

## HERE'S A SECRET THAT DAILY PRESS IS KEEPING DARK

**Jew Lasker to Run Against  
Modell McCormick for  
U. S. Senate.**

Western American Bureau.  
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 7.—Albert D. Lasker, Jew chairman of the United States Shipping Board, will be a candidate for United States Senator from Illinois to succeed Senator Modell McCormick, according to The Fellowship Forum, national Masonic newspaper published here.

This is Lasker's real object in leaving the board, his resignation to take effect June 30. He will be succeeded by Edward P. Farley, fourth degree Knight of Columbus, of Chicago.

This leaves the Shipping Board under the domination of the Knights of Columbus, as it has been ever since its formation. Hurley, the first chairman, was a fourth degree Knight of Columbus. Admiral W. S. Benson was the same. Lasker is a Jew under the control of the Jew-Catholic combine and the new man is a "Casey." Lasker has been using the advertising clax to keep his candidacy out of the newspapers until such time as he saw fit to "spring" it on the unsuspecting people of Illinois.

The Shipping Board is constituted as follows at present:

A. D. Lasker, chairman, Jew.  
T. V. O'Connor, commissioner, fourth degree Knight of Columbus.  
Meyer Lissner, commissioner, Jew.  
W. S. Benson, commissioner, fourth degree Knight of Columbus and president of the National Catholic Welfare Council.  
George E. Chamberlain, commissioner, Mason, retiring.  
Frederick I. Thompson, commissioner, Protestant.  
E. C. Plummer, commissioner, Mason.

## VATICAN STRONGER AFTER WORLD WAR

Undoubtedly the Vatican is stronger today than before the war. Spiritually minded Roman Catholics everywhere are gravely concerned that the Vatican is losing spiritual consciousness while devoting time to politics. The revived political strength of the Vatican has permitted it to bring to the fore the two old great issues, the school question and the re-establishment of the temporal power of the Pope.

## 20,000 ATTEND ONE INDIANA GATHERING

One of the largest and most successful Klan celebrations in history was staged at Valparaiso, Ind., May 19. Twenty thousand Klansmen were present.

## ASBURY PARK KLAN PARADES PUBLICLY

Over 100 members of the Asbury Park Klan, Realm of New Jersey, paraded the streets of Point Pleasant, N. J., last week and attended services at the Central M. E. Church. The Exalted Cyclops took the rostrum and spoke on the Klan oath and Americanism.

## KANSAS KLANSMEN AIDING GOOD WORK

Members of Frontier Klan No. 2, Realm of Kansas, located at Augusta, made their first public appearance recently when they visited the Christian church in full regalia and purchased a large share of stock in the Christian Church Financing Association. This Klan also has been active in protesting against the showing of immoral pictures.

## Klan Has 9 Lives

When the recent dispute over authority arose in the offices of the Ku Klux Klan at national headquarters at Atlanta, between Col. Simmons and Imperial Wizard Evans the knowing ones in the camp of the enemy winked the other eye and predicted an early demise of the organization.

But the enemy reckoned without its hosts. A little family dispute over authority, or policy, or whether the word Georgia should be abbreviated or spelled out, amounts to nothing, constitutionally speaking in the life and affairs of a great patriotic order, nationwide, and with millions of patriotic citizens composing its membership.

The hopes of many lost causes have been wrecked on the rock of internal dissension, and nothing would please the enemies of the Klan better than

to see it tear its craft against that old, forbidding barrier.

Be it said to its credit, however, the Klan has been exceedingly fortunate in this regard, and while the recent disturbance was nothing more than a tempest in a teapot, it has blown over and the dove of peace hovers nonchalantly above the ramparts of the imperial palace.

If the Ku Klux Klan stands firm and steadfastly by its original principles, and makes its point to put its foot on the necks of ambitious and unscrupulous leaders, thirsting for political power, there is no force under heaven that can impede its progress or thwart its noble purposes.

If it yields to those whom the flesh pots of office can corrupt, and lends ear to the self-seeking traitors who are bound to sift through the meshes of the outer portal, then it can expect to go the way of all on the earth. Until it at least shows some signs of making that mistake, however, it would behoove the knucklers to save their lungs for a more favorable season.—Beaumont News.

## HAM JOHNSTONE IS AN ATTORNEY AGAIN

**Banished from Klan for Violation of His Sacred Obligation.**

Ham Johnstone, a notorious Portland lawyer and former probationary Klansman, banished for treason in the violation of the Sacred Obligation which he had assumed, again has hung out his shingle and is all set to practice law. This news has caused much adverse comment, for Johnstone is believed to be unfit for the profession, thought certainly no worse than many others.

