

# *The* IMPERIAL NIGHT-HAWK





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## Brand "Searchlight" Statements False

Issuing a resolution to the effect that articles in the *Searchlight*, a weekly Atlanta newspaper, stating that numbers of Klans were seceding from the national organization, were wholly untrue, the Imperial Klonsilium of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan also declares that the *Searchlight* is not the official publication of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan although it claims to so be.

The *Imperial Night-Hawk* is the only recognized national organ of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, the Klonsilium declared. It is distributed to Klans free of all cost, does not accept or solicit advertisements and is not conducted for financial benefit or in opposition to privately owned newspapers issued in the interest of the Klan.

The Klonsilium resolution as adopted was as follows:

Atlanta, Ga.,  
August 20, 1923

WHEREAS, the *Searchlight*, a weekly publication in Atlanta, Ga., publishes in its columns the declaration that it is the official organ or publication of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan; and

WHEREAS, the said *Searchlight* publishes untruthful and misleading information regarding this order, for example stating that wholesale secessions of Klans from the national organization are taking place, which is absolutely incorrect;

THEREFORE; be it resolved that we, The Imperial Klonsilium of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan now in session, do hereby call the attention of all Klansmen to the fact that the *Imperial Night-Hawk*, ordered published by this body at their session of January, 1923, is the sole and only official publication of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and that statements to the contrary or claims to this official recognition on the part of others are without foundation.

## National Finance Committee Tabulates Assets And Liabilities of The Klan

OFFICIAL tabulation of the finances of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan as determined by an audit by Ernst and Ernst, public accountants, July 31, 1923, are published herewith. These figures were checked by the National Finance Committee, with the representative from Kansas acting as chairman, which met August 15 and was in session five days.

The report of the committee to the Klonsilium declared that the Klan's finances are in splendid condition and that the gain made in membership and financial strength during the past year had broken all previous records. Officials of the Klan are commended for their business like methods and in particular the efficiency, ability and untiring efforts of N. N. Furney, cashier, are praised.

The table which shows assets over liabilities as being \$1,088,473 follows:

	July 31, 1923	July 31, 1922	Increase	Decrease
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Cash.....	\$637,854.14	\$ 79,765.06	\$558,089.08	\$.....
Notes Receivable.....	10,196.19	6,807.78	3,388.41	.....
Accounts Receivable.....	124,777.73	76,138.93	48,638.80	.....
Permanent Assets.....	309,229.56	222,518.73	86,710.83	.....
Klan Supplies.....	6,415.80	11,383.87	.....	\$ 4,968.07
Prepaid Insurance.....	.....	1,956.81	.....	1,956.81
Gold bonds held for safe-keeping.....	.....	4,600.00	.....	4,600.00
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$1,088,473.42</b>	<b>\$403,171.18</b>	<b>\$696,287.12</b>	.....
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Notes Payable.....	.....	\$137,091.03	.....	\$ 137,091.03
Accounts Payable.....	830.00	73,513.94	.....	72,683.94
Accrued Accounts.....	.....	3,807.62	.....	3,807.62
Indebtedness Certificates..	1,300.00	28,215.00	.....	26,915.00
Gold Bonds held for safe-keeping.....	.....	4,600.00	.....	4,600.00
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 2,130.00</b>	<b>\$247,227.59</b>	.....	<b>\$ 201,113.31</b>
<b>Surplus</b> .....	<b>\$1,086,343.42</b>	<b>\$155,943.59</b>	<b>\$886,415.55</b>	.....
	<b>\$1,088,473.42</b>	<b>\$403,171.18</b>	<b>\$685,302.24</b>	.....

## Indiana Klonsives Are Enthusiastic

Initial Klonsives in the new Realm of Indiana which were held during the first part of August proved entirely successful and most enthusiastic.

Representatives from almost all the Klans in this great Realm of the Invisible Empire were in attendance at the various meetings and plans for the advancement of Klankraft were laid.

The Klonsives which were attended by the executive officers of the realm

and by representatives of the national organization from Atlanta were held at Vincennes, Seymour, Terre Haute, Kokomo, Warsaw and Richmond. Each meeting was of a separate Indiana province and all were uniformly well attended.

Those Klansmen in South Eastern Missouri don't mind keeping late hours. Malden Klan Number 61 will stage a big naturalization ceremony September 6 and the program calls for a banquet to start at 1 o'clock in the morning.



# Poorly Restricted Immigration is One of The Greatest Perils Confronting America

(By the Grand Dragon of the Realm of South Carolina.)

I REGARD the regulation of immigration as one of the most perplexing and important questions confronting the American people today. And there are few questions that deserve the attention of this great organization, more than the immigration problem.

The time has now come when the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan should take the leadership in this great fight, to prevent America from becoming the melting pot or dumping ground of the world for the heterogeneous element seeking admission to our shores.

