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My Experience as a Worker Under Jeanes Fund

BY MISS KATIE Y. FULTON, SEWING TEACHER, PRAIRIE VIEW COLLEGE

From 1906-1912 I was employed as supervisor of the Jeanes Fund in Lee county, three-fourths of which was owned by Negroes.

I was employed Oct. 20, 1909, on the recommendation of our worthy principal, Prof. E. L. Blackshear. It was, indeed, a great surprise to me when I received a message from him stating that he had recommended me for the work. He said the work would be difficult to me, as it was the work of a man, but he felt that I would take the work and make well of it, as he knew I would be loyal to myself, my school and to his trust.

After some advice from my friends, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Tears of Austin, Texas, whom I was visiting at the time I received the notice, I rang Prof. C. M. Bishop, county superintendent of Lee county, as I had been instructed by Principal Blackshear. We discussed the matter at length. He asked me to sign the contract, but I had him to understand first, that a woman in that work needed protection, and without the assurance of which I could not take the work. I assured him that I did not consider the salary anything in compensation for the results that might come to me through association with so many classes of people. Finally, with the promise of his hearty support for absolute protection I accepted the work.

I went to Giddings on Oct. 31 and began work in the Giddings city school with an enrollment of 130 pupils. Both county and city superintendents visited my opening and wished me all possible success.

I began by teaching the children in the primary grades. My object was to give the children in the rural schools the same training that the children in the city received.

Miss Anna T. Jeanes of Philadelphia, Pa., died and willed \$1,000,000 for the purpose of advancing Industrial Education for the Negro children in the South.

In Lee county there were more than 20 schools, 15 of which I visited, enrolling in these during my first year more than 1,000 pupils between the ages of six and twenty-one. This was far more work than had been contemplated for the first year.

We also did a kind of missionary work, which proved to be a great help to the people. The majority of the teachers co-operated with me and I had the hearty co-operation of both superintendents, so that during the succeeding years the work was much improved. During my stay there I taught cooking, sewing, basketry, school gardening, general home cleaning, beautifying the yards, school grounds, church grounds and cemetery in a radius of a mile. We taught some form of this work in each community, doing the work on somewhat greater scale at our headquarters, which was situated at Sweet Home. There we had an Industrial Building provided with five sewing machines and all the equip-

ment needed in a sewing room. We also had a kitchen and dining room fairly well provided. Each parent provided material for their child to practice work. We gave a careful daily report of all work done.

We had the first Negro diploma issued in Lee county. For the closing of our school we had a very creditable exhibit, which was inspected by both colored and white.

After teaching there three years I went to Tuskegee to broaden my knowledge along industrial lines, but on returning I was offered a position in Prairie View.

Since the space in our paper is limited, I would be glad to talk with any one desiring further information concerning the work.

Woman Indispensable to Man's Life

By Mrs. S. G. Kay

When God made man He placed him in the garden of Eden. There were babbling brooks and running streams winding their way over plains, dashing down hillsides, making sweet music as they hurried on to the sea. There were beautiful trees whose luxuriant foliage and luscious fruit would have brought wonder and admiration. Mother Earth was clothed in her verdant robes with flowers and fragrant

of myriad hues. Amid leafy boughs twittering birds cooed to each other their songs of love. On hillsides, plains and forests were every conceivable kind of animal. In the water, fish and all kinds of aquatic animals were in abundance. Man was given dominion over all these. Was he contented and happy? No! These had no charms for him. He was alone and sad of heart. God saw him and pitied his condition. He caused a dem-stumber to come upon him; took from his side a rib and made woman. When man awoke his sadness was turned into joy. He beheld woman, the dearest to him of all creation; and it was not until then could he see the beauties and uses of nature. Thus on through life did they go sharing each others sorrows and pleasures.

As the cord is to the bow
So is woman to man;
Though she bends him, she obeys;
Though she leads yet she follows;
Useless one without the other.

