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EDITORIAL.

THE MONTHLY joins its feeble voice with the grand chorus, that arises in solemn acclaim for the many blessings that the state and nation has received.

IN SPITE of wars, and rumors of wars; in spite of local disturbances in the great labor field of the state, involving a vast outlay of money, inspite of the high cost of living, and the incertitude of the business outlook over projected legislation, God reigns, education and christianity race thru the land, and gratitude finds expression in Psalms and Thanksgivings.

THE WINTER term has brought some changes in the line up of some of the classes. The fittest have survived.

BEFORE THE MONTHLY appears again, Christmas will have come and gone, a New Year with its new resolutions and possibilities, will have ushered itself in. The Monthly, thus early, sends to its readers, a hearty Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year.

WE HOPE that all that the graduates and those who have ever attended this school, have ever done for moral and social uplift, may be greatly increased during the coming year.

PRES. PRILLERMAN VISITS

Rev. Dr. A. Clayton Powell
of New York City.

Byrd Prillerman, President of the West Virginia Colored Institute, Institute, West Va., is the guest of Rev. A. C. Powell, D. D., pastor of the Abyssinian Baptist

Church, this city. He leaves today (Thursday) for West Virginia, to assume his regular duties.
—*New York News.*

REPRESENTATIVES MEET

In Washington, D. C.

Representatives of the Land Grant Agricultural Colleges for negroes of fourteen Southern and Southwestern States began a two days, conference at the colored Y. M. C. A. building yesterday. Speakers at the first meeting were S. R. Wilkerson, president South Carolina Agricultural College for Negroes; N. D. Young, president of the Florida College; P. P. Claxton, United States commissioner of education; Bradford Knapp, director of farm demonstration work in the Department of Agriculture, and W. O. Thompson, president of the Ohio State University. Prof. Byrd Prillerman, of the West Virginia Agricultural Institute, is chairman of the conference, and Prof. Benjamin F. Hubert, of South Carolina, is secretary.

"I know that this day will never come again. Therefore I will make it the best Day in which I have ever lived."

THE UPLIFT MOVEMENT

In Rural Sections.

Washington, November 14—Plans for the uplift of the millions of the race who live in rural sections were discussed at the annual session of the Association of Teachers in Negro Land Grant Colleges, held at the Y. M. C. A., Wednesday and Thursday. There are 15 of these schools for the race which derive part of their support from the fund given under the Morrill Act.

Not only did the teachers in these schools take part in the various discussions, but white men who have achieved success in training students along agricultural lines offered advice from the abundance of their experience.

A. C. Monahan, of the United States Bureau of Education, urged that every effort be made to raise the standard of work in colored agricultural colleges. He said that the colored school of the kind could play an immense part in the development of the race as well as inculcating the right idea about dignity of farming.

"Agricultural training is growing more and more in importance," he said, "and we must see that all who desire it may get the best facilities. This branch of knowledge

is attracting more students than ever, and many schools are doing a most praiseworthy work along that line. Your schools must become the center of the best training, and in that way they can better do the work of rural community uplift."

William D. Hurd, who has charge of the extension work of the Massachusetts Agricultural College gave an illuminating account of the work that is being done in this State in spreading knowledge, about proper methods in agriculture and in the general uplift of the rural population.

Dr. J. O. Spencer, president of Morgan College, Baltimore, spoke of the Page and others bills pending in Congress to aid agricultural training in the various States. He advised that the race exert itself so that colored schools would be liberally provided for.

Dr. P. P. Claxton, United States Commissioner of Education; