

# The "Grandfather" Amendment

Unscrupulous persons have been trying to lead the people to believe that the proposed amendment to the Oklahoma Constitution will disfranchise the illiterate white man and the Indian. They are making these statements for political purposes, knowing them to be untrue. Following is a true copy of the amendment. Read it for yourself and remember that the Indians had a form of government before 1866 and made treaties with the government of the United States. Here is the proposed amendment, read carefully.

"No person shall be registered as an elector of this state, or be allowed to vote in any election held herein, unless he be able to read and write any section of the Constitution of the state of Oklahoma; but no person who was, on January 1, 1866, or at any time prior thereto entitled to vote under any form of government, or who at that time resided in some foreign nation and no lineal descendant of such person shall be denied the right to register and vote because of his inability to so read and write sections of such Constitution."

The illiterate negro is the only person in any way affected by the amendment, and if you want the politics of our state freed from his influence vote for the bill. The designing politician who tells you that Indians, or white men who can not read or write will be disfranchised simply lies. He wants to retain the negro in politics for the purpose of using his vote for corrupt purposes.

**Help Protect the white people of counties where negroes reside in large numbers from their pernicious influence.**