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**Fred Cornelius**

Prompted by numerous solicitations from Laurel and Rockcastle counties, as well as an ambition of my own, to do something worth while in life, I have decided to be a candidate for the nomination and election to the office of Representative.

Having tried to make speeches for the Republican party since before I became a voter, of course I am subject to the action of that party, as will be expressed at the August primary, 1917.

I was born in a log cabin, in Laurel county, reared on a poor farm and trained in all the hardships known in the experience of a poor boy.

By laboring early and late I have acquired my own education, amid many discouragements and disappointments. I have taught nine years in the public schools.

I also am a farmer—I will labor and vote for any measure that will aid the farmer.

It is but just and fair that his every interest should be protected, as it is he who protects life and keeps the wheels of industry moving. I am in full sympathy with the laboring class, and will vote for any measure that will be to their interest.

I shall stand for the total eradication of the Liquor Traffic, and as further evidence of my position on this question have made a number of temperance speeches in this and surrounding communities.



**JUDGE G. M. BALLARD**

### TO THE REPUBLICANS OF ROCKCASTLE COUNTY:

You no doubt read the article in last week's Signal entitled: "Record of County Judge Exposed." It seems that I must have done something for the 3 1/2 years that I have served as County Judge as it takes all the sheets of the Mt. Vernon Signal to publish it, three men to get up the record and one to sign it. So far as to my platform of four years ago, I have carried out, or attempted to do so, every letter of it. I told you then that if elected, County Judge no man would be able to put a collar around my neck to do his bidding and this I have kept, and will continue the same services if nominated and elected again. So far as my salary as County Judge, I went on record and only ask for the \$500, but the governing authorities hold it as the prior order stood, viz: \$800.00 per year and of which my predecessors had been receiving. So far as the pauper claims of the county are concerned I will leave that with the merchants of the county and also to the ones who have received assistance. I can safely say, Mr. Mullins, that you had a sister that received help for your vice, I am sorry to say, who is now in the asylum. And on the other hand one of your strongest supporters, old man Bill Cotton, a cripple, is now receiving assistance and has been for years. Will you stop this claim if you should be County Judge? I can further say Mr. Mullins, that the last few years has been a very trying time on the sick and afflicted people of not only Rockcastle county but other counties as well. Now, Mr. Mullins, I am not responsible for the judicial work of the county as the courts have so decided that this is left in the hands of the judge. I did try to stop it but as you state, the courts decided against me and you got your coat in that suit which you should have given on your terms of

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**JUDGE B. J. BETHURUM.**

Somerset, Ky., July 2nd, 1917.

### TO THE REPUBLICANS OF ROCKCASTLE COUNTY:

The primary election for the nomination of a county ticket will soon be held in Rockcastle County, and I naturally feel interested in the personnel of the ticket.

Two years ago I was, as you know, a candidate for the republican nomination for the office which I now hold. I was importuned to make the race by good republicans all over the district, but the republicans of my home county made an appeal to me which was at once touching and impressive, and which was in a great measure responsible for my getting into the race for re-election. That appeal was signed by all the newly elected county officials, including your present county judge. In order that you may have your attention directed to it, and your memories refreshed concerning this appeal, it is here given:

Mt. Vernon, Ky., Jan. 5th, 1914

Judge B. J. Bethurum,  
Somerset, Ky.

### Dear Judge:

The undersigned newly elected officers of Rockcastle County, hereby ask and request you to stand for re-election as judge of this judicial district.

1st—Because we have known you through your whole life and know that you have lived a life blameless and above reproach in every respect, and that you have the confidence and respect of all the people of the county of your birth.

2nd—Because you are thoroughly qualified and competent to fill the office, and are now filling it with great ability, and to the satisfaction of all.

3rd—Because you are a true and loyal republican and never seek nor try to defeat nominees of the republican party but always faithfully and loyally support them!

4—That because of your ability as a lawyer, your excellent record as a judge, your sterling republicanism, your spotless character as a man, the people of this county demanding that you again make the race for circuit judge.

- G. M. Ballard, Co. Judge,
- E. H. Gentry, Co. Atty.
- S. F. Bowman, Co. Clerk,
- Cam Mullins, Sheriff,
- P. M. Rash, Assessor,
- T. J. Nicely, Circuit Clerk,
- W. A. B. Davis, Supt. of Schools,
- W. F. Catron, Coroner,
- James Winstead, Jailor,
- Doc Cummins, Deputy Sheriff,
- Jack Abney, Deputy Sheriff, and all the district officers.

