

## An Autobiography---BY LOUISE WELLS---6th Grade

On the twenty-second of August, 1939, a certain long-legged bird left a bundle at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Wells. Upon making sure of the contents of the bundle, a little girl, and after admiring her greatly, the parents gave the baby the name of Adrienne Louise Wells.

Being the only grandchild, I was spoiled, petted, and pampered.

The first year passed with usual baths, shots, and only one sickness, whooping cough, caught while making my first trip with relatives in Kentucky and Ohio.

At the age of three years several things happened to me. My tonsils were removed, I made my first appearance on the stage at school, and the birth of a grandson, my cousin, now shared honors in my grandfather's lap, a fact that made me quite jealous.

All this time I lived at Moss Hill, but at the coming of the war, my daddy went in the navy, so we moved in with my grandparents. I was quite happy to move to Kinston, except my daddy was gone and I had to sell my playhouse.

I took my first train ride to see daddy while he was in Florida. Here I saw my first real coconuts.

When I was almost eight my family and I moved to Bailey. By now I had a little sister, Anne. I did not like the town because I knew no one, but after meeting several children and starting to school, I found it to be as nice as

any place I had ever been. I am still going to school and enjoying it very much.

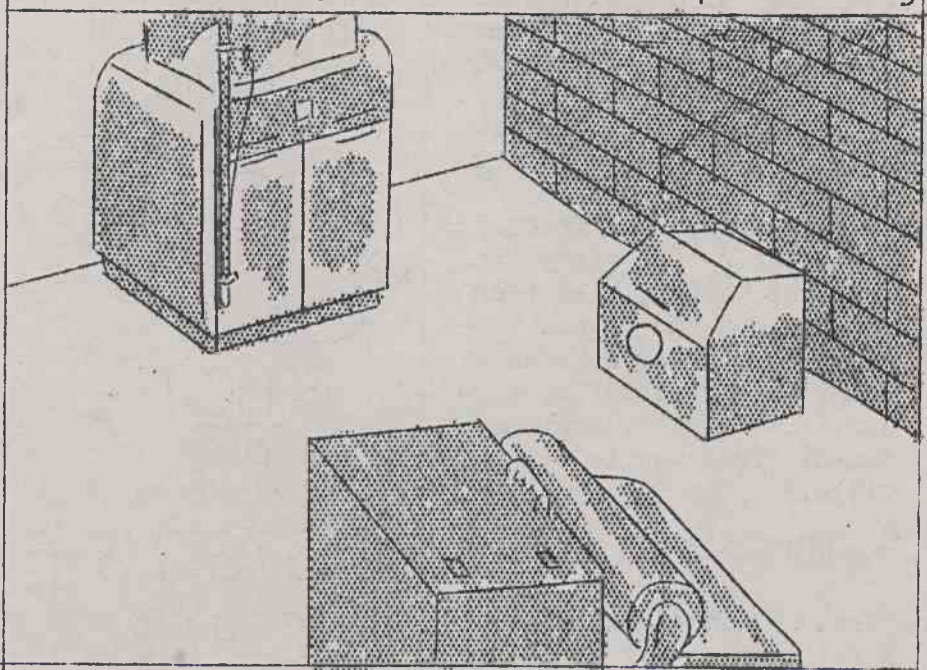
When I was in the fifth grade I received news that I had won a music contest. That same year I was sick. No one could tell me what was the matter. Finally a

doctor told me to have a tooth pulled. I did, and now I am all right.

This year I am in Mrs. J. P. Underwood's sixth grade, making fairly good grades and enjoying school more than ever.

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