

SHALL FREE GOVERNMENT BE PERPETUATED?

There is but one answer for the liberty-loving American Citizen—yes!

ARE THE INSTITUTIONS OF GOVERNMENT OF
OUR STATE AND NATION MENACED TODAY?

Again the answer is yes!

BY WHAT METHOD CAN OUR DEMOCRATIC-
REPUBLICAN FORM OF GOVERNMENT
BE PERPETUATED PEACEFULLY?

At the ballot box! By arousing the patriotism of our citizenry and awakening it to the fact that it is the duty of every individual citizen to do his or her part toward shielding and protecting this, the greatest and best government that was ever the heritage of any generation.

Realizing these things to be true, a few red-blooded citizens of Lubbock county called themselves together and resolved to spare no effort or shirk no duty, willing to make most any sacrifice, that this government, conceived in Liberty and propagated in the blood of Valley Forge, Gettysburg, The Alamo, and of Flanders Fields, might live. The forces of this little band of citizens have been augmented from the rank and file of democracy throughout Lubbock county, until today there are many hundreds who have manifested their desire to work for the cause of free government. This organization deemed it appropriate to designate itself-----

THE CONSTITUTIONAL CLUB OF LUBBOCK COUNTY

WHO ARE THE CITIZENS THAT CONSTITUTE THE CON-
STITUTIONAL CLUB?

The membership of this organization includes men representing every peaceful pursuit in Lubbock County. Professional men, business men, bankers laborers, farmers, stockmen, etc. Notwithstanding the fact that the Constitutional Democratic Club prescribes no religious test the majority of our membership are Protestant Christian gentlemen who are not "ashamed of the Gospel of Jesus Christ," who go their way upon the highways and byways of our community, publicly and with faces unmasked demanding that the laws of our community be respected and enforced, yet proclaiming for every man his constitutional rights of a trial by jury of his peers.

WHAT ARE THE PRINCIPLES UPON WHICH THE CON-
STITUTIONAL DEMOCRATIC CLUB IS FOUNDED?

Reaffirmation of faith in the Constitution of the United States and of the Bill of Rights, and of the Constitution and Bill of Rights of Texas, and the agencies of the government functioning thereunder. The following pledge is taken by members:

We the undersigned, do solemnly swear that we have not joined the Ku Klux Klan or any kindred organization in this State or any other State of the United States; or those of us who have at any time belonged to said order, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan or any kindred organization do hereby solemnly swear that we have quit said organization, and we do hereby renounce said organization, and do solemnly swear that we will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of The State of Texas to the best of our ability, so help us God.

And believing the Ku Klux Klan to be an enemy of this form of government, that it is inimical to true liberty and freedom as guaranteed by our forefathers in the Constitution of the United States of America and of this State of Texas, we hereby pledge ourselves to help sustain the Constitutional Club of Lubbock County to the best of our ability, and help sustain the government and laws of our land from the encroachment upon same of the order which has been above named. We pledge our influence and votes to sustain the Constitutional guarantees of religious freedom and all other rights of free men and American citizens incorporated in the Bill of Rights of our State Constitution to which reference may be made for further details.

WHAT IS THE GREAT MENACE NOW THREATENING
OUR GOVERNMENT?

One of the greatest menaces perhaps any government was ever confronted with is apathy on the part of a large portion of its citizenship. Citizens who have forgotten that the responsibility of perpetuating their governments rests equally upon everyone. While thus asleep at the switch, there has crept in our midst a silent, secret, insidious influence that is today undermining the very foundation of our government. This menace is known as the Invisible Empire, Knights of the KU KLUX KLAN! "A wolf in sheeps clothes" is a fitting comparison. Covered with a cloak of righteous promises, it has planted itself in the midst of our citizenship, who little knew of the dangerous monster hidden thereunder! But we have torn the disguise from it, and now

it stands naked before the world. Let us view it carefully and see just what it is:

A few years ago, two or three men got together and discussed ways and means of accumulating a lot of money. One, a man who had mixed and mingled with the public a great deal and knew the weaknesses of human beings. He had one time been a minister of the Gospel. He knew that it was easy to arouse the prejudice of an individual to the extent of separating him from his cash, once he could ascertain just what his greatest prejudice was. Thus they reasoned: "There has never been a subject upon which is founded so much prejudice as religion. Let us arouse the Protestant prejudice against the Catholics, from which source we should get several hundred thousand dollars. Then we will go into the neighborhoods where there is a strong racial feeling and arouse the prejudice against the negro. Then we will work the large towns where there is a strong anti Semitic sentiment. This should net us a vast amount, for the threat of boycott will be a powerful weapon to wield on a bunch of wealthy Jew merchants. Then the community where there is a strong sentiment against the foreign-born-- California for instance where the anti-Japanese sentiment is very strong. Then when we have fleeced this flock we can sell them to the discredited politicians for a neat little sum." Thus reasoned William Joseph Simmons, First Imperial Wizard of The Ku Klux Klan, and the plan worked grandly. Hundreds of thousands of dollars did Mr. Simmons and his cohorts extract by their scheme of prejudice, and then hundreds of thousands more did they reap when they sold out to the political grafters who are now in charge of this insidious organization.

