

YOU ARE ENTITLED TO A GOOD JOB, IF YOU ARE A FAITHFUL KLANSMAN

Executives at Portland Working Out Scientific System of Giving Valuable Service to All Members and Employers

(Tell every Klansman about this, and tell him to pass it on)

Every Klansman who is out of work and wants a job is requested to write down, plainly, his name and address, and how he can be found, stating briefly the kind of job for which he is best fitted, his experience and his Klan reference, and leave it with or mail it to the Assistant Secretary, Employment Department, 453 Pittock Block, Portland. The service is designed principally for Portland residents, but efficient service also can be given to Klansmen in other cities, especially those nearby—within a hundred-mile area. State-wide service system will be perfected with the development of The Western American, which will receive these wants from the secretarial department of the Exalted Cyclops' office, each having a number—the number being published instead of the name. No name will be used without special request.

No charge will be made for this service, no matter how much space it requires, or how much work it involves.

Royal Riders "Allee-Same"

The same service will be given, gratis, to all members of The Royal Riders of the Red Robe, but their data should be filed either at the Imperial Regent's office (Dr. M. W. Rose), 559 Morgan Building, or direct with the editor of The Western American, 407-408 Pittock Block.

Don't say it—but write it! Too many expect staff employees to turn themselves into quadruplex recording machines when job-seekers visit them and make verbal requests. Co-operate in this way and get results.

All employers wanting help of any kind are invited to write

PARSON COLLECTS; NEEDY SUFFERING

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tion as stated made the total \$104.15, which was paid to his church on his recommendation and authority.

Some dishes were loaned from the Presbyterian church, as from all other churches, but the Methodists and others loaned freely without compensation.

The Presbyterian church was used for a short time only for the Salvation Army distribution station, after they had left the Methodist church in order to allow the free feeding station to occupy the Methodist church.

The Salvation Army used the Methodist church, of which the Rev. Melville T. Wire is pastor, without paying one cent and no pay would have been acceptable. The Army used the Methodist church more than a week as sleeping and feeding quarters and, including everything, paid only the bill of \$15 for lights, gas, etc.

Excessive to Say the Least

Persons who are watching the disposal of the relief fund by the Committee of Ten, with Gilbert as chairman, declare that the light bill of \$23.40 for that short time is more than it ought to be for any month of regular church use. The big red, Methodist brick church pays just about that much PER MONTH for lights AND GAS.

This item collected by Gilbert, and the \$700, plus, given to C. W. Halderman as his expense fund on a trip to the east, have caused much comment among those who wanted to see every dollar of the disaster relief fund do a dollar's worth of good. The two items are regarded as excessive, to say the least.

Noble Matron Complains

One of Astoria's prominent matrons, a leader in social life and of a pioneer family, writing to The Western American under date of January 12, says, in part:

"The relief station closes in one month from the date of the fire. It is proposed to sell more than \$5,000 worth of groceries and nearly \$2,000 of clothing to local dealers. Then, they say, give 300 sacks of unsalable potatoes to the needy. Now, if there are people here so poor that they must use such food, why are they not entitled to the food sent here for their relief? Also, what right has the committee to hire or pay for a surveyor (emergency engineer) out of the relief funds, when we have a city engineer and surveyor party at good salaries, with nothing else to do? Also, has there been anything doing here that the people who were burned out could get salary for, sufficient to buy the necessities—living, bedding, etc.? The loaned blankets are called in.

"Up to this time only about 100 carpenters are employed and not more than half the clerks, and not more than half the other business enterprises have started up. What about the others, who are destitute?"

Needy Applicants Grilled

"The organization handling the relief says that very few were coming for supplies. Why? Because the questionnaire was so grilling that (a lady told me) one had to give the whole history of one's self and all your relations to get a requisition; and if you had a relative, either here or elsewhere, who was making wages, you were not entitled to relief. The lady declared that if she starved she would not go again to the relief committee. That is why so much was left to be divided among the different charity organizations (if they can work it).

"The living and fuel relief should have been kept up at least three months, if the fund had lasted."

This noble woman asked The Western American to publish the facts, "so that the right shall prevail."

Gilbert Serves Himself Best

While applying the iron rule to needy applicants, according to the above statement, Preacher Gilbert had no difficulty in obtaining a requisition for his own church for a comparatively large sum, because he signed same as the recommender and as chairman, despite the fact that his church is one of the wealthiest in

or telephone their wants to Broadway 4371, or Broadway 0187.

All jobs obtained and all help placed will be upon an absolutely honest basis, and no fees will be charged for any service.

All concerned are requested never to refer employment matters directly to the Exalted Cyclops or the Grand Dragon, for they are the busiest men in Portland, and the aim is to relieve them of a mass of detail work. All matters requiring executive attention are referred to them instantly, of course.

Planning Blessings for All

By reducing the Klan's constructive services to a scientific system, everyone concerned soon will be cooking Dr. Coule's formula: "Every day in every way the Klan grows better and better," and that's the truth. Don't harass the secretaries with verbal requests, in person or by phone, but write it down, all data complete, and thereby help them to get from under.

The Secretary and his Assistant, in suite 453 Pittock Block, are working out a system of practical service which, with co-operation, will return showers of blessings in time of need.

There is no good reason for any Klansman or Royal Rider to be out of work, when thousands of well-to-do Klansmen are employers, and when all employers know, or ought to know, that Klansman help is absolutely dependable, engaged upon the basis of honor, duty and the Golden Rule.

The Klan executives have expressed a regret that the contemplated service cannot be given to all men in need of help without regard to fraternal affiliations, but that would be impossible without institutional equipment and a heavy payroll.

western Oregon and that Gilbert is employed at high wages and had sustained no fire loss.

It is hoped that Preacher Gilbert may be prevailed upon to turn the \$104.15 back into the relief fund for use as intended by those who generously gave the money to the fire sufferers. It is furthermore believed that the square-dealing and red-blooded men of his congregation will COMPEL this restitution, because there are thousands of poor and needy families in Astoria at the present time. Little children are crying for food in Astoria and many have not clothing enough to protect them from the winter winds.

WHY DO SO MANY BOYS GO WRONG?

Editors and others everywhere are writing in alarm about the epidemic of crime among boys and young men, and wondering what can be done to save them. The cause is, of course, the godless home and the tragic scorn of religion. The faith in Christ which translates itself into terms of action—in righteous living, high thinking—is the thing needed by all, old and young. This is the world's chief need.

The reckless youth comes from the godless home, as a rule, where religion is never mentioned. To him the Bible is a sealed book, the story of Christ and salvation but vaguely understood. The selfish, untrained boy grows into an unscrupulous and reckless man, interested only in financial profit and worldly pleasure.

How can society protect itself from the growing menace? The basic non-sectarian truths of religion, the universal faith in a loving and omnipotent God, taught reverently and patiently, in progressive courses of reading and study in the home, the school and the church, soon would reduce the crime wave that threatens to engulf humanity.

All of the great fraternities can help in this training, and none is better fitted for effective work than the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. At present, boys are eligible to join the Klan at age 18, and many thousands of them are members. In devotion to duty the youngsters are unexcelled. They keep quiet, as a rule, in Klavern affairs, but every constructive program affords opportunities for the full play of juvenile activity and enthusiasm. They are men of action, these boys of 18, in the Klan, always dependable on committees, readily yielding to authority and the leadership of experienced men. In the Klan they learn the story of Christ and the meaning of the fiery cross. They hear impressive talks by laymen and absorb the knowledge which they need in everyday life. The Klan is the noblest of orders for young men, and its enforced system of training cannot fail to bring out all that is best in a youth. If protestant parents understood the full meaning of this statement, they would encourage their sons by every means to join the Ku Klux Klan.

There is no auxiliary, yet, for "Kid" Klansmen, but perhaps there should be one. The Boy Scouts is serving well, however, and doing a world of good. There's a vast difference between a Boy Scout and a boy of the same age outside of that order. All Klansmen are supporters of the Boy Scout movement, knowing well its beneficial results. The Order of De Molay is another splendid fraternity for boys. After all, the lads of today are the equals of those of the past, back through the centuries. In some respects they are greatly superior, these our masters of posterity, and lack only the religious training in home and school to make them all that they should be.

The boys aren't to blame for their deficiencies. The fault is in the parents—the boys and girls of yesterday—and in their thoroughly commercialized environment.

We are accused by our ex-governor of being the possible cause of future war. While we do not approve of war that reasonably can be avoided, we remember a past war that was necessary to rid our country of a menace—a war that accomplished the purpose, too.

War is better than tolerance of injustice, when injustice can be so corrected, and the Klan intends to stand for justice in any event.

Sorry to give the old "Gov." such a scare (he is too old to fight anyway) but we mean what we say.



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