

# Klan Enrolls Public Officials; Boasts Grand Jury Control

The Star Publishes Letter to "Imperial Wizard" Showing Georgia Solicitor General, Chief Prosecuting Officer of State, to Be Klux Supporter—Other Document Reveals Efforts to Take in Gov. Taylor of Tennessee.

## SNEER AT JUDGES WHO SUBMIT LAWLESS ACTS OF KLAN TO KLUX-RULED GRAND JURIES

Among the many menacing potencies of the Ku Klux Klan and the reviving spirit of Ku Kluxism is one policy which, though constantly figuring in the plans of its propagators, is rarely if ever mentioned in so many words.

This is their attempt to fortify their position as an "Imperial in Imperio" set up invisibly inside the regularly constituted government of the United States, and to secure their activities from the law's interference by inducing

## "EMPEROR" BOASTS CONGRESSMEN ARE LOYAL MEMBERS TO HIS KLAN

Emperor Simmons has on many occasions asserted the membership of strategically placed men. To cite one instance, in a letter dated January 1, 1920, written to an Alabama who had been publicly opposing the spread of the Ku Klux, Inc., in his state, the Imperial Wizard said:

"Among the Klan's most appreciated and loyal members now are members of congress, state officials of various states, court officials, ministers of the gospel, leading professional men and legions of others.

"There not only has been no clash with the authorities, but there has not even been a hint of such. On the other hand, the law will all its phases of just administration has not a more effective, faithful and fearless arm on which to lean than our great order. This fact is well known to court officials wherever occasions have warranted the test to be made. As evidence of this I enclose a certified copy of a letter written by the solicitor general of the Atlanta judicial circuit (to the head of our order), a court official who has intimate knowledge of the patriotic, practical, noble and effective workings of our order since its reincarnation."

"Noble Work," Wrote Boykin

Space limitations prevent printing in full the "certified copy" of a letter to which the Ku Klux Emperor thus refers. Another copy is in the possession of The Star. It bears in the upper left hand corner of the sheet the printed address:

"John A. Boykin, Solicitor General, Atlanta Judicial Circuit, Rooms 316-318, Court House, Atlanta, Ga."

On this sheet is a letter written October 10, 1919, to "Dear Col. Simmons," and saying in part:

"The work you are doing is a noble one. Though it is seldom my privilege to attend the Klan meetings because of the most pressing and grueling duties when crime is rampant and there is unrest throughout the world, I want you and my brother Klansmen to know what I am with you in spirit."

The letter is signed by John A. Boykin, and below is the certification signed by "W. J. Simmons" that this is a verbatim copy of the original letter in his possession.

Though Solicitor General Boykin has never admitted he is a Klansman, the phraseology used in this letter is sufficient basis for conclusive inference. In Atlanta his membership is taken for granted, and certain facts surrounding his election to his post as chief prosecuting representative of the law in the capital of Georgia are taken by insiders there as evidence of a successful scheme to put the office completely into Ku Klux Klan hands.

Most significant recognition of a purpose to permeate the machinery of the courts and the law was printed in the *Searchlight*, semi-official newspaper organ of the Klan, on July 23, 1921, in an editorial, as follows:

"It is sometimes amusing to note the ridiculous situations into which ignorance oftentimes leads men even of more than average intelligence. For instance, it doubtless is amusing to members of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan to hear a judge instruct a grand jury to probe that organization because of its 'lawlessness and in-Americanism,' when they know that anywhere from a third to one-half of the grand jury are members of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, and that the good judge is all unconsciously making an ass of himself by attempting to express an opinion on a subject that he knows nothing about."

This editorial is headed: "Ignorance and Its Consequences."

Another source of information regarding this phase of the Ku Klux movement is found in the *News Letter*, an official confidential publication sent out from the propagation office of Imperial Wizard Clarke to all his sales force and to his presiding officers of all chartered or provisional Klans.

The *News Letter* of June 18 describes a typical small town Ku Klux gathering:

"At 8:00 o'clock 100 Klansmen marched down the main street to the park. They carried banners bearing the inscriptions:

"The Invisible Empire—Here Yesterday, Here Today, Here Forever—Rockmart Must Be Clean for Our Mothers, for Our Wives, for Our Daughters—The Guilty Must Pay."

"White Supremacy—and on the reverse side—Gamblers, Grafters and Thieves Must Go."

