

ASTORIA HAS IDEAL FUNERAL PARLOR GIVING PATRONS MATCHLESS SERVICE

KARLSON & SON—Charles W., Sr., and Charles Raoul, the son—Funeral Directors and Embalmers, Astoria, have attained a remarkable success in their splendid new establishment on Franklin street, between 11th and 12th, in their first half-year of business, which started last January.

GENUINE SYMPATHY with the sorrow-stricken—the heartfelt kindness which is the greatest good—together with supreme professional skill in the art of embalming and the delicate business of directing funerals—this is the simple secret of their success. The Karlsons, father and son, are known to nearly everyone in Clatsop County as American citizens of sterling character, leading blameless and useful lives.

RAOUL KARLSON has been in the undertaking business eight years in Astoria, and his father six years. During this time they were associated with another undertaker. Having hosts of personal friends, they decided six months ago to establish a permanent house owned and managed exclusively by themselves. Generous patronage has more than justified the soundness of their judgment.

GIVING their patrons the benefit of a 25 to 40 per cent saving on caskets, bought at wholesale prices and kept on display for purposes of comparison, and being content with fair prices for all services, the firm's increasing business is multiplying profits and their future looks rosy, indeed.

The exterior of the home-like building—and it really is a home—is painted in cream and gray. The garage is located at the rear, and a spacious driveway leads to the street. The equipment includes a Packard hearse of the latest type.

Convenience and comfort were the aims of the owners in remodeling the building for undertaking purposes. The Preparation Room in the basement contains the latest scientific appliances for embalming. It gives no suggestion of a morgue. After preparation, the body is lifted upon an elevator to the Slumber Room. The Casket Display Room is nearby, where the selection may be made quickly and with privacy. The Chapel is a commodious and beautiful hall, furnished with mulberry draperies and hangings and fine lace curtains, an expensive and luxurious Toupe carpet, Vienna chairs and cheerful decorations. There are no dull or dreary colors or suggestions of gloom. The place gives an unusual impression of warmth and good cheer. The eyes of the mourners on sad occasions rest upon an inspirational masterpiece, "Crossing the Bar." Seats are provided for 125 persons.

The Music Room is opposite, opening into the Chapel, improving the effect of the musical program at funerals. The audience hears perfectly without observing the musicians.

Adjoining, with a full view of the Chapel, is a private Family Room, where the bereaved ones can see and hear everything without being observed by the audience. This room is furnished luxuriously, with every convenience and comfort. The embarrassment of having to ask for things, too common in funeral parlors, is eliminated. Everything useful is at hand.

Charles W. Karlson, Sr., is widely known in Western Washington. He is an eminent Mason and a member of various Protestant societies. He is one of Astoria's most progressive citizens.

Charles Raoul Karlson, one of the most popular young men in Clatsop County, was born in Astoria November 16, 1897. He was educated in the public schools, of which his father always has been an ardent champion, and then received a thorough business education. He married Muriel Cullen at Portland, Ore., January 28, 1919, shortly after his return from a year's heroic service as a soldier with the American Army in France. Mr. and Mrs. Karlson have one child, Garth Wayne Karlson, born April 25, 1920. Mr. Karlson is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Modern Woodmen of America, the United Finnish Kaleva Brothers and Sisters (U. F. K. B. S.), and other Protestant and civic societies.

The economies effected by their services, the unexcelled skill of their work, and above all, the sympathetic kindness and helpfulness which are above price on occasions of sorrow, have given this fine undertaking establishment a distinctive reputation, assuring its permanency and steady prosperity.

The firm name is **C. W. KARLSON & SON**, 531 Franklin St., Astoria. Telephone 286. Calls from distant places, far or near, are given prompt attention.

THE KU KLUX KREED.

We, the Order of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, reverentially acknowledge the majesty and supremacy of Almighty God and recognize His goodness and providence through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Recognizing our relation to the Government of the United States of America, the supremacy of its Constitution, the Union of States thereunder, and the constitutional laws thereof, we shall ever be devoted to the sublime principles of a pure Americanism, and valiant in the defense of its ideals and institutions.

