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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 remodelling 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 needful 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 the Divine Being, and recognize His goodness and providence.

WE RECOGNIZE 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, and we shall be ever 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 same has been decreed by the Creator, and shall ever be true in the faithful maintenance of White Supremacy and strenuously will oppose any compromise thereof in any and all things.

WE APPRECIATE the intrinsic value of a real, practical fraternal relationship among men of kindred thought, purpose and ideals and the infinite benefits accruable therefrom, and shall faithfully devote ourselves to the practice of an honorable Klanishness that the life and living of each may be a constant blessing to others.

KLANITORIAL

By N. S. SEDANTHAR

IT'S FUNNY how some people can see a thing one way when some people do it and see the same thing another way when other people do it. I have reference to the hue and cry that is being raised over the country because the Klan will fight the New York anti-mask law.

The secular press calls it a "pure defiance of the law," because the Klan will make a test case and carry it through the courts in order to test its validity. Why, Great Scott! That's the thing to do! Nobody in his right mind would want the Klan made the object of an unjust law which we believe this law to be. That's what courts are for—to see that the laws are made right.

Nobody, not even the Klan, is criticizing the Catholic church for fighting the Oregon School law. We don't blame them, for it is a body blow to their whole political system, which we wish to make illegal. But at the same time that doesn't keep us from fighting back and winning. And we can fight fair, too; and that's something the Catholic leaders can't do.

Then, too, the secular press does not criticize the Catholics for their fight to upset the Eighteenth Amendment in New York State. The Ku Klux Klan does, and it is going to fight this effort to officially say: "To Hell with the Constitution!"

In other words, the whole situation has narrowed down to this: If the Klan does it, it's wrong. If the Catholic church does it, it's above criticism.

We do not take the stand that whatever the Klan does is right just because the Klan does it, or that everything is wrong just because the Catholic church does it. But we do contend that a law that smacks of injustice should be made to run the tauntlet through the courts whether it be for or against us, and if found valid, should be obeyed to the letter.

In other words, I may safely say that if in the final analysis, the highest courts in the land decide that the New York anti-Klan law is constitutional and perfectly valid, IT WILL BE OBEYED TO THE LETTER BY THE KLAN. For the Klan obeys the laws and will force others to obey them, even the Roman Catholic church which regards itself as immune.

REMEMBER ABOUT BEN ADHEM, AND THE DREAM HE HAD? WELL, THAT ANGEL WAS WRITING HIS NAME ON OUR SUBSCRIPTION LIST. DOES YOUR NAME HEAD THEM ALL, TOO?

Protestant clergymen write me from many parts of the nation that the Klan's "Klanism, to Church" campaign is filling their churches as nothing else has ever done. Klansmen owe it to their country to go to their churches, and to be religious or without religion a nation cannot stand.

Washington is being thoroughly Ku-Kluxed, and the reaction is favorable. The session of the Imperial Council in the National Capital is nothing short of a stroke of genius on the part of the person who first suggested it. Government officials and others who knew nothing of the character of the men guiding this great amalgamation of 100 per cent Americans are having their eyes opened.

They find that the men charged with responsibility of the Order are high-toned gentlemen and bent only on the orderly conduct of things in America. Catholic propaganda is being tossed in the waste-basket as the public comes in contact with these gentlemen.

Dr. Evans himself is the Lion of the South. The gentlemanly and courtly Texan is far from being the Black 'oundrel so ably painted in word pictures by villainous, lying and unprincipled priests. The Grand Dragons who are here are mingling freely with the crowds and for the first time in the history of the Order America is learning just what the Ku Klux Klan is, has been, and always will be.

It is an epochal week for the Klan. We believe America will go home from the Shrine convention convinced the Klan is all right, because the men at the head of it are all right. "You can fool some of the people all of the time, and all of the people some of the time, but you can't fool all of the people all of the time," as Lincoln said. The Catholics are finding that out.

The Klan is being run right, Klansmen. There is no doubt of that, despite the flurries that come and go.

like the measles, scarlet fever and whooping cough. The Imperial Wizard, an able man, is the poorest crook in the world. In fact, he's such a poor crook that he's no crook at all. Furthermore, there will be no crooks around him that last long. In an organization as huge as ours, it is impossible not to have one or two crooks somewhere in authority.

But the days of these are few. The Wizard knows them and has his eye on them. But large bodies of necessity, move slowly, and perhaps these people are not being removed as fast as we could do it in our own little Klans. But they are doomed. So, if things nationally don't just go to suit you, remember that Dr. Evans has a great, big, man-sized job and is setting around to all this as fast as he can and shortly they all will be gone.

