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SPLENDID EXAMPLE THIS COUNTY SETS **OF FINE TEAMWORK**

Mayors and Councilmen of Clarke County, Wash., at Love-Feast.

ALL FOR THE PUBLIC GOOD

Dinner Is Served by Y. W. C. A.; Civic Problems · Are Discussed.

Western American Special.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 16 .-One of the biggest events ever staged in Clarke County was witnessed on Friday night, April 13, in Vancouver at the Y. W. C. A. hall, where a large crowd of representative citizens of the county gathered to pay tribute to the Mayors and Councilmen in what was termed a Mayor's banquet, given under the auspices of a committee of business men of this city.

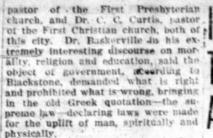
The purpose of this large gathering was to show appreciation to the Mayors and Councilmen of the cities in the county, who were present as in-vited guests, for the good work being done by them in their untiring efforts to handle civic affairs, legally, morally and socially

Y. W. C. A. Serves Dinner. At 7 o'clock, after prayer by Dr. Charles E. Baskerville, all present were seated and a four-course dinner was served by the Y. W. C. A. to which ent did credit. Following this speakers of the evening were upon by Dudley Eshelman County Treasurer, serving as toast-

The address of welcome, by N. E. Allen, Mayor of Vancouver, who welthe Mayors and Councilmen as well as citizens in the surrounding posed and rejects the income tax meas- the Ku Klux Klan had been guilty cities in the county, saying that in his estimation there should be a closer unity, working for the upholding of law and suppression of vice. In his cloaing remarks he said it had be-come a pleasure to serve as a munici-pal officer, because of the hearty sup-port, co-operation and interest taken ereas in the past few cared ne the responsibility and sharp may be cited regarding a well-known ritimisms coming from the general ablic, who heretofore had not taken enough interest to be in any position ; to judge.

Councilman Makes Hit. by Councilman Thayer of who apologized for the ab-Camas. sence of the Camas Mayor, was full law they promptly withdrew their cap-of wit and humor, appropriate to the ital and took it to more favored fields.

Short talks were made by the favors from La Center, Yacolt, Ridgefield and Washougal. Each in turn the proposed addition had been made



Curtis Stirs Enthutiasm. Dr. Curtis was introduced by Toastmaster Eshelman, as the one outstand ing man who had been instrumental in electing through his great personality several city as well as several county officials in the recent election. Dr. Curtis in his discourse swayed the gathering of men assembled to great LAUDS KLAN AS ALL RIGHT eights of enthusiasm, by his eloquent plea for upholding the law and the support which we as citizens should give to our municipal officers in the handling of civic affairs, and to the officers of the law in the performance

of their duty. His closing remarks, "God give us Men" gave food for much serious thought, 5 Big Community Success.

Mayor Baker of Portland, who was to have been one of the speakers of the evening, was unable to be present on account of other business, which

demanded his presence elsewhere. Taken as a whole, the Mayors' ban quet was an entire success and it was the unanimous opinion of all present that this should be an annual event. Much credit was given to the committee that conceived the idea of the get-together feast, for their untiring efforts and work done in making it such a big community success.

WHAT WASHINGTON THINKS OF OREGON'S INCOME TAX

(Editorial from Tacoma, Wash., News-

Tribune.) If Oregon enacts this law, a golden opportunity is provided for the State getting so much abuse as this great of Washington, even though we are come tax law will put Oregon in the same class as North Dakota and will make outside capital gun shy when it comes to investing in our industries.

If. Washington maintains its poise amid the flood of semi-socialistic and ion of vice. In his Let it join Oregon in such a law and

> Tacoma concern. This company had made plans to double its capacity this

learned of the proposed income tax rimes. Tacoma will lose a score or more

families which it would have had if

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HONEST PREACHER set for its defense. Wo've got societies and orders protecting and TELLS THE TRUTH promoting almost everything but the rue spirit of Americanism and the purpose of our worthy fore-OUR ORDER ABOUT Ku Klux Klan believes in keeping America true to the ideals of those

Declares Protestant Church that this Republic might be founded in Peril and Needs a Defender.

