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CORA WILSON STEWART.

CORA WILSON STEWART, founder of the moonlight schools, was born at Farmers, Rowan County, Ky., January 17, 1875. At that time Rowan was noted for its feuds. Mrs. Stewart is a daughter of Dr. Jeremiah and Anna Eliza Wilson. She was educated at the Morehead Normal School, Morehead, Ky., Kentucky University, Lexington, Ky., and the National Normal University, Lebanon, Ohio.

For some time she was principal of the public schools of Morehead, Ky.; was County Superintendent of Rowan County from 1901-5, and again from 1909-13. During her term of office she introduced the moonlight schools in her county for the purpose of teaching the adult illiterates to read and write. Mrs. Stewart is, probably, better known than any other Kentucky woman.

Mrs. Stewart has been the recipient of several medals as a recognition of her great work, including the Clara Barton Prize.

She is a member of the Christian Church, Kentucky Federation of Woman's Club, National Art Club, Morehead Women's Club, and the Frankfort Women's Club.

Country Life Readers is a series of readers written by her for use in the moonlight schools. She is a frequent contributor to magazines. At present she is president of the Kentucky Illiteracy Commission.

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