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Mrs. Frank Chase is quite ill at her home in Pruneville.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fitzgerald and Ray Moore made a trip to Cloverdale in Tillamook county over the week-



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end to visit with Mr. Moore's father, Rev. J. T. Moore of that place. Mr. Ray Moore returned to his home at Ashland, Wednesday. He had spent

# Here's the Truth, the Whole Truth About Knights of the Ku Klux Klan

The Ku Klux Klan has many enemies. So has the church. The enemies of both are men who cannot join either—whiskey-peddlers, crooked politicians, and law violators of all kinds. All that is necessary to say regarding the enemies of the Klan is—line them up and look them over. If you like them, don't join the Ku Klux Klan.

Enemies of the Klan said few men would join it. The movements and membership of the Klan are secret, but the evidence shows it is the strongest secret society in America.

They said the Klan would not last long. It will last as long as crime and injustice and oppression live.

They said a low class of men were joining who would not stay long in any society. A man must be honest and pay his debts; he must be a good citizen; he must live straight with all the world to be a member of the Ku Klux Klan.

A man cannot wrong his wife and children, nor his neighbors and stay in the Klan. He cannot defame the United States and live in a community where the Klan is organized.

It is the greatest organization in the world. The members of other secret societies are sworn to protect their fellow-members from injustice. A Klansman is sworn to protect the weak of the world's people from oppression by the strong.

The members of other secret societies are sworn to assist their fellow-members to achieve noble things. A Klansman is sworn to uplift the human race.

There are in other secret societies a sick benefit and cheap and good insurance. A conscientiousness of duty done is a Klansman's only reward.

The Klansmen are peace-time patriots with war-time patriotism, unafraid fighters, whose desire to serve, still lives after the hurrah dies.

Silently they go about their business. Unless it becomes necessary in performing their duty they never reveal themselves. One may live for years and never meet one of them, if he lives straight; if he is crooked he cannot get away from them.

The Ku Klux Klan is not anti-negro, anti-Jew, anti-Japanese, or anti-Catholic. It believes in justice to all, including the white man.

The Klan is non-sectional. It is strong in all sections. It is the greatest force yet conceived for drawing the sections closer together in national harmony and brotherhood.

Many persons believe the Klan is doing all it can to injure the negro. Officers have been dismissed from the Klan and, by request of the Klan, discharged from office for dealing unjustly with the negro.

No one claims perfection for the Ku Klux Klan. Like all other secret societies it has its faults and failings, but to the worried and harassed people of Oregon, it looks like the dawning of the morning of a better day, a day when, if the United States goes to war with a nation three thousand miles away, it will not be necessary to keep its soldiers at home to guard its factories and railroads.

To help America and through America to help the world is the purpose of the Klan. The most sublime sentence in human language is written in the Constitutional and the ritual; it is the motto and slogan of the Klan. The Klansmen hear it when they come into the hall. They pledge themselves to follow its teaching when they go out. It is written in the heart of every Klansman and in his soul is a desire to live by it. It is the grandest sentiment ever held by a human soul; it is the most beautiful sentence ever written: "Not for self, but for others."

The Klansmen are for everything that lifts the human race up, against everything that pulls it down.

They are for prohibition and peace and against whiskey and war.

They are for public schools and churches and against the improper dance and the vulgar show.

They are for education and virtue and against ignorance and vice.

They are for government by the people and against government by the few.

They are soldiers in a new army that fights for better things in a better world for better people.

They believe in America for Americans, and because they doubt the patriotism of many of our foreign-born citizens they believe in government by Americans.

They believe in the Ku Klux Klan and its purposes, and they believe in the Ku Klux Klansmen.

They believe this world can be made a better place for all mankind and they believe it is the duty of every man to help do it.

They will teach patriotism and love of country to millions of young men.

In our schools and libraries are books that libel American citizens, books that create hatred and dislike among the people of different sections of America. The Klan is pledged to true history. So great is the power of these books for evil that if the Klan takes one of them from our schools it has earned the friendship of every patriotic American.

They will make treason and anarchy unpopular. They will take graft from politics and give us clean men in office.

They will make the world better and happier, and take away much of its sorrow.

To a man who loves America, the promises of these patriotic men have a pleasant sound.

If one-tenth of the world's people would live "not for self, but for others," we would lose nine-tenths of its misery. "Not for self, but for others" a Klansman gives his time and money to make more love and laughter and less sorrow and suffering. His desire to serve humanity is like a mother's love for her children—"not for self, but for a better world, for better people." He works to make this weary world more like heaven and less like hell. "Not for self, but for friends" many good men never know the value of real friendship until they become Klansmen. His friendship is as strong as iron chains.

"Not for self, but for country," he knows no North, no South, no East, and no West. His patriotism is as broad as America.

"Not for self, but for truth and honor." He is sworn not to deceive a Klansman. He is taught to tell the truth to all men. His honesty is above suspicion. His word is as good as gold. To honor and virtue his heart is as soft as the heart of a good woman. To crime and shame it is as hard as steel.

A soldier marched through Paris with the first American regiment that went to France. He walked through miles of streets crowded with defeated and discouraged people, war-worn and weary, beaten and broken by years of battle. He saw tears of joy in the eyes of strong men as the flag passed. He saw the hopeless and downcast people of France lift up their heads as they watched the faces of the unafraid soldiers of Uncle Sam as they marched toward the firing line to face trained men victorious in a hundred battles. He saw these people, defeated and driven back, look into the eyes of American men and heard them shout "Victory!"

He saw brave boys of England, wounded and dying, look at our flag and go "west" with smiles on their faces and cheers on their lips for America.

He saw black men from the French colonies, discouraged and disheartened by defeat, sullen and silent, look at our men, still unafraid in front of the German guns, and smile.

He heard the Mohammedans from India thank Allah for the flag of many stars.

He heard the German prisoners praise the American soldier.

He came home, and on the streets of New York he heard dirty, foul-mouthed foreign-born anarchists call American soldiers cowards.

He saw men and women kneel in the streets of Paris and kiss the American flag. On the streets of New York he heard men curse and revile the flag and everything it stood for. He heard men curse America and American people and their government.

He wanted to see America free from such traitors, so he joined the Ku Klux Klan.

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Lane, executor of the last will and testament of

the estate of Elizabeth Bruce McDonald, deceased, and that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same properly verified to me at the office of my attorney, Frank A. DePue, Springfield, Oregon, on or before six months from the date of this notice.

ANNE KARIAN, executrix of the last will and testament of estate of Elizabeth Bruce McDonald, deceased.  
FRANK A. DePUE, Attorney for the estate.  
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