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MONTHLY REPORT OF ROSENWALD BUILDING AGENT

FOR MONTH OF October, 1931

(To be made in triplicate)

ITINERARY REPORT

Day of Month	Community Visited	Purpose
1st	Office	Making reports
2nd	Daphne	Baldwin County Institute
3rd	Daphne	Baldwin County Institute
4th	Evergreen	For the Conecuh County Institute
5th	Evergreen	Conecuh County Institute
6th	Office	Working
7th	Office	Working
8th	Snow Hill-Camden	Visiting schools
9th	Millers Ferry	Wilcox County Institute
10th	Millers Ferry	Wilcox County Institute
11th	Lineville-Talladega	Clay and Talladega Counties, working on Vocation bldg.
12th	Pell City	St. Clair County Institute
13th	St. Clair County	Working on a three teacher project
14th	Office	Working
15th	Jasper	Visited Walker County Training School
16th	Vernon	Lamar County Institute
17th	Fayette	Fayette County Institute
18th	Lineville	Big rally for the Training School
19th	Calera	Shelby-Chilton Institute
20th	Calera	Shelby-Chilton Institute
21st	Tuskegee Institute	Jeanes Conference
22nd	Marion-Tuscaloosa	Working on a four teacher project at Marion
23rd	Carrollton	Pickens County Institute
24th	En route to Montgomery	
25th	Tuskegee Institute	Jeanes Conference
26th	Tuskegee Institute	Jeanes Conference
27th	Office	Working
28th	Office	Working
29th	Camphill-Lafayette	Visiting schools
30th	LaFayette	Chambers County Institute
31st	Tuskegee	Macon County Institute

NARRATIVE REPORT

(Write on pages two and three a narrative account of building progress or prospects in the counties with which you have been in touch during month, and any significant items of news about Negro education in your state, especially in the field of activity of the Rosenwald Fund. Human interest stories are particularly desirable.)

The month of October as usual has been an exceedingly busy month for us, as our annual teachers institutes have been in full operation:

We have worked on a few interesting projects also. At night and on Sundays we have attempted to keep the rural building program going.

3rd. This date was given to the teachers of Baldwin County in their annual teachers institute. The entire force of county teachers were present and took an active part in the deliberations. Mr. A. Tharp, County Superintendent and his corps of officers were present and made some very friendly suggestions to the teachers.

Mr. Tharp, encouraged the teachers to shoulder the responsibilities of the work in a big way and to make the program in spite of the depression.

The County Training School where the meeting was held has a bright outlook for a fine year. The teachers headed by Principal Peoples, are making excellent head way with the work. The enrollment has gone up by leaps and confidence in the patrons and citizens has been restored and a fine year is in prospect.

5th. This date was spent in Conecuh County. More than seventy teachers enrolled for the year's work. Superintendent Hanks, made the leading address, stating among the many things that he had outlined a big program for the year, and notwithstanding the depression he was expecting the teachers to cooperate with him and his board in putting it over. The teachers assured him that they were willing to make sacrifices in order that the program in no way would be retarded. The meeting was inspiring and filled with enthusiasm.

The Principal of the County Training School made a very encouraging talk and said that the outlook for a good year was good.

6th. We visited the Snowhill Institute, and found a very fine spirit among the teachers but the enrollment was not so good, owing to the fact that the children for the most part had not finished with their gathering of crops.

We also visited the Camden Academy at Camden, Alabama. Here we found more than three hundred pupils enrolled and the school going big.

11th. (Sunday) we gave this date to the Clay County Training school. Here we are raising

money for a vocational shop. While we didn't raise but a few dollars we did succeed in getting more than three hundred dollars in good subscription for a future rally. We shall put this project over. Work on the Talladega Vocational shop is under way.

12th. This date was spent in St. Clair County with the rural teachers. We had a most interesting institute. Supt. Moody expressed himself as being well pleased with the outlook for a good year. We are finishing a three teacher project in this county at Ashville. We hope to have the project well under way in the next few days at least. Most of the money is in sight for the building.

16-17th. These dates were given to the counties of Fayette and Lamar where we conducted two very enthusiastic institutes. Our problem this year in the institutes is to keep the teachers encouraged as the depression is playing a peculiar hand in the teaching profession as in other walks of life.

21st. We attend the great Jeanes Workers Conference. The meeting was inspiring and very helpful from every angle. The talks and addresses were wonderful.

We have handled more than five hundred teachers this month, and have in a very large measure left a spirit of real enthusiasm going in every county.

One Superintendent expressed himself as being very much discouraged over the outlook for a good year in the school work, but after he heard us speak, he at once arose to his feet and said "Our school shall go seven months". The teachers applauded, and assured him they were with him to the end.

We are planning to get four vocational buildings built before the first of the year and the three teacher rock building at Ashville well under way.

At Marion, Alabama we have the sight bought and paid for and almost enough money to qualify for a four teacher building. We hope to get this project over during the month of November at least.

While money is hard to get, our people are willing to make human sacrifices to make conditions better for their children.

No cessation in interest has been noticed. We are working with the same enthusiasm as in former years to make the rural program go.

With God helping us we shall not grow discouraged.

SUMMARY OF ROSENWALD BUILDING PROJECTS FOR THE MONTH

1. Buildings Completed During Month

Application Number	County	School	Plan and Number Rooms	Cost	Contribution Rosenwald Fund

TOTAL

II. Approved Rosenwald Building Applications Filed

County	School	Plan and Number Rooms	Estimated Cost

III. Incompleted Buildings Inspected During Month

County	School	Plan and Number Rooms	Estimated Cost

IV. Rosenwald Building Prospects

County	School	Type Needed	Money Raised

V. Rosenwald Schools Visited

County	School	Number Teachers	Impression
Clay	County Training School	five	Good
Wilcox	County Training School	seven	Excellent
Shelby	Calera City School	three	Good
Coosa	County Training School	five	Good
Elmore	County Training School	eight	Excellent
Chambers	County Training School	ten	Excellent
Walker	County Training School	five	Good
St. Clair	Pell City	two	Fair

Date October 31st, 1931

(Signed)

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