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441 North Grove Street Liberty, Mo.

Oct. 20, 1935

Maj. Lloyd C. Stark.

Louisiana, Mo.

Dear Sir; -

I have been requested to write you in regards to the support I am able to secure for you among my race of people in this State of Missouri in your campaign for Governor of said State.

If however, by writing you this letter since I have never met you it is a breach of social etiquette, "I beg of you to pardon me", because it is at the request of White citizens here I am writing you.

Mr. Stark, I shall give you a few brief statements in order to have you know a bit concerning my ability, qualifications, and influence among the Colored Citizens of Missouri.

I am a young negro man 30 yrs of age, I was born and reared up in

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this State. I am a college graduate of my A.B. degree and have been a high-school principal for 4 years. I have also done higher work in law schools for my L.L.B. degree. I hold a life certificate to teach in any public high-school of Missouri. I merely stated these things to have you know something of my qualifications.

I have worked in politics for many years and I am well known in many sections of this State by both White and Colored people and I am truthfully say, "I have a lot of influence among my race of people". I have organized clubs among my race and I usually travel from town to town, and deliver political speeches for Candidates among Negroes, and advise them in their voting.

I have had the privilege of helping two Candidates become Governors and many other State Officials secure their offices, such as Hon. Lloyd W. King for State Supt. of Missouri Schools and many others I can name.

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I have many colored friends in Liberty, Mo., Excelsior Springs, Mo., Lathrop, Mo., St. Joseph, Mo., Kansas City, Mo., Richmond, Mo., Cameron, Mo., and St. Louis, Mo.

Now I am not trying to beg a job of campaigning for you and I do hope you do not see me in that light, but since these White friends who know of my political speeches and organizations here and elsewhere in this State ask me to write you I am doing so. If you so feel you want my assistance you let me know at once, if not I will be very grateful to you anyway for a frank reply in regards to the said work.

With every sincere wish for your success, and hoping I will be accepted to assist you, and to help my people leave that old tradition of voting for the party their parents did.

I am, yours truly,

Prof: Robert E. Waldron, Jr.

P.S. I can furnish proof to verify everything stated in this letter.