the beginning.

"You will undoubtedly agree," said an official of the board, "that an unusual and delicate situation has arisen. We do not intend to hold our members back from the right of keeping people in the dark, but this matter is one which should be threshed out quietly. We regret that the matter received so much publicity at the outset but no one is worrying now. I believe Wyandotte decided to do."

Meanwhile, the public debate has developed into a series of private ones. In fact, on almost any corner one may overhear such discussions in progress, and it is regretted that the public debate here that the only protests have been registered by persons who are bitterly opposed to the organization.

ANOTHER PETITION IN MAYFIELD CASE FILED

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situation tends to make the case one-sided in favor of the Klan. Substitute Not Decided. Senator Mayfield said he had not determined precisely what he would offer as a substitute for the Reclamation law, but he said that it would take away much of the power of the federal government over railroads and place it in the hands of the states. He thinks that state commissions are in far better position to know what the railroads are fair and that as a result cheaper freight rates, a fundamental of the nation, especially in the agricultural regions, would follow.

Senator Mayfield served on the Texas railroad committee for ten years and is now on the Interstate commerce committee, which will handle all matters relating to the railroads. He has in his message to Congress recently, advocated less tinkering with the railroads and recognition of the labor board until a better agreement can be reached for adjudicating disputes between rail executives and employees.

ALCOHOL SMITH IS SCORED BY SPEAKER

Five Thousand Persons Applaud Minister Who Delivers American Address

(Special to The Cross)

NEW YORK CITY, Dec. 22.—The throng that packed the First Presbyterian church, Queens, and overflowed into an adjacent school auditorium applauded the speaker of the evening when he made a scathing attack on Alcoholic Smith (of New York) as "the one big example of the gumshoe politician, who knows the history of Catholicism but not of America."

The meeting was attended by more than 5,000 people whose enthusiasm repeatedly interrupted the speaker, who was a regular "human dynamo" and in so recognized all over the state.

The "human dynamo" continued: "In New York state we have one big example of the gumshoe politician. He is Alcoholic Smith. When he took office he swore on the Bible to uphold the Constitution of the United States, yet he barely was in office when he signed what he thought would be the death knell of the Eighteenth Amendment. He did so because he hoped that a few of his run-around friends would cast their votes for him in the coming presidential election."

OHIO PUBLIC SCHOOLS TAKE UP BIBLE STUDY

Movement Fostered by Klan Grows apidly in Cities, Towns and Villages

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 22.—One by one, the cities, towns and villages in the state are taking up the study of the Bible in the public schools.

Within the last week, according to news dispatches, at least a half dozen cities have adopted the plan of Bible reading and among the principal ones are Akron and Youngstown.

The action of the Youngstown school board was taken upon the suggestion of the Rev. George J. Ford, executive secretary of the Federated Churches of Youngstown, who recommended that at least an hour each week be set aside for the purpose of religious training.

The Federated churches will endeavor to begin the work as soon as the money is available and this, according to the board, will be coming within a short time. Dr. Ford suggested that each pupil be given a book from regular classes at a stated hour each week to attend the classes which will be conducted in a central location.

Under the resolution adopted, such education will not be compulsory, but will be optional with the parents of the pupils. However, according to present indications, the plan is unanimously approved.

After Much Agitation The Bible was introduced into the schools at Akron in a very honorable agitation, as the board only a short time before had rejected a Bible and flag presented by Klansmen. In the controversy, only two persons were opposed to Bible study in the schools, a rabbi and the president of the board. The rabbi declared he believed the Bible had no place in the public schools and that of the board, the national emblem and Scripture had been presented by Klansmen.

A policy similar to that adopted by the Youngstown board has been in effect in Dayton for some time and under the resolution adopted, it is said that virtually all the Protestant pupils are taking it.

Teachers and special instructors are being employed to avoid any nationalistic and teach the Scripture only in a broad sense, and this plan has been found to be successful. It seems significant to those who have fostered the movement that the only objections to the Bible in the schools came from a rabbi and from Catholics and a rabbi.

In Washington county there are four communities where the public schools are now providing week-day Bible instruction.

In Madison county the pupils of the third, fourth, fifth and sixth grades are excused for an hour and fifteen minutes each week to attend the classes.

In a nearby county where they receive instruction from trained teachers employed by the Marietta county board of religious education, the exception of about sixty pupils, who attend the Catholic, Lutheran and Episcopal churches, there are about 850 pupils in the public schools.

In the village of Lowell, the pupils of the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades are given instruction by three Protestant clergymen. One takes all the pupils of the fifth grade, another those of the sixth and seventh, and the third those of the eighth grades. All the children are taking advantage of the opportunity.

At Beverly, only high school students are given such training. The classes are held in the recreation room. Three local ministers are in charge of the work.

