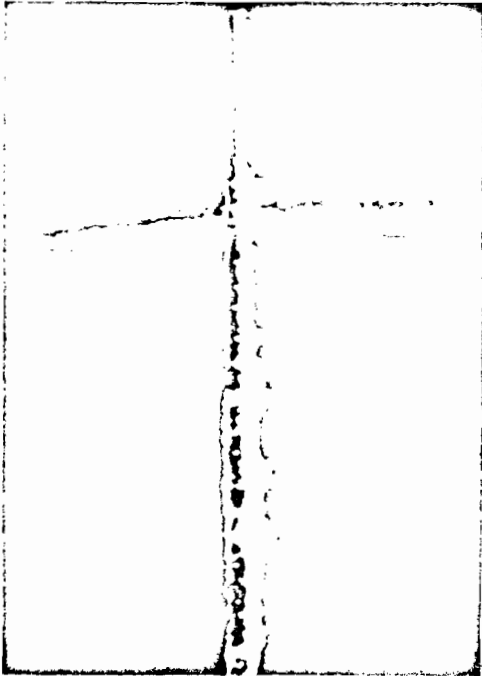




"God give us men! The Invisible Empire demands strong

Minds, great hearts, true faith and ready hands.
Men whom the lust of office does not kill;
Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy;
Men who possess opinions and a will;
Men who have HONOR; men who will NOT Lie;
Men who can stand before a demagogue
And damn his treacherous flatteries without
winking!

Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog
In public duty and in private thinking:
For while the rabble, with their thumb-worn
creeds,

Their LARGE professions and their LITTLE
deeds.

Mingle in selfish strife, Lo! freedom weeps
Wrong rules the land, and waiting justice sleeps.
God give us men!

Men who serve not for selfish booty.
But real men, courageous, who flinch not at
duty,

Men of dependable character; men of sterling
worth;

Then wrongs will be redressed, and right will
rule the earth;

God give us men!"



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After the cannon fell silent and peace descended upon the battlefields of the great Civil War, there came a dark and infamous chapter of American History called, "The Reconstruction". From this era, this abyss of utter human misery and despair, there arose like the morning sun the KU KLUX KLAN. This Order provided for the people of the South the leadership and rallying point to begin their long and arduous struggle to regain their lost dignity. The noble and glorious ride of the Ku Klux Klan of the Reconstruction era is immortalized by its achievements. No errors of omission or commission by prejudiced historians can dim the lustre of its deeds, or rob it of its rightful place in history as the saviour of the South, and, thereby, the saviour of the nation; for had there been no ride of the Ku Klux Klan there would not today be fifty stars in the flag that graces the dome of our Nations Capitol.

To keep alive the memory of the original Klan and the principles, traditions and institutions which they risked their lives to preserve for themselves and for posterity, the men of today, who appreciate their patriotic and chivalric work, have established a living, lasting memorial to them by the organization of the United Klans of America, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The United Klans of America, KKKK, is a national fraternal order composed of real American manhood of the nation who uncompromisingly believe in perpetual preservation of the fundamental principles, ideals and institutions of the pure Anglo-Saxon civilization and all the fruits thereof.

WHAT THE KLAN STANDS FOR

A. AMERICA FIRST: First in thought. First in affections, and first in the galaxy of Nations.

B. BENEVOLENCE: In thought, word and deed based upon Justice and practically applied to all. To right the wrong, to succor the weak and unfortunate, to help the worth, and to relieve the distressed.

C. KLANISHNESS: Real fraternity practically applied—Standing by and sticking to each other in all things honorable, encouraging, protecting, cultivating, and exemplifying the real "fraternal human relationship," to shield and enhance each others' happiness and welfare. A devoted unfailing loyalty to the principles, mission and purposes of the Order in promoting the highest and best interest of the community, state and nation.

WHAT THE KLAN IS

The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is a fraternal order promulgating fraternal conduct, and not merely a "social association." It is a duly incorporated, legally recognized institution, honest in purpose, noble in sentiment, and practical in results that should command the hearty respect of all real Americans throughout the nation. It is an association of Real Men who believe in being something, in doing something worthwhile, and who are in all things 100% pure American. Yet, it is vastly more than merely a social fraternal order.

PREREQUISITES TO CITIZENSHIP IN THE INVISIBLE EMPIRE

This order is founded upon dependable character. It is not an ultra-exclusive institution, but its membership is composed of "picked" men.

No man is allowed in this Order who hasn't manhood enough to assume a real Oath with serious purpose to keep the same inviolate.

No man is allowed in the Order who will not or cannot swear an unqualified allegiance to the Government of the United States of America, its flag and its Constitution.

No man is allowed in this Order who does not esteem the Government of the United States of America above any other government, civil, political or ecclesiastical in the whole world.

