WOMEN OF THE KU KLUX KLAN DOCUMENT, CA. 1927

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 Folder

COLLECTION DATES: Ca. 1927

PROVENANCE: Broad Street Antique Mall, Chamblee, GA, 25 June 2004

RESTRICTIONS: None
HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Women of the Ku Klux Klan (WKKK) became a branch of the KKK in the 1920s. Some KKK klaverns were beginning to include women into their secret societies and as a compromise the WKKK was formed so that the regular KKK would maintain its all male status. There were a few predecessors to the WKKK such as the LOTIEs (Ladies of the Invisible Empire) and the Kamelia’s. However, the WKKK had the largest following of the women Klan groups.

Indianapolis was chosen as a site to celebrate this organization’s anniversary because it was a central location. However, in the 1920s, Indiana also had large Ku Klux Klan and Women of the Ku Klux Klan followings. They felt that by having the meeting here more people would attend. The WKKK was located in Little Rock, Arkansas when this letter was written.

Sources:
Some information was obtained from the collection.
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