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OUR DUTY ON ELECTION DAY

It is our bounden duty as good citizens to go to the polls on election day and cast our ballots for the men and principles which we honestly and conscientiously believe will conserve the best interests of our municipality, state and nation.

As we have before stated, our own honest conviction is that the best interests of the nation will be conserved by the return of a republican administration to power. This, we believe, first as an American citizen, and secondly as Colored American citizen.

Whatever may be the faults of republicans, and we frankly state that their supineness as touching our rights as citizens, in late years at least, has been reprehensible, we must admit that whatever privileges as a special race-group we enjoy have been secured for us by the republican party. The Wilson administration has shown that nationally we cannot support a democratic administration.

Nebraska republicans have nominated a good state ticket. The same is true in the main of judicial, county and city nominees. There is no reason, therefore, why they, with two or three notable exceptions, should not receive our vote from Governor down. A candidate's attitude on the prohibitory amendment, which is a separate issue, has nothing to do with his qualification for office. Men who are friendly and fair to us ought to receive our vote. Those who are unfriendly should not receive our vote.

Every man's vote will be needed on election day. It is our duty to go to the polls and vote.

For the guidance of our readers, The Monitor publishes the ticket which we believe our people ought to support. Read it over carefully and mark your sample ballot accordingly. Concentrate our vote. Don't scatter the fire.

VOTE AGAINST FOSTER

We are opposed to Charles E. Foster for police judge because of his insolence and unfairness to our people. This is not from hearsay only, but from personal experience.

We were asked by an officer if we would be willing to take an interest in a certain woman with a police record and see what we could do to get work for her and help her reform. We consented to do what we could.

Her case was in the police court. The officer explained to Judge Foster that we were willing to try to help this woman reform.

He looked at us with a frown, as though we were charged with a crime, and said in a most insolent manner:

"What do you think you can do with this woman?"

Our reply was: "We don't know what we can do; but if she is willing to try to do right, we are willing to try to help her."

The woman was released and went to work.

It was his insolent tone and manner

to us that we resented and resent now, and verified what we had heard about him.

A few months ago Mrs. Alice B. Smith went to see him about her dog which it was alleged had bitten a child. This was substantially his language to her:

"I've heard enough about that dog. See that door? You get right out of here."

Her reply was: "Well, Judge Foster, I think you might at least be a gentleman."

Judge Foster may be elected, but we want him to understand that it will not be by our vote and that we are opposing him openly and frankly because of his insolence and attitude to our people. We urge our people to vote for Fitzgerald for police judge instead of Foster.

GEORGE A. MAGNEY.

We are for George A. Magney for county attorney. His fairness, justice and courtesy while he has held his present office has won the admiration and esteem of all who have come in contact with him. He has conducted the affairs of his office conscientiously and efficiently. We urge our people to vote for George A. Magney for county attorney.

OMAHA SCHOOL BOARD

It is a noteworthy fact that heretofore many men have been elected to membership on the Omaha School Board who did not make good to the people of this community, and some of our readers may recall charges preferred and sustained some years ago, when some of the members were convicted of accepting money from those interested in furnishing school supplies of different sorts.

Since then a more determined effort has been made by the fathers and mothers to obtain the services of men who had the interests, not only of the taxpayers, but also of the boys and girls, at heart, and they have had a reasonable measure of success along that line.

This year, owing to a change made by the last Legislature, we are to elect eight men to co-operate with the four holding over, who are Robert Cowell, Thomas A. Fry, I. W. Carpenter and C. J. Ernst, and so the citizens of Omaha, both men and women, have succeeded in obtaining the consent of eight of the best known business and professional men of Omaha, whose names are mentioned in the advertisement in this issue.

Not one of these men is asking for the position, but each one realizes that he has a duty to perform to the city of Omaha, and is willing to serve for a term. It behooves the voters to go to the polls on November 7th and cast their votes for the eight members of the Citizens' School ticket.

Frank Dewey has always had a colored clerk in his office. He is the kind of man we need.

VOTE THIS TICKET

For President
CHARLES E. HUGHES

For Governor
ABRAHAM LINCOLN SUTTON

For U. S. Senator
JOHN L. KENNEDY

For Congress—To represent Second District, Benjamin F. Baker.

Chief Justice Supreme Court—Albert E. Cornish, Jacob Fawcett, Samuel H. Sedgewick.

For State Senators—H. J. Hackett, Bert C. Miner, John M. MacFarland, Charles L. Sanders and Frank A. Shotwell.

For State Representatives—James Allan, J. F. Burgess, John W. Cooper, Robert C. Druessedow, Harry A. Foster, Sam G. Hoff, John Larsen, Nels A. Lundgren, Joseph Sherman, P. J. Trainor, James Walsh, G. R. Young.

