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Important Work is Being Done by Kentucky Folk-Lore Society.

Attention of the readers of this paper is called to the efforts of the recently formed Kentucky Folk-Lore Society. This Society is trying to collect and preserve all kinds of folk-lore, of which there is much in Kentucky. The Society desires the assistance of all good Kentuckians, so that the unprinted songs, legends, customs etc., of our State, some of which are passing away with this generation, may be recorded.

Many readers of this article can help in the work. The school teachers of the county are especially in a position to get unprinted songs that children and others sing. The following are the kinds of folk-lore that the Society is collecting:

SONGS—Many people sing songs learned from their parents or neighbors and probably never printed. All kinds are wanted by the Society—religious songs, love songs, Civil War songs, songs of robberies or fights, etc. Songs of both negroes and whites are desired. Mountain songs and ballads are especially in demand.

SIGNS AND SUPERSTITIONS—Stories of "hunts," ghosts, hoodoo cures, and the like are desired. The negroes may have many of these.

LEGENDS—Unprinted stories of the Civil War times, anecdotes of the period before the war, duels, feuds and traditions handed down from Indian days, are worth saving.

DIALECT—Unusual words, words used in unusual senses in a given locality, and survivals (such as are common in the Kentucky mountains) of old words or meanings are desired. The origin of our geographical names also needs to be worked out.

MISCELLANEOUS—Besides the above, record is wanted of peculiarly local games, plays, and dances, and local jokes, riddles, and proverbs.

Please note these suggestions: (1) record the material just as you found it, mistakes and all; (2) indicate where, when and from whom you got it; (3) indicate whether you got it from recitation, from an old manuscript, from singing, or from your own memory; (4) indicate when, where, or from whom your informant got it.

Dr. D. L. Thomas, Danville, Ky., the Secretary of the Society, will be glad to answer any questions. Any material, however slight, that is sent to him will be gladly welcomed by the Society.

SWAN LAKE

(By Shirley)

Miss Anna King is visiting her sister, Mrs. Lizzie Hurst, at Middlesboro.

Mag and Martha Terrell visited Mrs. G. B. Lawson, last Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Ellen Lawson was a pleasant guest of Mrs. Ellen Terrell, Sunday evening.

Mesdames. Maud and Lissie Warfield and families, of Lindsav, attended Church here Sunday.

Mesdames. Sarah McNeil and Mahala Jackson were calling on Mrs. Lizzie Sowers, Sunday.

G. M. Falkner and wife left last week for a few months' visit to their son, T. Faulkner, at Ashville, N. C.

John Sowers was the guest of his sister, Mrs. Zella Wilson, at Pineville, the latter part of last week.

Mrs. Mary L. Elliott entertained at dinner, Misses Stella Partl, Martha, Maggie and Myrtle Terrell, Mrs. Julia Jackson, and Mrs. Pearl Menden.

DECORATION DAY

John G. Eve Post, No. 221, Barbourville, Kentucky, will have their regular decoration, of the graves of the old Soldiers on Friday the 30th day of May. Owing to so many of our old Comrades are not able to march up to the Cemetery to strew the flowers on the graves. We will all get in line and march with the little school girls and boys out to the Union College campus, where we will have some fine speeches, by the Sons of Veterans, and others, as follows: J. M. Robison, son of veteran, J. T. Stamper, B. B. Golden, H. L. Taylor, John G. Matthews, E. B. Hemphill, Jas D. Black, S. T. Steel, and Walter N. Jarvis.

There will be a Committee of Ladies, and a few old Soldiers who will go to the Cemetery and strew the flowers on the graves of our fallen comrades.

We invite all our friends, both the Blue and the Gray, to go with us in the march. We expect to have good music on that day. All come.

Comrades and Friends, Besides the decoration, we will have our Memorial Sermon preached by Rev. E. R. Overley at the First Methodist Episcopal Church, on Sunday, the first day of June. Everybody are cordially invited to come. We love, in our old days, to see our friends mix and mingle with us the few days we linger here. Let all the other churches assemble with us on that day. A few more days and we will be over on the other shore.

Yours,

G. F. Bretz, Com.

P. D. Brittain, Adj.

A. S. Fuller, Q. M.

BULLETIN

1—The Act of 1912 requires all candidates for the office of County Superintendent, except those who are now in office, to hold a State Certificate issued by the State Board of Examiners, which does not expire during the anticipated term of office.

2—The applicant may qualify by taking a special examination to be held in the Department of Education, Frankfort, May 30 and 31, and June 27 and 28. This examination is in all respects equivalent to the examination for regular State Certificate.

3—The applicant may qualify by taking the regular State Examination, June 20 and 21, either in the county in which the applicant resides or in Frankfort, before the State Board of Examiners.

