

BALDWIN EMPLOYEE, HALE, BUSY, AFTER 69 YEARS OF SERVICE

"Keep Straight and You Will Go Ahead." One of George F. Johnson's Mottos

Don't Booze, Says Man Who Has Worked for 6 Decades

Don't booze. No man is qualified to stand the test if he indulges in too much liquor. Cigarette-smoking is vicious. Cigarettes, along with the picture shows and automobiles, are driving the country to the devil. Women should have the vote, provided they own property and pay taxes. Don't keep one eye looking toward the time clock. And don't start getting ready for lunch on the company's time.

Way back in September, 1847, when Lincoln was still a backwoodsman, a young man walked into the office of Matthias Baldwin, pioneer builder of locomotives. "I want a job," he said.

He got it. The why and wherefore of his qualifications for the job—that of engine tester—are not as important as the fact that he started with Baldwin the next day and has been there ever since, a record of almost 69 years of continuous service and a record the duplicate of which would be mighty hard to find. Getting that job was one most important part of the life of George F. Johnson—keeping it worried him not a bit. For his cardinal principles of business, made up mostly of keeping right and taking your pleasure on your own time and not the company's, proved able to stand the test for more than six decades.

To the average person the idea of working in one place for such a long time would be sufficient to harass him into an early grave. Not so with George F. Johnson. Work was to him, and still is, for that matter, delight and enjoyment; which is, in itself, a revelation to those who wonder why "business" and the "platter" don't hand them a living on a platter.

BORN ON A FARM.

Johnson was born on the 17th of December, 1826, on his father's farm, near the west end of Columbia avenue bridge. Before he was 20 he began as fireman and then engineer on the Baldwin, India and Reading Railroad, starting later at Baldwin's.

An intimate acquaintance with Matthias Baldwin, an older Matthew Baldwin, who was associated with Baldwin in control of the works, resulted in the owners presenting a gold watch to Johnson, which still keeps good time and is an example of the skill of Baldwin, inasmuch as it is fitted with a winding attachment that obviates the necessity of a key.

During the Civil War Johnson took



GEORGE F. JOHNSON

Veteran employe with watch given to him years ago by Baldwin Locomotive Works.

personal charge of locomotives and kept lines open despite the efforts of Confederate generals, who poured shot after shot at the fearless engineer during wild rides from Memphis Lake Lenoireville and from Appomattox to Manassas.

Since the Civil War, and that was more than a half century ago, Johnson has been pursuing a quiet life, looking after the interests of the company and rearing two sons who followed in their father's footsteps and became engineers, and right good ones at that, through their father's teachings.

COINER OF SLOGANS.

Johnson, as a coiner of slogans, rivals Roosevelt. "Keep straight and you'll get ahead," just as much relished by some as the "Fear God and take your own part" of the doughty Colonel, or his "Dance, picture shows and automobiles are driving the country to the devil" might be favorably classified along with similar sayings of "Billy" Sunday.

These mottoes might be taken as an indication of his remarkable possession of his faculties. For, although 89 years old, he goes to work every day at the office. He quit active work as tester of engines several years ago.

A success in the ideal sense of the word is George F. Johnson. And content with the fact that he is a just success, he is happy at his home, 1207 Fairmount avenue, looking into the future with as much pleasure as the impetuous boy just out of school who sings as he goes "the world is mine oyster."

EDWIN A. PUE, VETERAN PUBLIC SERVANT, DEAD

Had Record of 32 Years in City Controller's Office—Resigned Three Weeks Ago

Edwin A. Pue, who was chief auditor in the City Controller's office for 32 years, with a record of capable work and only two days absence in that time, lived three weeks and two days after his resignation had been submitted to his chief, John M. Walton. Mr. Pue died last night at his home, 129 South 23d street. When he handed in his resignation, which took effect February 1, Mr. Pue said the circumstances which brought it about were the only difficulties he met in the 32 years of his service. He would not give particulars of the cause of his resignation.

Mr. Pue, who was 75 years old, was in such vigorous health he would not heed his family's warning to protect himself against the weather. He left his home for a walk through the central business section last Saturday, and contracted a cold which quickly developed into pneumonia. His condition grew steadily worse in the succeeding days and "acute" pneumonia, a highly dangerous affection, set in. The end came last night, with his daughter, Mrs. E. V. Lavell and son-in-law, Mr. J. H. Lavell, by his side.

Mr. Pue was appointed chief auditor of the City Controller's office on February 21, 1884. He served in the office under eight Mayors, and for the last 20 years had been the chief of auditor for Controller Walton.

FATHER M. G. SCULLY DEAD

Pastor of St. Charles Borromeo, Oak View, Succumbs to Pneumonia After Brief Illness

The Rev. M. G. Scully, pastor of the church of St. Charles Borromeo, Oak View, died suddenly today from pneumonia, after an illness of five days. Father Scully had been pastor of the church since March 15, 1904, when he succeeded the Rev. N. P. O'Brien.

