

### KLANSMEN PARADE BEFORE MULTITUDE IN JERSEY CENTER

#### Knights on Horseback and Afoot, Accompanied by Women and Royal Riders.

#### HUNDREDS ARE INITIATED

#### Splendid Demonstration of Steady Progress in A. H. Bell's Territory.

(Special Correspondence.)

PT. PLEASANT, N. J., June 20.—Four hundred and eighty men from Monmouth, Middlesex and Ocean counties were initiated into the Invisible Empire of the Ku Klux Klan at Point Pleasant, last Saturday night. The initiatory ceremonial was preceded by a parade of hooded and robed Klansmen, Women of the Ku Klux Klan, and Royal Riders of the Red Robe.

The demonstration came to a close early Sunday morning with a great display of fireworks and burning of an 80-foot cross. The initiation and demonstration took place on the 10-acre picnic grounds adjoining Clark's Landing, bordering on the Manasquan river. Mounted Klansmen appeared for the first time in the history of the order in the east and the appearance of the members of the Women of the Klan and Royal Riders of the Red Robe, was also an outstanding feature. Klansmen from all over New Jersey were in attendance. A steady stream of automobiles continued along the shore during the afternoon bringing Klansmen to Point Pleasant. The candidates initiated were mostly from this section.

The candidates began arriving early in the evening and were escorted to the woodland bordering the Manasquan river. Thousands of cars of Klansmen and candidates were parked in the vicinity of Clark's Landing.

Reserved Seats for Hundreds. Although it had been generally understood that the meeting was to be secret, spectators from all over this section arrived and newspapermen estimated the outside attendance at more than 5000. More than 100 persons, bearing special invitations, were admitted to a section of the field and were able to view the ceremonial.

The parade got under way at 9 o'clock. The Klansmen, Ladies and the Royal Riders of the Red Robe assembled on Ocean avenue.

Many of the Klansmen, who later appeared in the parade, assembled at the Clark Landing field and marched by a backroad to the point of rendezvous on Ocean avenue. The firing of a rocket was the starting signal.

Local Elks Band Plays. Klansmen mounted on horses, which were also robed, led the marchers, followed by a fiery cross and an American flag. The Elks' band of Asbury Park, followed. An automobile bearing the Grand Dragon of the Ku Klux Klan, Realm of New Jersey and several other high Klansmen was followed by Royal Riders of the Red Robe.

The Royal Riders, with drawn sabers, acted as body guard to members of the Ladies' Order, who were led by the supreme counselor of the organization. Three standard bearers followed. The Great Titan of Province No. 3, Monmouth, Ocean and Middlesex counties, followed the standard bearers, mounted. Delegations of Klansmen from various sections were led by Exalted Cyclops and Klansmen.

The parades marched up Arnold avenue to the field, which had been rented for the Klan demonstration several days previous, and proceeded to the section reserved for the ceremonial. Their arrival was the signal for an outburst of applause among the civilians, many of whom, were members of the Ku Klux Klan.

After marching about the field several times the Klansmen lined up on the east side of the grounds. Various officers of the Klan took their stations on platforms in the field and the Great Titan mounted a stand in front of the spectators and proceeded to address the multitude.

Organization Explained. The Great Titan then introduced the Grand Dragon who told of the principles and virtues of the Order. Following his address the officers circled the field to the section near the woods and proceeded to open the meeting as strictly a Ku Klux Klan gathering. What proceeded there was not audible to the spectators and newspapermen

were only able to hear some of the ceremonial.

A cross, guarded by Cyclops, was brought to the center of the field and initiatory work was under way. Headed by Klansmen carrying an American flag and a burning cross, the candidates were brought on the field. Circling the field they were marched in front of the Cyclops guarding the American flag and burning cross.

The field was lined with automobiles belonging to Klansmen and the lights were flashed on to aid in the work of the evening. Searchlights were used.

Officials Among Spectators. In the section reserved for the spectators bearing special invitations newspapermen recognized many prominent citizens, including Assemblyman Gentry of Trenton, Rev. W. R. Blachman, Simpson Memorial Church, Long Branch; Rev. Wilbur C. Walker, Linden M. E. Church, Jersey City; Miss Margaret Pyle, boro clerk of Allenhurst; Sheriff Joseph L. Holman and Undersheriff Alfred W. Brown of Ocean county; Rev. L. C. Moore, First M. E. Church, Point Pleasant; Constable Ed Remson of Wall Township; Mayor Howard L. Hindall of Point Pleasant Beach, and Mayor Melvin V. Parker, of Point Pleasant.