Johnstone has been practically or in effect disbarred for about two years, after he was alleged to have been caught looting a client in an estate matter, in which he was associated as attorney with two or three other lawyers. The grievance committee of the Bar Association investigated the case and demanded that the prosecutor prefer charges against Johnstone. The accusation never was filed, however, because the accused lawyer obeyed with alacrity the grievance committee's demand for his resignation. He failed to file this resignation with the County Court, however, and the proceedings never were filed in the Supreme Court. There was no formal filing of papers, which, technically, left him in the position of not being disbarred and as having the right to practice law. That's the claim now, after the thing has "blown over," but it is a distinction without a difference.

Arriving at a time when Johnstone was to be reinstated as a lawyer, probably as a reward for crooked work against the Klan, he was handed back his resignation on the plea that he had been punished enough.

## KLAN NOT FIGHTING ANYONE'S RELIGION

The Klan has no fight to make upon the individual Catholic or upon the Catholic church, as a church, but strenuously objects to any church being used as a political machine to warp, annual or set aside a highly cherished American institution. The public school system of this country is the bulwark of the nation. In these schools the ideals of our future citizens are molded. Consequently, the safety of this nation depends upon the perpetuation of the free public school and upon every child attending it.

The Roman Catholic church is opposed to the free public school and is bending its every energy to circumvent its influence, if not abolish the system altogether. That church contends that the education of the children should be directed by the church and when a Catholic says church, he means the Roman Catholic church, and will recognize no other.—IMPERIAL NIGHT-HAWK.

## HERO CROSSES FOR ORIGINAL KLANSMEN

The gallant Klansmen who rode beneath the fiery cross more than half a century ago are being recognized by the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan which perpetuates their fame. Every original Klansman is entitled to a "hero cross" and upon application to Imperial Kligrapp H. K. Ramsey will be presented with one.

Many Klans have arranged very impressive ceremonies for the presentation of these hero crosses to men who upheld White Supremacy against carpet-bagger rule.

Jesus Christ is the Klansman's criterion of character (and to Him we look for light, love and life.

## NEW YORK KLAN OPPOSE DESPOTIC AND UNFAIR LAW

**Thousands of Patriots Join  
in Spectacular Demonstration May 27.**

Special Dispatch.  
WASHINGTON, June 6.—The following dispatch has just been received from Binghamton, N. Y.:

Thousands of Klansmen held outdoor ceremonies last night in many towns in New York State, to express their determination to fight the law just signed by Governor Alfred E. Smith, forcing Klansmen to "unmask" and to make public all their secrets and membership lists. The demonstrations were held in the following places: Niagara, Buffalo, Rochester, Schenectady, Syracuse, Port Jervis, Binghamton, Elmira, Cornell, Middletown, Centertown and Eastport.

Twelve hundred and eighty-seven candidates were naturalized and eight thousand were present in full regalia at Eastport alone. Similar numbers were present in each town, all holding huge initiations.

Klan Leader's Statement.

King Kligrapp E. D. Smith issued the following statement this evening: "We shall fight the Walker Bill to the last ditch. This is not a defiance of law, but merely a determination to test its constitutionality. Tonight's meetings were the beginning of a series of great spring openings all over the State. The passage of the Walker Bill really has aided us. It is conservatively estimated that more than 100,000 Klansmen took part and more than 15,000 were initiated in the State of New York last night."

Work of Malignant K. C.

Unless the Klan files a copy of its oath and a list of its membership and officers with the Secretary of State of New York at once, it will be declared an outlaw in the State. The bill outlawing the Klan has been signed by Governor Smith, Catholic and fourth degree Knight of Columbus, and has become part of the so-called civil rights law.

Non-compliance with the law is made a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment of not more than a year or a fine of from \$100 to \$10,000, or both fine and imprisonment. Officers of the Klan will be the violators if they do not file the oath and membership, constitution, rules, regulations and by-laws together with their places of meeting.

The Klan will fight the law to the Supreme Court of the United States. A test case is being prepared.

Abhorrent Class Legislation.

