

Here's Undeniable Proof That the K. C. Uses Black Robes

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Challenged by interested persons to prove that the Knights of Columbus use BLACK REGALIA, in startling contrast to the snow-white robes of the Klansmen, The Western American herewith presents the unquestionable proof in the form of photographic facsimile of a letter from a K. C. official concerning the transportation and use of BLACK ROBES in a K. C. initiation. The West-

ern American has many other interesting documents, which may or may not be used from time to time, according to necessity. This answers the continual yawp about the white robes of the Klan. A certain Portland preacher now has the positive proof that the K. C. uses BLACK ROBES, which ought to nullify his objection to the emblem of purity and innocence used by the Ku Klux Klan.

**KLANS MAY PROTEST
OUTRAGED ACTION**

**Harding's Aide Establishes
Negro Bathing-Beach on
Virginia Side of Potomac.**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 7.—Klansmen in Northern Virginia are "up in arms" over the report that Lieut.-Col. Clarence O. Sherrill, aide to President Harding and officer in charge of Public Buildings and Grounds in the District of Columbia, is planning to establish a bathing beach on the Virginia side of the Potomac river.

For several years there has been a bathing beach for white people in the beautiful Tidal Basin in Potomac Park, and recently the negroes have

put up a hue and cry for one. They wanted it alongside of the one for whites, but Secretary Weeks put his foot on that.

That began the search for a site to build the beach and during the past week Colonel Sherrill made the above announcement. That he should have selected the southern side of the river instead of the northern side is regarded as an insult to the people living in that portion of Virginia. It is pointed out that there are available sites on the District side and in Maryland where they will be much more welcome than they will be in a southern state.

While the Klans in Virginia have taken no formal action on the report as yet, several have expressed themselves as being determined no such establishment shall be foisted upon them. They, however, wish it understood that the matter will be carried to the courts and to the floors of Congress, and will not attempt to settle the matter in the way ascribed to the Klan by the Catholics.

**K. K. BUY PIANO FOR
WORTHY RECIPIENTS**

**Klan Doing Great Good in
Hoquiam and Grays
Harbor District.**

HOQUIAM, Wash., Feb. 7.—An announcement was made yesterday that the Ku Klux Klan of Hoquiam had offered to complete the fund, and the Emerson circle of the Parent-Teacher association had accepted the offer, to purchase a piano for the Emerson school. The offer was made by letter from the Exalted Cyclops of the Klan to the association and was accepted by resolutions adopted by the latter at its last meeting.

Some time ago the Emerson Parent-Teacher circle began the task of raising money to purchase a piano for the school. Part of the money was raised when the Ku Klux Klan sent a letter reading in part as follows:

"We have been informed that you require funds with which to purchase a piano for your circle.

"Anything pertaining to the public schools is very dear to the heart of our organization, and we take this opportunity of extending to you complete authority to purchase whatever you require for your good purpose, mailing us the amount of your expenditure and we shall be very happy to assume the indebtedness. Kindly read this notice at your next meeting."

The Emerson circle resolutions accepting the offer, dated January 19, is as follows:

"At the regular meeting of the Emerson circle of the Parent-Teacher association, the following resolution was presented and unanimously passed:

"Whereas, The Emerson circle of the Parent-Teacher association had raised considerable funds toward the purchase of a piano for the Emerson school; and

"Whereas, There still remained a deficit which the Ku Klux Klan generously offered to meet, it being their object to further all such good and worthy causes;

"Therefore, Be it resolved that the Emerson circle of the Parent-Teacher association extend to the Hoquiam order of the Ku Klux Klan its heart-

felt thanks for their gracious and timely subscription."

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