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## EDITORIALS

THE CURTAIN HAS BEEN RUNG DOWN UPON THE LIFE OF THE FOREMOST Negro of the world, and one of the few great men of modern times. ¶ He passed in the fullness of his power, while he was valiantly leading a race from the depths, and establishing in the minds of the thoughtful a growing belief in the brotherhood of man, and the fatherhood of God. ¶ His death is a distant loss to both the black, and the white races. ¶ Since his memorable Atlanta speech a clearer insight and consequent better feeling, had begun to dawn for us in the hearts of the white South. ¶ His life is a monument, striking and immortal of what singleness of purpose, lofty ideals, modesty and sterling character may accomplish. ¶ His loss is felt more by his race, but the legacy of hope left it, will spur it on. Somewhere, somehow another will come, whose purposes are honest, unselfish, and uplifting. He will inspire faith and courage, and deeds. Until then, while we murmur a litany; we will hope.

IN THE PUBLICATION, IN OUR LAST ISSUE, OF A NOTICE FROM THE Charleston Daily Post, anent the granting of a life certificate to the editor of the Monthly, we would have our readers to know that we are the second Negro Educator in the state to be thus honored by the State Board of Control. ¶ Professor J. Rupert Jefferson, Principal of Sumner School of Parkersburg, was the first to recieve such honor, and we thus publicly congratulate him for the merited distinction.

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# SKETCH OF THE BIRTH AND EARLY CHILDHOOD OF BOOKER TALLAFERRIO WASHINGTON

Booker Tallaferrio Washington was born on a large plantation, April 5th, 1856 near Hales Ford Post Office, Franklin County, Virginia, 45 miles from Lynchburg.

His mother was owned during slavery by James Borrough and was a cook for his family—being cook and living in the vard near the Mansion House. Her children had some advantages over similar slave children on the Plantation, as they had an opportunity to be in and around the Mansion House a great deal. He had one brother. John, the oldest and sister Amanda. the youngest, who afterwards became Mrs. Johnston, by marriage. They remained with their slave owners after the close of the Civil War until August, 1865, at which time they left in a two horse wagon on and went through the mountains to Malden, West Virginia, which took two weeks to make the journey. The older brother began at once to work in the Salt Factories. The younger brother began to attend public school in '66, the sister being too young to enter school. In '71 their mother was suddenly stricken with heart failure, after going to bed one night and died within an hour. After

this they continued to keep house and a short while afterwards. Booker went to live with the family of General Louis Ruffner, working mornings and evenings for his board, and continued to attend public school. In 1872, with but few clothes and barely enough money to pay his fare, he left his home for Hampton Institute, Virginia. By hard work and aid furnished him by his brother, who sent him there, he was able to continue in school until he graduated in 1875. On his return home from Hampton Institute the following fall, he was empoyed as teacher in the public school in his home town. In '76 the older brother, John, went to Hampton Institute and graduated in the class of '79. He returned home the latter part of the summer, and, as Dr. Washington had given up the school to enter Wayland Seminary, Washington, D. C., he, John, was employed to teach in the same school. Dr. Washington was called from Wayland Seminary to Hampton Institute to take charge and teach the Indian boys, who had been recently sent there by the United States Government from the West. He remained at Hampton Institute in this position until he was called in June, 1881 to Tuskegee, Alabama, to take charge of the school; which he has been Principal of until his death.

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MEMORIAL EXERCISES IN HONOR OF THE EX-SLAVE BOY THE PRINCIPAL OF TUSKEGEE, THE FOREMOST CITIZEN OF THE AGE, THE MAN-B. T. WASHINGTON

The news was flashed over the country Sunday the 14th of November, that Dr. Booker T. Washington had wandered down into the valley and the shadow of death. In no corner of this land, did the reception of the news cause more shock, more profound saddness than here, near the site where his earley life was spent, where many knew and loved him as a friend and neighbor. From these he drifted away as an insignificant wanderer but returned in the fullness of his maturity and career, a leading citizen of the century, and surrounded by epoch-making influences that ranked him in the hall of fame. with Washington, and Lincoln.

Born a slave, reared in obscurity, bound to a heritage of predudice and a dearth of possibilities, he yet carved from the log cabin in the Alabama woods, a monument of boundless hope for his race, and for himself the immortal rewards of a noble life.

The West Virginia Collegiate Institute, but one small atom of the mass that bowed in common sorrow at his passing, observed memorial exercises in Fleming Hall, during the hour of his interment at Tuskegee. Many visitors had assembled from the village and with the student body and faculty made a capacity audience to witness the simple but impressive exercises.

In the absence of President Prillerman, who had gone to Tuskegee, Mr. A. W. Curtis was master of cerimonies.

The following program was rendered:

Chorus
A. W. Curtis
Rev. E. M. Burgess
Chorus
A. C. Spurlock
A. G. Brown
S. H. Guss
Rev. E. M. Burgess
Chorus

# MARRIAGES AMONG THE FACULTY

Miss Amanda Gamble, class of 1901, and Professor Wm. A. Spriggs were quietly married at the home of the bride's brother, Dr. H. F. Gamble in Charleston, August 4th. Their honeymoon was spent in Springfield, Ohio.

Mr. Harry Davis, class of 1911 and Miss Susie Price who graduated from the Garnet High School last June, were quietly married July 14th. Both couples have the hearty good wishes of the entire institution.

# WILBERFORCE SIX; INSTITUTE SIX

The above tells the score—no more. It tells nothing of the hardest fought battle that was ever waged on the Institute's athletic field by any Institute team against opponents for the honor of the old gold and black.

It tells nothing of the ideal football weather, the beautiful Lakin Field, or of the cheerful well dressed crowd that filled the grandstand, poured out on the field around the wired arena, and sent forth yells and songs that characterizes college environments, and the vivacity that goes hand in hand with every happy youth.

Wilberforce had a few sympathisers in the big crowd, and until their hopes had been shattered by the terrific onslaught of the West Virginia Collegians, bravely shouted the "Forces" yells, in challenge to those of the Institute.

The State government was represented in the persons of Hons. James S. Lakin, president of the Board of Control; John S. Darst, Auditor of State; Abraham Lilly, Attorney General; Houston Young, Assistant Secretary of State; George E. Hubbs, of the Department of Free Schools; and Mr. Horan, Fire Marshal, represented the City government of Charleston.

The many friends that the Institute has among the professional classes of Charleston was attested by the great number of lawyers, doctors, preachers and business men who were present at the State's classic when its Colored citizenry is considered.

A committee of ladies, had superintended the decoration of the grand stand. The red, white, and blue bunting that festooned the front, and stretching transversely, marked the division of the seat sections with and old gold and black flag over all, fluttering gaily in the mild November air, completed the festive scene.

Promptly at three p. m. the Collegians, having won the toss, decided to take the offensive, and Holland kicked off to the "Force's' twenty yard line, and the game was on.

The first few moments of play developed the inability of the heavy athletes from Ohio to pierce Institute's line, and the ball was kicked far down the field, and recovered by Institute. Then by a series of line plunges, with Hardy and Davis as the battering rams, a confusing assortment of flank attacks, in which Hughes featured, the ball was carried to Wilberforce's two yard line, where Hardy bored his way over for the

first touch down after six minutes and thirty seconds of play. Holland failed at goal.

The first quarter ended without further scoring. The second quarter, was fought more bitterly than the first. Within in seven minutes of the end of the first half, Wilberforce had been forced to kick and the ball was caught on Institutes 30 yard line, by one of her backs. On the first scrimmage it was lost on a fumble, on the attack of the "Force", somewhere, somehow, a Wilberforce back, wriggled from the melee, found a gap in Institute's left flank, rammed an unsuspecting back, put on some speed, and, finding no further opposition, finally ramped over Institute's goal near the east side line.

The kick for goal failed, and the half ended Institute 6, Wilberforce 6.

The game was more aggressive in the second half. Only once, however was the ball near Institutes goal, and then it was on a recovered kick by Wilberforce. Thru the medium of Hughes, Hardy or Davis, the ball was carried back into Wilberforce's territory.

Several times was the Ohioan's goal threatened. Several times were they fighting bravely but hopelessly in the shadow of their goal posts, when a fumble or the attempt to execute an injudicious order would give them the ball.

The consensus of opinion as expressed by a reporter on one of the state's large dailies was, that the game ought to have been won by the West Virginia boys.

Experts pronounced it the most spirited contest that was ever staged in West Virginia. While Wilberforce outweighed the locals, this was more than compensated for, by the speed, team work, and greater football knowledge of the Institute eleven.

All of the team played real football, but the stellar work of Hughes, Hardy, and Davis was very commendable. Hughes was the chief ground gainer. The defensive work of the line men was above par.

The game was a demonstration of modern methods applied to old football. The aerial route was attempted frequently, but excepting three times for small gains on the part of Institute, was not successful.

Our speed merchant Crawford, the regular left half, who was injured in the game at Blufieeld, viewed the contest from the side lines.

