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ROYAL RIDERS IN BIG GATHERING AT PATERSON, JERSEY

Flaming "R" on Mountain Side Adds to Spectacular Demonstration.

KLANSMEN ATTEND FUNERAL

Good Fellowship Is Proclaimed by "Four R's" to All Loyal Americans.

PATERSON, N. J., April 18.—Two events occurred in this city on April 7 which for the first time marked the public appearance of the Royal Riders of the Red Robe and the other organization with which it is allied, the Ku Klux Klan.

The Red Robed Klan met on the slope of Garret Mountain, on the side overlooking the city and there lighted a huge "R" about 50 feet long. The illumination could be seen of the city over and caused a great deal of comment.

The Ku Klux Klan, about 32 strong, attended a funeral in public, at the Laurel Grove cemetery, yesterday afternoon, and conducted a ceremony over the grave of one of its comrades, Henry M. Earl.

These two public appearances, it seems, are likely to be the first steps taken in the open by these two allied bodies, whose actions have been more or less mysterious and whose aims and objects have been a matter of deep concern the country over.

Ku Klux Attends Funeral

The first public appearance of the Ku Klux Klan in this city at a funeral took place yesterday afternoon when 32 of the Klansmen held their burial ritual over the remains of Henry M. Earl, division line foreman of the Public Service Railway Company, as he was laid at rest in Laurel Grove cemetery. The Klansmen, masked and attired in full regalia, marched over the hill after the Rev. Irving C. Starr, pastor of Calvary M. E. Church, had finished saying final prayers over the remains. They carried a large wooden cross, an American flag, and a cross of carnations five feet high.

The appearance of the Klansmen was a complete surprise, some of the mourners already being seated in the coaches when they arrived. As the Klansmen gathered in a circle around the open grave, one of their number placed the large cross of carnations at the head of the grave. Another then read Scripture out of the Bible. A blessing for the family was then given by another of the masked men.

After the burial ritual of the Ku Klux Klan had been read, the Klansmen as they paid their last respects to the decedent, dropped red and white carnations over the casket. They disappeared as suddenly as they arrived. Interment was then made.

The Elks, of which lodge Mr. Earl was a prominent member, conducted burial services at the decedent's late residence, Laurel street. The services in the Calvary M. E. church, were in charge of the Rev. Irving C. Starr, who eulogized the exemplary life led by the decedent.

The plants of the Public Service Company, of this city and Passaic, were closed for a short period this afternoon in honor of the memory of Mr. Earl, who was division line foreman for the past 35 years.

Flaming "R" Visible

The residents of the southern section of the city were entertained for about a half-hour by the spectacle of the flaming "R" on the slope of Garret mountain. The burning letter was formed by discarded railroad ties from the Lackawanna railroad. These ties had evidently been put in their place early in the evening and then saturated with some inflammable liquid. A match was touched to the liquid and the character stood out fiery against the dark mountainside.

No demonstration accompanied the spectacle but a half-hour later a courier from the organization walked into the editorial rooms of The Sunday Chronicle, dropped an envelope on the city editor's desk and hurriedly departed. Typewritten in red ink and on the official stationery of the Red Riders the envelope contained the following statement:

"The red R, seen blazing its message in the sky last night marks an important step taken by the Paterson Chapter of the Royal Riders of the Red Robe. It is not to be taken as a warn-

ing, but rather as a mark of good fellowship from the Royal Riders to all loyal American citizens.

"The letter 'R' stands for Right Thinking, Right Speaking, Right Acting and Right Living, and are the four requirements demanded of every Rider.

"The Royal Riders of the Red Robe are not new in Paterson. We have been quietly with you for some time, picking out the men whom we desired for fellowship. Now we are taking an important step; we are coming out in the open and you will hear from us in the future for we are going to cooperate as citizens, with the law enforcement officers in securing evidence against all who violate the law.

"Our membership is composed of foreign-born naturalized citizens of the United States, who are banded together for justice and a square deal for all, regardless of race, color or creed. Our organization is founded upon the principles of Christian religion and has for its object the education and uplift of humanity.

"It stands for:

"An absolute and unqualified allegiance to the Government and Constitution of the United States of America, and the enforcement of law and order.

"The protection of our homes, the sanctity of womanhood, the open Bible, the preservation and perpetuation of our public schools, in which true Americanism is taught.

"The supremacy of the white race, and is strongly opposed to the intermarriage with any of the colored races.

"The separation of church and state, and tolerance in religion.

"The purification of civil and political conditions that have too long been controlled and dominated by corrupt politicians and outside influences.

"The support only of those men, who aspire to public office, that are four square; men who will play the game fairly and honestly; men who will seek the greatest good for the greatest number, and not the advancement of selfish interests.

