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Ku Klux Klan To Extend Activity All Over World.

The Ku Klux Klan is planning to extend the scope of their organization so as to include all men of the Caucasian race and is contemplating the formation of klans in all parts of the world, according to a letter from Edward Young Clarke imperial wizard, to Dr. H. W. Evans imperial wizard a copy of which was given to the United Press tonight.

The plans are the outgrowth of a commission given to Clark by the klonvocation recently held here, authorizing him to investigate the advisability of making the organization world-wide.

Clark, according to the letter, will make a report to the council of grand dragons, to be held here sometime in May, 1923. If the council of dragons reports favorably on the proposed move, work will be immediately started to enlarge the scope of the organization, the letter stated.

Clark, the letter declared, will leave for Europe some time during next summer to make further investigations and suggest plans for the extensions of the klans throughout the world.

Decision to investigate conditions throughout the world with a view to making the Ku Klux Klan a world-wide organization of white men was inspired by the necessity of the Caucasian races banding themselves together to maintain their supremacy in world affairs. "The Ku Klux Klan feels the necessity of spreading its doctrines throughout the world and banding the white peoples into an indissoluble union to protect their control over other races," Clark said.

Clark emphatically denied published reports of an interview with him carried in several large eastern papers which quoted him as saying that along with the plans for enlarging the scope of the order, that Roman Catholics would be allowed to enter.

Our law is that any person holding allegiance to any foreign power, political, social, or religious, is not eligible for membership," the letter declared.

The letter cast no light on the private investigation into the situation at Mer Rouge, Louisiana, which is said to be under way by the klans. Clark, who is not now officially connected with the organization and only holds the honorary title of imperial wizard, declared he knew nothing about conditions there. He expressed the belief, however, that an investigation into the case would prove the klans blameless as had been the case in scores of other instances wherein the klans were implicated.

Marshall Presbyterian Sunday School Elects Officers

The Presbyterian Sabbath School held their annual election of Officers and teachers on last Sabbath morning.

J. Coleman Ramsey was elected Superintendent and R. N. Eaton, Assistant Superintendent. Chester Wallie, Secretary, Mrs. O. C. Rector Assistant, Z. V. Fisher, Treasurer, Miss Hallie Silvers, Organist, Mrs. Ethel Bryan, Assistant, Everett R. Tweed Teacher of Men's Class, all other teachers were re-elected.

Railway Line To Weaverville Is To Be Dismantled

Efforts Were Made to Organize Company To Buy Line For \$20,000 But Support Was Not Sufficient.

OPERATION STOPPED

Efforts to reconstitute the Asheville and East Tennessee railway company having failed, decision has been reached by S. Sternberg, who bought the property at court sale a few weeks ago, to dismantle and junk the equipment, it was learned yesterday.

Dismantling of the electric line, extending from Grace, at the north extremity of the city, to Asheville is expected to proceed at once. Actual junking of the road will probably be started within a week or ten days, it was stated yesterday. It is probable that permission will be asked of the state corporation commission.

Operation of cars on the Weaverville line was discontinued on November 29, as soon as the property was acquired at court sale by Mr. Sternberg.

Effort to Save Line.

Immediately thereafter, efforts were undertaken in formation of a corporation whereby the electric line would become community-owned. It was offered by Mr. Sternberg at \$20,000, which was \$1,000 more than his price to the court, to cover his incidental expenses. However, after two mass meetings had been called at Weaverville and New Bridge, the project was abandoned by the leaders, because sufficient support did not materialize.

Another proposition for saving the line was later considered by Mr. Sternberg, but this, too, failed to materialize, resulting in the final decision to junk the property. Mr. Sternberg recently stated that the property had a value of \$36,000 for junk.

"Many Returns" Is Grissom's Greeting

"A prosperous New Year to you and yours. Among the many happy returns which we wish you and them, do not forget the prompt returns of your and their Income Tax." Thus read messages sent by Gilham Grissom, United States Collector of Internal Revenue as one of many devices for reminding taxpayers that the time for another settlement with the federal government is fast approaching.

The collector is preparing voluminous lists of taxpayers to whom blanks will be sent as soon after the first of the year as possible and is giving wide publicity to the necessity of filing returns.