Now that it has been sold and converted to the crooked politicians of the country, after running its course of disruption and destruction through the churches and lodges of the nation, let us behold it in all its viciousness, preying upon the unsuspecting citizenship of our country, eating into our institutions of government. Under cover of darkness neath the silent walls of some obscure building, victims of prejudice are selected for the various offices of our State and nation. Policies are formulated and procedure of our courts decreed, whereby judgment is meted according to the passions of these prejudiced minds, and not according to the law and evidence as the Constitution provides. Thus it is and has been for some little time at Georgetown and other towns in Texas, as well as Mer Rouge Louisiana and in Oklahoma and other states.

IS OUR GOVERNMENT MENACED?

Good citizen, wake up! Most every citizen wants to perpetuate this government, but many have been silenced through fear or misled through false representations, and have not realized the danger. Take an interest in the affairs of the State. Assume your part of the responsibility and VOTE! Which is not only a privilege but a DUTY, and when performing that solemn duty of casting your ballot, ask yourself the question----- IS IT RIGHT FOR ME TO SUPPORT A MAN FOR OFFICE WHO IS THE "TOOL" OF A SECRET POLITICAL MACHINE, WHO OWES HIS ALLEGIANCE TO AN IMPERIAL WIZARD OF ANOTHER STATE, OR SHOULD I VOTE FOR A MAN WHO OWES NO ALLEGIANCE TO ANYONE EXCEPT THE ENTIRE CITIZENSHIP OF WHOM HE WISHES TO SERVE?

Do not misunderstand the purpose of the Constitutional-- Democratic Club of Lubbock County. If you believe in free government, you can cast your ballot so that it will count just as much as if you were a member of this club. We are not a secret organization. Just a good old fashioned Democratic club. We are not fighting individuals, nor trying to create strife and dissension. We are fighting an organization that is about to destroy our government. Whether it is avowed purpose and intention of the Ku Klux Klan to destroy the government does not matter. A drunken man firing a machine gun upon the street might not have any intention to kill, yet the results would be no less deadly or destructive.

Good friends let's determine who are the "political tools," of this hooded band, by demanding that every candidate declare himself openly and courageously, and then let us go to the polls like the good American citizens we are, and forever rid ourselves of these "political rats."

Any that will join with us in our fight for un-Klannish Democracy may get information from Secretary D. E. Kemp of Slaton or Sec. King of Lubbock.

The CONSTITUTIONAL CLUB of Lubbock County, will entertain all the citizens of the County with a GRAND BAR-BECUE for EVERYBODY, JULY 23.

Come out and hear how our Candidates stand on the issues.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

MISS LEA CARROL, Editor

MICHAEL-BROUGHTON WEDDING SOLEMNIZED.

On last Sunday morning at nine o'clock at the First Christian Church of Lubbock, Miss Olive Michael was united in marriage to Mr. Walter H. Broughton, the ring ceremony being pronounced by the pastor, Rev. Walter P. Jennings, in a very impressive manner.

The church was beautifully decorated in tube roses, shasta daisies and ferns, by the ladies of the church.

Before the ceremony, Mrs. J. L. Ratliff, of Lubbock, sang, "Love, Here Is My Heart," with Mrs. Mamie D. Neal, also of Lubbock, as accompanist, who played the processional from Lohengrin.

The ushers, Messrs A. C. Dodson of Slaton and H. C. Ragland, of Lubbock, marched first down the aisle and took their places in the bridal party. Miss Louise Simpson, of Slaton, was maid of honor and wore a peach georgette with a picture hat of blue. Miss Amelia Cowart, of Lubbock, was gowned in an orchid georgette with cream lace, and a picture hat to match and carried a lovely bouquet of tube roses and ferns. Mrs. R. E. Overstreet was matron of honor and was dressed in flesh colored georgette with hat to match.

Little Miss Darline Abbott, of Lubbock, was ring-bearer, and in an adorable frock of pale green georgette she carried the ring in a beautiful single white rose. Little Miss Doris Peavy of Slaton, was flower girl and was attractively dressed in flesh colored georgette and carried a lovely basket of white rose petals.