R. E.

INSTITUTE

Woodley

WILBERFORCE Harper—Reed

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Cunningham—Locket	t R	l. G.			Childs	
Morgan		C.		Pa	tterson	
Clark	L	. G.		G	arrison	
Brown	L	. T.		Sweet	McNab	
Holland	, I	. E.			Points	
Kincaid	Ç	). B.			Gaines	
Hughes	F	R. H.	Reed.	(Capt)-	-Willett	
Davis	I	H.			Dickson	
Hardy, (Capt.)	I	F. B.		Lane	-Jones	
Score by quarters	1	2	3	4	Total	
Wilberforce	0	6	0	0	6	
Institute	6	0	0	0	6	
Officials,-Lively, W.	Va. U.,	referee:	Sims.	W. and	L: umpi	re:

Bolden, Marshall College, head line's man.

#### ANOTHER FOOTBALL VICTORY FOR INSTITUTE

On the afternoon of Saturday, November 13, at Exhibition Park in the City of Charleston, the football eleven of the West Virginia Collegiate Institute, for the third time in the course of their athletic relations, lowered the colors of the team from the State University of Louisville, Kentucky.

The final score of 37 to 0 in favor of Institute, while it seems to give an impression of a listless game was no true indication of the interest that was manifest every minute of play. The Kentuckians fought desperately, but at every angle, they were outplayed.

They were able to do what no team against which Institute has contended this season, has been able to do—make two downs by bucking the line.

In the third quarter, Kentucky showed a momentary flash of real modern football, that threatened to cause some trouble. Three times Hutchinson stabbed the air with the forward pass for small gains. Further attempts were smothered.

The Charleston Post of November the 14, has the following account:

The West Virginians put up a wonderful game, one that would do credit to any college eleven that ever put on cleated shoes. Off with a rush, the eleven from Institute, husky, fast and tricky, crashed through the Kentucky line, circled the ends with lightning like speed and pulled off brilliant tricks and forward passes that fairly dazzled the visitors, who seemed unable to get their powerful point-scoring machine into action.

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When the Kentuckians would get the ball, they were powerless to gain through the stone wall line of the West Virginians, which held time after time with but a few inches needed to make it first down.

The bright particular star of the afternoon was Hughes, the West Virginia right half back. Of small stature, but as powerful as a bull and as fast as a bullet, the lad exhibited more real individual football class than has ever been shown by any collegian, he he white or colored, on a local gridiron.

He was the whole team in himself and scored three of the Institute touchdowns. He was in every play, whether his team was on the offensive or defensive and was always good for a healthy gain when called on to run with the ball. His broken field running was superb. If he were a student at a big University he would develop into a real star.

Ross, right tackle for the visitors, also played an exceptioal game. His tackling was hard and sure.

Morgan Gardner, local boy who is coaching the Institute team should be given a great deal of credit for the showing of the Prillerman students. His work in developing one of the best colored football teams in the country is worthy of much praise and he deserves every bit that can be given him.

Over six hundred people saw the contest, and enthusiasm ran high. The line-up:

INSTITUTE		STATE UNIVERSITY
Holland	L. E.	Hambleton
Brown	L. T.	. Offut
Clark	L. G.	Madison
Morgan	C.	Goodloe
Cunningham	R. G.	Stewart
Patterson	R. T.	Ross
Woodley	R. E.	Jackson
Davis	L. H.	Turpin
Hughes	R. H.	Purce
Kincaid	F. B.	Hutchinson
Lewis	Q. B.	Butler
Scoring by periods:		

W. V. C. I.	13	6	12	6	Total .	37
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Referee, Lively; Umpire, Ira Simms; scoring touchdowns, Patterson. Kincaid, Davis, Hughes ; goal from touchdown, Holland; substitutions, W. V. C. I., Lockett for Cunningham; Burke for Morgan; Rennick for Woodley. Time of quarters. 15 minutes.

#### THE NEW GRAND STAND

The new grand stand, begun in the late summer, and finished sufficiently to be used was publicly opened to the great crowd that attended the Wilberforce-Institute foot ball game, the fifth of November.

The school feels especially thankful to Hon, James Lakin, and the Board of Control for their generosity in allowing sufficient funds for it, and our business manager is due his measure of praise for the activity shown in nursing the proposition to its present state.

The grand stand is the replica of one built for one of the state's white preparatory schools, and will seat almost five hundred persons comfortably. Provisions have been made in the rear, for completing at least four rooms to be used as dressing rooms, shower baths, or for other conveniences of the local and visiting base ball and foot ball teams.

