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## Wakelon School Past and Present

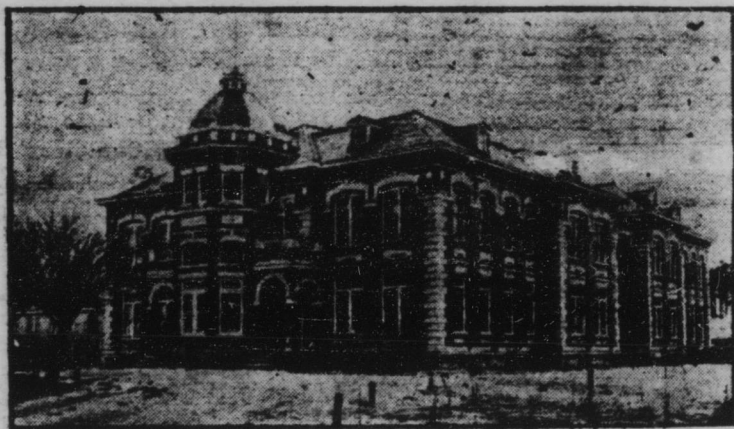
Among the things that have promoted the substantial development of Zebulon and surrounding community none has had a more outstanding influence than Wakelon school. Its history is one of which we may all be justly proud and one that should appeal strongly to us to do all we can to make the present and much larger school worthy of its past.

Forty years ago Rev. O. L. Stringfield opened the old Wakefield Academy, which was the beginning of our present system. At that time there was only one home near the school, but the community recognized the favorableness of the location, and soon a village had sprung up around the school. The building was enlarged, boarding pupils came, more people seeking the advantages of a good school moved in, the school again outgrew the building, and a larger and more beautiful building was erected. Unfortunately this building was burned, but what was considered a calamity proved to be a blessing in disguise. The loss made stronger the determination of the people to give their children the best educational advantages possible, and another home for the school was soon built. The school continued to grow in size and usefulness, and as a result a small town of busy, thrifty people had within a short time encircled it. Soon afterwards a dormitory of fourteen rooms was built to accommodate the teachers and boarding pupils.

In 1907 the Raleigh-Washington branch of the Norfolk-Southern Railroad was built, passing about a mile and a half south of Wakefield. At the nearest point of the road to Wake-

order to provide accommodations for boarding pupils who wished to avail themselves of the splendid advantages offered by Wakelon school and to provide a home for boarding teachers a three story brick dormitory was built on the school ground.

Although the people no doubt now thought they were providing sufficient room for many years to come it was only a few years before our school was again suffering with growing pains. Improvised rooms in the dormitory and auditorium were fitted up to relieve the congestion temporarily until it was possible to erect another building. In 1925, under the efficient leadership of County Superintendent J. C. Lockhart, the County Board of Education came to our rescue by voting to erect and thoroughly equip an up-to-date high school building on condition that the people of Pleasant Hill, Union Level, and Wakelon districts vote to consolidate into one high school district and to extend the present tax levy of 50c in Wakelon district throughout the proposed consolidated high school district, and in so doing guarantee adequate funds for the maintenance of standard or first class eight months elementary schools in the district and the standard high school at Wakelon. On April 20, 1926, by an overwhelming majority the people accepted the generous offer of the County School Board by voting to meet the conditions set forth by this body. As an outcome of this election a beautiful, thoroughly modern high school building is rapidly nearing completion. The building will contain twenty rooms, including class rooms, labora-



field the town of Zebulon sprang into existence. To connect the two towns one straight main street was built, and on this street, about halfway between the two towns the first section of the present Wakelon school building consisting of eleven rooms and an auditorium was erected.

In the meantime Wakefield and Zebulon school districts had been consolidated by a special act of the Legislature, a special tax for schools had been voted by the people of the consolidated district, bonds to the amount of \$10,000 had been issued, and the amount had been supplemented by \$1,300 from the county for the purpose of providing adequate room. For most in the movement of the people for a bigger and better school was Dr. G. M. Bell, of blessed memory, who donated the beautiful ten-acre lot on which the building was erected.

Within a comparatively short time the school had again outgrown its quarters, and we find the people on April 22, 1913, again voting upon themselves a bond issue, this time to the amount of \$15,000, to provide for their children with necessary room, and the building was enlarged to its present size. A few years later in

tories, libraries, offices, etc., and an auditorium with a seating capacity of 750. It will be fitted up with the best modern equipment. Strickland Brothers, the contractors, tell us that if the weather remains good and nothing unforeseen hinders the work they think the building will be ready for occupancy by October 1st.