I was delighted with this indorsement of the republicans of the county, made through your county officials, and so personally expressed myself to all of the signers of the above writing. Judge Ballard often reiterated his promise of support, made in this letter and indorsement, and on one occasion at a meeting of several of my friends at the court house made a speech in which he said he was for me heartily and would make a fight for me. He also wrote me a personal letter in which he avowed his intention of supporting me.

Now you naturally would expect a man to keep his promise, made to a candidate for office, and especially so when that man had been honored by a great county like Rockcastle as its highest officer. But he violated his pledge of support often made and went out over this judicial district and tried to make speeches against me, and supported a candidate of another, an absolute stranger, whose qualification to hold the office of circuit judge was questioned by the ablest lawyers of the district.

Your present sheriff, Cam Mullins, who is now a candidate for county judge on the republican ticket, signed that indorsement and appended to me to make the race for circuit judge, and his conduct in that election showed that his word is as good as his promise. My constituents did not support Mr. Mullins in his race for sheriff four years ago, and he well knew that fact, but when he put his signature to a writing containing a sacred promise to support the candidacy of a man for office, he stood faithfully by that promise and delivered the goods at the polls. Nothing more is required to convince any man that Mullins, from the standpoint of personal integrity, is the one who should be nominated. No man whose promise is worthless should be placed in a responsible position. Ballard made the promise with full knowledge of all the facts and circumstances connected with my candidacy, and these basely broke them. Mullins is too good a man to repudiate his promise. After I was nominated over my opponent, Ballard refused to support me in the final race, and voted and worked for Cross, my democratic opponent. Mullins stood like a hero and helped to save the district from the calamity that then threatened it.

Mullins has always been true to his party and all of its nominees. Ballard has never been a true party man, but has time and again tried to destroy the party by voting and working against its nominees. Which one, then, will receive your vote? The real man, or the man who wont keep his promises and wont stand by the party in time of need? I believe that honor should be practiced in politics as well as business, and that when I promise a man to support his candidacy I should be bound by that promise, and that if I repudiate it I am not worthy the confidence of the men.

In addition to the above reasons why Ballard should not be re-elected, he should be refused another term because he has made a woeful failure. His administration has been characterized from start to finish by reckless extravagance and waste of the peoples money. If he should be again placed in control of the office of county judge, and should waste the county's money during the coming four years as he has wasted it in the past, my judgment is that the county would be plunged into such hopeless bankruptcy that it would not recover in the next fifty years. Ballard has no business capacity, and besides he cares nothing for the people or their interest, and being thus constituted and disposed, he is a dangerous man with whom to entrust the destinies of the county for another term.

Cam Mullins has shown by his conduct of the office of sheriff, and by the business like manner in which he has administered the affairs of that important office, that he has the business capacity to run the office of sheriff of this county, and can likewise make a success as county judge. Sheriff Mullins is not a business capacity, and besides he cares nothing for the people or their interest, and being thus constituted and disposed, he is a dangerous man with whom to entrust the destinies of the county for another term. God knows that I would not want to impose upon the people of my native county an unworthy and incompetent man for any official position. You people have stood by me in all my struggles. You have helped me to overcome every obstacle that obstructed the pathway to official position and personal success. In fact you have never hesitated to show your confidence and affection for me, and I would suffer my right arm severed from my body rather than give you incorrect advice in such an important matter. I know that Cam Mullins is fully competent to fulfill the duties of the office of county judge, and I believe he would make one of the best the county has ever had. All this I talk about his want of ability is an effort to deceive and mislead. I have had abundant opportunity to determine whether or not he is competent to hold this office, and I say with all the earnestness that I possess that he is abundantly qualified, and from all indications

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**W. H. KRUEGER.**

### TO THE CITIZENS OF ROCKCASTLE COUNTY, ESPECIALLY THE DEMOCRATIC VOTERS:

It has been circulated by some three or four persons, some of whom are office holders and some of them office seekers in Rockcastle county who are Republicans and who pretend to be loyal American citizens, that I have made disgraceful statements against our flag, our country and our president.

I request the citizens of Rockcastle county, as well as the Democratic voters to demand of those, who have made these statements and who in the future make these statements, to swear out a warrant immediately against me, in which they set up the exact language of the alleged statements and say to them that it is their duty as loyal citizens to do that at once; and if they do not do as you request, you may know that their object in this is false, untrue and for a selfish purpose, and that purpose is to save their party of opposition in the November election.

I know that the Democratic voters of Rockcastle county are not so narrow-minded as to let false statements of this character, from Republicans prejudice their minds against a candidate on the Democratic ticket, and that you will think of them as I do, that any man who would put at stake the patriotism of this nation and its individual citizens, in order to accomplish a few minor objects in county politics is not worthy of being an American citizen.

