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Not Yet Settled

The election has not settled the Ku Klux Klan issue—the attempt to substitute invisible empire for constitutional republic. The issue was not created by the governor's proclamation. The latter merely a recognition of existing conditions and a public warning of dangers impending. The issue will not be settled, until it is settled right and "invisible empire" driven from Oregon.

The fruits of Ku Klux Klanism are seen on every hand. Once united communities are split by factional fights. Latent race antagonisms have been aroused and slumbering religious fanaticism awakened. Community division and group discord prevail where a short while ago harmony ruled.

California is proceeding systematically against the Ku Klux Klan. Members of the order who place their obligation to the "emperor" ahead of obligation to state government, are being sent to prison. Members of the National Guard are being required to leave the Klan or quit the service, and state employes must do the same, for no one can serve two masters.

Oregon must follow the same procedure and purge the state of those who take the law into their own hands. The bill of rights guaranteed under the constitution must be preserved and secret tribunals abolished. Those guilty of outrages must be hunted down and punished lest anarchy prevail.

Oregon must not be Ku Kluxed, even if the republican party is.

The White Star

Now that the election is over, the burning question is whether Colonel George A. White, late candidate for governor, is entitled to a bonus for being drafted or a pension for being among the casualties of the campaign—or both.

Oregon has always been most liberal with those who patriotically responded to the call to the colors to save the state in "the great crisis in its affairs" and should not overlook those who were "drafted" in the "great tax reduction battle" just waged, and who "fit" so nobly.

Colonel White patriotically admitted "the right to command his services"—the right "to have the best man in the state to serve the people in this crisis"—and being "the best man, a man size man" graciously submitted to the draft and with "stalwart ability, courage and tireless energy" led the hosts of civic virtue.

In the great battle that followed, the valorous figure of Colonel White heroically pounding his typewriter was silhouetted against the crimson sky striking triumphant blows for reform—reminiscent of the tableau of Satan rebuking sin. Then came the poison gas wave of the K. K. K. completely submerging our chivalrous leader, followed by the governor's barrage of proclamation bombs. When the air cleared—where, oh where, was White! Alas and alack, among the casualties in the fourth trench back.

So while the dauntless Colonel is unquestionably entitled to a bonus for being drafted, he is none-the-less politically hors-de-combat, gassed, shell-shocked, bomb-racked and shattered, and therefore deserving of a pension from a grateful people.

To commemorate Colonel White's services in behalf of the commonwealth, let the governor establish the order of the White Star, to match the French order of the Black Star that that he won in France, to be awarded those heroes who fell in political affairs, after having been drafted to save the state in primary campaigns.

BIG ARMY AND NAVY IS PLEA OF G. A. R. LEADER

Spokane, Wash., May 20.—Advocacy of an army and navy "which will command the respect of the world and instill a holy fear into the hearts of unscrupulous statesmen of intriguing nations" was voiced by Dr. Lewis C. Plicher, commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, in an address at the state armory here this afternoon.

Dr. Plicher declared nothing was too good "for the boys who risked their lives in the nation's defense" and expressed the belief that a satisfactory adjustment of the bonus problem would be made, but reminded his hearers that civil war men waited nearly 60 years for adequate provision was made for them.

GASOLINE SURPLUS OF 500,000,000 GALLONS

St. Louis, Mo., May 20.—Oil companies have a surplus of 500,000,000 gallons of gasoline, despite the increase in the price of gasoline throughout the country, according to delegates attending the convention of the American Automobile association, which opened here today.

M. O. Eldridge of Knoxville, Tenn., director of the Good Roads board of the association, declared there are approximately 11,000,000 automobiles in the country, one-third of which are owned by farmers.

Discussion of the increased gasoline prices and of legislation providing more severe penalties for theft of automobiles was on the program of the convention which ends tomorrow.

KLAMATH FALLS WORKERS REJECT NEW PROPOSALS

Klamath Falls, Or., May 20.—By a vote of 118 to 2, the striking timber workers here Thursday rejected a proposal of the mill owners to resume work on a nine-hour day, the hours not to be increased during the 1922 season but not to be decreased until a majority of the California lumber working plants returned to an eight-hour day.

The meeting was held in the court house at the request of E. P. Marsh, deputy United States commissioner of labor, who presided.

WOULD INDICT DRIVER OF CHICAGO DEATH CAR

Chicago, May 20.—Indictment of John Miller, alleged driver of the "death car" from which shots were fired May 9, killing two policemen in disorders attributed by police to labor troubles, will be asked today by Robert E. Crowe, state's attorney. Police today continued the questioning of suspects arrested yesterday, in an effort to find Charles Dandaneuskis and "floater" Stanley, named by Miller as the other occupants of the car, in a confession police say they obtained from him. Other indictments also will be asked, Mr. Crowe intimated.