There were about 1200 gathered around the speakers' stand and the citizens say it was about the biggest gathering ever held in Rockmart. On the platform with the speakers were Hon. J. A. Fambro, mayor of Rockmart, members of the city council and two members of the Klan.

Many more instances might be cited of this constant and frequently successful attempt to interweave the "Invisible Empire" with the visible

## HOW KU KLUX SALESMEN UTILIZE FILMS TO RECRUIT MEMBERSHIP

Ku Klux efforts to utilize the screen to gather in members, who become profitable, starting with an initial \$10 "donation," are revealed in the following letter, written by the "King Kleagle" of Tennessee to a subordinate organizer:

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., May 24, 1921.

Have just had a wire that the Fox Film company is sending their state representative here to see me this week and arrange for the showing of the picture, "The Face at Your Window," in this state.

This is a wonderful picture and while the Klan has nothing to do with it we realize its wonderful value to us from the fact that it portrays very vividly the conditions of today, and the Klan, mounted, is brought in at the climax and believe me it is some climax.

Please let me know immediately where you wish this picture shown in your territory and if there are any particular dates, such as the Shrine meeting at Kingsport, on which you want it in any of your towns.

The system is to have each of your Klansmen take with them at least one man to see the show and then at the finish produce an application and say: "Sign here." If they won't come in then they are not the kind of people we want, anyway.

Please let me hear from you at once about this.

Yours truly,

J. M. M'ARTHUR,  
King Kleagle, Tennessee.

some of the sales tricks which The Star has discovered are used by the commission basis solicitors to get in touch with persons ready to be approached from \$10.

## GRAND GOBLIN

## NOW GOBBLES FOR \$20.00

"It will be necessary for you to provide for regalia, etc., before going further, which will approximate a cost of \$10. WHICH BE SURE TO BRING WITH YOU."

In these few words is the explanation of how the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., lost the membership of Herold V. Robinson, No. 39 Loudoun street, Yonkers, N. Y.

They are the concluding paragraphs of a notice from Lloyd P. Hooper, Grand Goblin of the Invisible Empire, in which Mr. Robinson was given information how to get to the meeting to be initiated.

Having made the "donation" of \$10 which entitled him to be received "through the portals of a Klan to be instituted at New York" as a full-blown Kluxster, Mr. Robinson was very much angered at the letter.

The King Kleagle who got me to join the thing told me a lot about it," said he. "He assured me the \$10 "donation" would cover everything.

It was particular to ask about that, as the term "donation" seemed sort of queer to me. After having been assured \$10 would be all the money required, I felt, on receipt of the Grand Goblin's letter, that I was being adroitly led into a game where the demands for money would follow each other just as fast as my credulity seemed able to absorb the stories accounting for their necessity. So I decided to stay out, and let the Klan keep the original \$10, which I thought was cheap enough for the privilege of getting my eyes opened to them."

The letter from the Grand Goblin

was written in a sequence of mystery

which seemed well calculated to arouse the curiosity of a dyed-in-the-wool "come-on." Referring in veiled allusion to the initiation, the note in full said:

"Notice is hereby given of a meeting arranged for Friday evening, June 10, for the purpose of further enlightenment in the matter which vitally interests you, and for which you made application."

"Please call at apartment 1, No. 320 Central Park West, corner 92nd street, before 5 o'clock Friday to get full particulars. No one will be at that address to give you information after 5 p.m., as all parties concerned will have left for the place where the main event is to take place. As you live some distance away, it occurs to the writer that you might call Friday at the above address for the necessary information, prepared to stay in the city for the evening. The affair will probably last until midnight. If you cannot call Friday afternoon, get in touch with me any day or evening before Friday."

"It will be necessary for you to provide for regalia, etc., before going any further, which will approximate a cost of \$10, which be sure to bring with you. Very sincerely yours,

"LLOYD P. HOOPER,  
"G. G. O. I. E."

## \$25.00 REWARD

Our attention has been

called to the fact that some

one is peddling fish out of

wagons and baskets claim-

ing to represent us.

We wish to state that we

have no solicitors repre-

senting us, and that such

persons are frauds. We will

pay the above reward for

the arrest and evidence to

convict.

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and we'll get the suit

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Superior service and

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at the same price you

pay for slow, inferior

methods.

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Dr. King's Pills

Bowls Begging for Help? Dr.

King's Pills will bring you the

happiness of regular, normal bowel

and liver functioning. Mild but al-

ways reliable. At all druggists, 25c.

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Dr. King's Pills

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Consolidated ..... 665

STANDING OF THE TEAMS:

One point for each game won; two points for high total of pins.