In my opinion a law should be enacted restricting immigration to the United States for a period of at least ten years, while we take an inventory of the human assets and liabilities within our borders, do a bit of house cleaning and set our domestic affairs in better order. We have already enough social and economic problems to study in connection with the 14,000,000 foreign born now in the United States.

America is just awakening to the fact that it is not a nationality but a mixture of nationalities, and if this country is to be populated and governed by a class of people who are so different in character, thought and ideals, the inevitable result will be a nation of nationalities chattering all the tongues of Babel.

The immigrants who come to this country form communities by themselves and congregate in the great cities. Paupers, diseased and criminals predominate among those who land upon American soil. They have a very low standard of morals; they are unable to speak our language and a great majority of them are unable to read and write their own language. They come from countries where they have been accustomed to a lower standard of wages and living; they, therefore, compete with American labor, which is already overcrowded.

## *Eliminate Foreign Press*

We must insist that a law be enacted prohibiting the printing of any newspaper or magazine not printed in the English language; and to require all aliens within our borders to speak English within a limited period of time.

There are 14,000,000 foreign born in the United States, of whom there are more than 7,000,000 who have never taken out naturalization papers, and who can neither speak nor read

our language. We have aliens living in America who have never been naturalized and who never expect to become citizens, editing newspapers and magazines and endeavoring to dictate to the American citizen the policies of his government. How do we expect to naturalize and make good citizens of those 14,000,000 foreigners who are already in this country unless we require them to speak our language and print their newspapers and magazines in English? We can never have a truly American population unless we require every man, woman and child in America to speak the English language. And it will be a most powerful means of stopping the spread of unsound doctrines, the spread of anarchy and Bolshevism.

Unless we safeguard ourselves against the further influx of undesirables there will no longer be an America for Americans.

If foreign-language newspapers may be taken as reflecting the sentiments of the foreign born within our gates, our non-Anglo-Saxon citizens are far more interested in forcing their own customs and institutions upon us than in helping us build a superstructure to fit the foundation upon which America rests.

An Italian journal published in New York City recently said editorially: "We not only need organization, but also a rapid increase in births among Italians here." A Jersey City Polish newspaper exclaims: "We pride ourselves on having a Polish judge here and there." The son of a naturalized Jew at a recent congressional hearing on immigration made an appeal against the use of English as the official language of the United States, and urged that Yiddish should be placed on an equal footing.

## *Keep Customs Intact*

Of the 805,000 admitted to the United States in 1921 more than half—432,000—were Jews, Italians, Armenians, Greeks, Japanese, Chinese, and Finns—races which generation after generation maintain their own churches, customs, languages, schools, and social affiliations almost as intact as if they had remained in their native countries.

I am afraid that we fail to realize how stupendous, though noiseless, is the pressure of this immigration avalanche. We have heard of the great noise made about the Zionist move-

ment, and might be led to think that a large Jewish migration to Palestine was in progress. But the records show that last year 53,524 Hebrew aliens came to the United States, while 18 left this country for Palestine, where there are only 50,000 Jews all told.

Immigrants have been pouring into the United States at an enormous rate. Statistics show that the great influx of aliens that came to the United States for a period of twelve years, beginning with 1903 and ending with 1914, was something over 10,000,000.

America is saturated with aliens, and some of our great States will soon be populated entirely by aliens, unless a law is enacted restricting immigration to the United States for a period of years. There are today 13 States with a majority of the population of alien origin. Thirteen other States have more than 35 per cent. of their population foreign born. And some of our great cities are even in a worse condition than those States.

## *The Japanese Menace*

The Japanese question is another great menace that confronts the American people today. And the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan can do no greater service than to take up the fight with those loyal citizens of California, in their effort to prevent their State from becoming a little Japan.

There are more than 100,000 Japanese in California, who today own and control one-eighth of the entire acreage of irrigated lands in that State.

Two-thirds of the entire Japanese population of continental United States is located in California; that is to say, twice as many Japanese are found in California as in the other forty-seven States combined.

They maintain a government of their own, subject to the dictates of a foreign power, and acting in the interests of that power and adverse to those of this country.

Something must be done to protect the great West. The remedy calls for an absolute exclusion act of all Japanese who may seek to come here in any capacity for permanent residence. This will prevent an element in our population which is not only undesirable but dangerous to American interests.

America has within her borders many of the so-called hyphenated Americans; they call themselves Hungarian-Americans, French-Americans, Italian-



Americans, Russian-Americans, Irish-Americans, Polish-Americans and German-Americans. Such a class of people do not deserve the respect of any decent, loyal, patriotic, red-blooded, pure and un-adulterated American citizen. There is but one kind of American to me, and it is one who would not for one moment tolerate any prefix to "America"; one whose every thought and interest places America first above all other nations on earth; one who acknowledges allegiance to no country but America, and no flag but the Stars and Stripes. And any alien who is not willing to measure up to the standard of true Americanism should be deported. We have no room in this country for any individual or element opposed to America, and who are not willing to give their undivided allegiance to our country, its institutions, its language and its flag.