An interesting experiment is being conducted in the public schools of Decatur township, where the Decatur Methodist Episcopal church has assigned two capable women to the work. The pupils are divided into two groups, the younger ones being given a course suited to their needs, and the older ones are given more advanced instruction.

In Caldwell, the county seat of Noble, the pupils of the third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades are excused to attend classes, which are held in their own churches. It is reported that every child in the schools attends the classes.

Mellon Says Trade Outlook Indicates a Steady Revival

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Secretary Mellon expressed the opinion, when asked about the industrial and business outlook, that recent developments apparently have given support to the statement made in his annual report that the recovery which have been most influential in the revival that has taken place are likely to remain effective, at least for a considerable period.

It was pointed out by Secretary Mellon that there is always a period of comparative dullness after the Christmas holidays, when activities in mills and many factories are cut down and inventories of stock taken.

U. S. Policy Unchanged

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The revolutionary movement in Mexico has not operated to change the policy of American government toward Mexico, it was announced at the White House.

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OVERFLOW CROWD HEARS KLAN SERMON

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PREDICTS KLAN WILL SWEEP THE COLLEGES

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 22.—That the Ku Klux Klan is on the verge of sweeping through the colleges of the country is what has been said by the masses," was the assertion of Bishop Alma White, founder of the Ku Klux Klan, in an interview published in the Daily Princetonian.

"Princeton University will soon be vitally interested in the principles and aspirations of the order," said Bishop White, who has just returned from a tour through the East and Midwest.

400 JOIN KLAN AFTER WILLIAMSON PARADE

WILLIAMSON, W. Va., Dec. 22.—One of the most successful parades ever seen in Mingo county was staged here recently, when hundreds of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, attired in full regalia of the order, paraded downtown streets.

Despite the fact that some of the local authorities had opposed the parade, the parade was a tremendous success. The "invasion" had been heard in official circles, the parade went over with a bang. The vast throng that viewed the spectacle was as orderly as the marchers themselves and not once was there any sign of disorder.

Following the parade a big nativization was put on at the Williamson school grounds. A class of approximately 400 persons was initiated.

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Jackson Ministers Praise Principles of the Order—Membership is Growing Rapidly

JACKSON, Mich., Dec. 18.—Proof that the church-going campaign waged by the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Jackson has been successful, is presented by ministers of the gospel of this city.

One Jackson pastor in reporting a 200 per cent increase in his church attendance and a 4 per cent increase in membership gives due credit to the efforts of the Klan. Two other ministers agree with this statement.

"The Ku Klux Klan is the greatest movement in centuries," a Protestant minister said. "Attendance has increased at my church 55 per cent and membership 14 per cent. This increase is due to the influence for good of the Klan."

Another minister reported an increase in attendance of 50 per cent and an increase in membership of 21 per cent.

All agreed that the increase was especially creditable in that it had taken place in the short space of four months.

A biased press here has failed to prejudice the citizenship against the organization. In spite of editorial attacks and the printing of news intended to harm the cause the membership in the Klan organization has increased rapidly.

Two successful meetings were held here last week. Thursday night a large class was initiated into the order, and Friday evening a huge crowd filled a local auditorium at an invitation meeting to hear a nationally known speaker explain the Klan principles.

The Women of the Ku Klux Klan also held a successful meeting the same week, and many applications for membership were received.

JUDGE WOULD DEPORT 'UN-AMERICAN ALIENS'

BELLEFONTAINE, Ohio, Dec. 22.—Judge John E. Sater, federal judge, located at Columbus, delivered the address here at the chamber of commerce last Tuesday in connection with the nativization ceremony of Logan county.

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Large Audience Hears Klan Speaker at Ashby

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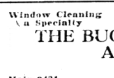


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make them take notes and applaud. The old fool had made a mess of everything for him. He thought I was in with him, the Klan was completely bamboozled. Just went there to have a good time with that pretty daughter of his, and, believe me, I had it, too!"

His audience laughed at that. Then they discerned a peculiar expression on the speaker's face. He was looking toward the door and a deathly pallor was spreading over his countenance. He was beginning to back. They turned to see what was the matter. They saw George Taylor coming up the aisle, his steel blue eyes riveted on Cameron. In his hand he carried a forty-four automatic. Some of the crowd sneaked out of the door. But most of them were too keen to see a battle and waited with breathless expectancy. George slowly advanced to the platform. Cameron seemed hypnotized and could scarcely move. Finally, however, he managed to reach in his pocket and drew a revolver. He was nervous, his hands were shaking, and it was plain to be seen, if he shot, he would hit Taylor. But no such thought had entered Taylor's mind. He knew that Cameron was a coward. It takes courage to fire upon your enemy when he stands before you. Radicals prefer to shoot from behind doors and through crevices, or with the enemy bound and blindfolded and standing by a wall.