King Kligrapp Smith said: "The law is so obviously class legislation that we do not believe it will stand in court for a minute. Had the law been framed to cover all secret orders, it might have had a chance in court, but being aimed at and naming only the Ku Klux Klan, renders it the rankest piece of class legislation ever perpetrated on the people of any State. Anyone knows that any such effort to foist this kind of a law on the Nation, the Odd Fellows, or even the Knights of Columbus, would go down to defeat in a hurry. I feel safe in saying the Knights of Columbus will not get our membership rolls by this method, even with their notorious law."

## KLANSMEN PAY CASH REWARD FOR SLAYER

Pioneer Klan No. 1, Realm of Iowa, located at Des Moines, Iowa, has just paid \$250 in cash to police officers who captured the brutal murderer of an East Des Moines druggist. The reward was offered in the interest of law enforcement.

## A Sad Spectacle

"It is the youth of Ireland that offers the greatest menace to peace," according to Mr. Shaw Desmond, who has made a special study of Ireland during the past four years. Having described several gunmen who were mere youths, Mr. Desmond adds: "Unfitted for serious work, living and breathing desperate hair-trigger adventure, these boys of Ireland, with their natural beauty of soul and possibility of life and living, are enough to make those who love Ireland weep."

These boys are not long out of school. They were taught by members of the religious orders, on plans laid down by the bishops. They are not the product of the so-called Godless schools. Whatever else they were taught, their catechism was not neglected. And look at the result. Boys

in their teens going about the country shooting, burning and looting. If they are "unfitted for serious work" today, what hope is there that they will settle down to useful effort in the future? "As the twig is bent, so is the tree inclined." These boys have been filled with hatred of the British so deep and insensate that they will not forgive their own friends who signed a treaty with the British government to secure their independence. There has never been so sad a spectacle in human history as that presented by Mr. Shaw Desmond as the condition of Ireland now.

## SALVATION ARMY IS AIDED BY KLANSMEN

Some of the members of the Modesto, California, Klan attended a Salvation Army meeting wearing their full regalia a few days ago. They laid a substantial contribution on the drum head and a letter praising Salvation Army work.

## GUATEMALA RUNS OUT ROMAN CHIEF

**Following Precedent of Expulsion Set by President Obregon of Mexico.**

The Minneapolis Sunday Tribune of March 18 last, carries information that the Chamber of Deputies of the Republic of Guatemala has approved the Presidential Decree expelling the Roman Catholic Archbishop Munoz Capron from the country. He was accused of injecting religious considerations into the civil affairs and thus violating the Constitution of the Republic, and so it goes. With the President of Mexico expelling Monsignor Filippi for violating the laws of that country, after his having been warned that the service he proposed was against the law, and then the Roman Catholic prelates in Russia violating and defying the laws of that land, one would reasonably come to the conclusion that the often boastful statement that the prelates of the Roman Church never interfere in political or state matters, but only in spiritual, was not altogether in keeping with the truth. It is not probable either that those 1400 countries will not continue to show mightily of their loyalty to our country against all other potentates.

## HALLARD BAKER OF SOMEWHERE, HERE'S A LETTER FOR YOU

The boy for whom we are searching in the letter below left home three years ago, April, 1920. His father died July 4, 1920. His mother is alone now, and, of course, wants to hear where he is and why he doesn't write to her. The address of Mrs. Shown and Mrs. Duncan is 551 Woodward avenue, El Centro, California. Hallard was discharged from the Navy in 1919 from San Francisco, going to his mother's home in Three Rivers, Mich. In April he left for Greeley, Colo., and has not been heard of since.

Portland, Ore., June 7, 1923.—Mr. Hallard Baker, Somewhere. Dear Mr. Baker—This is to let you know that your relatives to whom you haven't written in a long time, are terribly worried over your apparent disappearance and are anxious to hear from you.

Your sister, Mrs. J. A. Shown, R. R. A. Box 225, Brawley, Cal., has written us on behalf of your mother and other relatives, asking us to help them find you. They tried when your father died, a year ago, but you had left Greeley, Colo., a little earlier, and told friends there you were coming to California to visit your sisters, Mrs. J. P. Duncan, Miss Inez Baker, and Mrs. Shown. They haven't seen you. If this letter comes to your attention, or to the attention of your friends, please let Mrs. Shown know at once. Buck up, boy! Snap out of it! Very truly,  
THE EDITOR,  
The Western American.

## LOOK OUT FOR THIS NEXT WEEK'S ISSUE

After devoting a whole week to the investigation of facts and conditions in a certain State institution, the editor of The Western American is ready to report, but hasn't time to write it. The story will appear in next week's issue. Look out for it, for it is vitally important. It will deal with the vital and essential elements of social and political life.

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