#### *Klan Must Act*

The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan should adopt a definite policy and program for combating the influence of individuals or organizations who are endeavoring to bring about an open gate of our ports for the admission of aliens. Therefore, the Imperial Wizard should appoint an Imperial Immigration and Naturalization Commission to make a thorough study and outline a program. Such a commission should make an analysis of the immigration and naturalization questions, and submit a report to the Imperial Wizard for his approval, with a definite policy to handle this complex question.

Our government departments have acquired sufficient information to guide this country aright, if it were assembled, analyzed and made available to the public.

America is largely governed by public opinion, and the sources of that opinion concerning the problems of immigration are of vital importance. To deal with so complex a national situation and so profound an international situation requires the public to be intelligently informed before we can have a united public opinion. This can be acquired only by a great movement, such as the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, which is willing to gather this information and to see that the public is properly and correctly informed of the true facts. This information distributed to the Klansmen and the public of this nation will multiply discussions throughout America and this commission should be in a position to keep our Imperial Officers advised concerning immigration affairs.

The present 3 per cent. admission law on the basis of the 1910 census is the first attempt of Congress to restrict immigration. It was passed just at the

## Pastor Speaks Outside Church Building When Klansmen Visit



WHEN members of the Wilmington Klan, Realm of Delaware, attended services at the Chichester Memorial Presbyterian Church, at Boothwyn in Delaware County a few Sundays ago they found that such a large congregation had gathered as to fill the church to overflowing.

The congregation therefore went out of doors where Reverend Walter Bruggeman, the pastor, addressed them.

time when a flood of destitute, restless wanderers and adventurers had an eye on the United States. This law substantially checked the alien flood, but it has not given the relief needed.

Under the existence of the 3 per cent law the northern races, who alone amalgamate with us, do not send more than half as many as the law would admit, while all southern European nations exhaust their quotas and howl for more.

#### *Law Expires Soon*

The Secretary of Labor, in his annual report for 1922, states that even with existing restriction laws the United States is still the greatest immigrant-receiving nation on earth. With this in view, the time has now come for the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan to begin its work, because the 3 per cent. law expires June 30, 1924. And when Congress meets again in December, we will be in the midst of a national campaign when the various hyphenated foreign

Dr. Bruggeman declared that Klansmen are performing a noble and necessary work in behalf of their country and its institutions.

"These red blooded Americans are oath bound to uphold the laws of their land against the forces of evil which seek to undermine our constitution," the pastor declared. The photograph shows the visiting Klansmen and the crowd outside the church.

organizations will be uppermost in the minds of certain politicians, and it behooves us that Americans be on guard to guard our gates; for one may well say with Aldrich, the patriot poet:

"O Liberty, white goddess, is it well  
To leave the gates unguarded? On  
thy breast  
Fold Sorrow's children, soothe the  
hurts of fate,  
Lift the downtrodden, but with hand  
of steel  
Stay those who to thy sacred portal  
come  
To waste the gifts of freedom. Have  
a care  
Lest from thy brow the clustered stars  
be torn  
And trampled in the dust. For so of  
old  
The thronging Goth and Vandal  
trampled Rome,  
And where the temples of the Caesars  
stood  
The lean wolf unmolested made her  
lair."



# Carnegie, Pa., Mob Martyrs Klan Hero And Violates All Rights of Americanism

**M**OURN, Klansmen, a brother lies dead!

The Cross, symbol of Christian sacrifice and hope, is stamped and broken in the mud of a little Pennsylvania township.

The Stars and Stripes, glorious emblem of freedom and liberty, has been torn to shreds at the hands of a mob actuated and impelled by influences which are the antithesis of what Old Glory stands for.

Yes, Klansmen, mourn. Drape your alters in black. Honor the memory of a simple and humble American who laid down his life unafraid and unshrinking for the cause which is yours.

Salute Klansman Thomas R. Abbott of Atlasburg, Pa., a fellow just like you or me, who, because he dared to march with the Cross and the Flag, was martyred at behest of enemies more deadly to American hopes and ideals than ever was a German Kaiser or a Catholic King of Spain.

Think it over, Klansmen, and ask yourselves the age-old question, "How long, O Lord, how long?" Then, fortified by the example of Tom Abbott of Pennsylvania and Roberts of Texas and others who have died or suffered for our cause, go forth and work and live with renewed energy for the right.

Klansman Abbott, who was shot to death by an anti-Klan fanatic last week in Carnegie, Pennsylvania, was as true a martyr to the cause, hopes and beliefs of Protestant Christianity as ever was a Cranmer, a Ridley or a Latimer or the host of "heretics" who kept alive the sullen flames of Smithfield.

