

MERITS OF K. K. K. MAKE IT IMMORTAL IN LIFE OF NATION

Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Grand Chapter Talks

Dr. William F. Kuhn, Grand High Priest of the Royal Arch Grand Chapter, believes that Masonry, the Klan or any other organization lives or dies on its merits or demerits.

"I am not a member of the Klan, but I am not willing to denounce it, as the philosophy of history is that all organized agencies or fraternities must establish reason and justice for their existence or they will die prematurely."

"But we must clearly recognize a 'religious belief' from a 'religio-political belief.' Freemasonry, while recognizing the greatest liberty to rights, privileges and religion to every man, it does not and cannot tolerate any religio-political propaganda that is subversive of the rights and privileges of a free people, or that is unpatriotic, a scheming to convert the religion of right of the people to its special use or purposes.

are fostered and propagated to establish a religious hierarchy, must meet with resistance by every liberty-loving Freemason. Any organization, be it Freemasonry, Klan, or any society that does not measure up to 100 per cent American as understood by the founders of our government, is un-American, unpatriotic and must be met, not by violence or unlawful act, but at the ballot box.

FELLOWSHIP FORUM HONEST, EFFICIENT

Mr. E. P. Ramsay of San Francisco, Western manager of The Fellowship Forum, the famous Masonic weekly newspaper published at Washington, D. C., is a guest at the Carlton Hotel, Portland. He is placing representatives in this field for the purpose of obtaining subscribers.

The Fellowship Forum subscription price is only \$2 a year, and each issue is commonly said to be worth that much. The paper has been very fair and generous toward the Klan. Its best staff reporter—one of the best in America—was sent to Bastrop, La., to send out the truth concerning the fake murders, framed by the half-breed Mexican prosecutor and a group of New Orleans Catholics for the purpose of discrediting the Ku Klux Klan.

The Forum is entitled to Klan support and loyalty. The following letter was published a few days ago by The Fellowship Forum, the great Masonic weekly of Washington, D. C.:

Having recently read a copy of your excellent paper, and am much pleased with its defense of our free American institutions against the aggressions of the Roman Catholic hierarchy, also with your attitude towards the Ku Klux Klan, an organization which is very similar in principles and aims to the Masonic fraternity.

PARKER IS SHOWN UP IN BASTROP OUTRAGE

Hope you will (if you have not already done so) make prominent and emphatic denial of the false press reports representing Mr. Clark of the Klan as favoring the admission of Catholics to membership in the Klan; and that will show up the unjust and malicious persecution of the Klan in Louisiana by Governor Parker and his K. C. supporters.

Unless you have received information other than that published by the Associated Press, you are not aware of the diabolical methods employed by the Parker-K. C. combine to make the Klan a criminal organization in the eyes of the public.

Following are some of the nominations and standing of the candidates in The Western American's big subscription campaign. Mrs. H. E. Hadley still is maintaining her lead, followed closely by Mabel E. Jones, who is making a spectacular race for first place.

STANDING OF THE VARIOUS CANDIDATES IS AS FOLLOWS:

