It will cooperate with the President and the Congress in securing such legislation as will accomplish constructive results.

"There will be two classes of membership, one a regular membership embracing all those who subscribe to the principles enunciated but cannot afford to contribute, the other a contributing membership embracing those who in addition render monetary help toward the League's support. Our aim is to secure hundreds of thousands of contributing members so that the activities of the League will be sustained through numerous contributions of comparatively small amount.

"As prescribed by its charter, the League is to be absolutely non-partisan in character. The question of party affiliation will not enter into consideration in the matter of membership. All who believe in its aims will be invited to join. It has no covert purposes. There is no object sought to be attained beyond the simple statement contained in its charter and quoted above. It will unite several millions of people from all walks of life who are now without organized influence in legislative matters, and thus enable these people to have a consequential voice in securing constructive legislation and in preventing any measures designed to destroy the principles upon which our government was formulated and under which we have prospered as has no other nation in the history of the world."

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