"He died in a just and noble cause. Oh, how sorry I am that it happened. He died because he was an American." So Pittsburgh newspapers quote Klansman Abbott's widow. With two tiny babies to care for she is still, even in her sorrow, able to voice the sentiments of American Protestant womanhood.

## Typical Intolerance

The Carnegie affair, which added new names to the roll of Klan martyrdom, was merely a typical instance of the intolerance of the malign forces which would grind Protestantism and Americanism into the dust and make mock of men who are striving to live, think and act cleanly.

America's answer to the Carnegie attack on the Klan will be half a

million new citizens of the Invisible Empire in Pennsylvania. Protesting against violence, intolerance and law violation, fiery crosses will blaze on hill tops from Maine to the Golden Gate. Men by the thousands will step forward into the ranks of the Klan, inspired with the certain knowledge that they have cast their lot on the side of righteousness and are devoting their careers to better things.

The story of the riot at Carnegie, which has been told at length in the newspapers all over the country briefly is this:

On Saturday night, August 25, some twenty-five thousand Klansmen gathered at Carnegie, a suburb of Pittsburgh, Pa., for a great naturalization ceremonial. All day long automobiles arrived with their hundred per cent American passengers. The trolleys, the trains and the roads were congested. Carnegie was the mecca of Pennsylvania Klansmen. The visitors were orderly, quiet, decent American citizens. Many of the visiting cars were decorated with American flags. Some bore crosses.

It was a great gathering of course. It was a peaceable gathering. It was a meeting of American citizens purely for the purpose of paying homage to their flag and swearing renewed allegiance to their country and what it stands for.

Dr. H. W. Evans, Imperial Wizard of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, was the principal speaker at the big meeting which was held by the light of a great fiery cross on a hill side near Carnegie. He told his audience that their loyalty should be given to America—that they should obey all laws of the land in which they live. He urged his listeners to try and live the true life of Klansmen, to reverence womanhood, to stand for the purity of the white race, to be Americans first, last and all the time. When he concluded his address, heads were bowed in prayer and to the tune of "America" the great throng moved forward in a parade.

## How Abbot Died

On a little bridge near the city limits of Carnegie the parade of Klansmen was stopped. An automobile was jammed in the narrow pathway and all progress thwarted. The grouped Klansmen halted. Bricks, clubs and rocks were hurled upon them. From an alley near a Catholic church gun fire broke out. "Paddy" McDermott,

an Irish undertaker, according to the Pittsburgh newspapers was one of the gunmen. He emptied the magazine of an automatic pistol into the ranks of the white clad Klansmen. Klansman Abbott fell, shot through the head. The mob closed in on the orderly line of march, beating, stabbing, shooting. Scores were hurt and many a Pittsburgh gangster nursed a sore nose because the Klansmen, resenting the intrusion on their constitutional rights of public assembly, fought back.

At the height of the riot the Klan leaders gave orders that the parade should end—that Klansmen should return to their meeting place—and in orderly array they turned about and went to the spot from which the parade started. There, after a brief meeting, the gathering adjourned.

The police of Carnegie and Pittsburgh took charge of the situation. They arrested McDermott and others of his friends whom they found with arms in their hands. They arrested Klansmen who, indignant over Abbott's death, busied themselves in an attempt to find his murderer.

This briefly is the story of mob violence as opposed to the right of peaceable assemblage. The shame of Carnegie and Pennsylvania! A shame which will not be effaced until the murderers of Abbott are brought to trial and given the punishment which is their proper due.

## Newspaper Comment

Here are a few extracts from Pittsburgh, Pa., daily newspapers which give their comments on the Carnegie rioting. They are reproduced here so that the merits of the matter may be judged on the testimony of newspaper writers who, if they are biased, are certainly not biased in favor of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

Pittsburg Post: "Autos had been placed at every available point in the street to prevent the paraders from advancing. This checked them. Someone demanded that the Klansmen take down the American flags they were carrying. The electric K. K. K. sign (a cross) was torn from the leading automobile. \* \* \* Two squares further in town the Klansmen were halted again and then rioting broke out. \* \* \* a young man carrying a flag in the lead of the parade was grabbed by the mob, thrown into an automobile and carried off. \* \* \* It is estimated that about 30,000 were



in attendance at the meeting and several thousand were being initiated. The Klansmen were without masks but each had a narrow white ribbon tied in the lapel of his coat. More than 5,000 women were estimated to have been in the Klan meeting at one time."