"Put that revolver on the table!" Taylor commanded in stern tones. Cameron obeyed meekly. Then George laid his own pistol beside it. "Now, Cameron, we stand face to face as man to man," he said so all could hear. "We have had our disagreements and have been driven to past insults and ignored your egotistic insolence. But you have slandered the woman who is to be my wife. You have said things to her that no man will tolerate if he is a real man. Here, in the presence of your backers, single-handed, I am going to settle this by beating your worthless hide into a pumny. You infamous bound-you scoundrel of creation!" He halted, apparently seeking a word to express his feelings. Cameron started to leave the stage. George caught him and pulled him back. The crowd yelled their approval.

"No, you are going to fight this out right now—you treacherous coward! Here, strike me first! But be sure of your lick because hell follows afterward!" He threw out his chest and Cameron made a blundering stroke. His fist grazed Taylor's cheek. With lightning rapidity, the young school man and college athlete, drove his uppercut into his opponent's jaw and the lanky Cameron reeled backward off the platform. The audience went wild with delight. "Got a regular Dempsey punch!" one of them commented. "Mo' like Jack Johnson!" corrected a brother in black. Their cheers and jeers at Cameron almost deafened the contestants.

The radical rose slowly, his face bruised and bleeding, and started to leave. Again George dragged him back on the platform. It was easy to see that the future congressman was beside himself with anger. His temper was as hot as his opponent's. But when he forced Cameron back the crowd stood up in their chairs and yelled.

"Here, bring me that flag!" he called to a man in the back of the house. The man came forward and handed a small silk flag to him. "Now, Cameron, this is the Stars and Stripes," he said, "the flag that you have insulted in public and private, the flag you refused to allow your students to salute, the emblem of a stupid bourgeoisie nation—but the flag under which you live and enjoy life and happiness, the flag that gives you protection. You would like to tear down this banner and sales in its stead the red rag that floats in a cloud of darkness over prostrate Russia. But this flag is here to stay, and in token of your appreciation of this fact, I am going to ask that you get down on your knees, in the presence of your friends here, and kiss it ten times!"

Cameron hesitated. "Make him kiss it!" "Throw him out!" Men were coming from all over the house. Cameron cringed, shuddered, and with quaking knees, slowly knelt in the attitude of prayer and reverently kissed the national emblem, amidst the thunderous applause of the audience. He arose and wiped the blood and perspiration from his forehead. "I'll get even with you for this, Taylor!" he snarled. "This is not over yet—not by a damn sight!" "No, but the rest will be worse still. Now, get out of here and make it snappy!" George pointed to the door, but before Cameron could reach it, three brawny roadrunners had seized him and were dragging him toward the door. While two held his hands, the third gave him a lusty kick which sent him sprawling on the ground below. George left while the excited crowd slowly filed from the building. In his room, he sank into a chair, his head in his hands. "Oh, why did I do it! Why did I do it!" he asked himself again and again, tortured by the conscious knowledge that he had given his enemy a kick to break his neck with, figuratively speaking. "But I made him kiss the flag!" He smiled as he thought of it. "And he will not soon defame another woman's character. Maybe it will catch him a lesson."

CHAPTER XXIV

The Unmasking

Events were now drawing rapidly to a conclusion. Only two more days remained until the election. Judge Karkner, still stubbornly maintaining that he would be sworn, had practically withdrawn from the fight. Northerner was strengthening his drive in Lexington. Some day we may, but that time is not yet. While the enemies of America act in secret, to our disadvantage. In our great cities, especially in New York and Chicago, and some of the cities of the Northwest, the red radicals are organized into secret groups whose every aim is directed toward the destruction of our democratic government. Each night while they congregate in their secret conclaves, defaming God, denouncing government, and plotting the overthrow of our government, they are not far from our door in God's dim forests, by the light of their crosses the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan are running and taking a solemn oath to protect it with their lives. But their efforts have been accomplished. When the battle is over and the last fight is won—when America is cleansed of the political corruption and the moral rot, and all these sinister voices have been silenced—then the Klan can unmask. Klamson's efforts in Taylor's behalf, not because he changed to belong to the order, but because he was the only man in the room who claimed to be a purely American ticket. As we have stated, nomination in the Democratic primary is the first step. It is tantamount to election. Occasionally, when there is a very close margin, a "run off" is necessary. The second primary is harder to carry than the first because personalities become so prominent. The whole election becomes an intra-party fight, and no end of mud-slinging and personal abuse is used before the election is over. The fact that George's friends to give him such a huge majority in the first primary that a second would not be necessary.

The statement had been so many times made and repeated that the Klan was composed of the lowest class that it was a band of "rough-necks" and thugs, and that the decent people were steering clear of it. The parade was to be given to give the lie to this belief. Of course, many of the town's best people had been invited to see who was in the whole town and county round was invited to come. The parade was composed of the Prairie City Ku Klux Klan. For weeks the rumor that the Prairie City Klan, which recently had temporarily surrendered its charter, was reorganizing, had been abroad. Now, an announcement having appeared in the papers that the Klan would parade, confirmed it. The hope of reorganizing the demoralized Klansmen had been slowly and cautiously carried out. Committees were appointed to interview the former members and to see that they were admitted into the new organization who were in any way questionable. The local ministers were reluctant to again align themselves with the organization, but finally, being convinced that only those truly eligible would be received, they consented to come back into the fold. Within two weeks three thousand of the most respected citizens of the community had again pledged their allegiance to the Invisible Empire and dozens of "ladies" were being initiated at every meeting.

Plans for the parade were perfected on Thursday. The parade was to be held on Saturday. The great hall, a part of the Prairie City Klavern, was crowded to the doors with enthusiastic Klansmen. The Exalted Cyclops opened the meeting with patriotic songs and prayer. Then he introduced Dr. Thur, the Imperial Nighthawk, head of the intelligence department, who addressed the meeting. "It has been brought to my mind," he began, "that certain influences are being exerted to create a false impression concerning the Klan in this, as in all other communities. The miserable fiasco of the finding of Peter's body, mentioned and carried out to discredit the Klan, has ended in absolute failure and disgrace for those who started it. Before this thing is finished several men, among whom a certain undertaker in Dallas and a certain local legal light in this city are mentioned, are going to find themselves enrolled for a free course in the penitentiary. Let cheers be given to this statement. The men arose to their feet, throwing their hats in the air and shouting, "Let's clean house!" and similar expressions.

"Now, gentlemen, we are in the midst of a hotly contested political campaign, to determine who shall sit as your representative in Washington next year," he continued. "You have your choice between a foreign-born demagogue, a political strategist of the worst order, and a clean American citizen. Which do you want?" "Taylor!" chorused a thousand voices. "Taylor!" he waved his hand for silence. "Remember, this is not a meeting devoted to any man's personal interests. As an organization we are not going to support either Mr. Taylor, Judge Karkner or Judge Taylor. As an American citizen, you exercise your own prerogative and vote for whoever you wish. I am not here tonight to boost any man's candidacy. But I am here to talk about another matter. As a representative of the Imperial Palace, I have the power to permit certain things that are usually denied Klansmen. For one, I can permit you to march through the town unmasked. If you so desire, in order to counteract the venomous gossip that is afloat."

"That's the line. Let us do it!" shouted several. "But bear in mind that this is really an infringement of the law. It is not that I am only by special authority that you do this. My Klansmen, as an organization, we are not ready to do this. Some day we may, but that time is not yet. While the enemies of America act in secret, to our disadvantage. In our great cities, especially in New York and Chicago, and some of the cities of the Northwest, the red radicals are organized into secret groups whose every aim is directed toward the destruction of our democratic government. Each night while they congregate in their secret conclaves, defaming God, denouncing government, and plotting the overthrow of our government, they are not far from our door in God's dim forests, by the light of their crosses the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan are running and taking a solemn oath to protect it with their lives. But their efforts have been accomplished. When the battle is over and the last fight is won—when America is cleansed of the political corruption and the moral rot, and all these sinister voices have been silenced—then the Klan can unmask. Klamson's efforts in Taylor's behalf, not because he changed to belong to the order, but because he was the only man in the room who claimed to be a purely American ticket. As we have stated, nomination in the Democratic primary is the first step. It is tantamount to election. Occasionally, when there is a very close margin, a "run off" is necessary. The second primary is harder to carry than the first because personalities become so prominent. The whole election becomes an intra-party fight, and no end of mud-slinging and personal abuse is used before the election is over. The fact that George's friends to give him such a huge majority in the first primary that a second would not be necessary.

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Prolonged applause followed this flight of eloquence. The speaker resumed his address, coming direct to the point in question: "And now, shall we parade unmasked, or shall we not?" "We will parade!" they answered, two thousand in unison. "Then appoint your captains, your lieutenants, and committees to arrange matters. I will leave the whole affair in local hands. I simply give you my permission to give the arrangements were soon completed and the parade announced. The parade was to be given on Saturday. The Imperial Nighthawk, Dr. Thur, and Rev. Powell, pastors of the local churches; second lieutenants, Sheriff Healy, Judge Bully, three of the leading physicians, one of the principal attorneys, several business men and carried out the parade. Some of those who had come out expecting to see the lower element in the line of march gasped in amazement when they read this line-up.

The sounding of a bugle and the throng of drums announced the coming of the marchers. Three hundred men were in line of procession, the parade being led by the First Regiment Band, an American Legion band, and a band of three thousand men, some with military precision, looking neither right nor left, keeping perfect step with the music. Thunderous, deafening applause greeted them everywhere. They wore the regulation Klan robes, together with the helmets, but their visors were lifted so that the identity of each man could be easily determined. To those who stood on the pavements it seemed that every prominent man in Bols' Ark county was in the line. Certainly the majority of all the business men, professional men and laborers were represented.

