

It is a pleasure to me to speak to you on this most interesting occasion. I feel that I am among friends, because the late Mrs. Elizabeth Hays, the wife of the founder of this fine estate, was for many years the correspondent in this neighborhood for The Journal-World, and it has been my good fortune to know other members of the family.

I knew Sam Stonebraker, who fifty years ago was one of the many Black Jack citizens interested in politics. They told it on Sam that, at one time when he was addressing a Republican gathering, someone in the audience asked him a very embarrassing question. Sam's friends thought that he would be floored, but quick as a wink he turned to one of his old cronies and asked, "Do you remember that pretty little filly we used to court down by Spuire Blanks? The crowd roared and everyone forgot about the unanswered question.

At another time a candidate from Lawrence was telling about the terrible time he had the night before at a rally down here, and said, "Why so and so called me a liar." "Oh that's nothing", said a friend, "But", added the candidate, "He proved

manner in which she unveiled the marker. Generosity and cooperation, and to little Miss Barbara for the gracious I know that we are all grateful to the Hays family for their

I understand this monument was erected by the S. A. R. Barnes and George Jones, survivors of the battle standing beside it. 1916 there appeared a picture of the monument, with George Roe, W. E. 1916, more than 24 years ago. In the Journal-World of February 19,