The Creation of Broward County

POLITICS AND ELECTIONS

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“Democratic Central Committee Meets”

A Large Attendance of Candidates

Committee Appointed to Determine the Eligibility of Voters of the New County Assessments Collected

The Democratic County central committee met in this city Wednesday to receive applications and fees from the candidates who have announced for the different offices in the new county. All members of the committee were present and the council chamber in the city building was crowded with candidates.

A committee was appointed to visit Miami and West Palm Beach to compare registration books and determine who is qualified to vote.

Every one who has paid 1913 taxes and who voted in the last election will be allowed to participate in this primary and men who have been here only one year who have paid tax 1914 can vote on June 12. Mr. Mullikin [Mulliken] offered a resolution that the one in their respective districts who received a majority vote would be recommended for appointment for county commissioners.

Some objections were made, but Mr. Mullikin explained that the three candidates in Ft. Lauderdale might get the highest votes and could claim to be recommended to the Governor for appointment. The committee adjourned until June 15, when they will canvass votes and send in names for appointment.

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“Broward Officials Nominated Saturday”

Intense Interest Shown in First Primary

Governor Trammell Will Appoint the Men to Fill the Offices Who Were Successful at the Polls

As a result of the Primary held last Saturday, Governor Trammell will ap-point as officers for the new county of Broward, the men designated by the voters of the county.

A fairly good vote was cast, however a vast number who wanted to participate in Broward County’s first election were unable to do so by reason of not being properly registered. 260 votes were cast in Ft. Lauderdale, which was probably about one third of those who have resided here the required length of time, but who had neglected to register or pay poll tax.

There were many spirited contests and in some instances the vote was very close. Very little mud-slinging was indulged in and the losing candidates accepted defeat gracefully. Following is the vote of the county:

CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
Frank A. Bryan .......................... 375

FOR SHERIFF
J. A. Saxon .................................. 61
A. W. Turner .............................. 295
Lucian Craig .............................. 92
L. M. Bryan .............................. 61

FOR TAX COLLECTOR
W. 0. Berryhill ............................ 463

FOR TAX ASSESSOR
H. C. Davis .............................. 232
W. Q. Bryan .............................. 266

FOR COUNTY TREASURER
W. P. Cromer ............................. 144
J. G. Ewing .............................. 233
H. G. Wheeler ............................ 119

FOR COUNTY JUDGE
Samuel L. Drake ......................... 176
J. F. Bunn ............................... 258
Geo. L. Glasser .......................... 68

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER
First District
W. L. Bracknell ......................... 263
Edward A. Thomas .................... 202
Second District
C. D. Hinson ............................ 173
I. I. Hardy .............................. 274
Third District
W. H. Marshall ......................... 177
J. J. Joyce .............................. 305
Fourth District
John W. Mullikin ....................... 194
Alexander B. Lowe .................... 297

Fifth District
C. E. Ingalls .................. 311
H. S. Hobbs .................. 154

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY
Thos. B. Norfleet .................... 196
G. A. Frost .................. 291

SUPERVISOR OF REGISTRATION
D. G. Tenbrook .................... 269
D. D. Oliver .................. 239

SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
J. M. Holding ........................... 429

MEMBER OF SCHOOL BOARD
F. L. Neville .................. 354
C. D. Kittredge .................. 361
A. E. Harry .......................... 214
J. D. Butler .......................... 273

JUSTICE OF PEACE
Sixth Precinct
J. W. Hurdle .................. 325

Broward’s first sheriff, Aden Waterman Turner, served 1915-1922 and 1929-1933.
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“Editorial”

Broward county has passed into history, and brought with it some disappointments. But we will say that few counties has better men than we have named for the Governor’s appointment. The Board of County Commissioners, and school board, are especially strong. We can look for the best and most economical government of the county’s affairs. In the election of Mr. Turner of Pompano as sheriff, we named one of the best men for the place. He does not drink, is a man of the very best habits. Jim Holding will make one of the best School Superintendents in the state. In Frank Bryan it will be the right man in the right place as Secretary of the County Board. Having been a member of the Dade County Board he knows all the rules and laws governing them. So will be an able adviser for the Board of County Commissioners. In Bracknell, Lowe, Hardy, Ingalls and Joyce, we will have men who will guard the best interest of the taxpayers. In Judge Bunn we have a man who will be an impartial arbiter and will measure out equal and exact justice to all. We have in G. A. Frost an able and honest man for Prosecuting Attorney. We are very fortunate to have Kittredge, Butler and Neville to manage our school system. Quince Bryan will please every one as Tax-Assessor, and no one who knows him will doubt Berryhill, as he is one of the best fellows in our county.