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Allow students, in groups or individually, to examine the photograph while answering the questions below in order. The questions are designed to guide students into a deeper analysis of the source and sharpen associated cognitive skills.

Level I: Description

- 1. What flags are the women carrying?
- 2. Are there any young people on the float?
- 3. Can you tell the time of year?

Level II: Interpretation

- 1. Do the women seem to have community support?
- 2. How do they try to become accepted (garner community support)?
- 3. Are these women as violent as their male counter-parts?

Level III: Analysis

- 1. Was the Ku Klux Klan against groups other than African Americans?
- 2. Did the Ku Klux Klan still have as much power as it did when it first started?
- 3. Why did interest in the Klan fade and their membership start to decline?

