

# Urge Richmond Citizens to Qualify Selves as Voters

RICHMOND, Va., June 5.—The Independent Voters league of Richmond, Va., is making great progress in impressing Race members to pay their taxes in order to become eligible to vote in the elections to come off soon.

Richmond has 4,914 registered voters out of a total Race population of 65,000, and it is these voters that the league is particularly anxious to qualify.

As a result of the league's work three branches have been established with two more to be organized soon. Aside from these branches the league has the co-operation of 18 or more organizations. Some of these organizations require their members to be registered voters and these groups represent more than 2,000 registered voters. A committee of three has been appointed by each of these organizations to co-operate with the work of the league.

The league is not only interested in the registered voters, but is trying to get the other members of the Race to register and pay their taxes as well. More than 22 churches have commended the league for its work and will use their influence in impressing their respective congregations to pay their taxes and vote. The league has been holding two meetings a month all winter, but has now reduced the number of sittings to one in order to start its other features.

The plan is to organize clubs in every street where it is possible, and one of the redeeming features of the

body is that it has a special committee of more than 50 representative citizens, composed of men and women, who will act as spokesmen on behalf of the masses of our people where any question affecting their wants and needs is involved. On this committee there are some of Richmond's most capable citizens whose abilities do not have to be questioned in regard to representing the masses.

Officers of the league are Roscoe C. Jackson, president; Theodore W. Jones, first vice president; Mrs. Alice B. Lee, second vice president; Mrs. Daisy O. Harris, third vice president; Mrs. Bettie Forrester, secretary; Mrs. H. Shelton, treasurer; L. Harris, chaplain; H. W. Carter, sergeant-at-arms; Mrs. Clara Griggs Pervall, head organizer; Mrs. Mattie Robinson, assistant organizer; committee on publicity, J. E. Wells, Rev. L. Adams, Mrs. Nannie LaRoche, Rev. W. H. Hinsley and B. T. Bradshaw.