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DEVER ANTI-KLAN AND CHAMPION OF ROMAN HIERARCHY

New Chicago Mayor Member of Northern Branch of Noted Family.

THOSE OF DIXIE KLANSMEN

Winner Defies "Blue Laws" and Boldly Proclaims War on the Klan.

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CHICAGO, April 4.—The campaign just ended by the election of William E. Dever as Mayor of Chicago has been the most unique one in the city's political history. There were two issues—Klan or anti-Klan, and Rum or Law Enforcement.

The Klan and law enforcement were linked up strongly together and the anti-Klan forces were irrevocably tied up with the rum issue.

Arthur C. Lueder, ex-postmaster of Chicago, led the law enforcement forces and had the solid backing of the Klansmen of the city.

Judge William E. Dever was the leader of those who demanded rum and more of it and also demanded the suppression if not the entire annihilation of the Ku Klux Klan. Judge Dever belongs to the Catholic branch of a family noted in southern history. The Devers of the South are Democrats and Klansmen. Those of the North are Roman Catholics.

Religious lines also were strongly drawn in this struggle, with Protestants and Catholics strongly lining up against each other. Judge Dever led the Catholic side and Mr. Lueder made open appeals for the support of the Protestant element of the city. Jews, negroes, and the foreign-born voting population were behind Dever.

Dever Defies Blue Laws

Mr. Lueder promised in his campaign that he would enforce to the letter all the laws at present on the statute books, the main thing demanded of any candidate that the Ku Klux Klan endorse. He especially promised to see that all the prohibition laws were enforced.

On the other hand, Dever boldly proclaimed that even though the prohibition laws were on the books, he did not intend to enforce them. "I am not going to impose blue laws on the resisting people of Chicago," he said, "nor is it any purpose of mine to try to make over the morals of the people of this great community."

Judge Dever did not even take into consideration the fact that it was not his province to make laws but that the Mayor is simply to see that the laws are executed, whether he likes them or not. This great principle is what was taken into consideration by Mr. Lueder.

Parochial Schools Win

Mr. Lueder also took the positive stand that none of the public money should go to parochial schools and that if the Catholics wished to benefit by the public money they would have to send their children to the public schools. Judge Dever, on the other hand, promised an equal cut in the public school money, one-half going to the Catholics and the other going to the regular established public schools.

Many politicians watched the campaign here as having a bearing on the national campaign of next year and none were more interested than United States Senator Medill McCormick who comes up for re-election next year. He has been on the ground several weeks watching the way the straws were blowing without talking sides one way or another.

Mr. Lueder is an old protégé of Senator McCormick having been ap-

ANNIHILATES SPACE IN EMERGENCY TALK

Fred L. Gifford, Grand Dragon of the Klan in the Realm of Oregon, found it necessary Wednesday to communicate personally with a co-worker at Chattanooga, Tennessee. With characteristic promptness he quietly put in a long distance call for his friend at Chattanooga, and in the same quiet manner "Long Distance" made the connection. Mr. Gifford held a satisfactory conversation with the friend in Chattanooga, and the hearing was as perfect as between Portland and Astoria. Mr. Gifford, being a great leader of men is continually doing things that astonish his co-workers, but this was what one of them called "the limit." "Say, was that really Chattanooga, Tennessee, that you was talking with?" was the question. "Certainly," the Grand Dragon replied, smiling. "Aren't you aware of the fact that distance counts no figure with the modern telephone? Some day you are likely to overhear me talking with the President at Washington, or with King George. Chattanooga is just as near as Astoria-by telephone."

PRIEST BULLDOZER GETS A CALL-DOWN

Jesuit Minion Finds He Cannot Run Everything Everywhere

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Washington, D. C., April 5.—One Protestant pastor here has refused to be bulldozed by the Catholic view of things and he resented a "call down" by a Jesuit priest openly and at a public meeting.

It was a meeting of the local Board of Trade's public health committee, when the Rev. Ernest Cotton Smith, rector of St. Thomas' Episcopal Church, advocated the use of criminals, rather than animals, in vivisection by scientists. "I am in favor of using criminals, but not animals, for vivisection," were his words.

The Rev. Francis A. Todoroff, of Georgetown University, then butted in with:

"Please don't say that, Doctor. You're going against the cloth; you can't mean it."

Dr. Smith refused to accept the Catholic ruling on his opinions, and heatedly told the meeting so. The priest-scientist subsided, realizing he couldn't run everything everywhere.

pointed postmaster at one time throughout during the efforts of the Senator. Mr. Lueder is the Republican candidate in the election while Judge Dever held the backing of the Democratic party minus that part of it that was Klan. It is a well established fact that no Klansman voted for Judge Dever.

Dever a Master Politician

Dever who was recognized all along as the winner in the battle on account of his masterful political strategy and his years of experience in Chicago politics, is a man of extraordinary ability. His family tree had its original growth in Ireland his genealogy being traceable directly back to the ancient Irish Kings. The family was scattered during the Emmett uprising and members of it have been notable figures in the politics of Germany, England, France, Italy and the United States. An Italian prince of the House of Savoy figures in a romance connected with the Southern branch of the family in the United States. All originally were Catholic, but marriage alliances caused a division long before the Civil War.

