

'SACRED KLORAN' OF KU KLUX KLAN, FILLED WITH VERSE AND MUMMORIES OF 'IMPERIAL WIZARD'

SIMMONS "BROKE" AT BIRTH OF K. K. K.

Publicity the Charm That Boosted Order and Its Chief

MRS. TYLER TELLS OF IT

New York, Sept. 13.—Mrs. Elizabeth Tyler, who before her selection as grand chief of staff of the women's division of the Ku Klux Klan, was, according to her own statement, "interested in hygiene for babies" in Atlanta, Ga. She is typically Southern in speech, manner and point of view, though she declares she does not like to be designated as a "professional Southerner."

A self-possessed woman of average height, well-gowned, with a matronly figure and a pleasant way of smiling when she talks, Mrs. Tyler when seen in her apartments at the Hotel Pennsylvania, wore a semi-faded afternoon frock of black satin, trimmed with cut beads. Her hair was piled on top of her head and drawn away from her ears. She had on white silk hose and white kid pumps and the little jewelry she wore was unobtrusive and in excellent taste.

Active in Publicity Work Describing the manner in which she became associated with the secret organization which almost overnight has become the center of a controversy nation-wide in extent, Mrs. Tyler explained that she met Edward Y. Clarke, official head of the propaganda department of the K. K. K., with the title of Imperial Kludge, through a harvest festival in Atlanta, Ga. She said she was a specialist on booming communities that were not progressing as rapidly as they wished to, and his success in the enterprise was, she said, the fact that Mrs. Tyler said, that he brought more people to Atlanta than had ever been there before.

Mrs. Tyler actively assisted Clarke in his publicity work for the festival.

Simmons "Broke" When She Met Him "After we had talked over many business enterprises, we formed the Southern Publicity Association," Mrs. Tyler continued. "I was associated with the Y. W. C. A. doing publicity work during the war, and Mr. Clarke was affiliated with the Y. M. C. A. He financed the Southern Publicity Association and stayed in the office, and Mr. Clarke was field representative, planning and working out publicity campaigns of one sort and another.

"We came in contact with Colonel Simmons and Ku Klux Klan through the fact that my son-in-law, Fred H. Tyler, found Colonel Simmons was having a hard time to get along. He couldn't pay his rent. His receipts were not sufficient to take care of his personal needs. He was a minister, and a clean living and thinking man, and he was heart and soul for the success of his Ku Klux Klan. After we had investigated it from every angle, we decided to go into it with Colonel Simmons and to give it the impetus that it could get best from publicity."

Colonel's House a "Personal" Gift Mrs. Tyler took exception to the suggestion that the Ku Klux Klan is a "great thing" and she said she had no reference made to the home which was purchased for Simmons by the Klansmen. "I can and do truthfully state," she said, "that Colonel Simmons is a poor man, and at the time the idea of the home was conceived he was receiving only \$100 a week salary, and proceeds to that for five years he received practically nothing from the organization.

The Klansmen realized that under these conditions it would require many years for him to have a home, and thus they contributed, voluntarily, a small amount each for the purchase of the home. The contributions did not come from the funds of any Klan, but were personal in every instance.

Where the Money Goes "For your information," said Mrs. Tyler, "I am pleased to outline how the \$10 donation is spent. The organization for propagation purposes is, for efficiency, divided into classes. The Kludge, or organizer, is a man who gives his time to instructing and otherwise assisting individuals. He receives a pro rata of \$4 for each man taken in. This Kludge is in charge of a county or group of counties and he must pay all his expenses out of the amount of the \$4.

"Next, there is a King Goblin, who is in charge of a State, and who also gives his full time to the work. He is allowed a pro rata of \$1 for each man taken into the order, and out of this sum he must pay his own expenses, including travel over the State, and also a pro rata of \$1 for each man taken into the order, out of which he must pay all expenses in connection with his office, travel, etc.

Local Klans Control Funds "This leaves a balance of \$4.50, which goes into the general propagation fund to meet all other expenses in the Nation—the work, such as rent, clerk hire, stenographic expense, the cost of literature, as well as the cost of Klan supplies, which are furnished free to each Klan when it is chartered. "When a Klan is chartered its members meet and decide by vote on the amount of dues each member shall be assessed yearly.

"These funds are kept in the local Klan's treasury, under its exclusive control, and are used from time to time by the Finance Committee of the local Klan for expenses and for charitable purposes. In other words, the funds of the organization are collected and expended by practically the same method and for the same general purposes as are the funds of all fraternal organizations, such as the Masons, Elks, etc."

