

## **THOMAS H. APPLETON JR.**

### **Education**

Ph.D., University of Kentucky (1981)

Dissertation: " 'Like Banquo's Ghost': The Emergence of the Prohibition Issue in Kentucky Politics" Major Professor: Charles P. Roland Distinction: Phi Beta Kappa

M.A., University of Kentucky (1973)

Major Professors: Charles P. Roland and Holman Hamilton

B.A., University of Memphis (1971)

Majors: History, Modern Foreign Languages  
Distinction: Magna Cum Laude Graduate

### **Work Experience**

2000 to date Professor of History, Eastern Kentucky University

2000-2003 Concurrent position: Associate director, Center for Kentucky History and Politics, Eastern Kentucky University

1990 to 2000 Editor in Chief, Publications Department, Kentucky Historical Society

1981 to 1990 Managing Editor, Kentucky Historical Society

1979 to 1981 Assistant Editor, Kentucky Historical Society

### **Teaching Experience**

1991 to 2000 Part-time Instructor of History, Eastern Kentucky University (Richmond and Danville campuses)

1997 to 2000 Adjunct Professor of History, University of Kentucky

### **Concurrent Positions**

1994 to date Faculty Consultant, Advanced Placement Program in U.S. History, Educational Testing Service, Princeton, N. J.

2002 to date Participant, Test Development Committee, Advanced Placement Program in U.S. History

2003 to date Participant, Test Development Committee, CLEP Exam in U.S. History, Educational Testing Service

## Principal Publications

Co-editor, *Searching For Their Places: Women in the South Across Four Centuries* (Columbia: University of Missouri Press, 2003)

Co-editor, *Roadside History: A Guide to Kentucky Highway Markers* (Frankfort: Kentucky Historical Society and University Press of Kentucky, 2002)

Co-editor, *Negotiating Boundaries of Southern Womanhood: Dealing with The Powers That Be* (Columbia: University of Missouri Press, 2000)

Co-editor, *Kentucky: Land of Tomorrow* (Frankfort: Publication Management Associates and the Kentucky Historical Society Foundation, 1998)

Co-editor of and essayist in *A Mythic Land Apart: Reassessing Southerners and Their History* (Westport, Conn.: Greenwood Press, 1997)

## Work in Progress

A biography of Kentucky governor, U.S. senator, and commissioner of baseball Albert B. "Happy" Chandler (1898-1991)

## Series Co-editor

Former co-editor of series titled *The Public Papers of the Governors of Kentucky*. Most recent entry: *The Public Papers of Governor Brereton C. Jones, 1991-1995*, ed. Penny Miller (Lexington: University Press of Kentucky, 2001).

## Additional Publications

Historical Editor, *Kentucky* (Glenview, Ill.: Scott Foresman, 2008), an entry in the press' Social Studies in America series designed for middle-school students

Author, "John Sherman Cooper," in *Encyclopedia of Appalachia* (Knoxville: University of Tennessee Press, 2006)

Author, "Happy Chandler," "Alben Barkley," "Langston Hughes," and "Adam Clayton Powell," in *Historical Dictionary of the 1940s* (Armonk, N.Y.: M.E. Sharpe Publishers, 2005)

Author, "Elijah Craig" and "Lewis Craig," in volume 3 of *Dictionary of Virginia Biography* (Richmond: Library of Virginia, 2006)

Author, "I Remember Mama: The Career and Influence of Mildred Watkins Chandler," *Kentucky Humanities* (December 2003)

Author, "The New Eden of Kentucky," *Kentucky Monthly* (June 2003)

Author, "John G. Carlisle," "James B. Beck," and "James 'Honest Dick' Tate," in

*Historical Dictionary of the Gilded Age*, ed. Leonard Schlup and James G. Ryan (Armonk, N.Y.: M.E. Sharpe Publishers, 2003)

Author, "Howard Wilcox Haggard" and "John Bartholomew Gough," in *Alcohol and Temperance in Modern History*, ed. Jack S. Blocker Jr. et al. (Santa Barbara, Calif.: ABC-Clio, 2003)

Co-author, "Wet-Dry Referenda in Kentucky and the Persistence of Prohibition Forces," *Southeastern Geographer* 39 (November 1999): 172-89

Author, "Margaret Smith Taylor," in *American First Ladies: Their Lives and Their Legacy*, ed. Lewis L. Gould (New York: Garland Publishing Co., 1996), 145-53

Author, "An Englishman's Perceptions of Antebellum Kentucky: The Journal of Thomas Smith Jr. of Lincolnshire," *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* 79 (1981): 57-62

Author, "Prohibition and Politics in Kentucky: The Gubernatorial Campaign and Election of 1915," *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society* 75 (1977): 28-54

Author, "Battling the Demon Rum: Frances E. Beauchamp of Kentucky," *Heritage Highlights: The Publication of the Madison County (Ky.) Historical Society* 6 (2002): 4-5

