

Ku Klux Klan As Virulent As The Old A.P.A.

New Organization More Secretive and Seeks to Veil Sources of Its Material With Anonymity — The Searchlight Says 62 Per Cent of All Public Officials in U.S. Are of Roman Faith, Also 75 Per Cent of Teachers in Large Cities

65 PER CENT OF CONVICTS BELONG TO SAME CHURCH, ITS "STATISTICS" PROCEED TO SAY

The Star Reveals How Cards Teeming With Libels to Arouse Prejudice and Hate Are Distributed to Kleagles and Goblins Peddling Memberships by Gate City Manufacturing Company, Which Also Produces Regalia of Masked Order.

ARTICLE X.

The Ku Klux Klan, its "Emperor" announces, "wages war on no individual or organization regardless of race, color or creed; it takes no part in any political or religious controversy, and exercises the right of every man to think, vote and worship God as he pleases."

It is hard to reconcile this profession of tolerance with the propaganda of hatred employed by his sales crews, and so well exemplified in the case of the bogus Fourth Degree Oath of the Knights of Columbus, to which yesterday's article of this exposure was devoted.

Further irreconcilable contrasts between the "imperial" declaration and the arguments used by the less exalted propagators or adherents of the order, are abundant. In fomenting for its own purposes friction between Catholics and Protestants in the United States, Ku Kluxism, Inc., is as virulent as the old A. P. A. ever was, and not perceptibly more scrupulous.

The main point of difference lies in the more secretive methods adopted by Ku Klux. The A. P. A. at least came out in the open and identified itself with the calumnies it spread, whereas Ku Kluxism carefully buries the wires that connect it with a whole series of anonymous attacks on Catholicism and its practitioners.

Klan Makes Virulent Attacks on Catholics and Their Church

That was the case as shown yesterday, in the circulation of the bogus "oath." It is the case too with the little "Do You Know?" card of which a specimen is photographically reproduced today.

Do you know, this unfathered wail asks, that the Pope is a political autocrat with 115 Princes of his Government installed in our cities, where he has courts enforcing the canon law; that he controls the daily and magazine press; that he denounces popular government as inherently vicious and condemns public schools and forbids children to attend them? That Popery enthroned in great cities controls politics; that our war industries were placed exclusively in Roman Catholic hands; that, etc.

The Pope controls the daily and magazine press of America, asserts the "Do You Know?" card, to which broad statement one exception at least must immediately be taken in the interests of accuracy and fairness. A glance at the weekly newspaper, the Searchlight, published in Atlanta, makes it obvious that one journal has escaped Papal domination.

The Searchlight teems with attacks on Catholics and their church, of which samples must now be given to show the standards of fair play and accuracy set up by its editors.

On the second page of this issue of the Searchlight for Feb. 26, 1921, is printed a three-quarter column article under the heading:

"Facts Gathered by the Knights of Luther from the Washington Bureau of Statistics.

"Friends, Patriots, Protestants and Americans, are not the following facts sufficient to arouse to action every one who truly loves his country? If we are the kind of Americans we should be we should not and will not allow such facts to be continued or repeated without a fearless, desperate, red-hot contest until the day we are put beneath the sod. Will you kindly consider the following national statistics?"

A catalogue of fifteen "facts" is then presented, as follows:

"The National Democratic Committee is by majority a Roman Catholic body. It usually has a Roman Catholic President and Secretary.

"Catholics influenced the national campaign which elected Wilson.

"The President's private secretary is a Roman Catholic.

"Over 70 per cent. of all appointments made by President Wilson are Catholics. Their influence is so powerful it compels the homage of those in authority.

"Five States now have Catholic Administrations.

"Thirty-one States have Roman Catholic Democratic Central Committees.

"Twenty thousand public schools have one-half Catholic teachers.

"Over 100,000 public schools are largely taught by Catholic teachers.

"Three thousand public schools contribute a part or all of the school tax to Catholic Churches and schools.

"Six hundred public schools use Catholic readers and teach from them the Roman Catholic catechism.

"Sixty-two per cent of all offices of the United States, both elective and appointive, are now held by Roman Catholics.

"New York, Chicago, Baltimore, Philadelphia, Buffalo, Cleveland, Toledo, St. Louis, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Boston now have 75 per cent. Catholic teachers in their public schools.

"In all the cities and towns of the United States of 10,000 or more inhabitants an average of over 90 per cent. of the police force are Roman Catholics.

"Roman Catholics are in the majority of the City Council of 10,000 cities and towns of the United States."

No "Fact" Verified

"Having marshalled this array of 'statistics' not one single group of which could be verified from any of the population classifications prepared in the United States Bureau of the Census, which are the sole comprehensive and authoritative source for such figures, the article switches off abruptly to run down a line of 'facts.'"

"We will now," it says, "look at the results of Catholic teaching on vice and virtues. The history of assassins of heads of Governments in the past is a history of murderous Roman Catholics. In 90 per cent. of

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TUMULTY CROWDED SERVICE WITH PAPISTS.