Now, let's all forget our little pet peeves and differences and get behind the Wizard and push, push, push! He needs our aid as no man in the world needs it. He needs our cooperation, and he wants it. While he is a Big Man in a big job, he cannot make the Klan what the Klansmen will not help to make it.

Remember the little poem "Pippa Passes," which says: God's in His heaven All's right with the world.

Henry J. Allen, the fire-eating Governor of Kansas, could not masticate the fiery Cross of the Klan, although he endeavored to do so and then spit it out. Henry chewed and it choked him. He's out!

The Honorable Philip Pitt Campbell, another doughty Jayhawker, sought to expose the secrets of the Klan by a Congressional investigation. The people of Kansas told him where to get off. Now he's going into the movies playing Sir Walter Scott roles. He's out!

The prize hero of them all, Governor Thomas Hardwick, has been considerably softened. He tried to run the Klan out of Georgia, of all States. Tom will retire in July when a real man and a Georgian will take his place!

Parker, of Louisiana, has been reduced to a state in innocuous desuetude, to quote the late G. Cleveland. His rumpus and hullabaloo has left behind it only a howling nother; he withered in the glare of the fiery Cross. Creager, the toy Republican, John Henry Kirby, the "powerful" lumberman, and other "saviours" of the States, have perished in the sweep of the new awakening typified by the Ku Klux Klan.

And down in Texas they tell like so many weeds before a prairie fire; they stampeded like frenzied cattle in the teeth of a howling nother; they withered in the glare of the fiery Cross. Creager, the toy Republican, John Henry Kirby, the "powerful" lumberman, and other "saviours" of the States, have perished in the sweep of the new awakening typified by the Ku Klux Klan.

The spell must be broken! There is an old saying that a thing must happen three times before it becomes a habit. Two of the strongest Protestant fraternal orders in the world have split in years passed and now two protests grow where but one grew before. The first was the Order of American Mechanics from which sprang the new and wonderful Junior Order of which we are all so proud.

Then came the cleavage of the Orangemen. This was also weakened when it was rent in twain by revolting elements.

But the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan broke the spell. When the split came and bid fair to be but the third and last confirm the ancient superstition, the Klansmen went inside and closed their doors and cemented the break. Then they opened it and told the world they were stronger than ever.

"The last dollar in the United States Treasury will be spent, the Army, the Navy, the Coast Guard, the Marine Corps—all the resources of the United States, will be used to enforce the Eighteenth Amendment, as long as it remains a part of the Constitution." This is the essence of President Harding's edict.

A priest in New York advises his congregation to ignore the Eighteenth Amendment and urges defiance of the basic law of the land. The National Catholic Welfare Council puts a law that would nullify the ancient statute. An Archbishop said, "To Hell with the Eighteenth Amendment!"

YOU ARE READING YOUR KLAN PAPER, BUT ARE YOU SUBSCRIBING FOR IT?

I wonder if the Klan hospital down in Eldorado, Ark., will have a special ward for removing tar and feathers?

The President might have added that in that mighty array of forces he will use to enforce the Constitution, these words: "The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan will give the last drop of their blood fighting to see that it is enforced. They have taken a more binding oath than any citizen to uphold that law and they mean to do it."

"Our friend the enemy" might as well make up his mind now to lay aside the will of Rome and bow to the majestic will of the American people, for the law will be and must be enforced, regardless of the cost or sacrifice. America is a different coun-

try, and what Rome was able to defy in Spain, Ireland, Mexico and countless other countries where she rules, SHE MUST RESPECT HERE!

Paraphrasing Lincoln's Prophecy: I see a dark cloud threatening Klandom, and it is coming from Cleveland.

Every penny spent for a Hearst paper is a stab in the heart of the Klan and a boost for Rome.

The Catholics are claiming they picked Horace Mann Towerer for Governor of Porto Rico. If they did, all I can say is: "God help 'em." Towerer is an American.

What is your Congressman's stand on public education? Get him to tell you while he's at home. He's much more tractable now than when in Washington.

I HAVE SUBSCRIBED FOR THIS NEWSPAPER. HAVE YOU?

K. Lamity has been on the firing line a long time and has put in some telling blows for Old America. By the time he reads this, we all hope he will be kicking the office cat and cursing the office boy with characteristic editorial abandon. All of which shows I used to be a country editor.

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