For the coming session painstaking care has been exercised to secure teachers of recognized ability, and it is confidently felt that the public is now offered the largest and strongest faculty in the history of the school, and the board justly expects the largest patronage, the most loyal support, and the best results from the school work we have ever had. There will be twenty-six members of the faculty during the coming session.

The wonderful progress that has been made by Wakelon school in the past, the sacrifices that have been made for it by our people, and the tremendous possibilities, which have scarcely yet been tapped, should awaken in all of us—teachers, pupils, parents, and people in general—a determination to do all we can to carry forward the institution to a plain of greater usefulness than has yet been thought of.



VIEW OF ARENDELL STREET, MAIN THOROUGHFARE, ZEBULON

### Parent-Teacher Ass'n

Again the season is at hand for our Parent-Teacher Association to get busy. Although we have had no meetings during the summer months, I feel sure that many of you have been thinking and talking about plans for the new year's work.

Not in a long time have we had so many new teachers coming to us. What a good time for us to forget our failures of the past and to make a brand new beginning to do all we possibly can to help our teachers make our school what it ought to be. Plans are under way to have a real "get-acquainted" meeting soon after their arrival. Then let us follow this up with a genuine and loyal support of all of the work of the school—making the teachers feel that we are solidly "with them" for the good of our children. With our new high school building and the larger patronage from consolidation, we have enlarged opportunities for service. Let us try not to be bewildered by the bigness of our task, but the best we can "get set" for it. To this end we are calling a meeting of the executive committee with last year's Grade-Mothers for Friday afternoon, September 3, at 4 o'clock. The meeting will be at the school building that we may look the situation over before making plans. If any grade mothers do not have a way to go, please notify me by Friday noon.

MRS. W. K. PHILLIPS.

Mexico City, Aug. 19.—President Calles tonight in a reply to the request of the Catholic Episcopate that he rescind the recently enforced religious regulations, says he is unable to amend the constitution and because of his political convictions, he cannot submit to Congress a bill calling for modification of the religious laws.

In his reply, General Calles says the Episcopate was entirely within its rights in petitioning the President, but that the Supreme Court and the Congress, instead of the President, are the places the Catholics should seek relief.

### READ THIS

The page ad in this paper run by Stedman Stores Co., contains a message for all who buy groceries and feed stuff. They want you to visit their store when you come to town.—Adv.

### CORRECTION SAMARIA BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL

Some time ago during the district Sunday school convention held with the Samaria Baptist church, it was stated in the meeting that Samaria had a membership of over 300 and a Sunday school attendance of about 80. Taking the statement as given as facts, I said in my address that in that case, the school was a failure so far as reaching its possibilities was concerned, remembering that in all probability many of the members of the school were not members of the church.

Since making the above statement, I have learned that while the membership of Samaria is over 300, this is also true: the Superintendent of Union Hope Sunday school several teachers and many members are from the membership of Samaria church; the Superintendent, several teachers and a number of students of Social Plain church are also from Samaria; and, a number of teachers and members of the Mt. Pleasant Methodist Sunday school are members of the Samaria church too. That is to say, of a membership of about 300, 250 of these are in Sunday school somewhere regularly. A church that furnishes three Superintendents, so many teachers and has over 80 per cent of its membership in Sunday school somewhere, is a record that will be hard to beat in any church.

I am glad to make the above correction in justice to Samaria church, and, too, that other churches may get inspiration from the splendid work its membership is doing in Sunday school work. Mr. J. T. Morgan is the fine Superintendent of this unusual school and Rev. J. W. Nobles, of Middlesex, is the pastor of the church.

THEO. B. DAVIS.

### BIGGEST FURNITURE STOCK

A surprise awaits all who will visit the furniture store of the Zebulon Supply Co., on the second floor of their building.

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### Resolutions of Respect

Whereas: The Great and All Powerful God, The Supreme Architect of the Universe has, in his love and wisdom, seen fit to take unto himself, our loved brother, J. H. Williams.

We the Baptist church, Board of Deacons, Sunday school and officers of Sunday school of the Baptist church do hereby resolve: 1. That in the deplorable absence of Brother Williams; we have lost a member loved by all, a worker that never tired, and a true man of God in his every walk of life.

2. That while we keenly feel our loss in his death; our sorrow is counteracted with joy for we know that he is with Christ the Savior, whom he loved and served so long, and that ere long we too shall see him in that celestial city not made with hands.

3. That we extend to the bereaved family our deepest sympathy, pointing to God as the great source of

## EAST WAKE FAIR TO BE OCTOBER 21-22

The East Wake fair will be held in Zebulon October 21 to 22.