I have always voted the Democratic ticket in national and state races since I have been a voter; twice I have voted for our president; I have voted for all Democratic Governors of the state. I intend to always vote the Democratic ticket, in National, State and County races.

This I have to promise to the Democratic voters of Rockcastle, that I will always remain loyal to our nation, to our presidents, to our flag and to our party. If you nominate me as your candidate for the office of County Attorney, I will make a fight such as the Republicans have never met with in this county, and should I be defeated for the office which I am seeking, the Republican who beats me, will never forget, as long as he lives, that he had opposition in the November election 1917.

Very truly yours,  
W. H. KRUEGER

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As a candidate for the nomination for  
County Attorney of Rockcastle county,  
subject to the action of the Democratic Party  
at August Primary, 1917.

We are authorized to announce  
**Chas. T. Riddle of Bushrod, Ky.**  
Candidate for Magistrate Fifth District  
Horse and N. & E. Headrod Pre-  
dicts subject to Democratic Primary  
Aug. 4, 1917.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

We are authorized to announce  
the following persons as candidates for the  
respective offices in Rockcastle county,  
subject to the action of the Democratic Party  
at August, 1917:  
**PURSE DISTRICT**  
Cam Mathews, of Mt. Vernon, Ky.  
G. M. Ballard, of Mt. Vernon, Ky.  
S. N. Griffin, of Spiro, Ky.  
**FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY.**  
E. R. Cooney, of Mt. Vernon, Ky.  
E. H. Thompson, of Mt. Vernon, Ky.  
S. D. Lewis, of Mt. Vernon, Ky.  
**FOR SHERIFF**  
Tip Langford, of Mt. Vernon, Ky.  
J. C. Clark, of Orlando, Ky.  
**FOR CLERK OF COURT CLERK.**  
J. R. Cummins, of Mt. Vernon, Ky.  
J. E. Bowman, of Mt. Vernon, Ky.  
James Proctor, of Orlando, Ky.

**FOR JAILER.**  
"Little" Tom Taylor, of Mt. Vernon, Ky.  
Levine Sander, of Mt. Vernon, Ky.  
G. W. Dickler, of Colossville, Ky.  
J. N. Southard, of Fox Hill, Ky.  
Frank Mathews, of Mt. Vernon, Ky.  
R. B. Shephard, of Orlando, Ky.  
J. W. Chastain, of Johnetta, Ky.  
J. L. Arnold, of Livingston, Ky.  
Jas. Winstead, of Mt. Vernon, Ky.  
S. A. Drew, of Burr, Ky.  
Harry Jones, of Hart, Ky.  
Jas. Shelton, of Livingston, Ky.  
Eugene Cooney, of Fox Hill, Ky.

**FOR SUIP. OF SCHOOLS.**  
Mrs. Alice Davis, of Mt. Vernon, Ky.  
W. K. Dickerson, of Livingston, Ky.

**FOR ASSASSOR.**  
C. T. Sigmond, of Mt. Vernon, Ky.  
W. H. Cernikal, of Mt. Vernon, Ky.

**FOR COUNTY SURVEYOR.**  
Rev. W. M. Darham, Johnetta, Ky.

**FOR MAGISTRATE.**  
First District.  
W. M. Sander, of Mt. Vernon, Ky.  
Patricia Districter, of  
G. W. Murphy, of Livingston, Ky.

**FIFTH DISTRICT.**  
Josiah Meese, of Hasnsford, Ky.  
**FOR CONSTABLE.**  
First District.  
J. A. Jones, of Mt. Vernon, Ky.

**FOR REPRESENTATIVE.**  
7th Legislative District.  
Laurel and Rockcastle.  
John R. Floyd, of Laurel County.  
G. A. Settle, of London, Ky.  
G. W. Vandevander, of Laurel County.  
Fred Cornelius, of Laurel County.

The forecast from the Department of Agriculture, based on crop conditions, July 1st, shows that the American people may not sleep the summer away. There are thirteen million more acres in corn than we had last year; thirteen million more than in any previous year. The wheat crop, discouraging as it has been will be about thirty-eight million bushels better than last year. And the potato crop will be about thirty-two million bushels better than the best crop in past years. All of this shows how quickly America can divert a threatening world famine. Every year America is proud of its country's answer to the appeal of our President for our best wheat. Rockcastle county responded to this appeal well, but we can do more yet than we have done. Many bushels of apples rot on the ground, in this county, every year. The surplus on our gardens often decays where it grows. Enough blackberries went to waste here last year that we could have loaded several cars. We are all guilty of this sin of waste. These things may look commonplace, but the number of bushels of corn, wheat, potatoes, etc. that we can send to Europe depends largely on the quality of these other things that we put up for home use. Furthermore, the average farmer buys very little to eat during the summer months. Yet, he lives better during these months than at any other time. Why should he not put up veget-

tables and fruits enough to last throughout the winter. Live as well then as at other times, and at the same low cost? We all love to solve our problems, with our love to help from others. The food problem is the world's biggest problem today. But it is one that every man, with a very few acres of land at his disposal, can solve for himself.

