

FULLER PLEADING HIS INNOCENCE OF SLAMMING THE KK

Hartford Man Too Busy With His "Nutmegs" to Bother About Klan.

DECLARES NEVER SAID IT

Misunderstanding Causes Confusion in His Army of Brush Salesmen.

Several days ago The Western American was informed that A. C. Fuller, president of the Fuller Brush Company, Hartford, Conn., had issued a statement declaring he would discharge all Klansmen in his employ. His alleged statement, which was sent broadcast, was that Klansmen are of questionable character; that they attempt to rule by mob; that they are unfit as American citizens; that his business could prosper regardless of this organization; that the Klan was composed of fools and rascals, who could not have any influence upon his business. It was also reported that the Superintendent of the Connecticut Railway had endorsed the statement alleged to have been made by Mr. Fuller.

The Western American immediately investigated, and promptly came the following denial from Mr. Fuller:

"I know nothing about the Klan, nor have I formulated any opinion regard-

ing it, and my attitude is strictly a neutral one. Any statements to the contrary are due absolutely to a misunderstanding. The Fuller Brush Company never has concerned itself as to whether its employees belong to any particular sect, creed, religion, fraternal or political body. Such has been our policy in the past and such will be our policy in the future.

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The Fuller concern employs thousands of men, who sell brushes of all kinds from house to house throughout the country. It is a wealthy and important firm. The Western American wanted to be fair, because Mr. Fuller's branch manager for the Oregon division, Mr. W. Hodgson of Portland, is a "square shooter," and he declared somebody had lied, probably some enemy of the company.

The inquiry is being extended to the Superintendent of the Connecticut Railway.

LEADERS STRIKE

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the Klan, declares he is doing all in his power to kill our organization. He is a mere viper, biting against a file. He might as well try to extinguish the fires of hell with a bucket of water, for the Ku Klux Klan is in America to stay—today, tomorrow, forever!" declared the lecturer.

Referring again to Anarchist Scott, he said: "Scott hurls about the 'Klan-Hindenburg line.' The Hindenburg line in France was penetrable. Our boys went through it like a wall of cardboard, sweeping the enemy before them like chaff before the wind. The line of the Klan is impenetrable, because it is invisible, though solid as steel a thousand feet thick, and it is everywhere. The grand army of the Invisible Empire will move presently, led by the Fiery Cross and the stainless Flag of America, and will drive the enemy before it, like the great invisible army which the Germans beheld at the Battle of the Marne, which caused terror in their legions and disastrous rout."

The infamous daily newspapers, controlled by "Kikes and Catholics," which published the dastardly criminal libels against the Klan and its leaders throughout the Mer Rouge "hearing," thereby laying themselves liable to heavy penalties which yet must be assessed, all are eager and prompt to print anything and everything libelous of the Klan, the speaker said, but are silent concerning the outrageous anarchistic mouthings and treasonable utterances of Joe Scott and other KC leaders of his ilk.

"We have stood the press libels and abuse as long as we can," he declared. "Patience ceases to be a virtue. From now on we will fight, and with every weapon at our command. We will go into the courts. We will drag these dirty libelers before the bar of justice. We will send some of them to the penitentiary, where they always have belonged. We will drive them out of every American community. We have stood their filthy abuse, their cowardly attacks, their abominable mud-slinging in behalf of the Roman Pope just as long as we intend to. From now on we will defend the work of the Klan, which is divine in its conception and sublime in its operation. Thus far may our enemies go and no further. America was founded by Anglo-Saxons upon the eternal principles of protestantism, and by the help of God and the Ku Klux Klan it will remain so forever!"

Some Startling Statistics

One distinguished speaker gave some statistics of the KC and the Y. M. C. A. that seemed to startle all hearers. He showed the undue proportion of Catholic appointments during the reign of "President Joseph Tumulty, K. C., and of Vice-President Woodrow Wilson." "It was President Joe Tumulty," he declared, "who vilely succeeded in keeping Freemasons from going to France to help their brethren in the cause of liberty, while promoting KC's in every direction, sending them over to undermine and attack the protestant Y. M. C. A. But the 'Y' turned over its war funds at the close of the struggle, giving them to services for the disabled veterans, while the Roman KC kept seven million dollars of public money with which to fight the United States government and just laws passed by the people."