After the parade the Imperial Nighthawk spoke to a great audience from the courthouse steps. There was perfect attention. He briefly outlined the principles and aims of the Klan. "One of the chief objections to this organization," he has learned, is the claim that it is composed of religious bigots and is engaged in making war on man's many religion. If there are those here who harbor that idea, I want you to dismiss it from your mind. The Klan is not a religious organization. We are for the Christian faith but do not assume to dictate how he shall worship. We are a fraternal order, not a creed making episcopate. We are not warring war on the Catholic church. I want you to dismiss it from your mind, and if I thought the Klan was trying to drive the Catholics out of the country, as is claimed by some, I would leave it tomorrow."

(To Be Continued.)

The next installment of "The Bounds of the Law" will appear in this space next week.

IMMIGRATION LAW CHANGES SUBMITTED

Vestal of Indiana Would Select the Kind of Aliens to Be Let Into United States

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—An immigration bill that selects as well as regulates the kind of aliens to be admitted to the United States has been introduced by Representative Albert H. Vestal, Indiana.

This bill provides for various amendments to the other immigration acts of 1908 and 1917 in further restricting admittance to this country. One of the changes proposed in the bill is the issuance abroad of immigration certificates to those who contemplate coming to this country. Some of the other amendments of the United States would have charge of distribution of these certificates. The bill provides that an immigrant who fails to declare his intention to become a citizen of this country after three years of residence in this country or who has not completed his naturalization within five years of the date of admittance shall be liable to deportation.

Woman Amasses Millions Soley through her own business ability and shrewd speculations. Mrs. Herman Oelrichs, at one time society leader in New York and at Newport, is said to have added \$20,000,000 to the large fortune which she inherited from her father, the late Senator Fair of California.

HUGE BURNING CROSS DRAWS THOUSANDS

Klan Initiates Class and Holds Barbecue in Hills at Colfax, Washington

COLFAX, Wash., Dec. 24.—Colfax Klan, realm of Washington, recently conducted a naturalization ceremony by the light of a huge fiery cross carved in a hillside near that city, and brilliantly illuminated.

Ninety candidates were inducted into the great American order and several hundred Klansmen in full regalia took part in the ceremonies. The naturalization was witnessed by over two thousand people, who drove in automobiles to the lonely hillside, being attracted by the immense fiery cross which "could be seen for miles."

Although it was not possible for the guests seated in the automobiles to hear all of the ceremony, that part of the obligation which binds all Klansmen to an unqualified obedience of the law and the regularly constituted officers of the law was given in a loud tone through a megaphone that all might hear and so dispel any doubts that may have remained in the minds of skeptical onlookers.

Early in the evening Klansmen and their families gathered on the hillside for a barbecue and addresses were made on Klanscraft and Americanism.

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THE PUBLIC SCHOOL MUST SAVE AMERICA

President American Bar Association Stands for Free Education

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—In an article released by the National Education Association through its official publication, Hon. Robert E. L. Sauer, president of the American Bar Association, declares that "The schools of America must save America."

Sauer is in accord with the best patriotic spirit of the nation, for he says: "We must not be content with merely imparting knowledge. American citizenship should mean patriotism, and patriotism is not of the intellect alone; it is of the heart. It can be taught by merely imparting information. It can be taught by mere discussion of principles. Religion is of the spirit; so is patriotism."

"In teaching citizenship, the real essential is 'atmosphere.' An appeal must be made to the heart, to the spirit, and to the emotions, as well as to the intellect."

"America should no more consider graduating a student who lacks faith in our government than a school of theology should consider graduating a minister who lacks faith in God."

"It is interesting to see how closely the remarks of Mr. Sauer parallel the actual practice of the Ku Klux Klan in their great movement of patriotic teaching and observance throughout the nation."

American Citizenship Committee

"In pursuance of the recommendations of this report," said Mr. Sauer, "a committee on American citizenship was created which has been actively functioning since that time. The objective of this committee is to establish and maintain the constitution of the United States and its ideals and principles of our government in the minds and hearts of the people."

"What relation does this 'atmosphere' bear to the schools? It goes without saying that we can make no substantial progress in civilization nor indeed exist as a self-governing republic, without a better and better education of each generation. That the only justification of our American public school system is education for citizenship; and that a knowledge of why and how of government, of American history and institutions, of the essentials of our constitution and of the contribution of a particular state, are just as necessary for the young mind to study and absorb as are the facts of reading, writing, and arithmetic."

