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New Year Greeting to All

With this edition we present to the public our first effort in publishing for the benefit of the whole State and country a special edition showing the resources and undeveloped opportunities of our county. To those who have so ably assisted us with their patronage our thanks and given. We have determined upon a line of publicity for our interests, and shall hence in the future issue industrial editions for the sake of benefit of farming and trade.

Thousands of people are leaving the states where high-priced land is the rule, either through necessity or because they do not know of the wonderful opportunities that still exist in Kentucky. Right here we have a county rich in opportunity, where land is cheap, where nature has endowed us with all that she best could devise. Where there is need and desire, where the very earth is crying out to us to accept the gifts it is so ready to bestow. The great march of progress is with us. Let Calloway County keep a straight line. Today the United States boasts of 100,000,000 people. Millions are coming every year; we are growing by leaps and bounds. Today is the day of golden opportunity, especially for the citizens of rural communities. We, as a representative of our people, are proud of our city, our county, our State. We urge our people to lay aside, if any exists, any little disposition to knock. We want to present a solid front, a united effort, and the result will be the rapid growth and development of our whole interests.

This is our home; all we love and live for is here. Let us make it the best and most progressive town in Western Kentucky. We can do it. Everybody wants to do your part, and the rapid progress of the county will be pleasing and surprising to all.

"The Gazette" has adopted a policy of progress and beginning with this issue intends to hear a weekly second to none in the State of Kentucky. We will have the newsy, bright, pithy paper of the county. Got it now, but better every issue shall be our aim. We wish for all the coming year prosperity and happiness. "The Gazette" will enjoy it to the fullest extent, because it is working for that self-prosperity. Do your likewise and we will all enjoy a happy and prosperous year.

Murray, Kentucky, Friday, January 6, 1871.
Prominent Men of the State of Kentucky.

HON. JOHN K. HENDRICK.

John Kerr Hendrick was reared on a farm in Logan and Todd counties. He was educated in the private school of C. P. Shields at Cave Springs Academy, and at Bethel College, Russellville. Taught school in Crittenden county, Kentucky.

Mr. Hendrick read law under his uncle, Judge Caswell Bennett, late judge of the court of appeals of Kentucky; in 1874 he was admitted to the bar at Smithfield. He was married to Miss Lucile Gray, of Smithfield, in 1877; elected county attorney of Livingston county in 1888 and re-elected in 1892.

Mr. Hendrick was elected State Senator in 1897 from the Third senatorial district, composed of the counties of Calloway, Livingston, Lyon, and Trigg. While in the senate, he introduced and pushed to its final passage a resolution to investigate the office of state treasurer, which resulted in his exposure of the defalcations of Dick Tate, state treasurer, who was delegate from the state at-large in 1895 to the Democratic national convention at St. Louis.

Mr. Hendrick was elected to the fifty-fourth congress in 1894. While in congress he introduced and advocated a bill prohibiting officials of the United States government from buying or soliciting in claims or demands against the government. The bill resulted in protecting the government from many fraudulent claims. In 1899 he was employed by the democrahts in the contested cases against W. J. Taylor, and the minor offices and remained at Frankfort until the 25th of May, and when everybody else left the state, he remained at his post. He was employed to prosecute James D. Powers for the assassination of Governor Geobel, in conjunction with other able lawyers, and argued the case for the commonwealth each time it went to the jury, the defendant being convicted each time. He was the only proclamation Governor Geobel ever issued and read to the wounded man who signed it in the presence of many persons. He was in the night time at the request of Justice Habeil to swear Governor Geobel in as Governor.

He has made many speeches in behalf of the democratic principles in each campaign since he attained his majority. No man in the state has more warm and personal friends than John K. Hendrick. He is big in brain, big in heart, and his wide experience in state and political affairs, eminently qualifies him for the office of governor, a position for which he is now a candidate.

Edmondson, a dandy-hatted delegate of the family of Col. Whitmore, was seriously considering the offer of his wife during a night meeting at the Baptist church. The Colonel was going to reform, or convert, or join the church. "Well, Col.," said Edmondson, "the will to do anything for you, but I've made up my mind and I want to go to school with Jesus." 

Frankfort has 16,485 people, the smallest gain by the 10th census.

The population of November 15, 1861, was 14,796, a decrease of about 2,689 since 1860.

2 Ben Johnson, democrat, of Bardstown, was born near Bardstown, Nelson county, Ky., May 20, 1836. Graduated from St. Mary's College in Marion county, Ky. in June, 1857, with the degree of A. M.; graduated from the Louisville Law University, in 1862; was elected to the Kentucky house of representatives in August, 1863, and re-elected in 1867; was speaker in December of that year; was appointed collector of internal revenue for the fifth Kentucky district in July, 1881, and served four years; was chairman of the democratic state campaign committee, 1908; on November 6, 1905, was elected member of the Kentucky state senate, but resigned November 5, 1906; was elected to the Sixtieth Congress and re-elected to the Sixty-first Congress, receiving 34,544 votes to 21,280 for D. W. Gaddy Republican, and 175 for James Redmond, Socialist. In his last race for Congress in 1910 he carried every county in the fourth district something that no democrat has ever done before.