"Citizens of Paterson: The Royal Riders of the Red Robe extend their greetings. We are here to stay. We are here to help.

"Pro Deo et Patria.

(For God and Country.)

"Paterson Chapter, Royal Riders of the Red Robe."

HARDING INVITES ROMISH FUGITIVE TO STAY IN U. S. A.

Trouble - Making Criminal Now Flying Pope's Flag in Texas.

Western American Special.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 18.—President Harding himself invited Monsignor Filippi, the Pope's Ambassador to Mexico who recently was summarily expelled from that country by President Obregon, who denounced Filippi as a trouble-making criminal, to establish his residence on the American side of the line, and to fly the papal flag from the Vicar-General's house at Corpus Christi, Texas.

The President's invitation is declared to be a violation of international law and an unfriendly act toward Mexico.

From his secure asylum in Texas the Pope's ambassador can flood Mexico with papal propaganda and continue stirring up the trouble for which he was expelled. President Obregon declares that officials of the Catholic church are obstructing legal process in Mexico and that his government will not tolerate further interference by the Roman hierarchy.

BEWARE OF PEYOTE; IT HAS MULE KICK

Western American Special.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 18.—You people who live in the Golden West may stop "cussing" the ornery cactus plant now, and go to blessing it; and while blessing it, you may thank the Indian for the cause of the blessing.

They're making "hootch" from it and call it "peyote." It is said to have the kick of triple distilled moonshine with a double portion of potash, according to "dry" agents who have been investigating the new beverage.

Steps are being taken to curb the making and use of the new liquor, but the Indian proposition, always a ticklish one, bids fair to make it almost impossible. In the meantime they are cutting up "high jacks" with it.

PATRIOTS, ATTENTION!

The Member of The Rail Splitter is going to be a great "Chicago Special." I am going to hit vice and Romanism the hardest blow they have ever received, and I want the help of every red-blooded, one-hundred-per-cent American to help me put this issue in every home. This issue will expose the Roman Catholic Church as a foreign tax-dodging corporation in Chicago accumulating billions of dollars in profit-producing property, while its wine-heated priests and their institutions enjoy the protection and benefits of organized government and pay nothing for the support.

The vast appropriations of public money received by this foreign Octopus in Chicago and Cook County will be exposed. Starting figures from the dust-topped records of the County Board will be given to show how papalized politicians have black-jacked and robbed the people in the interest of a bloated hierarchy.

If you want to know why there is discontent and high taxes, read this issue. The surrender of Mayor Thompson to Romanism. He insults humanity and shames the city by consorting with the Irish-Spanish renegade and adventurer De Valera. Do not fail to read what we say to Mayor Thompson on the Papal question. It will be a powerful arraignment of Romanism and rotten politics.

Read the open letter to Archbishop Mundelein, arch-autocrat and political boss unmasking the Roman church from the harlotry of the Vatican to the vice dens of Chicago.

The greed, graft, drunkenness and harlotry of the priesthood unmasked and the hierarchy from Mundelein down defied to deny the truth. Read what I say about the mongrel nigger, Jew, Catholic sheet called "Tolerance."

Take my advice, don't miss it. Read about protected vice and immunity rings. White girls forced to serve niggers and chinks.

One beautiful white girl made to receive from fifteen to twenty black brutes daily and in eight months turned \$9000 over to her negro pimp.

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These conditions are unspeakable and must come to an end.

The Rail Splitter, in the name of God, and home, and school, and church, and country, and for the protection of the girlhood and boyhood of this commonwealth hurls its defi in the faces of priest, bishop and archbishop and every political shielder of vice, and issues a clarion call to every lover of righteousness to rally for a clean city and a clean commonwealth.

This special issue is not a sudden impulse. We have been working on it for five years and you can take it from me there is going to be something in it to read. Every inch of space will be given to Chicago. Vast quantities of these circulars will be mailed to Chicago for distribution. Also to other parts of the country. When you receive your allotment place each one in good hands and write for all you can use.

Let me hear promptly from all organizations that will arrange for me to speak and solicit support for this special issue. Chicago in growth, thrift, and hospitality is the marvel of the modern world. To save Chicago is to save the state and in a large measure to save the nation.

I have been in this fight longer, traveled more miles, made more speeches, written more literature, and printed and distributed more tons of reading matter than any other worker under the flag.

I founded The Rail Splitter in memory of the immortal Lincoln; that the loyal masses might have an organ through which to fight for civil and religious liberty, to the end that we may give to our children the kind of a government conceived in the minds of our forefathers.

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We have a fight to win and a nation to save. I am giving everything financially and physically to this work and I am asking you to give the paper your support in its fight for humanity. I have started the circulation campaign for this issue three months in advance in order to make it a success and get in the money needed to publish a large edition.

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