

MR. and MRS. READER...

CAN YOU FIND ONE THING ON THIS PAGE THAT YOU WILL GIVE YOUR LOYAL SUPPORT

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LOCAL PLATFORM

Race prejudice must go. The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man must prevail. These are the only principles that will stand the acid test of good citizenship in times of peace, war and death.

1. We must have our pro-rata of employment in business to which we give our patronage, such as grocery stores, laundries, furniture stores, department stores, and coal companies in fact every concern which we support. We must give our citizens the chance to live respectably. We are tired of educating our children and permitting them to remain economic slaves and entering into a life of shame.

2. Our Pro-rata of employment for the patronage to our public corporations such as railroad companies, the street car company, the Nebraska Power Co., the Northwestern Bell Telephone Co., and other establishments we are forced to support by right of franchise. Also our pro-rata of employment in return for the taxes we pay in our city, county, state and federal government.

3. To encourage the establishment of a first class hospital, that we may get the best there is in medical science from our doctors whom we know to be nearest to us, also to encourage a high respect for them and encourage more of our girls to take nurses' training.

4. A one hundred percent deportment of our citizens in our public and private places of business, especially in street cars. If we are to be respected we must act respectably especially in public places where we are constantly before the public eye.

5. A one hundred percent membership in the Omaha branch of the NAACP. should be had to encourage the efforts put forth by the founders of this organization, and to assist the general office to establish a five million dollar endowment fund to maintain the operating expenses, and to further the principles of the NAACP. for all people of all races. American citizens must be educated to a higher principle and a more thorough understanding of inter-racial relationship so that our country may in reality be a government of the people, by the people, and for the people, in whole or in fact.

6. The re-establishment of the Christian Religion as Christ taught it, for the uplifting of mankind eliminating financial and personal gain. A practical religion, week days as well as Sunday. An attitude toward our fellowmen as a brother in order to establish a principle which will guide the destiny of each others children, for our neighbor's children today are our children tomorrow.

7. To demand courteous treatment in all places of business, and the enforcement of the Civil Right Law.

8. To encourage and assist in the establishment of the following financial institutions near 24th and Lake Streets; a Building and Loan Association, a State Bank, and also a first class Trust Company for the purpose of administering aid and assistance to our widows and orphans.

9. To encourage the erection of a one hundred thousand dollar Young Men's Christian Association near 24th and Lake Streets.

10. To enlarge the Y. W. C. A. so that it may supply dormitory accommodations for the girls who tire of home environment.

11. To teach our citizens to live economically by printing in each issue a budget system for various salaries.

12. To make Omaha a better city in which to live by inaugurating a more cosmopolitan spirit among our American citizens.

13. To put a stop to the Divorce Evil by passing a state law making the mistreatment of a wife or husband by either of them a criminal offense, to be decided by jury. First offense, a jail sentence of a short duration; second offense, one of longer duration; third offense, one to five years in the penitentiary. This, we believe, will make men and women think before marrying.

14. We must become owners of our city government by paying a seemingly higher salary to those whom we employ to administer its affairs, a salary that will attract men of higher caliber.

NATIONAL PLATFORM

1. Fight for the passage of the NAACP. Anti-Lynching Bill, thus stop the shameful lynching of American citizens.

2. One of our Negro citizens in

the President's cabinet.

3. Federal control of the educational system and a federal law that every child must have an high school education.

4. Assist in the furtherance of research by our scientists and help our historians to prove that civilization was founded in Africa. No passports to any foreign country until he or she can show proof of visiting every state in America, by showing a certificate of registration from the governor's office of each state. Help us to see America first, and spend America's earning with American citizens,

5. Establish a political influence which will bring about our pro-rata of higher appointments made by our chief executives, especially in our army. Demand appointments by the chief executive to be absolutely on ability and merit, and not color. Give our Negro boys appointments from first sergeant to colonel in the army if they are qualified for the job. We are one of the few minority groups that can be trusted in time of war not to turn traitor to our country.

6. Stop graft in politics by passing a federal law making Election day

a legal holiday, and compelling every American citizen of voting age to vote. A federal old age Pension of sixty dollars per month, if he or she has voted in every city, county, state and federal election held, and if he or she has never been convicted of a felony.

7. To prevent further wars by teaching the so-called white race that it is high time for them to quit fooling themselves about white supremacy with only three-tenths of the world's population. They must be taught that color is due to climatic conditions. They must be taught that seven-tenths of the world's population is made up of dark races. They must be taught that the rays of the sun that blazes upon the equator and turns the skin brown, does not affect the brain any more than the coldness of the icy glaciers affect the brain of the white race, and that the darker races will not continue to be crushed by a money-mad few. If the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man are not welded into the hearts of this world's family now, by teaching the principles laid down by our Saviour, it will be welded into the hearts of our children some day on the bloodiest battlefield the world has ever known.



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