

### CARRION YELLOWS RUSH TO MEDFORD ANTI-KLAN TRIAL

#### "Damnable Outrages" To Be Examined Into by Circuit Court Jury

Below is given an article by the brilliant and popular editor of THE CLARION, at Medford, Ore., the county official newspaper, showing what he and the people of Southern Oregon think of the "outrage cases" now on trial there. These "outrages," charged against the Klan, like those at Mer Rouge, La., are described by the editor, who is intimately acquainted with all the facts. For his efficient service in telling the truth the editor of THE CLARION will gain inestimably in the esteem of all true Americans.

#### CIRCUIT COURT IS NOW HEARING PRESS AGENCIES ALL REPRESENTED

#### Great Feast For Yellow Journals Which Are Always on Lookout For Anti-Klan News

The big thing is on; the event of the century has arrived; the "night riding" cases are being tried before a jury at Jacksonville. Jackson county and Southern Oregon are in the limelight of the world for the great press agencies are here by their representatives and are "burning the wires" with the scintillating news. "And what do you think? William Randolph Hearst is present by proxy and these "damnable outrages" will be trumpeted to the four winds and depicted in glaring red letters to appease the salacious taste of the Poobah of sensation and edify the scum of creation. Presidents have been assassinated, men burned at the stake, whole communities embroiled in race war, and hundreds of people hanged by mobs; but these events are insignificant when compared with the awful crimes under consideration at the Jackson county court house this week. Nearly a year ago three or four persons of more or less questionable character were seized and manhandled by masked bobs. No one of the victims was murdered, or beaten, or even hurt, but all of them were somewhat scared.

Little notoriety would have resulted ordinarily, but these offenses were immediately charged to the Ku Klux Klan, which, of course, made the situation different.

Besides the news gatherers, the witnesses and attorneys have arrived. Arthur Burr, the negro bootlegger, who was escorted back here by a bodyguard of officials last summer to testify before the special grand jury convened at the instance of Governor Olcott, this time appeared unattended. He is one of the victims of the alleged night riders, having been escorted to the California state line and advised to move on. J. F. Hale, another victim, is present awaiting to testify. He seems unafraid, going whithersoever he will. Wednesday night he was arrested by J. J. McMahon, state-speed cop, for an alleged violation of the motor vehicle law. He was arraigned Thursday before Judge Bradshaw at Jacksonville and fined \$22.00.

Tom Word, the government official who spent several months here last season attempting to ferret out evidence in the night-riding cases, and one of the star witnesses, was arrested upon his arrival here this week, charged with having been drunk and disorderly upon the streets of Medford.

At this writing nearly two days have been consumed in selecting a jury, with ten jurors having been tentatively chosen in the first case, that of the state against Dr. J. P. Bray, his case being the first of several to be tried.

The clever news reporters, however, find something interesting to write about, even if they draw largely on their imaginations.

#### DEMANDING REPORT FOR VINCENT ASTOR

Immediately after the great Astoria fire of December 8, the editor of the Western American induced Mr. Vincent Astor to donate \$5,000, in cash "for use in giving immediate direct relief to the fire-sufferers who needed it most." He was assured that the Hon. Edward E. Gray, then announced as chairman, would have charge of the money, assuring judicious and honest handling of it to get the best results. Mr. Astor responded promptly with the \$5,000, directing that it be used, as promised, "in direct relief work for those who needed it most." Had the fact been known that Bill Gilbert, G. C. Fulton, George Sanborn

and their gang were to usurp the municipal relief and administration powers, the appeal to Mr. Astor never would have been made.

In behalf of Mr. Astor, The Western American now demands of the committee an itemized statement of all disbursements of his \$5,000. If this is not forthcoming, legal steps will be taken to obtain it. The statement of what was done with this \$5,000, separate and apart from other funds, is wanted, and Parson Gilbert is advised not to include his item of \$104.15 for his dishes, used in feeding the hungry after the fire.

We want Mr. Astor to be satisfied about the disbursement of his money, and the public wants to know, too. The report should be published and a copy sent to Mr. Astor at his home in New York. It is advisable to "take fair" with him in this comparatively small matter, for he is interested in the city and may be persuaded to give some constructive help after the committee of ten shall have been discharged.

**ON THE JOB!**  
All who love the U. S. A.  
Lead a hand.  
To untangle snaris incarnate  
O'er the land;  
Pull a thread out here and there—  
Sever knots,  
Keep an eye peeled fore and aft—  
Spot the plots!  
"In Rome do as the Romans do"—  
Now turn about,  
Americeland first—last—for all!!  
Or get out!  
No halfway house—no whitewash plant—  
It's yes or no?  
**TRUE** allegiance to our Flag—  
Or out they go!  
Our land has too indulgent been  
Through long day;  
Clearing out the dregs is now the need  
Without delay!  
The parasite but bleeds the land—tak-  
ing all—  
**GIVING** naught;  
A sorry lesson has our Nation  
Thus been taught.  
Now the four-square, worth-while  
Americanite  
With sturdy tread  
And honest heart—shall from our hon-  
ored land erase  
The menace dread;  
And thus as one—like steps that fol-  
low drum—  
Firm and true,  
Shall America's trusted sons their  
metal prove—  
The time is due!  
—R. F. H.