NUNS IN INDIANA PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

ROME AGAINST PUBLIC SCHOOLS

William H. Anderson, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of New York, recently displayed at Buffalo a whiskey bottle with a cross and the words "Holy Water" blown in the glass. So are Roman Catholic bootleggers debauching that state.

The Protestant

Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.—John 8:32.

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No. 2

The Church of Rome Is an Empire Irish Organize to Elect Next Congress

Papal Guilt of the World War—II

PRESIDENTIAL PRAISE OF K. C.

A good patriotic friend in Pennsylvania calls attention to this news item which appeared in the Philadelphia North American May 10:

NEW YORK, May 9.—President Harding, in a letter received at Knights of Columbus headquarters here, voiced approval of the organization's plan to issue a monthly publication with anti-war slogan, beginning next August. "It is a pleasure," the president wrote, "to give an expression of my sentiments regarding the Knights of Columbus. The extended and highly efficient work of the organization in behalf of our most vital national interests during the war, and since, has surely earned it such a testimony."

In dismay which seems in a measure justified, the Pennsylvania friend inquires anxiously whether or not President Harding actually wrote the Knights of Columbus the letter from which the alleged quotation is made. The Protestant is unable to say.

The President is a Baptist and high Mason. He knows the wrongs of political popery of the kind which the Knights of Columbus typify and exploit.

The public is entitled to know why the Republican majority in the House of Representatives in Congress has for more than two years retained Patrick J. Haltigan, a Democrat and Roman Catholic and Knight of Columbus and Hibernian, in the very responsible and remunerative position of reading clerk. It is not because he is a Democrat, but in spite of that fact and because he has the support of the hierarchy of Rome. No other valid reason has been or can be given.

PAPAL-IRISH FALSEHOOD EXPOSED

MARTIN H. Glynn, the Irish Roman Catholic whom Tammany Hall made Governor of New York a few years ago by impeaching the Governor elected by the people, has been flatly

ROMAN GRIP ON THE CAPITAL

THE very heights about the national capital whose strategical location caused the federal Government to fortify them during the Civil War are now covered with massive institutions of Rome.

TAFT HEADS SUPREME COURT

ROMAN and Wall Street rejoice at the appointment of Mr. President William Howard Taft to the office of Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court. Well may they rejoice. No

Headlines and other excerpts from recent numbers of the Protestant, which a King Kleagle found to possess "most valuable dope" for projecting K. K. K. anti-Catholicism in "concrete form."

the cases where criminals are executed for crimes committed, the victims of the execution have a priest at their elbow to administer the last sacrament.

"The man who shot Roosevelt was a Roman Catholic.

"The man who shot President McKinley was a Roman Catholic.

"The man who shot President Garfield was a Roman Catholic.

"The man who shot President Lincoln emanated from Roman Catholic influence in the house of a Roman Catholic.

"Abraham Lincoln said, 'I do not pretend to be a prophet but, though not a prophet, I see a very dark cloud on our horizon, and that cloud is coming from Rome. It is filled with tears and blood. The true motive power is secreted behind the walls of the Vatican, the colleges and schools, of the Jesuits, the convents of the nuns, and the confessional boxes of Rome,' and such opinions cost the Nation his life.

"The assassins of Mayor Harrison of Chicago and Mayor Gaynor of New York were Roman Catholics.

Bandits and Dynamiters.

"The Chicago car-barn bandits, the McNamara brothers and those connected with them, who destroyed the Times-News publication building at Los Angeles, the bridge dynamiters of the United States and the bomb-throwers, so far as their identity is known, are Roman Catholics.

"Over 65 per cent. of prison convicts of all grades and of all kinds of prisoners are Roman Catholics, while less than 5 per cent. are graduates of our public schools.

"These statements are astounding when we remember that only about 12 1-2 per cent. of the entire population of the United States are Ro-

man Catholics, while the other 87 1-2 per cent. are not."

The article closes with this credit line:

"From Washington Bureau of Statistics."

Issue after issue of The Searchlight reveals similar stuff in limitless quantities.

Klu Klux, Inc., has never admitted that The Searchlight is the official organ of its movement, but in Atlanta, where all the facts in connection with the establishment of the paper last winter, its circulation and the personnel of its staff are known, no doubt of the fact exists. And at any rate there is no possible question that the sheet is used by the Ku Klux salesmen as an effective part of their propaganda.

Naturally, such propaganda cannot long be actively circulated and emphasized without bearing fruit, and in its proper place the Star will report

numerous overt anti-Catholic activities which have accompanied the spread of Ku Kluxism. But before going into that phase of the situation, it is necessary to put in further evidence that Catholicism does not stand alone as the target of "100 per cent. PURE American" prejudice and intolerance.

Just as it attacks without discrimination all American adherents of the Roman Church, Ku Kluxism in its incorporated form finds it profitable to teach hatred of Jews, negroes and all

other men with "colored" skins, and all persons who live in the United States but were not born here.

Tomorrow the evidence of this attitude will be presented in the next article of this series.

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