

MENACE

Pleads Guilty to Being Circulator of Fake K. of C. Oath.

Poor Comfort For Dupes Who Were Arraigned Before Philadelphia Court.

Louisville Distributors Probably Feel Cheap For Being Taken In.

EXTRACTS FROM THE FAKE

Catholics of this section will remember that a bogus Knights of Columbus oath was distributed pretty freely during the last campaign, and as in all matters of that kind some were credulous enough to believe it authentic in spite of the fact that some of the sections were absurd, one of the copies being in this office. The following is an extract from the supposed oath:

"That I will provide myself with arms and ammunition that I may be ready in case of any emergency, and I am commanded to defend the church, either as an individual or with the militia of the Pope."

"I do further promise and declare that I will have no opinion or will of my own, or any mental reservation whatsoever, even as a corpse or cadaver, but will unhesitatingly obey such and every command that I may receive from my superiors in the militia of the Pope and Jesus Christ."

"I do further promise and declare that I will, when opportunity presents, make and wage relentless war, secretly and openly, against all heretics, Protestants and Masons, as I am directed to do, to exterminate them from the face of the whole earth, and that I will spare neither age, sex nor condition, and that I will hang, burn, waste, boil, flay, strangle and bury alive these infamous heretics; rip up the stomachs and wombs of their women, and crush their infants' heads against the walls, in order to annihilate their execrable race. That when the same can not be done openly, I will secretly use the poisonous cup, the strangulation cord, the steel of the poniard, the leaden bullet, regardless of the rank, dignity or authority of the persons, whatever may be their condition in life, either public or private, as I, at any time, may be directed so to do by any agents of the Pope or Superior of the Brotherhood of the Holy Father of the Society of Jesuits."

The above is only a sample of similar rot contained in the bogus oath, and which Charles Megonegal, a printer, and Clarence H. Stage, a barber, both of Philadelphia, pleaded guilty of circulating after being indicted by the grand jury, both acknowledging that they received their matter from the Menace. Their attorney, Henry H. King, wrote to the Menace and asked for proof of the alleged K. C. oath, intimating that the proper information would clear his clients, as the prosecution charged that there was no oath taken in any of the degrees. Here is the Menace's answer:

Office of the Menace.

Rev. Theo. C. Walker, Editor.

Marvin Brown, Associate Editor.

Mr. Leroy H. King.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir: Replying to your letter we wish to state that we are not in possession of any ritual and secret work of the Knights of Columbus, but we believe we are in a fair way to get it, and the statement in a recent issue of the Menace, which led you to believe that we had it in our possession, while somewhat of a bluff on our part, was based on the fact that we know it can be had. You will note that we printed in our No. 99 ritual and secret work of the Knights of Columbus, and we are positive that it is authentic. The alleged oath which your clients in Philadelphia were arrested for distributing was circulated in practically every State during the last campaign and the demand upon us for this document was something great, and we had received copies of them from so many sources we simply printed and handled them as we would any other job of printing, to supply the demand, and while we have no apologies to make for so doing, we do not have any evidence that the oath is the one which is taken by members of the Knights of Columbus.

We feel sure that it would be folly for you to undertake to base your defense on the authenticity of this document.

We note that some of the officials are claiming that it is not an oath-bound order, which of course is a subterfuge and untrue. You can depend on them resorting to any method which they can contrive to bluff away their critics, and if they are so bent on vindicating themselves why not ask that they present in court the obligations which they do take. This would be the quickest way to clear up the matter in the minds of the people.

We are filing your letter and will be on the lookout for anything which will aid in the defense of these men. Trusting that this will be satisfactory, we beg to remain,

Yours sincerely,
The Menace Publishing Co.,
Aurora, Mo.,
per M. E.

