

30,000 Robed Ku Kluckers March Through Capital

Klan Legions From Many States With 50 Bands Parade From 3 P. M. Until Far Into the Night—45 Special Trains Bring Delegations; Many Sleep in the Parks

Washington, Aug. 8.—The Ku Klux Klan gave Washington a colorful and orderly parade today.

It is estimated that about 30,000 men, women and children marched from the Peace Monument at the west side of the Capitol, down Pennsylvania Avenue to the Treasury Building and south in 15th Street to the Sylvan Theatre at the Washington Monument.

The procession moved forward at 3 P. M. and continued to move after dark, when police said it would probably go on until 10 o'clock. Approximately 6,000 persons passed a given point each hour.

Tremendous crowds, well-behaved and merry, watched from the sidewalks.

A feature of the Klan program was the number of women participating. At least every third person marching was a woman.

Every color of the rainbow was used to make a great spectacle. The lead of the parade wore a rich sea-green uniform, and his lieutenants were clad in red, purple or white. A half hundred bands played.

Forty-five special trains and thousands of automobiles brought the crowd to town. All last night machines came in over the highways leading to Washington from the North, South, East and West. From sunrise this morning Klansmen and Klanswomen in their Invisible Empire tags, traveled about the city, seeing the sights.

Pennsylvania and New Jersey contested for the largest number of Klansmen. New York sent down approximately 4,000. States north of here were much better represented than those in the South.

Came With the Dawn

Few Klansmen came here yesterday—just the advance representatives to make final arrangements for the program today. To add to the system of the action here the leaders instructed those coming in automobiles to begin to arrive in continuous streams after midnight. By 1 o'clock this morning machines were approaching on every road to Washington.

This morning when citizens of the National Capital commenced to move about they found the downtown streets crowded with men and women from a dozen or more states. In the parks hundreds of persons slept on the ground.

In addition to the members of the order thousands of curious persons were here from nearby states.

Hours before three o'clock, the time set for the parade to start, hundreds of men and women, wearing the Klan regalia, swarmed about the city, sightseeing in groups.

Every street or nook and corner had groups of robed visitors. The larger and more expensive hotels, as well as the lower priced ones, were literally full. The New Willard, headquarters for the demonstration, and the Washington in the heart of the business section, were popular gathering places. Five bands, one right after the other, came out of one of these.

Washington was interested and surprised at the sight. For the first time in its history white robed Klansmen nonchalantly walked hither and thither.

Soon everybody became accustomed to the novelty of the thing, and some of the nervousness of the night before passed away. This paved the way for the formal program of the day. Hostile groups of citizens calmed down and joined in the frolic. All sorts of rumors were afloat, but the one that served to allay bitter feeling toward the Klan was the report that would-be marchers were instructed to overlook unfriendly or insulting remarks from the side lines.

"Eyes Front," the Order

"Regardless of what happens—what is said to you from the sidewalk—keep your eyes directly on the man in front of you; never falter," was the slogan.

Thousands of onlookers admired the attire of certain Klans. There was lack of uniformity in the character of the robes, for some were

rich and some were cheap. Many men wore white satin robes; they were Klansmen, Dragons, Klansmen and others high in office. The common run of the order wore less costly cloth.

Among those who first appeared on the streets in the habiliments of their order were women in a variety of colors. Some wore red-white-and-blue costumes, others merely tied blue bands bearing "K. K. K." around their heads. Paper or cloth hoods, with visors lifted or detached, were worn by both sexes.

Regalia in Black Bags

While a large number donned their robes early in the day a vast majority waited until a short time before the order to march came. But it was easy to pick Klansmen from the common herd, for each man or woman who intended to participate in the parade had under his or her arm, or in the hand a black bag containing the proper regalia.

The out-of-town Klansmen were bent on sight-seeing. They streamed through the capital for hours and saw the National Museum and other places of interest. Taxicabs, busses and private machines were pressed into extraordinary service. From 9 until 3 the crowd grew and frolicked. It was good-natured and energetic. Beneath a sweltering sun it traveled the city, seeing entertainments and amusement.

City men and women, village folks and country people were here. Hundreds of mothers carrying babies in their arms trudged about the streets.

Forty-five Special Trains

Union Station was thick with knights, receiving oncoming caravans. Forty-five special trains, each carrying approximately 400, arrived.

The Tunes They Played

"The Old Oaken Bucket," "There's a Long, Long Trail," "The Washington Post March," "Adelste Fidelis" and "Onward, Christian Soldiers" were among the pieces played before the real work of the day began.

All this led up to the parade. Sightseers and officials went to the Capitol grounds long before 3 o'clock. Thousands of them crowded the streets north and south of the Capitol, preparatory to marching from the Peace Monument down Pennsylvania Avenue.