Mrs. Tyler denied that the organization is anti-Jew and anti-Catholic. "On the contrary," she said, "it is a Christian, Protestant organization that believes in and teaches absolute separation of Church and State, and its members must owe no allegiance to any foreign Government or power, and the Catholic and Jews, under those conditions, automatically bar themselves.

"Any fraternal order has the unquestioned right to select its membership. This organization is no more anti-Catholic than the Knights of Columbus are anti-Protestant and no more anti-Jew than the Sons of Israel are anti-Gentile.

'Traitors' Face Death. Warns Klan Ritual

On taking the oath of allegiance to "Emperor" Simmons and the Ku Klux Klan the new member is warned solemnly: "Always remember that to keep this oath means to you honor, happiness and life; but to violate it means disgrace, dishonor and death. May honor, happiness and life be yours."

they should guide and shape its destiny. "We stand unreservedly for white supremacy. By this we do not refer to the Negro alone, but we mean every colored race in the world, so far as the United States is concerned.

Lawlessness Forbidden "I most strenuously object to the charge of lawlessness," declared the grand chief of staff of the women's division. "It is forbidden by the constitution and rules of the order, and any Klansman violating these rules is immediately banished from the organization."

Mrs. Tyler asserted that the public had been misled regarding the Ku Klux Klan by the statements of two men who, no matter what they may say to the contrary, were dismissed from the Klan before the governing body has decided that neither represented the purposes and aims of the organization fairly.



'Sacred Kloran' Work of Emperor

Continued from Page One words, "Non Silba Sed Anthar," followed by the imperial instruction: "All say in unison—Not for self, but for others."

For the latter phrase to be taken as a translation or interpretation of the former? And, if so, from what language is it a translation? The "non" and "sed" are standard Latin, but neither "silba" nor "anthar" appears in the dictionary of any known language. It is equally difficult to believe that a former professor of Southern history in Lanier University mistook them for Latin or that the ruler of the valiant, divalric Ku Klux, in their noble mission for humanity's good, country, homes and womanhood, deliberately faked some near-Latin to improve his less scholarly disciples with his learning.

Here is a puzzle from which the most determined investigators have fallen back mentally bruised and baffled. Perhaps the Ku Klux Emperor himself will do some day to solve the riddle of "Non Silba Sed Anthar," and also to explain one other small matter to which attention must now be directed. In the middle of the "Kloran"—in applying for copyright on which, Colonel Simmons stated he was the author of the work—on Page 30, there is one real poem which shines forth vital, sincere and clean from the shoddy verbiage in which it is embedded, like the traditional lost jewel gleaming on a dung-hill.

While only the fiery cross "illuminates" the dim and mysterious "Kloran" of the Klan, the Kloran, or Lecturer—'from Kio of Kloran, the book, and Kiar, meaning a teacher or reader'—recites it thus: "God give us men! The Invisible Empire demands strong minds, great hearts, true faith and ready hands. Men whom the lust of office does not kill; Men whom the spoils of office cannot beg; Men who possess opinions and a will; Men who have honor; men who will not lie; Men who can stand before a demand; And damn his treacherous batteries without winking! Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the law; In public duty and in private thinking; For their thumb-worn creeds, with their large professions and their little deeds, Mingle in selfish strife, lo! freedom sweeps, Wrung rules the land and waiting justice sleeps. God give us men! Men who serve not for selfish booty, But real men, courageous, who finish not at duty; Men of dependable character; men of sterling worth. Then wrongs will be redressed and right will rule the earth.

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KU KLUX "PATRIOTS" LEARNING SECRETS IN OMAHA



These pictures show operations of the Ku Klux Klan in Omaha, where it has made considerable progress in stirring up racial and religious hatred and then capitalizing it. The upper picture shows a group of them going through the ritual of the initiation, for the privilege of which they have paid \$10 each. The lower picture shows a young Omahan taking the oath of allegiance to the 'Invisible Empire.'

Scribner's Magazine at the time when James Russell Lowell was editor of the old Atlantic Monthly. He wrote several novels, among them "Arthur stonni-cove," and several volumes of poetry, including "Gold Foli" and "Bitter-Sweet."

In Holland's published works appears a poem bearing the title "Wanted." Except for the first two lines, it is identical with the verses printed above, down to verse 15. But where Emperor Simmons wrote:

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What if one of your party should prove a traitor? asks the outer guard as the Kludd enters with his candidates. "He would be immediately banished from the Invisible Empire without fear or favor, conscience would tenaciously torment him, remorse would repeatedly revile him and direful things would befall him."

"Does he know all this?" asks the masked guard. "All this he now knows," answers the masked Kludd. "He has heard and he must heed."

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Three Whistles and Moan Mean Klan Just Got \$10

Three whistles and a moan are given by the masked and silk-robed Klans official when he accepts a \$10 "donation" from each of those craving passage beyond the portals of the "Invisible Empire."

The \$10 from each recruit is handed over in a "secret" room.

Next the third and fourth sections of the oath are administered by Kludd or Kludge, or vice president and chairman, and the stage is set for the parody on the sacrament of baptism.

Death Threat in Ritual "But first a death threat is uttered. 'Sirs,' says the masked presiding officer to the candidates, 'have you assumed without mental reservation your oath of allegiance to the Invisible Empire? Mortal man cannot assume a more binding path; character and courage alone will enable you to keep it. Always remember that to keep this oath means to you honor, happiness and life; but to violate it means disgrace, dishonor and death. May honor, happiness and life be yours.'

Then the officer picks up the water bottle from the altar and says to the candidates: "With this transparent, life-giving, powerful, God-given fluid, more precious and far more significant than all the sacred oils of the ancients, I set you apart from the men of your daily association to the great and honorable task you have voluntarily allotted yourselves as citizens of the Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, you will kneel upon your right knee."

Full Stage Directions Just here, according to the interpolated stage directions, the following stanza must be sung in a low, soft, but distinct tone, preferably by a quartet: "(Tune—'Just As I Am Without One Pie.')

"To Thee, oh, God! I call to Thee— True to my oath, oh, help me be! I've pledged my love, my blood, my all; Oh, give me grace that I not fall.

"Sirs," says the dedicating officer, "neath the uplifted fiery cross which by its holy light looks down upon you to bless with its sacred traditions of the past—

"I dedicate you in body, in mind, in spirit and in life to the holy service of our country, our clan, our homes, each other and humanity."

Then, following the stage directions, he advances toward the candidates and pours a few drops of water on each one's back, saying:

"In body," pours a few drops on his head, saying, "In mind," places a few drops on his own hand and tosses it upward, saying, "In spirit," and finally moves his hand "in a horizontal circular motion" round the candidate's head, saying, "and in life," which action terminates the baptismal parody.

More "Spiritual Fodder" Appended to the main part of the ritual is an imperial lecture which affords an excellent final sample of the "Invisible Empire" to the Ku Klux spiritual father and shepherd. In part it runs as follows:

"The noble achievements of the Ku Klux Klan shine with undiminished effulgence through the gathering mist of the chaotic and unenlightened tribulation of the American Reconstruction were heard above the fading echoes of the battles of the great Civil War, the chosen victims stood aghast and pale, wondering at the meaning and purpose of the gathering gloom."

When Simmons Becomes Flery "When they learned the meaning, he goes on, they gave a cry which was 'a horrible medley full of intense anguish—melancholy groans of many men—trickling mingled with the slobbering, penetrating sobs of distressed women and the plaintive cry of hungry, cladless children; on this melancholy orchestra grief touched the chords of universal sympathy and played the direful dirge of death over the slaughtered corps (sic) of civilization."

And then what happened? "Then, says, their modern Emperor, then came the Ku Klux Klan and 'with a grim smile of sacred duty resting upon their manly countenances' leaped into the saddle, riding 'from over the mysterious horizonland from the Centre of the Soul,' and 'baptized with a suffusion of tears.'"

They came, he repeats, and adds with notable originality: "They came; they saw; they conquered." Then "the voice of music was heard in the land; their purpose and mission was ended; they laid aside their spotless robes, and the greatest order of chivalry in all history disband—'for the Ku Klux code no more."

Tells of "Noble Ride" But, he goes on, their "noble ride" is immortalized and memorialized in his Ku Klux, Inc.

"The spirit of the Ku Klux Klan still lives and should roar a priceless heritage. This spirit may live always to warm the hearts of manly men, unify them by the spirit of holy manliness, to assuage the biliousness of the frontal lobe, to inspire them to achieve the highest and noblest in the defense of our country, our homes, each other and humanity, in the paramount goal of the knights of Ku Klux Klan."

