

# WOOD DEPARTMENT

## WOOD

News of Wood and surrounding community.

Edited by  
Wood Citizens

Meet me at the Musical Comedy and Recital—Wednesday night.

HIGH WATER MARK NOT REACHED LAST SUNDAY

Lacked 20 Present and \$5.00 to Meet Expectations—Miss Fogleman Elected Supt. Home Extension and Cradle Roll Departments.

Expectations were not met last Sunday in regard to attendance and collection in Sunday school—there being only 160 present and \$10.00 collection. Every one had hoped that the attendance would be at least 180 and the collection \$15.00, but expectations are sometimes disappointed. Now to "get down to brass tacks" can any one give a reason why we failed last Sunday. It appears to us that with the attendance we had we should be thankful—which we are—and we want each of those who were present last Sunday to know that we appreciate your coming and want you out every time on time—but we really and truly are anxious about the 78 who were absent last Sunday. Where were they? Can those who were present answer and give a good reason? Do you feel that by an encouraging word you could have brought one of them out? We know of several who were kept away on account of sickness. So then we extend our sympathy and wishes for a speedy recovery. We wish them back next Sunday. But those who remained away on other accounts we want them to know—do you see them before Sunday—do you see them sincerely anxious that their places be filled by them only next Sunday. Why can't we get them out. Let's each make it a point to see at least one who was not present last time and tell them that our hearts are troubled because they failed to shake our hands and give us a genial smile on last Sunday. That we will be glad to have their presence next Sunday—they know but we want to make it emphatic. Let's make as one of our slogans "Every absentee last Sunday present next Sunday." There is no telling but what they can be if we go at it with a will and might.

Now, here is where each class has its duty. The Calvin has 20 to look after. That gives almost one a piece to look after. You men of Calvin go to it and see why those 20 stayed away. If sick extend them your sympathy, wishes, and anything needed and if not bring them.

The Rebeccas have 12 to see about. Some of them were sick—so see to their wants and bring those who are not sick next Sunday. If every one brought a different one all would be present.

The Dorcas has 5 to bring, not quite a half of one. You young ladies can easily bring that half.

The Raymonds have 6 to bring back into the fold. You Junior Baracas can easily get those next Sunday if you begin work now.

The Faithfuls as their name implies will without doubt bring the 4 absentees of last Sunday to make a perfect attendance next Sunday.

The Bright Jewels have almost one each to bring. Surely they want those 12 absent jewels to be present next time.

The Sunshine class has 4 to bring next Sunday. Surely they want to make sunshine in these absent members on next Sunday.

The Harpers have 5 to keep them busy for Sunday. Surely the name of their class—Miss Neva Harper—ought to bring these five next Sunday.

And the Alberts should know that the five who were absent last Sunday can be present if they go to work on them now.

The Willing Workers always have only a few absent—still they have 2 to be looking after. So members show your worth by having a perfect attendance next Sunday.

So for the absentees we want each teacher and officer to launch a campaign for the absentees and let's have a perfect attendance next Sunday.

COLLECTION \$10.00  
The collection was extremely good but did not reach our expectations—falling short five dollars—but we averaged a little over 6 cents a piece—while the general officers led with 23c average. The Calvin follows with 11c, the Rebeccas 7c, Raymond 5c, Harper, Albert and Dorcas classes 4c each, Sunshine and Faithful Workers 2c and Bright Jewels 1c. This is going at a grand pace—but we believe we ought to average a little more than this. Perhaps our envelopes are still holding us back, let's not permit this. We thank each one for your contribution, but let's see if we can give a little more each Sunday. It is not long before Santa Claus will be coming around and what do you think of a Christmas Tree? Well, let's contribute as much as possible with this in view.

Number of Bibles brought last Sunday was encouraging—53 brought Bibles, Rebecca leading with 14 out of 18 present bringing them. Harper Class next with 9 out of 11.

We rejoice to see so many ordering Bibles thru Miss Pearl Gupton last Sunday. We predict greater number next Sunday.

Only a little over half present had prepared their lessons last Sunday.

It might have been due to a lack of books, but lets have a perfect lesson next Sunday. Only \$2 studied their lesson last time. If you had studied your lesson and failed to mark it you miss being on the honor roll. Don't fail to make this a point next Sunday.

Miss Fogleman Elected Superintendent Home and Cradle Department.

At a called session of the church after Sunday school, Miss Bonnie Dare Fogleman was unanimously chosen as Superintendent of the Home Extension and Cradle Departments. A good number have been enrolled in these departments but have not been organized. Next Sunday we hope the Superintendent, who is very capable to do this, will have arranged the lumber in the departments so we can give it in the reports. We welcome Miss Fogleman as an officer and extend to her our thanks for accepting this work and cooperation when ever needed. So mothers kindly give her your cooperation and let's see if we can't make this department live with interest and something which we look forward to each week.

A word about the curtains. Our hopes have been shattered so often that we hardly have the heart to tell when to expect them. At present we are looking for them the last of the week or first of next, but we can't say. We thank you for waiting so patiently since they were not to be obtained on the market and we had to get them directly from the mill. So kindly bear with us a little while longer.

So please remember:  
1. We begin on time next Sunday—10:30 sharp.  
2. We expect you to be there.  
3. We expect 100 per cent prepared lessons.

4. We expect 100 per cent Bibles.  
5. We expect \$15.00 collection.  
6. We expect 180 present.

7. We expect you to give us an opportunity to shake your hand. Come. Report for Sunday, Nov. 11, 1923:  
Calvin class No. 1, Miss Pearl Gupton, teacher, present, No. scholars present 31, absent 20, new scholars 1, collection \$3.45, Bibles 7.

Rebecca class No. 2, Mrs. Alex Wester, teacher, absent, No. scholars present 18, absent 12, visitors 1, collection \$1.25, Bibles 14.

Dorcas class No. 3, Miss Daisy Ball, teacher, absent, No. scholars present 13, absent 5, collection 47c, Bibles 5.

Raymond class No. 4, R. O. Thompson, teacher, present, No. scholars present 10, absent 6, collection 50c, Bibles 2.

Faithful class No. 5, Mrs. M. H. Gupton, teacher, present, No. scholars present 11 absent 4, collection 15c, Bibles 6.

Bright Jewels class No. 6, Mrs. Morris Griffin, teacher, present, No. scholars present 16, absent 12, collection 15c.

Sunshine class No. 7, Miss Annie Gupton, teacher, present, No. scholars present 9, absent 4, collection 18c.

Harper class No. 8, Miss Frye, teacher, present, No. scholars present 11, absent 5, collection 41c, Bibles 9.

Albert class No. 9, Miss Woodburn, teacher, present, No. scholars present 3, absent 5, collection 12c, Bibles 2.

Willing Workers class No. 10, Mrs. W. D. Fuller, teacher, present, No. scholars present 19, absent 2, new scholars 1, collection \$2.95, Bibles 7.

Adult (including classes No. 1 and 2) No. enrolled 81, No. absent 32, No. present 49, on time 49, No. Bibles 21, No. contributing 49, Amt. of offering \$4.70, No. prepared lessons 34, No. attending preaching 49.

Young Peoples Dept. (classes 2 to 9) No. enrolled 25, No. absent 11, No. present 14, No. on time 14, No. Bibles 11, No. contributing 14, Amt. of offering 53c, No. prepared lessons 10, No. attending preaching 14.

Intermediate Dept. (classes 4 and 3) No. enrolled 33, No. absent 10, No. present 23, On time 23, No. Bibles 7, No. contributing 23, Amt. of offering 97c, prepared lessons 9, No. attending preaching 23.

Junior Dept. (classes 10 and 5) No. enrolled 36, No. absent 6, No. present 30, On time 30, No. Bibles 12, No. contributing 30, Amt. of offering 52c, No. prepared lessons 9, No. attending preaching 30.

Primary Dept. (class 6) No. enrolled 28, No. absent 12, No. present 16, On time 16, No. contributing 14, Amt. of offering 15, No. prepared lessons 8.

Beginners' Dept. No. enrolled 13, absent 4, present 9, on time 9, No. contributing 9, Amt. of offering 18.

Totals—No. enrolled 215, No. absent 78, No. present 154, On time 154, No. Bibles 68, No. contributing 152, Amt. of offering \$10.00, No. prepared lessons 83, No. attending preaching 154, New pupils 2, visitors 4, Grand total 160.

Report one year ago: Teachers and officers present 6, pupils present 62, collection \$1.04.

MUSICAL COMEDY AND RECITAL

Next Wednesday Evening at 7 O'clock in Wood School Building—Greatest Attraction of Season—For Benefit of School

On next Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock will be presented in the school building a Music Recital by the music department under the direction of Mrs. W. D. Fuller, teacher, and Comedy under the supervision of the Local Dramatic Club, proceeds to go to the Wood School.

The music pupils have made fine progress and will have an opportunity to display to their parents and friends what they can do when it comes to fingering the keys of a piano.

The Local Dramatic Club will present for the first time this season a real live musical comedy, which with the characters and costumes, promises to be one of, if not the best attraction of the year. The members of the cast have completed their up-to-date costumes and rehearsals have proven beyond a doubt that each character is well suited for its part. From all outward manifestations it will be well

worth double the admission price to witness it. It will be a source of real joy and amusement to each person who wishes an evening of fun, laughter and pleasure to watch old Joke "hit the clog" and Uncle Sandy "shake the dust off those slippers" and see Aunt Jemima "cut the pigeon wing." What will the gay wearing apparel of Susanna, Lena and Mandy and their gowns and antics there will be nothing lacking save perhaps Parson Jones, who will be up to tomorrow with his "high falooting" feat.

