# Famous people of Dankov.

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## Vasily Ivanovich Ermakov



Vasily Ivanovich Ermakov was a very famous man of his time. He was a public figure, a merchant. Ermakov is also the first local historian. Vasily Ivanovich was born in the middle class family.

In 1856 he opened the first shop «The colomal goods» . Ermakov also took part in charity work . Since 1859 he became the Director of the prison in Dankov, where he opened a school and a library at his own expense. In 1860 Ermakov became a mayor of the town. At the end of his life Vasily Ivanovich began to study the history of his native land. He wrote two books: «History of the city Dankov» and «History of the Pokrovsky monastery». Vasily Ivanovich Ermakov has done very much for his native town.



## Vasily Dmitrievich Ryakhovsky

Vasily Dmitrievich Ryakhovsky was born in the village of Perekhval in a peasant family. An excellent study in College allowed him to go to the Ryazan Seminary, after which in 1917, he became a teacher in Dankov district.



After five years of teaching Vasily Ryakhovsky left school, he moved to Moscow and started journalistic work in the newspaper «Trud». The great writer Maxim Gorky played a huge role in the biography Ryakhovsky. Sometimes he asked Maxim Gorky for advise and support. Ryakhovsky wrote over three dozen books, most of than are devoted to peasantry and collective construction. He made a huge contribution to Soviet literature.



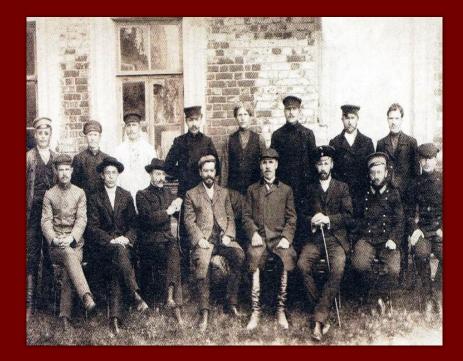
## Alexey Lebedev

Alexey Lebedev is Russian Soviet singer, teacher, composer, professor at Moscow Conservatori. Lebedev was born in Dankov and later became the pride of this city. He also took part in the Great Patriotic War, fought near Bryansk and received serious wounds on the eyes and hands, but he did not stop to do music an later he led a military band.



#### Alexander Semenovsky

Alexander Semenovsky was born in Moscow. Being a student at the Medical Faculty, of Moscow University, he constantly travelled to varios regions of Russia to eliminate epidemics of typhus, scurvy, spallpox, although this was associated with a risk to life.



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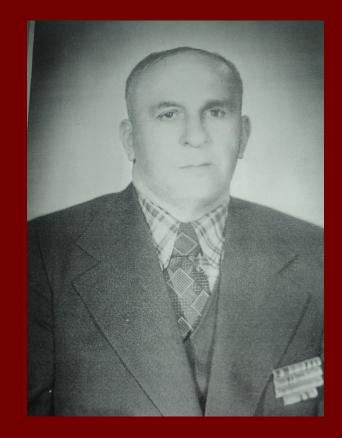




A few years later he joined the army. As a doctor he took part in the Russo-Japanese war. After the war he worhed in the hospital of Dancov. He reconstructed the town hospital. He solved problems with water, the opening of canteens, kindergartens, nurseries. During one of operations the surgeon was infected with typhes and died.

## Aleksey Ivanovich Agapov

Aleksey Ivanovich Agapov my great-grandfather and a soldier of the Great Patriotic War. Great-grandfather received many medals, including the Order of the Red Star. After the war he graduated from the party school and got married. All his life my grandfather worked in high positions, during two years he was the head of Dankov. He died at the age of seventy six from a heart at tack.

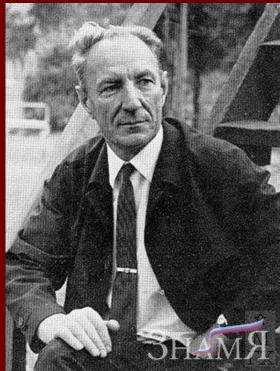






### Andrey Ivanovich Plotnov

Andrey Ivanovich Plotnov – a famous painter of Russian an honorary resident of Dankov. Andrey Ivanovich was founder of the Small Tretyakov Gallery. Nowadays the school of Arts in Dankov has named after Plotnov.



These are a few words about famous people of Dankov.