

Guy Penrod "Baptism Of Jesse Taylor"

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Among the local taverns they'll be a slack in business
'Cause Jesse's drinkin' came before the groceries and
the rent

Among the local women they'll be a slack in cheatin'
'Cause Jesse won't be be steppin' out again.

They baptized Jesse Taylor in Cedar Creek last Sunday
Jesus gained a soul and Satan lost a good right arm
They all cried "Hallelujah" as Jesse's head went under
'Cause this time he went under for the Lord.

The scars on Jesse's knuckles were more than just
respected

The county courthouse records tell all there is to tell
The pockets of the gamblers will soon miss Jesse's
money
And the black eye of the law will soon be well.

(Chorus)

From now on Nancy Taylor can proudly speak to
neighbors
Tell how much Jesse took up with little Jim
Now Jimmy's got a daddy and Jesse's got a family
And Franklin County's got a lot more man.

(Chorus)

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