Arrangements for the demonstration were made by A. H. Bell of Bloomfield, an organizer of the Klan in this section, but who was identified last night as the Great Titan of the Province No. 3, Realm of New Jersey.

Precautions were taken to guard against persons without credentials getting too near the ceremonial and guards were maintained along the roads about the field.

Newspapermen were constantly under guard but were extended every courtesy. Special arrangements had been taken to insure that representatives of the press be given opportunity to view every detail of the demonstration and hear the speeches.

Klansmen on the field often removed their hoods and made no effort to hide their identity. Members of the Ladies' Order, who paraded wearing white and wore harem veils. It was possible to see their faces.

The Grand Counselor of the Women's Order, who rode a horse, was identified as the wife of A. H. Bell. She is in charge of organization work along the shore and instituted Seacoast chapter of the Order two weeks ago with more than 250 members. Her features were plainly visible and she appeared very beautiful—a veritable Joan of Arc.

After the initiation a fireworks display was set off. Breaking high over the woods to the north with the Manasquan river visible through the trees it broke into five sections. On each side an American shield was outlined and in the center three letter Ks were blazing.

The 80-foot cross was then fired and illuminated the entire field.

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## WHAT IS AMERICANISM? LET THE ROMANS REPLY

### Papist Spokesman Calls United States Constitution a "Lying Constitution" and Desires Abolition of Glorious Stars and Stripes as Our Symbol of Authority.

Patriotic societies, the Ku Klux Klan, the Knights of Columbus and kindred organizations, declare for "One Hundred Per Cent Americanism." What is Americanism? How may it be identified? Surely a person or a society calling the United States Constitution a "lying Constitution," and desiring the time to come when the Stars and Stripes will no longer be the symbol of authority, is far removed from Americanism.

#### The Real Papist Doctrine

The "Morning Star" is the official organ of the Archbishop of New Orleans, and in its issue of Aug. 16, 1913, it contained the following: "The American Federation of Catholic Societies ought, of its own nature, to be a powerful agency for good and an invaluable auxiliary for the advancement of Catholic interests."

"It is unfortunate, therefore, that during the convention which has just come to a close in Milwaukee, some among those who ought to be the leaders of Catholic thought should have given utterance to views which practically nullify the Federation's reason for existence. It is sad to note that their Graces of Dubuque and St. Paul have so far forgotten the Encyclical 'Longinqua Oceani,' as to seek that cheap glory which is evidently the object of their addresses at the convention, when advancing years ought to warn them that they are nearing the world where, thank God, there are no Stars and Stripes and no lying Constitution to receive the adulations which involve a dangerously close kinship to heresy.

#### Rebuke to Archbishop

"Archbishop Keane says the Federation is and ought to be non-political. If so, what is the reason for its existence? How does it expect to accomplish its purpose of applying Catholic principles to the everyday life of our own day?

"That there is a distinction between spiritual and temporal jurisdiction is true enough, but if the Archbishop of St. Paul wishes to conclude from this the truth of the theory of the separation of Church and State, as understood by the Constitution of the United States, (which is evidently what he means by the term, 'Americanism,' in the sentence quoted above), then he had better refer to the Syllabus of Pius IX, and to the recent re-enactment of its main provisions by the present Pontiff, Pius X. It makes absolutely no difference that on account of circumstances the arrangement we are familiar with may work well in practice; the theory is absolutely wrong. And when Archbishop Ireland refers to it as a principle, 'the vital principle of Americanism,' he presents it as a definite proposition, a formal thesis, or else words have lost their meanings.

#### "Brainless Patriots"

"Now that thesis is false, and he knows it, but talks as if he didn't, for the cheap applause of brainless patriots whose allegiance to Christ and his Universal Kingdom must be and circumscribed and all but destroyed by their idiotically childish adherence to a scheme of government founded on the sophisms of Jean Jacques Rousseau and his school. The Archbishop knows that our wonderful Declaration of Independence, the work of Thomas Jefferson, deist or agnostic, according to the fashion of the eighteenth century, is nothing but a rebash of the 'Contract Social,' and differs but little from the famous 'Declaration des Droits de l'Homme,' which was soon to follow it in France." Emphasis mine.