There is no doubt but that the club has as its leaders able and capable persons who have made a success of many similar features. Of course success is assured.

The school faculty are particularly anxious for a full co-operation on the part of the club, pupils and patrons of the school to make this attraction bring in a good contribution since there is quite a bit of equipment needed in the school room for our children.

MENU DELICIOUS  
Just glance at the Menu for next Wednesday night:

Aunt Jemima ..... Violet Gupton  
Susanna Wagner ..... Pearl Gupton  
Lena Coptin ..... Flora Frye  
Mandy Johnson ..... Mrs. W. D. Fuller  
Jake Wilson ..... Charles Lewis  
Parson Jones ..... Morris Griffin  
Uncle Sandy ..... Phil Sturges

Now, ladies and gentlemen if this does not make you want to enjoy one good evening your readability is lacking. So tell your friend to tell his that we are expecting them to bring all their friends to enjoy the very best evening "this side of Broadway."

The characters with their costumes and jokes will make you hold your sides to keep you from injuring yourselves from laughing so hard. If you want to grow fat come out, if you are too fat, come out and shake off some of the fat with laughter.

The time is next Wednesday night at 7 o'clock in the school building.

Prayer Meeting at Mr. Plummer Gupton's Wednesday Night, Led by Jodie Radford

The weekly prayer meeting was held at Mr. Plummer Gupton's on Wednesday night, with 41 present.

The services were led by Jodie Radford. The opening song No. 8. Scripture lesson, Psalms 145. A sentence prayer, led by Daisy Gupton and closed by Bertha Burnette. Closing song, If Your Heart Keeps Right. There were talks made by several present.

WOOD BAPTIST CHURCH  
CALLS PASTOR

Mr. H. T. Wright, Wake Forest Gets Most Votes—New Member Received

In a meeting of the church in conference Sunday, Rev. H. T. Wright, of Wake Forest was called to serve this congregation as pastor for the ensuing year.

We will remember Mr. Wright as an able preacher, having delivered two sermons here recently.

Mr. J. M. Wilder was received into the church, coming from Mt. Hebron, by letter.

Recital and Musical Comedy will be given at Wood School, Nov. 21st, for benefit of school.

Neva Circle Met and Rendered Interesting Program

(Reported by Mrs. Charles E. Denton) Neva Circle met in the home of Mrs. B. M. Gupton, Nov. 8, 1923. The following program was rendered:

Song No. 26, Love Lifted Me.  
Prayer, Ida Coley.  
Bible study, 2nd Cor. 9, Mrs. R. P. Jones.

Song No. 25, There Shall Be Showers of Blessing.  
Psalm 47, Mrs. A. A. Gupton.

The World Health, Penola Burnette.  
Fighting World Plagues, Ida Coley.  
Don't forget the Lepers, Beulah Coley.

The Healer, Lelia Coley.  
They are the Messengers of the Church, Mrs. J. M. Griffin.

The Value of Medical Mission, black board talk by Mrs. B. M. Gupton and Bertha Burnette.

Prayer, Fannie Coley.  
On roll 15, present 8, absent 7, new members 1, visits to the sick 7, visitors 3, contribution 35c. Neva Circle will meet next in the home of Mrs. A. A. Gupton, Dec. 6, 1923.

Mrs. Charlie Denton, Ch'mn.  
Mrs. B. B. Burnette, Asst. Ch'mn.  
Fannie Coley, Sec'y.  
Mrs. R. P. Jones, Asst. Sec'y.

We are going to have a grand time at the Musical Comedy—are you?

PERFECT ATTENDANCE  
HONOR ROLL

Wood Elementary School—2nd Grade Leads With 16 Names—4th Grade Next With 12 Names—5c on Roll.

1st Grade—Russel Raynor, Russel Leonard, William Johnson, Evelyn Sturges, Patsie Jane King, Lucille Johnson.

2nd Grade—Linwood Gupton, Paul Griffin, Robert Griffin, Berton Burnett, Rufus Denton, Sidney Perry Hamlett, Ronald Shearin, Jesse Johnson, Betty Ruth Leonard, Ruby Leonard, Anna Mae Sturges, Mildred Johnson, Sue Denton, Martha Lynn Denton, Ruby Thomas Shearin, Ruby Lanier.

3rd Grade—Vera Gupton, Cloice Burnette, Ollie Marce Denton, Ned Gupton, Marshall Gupton, Preston King, Cooper Leonard.

4th Grade—Wilmer Gupton, Iris Gupton, Dall Gupton, Doris Wester, Fina Wickes, Mennie Johnson, Ezra Denton, Edgar Fuller, Ollie Gupton, Henry Alex Gupton, Maurice Wester, Gellie Thompson.