R. E. Pippin, of Zebulon, president; B. G. Mattox, of Wendell, first vice-president; Mrs. J. D. Davis, of Zebulon second vice-president; Mrs. B. M. Horton, secretary and treasurer; and Dr. L. M. Massey, assistant secretary and treasurer.

The fair will be during October 21-22 this year, and has the pledged support of citizens of Zebulon and Wendell and the communities. Much interest has been manifested in the fair which is planned to be one of the largest ever held in years.

Chairman of committees: E. C. Stallings, farm and field crops; Avery Liles, orchard and garden products; O. H. Massey, livestock; P. H. Massey, poultry; D. D. Chamblee, honey and bee supplies; Mrs. W. A. Joyner, canning; Mrs. E. C. Daniel, cooking; Mrs. W. H. Strickland, sewing; Mrs. J. B. Outlaw, pantry supplies; Mrs. D. D. Chamblee, flowers; and Mrs. F. C. McDowell, art.

The chairmen of these committees will appoint sub-committees to co-operate along the lines laid down for the Association, and they are expected to co-operate with the officers, which is needed and will be appreciated. The premium list will be gotten in shape, printed and distributed at an early date.

Every one in the community—Wendell, Zebulon and the entire territory should begin to boost the fair and make it the best ever held.

Officers and committees are now at work, and desire the co-operation of every one to the end that this fair will be the most representative and successful so far held in this community.



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comfort, strength and consolation.

4. That these resolutions be spread on the minutes of Church, Board of Deacons, Sunday school, Sunday school officers and copy published in Zebulon Record.

L. M. Massey,  
J. G. Kemp,  
M. B. Humphry,  
Committee.

### STATE MISSION PAGEANT BAPTIST CHURCH LAST SUNDAY

The young people of the Zebulon Baptist church gave a short pageant last Sunday evening at the regular hour for service. The subject was "Our State, Our Church and Ourselves." Miss Willa Horton represented the Spirit of North Carolina, seeking the highest good for her people. Material Progress, personified by Miss Cleve Medlin, advanced the state's claim for pride in her industrial and educational achievements, but these fail to satisfy the soul of North Carolina. Love, whose spokesman was Miss Evelyn Broughton, brought the message of hope that was needed, while Courage and Duty, speaking through Misses Pattie Bunn and Margaret Barrow incited to high endeavor. Special songs by Miss Madie Bell Finch and chorus work by the Junior B. Y. P. U. added to the program. The pastor of the church gave a brief account of the Baptist Mission Boards. Dr. Massey presented a report of the Sunday school work; Mrs. F. E. Bunn spoke of the work of the Woman's Missionary Society, Royal Ambassadors, and Sunbeams; Miss Maxine Robertson told of the B. Y. P. U.'s; and Mrs. E. C. Daniel gave the amount contributed by the church to missions for eight months just past.

The program was directed by Miss Crystal Davis. The pageant was written by Mrs. Davis and Miss Crystal Davis. A large congregation was present.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hood, eight and one half pound girl, September 1st, Inez Earle. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

### AT BAPTIST CHURCH SUNDAY EPWORTH LEAGUE

#### RE-ORGANIZED

A service without a sermon! Yes, that is what it will be, and yet it is expected to be one of the best services ever held in the Baptist church. What will it be? Well, that is the interesting thing you will learn if you are there. And every member of the church is especially asked to come. So, make your plans to be present and get the blessing that the worship and service of God brings to his child.

At the evening service, the pastor will preach on the text, "Be sure your sins will find you out." The service will be at 8 o'clock and the public is cordially invited to the services.

### PLAY AT CORINTH

The White Oak Sunday school will give a play "My Irish Rose" at Corinth Holder school house Saturday night, beginning at 8 o'clock. Admission 15c and 25c.

Grade Mothers of P. T. A. Do not forget the meeting at the school building Friday P. M. at 4 o'clock.

After a summer vacation, the young people of the Zebulon Methodist church met at the church last Friday evening and reorganized the Epworth League. The following officers were elected: President, Miss Sallie Thompson; Vice-president, Miss Marion Whitlock; Secretary, Edgar Hall, Jr.; Treasurer, Elmer D. Finch, Jr.; Social Committee, Mrs. W. D. Finch, Miss Eleanor Blackley, Mrs. E. A. D. Finch. Meetings will be held at the church each Friday evening at eight o'clock. At this meeting a Junior choir was organized under the leadership of Mrs. E. M. Hall, and rehearsals will be held at the close of the weekly meetings of the League. Following the above meeting the crowd adjourned to the home of Mrs. Elmer D. Finch, where a watermelon slicing was greatly enjoyed. All the young people of the community are cordially invited to attend these meetings and take part.

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