Time rolled on, man became a most sinful being. God repented having made him and sought to sweep him from the face of the earth. Christ sympathized with man in his fallen condition and offered to redeem him. Here woman plays an important part in the Virgin Mary, who gave birth to the Savior and Redeemer of mankind. After His advent into the world, woman was associated with Him and His followers, sharing their sorrows, bearing their burdens, alleviating their pains and administering to their needs. When the King of kings was nailed to the cross, she was there—the last to leave and the first to the tomb. She was the first to break the news to man. "Christ is risen!"

And we know what that means to us today.

More than four hundred years ago the mighty mind of Columbus traversed unknown seas and clasped this great continent in its imbraced. Explorers and settlers, in the person of man, came but nothing permanently done until woman planted her foot upon this American soil and a new continent was found and a new nation was born.

When brave man went to the battle field and sought to throw off the yoke of oppression woman remained at home and kept the work up. There she taught patriotism to her sons and daughters. With tear dimmed eyes and aching heart she sacrificed husband, father, son, and sweetheart; she sacrificed every comfort of home that she could to encourage them to be braves indeed. Earnestly did she ply the needle in making garments to protect them from the cold. Her beds were stripped; her woolen wrappers were taken from her back and made into shirts.

Oh! Look! Listen! Men are dying and groaning upon the battle field. Their comrades cannot minister to their needs for the shot and shell are screaming. The enemy is fast approaching; man loses sight of present surroundings and trembles over bodies of comrades and and aim his muskets through systems of blood to repulse the attack. From the dying we hear hoarse, hoarse cries to their mothers. She knows how dear I love her and tell her not to wait for me, for I am not coming home. Just say there is no other can take the place of mother; just kiss my dear sweet lips for me, and break the news to her." An indispensable woman in the person of Florence Nightingale goes to the battle field and places a drop of water upon the parching tongues; pounds are dressed; comfortable beds are provided; scorching fevers are cooled and sympathetic expressions are made. Man no longer suffers for want of attention. From the deeds of this noble woman the Red Cross Society was organized, which has spread through civilization. In cases of floods, cyclones, earthquakes, fires and battles, this society is indispensable to mankind.

In our present time we find woman treading in all the avenues of life. In the school room she is man's superior as a primary teacher. It matters not how grand and magnificent a structure may appear, without a solid foundation soon or late it will tumble down in disgrace. Through woman's instilling of educational principles in the child's mind the foundation is laid upon which rests the whole of man's future greatness, intellectually. She is not confined solely to primary work to merit worth but in one of the largest cities of our great United States we find woman, in the person of Ella Flagg Young as superintendent receiving a salary of \$10,000 per annum.

Let us now glance in the place called home. What is this place to man without woman? Through her, man's sons and daughters obtain those qualities and principles that cause

To a Kind Little Friend

BY NAPOLEON BONAPARTE EDWARD
(Assistant Editor)

The following lines were written in appreciation and thankfulness to a good little, kind little, dear little friend who sent us one of the "kingings," sweetest, red-ripe melons that ever blossomed on a vine, eight miles across the country.

That melon was so good and ripe
I knew not what to do
And every time I worked my jaws
I always thought of you.

And when I got my mouth filled up
With that rich heart so sweet
I could not help but smack and grin
And pat my great big feet.

Your simple deed of sweetness sent
Enclosed in purple rind
Shall make me live just one day more
And leave my cares behind.

This queenly deed of goodness done
Shall live thru all the years,
When I shall grow so old and limp
And bow my head in tears.

For the little scraps of kindness
Make us live when we are gone
And our dear friends weep around us
When the shades of night come on.

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man's, senses and advises. When scorching fevers and other cruel diseases claim any of the inmates as their own she is there like a heroine she deprives herself of every comfort and ease; she keeps a close vigil night and day that she might restore to health and life, if possible, her loved ones. When man becomes debauched from strong drink and vice, when the finger of scorn is pointed at him and men who were his companions know him not—somewhere is a woman, a mother, wife, sister or a sweetheart who loves him still in all his shame and disgrace, who will speak to him in tender tones and we hear him faintly whisper, "Home, home, sweet sweet home; there's no place like home," for indispensable woman is there.

Causes of Success and Failures

By Beatrice Bryant, Class '15

Attention, application, accuracy, method, punctuation and dispatch are the principle qualities required for the efficient conduct of business people of any pursuit. These may appear to be small yet they are of essential importance to human happiness. The repetition of small things that are for the betterment of men and women serves as a foundation upon which character is formed.

Attention is the concentration or focusing of the mind on one thing to the exclusion of others. Without this quality, we are liable to be continuously thrown into the world of obscurity where we have unclear conceptions of things that are of essential importance to human progress. Application is the applying of self to those things which will tend to broaden our view point as to things of elevation, things

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Method is the exact arrangement of things. If we would practice this, we would find that a more systematic and convenient arrangement of things will economize time and prevent worry.

We cannot meet with success unless we practice punctuality, for in business it is the principle quality of men who look for future happiness in business of all kinds. Without the practice of this virtue we are more or less unhappy in the affairs of life.

Dispatch is the quickness with which we perform our work. This is essential to human progress. If practiced, it enables us to keep pace with the rest of the world.

Lyrics

Prairie View, Texas, June 3 Prof. N. B. Edward: Permit me to congratulate you on your poems, which I have been using in my school. I also used them in a public entertainment. They were very highly prized and each one seemed to be doubly interested because they were composed by one of our own race.

They were again glad to know that you were my teacher. I gave them to know that the poems were your own thoughts and not somebody else's. I shall always endeavor to have a copy of "Lyrics", composed by Prof. N. B. Edwards, in my school. Hoping that it may prove profitable to you and be a stepping stone to even greater prosperity. I am

Yours truly,
Bertha E. Harrison,
Doucette, Texas.

Ministers of the gospel need have no misgivings about preaching good roads from the pulpit. Just as certain as there is a straight and narrow road that leads to Heaven, the question of improved roads means a better world on this earth.

**A THOUSAND TEACHERS
GOING TO THE CAPITAL**

Hempstead, Texas, June 15.
To the Colored Teachers of Texas: Dear Co-Laborers—Next to an aggressive church the most potent factor for the promotion of public morals in any community is a well regulated and properly mastered public school. The school is the center of community interest. It is the place where two ways meet. At the public school, men of different religious persuasions, of different political affiliations, of various social circles, meet on common ground. Dividing lines are lost in the tie which binds all to an institution to which all owe allegiance and from which all expect to derive benefits.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHER
However abused and discounted he may be, the teacher is the community's strongest personality. It is he who molds and fashions the youths for future citizenship. This high priest of mind and matter has upon him the responsibility of developing the race and shaping its destiny. It is well then that we consider "What manner of man am I." The motto of the Colored Teachers' Association is—"Keep up professionally." This can be done in one of three ways or in all of them. First, by attending such schools and other institutions of learning that offer professional advantages. Secondly, by reading the best books, periodicals and journals that bear upon our profession. Last, but by no means least, by attending County Institutes, State and National meetings. I want to place great stress upon the necessity of every Texas teacher becoming an active participant in every session of our State Association. There we become associated with the very best brain of the race, teachers of fine scholarship and years of experience. No teacher can attend this meeting without being wonderfully helped and inspired to do more and better work when he returns to his community.

THE RURAL TEACHERS
I am very anxious that the rural teachers attend in great numbers; for more than 75 per cent of our children reside in rural communities. It is there that we should send our safest and best instructors whenever possible. Too long have some teachers of smaller places felt a delicacy in attending the state meeting. Let me assure you that there never was and never will be a time when any one will be embarrassed by coming in contact with the christian leaders, who have for years conducted the affairs of the Teachers Association in this state. I want that every County in this State where colored teachers reside to be thoroughly canvassed from the city high school to the smallest school in the smallest district in the smallest county in this great state of ours; so that every teacher in the state may hear and know about the Colored Teachers' Association in Texas. I will appreciate the voluntary service of any man or woman who will take the initiative in organizing State Association Clubs in your own county. Send me your name and address and at the proper time I will send you literature to assist you in informing the people. Every one can add one more to the great number that will go to Austin November 26 to 28, 1914. A thousand teachers for Austin in 1914 is the goal of our ambition. Will you be there?
Yours for education for all the people.
W. L. Davis,
President of the State Colored Teachers' Association, Hempstead, Texas, Box 36.

