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DEMOCRATS Not Allowed To Vote In Primary, August 6th, 1921

Sub-sec. 19, Par. 1550, Kentucky Statutes, gives the qualification of voters in the Primary election as follows:

Before a person shall qualified to vote in the Primary election he shall possess all the qualifications now prescribed by the Constitution and as are now required of voters in regular election. Every person of the United States of the age of 21 years, who has resided in the state one year and in the county six months and the precinct in which he offers to vote sixty days next preceding the election shall be a voter in said precinct and not elsewhere.

He shall, in addition to said qualifications, BE A MEMBER OF THE PARTY FOR WHOSE NOMINEES HE INTENDS TO CAST HIS VOTE, AND SHALL HAVE AFFILIATED WITH SAID PARTY AND SUPPORTED ITS NOMINEES and no persons shall be deemed to have affiliated with the party in whose primary he seeks to cast his vote, if he voted against the nominee or nominees of such parties at the last general election. Said qualifications shall be determined as of the date of the Primary, without regard to the qualifications or disqualifications as they may exist at the succeeding regular election.

The qualifications above described shall apply to candidates and voters alike.

PENALTY

PENALTY: Any voter making a false statement as to any of his qualifications shall be liable to indictment and conviction for false swearing. Any judge of an election knowingly receiving a vote of any elector who is not qualified, as provided in this Act, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined \$100. for each offense and any person so voting, knowing that he is not qualified as provided in this Act, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction will be fined \$100. for each offense, the fine in each case to be recovered upon information or indictment in any court having jurisdiction.

McBeath Case

The conduct of H. C. Kennedy in connection with the Jordan McBeath land case is so thoroughly out of harmony with correct and honest dealing that it at once brands him as absolutely unfit for public office of any sort, much less the high office of Circuit Judge. He, as the evidence in this record shows, went to the humble home of this old colored man, seven or eight miles from Monticello, and procured the signature of himself and wife to a deed which conveyed their little home and farm of 71 acres to Kennedy, by pretending to them that the deed was a mortgage. The consideration that passed was \$30.31, and, to the surprise of all, he tried to take the farm from the old darkies, and the case finally landed in the Court of Appeals, where the court of last resort held that it would be oppressive and unjust to allow this transaction to stand. All the proof in the case showed that the farm was worth \$500.00 or \$600.00. Note what the attorneys of these colored folks had to say in their legal argument before the Court of Appeals in this case:

"We now ask you, Judge Kennedy, to explain to this court why you went there alone, took the acknowledgment yourself as Notary Public? When if you did not intend to put one over on these old darkies, why did you not take some Clerk or Notary with you, and let him explain the nature and effect of these papers? Does not his conduct in refusing to answer the letters of Henry McBeath and his evasive answer of December 17th, only nine days before the six months for redemption expires, and the fact that he hastened to convey the land of his father-in-law after December 26, 1912, all argue strongly the reason why he went there by himself and took this acknowledgment?

"Judge Kennedy is a lawyer. We charge he knew that for him to take the acknowledgment of these old people to a deed to himself was an unusual thing and would create at least a suspicion that something was wrong. Then why if this transaction was to be fully understood by these old ignorant darkies, did you not get some one to accompany you, and if not take the acknowledgment for you then be able to bear your witnesses that you had fairly and fully explained the transaction to them?"—Somerset Commonwealth.

Hon. J. Austin Brown

Hon. J. Austin Brown, in his speech at Wilmore's Chapel in Rockcastle said in part:

"I don't presume you have ever heard of much of the turbulence connected with the life and history of Judge Kennedy, and yet you should know all that it is possible for you to know about him before you cast your vote at the coming primary election.

This man would do most anything in the world to make money. He jumps on Judge Bethurum because he is a poor man, and has not accumulated a fortune while Circuit Judge. The salary of the office merely meets

the living expenses of the Judge, and it is to the everlasting credit of him that he has not grown rich in office what would have indicated that he had other incomes than the salary of the office. But Kennedy would do most anything to make money. I know what I am talking about. He went about pretending to represent, and preach Christ and Him Crucified for several years, and because he thought there was more money in it, he quit the high and sacred calling of a Minister of the Gospel, and opened up the most disreputable saloon that ever disgraced any town, right in Monticello, Ky., and ran it for several years to the terror of the good citizens of that town.