No man is allowed in this Order who cannot practice real fraternity towards each and every one of his oath-bound brothers.

Only native-born, white, gentile, protestant, American citizens of at least eighteen years of age, who believe in the tenets of the Christian religion, and owe no allegiance of any degree or nature to any foreign government, nation, political institution, sect, people or person, are eligible.

Because certain individuals at various times have committed acts of violence under cover of darkness and shielded by masks and robes somewhat resembling the official regalia of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, they have been classed as members of this organization. The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is a strictly law-abiding organization and every member is sworn to uphold the law at all times and to assist officers of the law in preserving peace and order whenever the occasion may arise, and any member violating this oath would be banished forever from the organization.

If there be any white American citizen who owes allegiance to another flag save our American Flag, who cannot subscribe to and support these principles, let him forever hold his peace; for he is basely unworthy of the great flag and its government that guarantees to him life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. A person who actively opposes these great principles is a dangerous ingredient in the body politic of our country and an enemy to the weal of our national commonwealth.

The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of today rides on, not upon the backs of the faithful steeds of yesteryear, but in the mind, heart and soul of every true American citizen who loves our great country and who glories in the name America; and who is honest enough as a grateful son to perpetually memorialize the heroism of our fathers and transmit the boon of our priceless heritage untarnished, uncorrupted and unstained to the generations who follow us that the lustre of our age may increase in splendor.

The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, regardless of statements made to the contrary, either through ignorance or with deliberate intent to misrepresent it, has not made, is not now making and does not intend to make any fight on the Roman Catholic Church as a religious institution, but it will unalterably and unequivocally oppose any move of the Catholic Church or of any other church, individual or organization, which attempts to bring about a combination of church and state in these United States.

The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan concedes to every man the right to worship God as he sees fit and in his own way, or to worship Him not at all, and while it adheres strictly to the tenets of the Christian religion, it seeks no quarrel with any individual or organization because of religious differences.

The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is not the enemy of the negro. It opposes and will continue to oppose, the efforts of certain negro organizations and periodicals which are sowing the seeds of discontent and racial hatred among the negroes of this country by preaching and teaching social equality and mongrelization of the races. We believe, it is possible for the races to live together in peace and unity only upon condition that each race recognize the rights and privileges of the other. Yet, we hold it is obligatory upon the negro race, and upon all other colored races in America to recognize that they are living in the land of the white race by courtesy of the white race; and the white race cannot be expected to surrender to any other race, either in whole or in part, the control of its vital and fundamental governmental affairs.

There are rights which the negro race and all other colored races have as citizens of this country which the white race—the ruling race

—is bound to respect, but they must not, individually or collectively, lose sight of the fact that the white race is the ruling race by right of inheritance; and that it does not intend to surrender this right or to compromise it with any other race—black, yellow or brown.

Let the negro race and all other races living within our borders advance and develop and prosper all that they may, but let it be done through their own institutions and within their own race without encroachment upon the rights of other races. Let them understand that in the long run the white man always has proved himself the truest friend and the safest counsellor of all other races in whatever land or clime the races have come in contact, and let them not be misled by false prophets who for personal gain appeal to their passions and prejudices by wild promises that they know can never be fulfilled.

No Jew can obtain citizenship in the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. At every Klavern meeting Jesus Christ is lauded and his teachings expounded. The constitution and regulations of the Order set forth that the living Christ is the Klansman's criterion of character. Therefore, it would be unjust to allow the Jew to enter into the fellowship with the Klavern by appealing to his patriotism, and then have him cease to attend because every meeting would be out of harmony with his religious convictions.

THE KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN AND COMMUNISM

Be it known, that the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan was YESTERDAY, is TODAY and will FOREVER be opposed to Communism in any form and to its fellow-traveler organizations. The Knights of the Ku Klux Klan will fight to our last breath, using every means at our disposal to rid our country of this insidious plague of mankind.

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We do not choose to be common men. It is our right to be uncommon, if we can. We seek opportunity—not security. We do not wish to be a kept citizen, humbled, dulled, by having the state look after us. We want to take the calculated risk; to dream and to build; to fail or succeed. We refuse to barter incentive for a dole. We prefer the challenge of life to the guaranteed existence; the thrill of fulfillment to the state calm of utopia.

We will not trade freedom for beneficence, nor our dignity for a handout. We will never cower before any master or bend to any threat. It is our heritage to stand erect, proud, and unafraid; to

think and act for ourself; enjoy the benefits of our creation, and to face the world boldly and say: . . . This I have done!

I want you to join with us in an eloquent tribute to the chivalry and patriotism of the past, and the holy heroism of our fathers in preserving for us the sacred heritage of a superior race, political supremacy, racial integrity, social peace and security, and to humanity the boon of cultured civilization.