W. L. Pct.

Arizona Nationals ..... 15 4 300

Star-Armours ..... 12 3 800

Realtors ..... 10 5 667

Citizen ..... 11 9 550

Kiwans ..... 11 9 550

Consolidated ..... 12 8 600

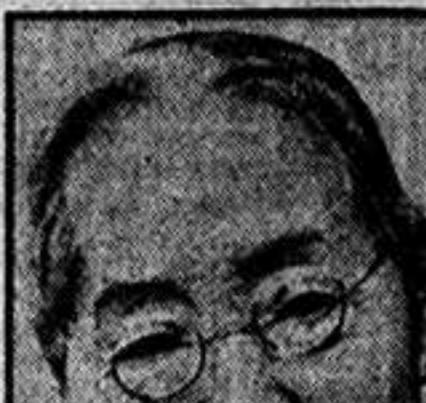
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## JAP PETITION



## House Proposal Would Stop All Ship Building

Washington, Nov. 15.—A resolution directing the secretary of the navy to stop all work and expenditures on nine battleships and six battle cruisers now in various stages of construction, was introduced today by Representative Britton of Illinois, ranking Republican on the house naval committee.

Battleships named in the resolution were the Colorado, Washington, West Virginia, South Dakota, Indiana, Montana, North Carolina, Iowa and Massachusetts. Battle cruisers specified are the Lexington, Constitution and United States.

## EAST MIMICS WEST



## Heavy Earthquake Shock Registered Upon Instrument

Washington, Nov. 15.—A pronounced earthquake shock was registered today on the seismograph at Georgetown university today, the estimated distance of the disturbance being 1900 miles from Washington and probably to the south. The tremors began at 3:51 p.m., attained their maximum intensity at 4:01 and ended at 5:05 o'clock.

Tikka Sahib, son and heir of the Maharajah of Patiala, has learned to play tennis and he travels to the courts on his scooter.