Returns must be filed on or before March 15th by the following, whether or not any tax is due: every single person with a net income of \$1000, every married person with a net income of \$2000, every person with a gross income of \$5000, every incorporated company without exception, and every partnership without exception.

In addition, every employer must report all salaries of \$1000 or more and to whom paid.

Statement Showing Assets And Liabilities of Madison County N. C., As of December, 31st, 1922

	Assets	Liabilities
Cash to credit sinking fund.....	23,600.00	
Cash balances in Banks.....	36,404.73	
Court House and land.....	85,000.00	
County Home and land.....	15,000.00	
Jail and land.....	17,000.00	
Other Real-estate.....	3,000.00	
Macadam and Sand Clay Roads at \$3,000.00 per mile, 65 miles.....	520,000.00	
Graded Roads 88 miles at 5,000.00.....	440,000.00	
Machinery and equipment.....	2,750.00	
Iron Bridges.....	200,000.00	
Live Stock.....	1,250.00	
Tax List in hands of collector about.....	100,000.00	
	1,448,984.72	
Bonded indebtedness.....		665,000.00
Current bills.....		000.00
Notes.....		000.00
		664,000.00
Net Assets.....	779,984.73	

The statement accompanying shows the financial standing of Madison County on December 31st 1922. The original indebtedness was 705,000.00 but \$1,000.00 has been paid on this debt. For the money expended the county has as assets two dollars for every one dollar spent by the officers as the statement will show. Everything which has been purchased or constructed by the commissioners during the last fifteen years or more has doubled in value.

The sinking fund mentioned as an asset stands in the Barks drawing interest at four per cent and is ready to cancel the bonds when due. This year six thousand more of the bonds will be paid and money added to the sinking fund for the payment of more. All interest has been paid until July first. The interest money is always ready for the time it is due.

Call For Convention To Aid Law Enforcement.

Raleigh, North Carolina, January 16, 1923.

The call upon the Temperance forces in this hour is to mobilize their influence to aid in the enforcement of the laws preventing the manufacture and sale of intoxicants. North Carolina was one of the first commonwealths to put the ban on the saloon and the still by the popular vote of the people. Having outlawed the legal manufacture and sale of liquor, it behooves us to be vigilant to prevent the annulment of the law by law-breakers. What can the temperance people do to end the machinations of the bootleggers and the clandestine making of intoxicants? We must do any and all things within our power to hold what we have won. Let the temperance forces take counsel one of another agree upon the best plan, and in unity battle to secure the enforcement of the prohibition laws and the Eighteenth Amendment.

A one day's convention of all the Temperance forces in North Carolina is hereby called to meet in Raleigh, January 16, 1923. This is the anniversary of the going into effect of the National Prohibition Amendment to the Constitution of the United States. Let there be a great gathering in Raleigh on that day to highly resolve that the law shall not be flouted.

All lovers of law, all friends of temperance are invited and all churches and other patriotic organizations are requested to send delegates. Distinguished and eloquent speakers have accepted invitations to be present.

Series Of Sermons

The Pastor of the Presbyterian Church is preaching a series of sermons, at the evening services from the book of Genesis, on next Sabbath evening. Our subject will be.

- The first family.
- The first sacrifice.
- The first death.
- The first murderer.

We expect to touch the most important points, in the book of Genesis from night to night.

We cordially invite you to come to these services and study with us this wonderful book that opens in Eden and closes in Egypt.

Pastor.

Notice To The Public.

When you have a claim against the Board of Education for sheep killed by dogs, bring in the proof of whose dogs killed your sheep. If you do not know, we take it that you do not know that dogs killed them. All claims must be presented at the next regular meeting of the Board after the sheep are killed or your claim can not be honored.

County Board of Education, Jasper Ebbs, Chairman. Homer Henry, Secretary. Done by order of the Board of Education, Jan. 1st, 1923.

Notice!

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has sold all his interest in the N. B. McDevitt Company, to the N. B. McDevitt Company. Who will assume all the indebtedness.

This November 20, 1922. E. N. Holcombe

Marshall's Boys And Girls

Special Service In Their Honor.

Members of the Board of Education—Teachers of the Public Schools City and County Officials—Parents of the Children as well as the Children themselves, are most cordially invited to the Special Service that will be held at the First Baptist Church on Sunday night.