Hundreds of vendors, among them negroes, selling watermelons, did a thriving business during the pre-parade hours. Melon rinds, fruit skins and empty ice cream cones littered the ground for blocks.

MacMillan's Airplanes Visit Camp Where Greely Perished

Washington, Aug. 9.—Airplanes of the MacMillan Arctic expedition have reconnoitered for a base over Ellesmere island and have visited the camp where 18 members of the exploring party headed by Admiral Greely died of starvation in 1884.

Commander MacMillan reported the achievement in a radio dispatch to the National Geographic society, filed from Etah, Greenland, last night, but at the same time the navy department received a dispatch from Commander Byrd, in command of the planes, telling of plans to hop off at 8:45 p. m. for a long flight with a month's provisions. The dispatch did not clearly indicate the day, but it was assumed to mean either last night or tonight.

After telling of the visit to the Greely camp Commander MacMillan said:

"We made the distance in 20 minutes and then reached the head of Greely bay, 90 miles to the west, in one hour and 12 minutes.

"We found land at 3,000 feet buried in low clouds.

"We returned to Etah with strong north winds in one hour, having covered as much territory in two hours as we generally cover with dogs in 15 days. The United States navy planes worked well with the exception of a few minor troubles. Weather conditions improving."

Another message said: "Pigeons were released for the first time late in the afternoon. Two females returned to sit on their eggs. This morning there were four birds back in the cote."

HENRY FORD WILL MAKE AIRPLANES

Pays Million Dollars For Airplane Manufacturing Concern

Detroit, August 7.—Henry Ford, millionaire manufacturer of automobiles today became an independent manufacturer of all-metal airplanes, for the purpose of accelerating airplane development.

Official announcement was made last night at the Ford offices that the motor company had purchased the Stout Metal Airplane Company, of Detroit, which will be operated as the Stout Metal Division of the Ford Company.

The amount involved was not given out but was estimated to approximate \$1,000,000 and credit for negotiating the transaction was given by Mr. Ford to his son, Edsel.

"Airplanes belong to another generation," Mr. Ford senior, said in commenting on the sale. "I shall do everything possible in their development but there is too much to be done to permit of premature enthusiasm.

"We are interested in airplane development and the best place for us to carry on experimental work is our plant. There we can study and learn and there is much that we must study and a great deal for us to learn.

"Of course, the first thing that must be done with the aerial navigation is to make it fool-proof. Just now its ninety per cent man and ten per cent plane. The percentage must be turned around.

"We are not going into the racing business. Speed is incidental, safety and service are paramount. What the Ford Motor Company means to do is to prove whether commercial flying can be done safely and profitably."

A formal statement issued by the Ford company reviewed the history of association between the Stout and Ford companies showing how Mr. Stout after fifteen years of experimental work had invented the all-metal plane.

Manufacture of the present type of planes now employed in an inter-Ford factory air freight service between Detroit and Cleveland and Detroit and Chicago will continue on a larger scale.

Mr. Ford's chief interest lies in the engineering problems involved in aviation. He has never been in the air and said yesterday that he still felt no urge to fly.

Believes That Many Impersonate Officers

Winston-Salem, Aug. 7.—"There is no question in my mind that the kind of thing is going on all over the State," said Judge Thomas Watson in the Municipal Court today as he sentenced Miles Bungardner, a white man, to four months on the roads for an attempt to commit a felony, the charge growing out of his impersonating an officer and trying to extract some money from a group of colored men and women as a "bond" for speeding.

"It is the tendency of people all over the country," continued Judge Watson, "to get money without working for it."

"A man doesn't know when he is going to be held up on the highways," said Judge Watson, bringing back again the fact that people are being frequently waylaid by men who impersonate an officer and extract money from unsuspecting and innocent people.

Wild Dogs of Mexico Can Out-Run Fast Trains

Mexico City, Aug. 8.—There are dogs in Mexico which outrun trains and, in fact, go with them most of the way to Vera Cruz from the capital. This is an overnight journey.

The dogs, as wild as any coyote, follow the trains as some fish follow steamers. Whenever a train stops passengers always throw bit of food to the dogs.

A dog fancier noticed that he saw precisely the same dogs at almost every stop the train made. He decided to investigate and learned that while the train was taking a circuitous route over the mountains the dogs were taking a short Indian trail and were invariably waiting for the train upon its arrival.

The "busy bee" spends more time in the hive than she does outside hunting nectar. She only makes 31.65 trips during her lifetime and gathers only eight-tenths of a gram of nectar.