Speaking of "flappers" and other human phenomena, which have been charged against the public school, the lecturer said: "No wonder we have flappers! Look at the great number of Roman Catholics we have teaching the Young Idea. They swing from one extreme to the other." He declared the Oregon public schools, now happily to be rid of the Roman incubus, speedily would develop into the finest in America, with every modern advantage and auxiliary.

ALIEN RAT SCORED BY RAIL-SPLITTER

William Lloyd Clark Reveals Record of Upstart Foreign Wrecker

"Billie" Parker, self-styled, a foreigner, has the impudence to attempt a movement to wreck and destroy the Ku Klux Klan in the interest of the Roman Catholic hierarchy. "Billie" things he can "fool some of the people" and that he can catch suckers at ten dollars each, but last accounts indicate that "Billie" already realizes his mistake. "Billie" ought to be deported, just as quickly as the legal details can be arranged. Now mark the prediction, he will be sent back in due season.

A WARNING TO THE PATRIOTS OF AMERICA.
BY WILLIAM LLOYD CLARK.
Editor of The Rail-Splitter, Milan, Ill.

It is regrettable that it is necessary for The Rail Splitter to refer again to the work of Billy Parker and The New Menacer. A very few years ago Parker conceived the idea of forming his own organization, one he could control and utilize to his own financial advantage. His idea of making a success of his own order was to break up every other order and stampede the members of these disrupted orders into his own machine. He sent out men who would stoop to do his work and in a large measure he was instrumental in breaking up the "P's" and the Guardians of Liberty. He simply succeeded in wrecking two good organizations in the interest of his own machine, the I. O. B., which never functioned and which is dead today.

At that time the national officers of the "P's," the G. of L. and the Orange-men appealed to this publication to champion their cause and we became the spokesmen for these men who were as great a body of men as ever banded themselves together to serve the Protestant cause.

Parker's record was broadcast throughout the nation and it baffles me to understand why any organization would allow him to become a member after that exposure.

He is using exactly the same tactics now relative to the Klan that he used previously in his former efforts to build a Parker machine on the ruins of the other orders. He is making a vicious and unjust attack on the national officers of the order.

Men who through their ability and tireless labors have built up the greatest, most efficient, and most effective Protestant fraternity in the history of all the world. These men have been tried as if by fire. There is no possibility on earth that these men are weak or ever will surrender to Romanism or any other disloyal forces. Parker is taking the word of "The Brass Check" newspapers and using their testimony against the order and its leaders. In doing this he has aligned himself with the traitor Kimbro, Allen of Kansas, Parker of Louisiana, Hylan of New York, and should be considered a traitor to his obligations and to the organization.

Parker crawled into the movement from the Socialist soap box because he found he could make more money preaching patriotism than taking up collections from a crowd of down-and-outs on the street corner. He swapped ends with Gale's Communist magazine in Mexico and wrote Gale to the effect that a copy of his publication was to him as refreshing as a shower bath on a July day. The files of both papers will prove that I am right.

A letter has just reached this office asking me if I believe that Parker is a Jesuit in the service of the enemy, I do not know. I cannot understand the man. He says every patriotic order has been broken up through strife created by men within the ranks and then proceeds to carry out this infamous policy himself at every opportunity. If he is not well rewarded by Political Romanism it is not because he is not earning that reward.

He is foreign-born, has a brogue which he brought over and which he has never disposed of, is as slippery as an eel and has done the Protestant cause in America more harm than any man who has been trusted and honored with membership in the various organizations.

My paper is not in any sense of the word an official organ for the Ku Klux Klan. But we do have the cause of this great fraternity at heart. We have abiding faith in the leaders who have made it the greatest force for Christian citizenship and right principles that exists in America today. In thirty years of hard work I have never gone off half-cocked on any question that concerns the good of Protestantism in America, and I am now appealing to you with all the power of my being to stand firm for your leaders, save this great order,

and in so doing preserve civil and religious liberty in America and we will give to our children the kind of a government conceived in the minds of our forefathers.

Stand by the order, the flag, the schoolhouse and tell Parker the dissonant to go back to the old country from whence he came. It is a mental, moral and spiritual impossibility for the men who lead this work to ever betray us into the hands of the Roman Church or any other disloyal agency.