This was made known six years ago during the race for Circuit Judge, and Kennedy did not attempt to deny it. He cut

denied it. This is all most people would require to prove him unfit for the office of Circuit Judge.

Mr. Brown is doing the district a real service by exposing the true nature of this man Kennedy. Republicans, come to Somerset on the 30th of July (next Saturday) and hear Brown expose the true life of H. C. Kennedy. He knows all and will tell it.

HOPEWELL

Mr. John B. Price who has been working in Harlan for several weeks was called home last week on account of the serious illness of Mrs. Price. — Mr. and Mrs. Jop McClure of Pongo are with friends and relatives at this place. — Mrs. Clara Carmichael spent Monday with Mrs. J. B. Cummins, at Mt. Vernon. — Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Shepherd spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Bingham Shepherd, near Renfro. — Homer Carmichael went to Danville Saturday. — Mrs. Annie Sexton and children of Spiro spent last week with friends and relatives at this place. — We have been having some good showers in this part and crops are looking well. — Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Robins attended the fifth Sunday meeting at Brindle Ridge, Sunday. — Mrs. Tom Livesay, of Wadd, spent from Friday to Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Livesay at this place. — Mr. John Kirby spent Sunday with his sister Mrs. Ella Mink, at Hanford. — Shirley Carmichael spent Saturday night and Sunday with his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cummins at Mt. Vernon. — Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hines spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Pleas Debord at Mt. Vernon, and attended church at Brindle Ridge. — Mrs. John Kirby and Cleo spent Sunday with Mrs. Wm. Sowder, at Mt. Vernon. — Mrs. Ambrose Hasty and children spent Sunday with Mrs. Wm. Sowder.

Maretburg Literary Society will put on their first program on Friday evening, the 5th. Those on the Program Committee are Herbert Owens, Thomas Sams and Chester Owens. The secretary is Clarice Sams, with Gertrude Houston as president.

We are hoping to see all the parents out, as their co-operation is needed very much.

School is progressing nicely, with a large attendance.

Anna M. Houston, Teacher.

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JUDGE FLIPPIN COMMONWEALTH'S ATTORNEY

Vindicates Judge Bethurum

I have been Commonwealth's Attorney for this district for the past five and a half years, and as such have conducted the trial of all criminal cases for the Commonwealth in the Circuit Court. I have tried these cases of course before Judge Bethurum, as the Judge, I think that I know when a fair trial of a case is given, and in justice to Judge Bethurum, whose record is attacked, I must say that he has impressed me throughout my term as Attorney for the Commonwealth, as being perfectly fair and impartial and desiring to see the law enforced in every case. As Commonwealth's Attorney I am bound to say that Judge Bethurum has given me fair treatment. I am familiar with the criticism being offered in the Green and Mize cases and I know that there is no merit in these contentions. The Judge gave the usual instructions in both of these cases, and the juries heard and disposed of the cases which they had the power to do, without interference of the Judge.

W. N. Flippin

Commonwealth's Attorney, 23 District.

Airplane at Fair

The Mt. Vernon Fair Association has just closed a deal with L. B. Conn of Stanford to send his aeroplane to the Mt. Vernon Fair for the three days. Lieut. Coates of Richmond will be the pilot and will carry passengers each day. If you have never been up in the air come to the Mt. Vernon Fair and take a ride with Lieut. Coates in the air.

Stock Company

The Hefner-Vinson Stock Co., which is playing a week's engagement in their big tent on Bordette McKenzies lot on Lancaster street, gave their initial performance last night to a big crowd. "The Girl He Could Not Buy" was the offering and it was very cleverly presented. James Hefner and Miss Beatrice LeRoy leading man and lady, are exceptionally good, and their support for the most part is satisfactory. The specialties given between acts are laugh-provoking and clever. The bill for tonight, Tuesday, is "Lena Rivers," a very pretty play, and it is probable

that a tent full of people will witness it. The prices are 20c for children and 35c for adults war tax included. Billy Bane, the clever advance man, claims he has the best tent show on the road and a number of those who saw the performance last night are inclined to the belief that he has. —Interior Journal.

A new Rubber Tire BANNER Buggy can be used by most any one anywhere. Somebody gets one FREE at the Mt. VERNON FAIR, next week.