**OIL NEWS.**

The Rockcastle Oil & Gas Co. is now at work on the Josiah Meese place and have gone down about 250 ft. This is the fifth well this concern has put down, with a good showing of oil in each. The last well drilled by them—No. 2 on the R. L. Bray farm showed a fine quality of sand of more than 20 ft thickness.

The Mathews-Sentz Oil Co. has contracted with the Rockcastle Oil & Gas Co. to begin drilling in the Ponce section on or before August 1st.

The Shafer drill will begin work immediately on the H. H. Mink place, or in that vicinity.

In the eastern part of the county, the Republic Oil Co. which has bought out the Kentucky Producers Oil Co., brought in a well last week on Squire Lanbert's place, which is pumping about five barrels per day. This company is now at work on the F. M. Tredway place. The W. J. Sparks Co. are doing the drilling on the Tredway place.

**TO THE VOTERS OF ROCKCASTLE COUNTY, KY.**  
July 9, 1917.

I am a fairly informed and well-to-do citizen who for some time has been trying to keep a secret from me and my friends, by not making his statement public by publishing in the paper so that it might be seen by all concerned. This affidavit is stating that I made the assertion that I would not be a candidate for constable unless J. H. Lamert would make the race for magistrate. I want to make this statement that I never made this remark to W. H. Riddle or any other man, and I will deposit \$10 in the hands of Mt. Vernon for any man that will prove that I ever made such a statement. I am, and have been, a candidate for this office long before W. H. Riddle made any announcement that he was a candidate for the office. I have served the people in this capacity for some time to the satisfaction of the people whom I have had any business with. I am a candidate for re-election to this office solely on my own merits and am not connected in this race with any one else. I ask the voters of this Magistrate district to make all necessary inquiries into my record as an officer and upon that record I propose to make the race for the nomination for re-election subject to the action of the Republicans of this district on August 4, 1917.

When I was a candidate four years ago W. H. Riddle was against me and did all he could but I had no idea of his coming out against me and making the race, his sin is not to be elected, which he must know there is no chance, but in order to take from me enough votes to elect another man. I have been a voter for 40 years and have always supported the party. W. H. Riddle two years ago voted the Democratic ticket to my own knowledge, and was an officer of the election and he claimed to be unable to vote in the booth on account of his eye sight and therefore voted on the table and voted the Democratic ticket. I am informed by J. W. Mink that he voted for Woodrow Wilson for President last fall, and W. H. Riddle told him he did so. As I understand the act alone would make it against the custom of the Republican party if not against the law, to become a candidate and ask the Republicans to elect him as a republican when his last vote cast was for Democratic candidates. I do not like the idea of being compelled to do this against my brother, but cannot afford under the circumstances to let those assertions go unanswered.

Yours etc.,  
**B. A. RIDDLE.**

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JUDGE BETHURUM  
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ions he will be the next county judge of your good county. I expect you to not to make another mistake. I warned you four years ago what would happen if Ballard should be elected county judge.

For the reasons given in this letter it is my intention to come to Rockcastle County and make speeches in behalf of Mr. Mullins and urge his nomination, and appeal to the Republican party to support him in the coming primary. To do so means to stand by the party itself, if, stand for law enforcement, for good government in the county, and for the commercial development and growth of the county in future years.

Your sincere friend,  
**B. J. BETHURUM**

**CORNELIUS.**  
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James Winstead  
Jailer.

I nominated and elected, and I have good reasons to believe that I will be, I shall always be found at my post of duty and will register my protest with every ounce of my energy against the present unfair representation as fostered by the party in power in this State.

I am in favor of a fair, redemptive law, based on the State's present population, complying with the mandates of the State Constitution giving to every section of the State equal representation in making laws to govern our people.

I fully realize the important duties of the office under the existing circumstances in Kentucky. This State is now over four million dollars in debt; therefore it becomes necessary to abolish all unnecessary offices, commissions and boards, that were created to give some ward politician a job at the expense of our taxpayers.

I appeal to you for your vote and influence.

I am a young man and ask this honor of you that I may be given a chance in life to make a public record.

For your support, and influence in this race I promise you honest and zealous service in office. Help me to win!

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