Author, "Happy's Run for the White House," *Kentucky Monthly* (November 2000), 26-27

Author, "Augustus Everett Willson," "William T. Barry," and "Albert B. (Happy) Chandler," in *American National Biography*, ed. John A. Garraty (New York: Oxford University Press, 1999)

Author, "Augustus Everett Willson" and "Augustus Owsley Stanley," in *Kentucky's Governors, 1792-1985*, ed. Lowell H. Harrison (Lexington: University Press of Kentucky, 1985), 118-26

Author, "Frederick Moseley Sackett Jr.," and "Joseph Swagar Sherley," in *The Encyclopedia of Louisville*, ed. John E. Kleber (Lexington: University Press of Kentucky, 2001)

Author, "George W. Bain," "Frances E. Beauchamp," "William Purcell Dennis Haly," and "Register of the Kentucky Historical Society," in *The Kentucky Encyclopedia*, ed. John E. Kleber (Lexington: University Press of Kentucky, 1992)

Author, "Augustus Everett Willson," "Augustus Owsley Stanley," "Bert T. Combs," and "Edward T. Breathitt," in *Biographical Directory of the Governors of the United States, 1789-1978*, ed. Robert Sobel and John Raimo (Westport, Conn.: Meckler Books, 1978)

Author of "Foreword" in W. Martin Hope and Jason H. Silverman, *Relief and Reconstruction in Post-Civil War South Carolina: A Death by Inches* (Lewiston, N.Y.: Edwin Mellen Press, 1997)

Author of "Afterword" in Jeffrey Suchanek and William J. Marshall, eds., *Time on Target: The World War II Memoir of William R. Buster* (Frankfort: Kentucky Historical Society Foundation, Inc., 1999)

Author of "Preface" in Lois A. Walker and Susan R. Silverman, *A Documented History of Gullah Jack Pritchard and the Denmark Vesey Slave Insurrection of 1822* (Lewiston, N.Y.: Edwin Mellen Press, 2000)

### **Book Reviews**

Author of book reviews in *Journal of American History*, *Ohio History*, *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*, *Bookpage*, *Library Journal*, *Register of the Kentucky Historical Society*, *Lexington Herald-Leader*, *Journal of Mississippi History*, *Ohio Valley History*

### **Papers/Professional Program Appearances**

Have delivered papers, chaired, or commented at 35 professional conferences, including the Southern Historical Association, Society for Historians of the Early American Republic, Southern Association for Women Historians, Popular Culture Association, Social Science History Association, Southern Conference on Women's History, Ohio Valley History Conference, Friends of the Kentucky Public Archives, Bluegrass Symposium

### **Media Experience**

Two appearances on Al Smith's "Primeline," an hourlong interview program broadcast on thirty radio stations across Kentucky. Topics discussed: "Heroes and Villains in Kentucky History" and "World War I and the Armistice in History and Memory"

Have served as resource person for various electronic and print media, including the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *The New Yorker*, *National Geographic*, *The Economist*, *Encyclopedia Britannica*, "Jeopardy" television program, KET, and numerous Kentucky news organizations

Principal historical advisor for *Lexington Herald-Leader's* "Millennium Series" published in five lengthy inserts during 1999

### **Professional Affiliations/Offices Held**

Southern Historical Association—Member, Local Arrangements Committee (Lexington Meeting), 1989; Chair, Membership Committee, 1994; Member, Presidential Nominating Committee, 1995; Member, Committee on Women in the SHA, 1996-99; Chair, Presidential Ad Hoc Committee on Fund Raising, 1999-2000; Member, William F. Holmes Award Committee, 2002

Southern Association for Women Historians—Featured speaker at Annual Meeting, 1984; Member, Local Arrangements Committee (Lexington Meeting), 1989; Chair, Presidential Nominating Committee, 1995; Member, Ad Hoc Committee on Southern Women's History Journal, 2000; Member, ex officio, Executive Council, 2000-02; Member, Nominating Committee, 2006

Society for Historians of the Early American Republic—Bibliographical contributor, *Journal of the Early Republic*, 1982-98; Member, Presidential Nominating Committee, 1996; Member, Local Arrangements Committee (Lexington Meeting), 1998-99

Conference of Historical Journals—Member, Board of Directors, 1995-98

Kentucky Association of Teachers of History—Member, Executive Committee, 1998-2001;  
Co-editor of biannual newsletter, 1998-2001; Judge, Thomas D. Clark Prize  
Committee, 2002-04, 2006

Alcohol and Temperance History Group—Editorial Advisory Board, *Social History of  
Alcohol Review*, 1986-89

University Press of Kentucky—Editorial Board, 2003-05; Member, Advisory Board, Topics  
in Kentucky History series, 2004 to date

Ohio Valley History Conference—Coordinator of 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, held at  
Eastern Kentucky University, October 23-25, 2003

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