The romantic appeal connected with the claim that K. K. K., Inc., of Atlanta, Ga., is the legitimate offspring and probable sole heir-at-law of the original Klan is another of the favorite talking points of Simmons and his salesmen. In the proper place it will be shown that the claim is unwarranted and the romance as spurious as the deep secrecy of the copyrighted Kloran is bogus.

How the Ku Klux Klan is stirring up antagonism against Catholics by circulating a forged document purporting to be an oath taken by Fourier Degree Knights of the Knights of Columbus will be disclosed in the Evening Public Ledger tomorrow. A sinister warning issued by "Emperor" Simmons also will be revealed.

God of all, author of all good; Thou who didst create man and so proposed that man should fill a distinct place and perform a specific work in the economy of Thy good government. Thou hast revealed Thyself and Thy

PROFIT IS SMALL, 'GOBLIN' INSISTS

Klan's Spokesman in Philadelphia Denies It Is Opposed to Jews and Catholics—but

ADMITS THEY CAN'T JOIN

F. W. ATKIN COMPANY PUBLICITY ADVISORS (SELLING CAMPAIGNS—ADVERTISING PROMOTION)

F. W. Atkin, who heads the Ku Klux Klan—the merchandising end—in Pennsylvania and nearby States, is a "publicity adviser" as well as can be seen by the sign he carries. He complains that the "financial compensation paid by the Klan is not sufficient."

The Ku Klux Klan isn't opposed to Catholics or Jews, according to F. W. Atkin, the "Grand Goblin" of the order of the Ku Klux Klan, New Jersey, Maryland and Delaware—but Catholics or Jews can't become members.

Perhaps Mr. Atkin would consider this a misquotation, that the Ku Klux Klan do not oppose Jews and Catholics. To use his exact language, "the Ku Klux Klan is not anti-Catholic, anti-Semitic or anti-Negro."

Mr. Atkin was very much the "Grand Goblin" when he was interviewed. He was sitting behind a grand mahogany desk and smoking a grand fat cigar. He seemed at ease with the world and himself, and bore a look of complacency which spoke well for his mental disposition, considering another statement he was moved to make.

Much Work, Little Profits "At present," said Mr. Atkin, "we are swamped with work from the Ku Klux Klan, but financial compensation is not sufficient."

Mr. Atkin, it may be remarked again, was a nice office. It is on the seventh floor of the Bellevue Court Building at 1418 Walnut street. On his door is a sign which tells all who care to read that his firm is in the business of being publicity advisers and that they are equipped to do selling, advertising and

promotion work. Mr. Atkin said in explanation of the words on his office door that he had made application for a charter, so that he could go into the business as soon as his firm is incorporated.

In the office with Mr. Atkin are L. T. Morrison, J. W. Hollinger and Phil U. Harverston, all are Kluggles. Mr. Atkin was busy going over prospects. While he talked a stenographer came in with another long list.

Mr. Atkin, explaining some of the purposes of the Klan, declared that Americanism is his principal test. "There is nothing in our ritual," he said, "or code of laws which makes our society unlawful."

Puts Blame on Fanatics "The recent outrages which are said to have been laid at the door of the Ku Klux Klan are perhaps the work of some fanatics who believe that they are aiding us.

For admission into the Klan a candidate must be a Protestant and a believer in the constitution. He must be willing to sacrifice his life in an effort to uphold the ideals for which this country stands.

There are only 100 per cent Americans in our organization. Mr. Atkin, speaking of Captain Henry P. Fry, who withdrew as a member of the Klan, and wrote a letter denouncing it, said:

Where is he now?—buried under an avalanche of reports from investigators. Atkin, a man of middle age, has been in charge here since June 13, when executive offices were first opened in this city by the Klan. He was a newspaper man for twenty-two years, and worked on papers in Jacksonville, Florida, and Cincinnati.

The Klan headquarters here is neatly furnished. On entering the room one is greeted by Kluggles. After wait the caller is ushered into the chamber of the Grand Goblin.

CUT RATES ON LIVESTOCK Reductions by Western Railroads Are Authorized Washington, Sept. 13.—(By A. E.)—Reductions by Western railroads in rates on cattle, hogs and sheep, in the opinion of the Interstate Commerce Commission "will prove of material benefit to the Western livestock raisers who have been heavily affected by the rapid decline in livestock prices since July, 1920."

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