The *Pittsburgh Gazette - Times*: "Singing, 'Onward, Christian Soldiers,' the Klansmen began to move slowly forward. Their progress was met with fierce opposition at every point, fights breaking the ranks, here and there. \* \* \* Occasional shots were fired. Men hurled lumps of coal at the marchers \* \* \*. For a short time the fighting was furious, then the Klansmen, apparently on the orders of leaders, retreated suddenly to the hill where the initiation ceremony had been held. When trouble seemed unavoidable the King Kleagle of Pennsylvania is said to have ordered the marchers to return to the hill where the cars were parked, pointing out that an attempt to break through would only mean bloodshed \* \* \*. Considerable excitement at the initiation field was caused at a signal from sentinels at the gates that an effort was being made by nearly a score of persons to gain admission. It was reported several gun shots were fired. No one was injured at that time \* \* \*. Education, immigration, obedience of the law and white racial supremacy were the four topics of an address to the Klansmen at the conclusion of the initiation ceremony by Dr. Evans."

The *Pittsburgh Press*: "Of the ten seriously injured three were stabbed, four were shot, and three had their skulls fractured by bricks. The dead men and all of the seriously injured are Klansmen. \* \* \* The rioting occurred when the Klansmen attempted to enter the borough over the Glendale bridge. They were halted by a mob of over two thousand citizens, many of whom were armed. As the Ku Klux members descended from the hillside, where they had held their meeting, men and boys brandishing firearms and clubs shouted threats to the oncoming throng. \* \* \* When the first Klansman stepped over the borough line a band of citizens rushed toward him. He was knocked to the ground. The riot followed \* \* \*. The Klansmen waved flags and shouted, their voices adding to the din raised by the yells of the citizens and cries of the injured \* \* \*. A thirty-two calibre automatic revolver was used in shooting the Klansman who was found wounded mortally. \* \* \* A half dozen revolver shots were fired from ambush into the road where sentinels of the Klan had been stationed

\* \* \* \* cries of 'get a rope,' 'lynch them,' 'kill them,' and similar threatening expressions filled the air. \* \* \* Leaders of the Klan held a pow wow on the hill shortly before the parade started and, it is said, received the advise of attorneys that the burgess had no authority to stop the parade as long as it was orderly and lawful."

The *Pittsburgh Gazette - Times*: "Patrick McDermott, aged sixty-five undertaker of Carnegie, was held in connection with the death of a Klansman during the riot early yesterday \* \* \* Three other men are being held in the county jail in connection with the riot. They gave their names as Walter K. Flaherty, Joseph Joyce and Lawrence Kimel."

By the *Associated Press*:

"Dr. Evans characterized a statement issued tonight as an official statement to the people of the United States concerning the murder of Klansman Abbott during a riot when parading Klansmen were attacked by residents of Carnegie, Pa., Saturday night.

"The statement follows:

"The action of the mob of Carnegie residents senses of anarchy. The Klansmen of western Pennsylvania gathering on a hillside overlooking Carnegie early in the evening, and following the initiation of one thousand men into the order, paraded in the direction of the town. They were halted at a bridge separating Glendale from Carnegie by trucks and other vehicles barring the road. Missiles of every description were thrown at the Klansmen. Fence pailings, bricks, stones, coal, in fact every object that could possibly maim the law-abiding Klansmen were hurled at them.

"In an effort to prevent their constitutional right of peaceable assembly being abridged by an element of citizenry absolutely dangerous to the safety and cause of freedom, the Klansmen moved forward a square where the attacking forces made ready for their coming with a bulwark of paving stones and bricks. A shower of these missiles fell on the Klansmen, the civilians began firing from a dark side street and Klansman Abbott fell mortally wounded. The Klansmen in compliance with a request of assembled deputy sheriffs went back to the meeting place on the hillside, then returned to their homes. Klansman Abbott was killed because he exercised his constitutionally guaranteed right of peaceable assembly, free speech and free movement over the highways of our country. We are determined that this and all other parts of our great land shall be made safe for native born

Americans and that every right given us in the constitution made by our forefathers shall be preserved to us and to our country."

"Dr. Evans also stated that the Klan would pay a reward of twenty-five hundred dollars for the arrest and conviction of the murderer or murderers of Klansman Abbott."

The *Pittsburgh Gazette - Times*: "Peaceful in its final rest, the body of Thomas R. Abbott, aged 24, of Atlasburg, who was shot in an attack on the Ku Klux Klan in Carnegie Saturday night, reposed last night in the home of relatives in Atlasburg.

"The Abbott home yesterday was deserted, while the widow and the two children of the slain man stayed with relatives, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. McMillan of Atlasburg. There about one hundred Klansmen stood vigil over the body through the night.

"Discussing her husband's death Mrs. Abbott said she 'Felt Mr. Abbott's life had been given to a noble and just cause.' 'It is no disgrace to have him die as he did,' she said. 'But,' she continued, between sobs, 'How sorry I am that it happened.'

"Men about the McMillan home, who said they were Klansmen, expressed their sorrow by lauding the purpose for which the young man, who had served four years in the navy during the World War, died.