Work of the Committee

"Briefly stated, the work of the citizenship committee of the American Bar Association, so far as it relates to the schools, may be grouped roughly under the following three classifications:

- (1) The committee has instituted a movement which will be continued until all the states have adequate laws requiring the teaching of the constitution of the United States and of the respective states and the principles and ideals of our government in all schools and colleges supported in any manner by public funds.
- (2) We are co-operating with local authorities in supplying qualified lectures for various school convocations, the main purpose of which is to teach teachers how to teach the constitution in an attractive and inspiring way. Supplementary to this project, we shall in the near future issue a pamphlet entitled "The Story of the Constitution," which may be used by teachers of civics as a supplementary text.
- (3) We are publishing another pamphlet suggesting certain school and college contests on citizenship subjects for the purpose of stimulating and vitalizing the instruction given in the regular school curriculum. Single copies of the pamphlets mentioned will be furnished upon application to the headquarters of our committee on American citizenship.

The most superficial glance at conditions in America today must convince every thinking man that there is urgent need, not only for a more general education of our children, but also for co-operative effort with educators in a more intensive education, particularly along the lines that have been above briefly outlined. We note that the congressional committee on education in its report that statistics put America in the ninth place among the nations in regard to our status in education; that one out of every three persons in America is either foreign born or the child of foreign-born parents; that the fifteen million foreign born in the United States seven million can not read or write the English language and that two million can not read or write any language. Further, radicals among the native as well as the foreign born advocating both openly and secretly various degrees of communistic doctrines as substitutes for long-established American institutions, show the urgent need of a more universal education in true Americanism as never before in our history.

"To this movement the American bar," in co-operation with various other organizations, desires to contribute its full share. It is to co-operate with teachers in every practicable way in training the children in our schools as our army of future citizens.

"It is not on fields where cannons pour shells upon the foe can you train the citizen. It is in the things it ought to know. The old ball at Philadelphia rang its notes and then was still; But its voice today is speaking from the schoolhouse on the hill."

"And from the schoolhouse too America must come students possessed of not only various forms of knowledge, but having more especially a knowledge of American history and institutions, and a spirit of service that will make them good American citizens. 'The schools of America Must Save America!'"

Easy Job for Burglars

Burglars in Peru, when about to enter a house, supply themselves with a sponge and a bucket of water. With the sponge they moisten the door and the windows and the coating is easily dissolved. Then they readily cut through the thin framework and make a hole large enough to pass through.

Fisher Body Buys Timber

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 22.—The Fisher Body Corporation has announced the purchase of approximately 100,000 acres of standing timber in Tennessee, Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi. The properties will be operated by a subsidiary company now being organized.

Plenty Alligators, But

No Oil in Bayano Region

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Investigation into the Panama oil bubble blown by Leo Koretz seemingly reached an impasse Tuesday. A committee which went to the Bayano region of Panama to investigate the "oil properties" of the world's greatest con man returned to Chicago with the report that while there were plenty of alligators in the Bayano river region, none of them spouted oil.

The amount for which the relatives and friends of Leo were "nickel" steadily increased. The inquiry into his "love nests" brought more and more information as to Koretz's social affairs, but nothing as to his whereabouts.

New England Poet Dies

FRAMINGHAM, Mass., Dec. 22.—Miss Edna Dean Proctor, 34 years old, author and poet, died at her home here Tuesday. Born in Heniker, N. H., she lived here for many years. One of her best-known books is "Mountain Maid and Other Poems of New Hampshire."

WIG WAGS FROM WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—There is considerable talk right now in the press about the opening of political headquarters in Chicago, Washington, New York and elsewhere, but these writers are overlooking a big bet and that is that the coming winter months and then later the spring months of 1924 will see the real, working, practical headquarters of both political parties located in the cloak rooms and corridors of the United States Capitol.

Under the big dome on Capitol Hill and in the House and Senate offices, wire-pulling and maneuvering of the highest style of the art will be going on daily.

There is no getting around the fact that senators and representatives in both political parties constitute the leaders of weight in their respective states. Party platforms are not always written on Capitol Hill, but whether they are or not, they are always written by the leaders in Congress before being taken to the national conventions. So just keep your eyes peeled for what is actually taking place behind the scenes on Capitol Hill in Washington.

The Republican National Committee has met in Washington, fixed the time and place for holding the next national convention and we will have the performance repeated in this city on January 16 by the Democratic National Committee.

Chicago, having been chosen as the site of the Republican convention, is now setting its heart on landing the next Democratic convention, no matter what the price to get it. The Chicago boomers declare they will play the biggest game of poker the city has ever seen. "Every time we win a convention," they declare, "we will raise 'em a few thousand."

Some of the big Democrats at the caucus are threatening these odds to send for Tom Taggart, of Indiana, and have him "talk turkey" to Senator Ralston. Chicagoans don't talk seriously to fellows down here about making the race for the presidency, but it is inclined to take the suggestion in the nature of a joke. We are going to get Taggart to tell him to sit up and take notice, one of them declared.

