

Editorial By C. I. West **NEW POLITICS FOR BLACK VOTERS**

Politics is the vehicle that Blacks must utilize to ride to the mountain top to see the promised land of full freedoms and full citizenship. There is no other way for Blacks to reach those goals.

Black voters must show more muscle at the polls especially more muscle in Republican primary elections. If Blacks do not strive for some voice in Republican partisan politics and if they do not also strive to have more than their number registered as GOP'ers, we will never enjoy the benefits of a two party democratic system.

Black voters in Nevada have been the "property" of the Democrats and the step children of the Republicans. The Democrats take us for granted while the Republicans avoid us as though we had the Black Plague. The reasons are quite clear. Nine out of every 10 Blacks in Nevada are registered Democrats.

There are not enough Black Republicans for the GOP to take much time for consideration of our problems. This situation can be changed if we get more Blacks to register Republican.

Black Americans owe no allegiance to either major political party. Neither party has ever done as much for us as we have long deserved. Neither party has done anymore for us than we have forced them to do.

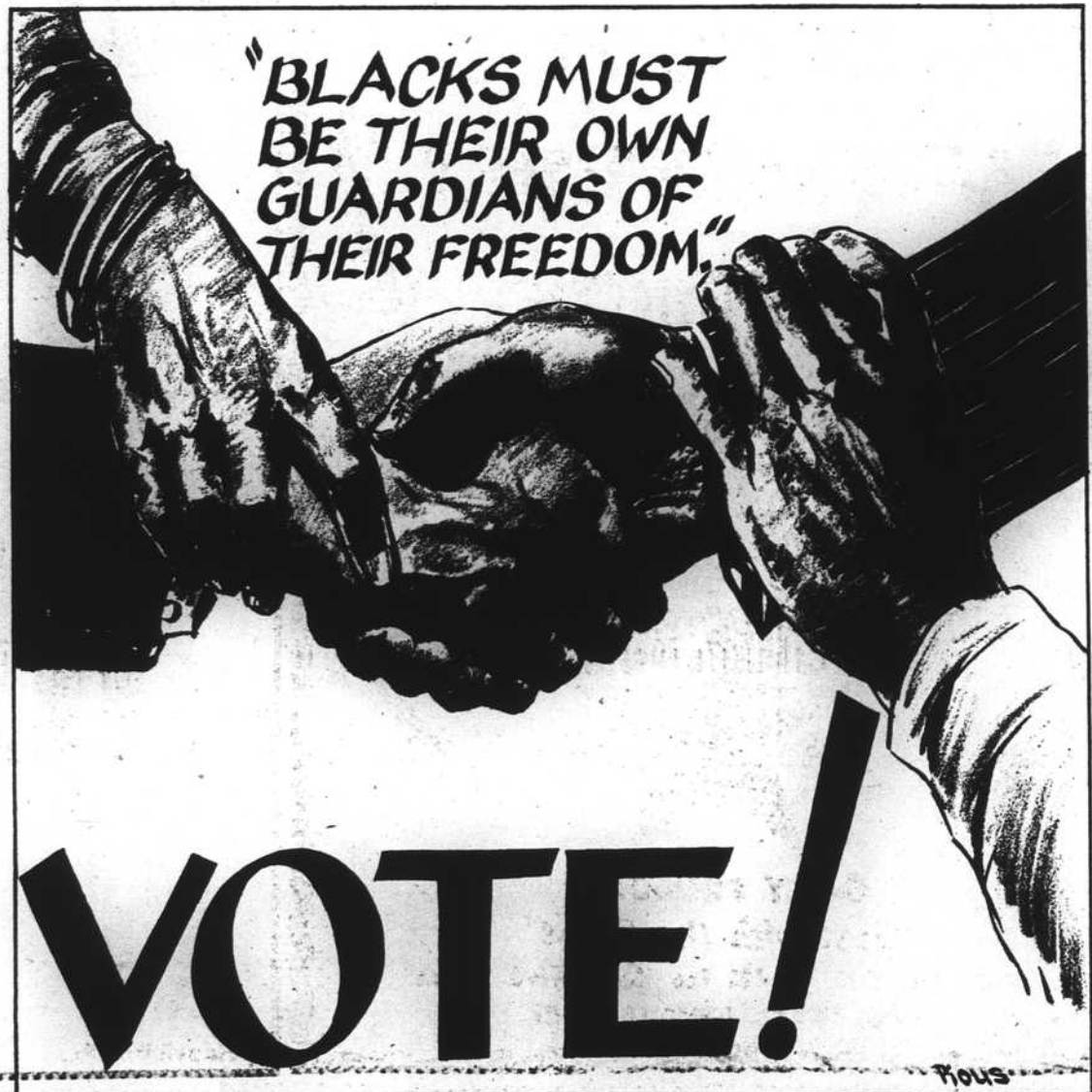
Black voters must put Blacks first and political parties a distant second. We must immediately and permanently develop a New Politics to fit our purpose - to take us to the Mountain Top. Among other actions Black voters must:

- (1) Take politics and the performance of politicians with more serious dedication.
- (2) Register to vote - registering either Democrat or GOP, but with better Democrat - Republican balance.
- (3) Get more of our numbers in the Republican Party - so as to have some voice in the political strategy of that party.
- (4) Tally more total voted in Republican Primaries so as to show more muscle and earn some party patronage.
- (5) Work for the party of individual choice, but make it clearly understood that the party does not own our vote.
- (6) Judge the candidates for public office on their past performances rather than on their political promises.
- (7) Vote for the candidate with the best record regardless of his party affiliation. Party should play no part unless there is no choice as to past performance record.
- (8) Blacks who are disenchanted with their party should change registration to the other party.
- (9) Persuade all Blacks to register. Persuade most of them to register Republican, so as to give us better Black representation in that party. Suggest that husband and wife register in opposite parties so as to compare notes as to what both parties are doing for the cause.
- (10) Speak your true feelings and true thoughts at all political gatherings.
- (11) Improve your political knowledge. Keep up with everything that is happening, so as to talk with authority and act with justified reason.
- (12) Throw sentiment and sympathies out the window. We can not win with a loser. Only the winners will be in a position to help the cause. When one candidate is no better nor any worse than the other, give more thought to picking the winner.

THEIR FUTURE DEPENDS ON YOUR VOTE!!!



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