Altogether American **Principles and Operation**, Says Dr. Hargett.

Western American Special RACINE, Wis., April 18 .- The Rev. church delivered a sermon here last has been commented upon widely. Prefacing his address with the statement that he is not a Klansman, or great believer in fair play and a square deal for all, even to his enemies, the Rev. Mr. Hargett said:

"I do not believe the Ku Klux Klan has had a square deal in the press of far reaching for morality, for high America "I know of no organization of men

order. If you would believe all the loath to take advantage of the folly daily newspapers say about them, you and misfortune of a neighbor. An in- would conclude all its members are I. W. W., bolsheviki and criminals,

> All Say Klan is O. K. "Newell Dwight Hill's recently came

into his pulpit with a sheaf of 250 telegrams, which were in reply to an inquiry he had sent out to the sheriffs destructive legislation that is now pro- and mayors of different cities, whether ure, it will share with Southern Cali- of any of the atrocities laid at its fornia the influx of capital to the coast. door. The reply to each and every telegram was "No!" It is because it is a secret order and tends toward an invisible empire? Are not Masons As a sample of how this income tax Odd Fellows, Hebrew Societies and talk affects Eastern capital incidents "nights of Columbus secret?" they say the Ku Klux Klan is un American. Are you sure? My study convinces me it is just about the mos year, adding many more employes to AMERICAN institution I know of its staff. When Eastern investors who America stands for justice for all allke The response to the address of wel- were to finance the improvement and for the just punishment of all

"There's a Reason."

"Is it not true that it is next t mpossible to get one-half of our law anforced, especially those which people do not like? Is there not a thoroughly ed appreciation of this demon- Can you, as a citizen of Oregon, allow organized and financed movement to stration, Mayor Hall of Ridgefield this discriminatory law to interfere break down and nullify and make ridiwas the first time in history he ever with the growth and development of culous and odious the Constitutional rohibition law? Are these thing into living in this perplexing and be-American? Then, why don't the peo ple who are agitating against the Ku Wlux Klan go after these un-American conditions? There's a reason! Congress has been beseiged and im God to all men. ortuned to investigate the Ku Klux Klan. All right, but let's clean house all around while about it. I would like to know how the remainder of the money was spent that was collected by the Knights of Columbus during the war for welfare work. Was any of this money left over to fight the Y. M. C. A. in Europe? Is it true that any of this money has been used to fight the Methodist church in He's on Hot Trail Now! "Have any American fraternal or ders had anything to do with the atro cious effort to induce the Italian gov ernment to confiscate the property of Young man, truck driver, wants work; the Methodist church in Rome and prevent its erection of a college on Monte Mario? "When the Methodist general conference, Presbyterian and other Protestant organizations, strongly express women. ed their disapproval of any interference. by the United States Government in the quarrel between the Catholic Irish and the Protestant Irish, why did Congress in a formal resolution take the side of the Catholics? Was this due to the fact that the Catholic church has a fraternal order while the Protestants have no similar order? "I think the action of Judge Michael L. McKinley in Chocago in barring

as our charter of liberty and it FOXY OLD HI GOING TO VISIT THE POPE fathers who founded this Republic. The Kcep Your Left Eye on the

Stuffed Prophet of Calamity.

upon liberty, justice and freedom. Western American Special The Ku Klux Klan believes in America

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 11.being run by genuine Americans at The eyes of political Washington are fastened upon the movements of United States Senator Hiram W. John "In a Republic fike ours, the public son of Catifornia, while he is li

school system is the arterial system Europe. It is known that the Honcarrying the rich red blood of Democy orable HI went abroad to play politics, in racy and freedom to every boy and He once theatrically said he was going girl and future citizen. It is the great only to rest. Johnson doesn't know melting pot where rich and poor, na how to rest. All he knows how to do tive and foreign born, are put through is to play politics.

the mills of true Americanism. De- He is headed for italy. Rome i stroy the public school and you de in Italy. The Vatican is in Rome stroy American democracy. Any man Though a Mason, Johnson always has I. M. Hargett of the First Methodist or institution that lifts its finger shown strong leaning toward the Roagainst our free public school system manist element in his native state. Sunday upon the Ku Klux Klan which is an enemy to our country and a Californians here, as well as other traitor to our highest ideals and in- leaders in American political and offi terests. It is absolutely the most non- cial life, are watching the would be sectarian, non-partisan, purely demo- President's movements with a vast of any secret order, but that he is a cratic and wholly American institution amount of interest. in our country.