The bride was dressed in a pale blue georgette, with trimmings of ribbon and white lace, a hat to match and white shoes. She carried a bouquet of roses and ferns, and marched in with her father, Mr. Thos. E. Michael, who gave the bride away. The groom entered with the best man, Mr. J. E. Hartley, of Lubbock.

An informal reception was rendered Mr. and Mrs. Broughton immediately following the ceremony by the members of the Sunday School Class to which they belong. This reception was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Sawyer and over sixty guests were registered in the guest book.

Mrs. Broughton had been a member of the Slaton High School faculty for the past two years in the capacity of Spanish, History, and English teacher, and has a host of friends here who wish for them much happiness and success.

Mr. Broughton is employed at the Bacon-McKee wholesale house of Lubbock, and is a young man of splendid character and worth.

After a bridal tour, Mr. and Mrs. Broughton will be at home at 1207 Avenue W, Lubbock, Texas.

The following Slaton people witnessed this wedding: Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Peavy and little daughter, Doris, A. C. Dodson, Mrs. E. L. Blundell, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Rowley, Misses Lucile Rowley, Virginia Montague, Julia Alice and Eunice Florence, Mildred Anderson, Elizabeth Burton, Frances Adams, Edna Hammock, Lena Klattenhoff, and Gladys Hall of Brownfield, Messrs. Chester Napps, Marion Anderson, Earle Florence, and George Klattenhoff.

SENIOR C. E. PROGRAM FOR JULY, 13.

At Presbyterian Manse.
Time: 7:00 o'clock P. M.
Topic: How Jesus Treated Friends.
Leader: Miss Irene Levy.

Song Service.
Prayer.
Scripture: John, 15: 13-15; Luke, 10: 38-42.

Roll call: Answered by verse of Scripture.

Clippings.
General Discussion:
1. How Jesus Treated Peter.
2. Friends of Christ.
3. Friends for Christ.
4. Friends in Christ.
Sentence Prayers.
Historic Friendship:
2. Ruth and Naomi.
3. David and Jonathan.
C. E. Benediction.

METHODIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETS

The Methodist Missionary met at the Church on Monday July 7th, in regular business and social meeting. After a short business session, Mrs. S. H. Adams led a programme on the Belle H. Bennett Memorial Fund. Mesdames, Shankle, McMeen, Ragsdale and Miss Frances Adams gave interesting parts of the life of Miss Bennett and of her life work, the Scarriett Bible Training School.

Misses Frances Hoffman and Muff Robinson gave musical numbers. The hostess for the social hour served delicious refreshments to thirty-three members and three visitors. The Society will meet at the Church July 14th,

at three o'clock in Bible study, Acts 23 chapter, Mrs. Ragsdale will lead.

INTERMEDIATE E. Y. P. U. PROGRAM, JULY 13th.

Topic: The Banner of Obedience.
Leader in charge.

1. The Days of Noah—Arlene Donnell
2. The Obedience of Noah—Florence Pitman.
3. The Preaching of Noah—Margaret Smith.
4. The Story of the Flood—Doris Selman.
5. The Value of the Story to Us—Ladeene Walker.
6. Closing Prayer.

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT TONEY ENTERTAIN

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hargus and children were the week-end guests of Robert Toney and family. Mr. and Mrs. Toney entertained them and a few more friends with an old-fashioned spread dinner Sunday at Two Draw Lake. There were twenty guests gathered around the table, all pronouncing Mrs. Toney an excellent cook and a fine hostess.

SUNBEAM PROGRAM FOR SUNDAY.

1. Opening song.
2. Business of Band.
3. Opening Song.
4. Mission Story.
5. Pledge—Maxine Maxwell.
6. Memory Verse.
7. Closing.

Mistaken Idea That Leads Many Communities to Forego Undoubted Advantages It Conveys.

We may as well face facts like these: The American city is a destroyer of human beings. It is wasteful. Its ugliness is unspeakable. It is dirty and noisy. Its death rate is higher than that of the country districts.

Twenty years ago a writer of such words might have been reviled for lack of patriotism, for treachery to his homeland, writes Harold Cary in Collier's Weekly. But not today—too many Americans know the truth. City governments know it. Forty out of forty-three American cities of more than 150,000 population are now actively engaged in planning fundamental improvements. There is a real revolt in progress against the characteristics of modern cities.