The above statement of the Menace—that it would only be folly to

attempt to prove the oath must have certainly been comforting to the dupes who were arrested for circulating the bogus oath and which the Menace confesses they printed copies of for nearly every State, the demand being great, as they state, but failed to add what a nice way they reaped off the suckers and A. P. A. lodges which paid out good money for counterfeit fakes.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

Much enthusiasm prevailed at the monthly meeting of the Central Committee, Catholic Knights of America, which was well attended despite the heavy snowstorm that prevailed. This was very gratifying to President Ben Kruse and the officers, all of whom answered the roll call. Secretary Henry Schulten read his first minutes, which were full and well written and elicited much praise. Treasurer Charles Falk and the Entertainment Committee reported that the novelty euchre and lotto party had proved a success beyond expectation and that there was a widespread demand for another after Easter. Reports from the branches showed that several had received additional applications and would soon issue new certificates. State Treasurer H. A. Veeneman announced that the Extension Committee was planning an active campaign and would soon have ready their programme and suggestions for the branches. Two important matters were discussed and favorable action taken upon the annual excursion and the publication of a revised membership directory, the latter being referred to a special committee composed of Oscar Mater, William M. Higgins and Harry Veeneman. After earnest talks by President Ben Kruse, Col. J. P. McGinn and others there was a short social session that was a surprise and afforded much enjoyment. When the committee meets again next month the banner and other paraphernalia will be placed in St. John's Hall, thus adding to its attractiveness as a headquarters for the Catholic Knights.

FOR EMMET'S DAY.

Division I, A. O. H., will again this year perpetuate the memory of Ireland's martyr patriot, Robert Emmet, on the night of March 3, at Falls Hall. Attention was called to the near approach of the Emmet anniversary by Daniel McCarthy at the meeting held Tuesday night, his words arousing a spirit of enthusiasm that resulted in a unanimous decision to hold a general meeting to which the Ladies' Auxiliary and the six divisions of the three Falls' Cities would be invited. There will be no admission and all the Hibernians and their relatives and friends will be welcome. The programme will include addresses by public speakers, a number of vocal and instrumental numbers and features which will make it a jolly Irish night. President Thomas Tarry and William M. Higgins have charge of the arrangements and programme. It was also decided that there would be no meeting on the night of St. Patrick's day, March 17. President Tarry presided over the meeting, which was well attended, and announced that there were no bills or claims against the division, but that ex-treasurer Thomas Lawler was still on the sick list. The prospective purchase of homes, by Divisions 3 and 4 met with expressions of favor upon all sides and promises of support.

DEEPLY MOURNED.

Miss Katherine Dowling, beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter J. Dowling, died Wednesday morning at the family home, 123 East Breckinridge street, following a brief illness borne with fortitude and resignation. She was born in this city twenty-three years ago, and besides her parents she leaves four sisters, for whom there is widespread and heartfelt sympathy. The death of Miss Dowling removes one of the city's most respected and lovable young women, a young lady whose noble character had endeared her to hundreds and gained for her the friendship of all with whom she came in contact. Previous to her illness she was prominent in social circles of the city and her demise will be deeply mourned. The funeral was held Friday morning from St. Mary Magdalen's church with requiem mass, when the words spoken brought consolation to those who are left to mourn.

EUCHE, LOTTO, SUPPER.

The euchre and lotto which was to have been given on Friday, February 13, for the benefit of St. Columba's building fund had to be postponed on account of the disagreeable weather on that date. As all preparations had been made, and as the ladies of St. Columba's have a large number of elegant prizes on hand they have decided to dispose of them on next Monday, February 23, when euchre and lotto game will be conducted in St. Columba's school. Thirty-fifth and Market, both afternoon and night, and a nice warm supper will be served. The ladies invite their numerous friends to assist them on this occasion in getting even with the "ground hog," who proved to their hoodoo on Friday, the thirteenth.

REPEAT PERFORMANCE.

The Hibernian Social Club will present motion pictures, vaudeville and amateurs next Tuesday evening at the Norman Theater, Twenty-first and Portland avenues, the first performance at 8:30 and the second performance at 9 o'clock. This is a repetition of the recent entertainment given by this popular organization, when hundreds were turned away.

