



EDWARD MARTIN ALLEN

Ends 39-Year School Career

A teacher in the educational field for the past thirty-nine years, Edward Martin Allen, decided to retire at the end of the past school year.

A member of the Beulah School staff, he was honored with a luncheon on June 3. Superintendent J. Sam Gentry gave a brief talk and Allen was then presented an engraved silver pitcher from the Beulah staff.

Allen has been a resident of the Beulah Community since 1925. A graduate of Dobson High School in 1927, he received a bachelor of science degree from North Carolina State College in 1931.

His teaching years have been confined to one school, Beulah. His duties over the years have been at both the high school and elementary level. At one time during his career, he was coach of the basketball and baseball teams at Beulah.

Allen was one of the charter members of the Beulah Ruritan Club and served as the club's second president. He was honored at the Ruritan's

Club monthly meeting June 3.

An active church member of Oak Grove Baptist Church, he has served as deacon since 1941, clerk since 1946, teacher of the adult men's class for over twenty years and also as a trustee of the church.

Allen lists his hobbies as fishing, gardening and working around his home.

He resides on route 6, Mount Airy with his wife, Fleta, who is also a teacher at Beulah School. The couple has one son, Eddie, of Knoxville, Tenn. 1971

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MOUNT AIRY — Mrs. Fleta Rhyne Allen, 91, of 120 Round Peak Church Road, Mount Airy, the widow of Mr. Edward Martin Allen died at Northern Hospital of Surry County on Friday afternoon, Aug. 8, 2003. Mrs. Allen was born April 28, 1912, in High Shoals. She was the daughter of the late William and Addie Black Rhyne of Gastonia. She graduated from Gastonia High School and was a graduate of East Carolina Teachers College in Greenville, N.C. She was a devoted mother and a retired teacher of 37 years. During her teaching career, she taught first grade through the twelfth grade. Six years she taught in Gaston County and 31 years at Beulah School in Surry County. She was a member of Oak Grove Baptist Church and a former member of Surry County Retired Teachers Personnel. She loved beautiful flowers, music and poetry and enjoyed different sports. She is survived by a son, Dr. Edward Allen Jr., of the home; a sister, Mabel Shook, of Gastonia; a niece, Gloria Hickson, of Gastonia; and seven nephews, the Rev. William Rhyne of Burlington, Ben Rhyne of York, S.C., Reid McCarter of Greer, S.C., Dr. Leonard Rhyne Jr. of Winston-Salem, Gerald Allen of Hampton, Va., George Allen of Hampton, Va., and Richard Allen of Spring Hope. Mrs. Allen was preceded in death by two sisters, Mrs. Lena McCarter and Mrs. Alma Thompson; and a brother, A. Leonard Rhyne. The funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. today, Aug. 10, at Moody Funeral Home of Mount Airy, conducted by the Rev. Bailey Elmore and the Rev. Alton Bledsoe, with burial to follow in Oakdale Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 1 p.m. today until the hour of the service at the funeral home. Floral tributes will be appreciated or contributions may be made to the Allen-Green Scholarship Fund, c/o Surry Community College Foundation, 630 S. Main St., Dobson, NC 27017.

Teacher At Beulah, Mrs. Allen, Retires

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Mrs. Fleta Rhyne Allen is retiring from teaching at Beulah School at the end of this school year.

She is a native of Gaston County and taught there for six years before coming to Surry County after her marriage to Edward M. Allen, who is also a retired Beulah teacher.

Mrs. Allen, a graduate of East Carolina, began teaching at Beulah in 1942 and has taught there continuously ever since.

Her teaching field is in the elementary grades, but her versatile talents led her to take part in activities throughout the grades and high school during her tenure there.

She was leader of the Senior 4-H Club when it was active in the school and sponsored the senior class for several years. She belonged to the Extension Homemakers Club for many years and is a member of Oak Grove Baptist Church.

Friday, Mrs. Allen shared honors with Glenn Robertson, who is also retiring, at a luncheon in the school cafeteria given by the faculty and other personnel. They were presented gifts of silver.

Mrs. Allen has always taken a personal interest in each of



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her students and she says one of her greatest pleasure is to watch the accomplishments and successes of those whom she has taught.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen live on Route six, Mount Airy, near Beulah School. They have one son, Dr. Edward M. Allen Jr., who teaches at Appalachian State University in Boone.