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Blackshear Speaks at Austin

Austin, Texas, July 17.—The speech of Edward L. Blackshear, principal of the Prairie View State Normal and Industrial College, was one of the highlights of the fourth day's school week at Austin

Transiency in Rural Schools

The educational conference in Austin, the problem of rural education was considered Tuesday

The Needs of the Child

The address of Dr. J. H. Francis, superintendent of the public schools of Los Angeles, before the National Educational Association at St. Paul, was sensational

Negroes to Help Farmers

Hillsboro, Texas.—Negroes of this place have organized a Young Men's Business Progressive Club

be remedied in but one way. The rural school must be made a fit institution for both teacher and children

In Texas we have but made a beginning in the matter of good roads. Rural life can never be divested of its hardships until our road systems are improved

We need better rural school houses in Texas, we need full thirty-six week school terms in the country, we need well paid teachers and competent teachers who are able to become leaders in community life

In this necessary work, the rural school must be a focus of effort, and once we make the rural school what it deserves to be, transiency will cease to obstruct educational progress

The Post feels sure that Texas is progressing in this respect, and it is confident that in a few years our urban and rural schools alike will be organized and conducted so that the boys and girls will leave them well equipped to merge themselves into the body of our citizenship

school system for many years that it does not equip children for the duties of life. In some city systems, practical courses have been established to the great benefit of the children served

Most of the colleges of the better class have recognized the deficiencies of the public school system and have made their courses more practical. Colleges for girls, almost without exception, now are teaching such branches as domestic economy, sewing, dressmaking, millinery, laundering and nursing

For the general mass, it seems to be imperative to conform the course to the needs of the boys and girls, otherwise they must leave the schools utterly unable to become efficient factors in the world

We are daily recognizing the need of instilling into youthful minds a genuine and wholesome realization of the dignity of labor, and we agree with Dr. Francis that this must become a dominant note in public education if the country is to obtain the best results in the way of efficient citizenship

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Circular of Information

PRairie View State Normal and Industrial College of Texas. 35th Annual Session Will Open September 9th, 1914

Fees for Admission: The fees for admission will be for girls, \$25.50; for boys, \$33 including in each case the cost of the school uniform which students are required to wear

Trade Courses: The Board of Directors have authorized the following trade courses to be put in operation on September 9, 1914. Two-year course in Blacksmithing; One-year course in Boilermaking and Engine running

NORMAL-INDUSTRIAL COURSE

Table with 3 columns: First Year, Second Year, Third Year, Fourth Year. Rows include subjects like English Composition, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, Latin, History, Science, and Industrial Practice.

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NEWS NOTES

R. L. Isaacs, Local Editor; G. W. Hochman, Assistant Editor; Mr. Horace Schuler, of Henderson, Texas, is a visitor on the campus

Students will please have the addresses of their papers changed before leaving the campus, put a written notice in box 14 at postoffice

The Milam County Colored Fair opens this week, July 22, in Rockdale. Principal Blackshear, having been invited by the colored citizens in charge of affairs and the Mayor of the city, will make the principal address

Cupid's Storm: According to announcements made in public the following weddings will take place in the near future: Prof. J. R. Lockett and Miss E. E. Housworth

Class Roll: Male: BUTLER, PHILIP A.; COLLINS, WADE S.; DEES, BISHOP; HIDDLESTON, T. D.

Female: COOPER, ETHELYN M.; CORNER, MAUD Q.; CORNISH, MRS. V. SMITH; DAVIS, ALICE

Industrial Graduates: LEONARD, MRS. GRACE M.; OLER, MABLE A.; MCDADE, ALICE V.

Commencement Exercises of The Prairie View Summer School: Class Day Program; Commencement Program; Class Roll

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES OF THE PRAIRIE VIEW SUMMER SCHOOL

Class Day Program: JULY 29TH, 1914; Song: "America"; Prayers: Prof. Blackshear; Instrumental Solo: Miss Eula Winn

Commencement Program: FRIDAY, JULY 31, 1914, 9:30 A. M.; 1. Opening Song—"America" School; 2. Scripture Reading and Prayer

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