"Mr. Abbott is survived by his widow and two children—Thomas, aged three and June aged six months; his mother, Mrs. Harriet Abbott, of Carnegie; one sister, Mrs. James Donnelly, of Carnegie, and two brothers, Frank of Carnegie, and Elton of Ambridge."

The *Pittsburgh Post*: "At the height of the fight in East Main Street, according to the story of one of these witnesses, as related by chief Braun, McDermott ran out to the pavement flourishing a revolver. An instant later there were flashes of fire and the same number of explosions from the undertaker's revolver, the witness said. The man, who later proved to be Abbott, staggered and fell, continued the witness, who told Chief Braun, according to that official, that he turned to McDermott, who was right beside him and cried:

"My God, Paddy, why did you shoot that man in cold blood?' McDermott looked at him an instant and then, without saying a word, ran down a nearby alley, the witness said.

"It was two hours later that McDermott was arrested.

"One of the marchers, bearing an American flag, was snatched from the ground. The flag vanished. There



were cheers and cries of 'kill them! get a rope' and 'lynch them.'

"Then a single voice among the Klansmen called, 'Let us go.' With this signal the marchers began to push forward. There was no fighting or struggling among the Klansmen. Three marchers stepped on each side of the stranded automobile and then began to fill in the ranks and march toward the main section of the borough.

"The second line of marchers hardly had gone ten feet before the electric cross on the automobile was torn down and smashed. This was followed by a hail of bricks and clubs at the marching Klansmen. The parade continued on its way down Third Street. The hail of bricks continued. The crowd was evenly divided. Some cheered. Others jeered. As the head of the parade reached Barrett Way shooting began. Bystanders rushed for shelter. Women and children screamed. In a second the street was filled with rioters. When the shooting started one of the Klansmen was seen to drop in the street. He was picked up and carried into the office of Dr. F. B. Jones, Jr., where he died a short time later."

### Illinois Klan Buys Daily Newspaper

The first daily newspaper to be purchased by any Klan in the country is the Pekin Daily Times of Pekin, Ill. This newspaper has been bought by Pekin Klan Number 31 which will assume control of the publication September 15 next with the purpose of issuing a wide-awake, patriotic and up-to-date newspaper.

The Pekin Daily Times is one of the best known publications in this section of the country. It was established 42 years ago and has a large circulation which under the new management will be rapidly increased. Pekin is a progressive little city of about 14,000 population. The newspaper will be circulated in all sections of Tazewell County. It was acquired by a stock company composed of Klansmen.

Pekin Klan is one of the most active Klan organizations in the middle west. They own their own Klavern which is regarded as a model of its kind and its membership is growing rapidly. On August 15 this Klan naturalized 500 aliens at South Pekin and shortly before this date staged a ceremonial at Morton, Ill. The influence of this Klan has placed loyal patriotic American citizens in public office in their city and their county.

What America needs is to follow the footsteps of our fathers instead of the footsteps of the dancing master.

## Survey of National Klan Conditions Shows Everything Satisfactory

By William James Mahoney.

AN IMPARTIAL survey of Klan conditions in several States discloses the fact that the Klan is neither dying nor disintegrating. The Klansmen in the states visited by the writer are not interested in any movement or organization that would draw them away from the Klan. Their chief concern seems to be to greater man power sufficient to make real, in their various realms, the ideals inculcated by the Klan. Increasing interest and radiant enthusiasm is manifest among the Klansmen whom it was my privilege to visit. A few men in Chicago have joined the ranks of those who fell away in former days. But the great mass of Chicago Klansmen are true to their obligations and loyal to the constituted authorities of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The same situation is disclosed in other places.

### Tempest in Teacup

The writer also learned the very valuable lesson that no man or group of men is big enough to destroy the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. Outside attacks have failed and will continue to fail. Insurrectionary movements led by Kleagles, "Goblins," and others of whatever rank, or station or size, will be only tempests in teapots. While these Don Quixotes are zealously tilting windmills, the Klansmen of the nation are steadily marching down the road, doing the things for their God, their homes, and their country, that they have pledged themselves to do. The true Knights of the Fiery Cross will not be swerved from their duty by any man or men who are striving "Not for others, but for self."

### The Klan Marches On

The very frank confession must be made that the writer is strongly impressed with the fact that no man is essential to the success of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. It is a lesson that others might well take to heart. Leaders and workers, speakers and writers, have retired from active service in the order, but the Klan goes on under other leadership and builded by other workmen. The passing of some has been regretted, but the cause has not lagged, the movement has not halted. The Klan goes marching on with increasing numbers and growing power.