5th Grade—Mahal Gupton, Leona Denton, May Sturges, Freddie Thompson, Verna Denton, Thomas Denton, Clinton Gupton, Garnold Leonard.

6th Grade—Lettie Gupton, Freeland Green, Reed Johnson, Wilbur Raynor.

7th Grade—Kenneth Aycock, Etha-

beth Fuller, Hattie Bell Gupton.  
Honor Roll Gold-Sand High School More Than Last Week  
5th Grade—Beulah Burnette, Maurice Blaise, George Fuller, David Fuller, Oza Faulkner, Clarence Gupton, Kirby Gupton, Annie Gupton, Etta Harris, Clement Harper, Maude Harris, Nell Joyner, Harold Garbee, Linwood Murphy, Nora Rowe, Owen Tharrington, Anne Tharrington.  
9th Grade—Lila Leonard, Louise Parrish, Ada Harris, Marie Joyner, Sue Bledsoe, Fannie Gupton.  
10th Grade—Maurice Nelms.

I will be at the Musical Recital and Comedy Wednesday night in the school building, will you?

W. M. S. Holds Joint Meeting of Both Circles

The W. M. S. held their regular monthly meeting Monday night at the home of Mrs. W. D. Fuller. Five members were present and dues collected amounted to \$1.70.

The time of meeting for the point session was fixed permanently for Monday night after Second Sunday and for the Deliah Circle Monday night after the fourth Sunday.

The personal service report was as follows: Visits to sick 21, flowers carried 5, trays 2. Report of \$2.00 received from Miss Irene Gupton to be used as Society sees fit.

Next meeting of the Deliah Circle to be held at Mrs. Nancy Gupton's next Monday night.

LARGER HIGH SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

(By Miss Aleen Woodburn)

This subject to be dealt with as it should requires more time and space than has been allotted me. However in a big way it necessitates the mentioning of factors that include National, International, State County, Township and district.

Our school system speaking in a general way, in North Carolina covers a wide territory of thought on the part of its able leaders and workers. North Carolina has for a long time remained far behind other states in the matter of education, now is dawning a new era—an era which in time will place her among the foremost states as an expounder of education.

For our school system which means better average daily attendance in the High School the State has established an Equalization Fund which pay a certain part of the teachers salaries for six months, it also helps in the buildings, establishing of agriculture teachers in each High School. At present it has set on foot in every county which approve a county wide plan of dividing each county into a certain number of districts. Our county Franklin is divided into seven. It has also an able man as inspector of High Schools who encourage the teachers and patrons to make better things their aim, the encouragement of and requiring a certain attendance in the Summer Schools on the part of the State Department of Education has helped place our teachers on the foremost ranks.

As to the county the essential things for the advancement of the course of education—large attendance in High Schools is a man of character, knowledge, training and energy at the head of educational affairs in the county—He with the cooperation of the County Board of Education, Welfare Officer, School Faculty, Committee, parents and pupils make it more essential and interesting for children to want to push forward for a higher education. Outside from the many organizations in each community. We must take in consideration that our population increasing to a certain extent and with the compulsory attendance law in force our schools have grown.

LARGER SCHOOL ATTENDANCE  
(By Miss Bonnie Dare Fogleman)

In undertaking a written description of the advance within the past ten or fifteen years which the attendance in the schools of Franklin or any county of North Carolina has made, is now making and will make in years to come, there are three factors to be considered as follows: Federal or National State and County, while the first in a way, is greatly responsible, yet it could not have ever been but for the response it received from the last two.

In considering the National Educational System there will only be mentioned in a general way the more modern method in every line which the nation as a whole has assumed during the past decade. Our educators, with a more scientific side of

everything keyed to the highest production realized that in order for us to cope with other nations we must depend upon our future generation to help us keep our place in the sun. That this be done the children must receive training. For with the coming of the automobiles, aeroplanes, wireless and good roads, our educational system needed adjusting. Hence they have encourage higher education, better farming, better rural advantages and having met with response from our state educators have caused us to make rapid advance in matters educational.

From our own beloved state, one, if not the greatest boost—since among the pioneers of better education stands out preeminent the late Governor Aycock who gave his whole influence to it at all times. Under the able administration for former State Superintendent, J. Y. Joyner, the course of education was cherished, fostered and multiplied.

With the work and enlightenment along educational lines there spread abroad among our people the realization that in order for the cause of education to prosper, there must be some means provided to put these in force. As a result the state has given its aid in financial way paying about 1-6 of the teachers salaries, and putting up better buildings—The Equalizing Fund. Thus better teachers have been the result.

—Aside from a financial standpoint  
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## Begin Your Xmas Shopping Early

Big line of Christmas cards, tags, seals, etc.

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