HIS TRAVELS OVER WHAT'LL WALES DO?

London Wonders How Prince Will Spend Time, Having Seen Whole World

London—What future travel programs of the Prince of Wales will be after his forthcoming visit to South America is a popular topic for speculation. He will then have completed his rounds of all the continents of the earth.

With no more worlds to conquer he will, in the opinion of some speculating on his future, settle down to seriously prepare himself for the business of being King.

The Prince has been characterized as the greatest salesman that ever represented the British Empire and his wares, international relations. While South Americans may have an intimate knowledge of the future King as have the peoples of most countries of the earth, his coming visit will give them an opportunity to get acquainted with the personality that has caused the people of other countries to receive him enthusiastically.

Britishers, both royalty and commoners, feel that the Prince has accomplished a great work in creating goodwill between the empire and the countries he has visited and that his South American visit will be accompanied by the same results.

Aside from the social events arranged in his honor there will be a number of things of special interest to the Prince in South America. With somewhat of a reputation as a practical farmer, he is sure to give more than passing notice to the great ranches, the types of their pedigreed stock and the methods of raising them.

In Argentina the Prince will have an opportunity, for one of his favorite pastimes, polo.

The homecoming of the Prince will excite Britishers to a greater extent than his return from any previous trip. After his return he will have more time to spend among his own people and consequently there are likely to be more rumors and speculation concerning him than during his stays in the British capital between trips.

Byrd Followers Are Now Claiming 45,000 Majority

Richmond, Va., Aug. 5.—State Senator Harry Flood Byrd, of Winchester, newspaper man, orchardist and brother of Lieut. Commander Richard Evelyn Byrd, Jr., in charge of the naval fliers with the MacMillan North Pole expedition, was nominated governor of Virginia in the Democratic primaries Tuesday by the greatest majority in the history of gubernatorial primaries in the state.

Just how large was his majority will not be known definitely until official returns have been canvassed. It is expected to be between 35,000 and 40,000 votes, and his followers are claiming it will run to more than 45,000 after the ballots in many of the mountain precincts, still unheard from, are counted.

Mr. Byrd put in a busy day today at his home in Winchester, reading a deluge of telegrams, answering scores of congratulatory telephone calls and in receiving many neighbors in Winchester, Frederick county, and the Valley of Virginia as a whole who had motored over to extend their good wishes.

The action of the Democratic voters yesterday is subject to ratification at the polls in November, but nomination is equivalent to election. Mr. Byrd, who was 38 years old on June 10th last, will be one of the youngest governors the state has ever had. He is married and has four children. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Evelyn Byrd, the father, a well known lawyer and former speaker of the house of delegates and United States attorney for the western district of Virginia. His other brother is Captain Thomas Bolling Byrd.

World's Biggest Cotton Plantation Located in Texas

New York, Aug. 9.—A survey made by the New York Cotton Exchange shows that G. L. Murray and Sons own the world's largest cotton plantation at Crockett, Texas, which embraces approximately 17,000 acres, of which 12,000 acres are planted in cotton. The crop averages between 6,000 and 8,000 bales a year. The plantation has produced as high as 12,000 bales in one year.

Will of William J. Bryan Shows Premonition of Death

Pity the Proof Reader

Instead of saying that J. F. Spainhour, prominent Morganton lawyer, is the town's leading booster, the Morganton News-Herald recently announced that he is the town's leading booster. The first was intended, of course, and the editor, Miss Beatrice Cobb, than whom there is none more conscientious, was called on to explain. She had no explanation to offer, for there is no way to explain such mistakes in a printing office. They just happen.

The incident served to remind Miss Cobb of another incident in her newspaper career. Some years ago the Morganton News-Herald made the unusual statement in its social columns that a Morganton mother had gratefully announced the engagement of her daughter at an announcement party. Whether true or not, it violated the rules of politeness. It had been intended to say that the mother had gracefully announced, but the exchange of a "t" for a "c" had changed the sense entirely.

Such mistakes occur in all newspapers, no matter how carefully edited they may be. Some years ago the New York Times printed a statement that George Bernard Shaw was one of England's greatest asses. What gave the statement point was that many people thought it was correct. However, the writer had written that he was one of England's greatest assets. The dropping of a "t" had made the statement quite the contrary.

"Our linotype operators have instructions to follow copy if they have to follow it out of the window. The Times explained, 'and we have no idea how the mistake occurred. All we can do is express our regret.'—News & Observer.

TOBACCO MARKETS IN PEE DEE BELT

Report of First Week's Sales by the Fairmont Warehouses

Fairmont, N. C., Aug. 10.—The end of the first week of tobacco marketing in the South Carolina and border market belt found the farmers generally in good cheer with the prices they are receiving. While the British-American and Export companies purchases are much smaller than last season, yet the other companies are taking care of the situation.