### Cause Makes the Man

And I have learned another thing. When a speaker goes into a field to

lecture, the crowds flock to hear what he has to say about the cause without regard to whether he has a big or a small personality. They are not interested in the man but in his message. The speaker's name may be forgotten by the next day, but if he has faithfully discharged his duty, his message will be remembered. The man does not make the cause, but the cause makes the man.

### About The Religion of Our President's Wife

In a certain publication the other day appeared a statement to the effect that the wife of Calvin Coolidge, President of the United States, was a member of the Roman Catholic church. The innuendo was implied that she might think more of her religion than her country.

Mrs. Calvin Coolidge as a matter of fact is not a Roman Catholic, she is a Congregationalist, coming from that type of New England religious stock which forms the very basis of this Protestant country of ours.

But concerning Mrs. Coolidge's religious affiliations, which are nobody's business but her own and which should call for no malicious and busy body comment, it makes no difference what church she attends, she as the wife of our chief magistrate typifies American womanhood in all its loyalty, sweet sympathy and gentleness. As such she is an inspiration to things better on the part of all Americans.

It has been remarkable in years gone past how slimy gossipers and scandal mongers have peered and peeked into the family life of America's greatest men, alert to cast a doubt, an innuendo or a sneer. Those who start such rumors do so with a view of creating an insidious and hateful propaganda for the purpose of breaking down the morale and the respect of Americans for the men whom they have chosen as their leaders. Those who idly pass such rumors along are merely tools and fools of influences who hate America and who seek this country's downfall.

Klansmen, smash the propagandists. Do not be misled by every lying, baseless rumor which ill report brings to your ears. And the lowest down rumor monger is the one who will talk about a woman.



### Gas Lighted Crosses at Tonkawa Meeting

Huge fiery crosses illuminated with flares of natural gas were erected as a feature of the recent successful ceremonial and naturalization conducted by Tonkawa Klan, Realm of Oklahoma. They were augmented by a powerful searchlight erected on a high tower which swept the field where thousands of Klansmen from this section of Oklahoma had gathered.

A large class of aliens became citizens of the Invisible Empire, following which addresses on Americanism were delivered. It was after one o'clock in the morning before the ceremonial was finished, the great crowd remaining until the end.

### Points Out Peril to White Supremacy

Dr. William Guthrie, department of economics of the College of New York, in speaking at the convention of the Wisconsin Bankers' association, in Milwaukee, said:

"Unless immigration of other than whites is halted entirely, two generations will see the whites of the United States wiped out. Colored races rear families much faster than white families and we must protect the white race in this country."

With the Japs slowly but surely gaining control on the Pacific coast, and with ten million negroes in America, the above words bear special significance. A New York negro paper a few months ago, called on all negroes to fight politically, and if need be physically. It is high time that white men are organizing.

### Klan is Formed on Board Battleship Tennessee

The Invisible Empire has a "floating" Klan.

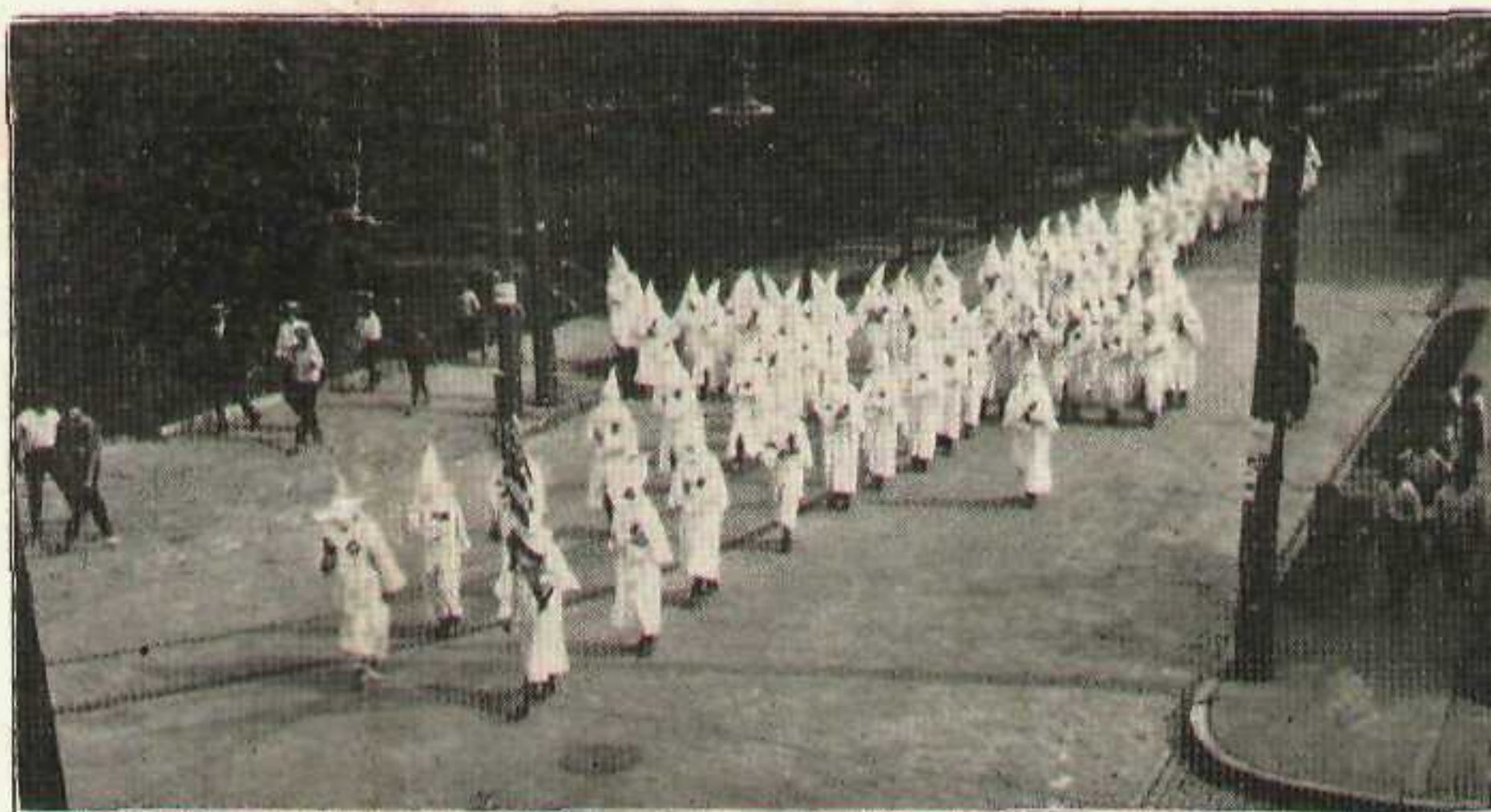
It is U. S. S. Tennessee Klan Number 1 and its Klavern is on board the United States Battleship Tennessee.

