



**The History
of
The Ku Klux Klan
in
Martin County**

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14-FOOT KU KLUX CROSS FLAMES ON WEST LAKE BANK

**Demonstration Believed for
Band Concert Crowd But
Is a Bit Too
Late**

The fiery cross of the Ku Klux Klan flamed in crimson flares on the west bank of Lake Sisseton at 9:30 p. m. Thursday.

Little did the engineer at the electric light plant reckon that when he tooted the curfew whistle that sent wayward urchins homeward he was also giving the signal to apply the torch to the cross.

Apparently the trick was ill timed. It is thought the cross was to be burned for the benefit of 3,000 persons who attended the band concert.

But the band concert was over, and the people had left the park when the cross blazed.

200 AT KLAN MEET HERE, IS REPORT

**Mysterious Gathering at Le-
gion Hall Said to
be Konference of
Kluckers**

KU KLUXERS HELD IN HALL THRU NIGHT

**Riot at Perth Amboy, N. J.,
Resumed When Members
of Order Dash for
Freedom**

**CITY IS GUARDED BY
POLICE AND FIREMEN**

**2,000 Klansmen Gathered at
Detroit, Michigan, Refuse
to Let Sheriffs In-
terrupt Meeting**

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KLAN TO SELL FAIRMONT LOT, SAYS OFFICER

Don't Need it Any More, as
They "Cleaned up Here,"
Secretary Avers

WOULD GIVE MONEY
FOR AVIATION FIELD

The Martin county klan, assembled in mass meeting at Granada, last night voted unanimously to dispose of its lot on the corner of North avenue and Fourth street, this city, at public auction.

This information was given The Sentinel today by the organization's purported secretary, who declined permission to use his name in connection with this announcement.

"The proceeds from the sale will be donated outright toward the purchase, leasing or acquisition of an aviation field for Fairmont," said the secretary. "We don't care who establishes it, or who has charge of it, so long as a field is established."

"The sale will be held as soon as expedient — probably within a few days. We want to clear it up as quickly as possible, probably before the middle of March."

The size of the lot is 80x150, west front. It is said that the klan paid \$5,000 for it. There is said to be a small mortgage against it.

Asked for a reason for the sale, the secretary said: "The klan doesn't need the lot or the money any more. It cleaned up in Martin county, so we are going to sell the lot and donate the proceeds for this worthy cause."

"Don't you dare mention my name in connection with it. If you do, there will be a couple of dead newspapermen. If anybody wants any more information, they can ask me, the secretary; send them to me."