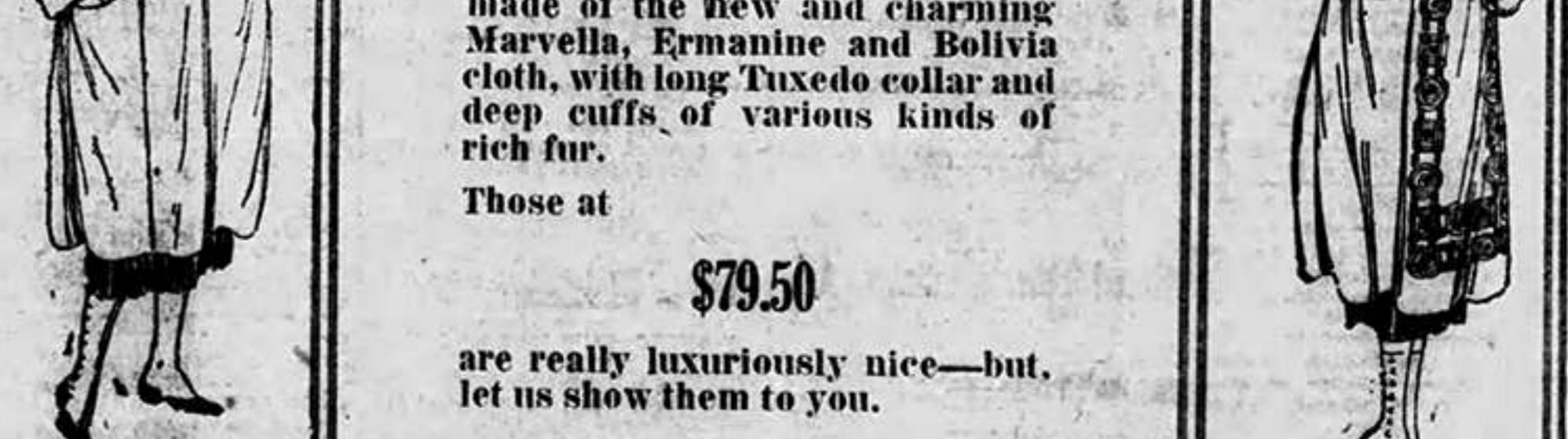
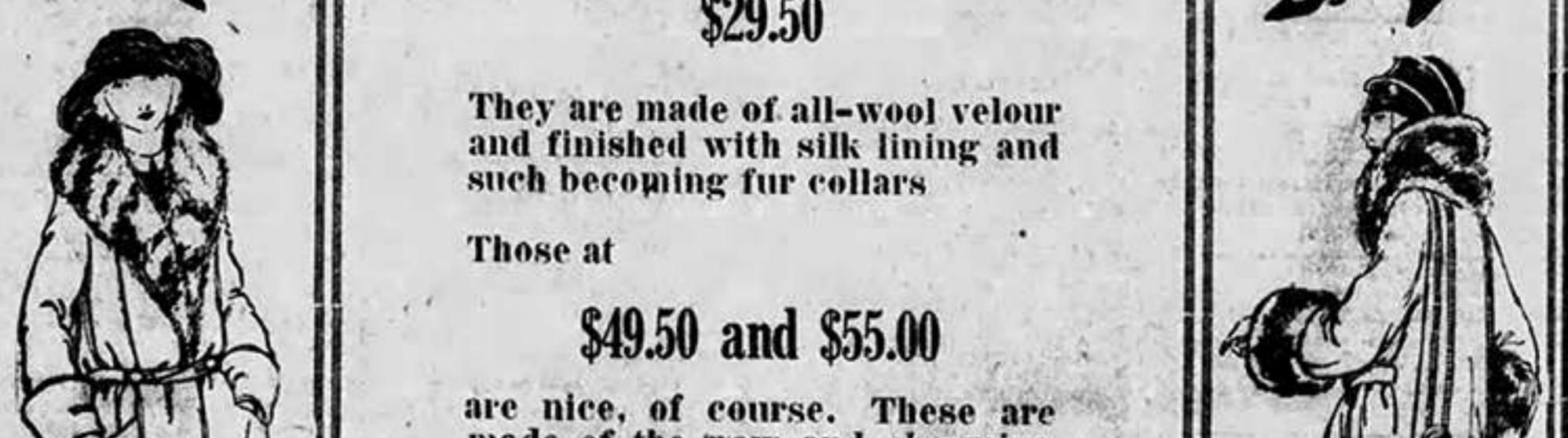
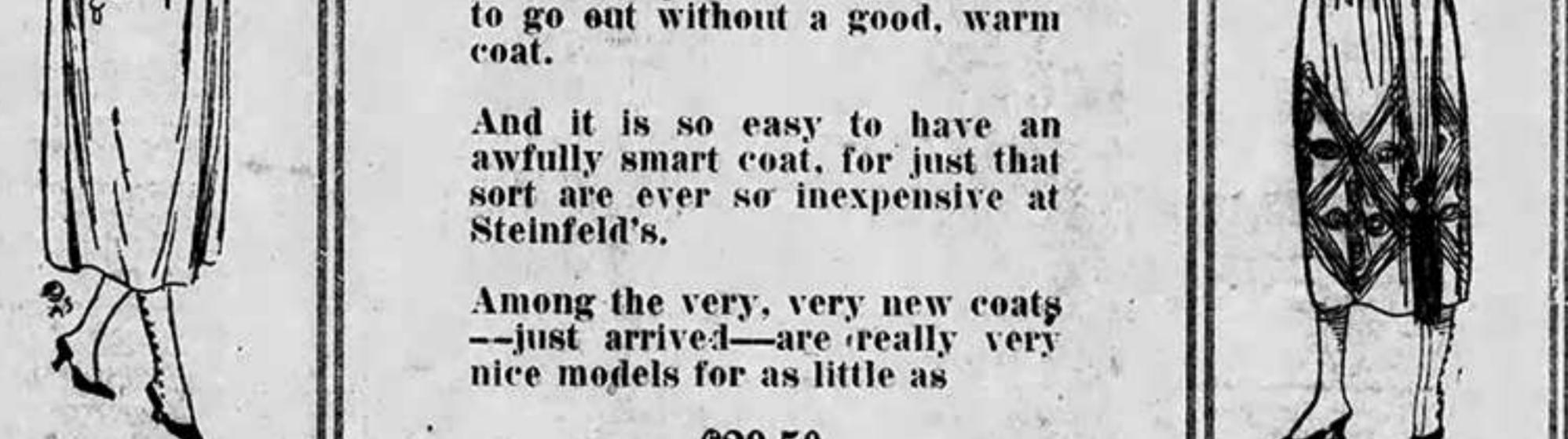
Briar roots for the manufacture of pipes, weighing 6000 tons, are exported annually from Corsica.

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\$79.50

are really luxuriously nice—but, let us show them to you.