It is located on the east side of Lakin Field facing the imposing concrete arch at the main entrance. and extends north and south, paralelling the buildings excepting the A. B. White Trade Buildings, and Fleming Hall.

The erection of the stand was begun under supervision of our teacher, Mr. A. G. Brown, assisted by a corps of carpenters each one

of whom was a graduate of this school, or student taking carpentry as his vocational study.

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Since the beginning of school. the work has been pushed to its present state by students of the carpentry and painting divisions. superintended by their teachers.

As far as we know, there are no Negro schools, that have grand stands to compare at all with the one on Lakin Field.

When the stand is completed and the Field leveled, drained, and surrounded by a proper fence, few schools can boast of better or more fitting accommodations for Athletic purposes.

.To those who see this evidence of the state's consideration toward its Negro citizenry, is presented a striking monument of West Virginia's generosity such as is rarely shown in the country.

Z. TAYLOR BROWN FIRST PRIZE WINNER AT THE COUNTY FAIR

The Kanawha County Agricultural and Industrial fair was staged at Luna Park in the Capital city from October 14 to and including the 16.

This was its second annual observance and the exhibits were of a higher order than those shown at its first.

The Monthly takes pride in ac-

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quainting its readers of the par excellence of the exhibits shown by Mr. Zachariah Taylor Brown, a pioneer resident and farmer of Institute village.

Mr. Brown was awarded the first prize for the beauty and size of the sweet potatoes that he entered in the contest. When the size of the county and the number of contestants were considered. Mr. Brown's success deserves praise.

He has received many compliments for his skill in raising potatoes of such size and quality.

# A NEW VILLAGE SCHOOL HOUSE

Through the efforts of the Citizens Civic League a local organization of which Pres. Prillerman is chairman, the building of a tworoom school house in the village was hastened.

At this time, the building is about completed, and in its finished state, will be much more desirable -though not what the league wanted-than the old building was.

So many pleasant memories of tradition were connected with the old location, that the Board of Education yielded to the opposition to rebuilding upon another site and consequently, the new building stands on the old lot.

The league petitioned that the

school be placed under the supervision of the West Virginia Collegiate Institute, and that the term be lengthened to nine months. This request was not granted by the present Board, although many patrons of the school joined the Civic League in petitioning the Board to this effect.

There is a growing sentiment that nothing but a modern rural school has right to exist in the shadow of the West Virginia Collegiate Institute.

Madam Lucy Lowry, and Miss Emma Meadows have been selected as the teachers for this term. Both are graduates of the Institute and both are teachers of varied experience.

#### CAUSES\*OF FAILURE

If a man, professional or otherwise, fail in his work, the causes will probably be found among the following:

1. Lack of love for his task.

2. Lack of tact in his methods.

3. Lack of care for appearances.

4. Lack of regard for the views of others.

5. Lack of thoroughness in doing things for others.

6. Lack of faculty in winning support.

7. Lack of organizing power to

keep out of the ruts.

8. Lack of gumption in making knowledge pratical.

9. Lack of patience in doing drudgery, and too great haste to cull the flowers.

10. Lack of moderation in things desired, and an over estimate of actual need.-Michigan Christian Advocate.

# BLUEFIELD COLORED INSTITUTE BEATEN BY THE WEST VIRGINIA COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE 91 TO 0 TELLS THE STORY

Bluefield, W. Va., October 29.-The first football contest between Bluefield Colored Institute and the West Virginia Collegiate Institute was witnessed at the Bluefield-Graham Fair Grounds the afternoon of the 29th inst.

The weather was ideal for football, and a large crowd from the city, and from points, along the Norfolk and Western Railroad came to view the contest. The importance of the schools represented and the number of grads. that each has working in the southern section of the state who but desired victory for their individual schools, enlivened the interest, and caused the game to be keenly anticipated.

The grand stand presented a pretty appearance. The students

of the Bluefield Colored Institute were massed in its center, and their waving penants, and fluttering ribbons of white and old gold, with the songs and cheers were enough to inspire their eleven to fight to the last ditch.

After the kick off, the first few moments of play showed the staunchest believers in the prowess of the Bluefield Colored Institute that there was never a chance for a score by the south state eleven.

The game served as a preliminary to put the Varsitsy squad on edge for the contest that is scheduled with Wilberforce University for the fifth of November'.

The Bluefield Colored Institute fought bravely but futilely. The class of football shown by the Varsity squad was too strenuous an bewildering for the novice, no matter how ambitious he might be.

The game was devoid of rough tactics other than naturally is expected, and the casualties that happened were but the general out-croppings of the game.