4—Applicants may qualify after nominations are made in the August Primary. However there is only one chance after the Primary, and that is in the regular State Examination in August, and the candidate can not take this examination, except in his home county, where he expects to run for office, or in Frankfort in the Department of Education.

5—Incumbents in office, under the law, are qualified by virtue of their past tenure of office, to run for reelection without further examination.

6—The 1912 law prescribes that all candidates who are not incumbents in office, must either have a certificate as herein described, or take this special examination, which is in all respects, the equivalent of a State Certificate. Therefore, all such candidates must have taught two years, the time required by law to secure a State Certificate. (Ky. Stat., Carroll, Sec. 4503; Ky. School Law, Hamlet, 1912, Sec. 79.)

BARKS DALE MAMLETT,
Superintendent Public Inst.

Blind Penitentiary

When a girl returns a man he is more readily than she the man to be blind to her own blindness.

R. N. Baldwin's Announcement For Republican Nomination For Representative of 69th District.

Who I Am.

TO THE VOTERS OF THE SIXTY-NINTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT:—

My name is Robert Newton Baldwin, my father's name is T. J. Baldwin, sometimes called Banjo Picking Tom Baldwin. His father's name was R. N. Baldwin. My grandfather taught school for thirty years, most of which time was spent in Knox and Whitley counties. He was known by all the older citizens of both counties. He was akin to all the Noes, Jarvis's and Stansberry's in Knox county, and the Denham's in Whitley county. My mother's name was Mary Cox, daughter of Amos Cox, of Knox county. Her mother's name was Malinda Owens, and her maternal grandmother was Rachel Johnson. Her paternal grandmother was Nancy Lee.

I am akin to the Walkers, Hammonds, Hembrees, Baines, Dayises, Lees, Bayses, Owenses, Cox's Stansberrys, Jarvises and Marsee's in Knox county, and the Lees, Roses, Caddells, Davises, Coxes, Goinses, Johnsons, Denhams, and Legeres and part of the Bennetts, Joneses and Lawsons, in Whitley.

I have taught school for eleven years. I have read law for more than two years. I have been a practical printer and newspaper man for more than five years. I have been very poor all my life, I have therefore been a hard worker wherever my lot has been cast. I have been raised as a farmer's boy. I have worked in the log woods and at various saw mills in the two counties until I know the conditions of the laboring man by actual experience.

When I was eighteen years of age I entered Williamsburg Academy without a penny of money—a stranger to everybody in the town. I worked my way, washing dishes, building fires, carrying coal and water, sweeping floors and other odd jobs, for four years. During the time I was in school I managed to live and work and study, while sleeping but four hours each night. I graduated from the Normal Department of Williamsburg Academy in May, 1905. I am glad to know that all the student body of the Academy during these four years was a unit in being my friends, and most of them are my friends today. Since 1905, I have been in school part of the time at Williamsburg Institute.

WHAT I AM

Now, I am a candidate for the Republican nomination for Representative from the Sixty-ninth Kentucky Representative District, subject to the action of the Republican primary election on the 2nd day of August next.

I stand upon the right side of every moral and economic question. I believe in better schools, lower taxes and the complete and thorough and effective prohibition of the liquor traffic. I believe in State aid for good roads. I believe in cultivating a better citizenship founded upon a true, moral basis and cultivated along the most utilitarian plans. I believe in boys and girls, the men and women of a great tomorrow; that whatsoever the boy soweth the man shall reap—that no nation can rise above its fountain head—no State can be better than its schools make it. I believe in the curse of ignorance, and in the efficacy of the schools. I believe I can be of benefit to the entire State by giving my services to the State next winter in the effort to make new laws suitable to present day conditions, and by helping to repeal or throw off laws which were made long ago and are now outgrown and out-of-date.

What I Want You to Do.

These are my reasons for wanting to go to represent you in the next session of the General Assembly. Now I cannot see every voter in both counties. I intend to travel over every road, up every creek and across every hill and mountain in the effort to see you. But when I come to see you some of you may not be at home. You may be in Barbourville or Williamsburg, away some place out of the county. That is the reason I am telling you in this manner, who I am, what I am, what I want to do and what I want you to do.

I am twenty-nine years of age, have worked hard all my life, now have a fair education, am in sympathy with the poor man, the laboring man and in favor of all moral reforms and progress that can be made in this State. If you are in sympathy with a poor man; if you believe that I am true and will be true to the interests of the laboring man; if you believe in better schools, longer terms and better salaries for teachers, and if you believe I have the courage of my conviction; if you are opposed to the traffic in alcoholic liquors, and if you believe I am in earnest in my advocacy of State-wide prohibition; if you believe in better laws and lower taxes and if you believe I will do my level best to bring all these things about, then I want you to vote for me.