San Antonio, Texas, Klan No. 31 Protestants True Americans has presented \$2,500 in gold to the "I believe the Protestant church has Y. M. C. A. Building Fund in that been the most powerful and the most city

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idealism and for good citizenship and good government in our country. It is that is commanding the attention and distinctly and purely American in form, purpose and allegiance, and owes no allegiance to any foreign power or potentate. "George Washington, father of our

country, was a devout Christian and from him down to President Harding all of our Presidents have been Christian and members of some branch of the Protestant church. President Harding is a Baptist and Mrs. Harding is a Methodist, so she may keep him from going too far astray. The Ku Klux Klan is set for the defense of the Protestant church. Why not? Are not the Knights of Columbus set for the defense of the Catholic church? That is their right. This is also our right. Haven't the Protestants as much right to a powerful order for 'ts defense and propagation as the Catholics? I believe the future#American democracy hangs on the virility of the Protestant shurch for its very zenius is to stand for separation of church and state, which is the very oundation of our democracy. Protestant Church Imperiled.

"I want not one word to say against the Catholic church. I want them to have every right and privilege that I claim for the Protestant church, but no more and no less. The Christian church is just as vital and necessary to our people and country as the publie school system. It puts meaning



ered anything like this being your state? staged in which gratitude was shown by the citizens of the whole county to pal officers for the handling of civic affairs.

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stands for I would not go to its enemies, but to Masons themselves Same with Methodists, Catholics, socialists and so forth. The better way to find out just what the Ku Klux

forward.

"The Ku Klux Klan is a strictly President Coolidge, George Harvey, American institution and believes in Ambassador to England, and other America being run by Americans. It high officials of the government.

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If so, you should know the difference wildering age. It puts heart into men between Operative and Speculative Freemasonry, You should know when Speculative or Symbolic Masonry beand women in life's flerce struggle. It calls men to repentance and clean Hving. It is a constant reminder of gan; how it began and where it gan; when and how it came to America and its development; and how and "The Protestant church is in danger when it came to your State. in America today. We are divided in should know when, where and how Scottish Rite Masonry our thought and our interpretation. Many of our churches are empty or acto between the York Rite and the partly so. The American Protestant Sectlish Rite. You should know about church must be preserved or me min the Royal Arch degree, and Council church must be preserved, or we will degree, the High Priesthood and the have to write across the portals of our

Knights Templar fair land that sad and fateful word THE MASONIC HISTORY, published 'Ichabod'-the glory has departed. by Past Grand Master George Thornburgh, 33d degree Hon., will tell you Women Lead the Nation. all that and also the origin and history "Can you think of anything more of the Eastern Star, and of the Shrine essential to the life of our people It tells about the Morgan excitement when a candidate ran for President on than the American home and its an Anti-Masonic ticket and almost queen, the American woman, wife and swept Freemasonry out of this counmother-God bless her! If we can try. It contains a blography of George Washington as a Mason, and Albert Pike, so long the head of the Scottish keep our homes Christian, sweet and clean and pure and strong and our Rite It tells of the origin and pres women true and good, I have no fears. ant status of Negro Lodges. No other

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BOSTON, MASS., April 11 .- "Justice" is the erroneous name of a new anti-Ku Klux Klan magazine started here. It is edited by Herbert A. Kenny, well known in Roman Catholic circles. He has the backing of Cardinal O'Connell, +

GESTURE TO ROME BY HOPEFUL WARREN Western American Special.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 18 .-President Harding's recent attendance Klan stands for is to go to its own at solemn high papal mass in St. Patpublished platform. If anyone can con- rick's church is regarded by the corps tradict its' evidence, let him come diplomatique as a "gesture to Rome." Harding was accompanied by Vice-

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