#### STRANGE BUT TRUE.

A Protestant Episcopal clergyman was walking down the street wearing the garb of his profession. "He was seen by two Catholic boys. "Good morning, Father," said one of the boys. "Huh, he ain't no father," said the other. "he's got a wife and two kids."

#### ANSWER TO SCOTT AT GREAT BANQUET

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zenship. Along this line the Governor was the chief spokesman. The Rev. Dr. Thomas H. Gallagher, noted minister of the Sunnyside Methodist Episcopal church, Portland, presided as toastmaster, introducing each speaker and conducting the informal program in his usual happy and inimitable manner.

**Mayor Baker Speaks.**  
Mayor Baker spoke first, after the feast, evoking tremendous applause. He said the hundred had assembled as patriotic Americans and had no apologies to offer. "One would mislead himself, if he mistook the character of this meeting," he declared, "if he denied the intent and purpose of this great gathering. We are not here under false pretenses. There is reason for it. In this land of ours there is much need and use for Protestant institutions.

The Mayor said he had introduced a resolution at the national meeting of the Mystic Shrine, held in Portland, "binding the Shrine to the principles of the Little Red Schoolhouse."  
"We hope some day," continued the Mayor, "to have those who ride along our highways point with pride to our great Protestant institutions."  
Continuing, he said: "The last legislature made a start toward the support of such institutions by appropriating \$25,000 for the W. C. T. U. farm home for orphan children, and we have no right to criticize others until we Protestants are in the clear ourselves." He flayed parents for their laxity in control of their children, saying the parents who played poker in their homes, or patronized the bootlegger, could not expect their children to hold high respect for the laws.

"If you are 100 per cent Americans, stand by your guns, men, and see that America is made safe for Americans!" Governor Will Enforce Laws.

Governor Pierce, who spoke next, praised Mayor Baker's speech, remarking, "If I could make a speech like that, I would not mind speaking on the Atlantic coast, too."  
The Governor said he had fared well in the last legislature. A number of

laws had been given him, he said, to aid in making Oregon a cleaner and better state. He mentioned the prohibition laws, and said:

"The day has passed when Americans can cope with the grave problems ahead of them with brains clouded by liquor." He made a strong plea for the upholding of the high standard of citizenship in the state. "Amid a world of turmoil," he said, "the nations look to America, and America is the one which, with steadiness, must give civilization stalwart support."

"The West, more than the East, where many have not yet assimilated the meaning and the significance of Americanism, stands as a headstone.

"National attention has been directed to the State of Oregon. Let us accept this challenge, and build here the best government in the nation."

The Governor was given a great ovation.

#### Grand Dragon's Remarks.

Mr. Gifford, chief guest of honor, delivered an eloquent address, telling of the unfavorable and false publicity given the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, referring specifically to the Mer Rouge "frame up," also to the trial now going on at Medford, Ore., against alleged members of the Klan, branding each as a "frame up" fostered by Roman politicians in their insane effort to kill off the great Klan movement.

The Grand Dragon told how impossible it was for those two "bodies" to have lain in a lake at Bastrop for nearly six months and by the use of dynamite be made to rise. "Every one knows," said Mr. Gifford, "that water causes a dead body to become swollen and that by the discharge of dynamite the gall bladder is burst and a powerful gas forms and the body then comes to the top. These bodies had lain in that lake, they allege, where crawfish, crabs and fish were plentiful. Will a crawfish, a crab or fish eat all other kind of flesh excepting the human flesh? Again, when those bodies were 'found,' one of them had a hole in its side large enough to stick your arm into, proving beyond doubt that the 'body' could not have arisen.

In reference to the Medford, "night riding" charged against the Klan, Mr. Gifford said "the chief investigator" upon one occasion became so drunk that he and some women friends pranced down the street riding a "hobby horse," mixing their coats between their legs for the horse, and these "gentlemen" are the kind of men and women that are trying to fasten crimes against our Klan."

Mr. Gifford declared the full strength of the Klan would be ready for use by the authorities at any time for the purpose of law enforcement.

#### Johnson and Bulgin Talk.

James R. Johnson, Exalted Cyclops of Portland Klan No. 1 delivered a stirring address, eulogizing the Grand Dragon for the noble work he has been doing in the interest of the Protestant cause and in ferreting out the insidious and crooked schemes now being cooked up by the Roman Catholic political church.

"In calling this meeting and giving this banquet to our beloved Chief," Mr. Johnson said, "we purposely have left the lid closed, but as I am your unbridled Cyclops, I am going to say right here that this lid will now be lifted; that we are here as Klansmen, and as other members of Protestant societies. We are here to give the deft to Joe Scott and all of his kind, for the laws of Oregon are going to be enforced, and we as Klansmen are going to assist the public officials in enforcing the law, Joe Scott and the Roman Catholic Political church notwithstanding to the contrary." He said he was a Klansman and was proud of it.

Rev. Dr. E. J. Bulgin, Ph. D., famous evangelist, who has been holding revival meetings throughout Portland for the last few months, gave a masterly talk, demanding the enforcement of the prohibition law. Dr. Bulgin never fails to stir up enthusiasm. He evoked laughter and applause when he said in the course of his speech, "Fellow Klansmen!" Some believe Dr. Bulgin is a Klansman, but this he denied with the remark: "If all present here tonight are Klansmen, then I want to be one, for in all of my public speaking I have never addressed a public gathering that looked and acted more like honest-to-God 100 per cent real Americans."

As the time was getting late, Dr. Gallagher called upon many noted men to rise so that the crowd could see them. These included Mayor Setters of Astoria, the Mayor of Salem, Sheriff Harley, Slusher of Clatsop county, Walter Gobin Smith of Astoria, William E. Bailey, cartoonist and world war veteran, Frank Parker of Portland, and others.

All present said with one accord, "It was a howling success," a worth-while tribute to an eminent American.

#### Answer to Scott Decisive.

The banquet was arranged quietly by a committee of two, without special effort and within 24 hours. Grand Dragon Gifford was out of the city and knew nothing of the meeting in his honor until shortly before the time for it, because the committee feared

he might for some reason veto the arrangements. Had the Klansmen desired, they easily could have filled the Municipal Auditorium with thousands of good citizens who are glad to honor Mr. Gifford upon any occasion. There is serious talk among the Klansmen to the effect that unless officially restrained, a monster mass-meeting and possibly a grand parade will be held next time the supreme chief of the Roman K.C. dares to insult the people of Oregon and flout their laws. It is also more than probable that the next K.C. speaker who dares to talk papist anarchy in the State of Oregon will be prosecuted under the syndicalist or other law and be given a long term at hard labor in prison. Hundreds of "Wobblies" have been so prosecuted and punished.

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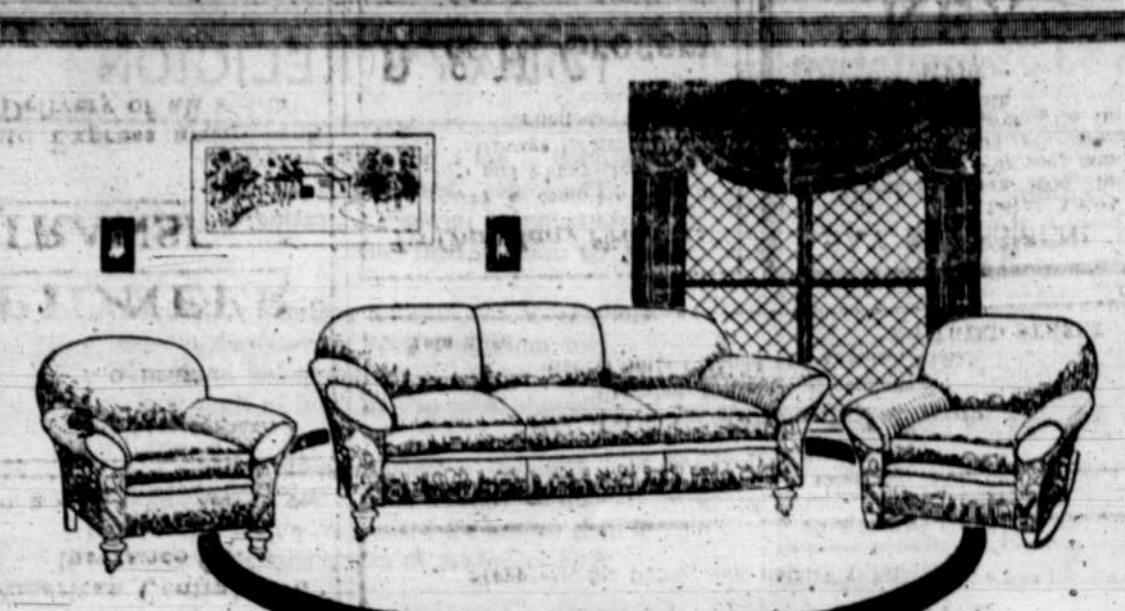
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