

DUMONT KENNEDY -- running for Mayor

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Dumont Kennedy, the candidate for mayor has lived here all his life. The Kennedy name, figures large in the history of this county and no man can point to a single spot on its record. He has held the prosecuting attorney's office two terms, the office of clerk at the Circuit Court 8 years and is as well known as any man that could be placed in office in the city. There is not a closed page in his whole life. In the public offices that he has held, was he known as a grafter? Has a single suggestion of dishonesty ever been made of him? Did he as an office holder of his party do anything to the public detriment? Does the community afford a man more noted for his strength and breadth of mind; more vigorous and wholesome in his common sense ideas and views? Can you think of any person in all the range of your acquaintances to whom you would more readily or unreservedly entrust your affairs or those of your family? Do you know of anybody who is more nearly "the salt of the earth?" Have you ever hoped for better timber for mayor than Dumont Kennedy?

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Can any one name the boss in any party that will control the actions of the above men if elected, and if controlled will such control lead them against the best interests of the city? In their choice of men to run the various departments of the city has the past administration of the men now in office chosen anyone for the benefit he would do the party? Have they been chosen for the part's good of the city's and have these appointees made good? Not a single man in the above list has sought his nomination. They have not been "hand picked," by any committee guided by the subtle influences of wily politicians, they were selected by a large representation of a majority of the voters of Crawfordsville in an open, public convention. The service and sacrifice demanded of them in nearly all cases will not be paid for by the nominal salaries offered. This city is asking of these business men a favor. Would not any city be fortunate to have its affairs left in their hands?