

## Ku Klux Klan MSS 366

Image count for microfilm prepared by K. Schrum December 2003.

The collection contains two member application books (ca. 1924-1926) and one five-inch box holding 49 file folders plus some loose printed material dating 1918-1997. This is an artificial collection assembled by staff at the Colorado Historical Society (CHS).

The two member books contain application information for men living in the Denver metro area. One of the book provides not only names but also residential and business addresses. Collection records indicate that between the between the two books there are over 30,000 names recorded. Some of the items in the file folders have a Colorado connection, but most are printed materials published outside the state. It is probable that these were widely distributed and used by Klan members nationwide and were part of the Colorado-based materials dating in the 1920s. Materials dated after this period were clearly added by staff in an effort to keep Klan subject material together. Because of this, it is impossible to determine exactly what items were specifically used in Colorado.

Note: KKK is used as the abbreviation for any document bearing the name Knights of the Ku Klux Klan or Ku Klux Klan.

<i>File number</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Notes &amp; Instructions</i>	<i>MFM images</i>
FF 1	4 letters, 1926-29, 1937	Film fronts only	4
FF 2	1 letter, 15 May 1946	Film fronts only	1
FF 3	1 document in a poly bag, May 2 1927; 1 photocopy	Original in pieces. Film fronts of photocopy	1
FF 4	1 document of 11 pages "Amended verified complaint" January 1992	Film fronts only	11
FF 5	Printed material, "Kloran: KKK" (2copies); Plus photocopy	Film original copy with marks in upper left, "K. No 1. Colo"	30
FF 6	Printed material, "The Practice of Klanishness" 1918	Film cover and open pages	7

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FF 7	Printed material, "Constitution & Laws of the KKK" 1918	Film cover and open pages	34
FF 8	Printed material, "Constitution & Laws of the KKK" Colo. No1 1925	Film cover and open pages	71
FF 9	Photocopy, "Constitution of the Women of the KKK"	Film fronts only	47
FF 10	Photocopy, "Kloran or Ritual of the Women of the KKK"	Film fronts only	11
FF 11	Printed material, "Papers Read at the Meeting of Grand Dragons. . .Asheville, NC July 1923"	Film cover and open pages	72
FF 12	Printed material, "Klansman's Manual" 1924	Film cover and open pages	43
FF 13	Printed material, "The Klan Spiritual: An Address . . . Kansas City, MO" Sept. 1924	Film cover; open pages	7
FF 14	Printed material, "Kloran: Junior Order KKK" 1924	Film cover and open pages	27
FF 15	Printed material, "The Practice of Klanishness" 1924 (2 copies)	Film better copy. All pages	7
FF 16	Printed material, "The Menace of modern Immigration" nd	Okay	16
FF 17	Printed material, "The Public School Problems in America" 1924	Okay	14

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FF 18	Printed material, “Ideals of the KKK” nd	Fragile! Film fronts and backs	5
FF 19	Printed material, “The Modern Nullifiers” nd	Okay	16
FF 20	Printed material [Printed in Denver], “Are you An American Citizen?” nd	Okay	2
FF 21	Printed materials, “The Attitude of the KKK Toward the Roman Catholic Hierarchy” nd	Okay	5
	“The Attitudes of the KKK Toward the Jew” nd (2 copies)	One copy is fragile, Film both copies	13
FF 22	Printed materials, “At the Threshold” nd	Okay	7
	“Origin and Operation of the Constitution of the USA” nd	Okay	8
FF 23	Printed materials, “The Responsibilities of Citizenship” nd		4
	“A Klansman’s Obligation . . .” nd	Okay	5
FF 24	Printed materials, “The Klansman’s Oath of Allegiance” nd	Okay	8
	“The Heritage of American Institution” nd	Okay	6
FF 25	Printed materials, “America for Americans” nd	Okay	3
	“America Takes the Lead”	Okay	3
	“Ideals of the KKK” nd	Okay	6
FF 26	Printed Materials, Tracts [Many are anti-Catholic] All okay		
	“Money for Masses” 1947		2
	“My Life in the Convent” 1948		2
	“No Purgatory” 1951		2
	“Priest robs and Poisons widow and Her son” 1951		2
	“The Enemy Within Our borders” 1952		2
	“The Roman Pillars Are Falling “ 1952		2