"Big Tim" Murphy, head of the gas house workers and street sweepers unions; Coe Shea, of the theatrical janitors union, and Fred Mader, president of the Chicago Building Trades Council, were questioned by police until early today, but made no disclosures.

Knight Granted Divorce.
Reno, Nev., May 20.—Sir Geo. Burr, former vice-president of the Canadian Pacific railway, was granted a decree of divorce in the district court here Wednesday from May Salome Burr on the allegation of desertion. The suit was uncontested.

Love's Masquerade

By Idaho McGilone Gibson

Strange Marriage Ideas

Davis interrupted Clavering's reading to remark: "Well, Harry has some good in him. He thinks of his parents."

Clavering made no comment, but resumed reading Glendening's autobiography.

I am not a brave man, Jim. I haven't that quick impulsive nature which makes for bravery. I've always been one of those who must stand and wait.

When I first went south, I was too ill to think of much except that I was inexpressibly lonely, and blue. For a while I thought perhaps it would be better if I did not try to live. But, thank God, suicide is one cowardly act that has always seemed to me unutterably silly.

I soon made friends, for as usual, I became acquainted with many people and that changed my outlook on life wonderfully.

Most of these people were themselves more or less ill. Misery seems to draw around itself its own company. Even when I was looking death in the face and that it would be only a short time until I would be "sailing out to sea," life did not seem to be very different than had I expected to live years and years and, in my way enjoy them every one.

Humanity quickly adapts itself to conditions.

I had to live in one of those expensive, uncomfortable hotels, for I could not afford to go to one of the big play palaces even if they would have taken me in my condition. I was too ill to even worry much. I only sat and tried not to think, during the long hours I spent on the galleries of the hotel, in the sunshine.

Before long I began to improve in health and started to write a little. However, I found it impossible to make my brain obey my will. I could only look ahead to months of poverty and finally passing out into I knew not what.

I had no hope of a future life. My dear mother, for all her teaching, had not been able to put me on any kind of a religious foundation.

I just drifted. Then I met the woman who has had the greatest influence on my life. Whether it was because of my weakened physical condition or because of my great loneliness I cannot determine but I was really bowled over for the first time in my life. The treatment I had accorded many girls was now meted out to me. Every dog has his day and mine came right there.

"Jim," interrupted Dr. Milton. "I think the average modern girl is, unconsciously, the most sexual animal in the world."

"Now don't look shocked. Remember I said unconsciously. Her mother, her cousins, and her aunts, the drama, the novel, the things she sees around her, all teach her toward this end. If blame there be, to them it should be given."

"To a woman-child, love—romantic love—is idealized and taught until it is made much bigger than life itself," continued Dr. George who, having gotten started on his hobby, was riding pell mell over everything.

"From the time a boy can understand, he is told to prepare for a life of work. From the time a girl looks with understanding into her mother's face, she is told to prepare for a life of love."


"Every beautiful feature of her face, every gesture of her body, every fashionable whim of her attire is made to attract the opposite sex."

"That is the reason for the change of fashions. Short and narrow skirts come in, and all men begin to sit up and take notice. Reformers shout, preachers preach and all the world calls attention to the terrible fact that women really have legs. Then when men grow tired of the lure, when they no longer gaze, fashions produces some new female of the species may beguile the male."

"There must always be something new to what the faded appetite of men's senses. And by the way, it is worth noting that throughout the whole animal kingdom the plumage is worn by the male except among humans. Look at the gorgeous peacock and the non-descript hen. Look at the tawny, magnificent male lion and the sad female. Among human animals alone is this situation reversed. With us the female is the gorgeous creature and, of course," Dr. Milton added thoughtlessly, "woman is far more barbaric than man. Her instincts of savagery, venerated by centuries of civilization, find expression in baubles such as ear-rings, jewelry, ankle watches, etc.—all of which have their parallels among savage, barbaric and the most primitive of the animal world."

"Great Scott, George, what a cynic you are!"

"Not a cynic, Jim, only an observer, who perhaps, as a member of bodies has had more chance to see all the little feminine arts which are so old as time."



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Hez Heck Says:
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ATTEMPT TO TAKE MAN FROM JAIL

Omaha, Neb., May 20.—A committee representing 25 automobile loads of armed men drove into Butte, Neb., early today, from the direction of Spencer, Neb., failed in an effort to get possession of Walter Simmons, suspect, held in connection with the death of Frank Paul, Spencer garage man, whose body was found in a gulch near Bristol, Neb., last Monday night, says a special dispatch received here.

After a careful search of the jail to which they were readily admitted the committee left with, out their prisoner, Sheriff Frank Heenan, who received advance information that the mob was forming, having removed him to a place of safety in the country near by.

SAYS ROLLING STOCK IN POOR CONDITION

Washington, May 20.—Discussing some of the present day railroad problems before the house interstate commerce committee, Howard Elliott, chairman of the Northern Pacific railway board Friday estimated that 2,000 locomotives and 6,000,000 freight cars were in such a state as to make repairs necessary.



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