

Every Day, In Every Way, the Klan Grows Bigger and Better

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NOT FOR SELF, BUT FOR OTHERS

NOBLE KNIGHT PASSES—AU REVOIR.

JOSEPH MANNIX of Astoria, one of the noblest of Klansmen, has passed to that boorne whence no traveler returneth. (See news story on Page 1.) He was one of the dearest friends of the editor of The Western American...

How pitiful, how lamentable, that accident should end the earthly life of a man so brave, so gentle, so useful, with a brilliant career just opening before him.

To the bereaved widow and her dear little children, the Klansmen extend the condolence of hearts filled with unspeakable grief.

Mr. Mannix' life was ended at a time when the future seemed most promising, the present time most pleasurable. A few weeks ago, at a conference in Portland, he was assured of the next nomination for Congress in his district.

Mr. Mannix was reared in a Catholic family. Being a man of peculiarly independent mind, he questioned all things which affected seriously his life and conduct, or which laid an obligation upon him, either spiritual or temporal.

DO THIS TOMORROW—THURSDAY.

To the Good Women of Portland—to all good citizens—to every wide-awake and sincere Minister of the Gospel—to all concerned, and this means everybody who wants a better Portland, greeting:

On Thursday of this week—tomorrow, June 7—the Motion Picture League of Portland will meet in the Benson Hotel at 1 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of discussing and deciding upon questions of common interest.

If you are interested in better pictures and more of them, at lower prices, and in prohibiting the scandalous sex play, the horrible crime story, the infamous race equality specialty like Polly Nigger's sample, the vile propaganda play, and all other undesirable and wretched alien productions which are making the movie shows a stench in the nostrils of all decent people—if you

are interested in bringing about reform of these things, get a representative committee of men and women together and meet today with the Motion Picture League. Tell them what the people are saying; warn them that public opinion is not to be estimated by the size of the crowd and door receipts; that there's a rising indignation against them for their crimes of omission and commission that promises some drastic legislation and reprisals that will "bust" the last one of them.

Demand that the League, which is operating these show houses at a public utility, in a way, permit the good women of Portland to assign three-minute speakers in every play-house to tell the audiences about the Children's Farm Home and to promote support of it in every way they can.

FAIR WARNING TO OFFICE-HOLDERS.

In behalf of the Klansmen of Oregon, under a resolution recently adopted, unanimously, The WESTERN AMERICAN demands the impartial enforcement of the liquor laws of Oregon; furthermore, that all persons employed by the State for this purpose give all their time and attention exclusively to the duties for which they are employed.

Section 5, Senate Bill No. 30: The Governor is authorized to appoint a prohibition commissioner, to hold his office during the pleasure of the Governor, and to receive such compensation as may be fixed by the Governor, to be paid only from the special fund created by this act.

This law passed, both houses and was signed by the Governor on February 13, 1923. It is in full force and effect.

The governor declares he wants to enforce the prohibition law, impartially and without fear or favor; but it is equally certain that the law is becoming a joke and the pretense of enforcing it a farce comedy.

The meanest scoundrel in America is the profiteering violator of the Eighteenth Amendment and the prohibition laws of the States. In the same category, perhaps a little lower, if there can be degrees in the depths of infamy, are the job-shy nincompoops who, by lucky chance, won their way into public office, only to betray the trust of the people.

Men of this type who have gained office accidentally are here and now warned that the power that made them can break them; that by a stroke of the pen the proper authority can set machinery in motion that will hurl them out of office and so far into the limbo of political oblivion that their names will be forgotten before the end of the period for which they were elected.

The liars and framers, four-flushers and pledge-breakers, are due soon to get what is coming to them—what they so richly deserve. There's an honest majority of 80,000 voters in this State, who will vote according to conscience and regardless of party.

The Republican log-rollers and creative workers, who sacrificed their money, time and efforts with zealous efficiency in electing certain of these men to office, naturally expected recognition, as a mark of appreciation and loyalty, in the distribution of the patronage.

Accidental office-holders—little men—cavorting around like a dog chasing its own tail, will be warned by this comment, if they have any sense at all, that the people demand ONE HUNDRED PER CENT service and loyalty to their cause.

Nobody expects an office-holder to pass out the "jobs" to every Dick, Tom and Harry, but everybody demands that the official tell the truth and shame the devil. "The Truth shall make us free." Above all, every honest voter demands LOYALTY to the cause—to the platform of principles which won in the election.

The political diary of THE WESTERN AMERICAN now contains facts concerning certain officials and appointees, their aims and motives and methods, their comings and goings, their sayings and doings, that would make rich reading for the public, and probably impel more than one person now posing in the limelight to drop his tambourine and flee to the tall uncult.

The invisible Empire is founded upon sterling character, and immutable principles based upon sacred sentiment and cemented by noble purposes. It is promoted by a sincere, unselfish devotion of the souls of men, and is governed by their consecrated intelligence.

INVISIBLE EMPIRE'S FOUNDATION.

Hel'n Maria Dawes, a "jigadier-brindle" of the world war who never smelled powder nor felt the jar of a dud, after qualifying as the champion cussier and vulgar swashbuckler, now is trying to promote an anti-Klan movement for the benefit of his purse.

To all lovers of law and order, peace and justice, we extend greeting on behalf of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan; and to the memories of the valiant, venerated dead we affectionately dedicate The Western American.