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	"Danger Ahead" 1954		2
	"Abolish the Nunneries and Save the Girls" 1952		2
	"House of Death and Gate of Hell or Convent Brutality" 1952		2
	"Ye Must Be Born Again" nd		2
	"Jesus or Mary, Which?" nd		2
FF 27	Serial, Kourier Magazine, Oct. 1927	Some pages fragile	12
FF 28	Serial, Kourier Magazine, Sept. 1928	Okay	32
FF 29	Serial, Kourier Magazine, July 1928	Okay	13
FF 30	Serial article, Denver Post Jan. 5, 1958 "When the Klan Ran Denver"	Okay	8
FF 31	Serial, Crusader: The Voice of the White Majority" 1978	Okay	8
FF 32	Serial, White Patriot: Worldwide voice of the Aryan People, Ca. 1992	Okay	12
FF 33	Photocopy, Membership application,	Film front only	1
FF 34	Certificate, June 1926	Name cut from doc.	1
FF 35	Ephemera, nd "Smash the Klan Scum of the Land" "Fiery Summons	Fronts only	2
FF 36	Sheet music, The Bright Fiery Cross (1913)  Onward Valiant Klansmen (1924) The Cross in the Wildwood, nd Here's to the Klan (1923)	Torn and Fragile, But can be filmed	4 3 3 3
FF 37	Sheet music, Photocopies of music in FF 26	Skip this file	

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FF 38	Ephemera, Member cards [names obscured]  Member cards in poly bag	Group together Film fronts only Film fronts and backs	1 2
FF 39	Photocopy of cards in FF 38	Skip	
FF 40	Brochures, 2 documents Roman Catholic	One is fragile Film fronts and back	4
FF 41	Printed material, photocopies Various sources, 1990s	Film fronts only	22
FF 42	Printed material, photocopies Various sources, 1990s	Film fronts only	13
FF 43	Printed material, Various sources, 1990s Circular in poly bag-	Film front only Film both sides	11 2
FF 44	Grand Klegal statements, 1969 2 documents	Fronts only	2
FF 45	Color image, nd Dr. John G. Locke	Black/white image	1
FF 46	Printed material, 1 item "Pueblo Klansman," nd	Torn, two pieces Film front and back	2
FF 47	Printed material 1 item "The KKK is Watching You!"	Front only	1
FF 48	Miscellaneous, Regis Jesuit History Library, nd Unidentified name list, nd	Fronts only Fragile, torn, Fragments. Fronts only	14 1
FF 49	Ephemera, Envelop	Film address side	1

<b>Loose serials</b>	All okay	
<i>Crusader</i> , Issue No. 3, 1978		8
<i>Crusader</i> , Issue No. 29, 1978		16
<i>White Patriot</i> [1986?]		8
<i>The Klansman</i> , Vol.1, June 1976		8
<i>The Klansman</i> , Issue 11, November 1976		8
<i>The Klansman</i> , Issue No.12, December 1976		8
<i>The Klansman</i> , Issue No. 13, January 1977		9
<i>The Klansman</i> , Issue No.15, March 1977		8
<i>The Klansman</i> , Issue No. 16, April 1977		8
<i>Colorado: Views from CU Boulder</i> , Article entitled, "The Campus and the Klan: A Classic Lesson in Civility" pages 10-11		2

The two member application books can be filmed. I recommend removing the fasteners so that pages may be filmed individually. All pages have been numbered so that proper page order can be maintained. I have encapsulated the loose pages that pose potential filming problems.

<b>Member Application book 1</b>	Film fronts only	556
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556 pages. Contains application numbers 1-13,782.

Some pages are loose. Others are have tears and are fragile. The following conditions have been noted. Early pages have tears along bottom edge. I have penciled numbers on corners of pages starting at page 423.

<i>Page number</i>	<i>Conditions noted.</i>
4	Tear in lower right corner. About 3"
64	Partial page
117	Different size page and format
402	Torn. A piece is missing and must be inserted.
412	Tear through middle of page. About 6"
453	Tear in lower right part of page. About 4"
511	Tear in lower right corner. About 4.5-5"
512-564	Slight tears in lower right corner consistent with turning pages. Tears average .50- 1"
527	Two tears at lower right. About .75-1.5"
528	Long tear at right. About 7"
539	Two tears at lower right. About 3/8" One at upper right about 2"
540	Two tears at lower right. About 5/8" and 1"
563	Three tears along bottom edge. Two on left about .50" and 2" One at right is about 1"

- 564 A piece is missing from lower left obscuring name.  
Tear at right is about 1.25"  
Two tears along top edge of page.
- 565 Partial page.

**Member Application book 2**

Film fronts and backs 741

741 pages recorded front and back. Contains application numbers 1-26,185 (through page 671) and numbers 46,001-47,802 from pages 673-741. I have penciled page numbers in brackets in the upper corners. Pages in this book are in much better condition.

<i>Page number</i>	<i>Conditions noted</i>
1-2	Blank
3	One name recorded
4	Blank
5-6	Loose and separated from book
7-8	Loose and separated from book
9-10	Severe tear nearly separates page from book
672	Blank

Number of images from file folders	693
Number of images from loose serials	83
Number of images in books	1,297
<b>Total images</b>	<b>2,073</b>