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"THERE IS NO FAILURE EXCEPT FAILURE TO SERVE THE PURPOSE"

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., MONDAY, APRIL 2, 1923.

# LYONS BETRAYS KLAN OATH

### PEOPLE LOOK ASKANCE AT THE INVESTIGATION

Underworld Characters Willing to Commit Perjury in Order to "Get Even" With Element Enforcing Law.

Ministers and Civic Leaders Deplore Effort to Discredit City Administration at Muncie.

> VALPO STUDENTS GET REAL SERVICE

By Maurice Early in the Indianap; olis Star.).

Muncle, Ind., March 25.—When the good cittenship of a city looks with misgivings upon the process of a Pederal investigation of this law enforcing officials there exists a situation somewhat unique, if not unparalleled in the history of municle citanup campaigns. Muncle citizens anup campaigns. Muncie citizens look with misgivings upon the

ceaung campaigns, and the other do look with misgivings upon the present investigation. They do not, however, want to be misunderstood. They declare they do not want to shield any official-even though his indictment and control of the declare they do not want to shield any official-even though bis indictment and control do not want the Pederal agents implied upon by underword characters who are willing to commit periury in order to 'get even."

This sentiment is expressed by the Delaware County Ministerial Association in resolutions adopted, the last paragraph of which is as follows:

lows:

"We would deplore any success which might attend the efforts of certain lawless elements now undertaking to interfere with the present law enforcement departments of our county and city, and would call upon all good citizens to aid in every just and proper way for the maintenance of good government and respect for law."

Likewise at a meeting of the Muncie City Council, with twolve of the thirteen members present, the Republicans and Democrats alike signed resolutions expressing the "earnest belief that there are certain elements of law violators who are trying to bring discredit upon the law enforcement officials with the object of hampering their honest efforts."

efforts."

Bankers, business men, manufacturers, beads of civic organizations, when interviewed readily expressed the same views as presented in the resolutions adopted by the ministers and the Council.

There are some who are not so "worked up" over the situation and declare they would not be at all surprised to see the proceedings take a different turn and trap some persons who are jnow trying to enmesh officials.

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To understand the Muncle situation it is necessary to refer to a weekly newspaper of the mackraking type, which it appears, some of the citizens have taken seriously. It is the usual type of one-mas edited weekly publication the sparks the printing legal advertisements. Through this publication the sparks of religious prejudice have been fanned. Nearly every man in public life in the city and county has been villided by the paper. As plain ordinary muck raking is rather obsolete the editor of the paper has seized upon the Ku Kinz King. Every official is branded as a klansman. The police department, and others connected with the law enforcement in the city have been pletured as tools of the klan.

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# Republican State Chairman Makes Deal KLAN PERSECUTION With American Unity League Which Bargains in Human Chattels.

# BECOMES TOOL OF CHICAGO CRIMINALS

Benedict Arnold of Indiana Klan and "Mad Pat" O'Donnell **Would Control Indiana Politics and Conduct** Un-American Campaign of Hate.

(B) Staff Correspondent)

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# RESULTS IN SUIT

Courtner Seeks \$50,000 Damages From Chief of Police O'Brien in Suit Filed at Springfield, Ohio.

Five Separate Causes For Action Mentioned and the Petition Sets Forth Many Unlawful Acts.

Springfield, Ohio, March 31.—Suit for \$50,000 damages was filed by Wor-ANTI-MASK KLAN

"This bill." Yester said, "is a pre-autionary measire. We have not et had in Jowa any acts of violence appred by mass organization. But to do know that such acts have been ommitted elsewhere in the United tates and we do not want to be un-reparted if such lawlessness should

ommitted eigenvalues want to be un-itates and we do not want to be un-prepared if such lawlessness should sperad to lowa.

"The substitute bill seeks no way to curfall the activities of any or-ganization so long as those activities are out in the lopen, where a real American always should be."

