

PICNIC AT MIDWAY

Great Time There Friday—Mr. Gough the Speaker—Public Dinner—Good People—Crops Short—Everything Democratic in Alfordville
Friday was indeed a good day for the people of the Midway section. The occasion was an old-time Sunday school picnic. The weather was ideal, and a large crowd gathered for the occasion. The two principal features of the occasion were an address by Mr. Frank Gough of Lumberton and the bountiful picnic dinner, which was spread on a long table in the grove about the noon hour.

Mr. Gough's Address
Everybody in this section of the country knows that Mr. Gough is at home making a Sunday school address. This reporter has heard him make dozens of them—and they are always good, but his address Friday was above the average. He was introduced in a most appropriate manner by Dr. O. C. Falk, superintendent of the Midway Sunday school. In his introductory remarks Dr. Falk referred to Mr. Gough as a great Sunday school worker, a "blockade preacher" and surely Robeson's next State Senator.

In beginning his address Mr. Gough declared that it is important to make the Sunday school attractive in order to get attendance. He also showed the importance of advertising a Sunday school. Talk the school and brag on it. Believe in it. The speaker declared that the Sunday school is one of the biggest assets any community can have. "Equipment, too, has a deal to do with the success of a Sunday school," the speaker declared. "Furnish the scholars with plenty of good literature and song books. Encourage the little folks to sing."
"The object of the Sunday school should be to make Christians of the boys and girls and older folks as well," said the speaker. "Teach the children that they may lead others to Christ. The Sunday school should be made a community up-builder. The supreme test of a community is the class of citizens it turns out. Work

together in the Sunday school and in so doing build up your community. The results of a Sunday school should be yields for God."

The audience, which filled the church to its capacity, listened with close attention to the speaker and many were heard to remark that they never heard a better Sunday school address. Besides the address a number of beautiful selections were sung by the choir.

Bountiful Dinner
Immediately after the speaking all present were invited to a table, which had been prepared in the grove. Upon that table was placed everything one could wish for in the way of edibles. After all present had satisfied themselves many baskets were taken up. It was one of the most attractive tables this reporter has ever seen. What could be more enjoyed than an old-time picnic dinner?

Good People
Midway is just half way between Maxton and Rowland. That's where it got its name. It is only a few hundred yards from Raemon, a station on the Maxton & Alma Southbound railroad. It is surrounded by one of the best farming sections of the county. The citizenship is made up of as fine people as there are in Robeson county—which means to say the world. They are clever, hospitable and take delight in making it pleasant for visitors. It is a treat and pleasure to be among them and to enjoy their hospitality. To meet them once makes one more anxious to meet them the second time. They are progressive along all lines. They take pride in their homes, and there one finds some of the most beautiful country homes to be found anywhere.

The Good of a Picnic
One can never tell of the good of a country picnic, a gathering together of the people of a community for a day. There they can rest from the cares of life for a day, exchange ideas and feel the spirit of community friendship. Every rural community should have at least one picnic every year. It makes the folks think more of their neighbors and their community at large.

Crop Conditions
This reporter has never seen poorer crops anywhere than he saw on his trip through the country to Mid-

way. While crops are short in this section, they are much better than they are in the Maxton and Midway sections. Hundreds of acres of land that usually makes from a bale to one and a half bales of cotton to the acre will not make one hundred pounds of seed cotton to the acre. The corn crop is short also. However, the farmers are in good heart, and judging from their smiles one would judge that crops were good.

Political Outlook
When asked what the political outlook in Alfordville township was Mr. A. L. McCallum, one of the leading men of the township, replied, "There is no mixture here. It's all Democratic." The same question was asked Mr. N. J. McRimmin. He replied, "If there are any Republicans in this section they are very scarce." The folks seem to be well satisfied with the Democratic Administration and judging from their talk they will support the Democratic ticket from township constable to President.

"AUNT SOPHIE'S" LETTER
Rain Helps Crops—Cotton Crop Short, Corn and Other Crops Good—More About "the Filthy Weed"—A Song of Cheer
Correspondence of The Robesonian. Lumberton, R. 6, Aug. 19.—The weather was getting dry, but we had a nice shower yesterday which was good for cotton, peas, etc.

We just came home from Orrum, where husband and myself and three children spent the night with my sister, Mrs. J. E. Spivey. We missed the rain which would have been disagreeable on the road. Was glad to see good corn, peas, cane, rice and potatoes growing and some of as good peavine hay as I ever saw. But cotton in some places a failure. Five acres will not make over one hundred pounds of lint. We saw 3 or 4 patches of that kind. Was sorry to see so much of the poisonous "weed" drawing the fertility from the soil and new barns built and plenty of the seed saved for the next season. We met loads and loads of the useless offensive and expensive stuff. Guess there will be any amount of it planted next time to get the farmers "out of a hole." Will anything that's a curse to our land and country get them out, or will it sink them deeper in the mire? Am glad that Elijah was fed by the ravens that God sent food to him by instead of tobacco, and He has promised to keep us alive in famine if we trust Him. We heard a grand sermon preached by Rev. Mr. Hester at Oak Grove Sunday was a week, from the text "Let us not sleep as do others, but let us watch and be sober." We enjoyed the sermon immensely because the whole of the chapter I Thes. 5 and 6 has been so interesting till it was committed to memory 15 or 20 years ago. We all ought to have it hid away in our hearts so we could be doers of the word and not hearers only. For Satan is going about as a roaring lion seeking to destroy the peace and happiness of homes, schools and churches and every good cause, both word and work. But if we "resist him he will flee from us and if we draw nigh unto God he will draw nigh unto us."

After the meeting closed we spent a pleasant afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Baxley's family. He has fine corn. They have good crops in that section considering the wet season. There is lots of peas planted this time and vines are rank. We planted and saved 15 bushels of seed peas. Sister has 2 acres planted in corn and peas, (Brother S. P. Page brought her the seed from Georgia), after wheat, and the pea vines runs to the top of the corn stalks and are full from bottom to top of green and dry peas, blooms and snaps. We took some green and dry ones home with us. We certainly did enjoy our visit there. Bro. A. E. Page of Chadbourne met us there with two of his daughters, Misses Lena and Maud. We had not met him before in over 8 years. Also our niece of Chinley, Fla., was visiting home folks with her son and daughter and our nephew, S. M. Peace of Lumberton was visiting there with his wife and two sons. It had been nearly 4 years since I had been on a visit there and my nieces and nephews had almost grown out of recognition.

Don't forget to attend the protracted meeting which begins Sunday night.
I'll write the song that I've been singing 35 years or longer that makes house keeping and burdens and trials of almost every kind seem lighter because it fills my soul full of glory while I sing—
"Precious Bible what a treasure does the word of God afford, all I want for life or pleasure food and medicine, shield and sword. Let the world account me poor; having this I need no more. Food to which the world's a stranger, here my hungry soul enjoys; of excess there is no danger; though it fills it never clogs. An a dying Christ I feed, He is meat and drink indeed."
"AUNT SOPHIE."

President Appoints Special War Relief Days
By act of Congress, the President has appointed October 21 and 22 as days for the relief of the suffering among the Armenians and Syrians. The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America will send out the appeal to all the churches for a generous response. The American Committee for Armenian and Syrian Relief will seek to reach every community in the land, in an effort to relieve a distress greater than any the world has ever before witnessed.

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