NO HOLD UP

Secretary Tumulty Given High Praise in Letter to Prescott.

The Religious Prejudice Charge Is Scouted by President Wilson.

Writes Protestant Editor That Tale Is Absurdly and Utterly False.

WOULD NOW TO BE SATISFIED

For some time past there has been circulated in certain bigoted and narrow-minded circles charges that reflect upon President Woodrow Wilson and Secretary Tumulty. While they were given no credence by sensible people they were annoying for the reason that they were calculated to create ill feeling and stir religious strife. It is therefore with pleasure that good people will read the letter of W. W. Prescott, editor of a Protestant magazine, and the President's reply thereto, which should set the foolish at rest. They are given in the Associated Press dispatches of Wednesday, which we reproduce in full:

In a letter to W. W. Prescott, editor of the Protestant Magazine published here, President Wilson has denied emphatically that his correspondence is handled with religious prejudice by his Secretary, Joseph P. Tumulty. The correspondence made public today by the magazine follows:

"The President, Washington, D. C., January 15, 1914.—Sir: I learn from personal sources that you have responded that there is a widespread feeling among Protestants that it is practically impossible for any communication relating to the activities of the Roman Catholic church to reach you personally, for the reason that all such letters are withheld from you by your Private Secretary, Mr. Tumulty. It is unfortunate, both for you and for the country, that such an impression prevails, and that it seems to have some foundation."

"Before dealing with this subject in this magazine, I am writing to ask for a statement from you which might be of service to your confidence among some of the best citizens of this republic. Any reply, however brief, showing that this letter actually reached you, would be a source of satisfaction."

"When you were Governor of New Jersey I wrote you concerning some criticism of your course. In which you were charged with showing favoritism to the Roman Catholic church, and your reply placed the matter in such a light that I did not deem it necessary to make any reference to the subject. My desire is to deal fairly with public men, and hence this letter."

"Thanking you for any attention which you may give to my request, I am, yours very truly,

"W. W. Prescott."

The President's reply under date of January 15, 1914, follows:

"My Dear Sir: Allow me to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of January 13 and to thank you for your candor in writing me."

"I beg leave to assure you that the impression that any part of my correspondence is withheld from me in any circumstances by my Secretary on account of religious prejudices on his part is absurdly and utterly false. I venture to say that no President ever had more frank and satisfactory relations with his Secretary than I have with mine. The whole of my correspondence is constantly open to me. Mr. Tumulty is more prompt perhaps to call my attention to matters in which his prejudice is supposed to be engaged than to other matters of relative indifference."

"Of course I need hardly add that I am not speaking from an impression, but from knowledge of just how my correspondence is handled. Sincerely yours,

Woodrow Wilson."

CARDINAL GIBBONS.

As has been his custom for many years, Cardinal Gibbons will go to New Orleans for his annual visit to the family of his brother, John P. Gibbons, about March 1. He will be accompanied by his former Chancellor, the Rev. P. C. Gavan, who was recently appointed as pastor of the Sacred Heart church at Washington, D. C. The Cardinal's visit this year will be attended by a Catholic celebration of unusual elaborateness, the chief feature of which will be a lecture, under the auspices of the Knights of Columbus, to be given by Father Gavan. The lecture will be given on the subject of "The Conclave," held for the election of the next Pope. The proceeds of the lecture will go to the fund of the Catholic University and of the Diocesan Seminary of Louisiana. Cardinal Gibbons and Archbishop Blew will attend. The Choral Society of the Knights will provide a musical programme.

CALLED TO REWARD.

News of the death at Cincinnati of the Rev. Father Philip Rothmann was received here Saturday with expressions of genuine sorrow. Father Rothmann was born in Louisville fifty-seven years ago and received his early education here.

