

## Edna Burgoo

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Edna Burgoo wore a shoe size No 10  
When the roll was called that fall and class was ready to begin  
She was five feet nine and showin' signs of growin' still some  
more  
Every time she'd sit down she bump her knees and knock her pencils on the floor  
There was one old gripy teacher in the bunch  
Picked on Edna for everything from books to the baloney in her lunch  
And Edna's temper every day was growin' mighty thin  
So to avoid the clash she changed her class took up gym when basketball begin  
Now the forward on our team was Mabel Earl  
She refused to let her couch replace her with this big new girl  
So Edna won the bench while we moaned and groaned as Mabel failed to score  
Now I can't say who done it but at the half someone helped Mabel break her toe

Now the action sure got fast that second half  
With Mabel out Edna came on strong to bring the hometeam back  
There was no way that ball could miss when Edna raised her feet  
And when a mighty throw put it through the hook  
The crowd came screaming off their seats  
Our strappy little guard was Emma Jean  
No sooner the ball would miss the hook then she'd steal it for our team  
Edna threw the goal so fast the lights couldn't keep up with the score  
And a halftime 80:17 climbed all the way to read 90:84  
Two minutes left showed on the scoreboard clock  
Edna and Emma Jean were sweatin' like cotton hands on the dock  
With seconds left a faster playin' just about splattered our minds  
For Edna had two free shots coming and the score was 90:89

When Edna Burgoo put her tootsies on the mark  
Everybody in that place got so quiet it hurt my heart  
She bounced the ball on her fingertips and then she hit the spot  
It was 90:90 but nobody moved and she steadied her knees for that second shot  
Made no difference if her shoe was No 10  
We were pullin' for her to make the mark and let our hometeam win  
Then the hats flew high and the crowd went wild when Edna's shot was done  
For she made champions of us all with the score of 90:91