Judge Dever of Chicago is noted as a fighter and a man of his word. He will be, with all his faults as to morals, a huge improvement on William Hale Thompson, for Dever is intensely patriotic, according to his fights, and has no foreign attachments except the Roman Catholic church.

PLAN 'HUNKY' KLAN WITH TEN MILLIONS OF MEMBERS IN U.S.

Soldier of Fortune Proposes to Help in Mobilizing White Men.

MARECHAL DE LOGIS BUSY

New Organization, He Declares, Will Admit Only Hunkies and Wops.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., April 4.—There's going to be a "hunky" Klan in the United States. If you don't believe it, ask Charles E. Proskovetz, manager of the mailing and subscription department of The Fellowship Forum. Mr. Proskovetz is not eligible to membership in the Ku Klux Klan although he heartily approves its principles and its methods of operation. He says it is no fault of his that he was born in Russia.

Wherefore, he was beginning the first a few days ago that he would become a white-robed Klansman and said: "I am going to organize a 'Hunky' Klan in the United States just like the Ku Klux Klan and take in nothing but Hunkies and Wops, and there are about ten million of us."

By way of elucidation, Mr. Proskovetz is a soldier of fortune, ne plus ultra and then some. Born in Russia, he started out in life as a first lieutenant in the Austrian army. Then he served as a private in the army of The Netherlands. Some time later he was a private in the Canadian army. Then going back home he served as a private in the Serbian army. After this little spasm, he became a "marchal de logis" which is French for "top-sergeant", in the French African Cavalry. Completing this tour he became a second lieutenant in the Serbian army and then served for some time in the secret service of the Serbian minister of war.

In addition, Mr. Proskovetz is a thirty-second degree Mason, Knight Templar, Shriner and member of the Order of the Eastern Star. He is a Knight of Pythias and a Red Man and as he says himself, he belongs to several "hunky" societies in America.

After trying all this, Mr. Proskovetz is of the opinion that the United States is the only place in the world for anybody to live and that he intends to spend the rest of his life in this country. Furthermore, he thinks that with this record and these convictions back of him, there is no one better qualified to lead a "hunky" Klan of 100 per cent Americans.

WOMEN FORM HUMAN WALL FOR A PRIEST

(Press Dispatch)

BRESLAU, March 23.—The entire community of Wislitz aroused by an attempt to arrest the village priest, Father Frakau, for some petty offense—banded themselves about the church yard today and, weaponless, fought off 200 soldiers.

Village women formed a phalanx, linking themselves together by inter-bracing their hair and tying their hands together. With the wall of womanhood they completely surrounded the church in a double line and resisted for hours any attempt of the 120 infantrymen and 30 cavalry to penetrate it.

When finally a charge of the cavalry crushed the human wall beneath the hoofs of the horses, a second line formed about the door of the church, hurling hot sand and burning salt in the eyes of the soldiers.

Fifty-six women were arrested and many seriously injured. When the priest was taken out the attack was renewed by men and four police were wounded.

READ THIS, FRIENDS.

To Our Many Subscribers: During the contest, subscriptions "piled up" so rapidly that the Contest Department could not take care of them, so that "with-in a reasonable time" subscribers could be placed upon the mailing list.

We now are placing upon our mailing list all subscribers, and fully believe within the next ten days all those who have so kindly favored us with their subscriptions soon will receive their paper, "the best in America."

"In the meantime," says Frank W. Cameron, recent contest manager, "may we have your kind indulgence, for our aim is to see that every subscriber receives the paper and soon. As an after-thought, please investigate your mail carrier and ascertain his religion, his color and advise the circulation department of The Western American and maybe a 'nigger in the woodpile can be uncovered.'"

Please refer all complaints, all kicks and all misunderstandings to Mr. Cameron, the man who is used to being kicked around from "day to day in every way," for that makes him better and better.

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EXALTED CYCLOPS OF ASTORIA KLAN "THE RIGHT SORT"

Prominent and Popular American of Sterling Character Is Installed.

GREATER POWER TO KLAN

All White Men in City by the Sea Rejoice and are Exceeding Glad.

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ASTORIA, ORE., April 3.—After an intensive development period the Astoria Pacific Klan No. 2 at last has reached a permanent footing and one of the greatest mores yet made by the Astoria Klan towards organization perfection was completed last week when a prominent and popular citizen was installed as Exalted Cyclops of the local organization.

At a meeting held last week and attended by hundreds of representative citizens, the Grand Titan of the Realm of Oregon was present and conducted the Exalted Cyclops' installation ceremony. Following the installation of the Cyclops, a distinguished lecturer of Portland, who accompanied the Grand Titan to Astoria, delivered an address that thrilled and stirred every Klansman present to a keener sense of his obligation to uphold and protect his country, his State and fellow Klansmen. Although he spoke for more than an hour, the time sped with his eloquence until at the conclusion of the address, which seemed all too short, there was an outburst of applause that fairly shook the hall. This was the first visit to Astoria of either of the Portland men and they both spoke highly of the reception accorded them.

