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Bluemont School 1913

Miss Eliza Lunceford, a lifelong school teacher in western Loudoun, possessed full authority over this fine looking group of youngsters at Bluemont's one-room school in 1913. Miss Lunceford taught more than the three R's. She stressed morals, manners, and kindness in her school, and her pupils responded. First row seated, left to right, George Smith, Herman Poston, Roland Reid, Parker Throckmorton, Andrew Bell, Sanford Ramey; second row, Theodore Sowers, Charles Tharpe, Roy McKyee, Garland McKyee, Frank Osburn, Joseph Butler, Frank Poston, Tom Simpson; third row, Mary Reid, Mabel Symons, Audel Simpson, Thelma Reid, Ruth Symons, Elsie Symons, unidentified, Lennice Ramey; fourth row, Murrell Smallwood, Henry Franklin Starkey, unidentified, Annie Symons, Florence Smallwood, Ada Poston, Louise Reid, Effie Symons, Wheeler Bell, Steven Sowers; fifth row, Lillian Tharpe, Brownie Bell, Roma Butler, Elizabeth Poston, Charles Butler and Miss Lunceford. The old school is now "Mountain Shadow."

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