ANTI-MASK KLAN
BILL PASSES IN
IOWA HOUSE

Des Meines, Ia. March 20.—Without disenting whe or a word opposing debait to be lowed house of representatives today passed the remainder of the Kut Klan of Spring-did, against Richard E. O'Brien, opposing debait to lowe today passed the representatives today passed the representatives to a substitute suffered by the author of the measure was adopted, which is practically the transaces law, said to have operated very satisfactorily in that satisfactorily and the proposal, representatives to a substitute of the construction of the object of the construction of the construction of the object of the construction of

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The petition in full follows:
"First cause of action: On the 14th day of Pebruary, 1923, and for a long time prior thereto, plaintiff was, and had been, in the lawful and peaceable possession and control of certain real estate situated in the State of Ohlo, County of Clark, and City of Springfeld, and being the second floor of a certain building, known as the Old Armory building, and located at No. 32 S. Fountain Are, in said city. At said time and place plaintiff was engaged in the conduct of his business, which was the organization of a subordinate lodge or body of the Ku Kiuz Klan; and was at said time and place conducting said business in a decent, orderly, peaceable and lawful manner. At said time said ku Kiuz Klim was a lawful, orderly and patriotic organization of American citizang, which organization of American citizang, and organization of

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### BULLETIN

Ku Klux Klan today issued a stinging challenge to officers of the American Unity League.

Details on Back Page.

### DITORIAL KLAN PERSECUTION

d as second-class matter, July 20, 1822, at the post office at In Indiana, under the Act of Marth 3, 1879.

Send all News Items and Address all Inquires to 578 and 580 Century Building. Telephone, Lincoln 7467.

### Squeak the Commercial Fife Beat the Civic Drum!

For three years the "city of St. Louis" has "spoken" to the world of its advantages through an extensive advertising campaign running into thousands of dollars, the chief expression of which has been devoted to "The new spirit of enterprise that inspires St. Louisians."

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St. Louis is now spending thousands to tell the cock-eyed world that this old city of new ideas on February 9, this year, went to the polls and passed a bond issue of eighty-seven million dollars for civic progress.

"A whole river—River des Peres—will be covered over, redesing in the cover of course of the covered over."

claiming idle acres and creating new industrial sites. A park-way—a vision of the real St. Louis—will greet visitors as they emerge from Union Station, the terminal of 26 trunk-line railways. A municipal center, a war memorial, a community audi-torium, will form a civic building group on a plaza equal to any

torium, will form-a civic building group on a piaza equal to any in the United States. A new courthouse, hospitals, playgrounds, wider streets, and an auxiliary water works looking to St. Louis's growing needs are among the improvements provided." This is all very well, very commendable, but—we wonder what kind of Round Pegs in Square Holes it was who planned this remarkable and spectacular "development" and so completely forgot that it takes schools to make "St. Louis the Home City."

We ask St. Louisians if they are so fired by the spirit of com-mercial enterprise that they never gave a thought to their boys and girls?

No one has heard them tell the world about their schools, and no one ever will until they step up to bat and knock another ten millions of bonds for some expression of the real spirit of St. Louisians.

In the same paper recently we read of the millions taken into the coffers of "I will Chicago's Pageant of Progress side by side with the news of the condemning as unfit fourteen of its public

schools by public health and fire officials.

The activities of our own Chamber of Commerce could be well directed to the task of helping secure adequate bond issues and tax-board aid to remedy terrible conditions in our city schools in place of its petty pestering of the present school board.

### COMES HIGH: \$50,000 DEMANDED

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Officials Pail Completely

That the state, represented by
Chief of Police O Brien and Prosegutor J. Patrick Maione, had falled in
their effort to have Courtner, Kleagis
of the Klan, held for the Clark county grand jury for the bulletin in the
last issue of the bulletin in the
last issue of the Fiery Cross.

Not only was the charge against
Courtner ordered dismissed by Judge
Golden C. Davis in his decision handed
down last Tuesdoy, but in addition;
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### EFFORT TO SOLVE MURDER AT ALLIANCE

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Frederick Aims, former president of
the National Conference of Social
Work has given out some figures to
show the growth of the public shoul
system in the country. He said that
the entire expenditure for the mineteenth century was 13,12,500,000
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have practically disappeared among
the native born and old of the spread
of child-labor laws and computory
quication. A big rally is to be held
here in May at which time further
plans with ten made for the extension
of public school word.

In a defense of the parochial school,
Dr. James H. Ryan, secretary of the
department of education or thin Na
tional school words.

LYONS SHOULD QUIT.

The action of Lawrence
Lyons in getting in and out of
the Ku Kiux Kian ruins his
usefuluess as chairman of the
Republican party in Indiana.
The fact that he joined at all
will offend many in the party
to whom the kian is nanthema. His withdrawal and the
statement he has issued make
him persona non grata to the
thousands of Hooslers and
friends who are members of
that organization. He has incurred the discrepect of both
sides and shown a lack of discretion that disqualifies him
from further effectile service
as Republican chairman. He
should make way for some one
with a better conception of
party leadership.

It is not necessary to discuss the arguments that have
been made for and against the
Kian as an organization. It
should have been sufficient
to the chairman of a great political party to know that there is
a very strongly marked division of sentiment. Mr. Lyons
could not have been gitterly
opposed to the Kian and would
reseat the leadership of a man
belonging to that body. Regardless of what might have
been his inclination, as a man,
Mr. Lyons should not have forgotten his position as chairman of the Republican party
in the state.

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for Mr. Lyons, as an individual is his
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rt of the State of Indiana. Listed population of the state, and information of those who heard of the places, they are lated largely by the finest peo-n America. Over 60 per cent. of total male population of Delphi

Who is financing the Auto-Unity League? and why.
Who is financing "Mad Pat" O'Don-nell, the two-by-four pussyfooter from Delphi? (Send the list of dona-to the Fiery Cross. We will

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Suppose the control of the source of the money that carries on your campaign of hate?

How do you get the list of names you grint as being Klassmen in your intelerant sheet called "Tolerance".

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and sustain their proof by the record and intelligent facts we will present them with \$10,000 so that they can at least present a respectable appear-ance while they conduct their hate campaign.

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### CHALLENGE \$50,000

The following display advertisement ran on page 20 of The Indianapolis Star, Sunday, April 1, 1923

## To the Citizens of the State of Indiana

Do you know that there is operating in this twentieth century, in these United States, with her unprecedented institutions of liberty, of political wisdom, an aathbound organization whose essential endeavor is to root up and destroy those great provisions of our Federal constitution which express in such clear and impression and ingrease the garnered wisdom of the ages? To accomplish this purpose this organization does not scruple to violate all recognized moral as well as certain specific and clear-cut provisions of the laws of the United States. This organization is—amazingly—numerically greater in our state than in any other state in this Union. It has for its purpose the oppression and hindrance in the free exercise and enjoyment of certain vital and inherent rights of persons as human beings, which rights have crystallized in the constitution of the United States, and there find clear, conclusive and comprehensive expression. The citizens of the United States thus sought to be hindered and oppressed in the exercise of these rights are: All citizens of Jevish extraction, all of Negro extraction, all of the Roman Catholic religious persuasion, and all foreign-born citizens of the United States, regardless of race, creed or previous condition in life.

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The Constitution of the United States in its first amendment guarantees that throughout the United States absolute religious freedom shall prevail. The language of this provision is clear, and if there should be the slightest doubt as to its far-reaching content, that is readily dispelled by a consultation of the case of Reynolds vs. United States, 98 U. S. 145, where a historical review of this provision is presented and this provision given a very broad interpretation. There are also in this constitution some express and many implied restrictions as to the right to discriminate against citizens of the United States on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude. To those both for and against us, we point out the following Federal constitutional, statutory provisions and judicial decisions-to make clear the rights of Catholics, Jews, Negroes and foreign-born in this country, and to point out the legal consequences to those who have banded together to impair these rights:

Art. I, of the First Amendment to the Constitution

Art. I, of the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States: "Congress shall make no law respecting the establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridge the freedom of speech or of the press; or the right of the people to peaceably assemble and petition the government for a redress of grievances."