- Mrs. H. E. Hadley, Burlington (Linnton) 1,275,000
Mabel E. Jones, 1179 Gladstone Ave. 1,054,075
Mrs. Fred Armbruster, Ceclia Apartments 675,396
Roy R. McClellan, 445 Morrison St. 471,300
Ethel Howard, 1391 Tabor St. 431,000
A. J. Newman, Linton, Ore. 413,200
W. E. Bailey, 6526 70th St. 334,710
Sheriff Harley Slusher, Astoria, Ore. 318,100
Nat. R. Long, 940 E. 24th St. 202,300
Mrs. H. W. Hunt, 9842 55th Ave. S. E. 200,300
Mrs. Zertha Rowe, Cooks' Union 151,520
H. W. Rohrer, Huntington, Ore. 104,100
Susie B. Enour, 96 E. 37th St. 93,000
Lawrence A. Ten Eyck, 914 Yale St. 88,700
Arvid B. Carlson, 750 Corbett St. 88,200
Harry Federspiel, 6218 Powell Valley 88,050
Logan A. Read, 501 E. 37th St. 82,125
D. E. Buckman, Viking Bakery 80,200
Geo. A. Marvel, Boyd, Ore. 49,000
Mrs. Alice F. George, Eugene, Ore. 48,525
Mrs. Martha Dunn, Newburg, Ore. 52,300
Marshall C. Fisher, Roseburg, Ore. 47,000
Earl Johnson, 1040 E. 12th St. N. 45,000
Gladys Galchutt, 85 E. Lombard St. 19,150
Mrs. J. W. Minor, Baker, Ore. 14,000
A. D. Monteth, 587 E. 15th N. 11,000
Eleanor McAllester, 618 Columbia Blvd. 11,100
C. W. Dasher, 878 Vancouver Ave. 14,000
Mrs. H. T. Stevenson, Route 1 5,100
Nathan Hale, 602 East 8th St. 5,100
Mrs. F. T. Bell, 632 Linn Ave. 5,100

Note—Read story in box item showing how easy it is to jump into the lead.

QUESTION BOX

What are the religious affiliations of Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel of the Anti-Saloon League? Mr. Wheeler is a Protestant but is not a Mason.

Is Senator David A. Reed, of Pennsylvania, a Mason? He is. A member of Fellowship Lodge at Pittsburgh.

Is Senator James A. Reed, of Missouri, a Mason? He is not. On the other hand, he has shown every evidence of being under Catholic direction and control, even though a Protestant himself.

Is it true that Masons are not allowed to organize lodges in the south of Ireland? No. There are several strong lodges in Dublin and there is a strong Protestant sentiment throughout the country despite the fact that it has been under Catholic domination for years.

What is the status of the Towner-Sterling bill? Thanks to the efforts of Representative Simeon D. Fess, senator-elect from Ohio, it is dead for this session of Congress. The bill was referred to the House Educational Committee, of which Fess is Chairman. Afterward Fess refused to call the committee to meet, which was his way of responding to Catholic pressure, in that he was a candidate for the Senate. A majority of the members of the committee is in favor of the measure. When the new Congress convenes the bill will be re-introduced and referred to the same committee, of which Representative Horace M. Towner of Iowa, will be Chairman, being the ranking Republican on the committee. He is joint author of the bill. Then it will be reported out favorably.

What is the numerical strength of the Ku Klux Klan? According to the latest information we can gather, the membership about December 1 had just passed the 3,000,000 mark. There has been an abnormal monthly increase since, however, due to the Mer Rouge affair in Louisiana, it is said.

Has the Vatican an ambassador to the United States? No. It has what is termed an "Apostolic Delegate," who endeavored to become officially recognized when President Harding first took office, but failed. He is supposed to be the ambassador, however, and in so far as he can without recognition, he fulfills this duty.

PRESIDENT OF MEXICO EXPELS POPE'S AGENT

In addition to the troubles which the Pope is experiencing with some of the European countries who are objecting to his political interference, now comes the Government of Mexico on the American continent, whose government head, President Obregon, issued an executive order directing the expulsion from Mexico within three days of Monsignor Ernesto Filippi, the apostolic delegate in Mexico.

The order for expulsion came as the result of Monsignor Filippi's directing and participating in religious ceremonies contrary to the federal laws of Mexico. It is the first important move which, it is said, the government will

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"Well, that day I asked Henry just how long he could cut the price. He said that was getting into the business end of it, but then he winked at Edsel and said they could afford to give the car away if they kept control of the places where they sold the repair parts. Yes, sir, he told me that a Ford would stand enough bolts in two months to pay for itself."

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Masonry in Denmark, Norway, Sweden and the Grand National Lodge of Berlin, Germany, is known as the Christian group, and candidates must be professors of the Christian religion.

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