



Frederick Bittle Kegley 1877-1968

Frederick Bittle Kegley was born On the old home farm, July seven At the foot of historic Old Queen's Knob, eighteen seventy-seven. The third of eight children born to Stephen and Sarah Umberger Kegley. Who later sought a new abode, Snugly sheltered by hill and tree. Attended public and private schools, At Roanoke College graduated With A.B. and Master's Degree. Doctor of Literature conferred.

Taught at Roanoke College. Later
Four years at Wytheville High, Then
Vice President of State Teacher's Association, nineteen hundred ten. In nineteen fourteen took for his Bride, Miss Fannie Pinckney Withers. At historic old Rose Hill Farm, They lived for many happy years. First Agri. Agent of our section. He for many years chose to keep Upon his fertile farm, Holstein Dairy cattle and Hampshire sheep. At work with books, stacks of papers Upon his desk, by day by night, Of history and hand drawn maps, Truly was his greatest delight. Author of "Kegley's Virginia Frontier," Of James and Roanoke River country, of Western Virginia's colonial period From seventeen-forty to eighty-three. Of people, places, early events, He had a wonderful memory. His home was the mecca for ones Who went looking up their ancestry. He was farmer, civic leader,

He was a Virginia Gentleman. In Memory HOMER B. UMBERGI

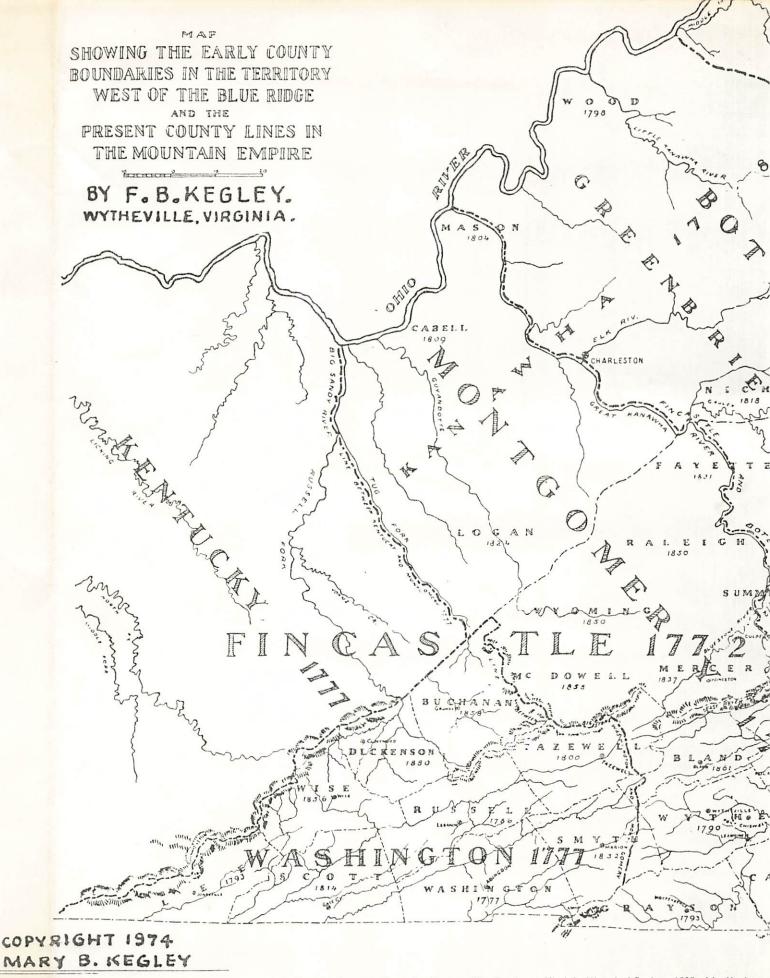
Homer Umberger of Wytheville wrote this the South West Virginia Enterprise soon after death of Mr. Kegley. Mr. Umberger is a cou of F.B. Kegley. This picture of "Uncle Bittl and the poem was furnished by his neph George Kegley of the Roanoke Times.

Wythe County's best informed Historian. Efficient teacher and County Agent,

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This map is the work of Frederick Bittle Kegley author of Kegley's Virginia Frontier, (Roanoke, Virginia: The Southwest Virginia Historical Society, 1938). Mr. Kegley we multi-talented personality — author, farmer, and teacher. In this latter capacity he served Emory and Henry College, of this he later wrote, "Certainly a great deal of programs been made since my experiences there through the years of 1912-14. That was a period of transition. Dr. Weaver appeared to be somewhat overwhelmed with the more problems arising. (J. P.) McConnell, (J. S.) Miller, (J. R.) Hunter, and (J. L.) McGhee were carrying the burden." F. B. Kegley was born July 7, 1877 and died May 4, 1968. For the burden of Mr. Kegley's map making and is reproduced here with permission of a relative map. The words ary B. Kegley this is the "Mountain Empire Map." (Mary B. Kegley aided F. B. Kegley in his research and is an extremely able writer in the words.