In honor of the boys and girls we will present an Illustrated Travelogue featuring one of the most famous and interesting sections in the Great Northwest JACKSON'S HOLE—Former Roodezvous of the Bad Men of the Land—that section which Elizabeth Fraser, in a copy of the Saturday Evening Post, described as "The Last Wilderness". In one sense of the world she was right, for if there is a wilder place it hasn't yet been discovered. In addition to all this it is one of the Great of all Big Game Countries in the Land. Such indeed is Jackson's Hole—a place where

- The Eagles Scream.
- The Wolves Howl.
- The Bears Rage.
- And The Lions Roar.

Fisherman's Paradise and Hunters' Heaven—Stupendous Mountain Scenery—Turbulent Streams, Etc.

We have about half a hundred pictures of this Huge Pocket in the Rocky Mountains that we will throw upon the screen Sunday night, and they will be instructive as well as interesting, and we also hope, and pray that they will draw us nearer to the Great God behind a nd back of the Whole Wide World. We have made three trips into this region—two of them in the winter time, when we had to go over mountain passes, nearly nine thousand feet high and on the top of which was snow from fifteen to twenty-two feet deep. Cold as thunder, too, for it gets 42 below zero in that country, and stays that way sometimes for six weeks at a stretch. And you stay out in the open for twelve hours, under these conditions with but a few minutes stop for dinner at a roadhouse, and when you get through with it all you are about frozen. If you don't believe it, try it, once and see. We have made the trip twice in the winter time and we don't want to do it again. "No—Siree—Bob". If a fellow had any sense he wouldn't do it but once.

The subject of our message for Sunday night will be—"one thing that our boys and girls should be and to things that they ought to have." We will do our level best to make it as interesting as possible, and we really believe that, after it is all over, you will say that it was worth your while to have been present.

Sunday morning we are going to take up a line of thought that will be of interest to those who are not Christians as well as to those who are. So if it is at all possible for you to attend, we hope to see you at both of our services on this coming Lord's Day.

To those who have lost loved ones by death we extend our

KNOW NORTH CAROLINA A Georgia Verdict

The road system in North Carolina is only one evidence of North Carolina's general prosperity that appeals to the people of other states, and particularly to the people of Georgia, whose natural conditions of living are practically the same.

North Carolina's public school system is maintained more progressively than is that of Georgia, through no fault of Georgia's most excellent department of education.

The higher educational institutions of North Carolina are adequately maintained, while those in Georgia are admittedly starved. The state contributes more to the university system in that state in one year than Georgia does in four.

The same can be said of the other institutions—the eleemosynary, the corrective, the penal.

Why is all this? North Carolina has relatively a quarter of a million less population than Georgia.

All of the five largest cities combined will scarcely exceed in population the one city of Atlanta.

Wilmington, the seaboard metropolis, is a much smaller city than Savannah.

Charlotte, the largest trading center, is not as large as Macon.

Neither Winston-Salem nor Durham nor Greensboro, her great tobacco manufacturing cities, is as large as Augusta.

And yet it is a state of small cities and towns, each filled with the stacks of industry, and each the center of prosperous rural communities.

The reason for it all is—not that North Carolina has any better people than Georgia, for there are no better; not that North Carolina has any more natural advantages than Georgia, for in these both states are practically blessed alike—but that North Carolina has revised her old and antiquated tax system so that the state is provided with funds sufficient to carry on the functions of government in keeping with the demands of a progressive age—

And the people of the cities and the towns and the country have prospered as the state has prospered.

North Carolina is thus an object lesson that the Georgia legislature should heed.—Atlanta Constitution.

NOTICE—Mack Ramsey, the "Old Timer" taxi driver is now back on the job. Mack has a nice Dodge Car and is ready for business. Prices are right. I'll take you anywhere your heart may desire. Give me a call! I'll be there the minute I get your call.

LOST on last Sunday a 32 Special pistol. Finder please return to Sheriff R. R. Ramsey, and receive Reward.

deepest sympathy, and recommend them to the GOD of ALL Comfort.

To those who are still sick we extend our best wishes and pray for their early recovery. And to one and all we say read and ponder over the eighth verse of the twenty eighth chapter of Romans.

Cordially, E. R. EVANS.