The Breckinridge News says of him: "The Hon. Ben Johnson, democratic nominee for congress in the Fourth district, is a man whose character is worthy of emulation. Personally, he is a man of strong will power, strength of character. Though a total stranger to all he has given his all and energy to the democratic ticket, and always with appreciable results."

BEN JOHNSON:

As Ben Johnson he is known and hailed far and wide by everybody. His popularity is boundless, and what makes it peculiar is that he possesses none of the traits or inclinations which are generally supposed to captivate. Though quiet and unassuming he has a rare intellect and keen insight into human nature that makes one instinctively like and trust him. When the occasion requires it he is an orator with an impressive delivery and a logical mind that arrows the respect and admiration of his contemporaries in the house of congress. In this respect it is the epitome of many that he ever excels his honored father, Governor William Johnson, who during his lifetime was recognized as one of the most gifted speakers this state ever produced.

Ben Johnson has all the requirements that a man should have to head the state ticket; he frankly desires the honor and there is no reason in the opinion of Kentucky a more able, deserving man. Time and again he has given his all and energy to the democratic ticket, and always with appreciable results.
Reminiscences of Old Calloway.

Calloway, the seventy-second county in order of formation, lies in the north south east corner of the Purchase district, and bounded on the north by Tennessee river, on the east by the county of Greene, on the west by the county of Knox, and on the south by the county of Macon. It is a very Eligable location, it is a town site for a county, and is a very Eligable location.

In the early history of the country it lies among the richest and most fertile lands. The streams are numerous and the soil is fertile. The county was originally settled about the year 1800, and the first settlers were the pioneers of the county. They were mostly Scotch-Irish, and they came from the counties of Macon and Knox.

The first settlement in the county was made by a man named Boggess, who came from Macon county in 1800, and settled on the north side of the Tennessee river. He was a Scotch-Irishman, and he built a log cabin on the banks of the river. He was a good farmer, and he was the first settler in the county.

The county was organized in 1830, and the first county officers were elected in that year. The first county officers were: J. A. Boggess, county judge; J. A. Boggess, sheriff; J. A. Boggess, treasurer; J. A. Boggess, assessor; J. A. Boggess, auditor; J. A. Boggess, recorder; J. A. Boggess, constable; J. A. Boggess, collector of taxes; J. A. Boggess, clerk of the circuit court; J. A. Boggess, collector of internal revenue; J. A. Boggess, superintendent of public instruction; J. A. Boggess, coroner; J. A. Boggess, justice of the peace; J. A. Boggess, The county was also organized in 1830, and the first county officers were elected in that year. The first county officers were: J. A. Boggess, county judge; J. A. Boggess, sheriff; J. A. Boggess, treasurer; J. A. Boggess, assessor; J. A. Boggess, auditor; J. A. Boggess, recorder; J. A. Boggess, constable; J. A. Boggess, collector of taxes; J. A. Boggess, clerk of the circuit court; J. A. Boggess, collector of internal revenue; J. A. Boggess, superintendent of public instruction; J. A. Boggess, coroner; J. A. Boggess, justice of the peace; J. A. Boggess.

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not until 1884 that McCrea was again elected to office. That year he was returned to the Fortieth Congress, and five times he was re-elected. He was a member of the Democratic side among such men as Carlisle, Sandiford, Mills, Tuckett, Turner, Wilson, the Breckinridges, Cox, Hard, Holman, Spalding, and Fitch; they were three of the most important men of the time and accomplished a great deal for the people. He was a member of the Democratic party and was a strong, successful man. He was born in Crittenden county, Ky., in 1837. He was educated in the common and academies and was a traveling salesman two years. He then accepted the position of general manager of the Argo Insurance Company, with headquarters in Louisville. He also organized a big coal company in Hopkins county and was its manager for two years. Mr. Glenn is president of the Citizens bank of Lyon county and a director of the First National Bank at Edyville. He is also a farmer and has other business interests. He was recently nominated for the State Senate by the democrats at Edyville, upon a platform which calls for an extension of the county unit law.

The views of the people of Paden, as expressed in the election of 1900, show a decided preference for the Democratic party. The Democratic ticket was carried by a large majority, and the people of Edyville are justly proud of the fact that they have two of the ablest men in the State in their representative and senator.

Ollie M. James, of Marion, Ky., was born in Crittenden county, Ky., on July 27, 1911, educated in the common and academies of his county, and was graduated from the University of Kentucky in 1934. He was admitted to the bar in 1936 and is a member of the firm of James & Spalding, with offices at Eddyville and Marion. He is a member of the Democratic party, and was recently nominated for the House of Representatives from the Second district, which includes Crittenden county.

Emmet Norman Holland was born in Calloway county, Ky., in 1884. He was educated in the common and academic schools in the county, and was graduated from the University of Kentucky in 1906. He was elected to the Thirty-eighth, Fifty-ninth, and Sixtieth Congresses, and re-elected to the Sixty-first Congress, receiving 27,629 votes to 15,191 for J. B. Purcell, Republican, and 21 for O. L. Ford, Prohibitionist. In his last race for Congress Mr. James had no opposition except Horsey, a socialist. It is probable that Mr. James will be re-elected by the people of Kentucky.
HON. WILLIAM ADDAMS OF KENTUCKY.