For County Officers—Sheriff, Michael J. Clark; Clerk of District Court, Robert Smith; Treasurer, Emmet G. Solomon; Attorney, George Magney; County Clerk, Frank Dewey; Assessor, W. G. Shriver; Surveyor, Lewis E. Davis; Superintendent of Public Instruction, W. A. Yoder; County Commissioners, Frank C. Best and A. C. Hart; Public Defender, W. N. Johnson.

For City Officers—Police Magistrate, James M. Fitzgerald; Water Board, R. B. Howell; Justice of the Peace, H. H. Claiborne.

Judges of the District Court—Chas. T. Dickinson, George A. Day, Lee S. Estelle, William H. Hatteroth, James H. Macumber, Charles Leslie, Willis G. Sears.

Municipal Judges—Charles W. Britt, George Holmes, Robert W. Patrick.

Public Defender—Will N. Johnson.

SONGS OF SOLOMON.

Election Day.

1. Listen to me, O my Son, while I carol the song of election day at the polls.
2. Give heed to my admonitions and let my words sink deep through thy cranial bones.
3. When thou trottest toward the polls election day, many will be the men who shall greet thee with the happy mitt and gladful smile. Each will tell thee that he hath the only dope and that if thou wilt vote as he saith, thy life will be filled with joy.
4. He will slip thee three thousand feet of paper and bid thee carry it to the small booth. Then another will hand thee three thousand more feet and so forth until thou needest a van. Cards, too, wilt thou acquire until thy pockets bulge with elaphantiasis.
5. Meet thou these men with a smile and take what they have to offer, but when thou gettest on the inside, DUMP!
6. Carry thou in thy inside pocket The Monitor page and give heed to it as thou markest down the heavy crosses.
7. On this page thou wilt find the list of thy friends tried and true, for thou canst not afford to vote for any other.
8. These men, if elected, will remember thee and thine and will always wear the smile that won't rub off.
9. Give thy vote to them and in the days to come thou wilt not need to kick thyself and cry "Never again!"

Will N. Johnson must be elected public defender. Show your race pride and loyalty by voting for him.

Emmett G. Solomon is a man we can count on. Of course you are going to vote for him.

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

Omaha, Nebr., Oct. 31, 1916.

Editor Monitor:

Dear Sir—The stand that you have taken in politics and upon the liquor question meets with my hearty approval, in fact, they are the views long held by me. Before our ballots are cast, or ready to be cast, I venture the prediction that they will be marked almost, if not alike.

In my loyalty to the principals of the republican party I yield to no man, and the election of Mr. Hughes for the presidency, John L. Kennedy for U. S. senator and Ben S. Baker for congress, A. L. Sutton for governor, is my dearest and fondest hope; but, as your editorial in a recent issue stated, in the selection of men for local offices it would not be the mark of good citizenship to vote our ticket straight. A notable instance is in the selection of a county attorney, and police judge; I regret to have occasion to say that the republican nominees for these two offices are not as well qualified for the positions as their democratic opponents, George A. Magney and James M. Fitzgerald. I have known personally every man who has filled the office of county attorney of this county since the office was created, and while they were all men of marked ability, yet I say without fear of successful contradiction, that no man ever filled that office with such universal satisfaction as George A. Magney, the present incumbent. He is able, fair, honest, conscientious, charitable and broad minded, all colors and creeds are alike to him. Such an official is seldom found in public office, and should be retained. I shall do my part toward his re-election.

The office of police judge has become one of the most important offices in our big and growing city, and should be filled by a man broad of vision and capable of sympathizing with down-and-outs who through lack of strength have fallen by the wayside. He should also be mild mannered and courteous. In this, as in many other essentials, our present police judge, Foster, is lacking. Mr. Fitzgerald, the democratic candidate, is a man possessing all and every requirement necessary for a police judge of a metropolitan city, and should be elected.

ED. F. MOREARTY.

OBVIOUS OBSERVATIONS

Indian summer has finally hit town, but don't forget that American winter is a close companion.

Travis for District Judge.—Adv.

Omaha is one of the best towns in the country for the Colored race, and if you want to keep it so make a great big cross after 301.

Albert E. Cornish belongs to the Cornish family of Omaha. He has sustained the family tradition for justice and right. We need such men on the supreme bench.

Did you see the "enthusiastic" Democratic automobile demonstration last Saturday? We thought it was a funeral until we noticed they didn't have a hearse. We understand, however, that the hearse has been ordered for next Wednesday.

Travis for District Judge.—Adv.

We know that every Colored man is going to vote for Will N. Johnson, but be sure that your white neighbor is going to do the same.