Not only do I want you to vote for me yourself, I want you to tell all your friends and neighbors about me and urge them to vote for me. Write to your friends and relatives who live in the district but at a distance from you. Tell everybody you can to vote for R. N. Baldwin, the common people's friend. Many will do so through your advice and influence. I did not expect to win this race by myself when I concluded to run. I expected every school teacher who believes in longer terms and BETTER SALARIES, every preacher who believes in temperance and morality, every farmer who believes in lower taxes, every miner who believes in a fuller and more conscientious protection for himself and family to get behind my candidacy and make my fight their fight.

I have been a candidate for nearly three months and I am pleased to say that I have no cause to be disappointed yet. The people whom I wanted as classes to favor me are doing so to suit me exactly. I am more than pleased. I am DELIGHTED. Do all you can for me and be assured that all you may do or say in my favor will be duly appreciated and long and gratefully remembered. If I win the nomination for this office and if I am elected

Our Best Record

ON MAY 13TH THE DEPOSITS OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

WERE

\$195,774.88

Nearly two thousand dollars more than ever before in the history of this bank, while its assets were on this day more than a quarter million dollars - \$264,277.71.

We doubt if there is any bank in Kentucky that can boast such a wonderful growth in such a short length of time.

The surplus and undivided profits are now more than equal to the capital of this bank, making a total of capital and surplus of

\$50,000.00

Do business with a growing and prosperous bank.

We pay 3 percent interest on time deposits

FIRST NATIONAL BANK

BARBOURVILLE, - KENTUCKY

In November you may be certain that I will make my victory your victory when I go to represent you next winter in the Legislature. When I come into your neighborhood to speak I want all your friends to come with you to hear me.

With best wishes for you in every way I am

Very kindly,

R. N. BALDWIN.

GARD

TO THE CITIZENS AND VOTERS OF KNOX COUNTY:—

I hereby announce myself as candidate for Assessor of Knox County, subject to the action of the Republican Party at the General Primary in August.

I have been a citizen of this county practically all my life, having lived here ever since I was fifteen years old. I am living now where I was raised off Goose Creek in the Girdler precinct, seven miles east of Barbourville.

During all my life I have tried to treat every man square and I have always voted as I saw to the best interest of my country and my people. If I am given your support and nominated and elected, I pledge myself to carry out these same ideas in giving to my county my best services and to try at all times to give my influence toward the betterment of my people.

I have never been elected to an office in this county but have held the office of Chairman of School Division No. 4, and my life and past record is open to every man.

I will greatly appreciate anything done for me in this my first race and will be glad to return the favor if later it presents itself.

Very sincerely yours,

W. N. EPPERSON.

Sweet Potato Slips.

Five plants, several varieties, 25c per 100; \$2.50 per 1000. Lower prices in lots of five and ten thousand.

TOMATO PLANTS—At 35 to 50c per 100. Five by mail, assorted varieties, post paid, for 25c. Cannot send large quantities by mail as it is too expensive.

W. O. WREST,
Home Telephone 351,
MIDDLESBORO, KENTUCKY

Painting Window Shades.
Window shades that have become cracked and broken can be renovated by laying them flat on the floor and painting them with ordinary oil paint bought at any hardware store in small cans. Paint one side, let dry thoroughly before touching the other side. This treatment preserves the shades and makes them last years.

NOTICE.

On the 6th day of June, 1913, contract will be let at Barbourville, Ky., for the construction of 2 steel bridges in Knox county; one across Big Richland Creek, at Baileys Switch and which will be a 50-foot span, and one across Brush Creek, at Lay, Ky., which will be 45 foot span. I hereby reserve the right to reject any or all bids.

C. B. PARROTT,
may 23rd Road Engineer.

Government Homesteads

The United States Reclamation Service announces the availability for homestead entry some excellent irrigated farms in the well-known Shoshone irrigation project near the Yellowstone Park in Wyoming and in the Huntley and Belle Fourche projects in Montana and South Dakota. Water is now ready for delivery to these farms; and under the new three-year homestead law a liberal inducement is accorded settlers in that they are permitted five months' leave of absence in each year. The cost of the water right is repayable in ten annual installments without interest.

In all the foregoing districts there are already splendid transportation facilities, good roads, schools, stores, churches of practically all denominations and rural free delivery. For those with sufficient means to commence farming operations this offers an excellent opportunity to work out one's independence and to develop a paying farm. Mr. Albert V. Leonard, Settlement Agent of the Reclamation Service, Federal Bldg., Chicago, has available for distribution several descriptive pamphlets concerning these projects and will be glad to furnish them upon request.

Fair Comparison.

"Do you mean to say that you compare yourself to Shakespeare?" "Why not?" inquired the manager of the Clothesline Burlesque company. "Shakespeare had pretty much my experience. The critics treated him and the authorities were always threatening to close his show."—Washington Star.