

# Exposure First Step to Rid The United States of Klan's "Invisible Empire"

### Publicity Must Be Followed Up With Official Action Aimed At Accomplishment of Concrete Results—Promotion of Such a Scheme Should Be Made Illegal and Propaganda Furred From Mails—List of Members of All Secret Societies Should Be Matter of Public Record

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The task of ridding the United States of the "Invisible Empire" will not be an easy matter. The people are prone to wait until the horse has completely disappeared before they begin to look after the security of the barn door. Until public sentiment is thoroughly aroused over the dangerous possibilities of an "Invisible Empire," such as in now being developed, it is unlikely that even the first steps will be taken toward suppressing it. The idea is so foreign to all the established order in this country that people will be slow in realizing what it is all about. Appreciating this fact and knowing that I possessed but limited facilities for bringing the matter to public attention, I felt prompted to turn over to the New York World all the information I possessed, and have that great newspaper inaugurate a nation-wide investigation followed by a publicity campaign that would make the "Invisible Empire" visible.

Exposure of a system, however, marks but the first step in eliminating that system. Publicity must be followed up by official action aimed at the accomplishment of concrete results, for unless this is done, the public mind is soon diverted from the subject, and the exposure becomes merely a newspaper episode. In the present instance, exposure of the "Invisible Empire" without legal action, will have the effect of advertising it without harming it in the slightest degree—and swelling its ranks with thousands of new recruits.

#### Should Be Prohibited

In my opinion, the authorities of this country should use every available piece of legal machinery to stop the propaganda, and now laws should be immediately enacted rendering it impossible to promote such a scheme in this country in the future. It must be remembered that the men who have launched this proposition have built up a large organization, many of the members of which are fanatics. The promoters have already seen the possibilities of the scheme as a business proposition; they have the name of the present members, which can be used again; they have a full, equipped plant for future operations; and in the event the Ku Klux scheme fails, they will probably try another one along similar lines. The system itself must be destroyed and prohibited from further action, either in its present costume or in any other. Several lines of action suggest themselves, but they may be broadly classified under the two heads: Federal and State. There should be concurrent action on the part of these two governments.

I believe that Congress should enact legislation directed specifically at organizations of the character of the "Invisible Empire." It should be provided that all organizations secret or open, engaged in promoting racial or religious discord should be prevented from sending their literature through the mails.

#### New Laws Needed

The statute should be broad enough to include any kind of organized attempt to stir up class hatred, and officials of all such organizations should be held to strict accountability for the accuracy of statements sent through the mails. Misrepresentation of facts as to national state or local conditions should be the basis of Federal action in breaking up such organizations. In the exercise of a national police power, Congress should be able to give the Federal Government the right to act against the heads of organizations, as well as a few individuals. In the cases that have come to light where there has been acknowledged violation of law by local Klans, Simmons has sidestepped responsibility by revoking and suspending charters. If Congress will pass legislation declaring that national officers of secret organizations are responsible for acts of their subordinates and are subject to indictment, an important step will be taken in the right direction.

Since the chief asset of the "Invisible Empire" is its secrecy, Congress should pass an act providing that all secret orders or societies using the United States mails or engaged in the business of interstate commerce—as the "Invisible Empire" undoubtedly is—should be required to furnish the Government with a list of names of their members.

#### List to be Public

The list should be required to be in duplicate, one copy to be placed on file, for public inspection, in the office of the local postmaster, while the other copy should be placed on file in Washington. The government should also have the right to inspect all books of account, showing funds that have been derived from members either by interstate commerce or by the use of the United States mails. This removal of se-

## The Modern Ku Klux Klan

The Capital Journal today presents another installment of the "The Modern Ku Klux Klan" by Henry P. Fry, author of the New York World expose that caused the congressional investigation of the order. Mr. Fry in previous chapters detailed how he joined the Ku Klux Klan under a misapprehension, became a kinsgale, was disillusioned, discovered the real aims and purposes of the organizers, and resigned in disgust. More suggested legal remedies will be given in Thursday's installment.

Jorneys-General of the various states restraining the Klan from further operation and also indictments might lie against the promoters for operating without compliance with the law.

#### Legislatures Should Act

As soon as it can be conveniently done, the legislatures of the states should enact various laws for the purpose of killing Ku Kluxism, laws directed against membership corporations string up religious and racial prejudice, against secret membership, against unwarranted interference with the law-enforcing branches of the government, and against going about the community in disguise. More stringent laws should also be enacted providing for the registration of foreign membership corporations seeking to do business from another state, especially where money is taken from the public. If the passage of "Blue Sky" laws has had the effect of protecting the public from being victimized by all kinds of stock selling schemes, surely legislation could easily be enacted to carefully scrutinize all alleged fraternal orders.