Sec. 5508, of the Federal Criminal Code, is as follows:
"If two or more persons conspire to injure, oppress,
threaten or intimidate any citizen in the free exercise
or enjoyment of any right or privilege secured to him

by the Constitution or laws of the United States, or because of his having exercised the same, or if two or more persons go in disguise on the highway, or on the premises of another, with Intent to prevent or hinder his free exercise of enjoyment of any right or privilege so secured, they shall be fined not less than five thousand dollars and imprisoned not more than ten years; and shall, moreover, be thereafter ineligible to any office or place of honor or trust created by the Constitution or laws of the United States."

The following are the legal decisions illustrating the far-reaching character and effectiveness of this statutory provision:

Ex parte Yarbrough, 110 U. S. 651;
Logan vs. United States, 114 U. S. 263;
United States vs. Waddell, 112 U. S. 76;
United States vs. Mosely, 238 U. S. 383;
United States vs. Davis, 103 Fed. Repr. 456;
United States vs. Aczel et al., 216 Fed. 917 (Opiniol of U. S. District Court for Indiana, rendered by Judge Anderson);
Aczel vs. United States (Circuit Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit), 232 Fed. 652.

Seventh Circuit), 232 Fed. 652.

To combat these most dangerous activities and this dangerous heresy, the "".merican Unity League" was organized. Its executive board is composed of the following prominent citizens of the United States: Hor. Patrick H. O'Donnell, chairman; Robert E. Shepher, reasurer; Hon. Ernest D. Boyle, Governor of New Mexico; the Rt. Rev. Mgr. J. F. Noll, editor Our Sunday Visitor; Callistus S. Ennis, Hon. Robert M. Sweitzer, Samuel J. Andalmar, Rabbi Leon Fram, Dr. S. M. Melamed, editor East and West; Thomas F. McDonald, high secretary Catholic Order of Foresters; Rabbi Abram Hirschberg, Hon. Patrick J. Carr, Dr. Joseph Stoltz, the Rev. W. J. Menamee, 'Dr. Max Thorek, Joseph G. Keller.

Pr. Max Thorek, Joseph G. Keller.

Its purpose is to organise those immediately affected by the activities above referred to, as well as other persons who are interested in the preservation of the fundamental principles of American citizenship as expressed in the Pedera rive of continuous continu

### AMERICAN UNITY LEAGUE

By Its Indiana Fiscal Representatives:

JOSEPH R. ROACH

THOMAS SWEENEY

MICHAEL HARRAHAN

### THE DOORS OF THE COURTS ARE OPEN!

We are authorized to challenge the American Unity League, Joe Roach, Thomas Sweeney and Mike Harrahan to prove that the "Knights of the Invisible Empire, Ku Klux Klan" is the organization referred to by their terrible inference in the above appeal for Catholic dollars and prove that "To accomplish this purpose this organization does not scruple to violate all recognized moral as well as certain specific and clear-cut provisions of the laws of the United States. It has for its purpose the oppression and hindrance in the free exercise and enjoyment of certain vital and inherent rights of persons as human beings." visions of the latter of the operation and hindrance in the free exercise with the operation and hindrance in the free exercise with the operation and inherent rights of persons as human beings,"

The doors of the courts are open. Your president, Pat O'Donnell claims

to know the addresses of the executive heads of the Ku are defied and challenged to deal in facts. The public demands you quit your evasion. Why did you so carefully evade printing the name of the organization you accuse in this adv.rt/sement? Who are you hitting at? Yourselves, the Masons, the K. of P. or the Klan? Insert the name of the Ku Klux Klan, reprint the above advertisement and prove it and they will pay Fifty Thousand Dollars, not to you, but to any Catholic institution that two real Catholics, Bishop Chartrand and Bishop Alerding may designate

# THE FIERY CROSS

Full of the Truth and Faith of Its Readers Read The Fiery Cross for Facts of Doings in Klandom