We avow the distinction between the races of mankind as decreed by the Creator, and we shall ever be true to the maintenance of White Supremacy and strenuously oppose any compromise thereof.

We appreciate the value of practical, fraternal relationship among men of kindred thought, purposes and ideals and the infinite benefits accruing therefrom; we shall faithfully devote ourselves to the practice of an honorable clannishness that the life of each may be a constant blessing to others.

The Portland lawyer who sued several prominent men for heavy damages on mere suspicion reduced his claim from \$50,000 to one dollar after the evidence was all in, but the court and jury decided he wasn't entitled to even a dime.

DEMAND CREDENTIALS OF ALL SOLICITORS; BE PATIENT AWHILE

It is necessary to state to all concerned that an advertising solicitor named Wells has no connection whatever with The Western American; furthermore, that any and every representative of this journal will be able to present credentials written upon the official Klan letterhead and bearing the personal signature of the Editor. To several persons concerned it is also necessary to state that certain articles which they may expect this week are crowded out of this issue by important Klan news and will appear next week. We are doing the best we can to serve our 50,000 readers within the limit of eight pages. You shall have a bigger and better paper soon. Bear with us, and when you knock, please call the Editor. He is the busiest man in town, but doesn't mind it.

DELAWARE GROWING AT WONDERFUL RATE

Klan There Now Has 175 Units and More Than 30,000 Members.

(Western American Bureau)
WILMINGTON, Del., June 14.—The Ku Klux Klan has 175 units and more than 30,000 members in Delaware, according to I. B. Pelot, imperial representative who made this declaration in an address before a Klan meeting in Newport this week. Nearly 200 Klansmen in regalia attended the Newport meeting which is described as one of the most enthusiastic ever held in this state. Mr. Pelot stated that a huge public naturalization will be held near here Friday, June 15, in a field close to the city, when 500 aliens will take the vows of patriotism.

KLANSMEN ATTEND IN FULL REGALIA

At the funeral of the late lamented Joseph Mannix, city attorney of Astoria, in Portland June 6, the obstacles at the grave were rendered still more impressive and affecting by the sudden and silent appearance of a group of nine Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, in full state regalia. After paying the last tribute of respect, the Knights withdrew as silently as they had come.

The beautiful funeral service conducted by Dean Reginald T. T. Hicks, were as Mr. Mannix would have desired, without elaborate ritual or program, without pomp or pretense, but with the simplicity and deep solemnity which should mark the end of the earthly career of a Christian and noble Knight, one "without fear and without reproach."

The attending mourners included a delegation of prominent citizens of Astoria, headed by Mayor O. B. Setters and the city commissioners.

The grave was made a bower of flowers, the tokens including beautiful pieces from Astoria friends and others from Portland.

The floral pieces sent by the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and one from The Ladies of the Invisible Empire and The Western American typified in symbolism the life and eternal reward of the lamented brother.

Mourning for Mr. Mannix is general throughout Clatsop county, where he was admired and respected by everyone. In the civic and fraternal life of Astoria his loss is felt most keenly and he long will be sadly missed.

FLAG DAY, JUNE 14, NEGRO IS ORATOR

Negro Reads Declaration of Independence in Celebration at Boston.

(Western American Bureau)
BOSTON, Mass., June 14.—For the first time in the history of Boston, a negro will read the Declaration of Independence as a feature of the Fourth of July celebration from the balcony of the Old State House. Mayor Curley, Catholic, has appointed Charles C. Dogan, of 74 West Rutland street, age 17 years and an honor pupil in the English High School.

Flag Day, June 14, will be given a celebration of the first rank by the city of Boston this year in a \$3000 display of fireworks on Boston Common, in connection with the annual convention of the National League of Masonic Clubs.

Do you want to recall Pierce?

STACKHOUSE GANG IS TRYING TO ELECT SHULL

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and stick up his feet if Mr. Shull came tripping along.