The Hon. Wm. Adams has been endorsed by the democrats of the Ninth District of the party faith, he is a member of the Central Committee for eight or more years, having been chosen by the democrats of the Ninth Congressional District. He was a student in the law department of Cumberland University, where he was graduated with first honors, in a regular class of forty-seven. The loyal and true citizens of the county of Harrison, where he was born, have long been alive to the merits of Mr. Adams, and he has long been the idol of his people. He is a man personaizable, and has a host of friends throughout the State. Mr. Adams has many personal friends in this section who are staunch and true advocates and supporters of his views, and when he comes to Louisville and meets the people there to face them there will be found in every respect a gentleman well worthy of the honor he seeks.

W. O. READ.

HON. JAMES B. McCreary of Richmond.

James Bennett McCreary was born in Madison county, Ky. He entered Centre College at Danville. When young McCreary was eighteen years of age he was graduated, and immediately entered upon the study of law. Later he was a student in the law department of Cumberland University, where he was graduated with first honors, in a regular class of forty-seven. The loyal and true citizens of the county of Harrison, where he was born, have long been alive to the merits of Mr. Adams, and he has long been the idol of his people. He is a man personaizable, and has a host of friends throughout the State. Mr. Adams has many personal friends in this section who are staunch and true advocates and supporters of his views, and when he comes to Louisville and meets the people there to face them there will be found in every respect a gentleman well worthy of the honor he seeks.
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MELVIN THATCHER
Who assisted in compiling this edition of the Gazette.

This issue of the Gazette was printed in its own plant. We have met with some unavoidable delays, but we think it will compare favorably with any paper ever issued from a country office.

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Reminiscences

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Calloway County

Schools Progressive

By F. E. McReynolds

It would be difficult, indeed, to overestimate the importance of the work of the public schools of Calloway County. During the past year more than Five-Thousand students have been enrolled in these schools. They come from two-thirds of the homes of the county. They were taught by more than a hundred conscientious teachers. They learned lessons not only in text-book studies, but in love of country, love of home and devotion to duty. And they took those lessons to their homes and spread them among their neighbors. These lessons have affected and will affect the life of our county. One of the most vital interests is to see that the real school spirit is on the decline in Calloway county. We want to keep the real school spirit. We want it to continue. It is the only way to make the schools more nearly what they should be.

The essentials of a good school: a comfortable and well-equipped school house, a good neighborhood, a high qualified teacher. These conditions are not independent: a good house or neighborhood attracts a good teacher, in turn builds a good school, of course. And then results will follow, and the probabilities of the present dignify the child only as experiences at present will add to the value of education. The present population of Calloway county is about 22,790, an increase of about 1,000 over 1900.

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WERT ALDERSON.

Wert Alderson was born on a farm in Calloway county 38 years ago. At the age of 21 he was married to Miss Bettie Wilkinson and their home is brightened by four children, three girls and one boy. Mr. Alderson is now ending his second term as jailer of Calloway county. He bears the distinction of being the only county democratic nominee who for six years taught school in the county. At the age of 20 he completed a sophomore course at Centerville, Tenn. in the Centerville training school. Mr. Falwell was married Dec. 22, 1908 to Miss Frodez Outland. In the fall of 1908 he was nominated for county clerk, elected in 1909 and took charge of the office Jan. 1, 1910. As soon as he got the "hang" of official affairs Mr. Falwell inaugurated some needed reforms and he is making a first class county clerk. All who visit his office receive a hearty welcome and business is transacted with care and dispatch.

JESSE D. WELLS.

Jesse D. Wells, son of J. K. P. Wells and Fannie Thompson Wells, was born in Calloway county in 1900. He was reared on a farm near Murray and attended the common schools and Murray Institute. At the age of 17 he was married to Miss Eliza Stubblefield. He is the father of five children. He is a brother of Hon. R. T. Wells, Mrs. A. R. Langston, Mrs. Albert Langston, Mrs. John Stubblefield, Mrs. Beth Rosemary, Mrs. J. B. Stubblefield. Mr. Wells has served as deputy marshal of Murray and in 1910 was elected constable. He is making an active and efficient officer. Mr. Wells is a Woodman and a member of the Christian church.

REUBEN H. FALWELL.

Reuben H. Falwell was born in Calloway county July 9th, 1885 which makes him 35 years of age at this writing. At the age of 18 he received a first certificate and

Is Making an Eniable Record as Sheriff of Calloway County

JOE LANCASTER.

Joe Lancaster was born in Humphreys county, Tenn., Jan. 9, 1883. Moved to Calloway county in February 1902. In addition to a common school course, he attended school at Hopkinsville, Ky., during 1905, 1906 and 1907 and took the B. S. degree there in May 1907. He taught in the public schools for seven years and was elected circuit court clerk in 1899 and took to