Green per-Simmons cause stomach ache at this season in Dixie. The mouth puckers at the thought of them.

TRUE INTERPRETATION

(Contributed by a Klansman)

PROTESTANTS today seem to be unaware of the true ideals for which the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan stand. It has been subject to various interpretations, official and otherwise.

The Klan is a Protestant organization, organized expressly for Protestants, so that they may be brought into one common brotherhood whose aims and purposes are one. When thus brought together, the many divisions in which we find ourselves at the present time will disappear.

No man, therefore, has a right to inject his particular idea or interpretation upon the great fundamental principles upon which the Order is founded. It is not only Protestant, but a Gentle organization, and has for its mission the interpretation of the highest ideals of the White Gentle peoples.

It believes in White Supremacy; that is, it believes that the Anglo-Saxon race should rule the destiny of our country. Again, it is not the purpose of this noble organization to interfere with the life or work of any other race who choose to make this country their home so long as they are law-abiding and have the good of the country of their adoption at heart.

The Klan stands for law enforcement. No, that does not mean that we are to enforce the law. That is none of our business and we have not been so authorized, but it is our duty to do all that we can when called upon to help those whose sworn duty it is to uphold and enforce the laws of the country.

The Klan is for native-born citizens. This again must not be interpreted as casting any reflection upon the naturalized citizens of our country. We realize that many of them are true, red-blooded citizens of the country, and we solicit their help and their co-operation in helping to purify the corrupt conditions that confront us today.

Let brotherly love continue. In other words, be charitable. Seek the highest good of others, for is not that our motto?—"Non Silba Sed Anthar"—"Not for self, but for others."

This is a Christian organization. We take the Bible as our rule and guide of life and the Living Christ as our Criterion of Character. That being so, we must at all times, if we are true Klansmen, seek to follow Him in all things.

One of the greatest attributes that we can cultivate and emulate thereby the living Christ is FORGIVENESS. Too often we are prone to judge and to condemn. Those whom we would thus treat are subjects more of our pity and love than of our judgment and condemnation.

Our desire is to be friendly to all and to help all who will help us in our efforts to make this country clean, pure and wholesome, and to maintain those principles upon which it was founded—namely, the Christian religion and Protestantism.

The principles and purposes of The Royal Riders of the Red Robe, a national fraternity composed of foreign-born citizens, and the principles and purposes of The Women of the Ku Klux Klan, a national Order composed of American women, are exactly identical with those of the Klan; these Orders vying with each other in the scope of their usefulness, the beauty of their rituals, and the benefits which flow from co-operation.

"The Light That Failed"—The Searchlight, whose beam-length now is limited to a rapidly lessening radius.

KLANTORIAL

By N. S. Sedanthar

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BUT even a money-mad newspaper can be pushed too far. These things got too common. They palled on the editor and set him thinking. He knew Americans were not doing things like that and then, too, the truth began to trickle through the obstructed channels of news which showed him he was being badly imposed upon.

Ab, there's a world of difference. In the first heads quoted, the editor gave no other alternative than that the Klan and the Klan alone was responsible for these outrages. In the latter, he simply tells you that someone beside himself has accused the Klan of these things, that he is simply reflecting what is being said.

A GOOD man may often be down, but he's never out. K. Lantry Bonner of the American Forum, at Santons, was sick abed but he kept on writing. When K. Lantry finally turns his toes to the daisies they are going to bury a Coroua with him so he can write about the Catholics he finds have been run out of Heaven.

WHILE the colonel is venerated by every Klansman, scant sympathy can be found for any man who has \$1000 a month salary for life, a \$100,000 home in one of the finest cities in America and all the honors that the greatest Order in the world can heap on him. For the life of me, I can't see where the Colonel has any kiel coming, except that he's excused by the money-mad Clarke.

THE chief of The Associated Press at Washington is sorely worried over a resolution passed by the Lynchburg, Va., Klan denouncing the secular press and The Associated Press for its unfairness in printing Klan news.

The A. P. chieftain burned the wires between Lynchburg and Washington in an effort to locate the author or the leader of the Klan. Just for what purpose he wanted to know this, I cannot say, unless, perhaps, it was to report him to the Pope. However, he did not find out.

The author sent him a copy of the resolution and it was a red hot one. He hit the nail on the head at every stroke as I have good reason to know.

LASKER, the Jew chairman of the United States Shipping Board, is riding for a hard fall, and it is coming swiftly. He came here two years ago and began playing around with congressmen. Then he threw them overboard and would associate only with senators. The senators then got the throw-down and cabinet officers were objects of the grand rush by the honorable chairman.

Since he has been chairman of the Shipping Board, only Catholic papers have carried Shipping Board advertising. Other fraternal and religious papers have been ignored and their requests for contracts scornfully rejected.

KLANSMEN, you can make your power for the Klan felt every day. Newspapers the country over are feeling the pressure of Klan displeasure and are beginning to print favorable Klan news. Encourage them by subscribing and tell them why.

There's nothing in the world a newspaper responds to quicker than it does to circulation. That's its barometer as to whether it is pleasing people or not. Recently the Washington Post launched an attack on the Klan and lost 20,000 in a week. Then it laid off, because it saw the light.

When you see the Fiery Cross blazing on some hill over your town, remember the words of Christ: "Be not afraid. It is I."