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Segregationist Brady Becomes Gubernatorial Candidate

State Supreme Court Justice Thomas P. Brady officially joined Fayette Mayor Charles Evers as an independent candidate in the governor's race Thursday.

Bobbie Faye Emerson and others who had contemplated running as independents failed to qualify with Secretary of State Heber Ladner when the qualification deadline passed yesterday.

Brady's entry is a response to the challenge by announced black independent candidate Charles Evers to Democratic Nominee Bill Waller over campaign expenditures.

"An overwhelming majority of qualified electors of Mississippi spoke in the Democratic primaries and designated William Waller as their choice for Governor," stated Brady. "In order that the rights of these people be protected, and for this reason only, I am announcing my candidacy as an independent for the office of governor."

Violation

Evers charges violation of the ceiling of \$25,000 per primary for campaign expenditures, based on the 1935 Mississippi Corrupt Practices Act. Mississippi Atty. Gen. A. F. Summer maintains that act has been legally repealed. The 1971 legislature on April 9 enacted a law repealing the expenditure restric-

tions of the old law, but under the 1965 Voting Rights Act any new state voting law must be approved by the U.S. attorney general.

Although primary elections were held on August 3 and 23, the new law was submitted to Mitchell Sept. 2. He approved the law Sept. 14.

Patrol and presiding judge of the 14th Judicial District. He is now on the Mississippi Supreme Court.

Considered a staunch conservative, Brady is also noted for his viscous attack on the 1954 U.S. Supreme Court desegregation decision in a book called **BLACK MONDAY**.



BRADY

Brady was born in New Orleans and is a graduate of Yale University with a law degree from the University of Mississippi. Brady served as former commissioner of the State Highway

Reactions of various state leaders varied from marked disagreement to complete silence.

I never thought I'd live to see the day when so many Mississippi politicians are as confused as they are now," said Evers. "A justice wouldn't be coming into the race if he didn't have reason to believe Waller has violated the law, otherwise we wouldn't have this kind of reaction, people qualifying, trying to save the great heritage," he said.

Waller has repeatedly refused comment.

Early Tuesday, state Atty. Gen. Summer said he thought "Charles Evers' threat is all bluff," and maintained Wednesday that he had "definite" assurance from the Justice Department that the new law had legally superseded the 1935 act.

Replying to Summer's state-

ment, Evers said, "Let him hold his breath if he thinks I'm bluffing."

"My attorneys are working on the case now, both in Jack-

son and in Washington," he said.

Evers said the entrance of Judge Brady "doubles" his own chances of winning.

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making its way to bigger fish.

The whole process is not as yet fully understood, nor is it known how long the mercury will remain at the bottom of the lake. Estimates range up to a hundred years. Vanderbilt University recently received a \$150,000 grant to do a 16 month study on the problem, according to Clemmer.

Waterway supporters see the economic and recreational benefits of the system as the most important reasons for its completion. Wilkins says the waterway will mean 28,000 new jobs with non-polluting industries to Mississippi. He adds that the "pollution of poverty" is the

worst form of pollution in Mississippi.

The state must supply \$30 million in conjunction with the waterway. Bill Fowlkes, Tombigbee River Valley Management District chairman, feels the waterway will be worth far more than that to the state. He cites the Army Engineers' cost benefit ratio of 1.60 to 1 on a study of existing industries and the Mississippi Research and Development Center's figures of 34-1 expansion benefits ratio to support his views.

Here again, however, the environmentalists disagree. Clemmer says that a reevaluation of corps figures show a \$1 cost to ten cent benefit and cites that Paul Roberts of the University of Florida says the benefits are a matter of conjecture.

Danforth Awards Open

Students planning careers in college teaching may be eligible for Danforth Fellowships worth over \$3,000 annually, according to Dr. John Sutphin, campus representative.

Men and women who are seniors or recent graduates of accredited U.S. colleges, and who plan to study for a Ph.D may apply for the fellowships, to be awarded in March, 1972.

Applicants must be under 30, and must not have begun any graduate or professional study at the time of the application.

They must be nominated by liaison officers of their undergraduate institutions by Nov. 1. Dr. Sutphin is the Mississippi State University liaison officer.

Danforth fellows are eligible for four years of financial assistance, with a maximum annual living stipend of \$2,700 for single fellows and \$2,950 for married fellows, plus tuition and fees. Dependency allowances are available. Financial need is not

a condition for consideration.

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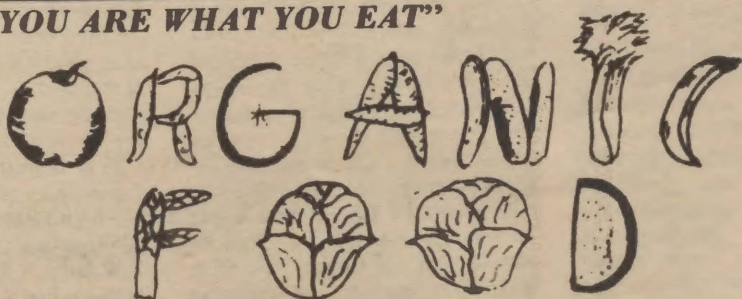
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