A cold which had troubled him for several days became acute on Sunday and physicians pronounced the illness pneumonia. He grew steadily worse until his recovery seemed hopeless and the last rites of the church were administered yesterday afternoon in the presence of Father Francis J. Markee, of St. Philomena's Church, Lansdowne, and the Rev. John J. Moran, assistant rector of the church.

After his ordination, Father Scully was an assistant at St. Michael's Church, Chester, Pa., and the following Philadelphia churches: St. Francis, St. Agnes, St. Edward's, and the Immaculate Conception. Since 1905, when he was appointed pastor of St. Charles' Church, Oak View, he distinguished himself in the upbuilding of the parish. Through his efforts a parochial school valued at \$25,000 was constructed and improvements were made to the church cemetery.

Pennsylvania Postmasters Named

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The President today nominated the following Pennsylvania postmasters: H. A. Keller, Glen...

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CLARK.—Suddenly on February 23, 1916, EDWARD CLARK, aged 3 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Clark, 1000 N. 10th st., Philadelphia, Pa., died at his residence, 6058 Rindhart st., at 10:30 a. m. Burial at St. Joseph's cemetery, at 11 o'clock.

COHEN.—On February 24, 1916, RUBEN COHEN, aged 53 years, died at his residence, 5229 E. Locust st., Philadelphia, Pa., at 10:30 a. m. Burial at St. Joseph's cemetery, at 11 o'clock.

COLLINS.—On February 23, 1916, MARGARET COLLINS, aged 78 years, died at her residence, 118 E. Locust st., Philadelphia, Pa., at 10:30 a. m. Burial at St. Joseph's cemetery, at 11 o'clock.

CORNELL.—On February 23, 1916, THOMAS CORNELL, aged 55 years, died at his residence, 118 E. Locust st., Philadelphia, Pa., at 10:30 a. m. Burial at St. Joseph's cemetery, at 11 o'clock.

CRAIG.—On February 23, 1916, JOHN CRAIG, aged 78 years, died at his residence, 118 E. Locust st., Philadelphia, Pa., at 10:30 a. m. Burial at St. Joseph's cemetery, at 11 o'clock.

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PORTER.—On February 23, 1916, HENRY W. PORTER, aged 82 years, died at his residence, 118 E. Locust st., Philadelphia, Pa., at 10:30 a. m. Burial at St. Joseph's cemetery, at 11 o'clock.

POULSON.—On February 23, 1916, ELLEN POULSON, aged 78 years, died at her residence, 118 E. Locust st., Philadelphia, Pa., at 10:30 a. m. Burial at St. Joseph's cemetery, at 11 o'clock.

PUE.—On February 23, 1916, EDWIN A. PUE, aged 75 years, died at his residence, 118 E. Locust st., Philadelphia, Pa., at 10:30 a. m. Burial at St. Joseph's cemetery, at 11 o'clock.

ROYAL.—On February 23, 1916, AUNCE ROYAL, aged 78 years, died at her residence, 118 E. Locust st., Philadelphia, Pa., at 10:30 a. m. Burial at St. Joseph's cemetery, at 11 o'clock.

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John A. Cowan. Friends of the family may call Friday evening at her late residence, 15 Apple ave., Westmont, N. J. Funeral services and interment private.

SCHUMBER.—On February 23, 1916, EVA SCHUMBER, wife of William H. Schumber, Sr., died at her residence, 118 E. Locust st., Philadelphia, Pa., at 10:30 a. m. Burial at St. Joseph's cemetery, at 11 o'clock.

SEIFF.—On February 23, 1916, ELIZABETH SEIFF, aged 78 years, died at her residence, 118 E. Locust st., Philadelphia, Pa., at 10:30 a. m. Burial at St. Joseph's cemetery, at 11 o'clock.

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Warning by an ex-tenderfoot. A little learning is a dangerous thing. When the New Yorker bought Hiram's farm, he rejected Hiram's methods. He had theories of his own. He got rid of the cows; pruned the orchard too heavily; threw the farm all out of balance. "The trouble with me," he says, "was that I knew too much and not enough." He has had four costly, nerve-racking years. But at last he is winning. He knows now that his neighbors were practical, and that he let his theories run away with him. His case is not unusual. His story is a warning. He tells it well—Tenderfoot Farming—today, in The COUNTRY GENTLEMAN. Also in this issue: Green Manure Crops in Michigan. Improving and restoring soils economically is a serious present-day problem. This article gets right down to business on how it's done with legumes in Michigan. Kansas, U. S. A. Kansas has paid her debts. She's now a three-billion-dollar state. Luck? No. Bumper crops? Partly. For the whole reason, read this second installment (complete in itself). Flood Control. There are four sides to the question of draining a river's flood plain: the effect on floods, on farming, on fishing, on navigation. It's all explained in this article. Gumption. Gumption is horse sense. We all think we have our share. But here's a case of two farmers, all charted out in dollars and cents, that will sit you down and set you to figuring. out-to-day from any news dealer or boy agent.