As to permitting foreign membership corporations to do business in a state, it should be enacted that before being permitted to engage in the business of soliciting members from whom initiation fees or "donations" are to be secured, the corporation should be required to file with the Secretary of State a sworn statement of all its national officers, its plans for doing business, a copy of its charter of incorporation, its constitution and laws, and, where agents are employed to canvass for members it should be specified what compensation they are to be paid.

#### Licensing the Agents

These agents should be licensed by the state as the "Blue Laws" require the licensing of stock salesmen. The organization should, furthermore, be required to file a bond with the Secretary of State insuring the good behavior of the organization while engaged in business in the state, and it should be specified that the bond be forfeited should any local branch be guilty of committing a lawless act, in which case, also, the right of the corporation to do business in the state should automatically be terminated. No foreign corporation which permits its members to go about, in other states, disguised should be permitted to enter. After having complied with the foregoing provisions, the act should further provide that at stated intervals the secretary of each local branch be required to make two copies of the roster of membership

of his branch, filing one copy with the county clerk of his county, and mailing one copy to the Secretary of State. These copies should be open for public inspection at all times. In the event that the local branch fails or refuses to file its roster, the right of the national organization to do business in the state should automatically terminate.

## He Killed to Get Ring For Girl



Frank B. DuPre, only nineteen, will be hanged in the Atlanta, Ga. jail in September for the murder of I. C. Walker, a private detective, who caught him trying to steal a diamond ring from a jewelry store. DuPre shot down the detective and then ran down a crowded street in the heart of the city and into a hotel lobby, where he shot Graham West, comptroller of the city of Atlanta, in the chin as the latter sought to disarm him. He escaped to Detroit and was caught there after having written a letter to Betty Andrews of Atlanta, for whom he tried to steal the ring.

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## ROADS READY FOR COAL TRAFFIC

New York, Aug. 16.—The largest coal carrying railroads are ready to assume the abnormal burden which will be thrown upon them when union mines resume production of coal as a result of the strike settlement. Robert S. Binkerd, assistant to Chairman T. DeWitt Cuyler of the Association of Railroad Executives, said last night.

The present capacity of all coal carriers, taking into consideration the effect of the shop crafts strike in delaying summer repairs and replacements, was estimated at from 8,000,000 to 9,000,000 tons per week.

Predictions of eastern strike committee leaders that settlement of the coal strike at this time would throw a burden of repair work on the roads under which they could not function, were discounted by eastern rail chiefs.

When a "for life" sentence means "work for life," the ropewalking stunt of leaving this world will be neither popular nor tolerated.—Oregon City Banner-Courier.

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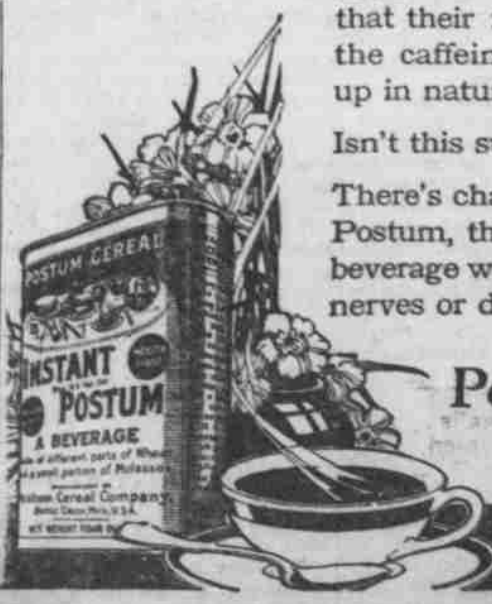
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Difficulty was experienced in securing the necessary union amongst the farmers until recently, when seven of them finally completed arrangements with the Portland Railway, Light & Power company to extend their lines as far east as Albert Perlich's farm.

The other farmers and those owning land along the proposed line who are co-operating in the movement and who will be supplied with service are Harold Ellstrom, A. Schermacher, W. F. Perlich, T. W. Davies, J. H. Koitz and A. E. La Branch.

Mr. La Branch is installing an up-to-date gasoline and oil filling station on the southwest corner of the red barn four corners and proposes to light up this corner brightly at night, which will be of great benefit to the traveling public because of the sharp corner at this location around which there is a great deal of traffic, as it is on the paved highway to the Macleay, Turner and Stayton districts.

This extension which is being made for Mr. La Branch and his associates will require 12 poles, about 9000 feet of wire and three

transformers, and will cost approximately \$500.

When the movement was first started to have the line extended there were about 17 farmers interested, but some of them dropped out and unified action could not be had by the balance beyond Mr. Perlich's farm.

However, Charles Wilson, of the Otto F. Wilson Auto company, and four or five of his neighbors have indicated that they intend to extend this line at least as far as Mr. Wilson's farm.

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