

Reporter Finds K. K. K. Fools' Paradise

Now I know why I have an education. And I am glad I'm not a fool. Because some people are.

I found this out Saturday night when I attended a Ku Klux Klan meeting at a drive-in theater in Concord. Naturally, I went out of curiosity. But I went entirely open minded. The Klan could have persuaded me that they were, in the right. But they didn't.

Cross Lights Way

A huge cross, as big as a two-story building, stood in front of the white screen of the drive-in. A rope was around the stage and more than a hundred people were hanging on to it. Some of them were laughing. Some were listening attentively.

On the stage were four or five hooded figures. The other six or seven men with sheets and dunce caps were standing in front of the rope.

The speaker knew his powers. He was not unlike one of these hoo-doo men who let their voices rise and fall with the wind to give it an eerie and super-natural quality.

Speaks In Name of God

"I'm speaking in the name of God when I say that He made the whites white and the blacks black. He meant for the whites to be better. I have a servant at my house. She knows her place and she's glad. It's a nigger and she's happy of it."

Then he told that he was an ordained minister and that his congregation knew where he was and wanted him to speak here.

Praises Law Enforcement

There were a dozen policemen standing around. "I want all you good people to know that North Carolina has the finest police force in the state . . . the finest and smartest highway patrol . . . the finest F. B. I."

Damns Reporters

And to the reporters. "I reckon you reporters will go out tomorrow and print your usual lies in the papers. You'll say that there were just a handful of ignorant people here and right now I can count two hundred. Now say an Amen for me." Reverent "Amen's" answered him.

"Walk With Your Cook Up Main Street"

He even had a most reasonable answer to Southerners who were for integration. "I'll tell you why you want integration." He paused dramatically.

"Maybe—just maybe, your cook

is more than a cook to you. Maybe you'd rather walk down the main street of town with her instead of taking her on the back roads. Now say Amen."

Sense of Humor Nil

The "minister" felt he should prove that he was a native of North Carolina. A cute, original joke would do it. "I'm a Tarheel born, I'm a Tarheel bred, and when I die I'm a Tarheel dead."

The audience went into gales of laughter. Obviously they had never heard the U. N. C. alma mater. Very original.

"I know you all are wondering how to get into this organization," he said. By this time I was wondering if it was worth getting a run in my stocking by tromping through the weeds.

Exclusive Organization

"Only special people can be a member." He repeated this. Not everyone can be a member of this fine organization. You have to meet a lot of qualifications. Christian . . . White . . . Gentile . . . Protestant . . . No half-breedswillo White."

The dozen Klansmen then passed

New Layout To Be Used In Yearbook

Sissie Allen, editor-in-chief of "Sights and Insights", and her staff have decided upon a definite layout and are working hard to make this year's annual the best one yet.

Some pictures, including individual photographs, have been made already; the rest will be taken within the next four weeks.

The chief writers—Jo Smitherman, Mary Walton, Jo Golden, and Toni Gill—and their helpers have turned in the first draft of the annual copy.

Jane Wrike, business manager, has been busy with the hard job of financing the annual. "Without her we couldn't live!" declared Sissie.

According to Sissie "Sights and Insights" of 1957 will be quite different from the ones of past years. Some nice surprises are in store for us when we receive our annuals next May, she claims. From all reports, this one should really be the best yet.

—Nan Williams

out questionnaires. The Grand What'cha call it pronounced it "questioneer". There were very pertinent questions on it. For example, age and weight and height. We decided the Klan wanted to know whether to fit a member with a single bed sheet or a double bed sheet.

I had nearly stepped in a mud puddle in the field and besides the sparks and the smoke from the burning cross were about to choke me to death. We left though we could see we would miss a talk by an important red-satin-sheeted officer. I had heard enough.

—Marcia Stanley

Holiday Rules

Something big planned for the Thanksgiving holidays?

The Dean of Students' office reminds you that you must have parents' permission to spend the holidays anywhere other than at home. This rule will not apply to those girls going to New York with the Choral Ensemble if their parents have signed the permission blank for college trips.

Thanksgiving vacation, which begins Wednesday, November 21, is the only holiday during which the college stays open; it will be completely closed during Christmas and Easter.

Students who plan to stay at Salem during the Thanksgiving vacation will be put together in one central dormitory.

No One Else

By Frank Kinney

It is your business if you are content with ill fitting clothes or a shoddy hair style. No one else will notice.

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Scorpions

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ant editor of the college yearbook, a marshal, secretary of the Junior class, and a member of the Future Teachers of America.

The Order is formally dedicated to the fostering of "the true spirit and ideals of Salem College."

Qualifications for membership are also secret, but the Order frequently includes and anticipates major campus officers. Membership is limited to juniors and seniors.

Freshmen:

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