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IN the course of an address delivered at the Concordia Evangelical Lutheran Church hall in Fort Wayne, W. D. Holterman, national secretary of the American Luther League, indulged in some observations that surely merit being brought to popular attention and earnest consideration. At the very beginning of his incisive address he branded the Ku Klux Klan as an organization of intolerance and hatreds. "It feeds upon the bitter prejudices that were aroused during the war. It has no place in America." Referring to the Ku Klux Klan interference with parochial schools, Mr. Holterman said. "The Klan is anti-everything. The things we know about it, at least, are all anti! It is anti-Jewish, anti-negro, anti-Catholic, anti-foreigner, and it is opposed to parochial education. It is opposed to all Christian education, because it opposes parochial schools. That is why we are fighting the Klan. Do not misunderstand. We are not waging a campaign against the public schools. We are not opposed to the public schools and we are glad to pay taxes to their support, for we feel that secular education is an excellent thing.

"We are fighting for the parochial schools because we are interested in the spiritual welfare of our children. We feel that we must train their hearts and souls as well as their minds and hands.

"It is only from the fact that the state is not allowed to teach religion that we have the parochial schools." The speaker said the purpose of the American Luther League was to protect the Lutheran religious schools and that it was organizing strongly in states where the Klan is trying to get bills passed by the Legislature compelling every child to attend the public schools at least five months per year, thus leaving the parochial schools empty.

The American Luther League has its national headquarters in Fort Wayne

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Klan wants law requiring every child to attend public schools at least 5 months per year. American Lutheran League says this would leave parochial schools empty.