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Judge Buxton Robertson, teacher and author, was born in Alamance County ^[2], the son of Columbus Fbrentine and



Image of Judge Buxton Robertson, from the Yackety Yack, [p.30], published 1905 by Chapel Hill, Publications Board of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

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^[3]Ledoska Coble Robertson. Graduated from The University of North Carolina ^[4] in 1905, he delivered a commencement oration entitled "America as a Liberator" ^[5]; he received the master of arts degree in 1931. During the early years of his career Robertson was principal and superintendent successively of schools in Graham ^[6], Reidsville ^[7], and Randleman ^[8] and secretary of the North Carolina Sunday School Association. From 1911 to 1917 he was superintendent of the Alamance County schools, after which he became superintendent of the Cabarrus County ^[9] schools. In retirement he lived near Burlington ^[10].

In 1918, to assist "young, inexperienced country teachers," he published *Guide-posts for the School Room, for Institutes, Normal Schools, Reading Circles and Self-instruction of Teachers* ^[11]. A popular public speaker and local historian, Robertson in 1932 brought out a collection of short stores and anecdotes, *Gems of Truth in Stories of Life* ^[12], described as "for parlor, platform and pulpit." He was also the author of other professional publications in the field of education.

Robertson married Alice McPherson but they had no children. A Lutheran, he was buried in Pine Hill cemetery, Burlington.

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