

# Following the Fiery Cross in the East

By A. H. BELL

### GREETINGS, WESTERNERS!

The Western American has reached the East and found many readers among the followers of the Fiery Cross, the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, The Royal Riders of the Red Robe, and The Ladies of The Invisible Empire.

While the East is not so far advanced in the great movement as the West, nevertheless we are not out of the fight by any means. The Ku Klux Klan is active in every State, while the two other great organizations are busy piling up a membership that soon will be in a position to keep the un-American element in their place.

In the East, we are right in the mouth of the cannon, and with Roman Catholics holding most all public offices we are right where we are needed.

In Harrison, N. J., the Order has gone out to arrest any Klansman and hold him in jail for ten days to test his sanity. Can you expect anything different from a Rome-controlled city where they arrest the Fire Department from the next city for speeding as they pass through Harrison to answer a fire alarm?

The Betsy Ross Council No. 1, Paterson, N. J., Ladies of The Invisible Empire, entertained The Red Riders at their last meeting and provided a nice little supper which was enjoyed by the hungry men in Red.

The Kearney Chapter of the R.H.R. is to open the last of January and is expected to grow fast in the next few months.

United We Stand, Divided We Fall, is the motto here in the East and all Klansmen, Riders and Ladies desire the Westerners to know that they are with you in all things.

The school bill put over in Oregon is the talk of the Eastern States and it will not be long before it is attempted in this neck of the woods.

At noon on Saturday, a few weeks ago, the citizens of Paterson, N. J., were surprised to see several men in the Red Robes of the Royal Riders step out of an automobile and walk into the Press-Guardian newspaper offices next door to the police station. The Riders gave the editor an outline of the principles of their organization and then departed to visit the Protestant ministers of the city and pledge the support of the organization to the churches. Publicly courts. Now there are hundreds waiting to find their way into the organization.

The Asbury Park Klan (N. J.) is working hard these days. Lecturers appear each meeting and give the Klansmen interesting talks that have made the men get up on their toes and go out after every eligible man.

George Washington Klan No. 3, Newark, N. J., and Leif Erickson Klan No. 1, Paterson, N. J., are working hard to beat each other in membership. So far, it seems to be a tie.

The Klans in New York City are growing at a rate that would surprise Mayor Hylan if he only knew. Hylan ordered all Klansmen arrested, but that does not mean anything for he ordered several things that have never been done.

Binghamton, N. Y., is one of the towns that in the last few weeks has come forward as a Klan stronghold. They are to hold a big meeting there in the near future and will take in hundreds of aliens.

Hello Kap is the greeting of patriots up here. Hello Kap, meaning "Keep America Protestant."

Bloomfield Provisional Klan of New Jersey gave away a number of Xmas Baskets to the poor, and visited three churches with donations on Xmas Eve.

A lone Klansman in the regalia of the Klan, walked into the home for crippled children in Newark, N. J., and gave fifty dollars to the fund, and on

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the same date another Klansman in robes entered the Florence Crittenden Home for Girls in Paterson, N. J., and presented a \$100 gift.

New Councils of the L.O.T.I.E. to be opened shortly in New Jersey are in Arlington, Morrisstown, Lyndhurst, Asbury Park and Red Bank.

The R.H.R. will open new Chapters shortly in Long Branch, Harrison, Dutler, Asbury Park, and Silver Lake.

A new Klan is being formed in Silver Lake, N. J., of former members of Bloomfield Klan. The Belleville Klansmen are also gaining in numbers and will soon branch away from Newark.

The Propagation Department is now working in Newark, N. J., and will open six or more new Klans in the next few weeks.

Albert Pike Klan No. 2, Rutherford, N. J., has several former residents of Oregon.

Dr. William J. Mahoney, the Imperial Klansman, is now in New York City taking care of the work there and he has a staff of able assistants.

The Ladies of The Invisible Empire in the East here are hoping that some of their Imperial Officers will some day come this way and watch them put on their work. The ladies sure are letter perfect in their ritualistic work.

A wise young reporter, thought he had discovered the meeting-place of the Klan in Newark and called to get a story. He was expecting to be met at the door by a white-robed figure and almost fell down the elevator shaft when a Royal Rider in a Red Robe greeted him.

"Dr." Harrison, a negro lecturer, spoke on the "Menace of the Ku Klux Klan" recently in Paterson, N. J. He stated that he used to be a "Protestant" but was proud to be able to state that he was no longer connected with such a bigoted church. He stated he had two sisters who were Catholics. After he had finished his talk on the Klan to an audience of about five hundred Jews and Catholics, he was much surprised when a Klansman arose, walked upon the platform and tore his lecture in pieces. If a negro could turn white, "Dr." Harrison would have done so.

The Brooklyn Klan has been having some great meetings and bids fair to outgrow the Gotham Klan if the busy New Yorkers don't watch out.

The Rail Splitter, published at Milan, Ill., will publish an original picture of the Royal Riders in its February issue.

An entertainment will be given by the Paterson Council, L.O.T.I.E., at their next meeting. "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," and LOTIE a dull girl, so the ladies are going to relax for once.

George Washington Klan No. 3, New Jersey, has planned for a big time on Washington's Birthday. They will have a class of more than a hundred at their next meeting.

To our Western brothers and sisters we extend our greetings. Being interested in you, we thought that, no doubt, you would like to hear a little about us—The Followers of The Fiery Cross in The East.

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Circling lovers as they stroll  
Where gloaming shadows them enfold,  
Watching love's passion leap to flame;  
Stealing love's secrets without shame.

Then to the lowlands flitting swift,  
Where ebb and flow of tides uplift  
The crystal sands, and pile them high  
O'er covering all that 'neath them lie.

Again to lovers' tryst return  
To watch the fires of passion burn,  
To kiss the cheek of bride and groom  
The while they weave on nature's loom.

'Tis they should know that warp and wool  
Of every fabric holds the proof  
Which test of time will show the why  
That weak strands fray and break and die.

The weavers may by patient care  
Arrange each strand so it will wear;  
Or careless be of love and life  
Sowing the seeds which grow to strife.

So Father Time with finger writes  
His record of our days and nights;  
Of love and life and their return  
From nature's fires, that ever burn.

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