The sales thru the entire belt are not very heavy and over ninety-five per cent of the offerings during the entire week were primings and an abundance of what is designated among tobacco men as scrap." The few baskets of second and third grade curings that have shown up have been eagerly purchased. Warehousemen expect the priming grades to continue to show up for the next ten days, and then they look for some really good tobacco, as the primings are of high color and good body.

As competition is very keen between the various markets in this section it is very hard to get other than "estimated" reports, each market, like they did in Georgia during the opening day and week, trying to "boost" their own market by giving to the press unverified figures as to their averages. Thru the courtesy of the Fairmont Tobacco Board of Trade the following official figures on that market for the week are given:

Total for week 575,664 pounds tobacco average \$15.17; total for week 89,698 pounds scrap, average \$3.09; total pounds of the whole 665,362; total average of the whole \$13.54.

Child Dies From Attack of Dog

Greensboro, Aug. 10.—James Warren Stafford, two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Stafford, died at the home of his parents in Summerfield yesterday morning at 6 o'clock as the result of being bitten by a dog four weeks ago yesterday. The child did not develop rabies, death being caused by the terrible injuries inflicted on the face and head by the animal, with which the child was playing.

The boy was brought to a Greensboro hospital and underwent treatment for about two weeks, taking the anti-rabies treatment. He was taken to his home about two weeks ago.

Twenty-one million letters went to the Dead Letter Office last year.

Funds Set Aside For Various Churches and For Military Academy for Boys; Children to Receive Shares of Estate; Full of Bryan Phrases

Miami, Fla. Aug. 8.—Couched in deeply religious terms, characteristic of the great Commoner's crusading life, the last will and testament of the late William Jennings Bryan was filed for probate here this afternoon.

Mrs. Mary Baird Bryan, his widow, his three children, and his sister are named in the will, which also sets aside a sum for the establishment of an academy for boys, where "religious and material education can be combined."

No estimate of the value of Bryan's estate was given in the will, but friends estimate it will total at least \$500,000.

Indicating that the commoner had a premonition of death as he entered his last great crusade, that for revealed religion, the document showed that he made his last will July 5, 1925, just before he went to Dayton, Tennessee, for the Scopes evolution trial.

First Thought of Wife

What is believed to be one of the most tender expressions ever found in a will that in which the noted statesman bequeathed one third of all his property and Marymont, the Bryan estate in Cocanut Grove, to his invalid widow. It was of his life's companion that he first thought.

He praised her as his "congenial comrade and companion and faithful helpmate for more than forty years," bequeathed to her all of his household goods, jewelry and other personal effects, including his library, willed her his estate Marymont, and then bequeathed her one third all of his property, "real, personal and mixed, which I possess at the time of my death."

One fourth of the remainder of the estate was willed to each of his three children, Ruth Bryan Owen, William J. Bryan, Jr., and Grace Bryan Hargreaves. However, the Commoner warily provided that if any child should attempt to break the provisions of the will, that child shall forfeit his right to any part of the will. The last fourth of the remainder of the estate, less \$50,000, is to go to the establishment of the academy for boys.

To Bryan's sister, Mrs. Francis Bryan Baird, was bequeathed his home at Fairview, Nebraska.

Remembered Servants

Mr. Bryan also remembered the services of his private secretary and servants by bequeathing to them \$100 for each year spent in his service. He even mentioned his old gardener, for landscaping was a dear subject to the statesman's heart.

The will was filed in Dade county probate court at three this afternoon by William Jennings Bryan, Jr., accompanied by his attorneys, Mrs. Bryan, the widow, was named as administratrix.

The document opens with the words:

"In the name of God, farewell."

The second paragraph is characteristic of the religious trend of the document:

"Trusting for my salvation in the blood of Jesus Christ, my Lord and Redeemer, and relying on His promises for hope and resurrection, I consign my body to the dust and commend my spirit to the God who gave it."

Ladybugs Are in Demand

Wenatchee, Wash.—A shortage of 6,000,000 ladybugs was reported this spring by Clark Turner, "ladybug king," who is conducting a new industry in North Central Washington—that of furnishing ladybugs to orchardists.

Despite a hard winter on ladybugs, Turner sold nearly 2,000,000 this spring. They are gathered in the higher regions of the Cascade mountains and in certain crevices are very thick.

The red coated little insects are shipped to the fruit ranches and planted about 1,000 to an acre. Breeding several times during a season they multiply very rapidly and are a natural enemy of the green and woolly aphis, peach tree louse and other orchard pests.