The Exalted Cyclops of the Ku Klux Klan is no stranger in Astoria, he having lived more than 40 years in the City by the Sea. The Cyclops is a retired business man who has the utmost confidence in the future greatness of Astoria as well as the establishment of a solid Ku Klux Klan in Astoria. He is a man of sterling character and of absolute honesty in all things.

The Astoria branch of the Ku Klux Klan is well known as one of the most active Klans in the Northwest, and if anything has been lacking it was constructive and financial leadership.

SANDERS RETIRES FROM THIS PAPER

Mr. Courtney T. Sanders has retired from The Western American as business manager and now has no connection whatever with the paper. Mr. Frank W. Cameron succeeds him as associate editor and manager. Mr. Cameron is a well-known and experienced newspaper man having been connected with many great newspapers in the West and throughout the country. His record is one of unbroken success and his character and reputation are such as to need no recommendation. The audit of his accounts showed him to be "100 per cent."

Mr. Cameron successfully handled The Western American's recent contest dealing with many estimable women, and in the final analysis his personal record and his accounts balanced perfectly and without reproach.

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LAST TRIBUTES TO BELOVED KLANSMAN

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CASTLE ROCK, Wash., April 2.—At the funeral and burial services of Monroe Estoy, which were conducted by Valiant Lodge No. 67, Knights of Pythias, there occurred an unusual and touching ceremony.

Monroe Estoy was a charter member of the Knights of Pythias lodge and served that Order for almost 30 years. His death was the result of a fractured skull, received in a motorcycle accident. The expense of the hospital and medical services was defrayed jointly by the Knights of Pythias and the Ku Klux Klan.

This has now been supplied with the selection of the new Exalted Cyclops. From the inception of the local public work of the Astoria Klan the new Cyclops has been one of the leaders who consistently has striven for the betterment of local moral and political conditions, and his induction into office is a fitting recognition of the work he has accomplished.

The new leader, although native born, is of Scotch descent and enough Scotch at that, so that he is determined that every cent of money expended by the Astoria Klan shall be carefully accounted for, and already he has taken steps to strengthen the financial policy of the local Klan.

WASHINGTON'S HEAD FALLS FROM STATUE

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WASHINGTON, D. C., April 5.—George Washington has lost his head. It fell from his statue as the latter was being removed from its granite pedestal in Washington Circle.

The statue is to be removed to Brooklyn, N. Y., for repairs. Hundreds watched the removal and saw Washington's head crash to the pavement.

Close examination of the horse upon which Washington was mounted showed the animal's head harbored numerous sparrow nests. The birds protested audibly when they were routed.

MASS MEETING AT WALLA WALLA BIG SUCCESS OF KLAN

Patriotic and Fraternal Organizations Hear Truth About Situation.

CATHOLIC CONSPIRACY HIT

Leading Citizens, Including Ladies, Mobilized for Community Improvement.

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WALLA WALLA, WASH., April 5.—Citizens of Walla Walla and their families turned out in large numbers at a mass meeting which was announced as being held under the auspices of the various patriotic and fraternal organizations of the city, in the Odd Fellows Hall last Sunday.

The Odd Fellows Hall is also used by Walla Walla Klan No. 3 for their regular weekly meetings.

Reverend W. A. Gresham, of Pendleton, Oregon, delivered the principal address.

Klan in a manner that brought enthusiastic applause from his auditors. Rev. Gresham said that the Klan did not question the right of the political freedom of the negro but emphasized the inherent right of the white man's supremacy over the colored races of the world. He told his audience that the negro, or the yellow races had never originated big, constructive humanitarian ideals, but were imitators of the white race. The white man had sent his missionaries to all parts of the world to alleviate the suffering of all races, and to enlighten those who had little or no opportunity for intellectual development.

The white must dominate if he is to save himself, it is absolute necessity, declared the speaker, and pointed out that the "yellow peril" is indeed a reality.

Rev. Gresham touched on the subject of the separation of church and state, and said that those critics who say that there is no such a menace as the state being dominated by the church because it is prohibited by the Constitution would change their minds if they but took the trouble to go a little deeper into the situation. He said that they would learn that the Catholic church was not only attempting to, but in reality was, getting control of our city, state and national governments, and was attempting to control the thought of our children through the subtle insertion of their propaganda in the pages of the school text books.

"The Jews placed the bar on themselves by their attitude toward the Christian religion," said Rev. Gresham, explaining why Jews could not become members of the Klan. "The Klan membership is essentially Christian, the Living Christ our criterion of character."

The Klan being a voluntary organization has an absolutely moral and legal right to limit its membership just as any other organization.

The Klan is referred to as a "hooded mob," but when and where has this organization ever been convicted of a single offense, he asked, calling attention to the Mer Rouge, La., farce, the California case, Jackson County, Oregon, Gasco, and similar occurrences where the name of the Klan has been brought in.

Following the address of Reverend Gresham, Ira Clark spoke briefly on the Boy Scouts as an organization. He highly praised the work being done for our youngsters. "When out of school the boys' spare time is often employed in the wrong way," said (Continued on Page 7)