Who Is This Man Wilson?
Wilson?—Tug Wilson, as he is known—he's a mechanic of some kind, a dabbler in petty politics, a peanut roller, connected with the Roman Catholic church on one side of his family, possessing no qualifications whatever for the position of School Director, a man with little education, except what he has picked up here and there in the course of years. Ask any man who knows him. He's a pretty good fellow, his friends say, and once upon a time he was sent east as a political delegate of some kind and saved his expensive money with the skill of a Jew. He's against the bond issue for the maintenance and upbuilding of the public schools, and yet has the insufferable audacity to ask intelligent people to put him on the School Board. Ed Stackhouse is credited with Wilson's candidacy in the interest of Shull. That's their little game! Do you see it? They play it every time—there must be money in it.

And Who Is Ed Stackhouse?
Stackhouse? He is a "jiner" of the fraternities and was bounced out of the Ku Klux Klan when he didn't dare face the music after indignant members brought charges against him alleging gross treason and treacherous violation of the most sacred obligation which a man can take. Stackhouse was secretary of the notorious Robert Bruce Lodge of "Grayback (cootie) Masons" in Portland about six years ago and was indicted and tried, along with one Frank Motter, who got a year in prison, for selling "Masonic degrees" up to the 92nd for whatever the hapless sucker could pay. The cootie "Masons," composed of culls and morons, are said again to have one or two "lodges" in Portland, probably high-grading the sucker family again.

Stackhouse a Good Carpenter
Stackhouse is a carpenter by trade, and a very good one, but tired of wood-butchering after he was bitten by the political bug. He is NOT an ex-service man. He has been idle for the last year, "doing nothing but politics," his friends declare, all wondering how he gets that way. Stackhouse had a good job as carpenter-foreman for the school district, but quit work in April, 1922, to join George Brandenburg, the roadhouse man; Ham Johnstone, the "resigned" lawyer and ousted Klansman, and other kindred spirits in the "Charley" Hall campaign to capture the governorship. "Ham" is trying to hang out his law-shingle again, by some kind of hocuspokus with the Bar Association's over-indulgent grievance committee, probably as a reward for his treason to the Klan, while Stackhouse and Brandenburg are busy at the same old game of split-the-ticket and vote the suckers. They are really specialists at this game, succeeding fairly well, because there's a sucker born every minute.

That's the Whole Story
That's the whole story of the election this coming Saturday. The enemies of the public school are framing Shull again, and the split-the-ticket gang are trying to help by trotting out their man, Tug Wilson. Tuggie has been admonished by some of his sincere friends to get in out of the rain, to keep his little tootsies from getting wet, but he's "in the race to win"—for Shull.

If this gang of jackleg framers can put over such a game, the foolish house ought to be enlarged, and it ought to be established right in Portland, to save running 'em down and carfare.

Two Good Men Are Up
Colonel W. C. North, one of Portland's squarest and whitest citizens, who is eminently qualified by character, education and experience to give ideal service on the School Board, has been persuaded by representative citizens of every walk in life to stand for the School Board. His pedigree is given in another column on this page. Read it and work for him, if you care anything for the public schools and want to see them maintained and developed to give our children a chance in life.

Woodward Is All Right
Director Woodward is with the supporters of the public schools and is entitled to whole-hearted support. Every public-spirited citizen should work for his re-election. He is being fought by the enemy for his stand on the Compulsory Public School Bill and the Non-Sectarian Garb Bill and the white people of Portland must put him over. Here's what Woodward says: "Our common schools are the nation's truest source of citizenship; they deserve our united and loyal support; they should be attended by every normal child. Right education of our children is our nation's greatest task, and it is our sacred

duty to provide them with safe and suitable school houses."
Remember These Instructions
The election will be held Saturday, June 16. The voting hours will be from 12 o'clock noon until 8 o'clock in the evening. You don't have to be registered, but you do have to be a taxpayer of some kind to vote on the bond issue. You are a taxpayer if you own a dinky share of stock in something—anything on which any company or concern pays taxes in any amount in Multnomah county.

Now, get out Saturday, if you are any good and show what kind of an American you are. VOTE FOR NORTH AND WOODWARD.

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