Most people have an idea that city planning is a way of making a town over so as to spend a great deal of the taxpayers' money to produce what some people like—the "city beautiful." It is nothing of the kind. City planning is concerned at bottom with the reduction of the traffic problem; lowering the cost of doing business; making parks, playgrounds, theaters, auditoriums and public buildings easy to use; utilizing water fronts, bridges and transportation facilities to the best advantage. If the town is beautified during the process, why, fine! Of course it follows to a great extent that a new beauty will arise when order is made out of chaos.

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LABOR STARTS A TRUST COMPANY

Brotherhood of Engineers Opens Co-operative Concern in New York City.

DEPOSITORS TO PROFIT

Warren S. Stone is President of the New Institution, Which He Says is of Especial Interest to the Small Depositor.

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers' Co-operative Trust company has begun business in its new building at Seventh avenue and Thirty-third street, New York city. This is the first trust company in that city directly controlled by organized labor, the other labor banks opened recently confining themselves strictly to a banking business.

The new trust company will offer every banking service to small depositors, according to Warren S. Stone, its president. In a statement he said: "The opening of this bank will be of interest to the small depositor because it is a step in profit sharing that is destined to work a considerable change in the savings habits of the people.

"We will distribute the bank's profits among the depositors, after operating expenses, a limited dividend and a substantial surplus are laid aside."

A brief time ago the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers acquired a substantial interest in the Empire Trust company, 120 Broadway. It is stated that the formation of a trust company by the Locomotive Engineers does not mean that the affiliation with the Empire Trust company will end. In fact, it is expected that most of the business of the labor trust company will be done through the Empire Trust company. Asked what effect the new venture by the engineers would have on the relationship between them and the Empire Trust, Leroy W. Baldwin, president of the Empire Trust company, said that "the situation will be unchanged."

Mr. Stone, president of the new trust company, is grand chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. W. B. Prenter, who has been in charge of the financial affairs of the brotherhood for 30 years, will be the trust company's vice president.

Got Rid of Ants

A Florida fruit grower recently cashed in on his knowledge of nature. Ants nesting about the roots of his young citrus trees threatened his crop. Poison solutions were regarded as unsafe, so he collected a number of doodlebugs or ant-lion larvae and turned them loose around the trees. As is their habit, the ant-lions promptly dug themselves funnel-shaped pits and hid at the bottom of them. Ants wandered near the edge of these tiny pits. The banks caved in and carried the struggling ants down in miniature avalanches to be seized by the scissor-like jaws of these bloodthirsty monsters. When an ant managed to stop before he reached the bottom would start the avalanche again by hurling sand grains against the victim on the loose slopes.

Community Building

SELECTING SITE FOR HOME

Practically Impossible to Give Too Much Thought to Matter of Such High Importance.

Before you build it is necessary to have a parcel of ground. Too much care cannot be taken in the selection of a site. Remember, it is the spot on which you and your family will spend many years, at least that is the general supposition, for the building of a home is usually one of the highly important happenings of one's life.

Location determines the character of house and it has much to do with the family's happiness and health. If the person contemplating building a home will observe the following suggestions when buying or selecting a site he will save himself a lot of future trouble and at the same time make an investment that will increase rather than decrease in value. Here are the suggestions:

Buy only in a section that is high, dry and healthful.

Locate in a neighborhood that is likely to increase in value and always be desirable for homes.

Ask about the water supply; where the water comes from, if the local system is modern and whether the supply is plentiful.

Churches, schools and stores should be convenient.

Find out if the section has all modern subsurface improvements, sewers, for instance.

What is the tax levy? Compare it with previous rates for years.

Why the increase or decrease if any?

Are gas and electricity easily obtainable?

Does the site need much grading, seeding or planting?

What are the transit or transportation facilities?

What is the traveling time to place of business?

What is the expense?

If the property meets these conditions satisfactorily, then you may be sure of your section.

Everybody in the village knew Rastus Johnson and everybody talked to him. He was working one day for a member of the Ladies' Aid society, and as he was about to go home, she said, pleasantly:

"I hear, Rastus, that you've seen the time when President Washington was in office. Is that true?"

Rastus rolled the whites of his eyes and smiled a sad, but reminiscent smile. "Well, Ah used to seed it, but dat was befo' prohibition went into 'fect'."—Los Angeles Times.

He Had Reached the Rear

"A doughboy got scared one day during an attack in France, so he turned tall and ran for dear life.

"Halt!" yelled a terrible voice. "You coward, how dare you run away and disgrace your regiment?"

"I couldn't help it," said the doughboy. "I was scared stiff, sergeant, and that's the truth."

"Sergeant?" yelled the terrible voice. "Who are you calling sergeant, you fool? I'm General Gunning!"

"My gosh!" said the doughboy. "Have I run that far?"

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