Parker's policy will bring joy to the hearts of every Romanist and disloyalist in this nation.

Are you going to follow Parker the wrecker, or will you remain true to your order, your principles and your conscience?

COLFAX KLAN BIG POWER FOR GOOD

Kleagle Orrin R. Smith Doing Wonderful Work in Evergreen State.

Western American Special.
Colfax, Wash., Feb. 22.—At the regular meeting February 9, the Provisional Klan of Colfax, Wash., received its charter from Imperial Palace of The Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, through Kleagle Orrin R. Smith. After the charter had been formally presented, officers for the ensuing term were elected and installed.

A large number of applications for citizenship in The Invisible Empire from residents of this city and surrounding country has been received lately, largely as a result of a masterful lecture delivered recently by the Rev. C. C. Curtis, Exalted Cyclops of Vancouver, Wash., and lecturer for Washington and Idaho. Thirty-one of Whitman County's best citizens were naturalized on the evening of the presentation of the charter, this being the largest class that could be handled conveniently in the already overcrowded Klavern.

Dr. Curtis gave the presentation address, in which he set forth in a most forceful way the duties of a Klan and the criterion of the members, and pointed out a number of ways in which a Klansman could check up on himself. He made plain the necessity for a single standard of morality among Klansmen and emphasized the point that Klansmen means implicit obedience to the laws, even to the most minute detail, upon the eighteenth amendment and the gambling laws of this state and explained that Klansmen meant obedience to these laws. The lecture was an inspiration to all.

After the lecture, a banquet was served. Owing to the great number present, another larger hall had to be engaged to serve it in. When dessert was served, the officers at the head of the center table were presented with a large white cake with K. K. K. in red letters across the top. The affair was pronounced by members who had attended many others of similar nature, to be the greatest meeting ever held in the city of Colfax.

Just eleven months have elapsed since a few men met with Kleagle Orrin R. Smith in this city to talk over the forming of a Klan here. As a result of this meeting, eight men were naturalized two weeks later. Owing to the malicious policy of the press, which attempted to fix every crime committed in the United States upon the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, propagation for the first weeks was slow. No Klan lecturer had as yet visited Colfax and the whole task of undoing this pernicious work of misrepresentation fell upon Kleagle Smith. But with the taking of the oath and a close study of the ideals and purposes of the organization, such doubts and misgivings as these men had harbored, fell away and they became aware of the great responsibility resting upon them as pioneer Klansmen in this city. With the persistent efforts and continual encouragement of Kleagle Smith, this nucleus grew in numbers and the infant stage was soon passed. Later in the year Dr. Berger came to Walla Walla, Wash., with an inspiring lecture, which added new impetus and many new members to the rapidly growing Klan.

As one who knows, and is on the inside of this wonderful organization, I want to say that, as I meet with the men whom I recognize as the best men of the county, I am satisfied that the Colfax Klan will always stand for law and order and the best and highest ideals of this, the greatest country on earth, our own AMERICA.

A man has been found in Kansas who is the father of 25 children. He has been married three times. No. 1 was the mother of 11 as follows: Two, sets twins, one set of triplets and four singles. No. 2 was the mother of ten, all singles. His present wife is the mother of five. His youngest is 11 months, and the oldest is 51. This boy is some daddy.

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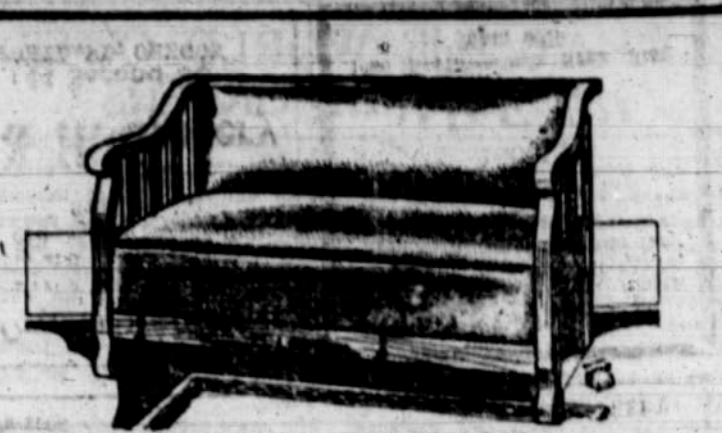
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