Senator Ralston as a presidential dark horse is in a dandy position in case a deadlock ensues and that very thing may happen in case the two-thirds rule flags the high man just like it did in Baltimore when Willson defeated Clark.

And Senator Ralston is generally regarded as in fine position to secure the vice-presidential place on a ticket in case he is not nominated for the first place. Indiana is a pivotal state and the Democrats realize that Ralston is a vote-getter in Indiana.

Has R. B. Creager, of Brownsville, Texas, Republican national committeeman of that state, gotten cold feet about the nomination of Mr. Creager, that is a question that many are asking nowadays since it became known that he recently declined the post. A White House statement says that Mr. Creager's declination is in no manner due to the chaotic conditions in Mexico right now, but that he is a question of his own mind. Mr. Creager, it was said, had been tendered the post by President Harding, and, consistent with the policy of the Coolidge administration, President Coolidge also offered Mr. Creager the place. Mr. Creager declined on the ground that he wanted to remain here and take an active part in American politics.

It is also heard up around the capitol that perhaps Mr. Creager's wind of the report that possibly he could not be confirmed by the Senate. Such things have happened up there.

BONUS CHECKS SOON FOR 72,000 VETERANS

118,988 Illinois Service Men Have Already Received \$25,000,000

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 22.—Seventy-two thousand Illinois veterans of the world war will receive their bonus payment early in 1924. Adj. Gen. Black and his staff are now reviewing the work of the service recognition board since payments were started July 2. Twenty-five million dollars, already spent of the total \$55,000,000 has paid 118,988 claimants, he said.

The claim number of the biggest claimant paid thus far is \$37,499. The general said. "The difference between this figure and 118,988 represents the number of claims bearing numbers lower than 137,499, which have not to date been approved. Every claim bearing a lower number than that he had consideration in its turn and thousands of letters have been sent out with the end in view of completing additional facts making possible final settlement of those upon which final action could not be taken at first hearing."

Under the \$24 a month bonus claims have been paid. These are claims by heirs of deceased soldiers. Owing to the greater detail necessary in these claims, the number of claims required actually, it takes longer to act on them.

WAUCHULA HEARS OF GOOD WORK OF KLAN

WAUCHULA, Fla., Dec. 22.—Two ministers of the gospel from Sebring, one a world war veteran, came to Wauchula recently and held a meeting, at which both talked on the principles of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. At the close of the meeting, fifty men went to the platform to enroll their names as members of an order established here. The organization is being perfected rapidly, and indications are that it will start with a large and enthusiastic membership. One of the speakers, in setting forth the principles, said: "The Klan stands for God first, the United States and the American flag; the protection of the home; the reading of the Bible in all public schools; the suppression of crime; was against the bootlegger, the wife-beater and every individual who did not treat his fellow man right."

EASY WAYS TO SPEND A MILLION EACH YEAR

"Happy Mr. Leede! He comes home with a little Greek money for a wife and a million dollars a year by way of income to spend. Who could not be happy with royalty and riches?" No very many of us. It is all bunk, except to say that riches are a handicap, and that it would be next to impossible to spend a million a year. Spending a million dollars a year—spending every dollar usefully—might be one of the easiest tasks in the whole wide world. It would be comparatively simple to spend a billion dollars a year. Not so twenty-five years, and do it all to the glory of God and the upbuilding of the republic. All of the Protestant churches, particularly the struggling ones, regardless of creedal differences, should be generously and graciously endowed. Besides, at least a dozen great universities, built upon the American plan and teaching Americanism of the unadorned and old-fashioned type, should be founded. Musical and athletic life, as a whole, should be strengthened, and great aid organizations should be chartered and set to work. Science should be boosted in a thousand specific and far-reaching ways. Churches throughout Christendom should be helped to the utmost. Hunger throughout the world could and should be ended. Just as are the united charities of the civilized world, still greater heights of philanthropy and altruism might be made possible. Carnegie's idea about libraries was a good one, but he was too cautious and demanded too much from those whom he sought to help—in the long run, he had too little money. Millions of useful books should be placed before millions of people who need to know more about their country and their God—the God of their fathers. Constant clubs, reading clubs, should be organized in every hamlet in the United States. Extension lectures should reach a thousand people, particularly in rural districts, where they now reach a dozen. In short, every good dream that man has ever had could be made to come true—even the dream of putting an end to war—if enough money could be obtained wherever it would work the miracle. Money is the greatest dynamic force in the world today. It is locked up untold power—power which can be directed to good or to evil ends. Spend a million, a billion a year? Very easy.