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JUNIOR ORDER

Given Setback in Their Promotion of the Immigration Bill.

President Wilson to Follow Precedent Set by Taft and Cleveland.

Illiteracy Predominant in Kentucky Section, Which Has No Immigrants.

OPINIONS OF CONGRESSMEN

The announcement this week that President Wilson would follow the precedent set by Presidents Cleveland and Taft and veto the immigration bill on account of the clause containing a literacy test came as a body blow to the Junior Order of United American Mechanics and other kindred A. P. A. societies who have been busy deluging Congressmen and Senators with petitions in favor of the passage of the bill, signed by those of the Juniors who were able to write, the bill being known as the Burnett bill, the author being Joseph L. Burnett, Congressman from the Seventh district of Alabama.

The prescribed literacy test is only a blind, the A. P. A. societies realizing that the majority of immigrants coming from Europe are Catholics, in whose stead they would sooner welcome the Irish Islanders or some other savage race, and if they felt that there were enough Juniors in Senate and House of Representatives they would have come out boldly long before this, and instead of the literacy test clause they would have inserted a section barring Catholics, and Catholics alone, regardless of their educational qualifications.

For instance, take the State of Kentucky for example. The Junior Order of United American Mechanics are very strong in the mountain section of Kentucky, holding their last State convention in Jackson, which is a noted feud district, and which contains practically no immigrants whatever, nor the State at large for that matter, yet in a report made to the Legislature last week by State educational authorities it was stated that the State ranked very low in education and had more than its quota of the illiterates in the country. Now on the other hand New York State obtains more immigrants than any other State in the Union and is directly opposed to the bill, the following speech being made by Representative Jacob Canter, Democratic Congressman from New York City and former Chairman of the Committee on Congestion of Population under Mayor Gaynor, where he was given an opportunity to judge of the effects of immigration:

"The majority of our immigrants do not come for the purpose of lowering the standard of living," said Mr. Canter, "and I deny the statements made by the gentleman from Alabama. The standards of civilization are as high in New York as they are anywhere in the country. There has been no demand from New York for this bill. Every newspaper in New York is against it. If the purpose of this bill were to alleviate conditions growing out of excessive immigration it would seem that large numbers of New York men would be in favor of it. I have received only one petition in favor of it."

Representative James R. Mann, Republican Congressman from Chicago and the House Republican leader, also opposed the bill and said:

"I can not bring my conscience to the point where I believe I can judge the desirability of a foreigner coming to our shores by his ability to read. It is not believed in this land of ours, which is held up as the hope of the oppressed everywhere, we can afford to say to the alien that no matter how industrious he may be, he can not be one of us unless he has reached the condition where he is able to do the things which we can not expect he has had a reasonable opportunity to learn to do in a foreign land."

The above expressions pretty near voice the opinion of all fair-minded men, and the determined stand of President Wilson will cause a weeping and wailing among the Junior Order boys when they realize that their smooth little plan to slap at the Catholics has gone astray, leaving them to go back to their steady occupation of promoting expatriated pictures and the circulation of the Menace, which has just been exposed as a confessed bluffer and falsifier at Philadelphia, as told in our columns today.

GENERAL MEETING.

The California Club, composed of members of the Y. M. I. and others interested in the Panama-Pacific Exposition to be held in San Francisco in 1915, will hold a general meeting tomorrow afternoon at Mackin Council club house on Twenty-sixth street. By joining this club its members will be able to save up money enough to make the trip by any method. Dan J. Hennessy, of Trinity Council, is the live wire in this undertaking, which will include a special train and stops at all points of interest throughout the Great West.

CLERICAL CHANGES.

Rev. James A. Cusack, of Ashland, has been appointed to Georgetown, in the Covington diocese, as pastor of St. John's church, to succeed Rev. William Wheaty, who returns to his own diocese of North Carolina. The people of St. John's will rejoice to have Father Cusack deliver a practical talk on the uses and benefits of electricity.