When the big battleship was at Bremerton navy yard near Seattle, Washington, a number of sailors stationed aboard her organized a provisional Klan and applied to the Imperial Palace for a charter.

The Klan will be chartered under the Realm of Washington.

When you meet an out-of-town Klansman do your best to make him feel at home. Take him to your Klavern and let him feel that the practice of Klankraft is universal.

## Klansmen Marching in Form of Cross to Funeral of East Liverpool Man



WITH one hundred Klansmen in full regalia acting as an escort of honor, the body of Klansman William A. Galm of East Liverpool Klan, Realm of Ohio, was laid to rest in Riverview Cemetery in that city recently. The Klansmen in marching to the cemetery assumed the formation of a huge human cross.

This was the first Klan funeral to be held in this section of Ohio and the

beautiful ritualistic ceremony conducted at the grave-side afforded East Liverpool people their first glimpse of the Klan in its robes. Marching from their Klavern to the home of their deceased brother the Klansmen were cheered and applauded by spectators. At the cemetery services were held in a down pour of rain.

Klansman Galm was a well known business man of East Liverpool.

### First Klan Meeting on Foreign Soil

The first meeting of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan ever held on foreign soil, so far as can be ascertained by records of the order, was held near Vancouver, British Columbia, August 10, last.

The meeting was held on board a special train carrying delegates to the national convention of the Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan at Portland, Oregon. On Friday night, August 10, all the Klansmen on the train took possession of one of the coaches and held a regular meeting as the train was speeding through Canadian territory.

Thirty members in good standing participated with an official of Fort Worth Klan Number 101 acting as Exalted Cyclops.

The following Klans were represented at the meeting; Fort Worth Number 101, Dallas Number 66, Denison Number 113, Weatherford Number 176 (the Watermelon Klan), Bryan Number 8, and Beaumont Number 7, Realm of Texas and Monroe Klan, Realm of Louisiana.

Are you subscribing to your local Klan newspaper? If not, why not?

### An Eye For Business

The newly organized Klan, having had its first parade, was now in session behind closed doors for the purpose of conferring the secret work upon a batch of aliens. A stranger tried to shove his way into the hall. The Klexter shooed him away. Presently the persistent intruder returned.

"Say, look here," said the warden, "you don't belong in here." He took a closer look at the stranger. "I'm sure of it. Ain't you Jewish?"

"Shure, I'm Jewish," answered the other, with an ingratiating smile.

"Well, don't you know the Klan won't let Jews join it?"

"I don't want to join."

"Well, what do you want then?"

"I want to see the fellow vot buys the bedsheetings."

The Klan is growing fast in Southern Iowa. A few days ago the first big open air naturalization in this section of the state was staged at Hamilton with hundreds of robed citizens of the Invisible Empire in attendance.

Ford may not be a Klansman but his kars parade with hoods down.