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Desiring to maintain a veneer of legitimacy, the Ku Klux Klan made its first attempt at incorporating itself in early 1925.<sup>2</sup> The then State Attorney General of Wisconsin

<sup>1</sup>Frank Behm, "The Ku Klux Klan Interpreted," *The American Journal of Sociology*, XXV (January, 1927), 355, 390.

<sup>2</sup>Letter of Percival L. Brown to Fred R. Zimmerman, April 20, 1925, as found in the Walker D. Wiman Papers, Box 5, P. The Area Research Center, Wisconsin State University, River Falls, Wisconsin (hereafter cited as Wymen Papers, Box 10). It should be noted that the Klan was operating in Wisconsin several years prior to incorporation. The earliest established date for Klan activity in northwestern Wisconsin would be the Spring of 1924.