BUSINESS OF COUNTRY NOW DEMANDS ACTION

"Time to Quit Boys' Play," Says Senator Reid as Members Continue to Daily

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—Half a dozen Democratic senators in the Senate recently threw the harpoon into the Republicans and twisted it around until it grated under the skin because the majority party has not been able in the past three weeks to select a chairman of the interstate commerce committee of the Senate.

This harpooning and lambasting came after the Senate took two more ballots in an endeavor to elect a chairman today and then gave it up. Senator Cummings got 34 votes; Senator Smith, Democrat, 36 votes, and Senator Couzens, Progressive candidate, 13 votes. This contest now goes over until January 3, at an agreement that no business should be transacted but routine business on the day of adjournment for the Christmas holidays.

"The business of the country demands action," said Senator Reid of Missouri. "It is time to quit the boys' play and that's all this is. Senator Reid said that Congress had been in session almost three weeks and that there was business of importance to be transacted by the Senate. A large part of the time, he said, had been consumed in the dispute over the chairmanship of a single committee."

"The performance is childish to the last degree. We all know there is but little difference to the country whether Senator Cummins or Senator Smith or Senator Couzens shall sit at the head of a table instead of at one side," said Reid. Then Senator Reid advocated the interstate commerce committee going ahead with its business without a chairman. "The committee can meet, if it wishes, and select a presiding officer, or it can get along without a chairman," said the man from Missouri.

Opposed to Act

Senator Wheeler, the new Democratic senator from Montana, was in issue with the statements of Senator Reid. He said that the people of his state and of many other western states were strongly opposed to the Esch-Cummins transportation act, and that the whole western campaign had been fought on those lines, and all those who championed

the law have been defeated at the polls. He then twitted the Republicans for refusing to elect Senator LaFollette of Wisconsin, chairman of the committee, as he would be the ranking member of the committee if Senator Cummins were removed.

Sensors Heflin of Alabama, Simmons of North Carolina, Robinson and Caraway of Arkansas, all took a good-natured fling at the Republicans, twitting Senator Lodge, majority leader, for his failure to organize this committee after 25 ballots had been taken.

With the fireworks going off in every direction, Senator Brookhart, Progressive senator from Iowa, got up and landed a solar plexus on the Democratic side of the chamber was to blame, for he declared that Senator Smith, Democrat, had come within one vote of election a few days ago, and would have been elected but for the Democratic senator from Maryland (Mr. Bruce) bolting his party nominee and preventing an election. Everybody laughed and then broke up with a smile on all faces. Then Senator Lodge took the Senate into an executive session to approve some 2,000 nominations that had been sent up that day, and the election of a chairman of the interstate commerce committee goes over now until January 3.

It still remains the unfinished business of the Senate.

Appreciation Shown in Letter to Klan

RISING SUN, Ohio, Dec. 20.—An open letter of appreciation has been addressed by the Seneca County Ku Klux Klan to the Rev. C. H. Gruber of the St. Paul United Brethren church, following a substantial cash donation which recently was presented to his church by a member of the organization. After the presentation, the pastor spoke briefly upon the principles of the Klan, which he declared is purely a pro-American organization and in no way an anti-anti-union, as is charged by its enemies.

Caruso's Widow Returns

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Mrs. Ernest A. Ingram, widow of Enrico Caruso, accompanied by her husband, Capt. Caruso, arrived from England on the Benicaria. They will remain six weeks, after which they will go to Rome for the rest of the winter.

Knit Underwear Soars

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The recent turn upward of the cotton market will result in a 20 per cent jump in the prices of heavy knit underwear manufactured for next fall, it was announced at a meeting of the knit group of the Association of Knit Underwear Manufacturers.

KLAN GIVES FLAG TO PUBLIC SCHOOL

GIRARD, Ohio, Dec. 22.—While several hundred pupils stood at attention and sang "America," a donation of nine Klansmen hoisted a large American flag over the public school building here a few days ago. Prior to the raising ceremony, the flag was formally presented to the superintendent of the school, who made a short speech of acceptance. It is understood that the Klansmen also will present a Bible to the school within the near future, since there is none in the institution at present. On the night after the flag-raising, a large fiery cross was burned at the central part of the city and it is rumored that several hundred candidates will be naturalized by the Klan within a few weeks.

\$500,000 for University

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22.—The University of Pennsylvania has received offers of two gifts aggregating half a million dollars—\$250,000 each from the Rockefeller Foundation and the general education board—on condition that it raise a like amount. The offer was accepted, and as soon as the university raises its share there will be available \$1,000,000 for the building and equipping of a laboratory of anatomy and chemistry. In making this announcement, Provost Josiah H. Pennington said the board of trustees, after the acceptance of the gifts, had authorized the formation of an organization to undertake a financial campaign with the double purpose of meeting the terms of these gifts and the endowment needs of the university.

NEW YEAR'S SERVICE

South Side Spiritualist church, Fountain square, Fountain block, third floor.

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