This ecclesiastic is to be recommended for his candor; what he states is the teaching of his church, the proof of which statement can be substantiated by an abundance of testimony! The editor of "America," official organ of the Jesuits in the United States, to the belief of the Archbishop of New Orleans, and other Roman Catholic writers fall in line with the archbishop and the editor. A belief in the union of the Roman Catholic church with the state is a doctrine taught by the hierarchy; to deny this is futile. Infallibility is forever true; the Roman Catholic church has been the state church of many countries; therefore claiming infallibility, that union must have been according to truth. To declare the union of the Roman Catholic church with the state to be wrong is to deny infallibility.

The archbishop of New Orleans is to be commended for his candor; the try of "One Hundred Per Cent Americanism" emanating from Roman Catholic "brainless patriots" is just

so much dust thrown into the air, to blind the mental sight of Americans, who are tired of the cry, "Great is Diana of the Ephesians."

The formation of the National Patriotic Council is timely; it was organized Saturday, July 15, 1922; it is assailed by the K. of C. and R. C. ecclesiastics the next day. See The Post, Washington, D. C. July 17, 1922; page 2. More power to the new organization!

#### FAST TELEGRAM.

To Roman Bennie Olcott, Care Janitor, Bank of Little Italy, San Francisco.

Dear Old Bennie, Noblest Roman of Them All!

The people of Oregon are finding out that their present condition is worse than the first, and many of them are yearning for thee, despite thy Roman proclivities and thy infernal misrepresentation of the Ku Klux Klan, and thy foolish guess as to the ruling power in Oregon. We are inquiring now whether, in certain eventualities, you could be constrained to return to Oregon and cast thy cap again into the ring for the purpose of regaining thy GOAT. It promises to be a recall shindy, with blood on the moon and war in the camp. Do you want us to let bygones be bygones, and will you publicly recant your anti-school bill heresy? Answer in detail and come home when you can. If you haven't got the cash, we will send a ticket. Faithfully and hopefully thine,

THE WESTERN AMERICAN.

A large number of members from North Star Klan No. 2, Minneapolis, Minn., attended services at Foss Memorial Methodist church recently on invitation of Rev. John G. Schably, pastor. The minister lit a fiery cross which had been erected near the pulpit, and a sermon was preached on "The Development of the Protestant Church."

## WOMEN OF K. K. K. IS MIGHTIEST ORDER

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indeed, to be able to begin our great organization, with women that are already trained workers; bringing to us trained minds, loyal workers who are tactful women of experience; of which we can be justly proud.

For today as never before we realize the need of the superb machinery and sacrificial service of the Christian manhood and womanhood of our great nation. For the problems, political, social and economic of the past, are not akin to the problems of today; for the safety of the nation rests in its citizenship. Then let us be urgent and intensely enthusiastic, in arousing and enlisting our women. Let us keep as our goal, a state organization in every state in our Nation.

May I count on you to help win this goal? Yours for cooperation, LULU A. MARKWELL, Imperial Commander. Information for Members.

All members or the merged "LOTIE" are eligible to the Women of the Klan without payment of any additional fee, provided they were in good standing up to June 1. This includes foreign born women, who already are members, but hereafter all new members must be native-born Americans, because all of the Klan restrictions will apply without exception.

Persons eligible now are those born in America, Protestant, 18 years old, who can meet the rigorous tests of the Klan.

Certain mischief-makers, who stirred up discord and trouble in the "LOTIE" and brought themselves under suspicion as agents of the enemy, will have to convince a membership committee of their fitness before they are admitted to the Women of the Ku Klux Klan.

Application blanks for the transfer of membership may be obtained at the Women's Klan headquarters, 407 Pittcock Block, telephone Broadway 1873. Mrs. Maybelle Jetts is serving as Exalted Cyclops pro tempore.

The first regular meeting of the Women of the Ku Klux Klan will be held Friday night of next week, July

6, probably in Redmen's hall, Ninth and Hawthorne, east side. All former members of the "LOTIE" in good standing are invited. The place of meeting may be changed. Notice will be given later.

The meeting of the women Friday of this week, June 22, in Redmen's hall, will be the last informal gathering of the Oregon Women's Klan, which also has been merged. This meeting is of vital importance. Members not in good standing will be admitted on payment of their dues in the new organization.

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