The Bluefield Colored Institute never made a first down, and when the contest was ended the Collegians had rolled up a score of 91. although the official score was announced as 89 to 0.

The manager of the Collegians hopes to continue atheletic relations both in football and baseball

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with the Bluefield Colored Institute.

Coach Gardner of the Varsity squad expressed himself as highly pleased with the performance of his team.

The line up was as follows:

B. C. I.		W. V. C. I.
Few	L.E.	Holland
Lomax	L. T.	Brown
Washington	L. H.	Clark
Dunlap	C.	Morgan
Lockett	R. G.	Cunningham
Adams	R. T.	Patterson
Elliot	R. E.	Woodley
Turner (C)	Q. B.	Kincaid
Woodley	L. H.	Crawford
Buchanan	R. H.	Hughes
Howard	F. B.	(C) Hardy
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Substitutions for W. V. C. I., Lockett for Cunningham; Burke for Morgan; Lewis for Kincaid; Kincaid for Crawford.

Referee, Dr. Brown of Shaw, Umpire, Prof. Wilkerson of West Virginia Collegiate Institute.

# AROUND THE INSTITUTE

Mrs. Louise Lovette of Meridian Mississippi, the mother of Professor J. W. Lovette, teacher in masonry is spending the winter with her son.

Mr. Jacob Johnson Jr. of the senior class was one of the few students to go to Bluefield to witness the Bluefield Colored Institute and West Virginia Collegiate Institute football contest on the 29th of October. President Prillerman, accompanied by his daughters, Ednora and Myrtle and by Max Westerband, of St. Thomas, visited the Honorable C. H. Payne at Huntington the 30th of October. Dr. Payne, formerly a regent of this school, is now a United States Consular Agent at St. Thomas, Danish West Indies. Professor Saunders of Storer College was the guest of his wife, Mrs.

Inez Johnson Saunders a part of the month of October. Mdme. Saunders is performing the services of a dutiful daughter at the bedside of her invalid mother.

Professor Saunders, while here delivered an address to the Sunday evening club.

Reverend R. W. D. Meadows, a Baptist divine doing state missionary work for his denomination, accompanied by Dr. S. Vaas lecturer of Raleigh, North Carolina, were visitors at the school October 26.

A special convocation of the school was called at 1 p. m. to listen to an address from Dr. Vaas. His remarks were interesting and called forth favorable comment.

Miss Henrietta Gardner a lady of broad education ripened by travel and study in Europe, was a business visitor at the school the week of November 1. Miss Gardner is at present connected with the rural extension service of the Lawrenceville Virginia Industrial School. In her chapel talks to the stu-

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dents she spoke interestingly of her recent visit to the Panama Exposition. Her talks disclosed that she was an incisive student of people and conditions.

Miss Irene Pinyon, National student's Secretary for the Young Women's Christian Association was the guest of the school for the week of October 10.

Miss Pinyon spent her time in conferences with the local members of the association.

Mr. Max Yergen National student's Secretary for the Young Men's Christian Association spent a part of the week of October 10 at Institute. He presented plans by which the association could be made of greater service as a moral stimulus.

Among the notables present at the Wilberforce-Institute football annual, were the Honorables James S. Lakin, president of the Board of Control, John S. Darst, State Auditor and announced candidate for governor, Houston Young, announced candidate for secretary of state, A. Lilly, prospective candidate for governor.

Mrs. Rosa Harper Brown, class of 1913, has erected a neat little four room cottage in Institute City for rental purposes.

Mr. W. A. Brown, Normal Class of 1902 and Commercial Class of 1910, has built a beautiful five room

cottage on land adjoining the west side of the school property.

Mr. Brown was his own architect and builder, and he owes his ability in this line to the system of education in vogue here. At present he is assistant in the Commercial Department of the Institute. Rumors are in circulation as to the reasons for Mr. Brown's action for whose authenticity your reporter fails to vouch.

Mr. N. A. Murray, assistant to the director of Agriculture is having erected a seven room house in Institute City.

Mr. C. T. Friend, Normal Class of 1912, and at present Principal of the Mandaville School, has been confined to his home in the village, on account of a severe case of la grippe. Mrs. Lucy Lowry, his sister, is teaching in his place for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Howard erected a six room cottage near Dawson Hall the past summer. Mdme Howard is of the Normal Class of 1900, and has taught a number of years in the state.

President Prillerman, accompanied by Mr. C. W. Smith, left Saturday, November 6, to attend the inauguration of the President of Fisk University at Nashville, Tenn. Mr. Smith is an alumnus of Fisk University.

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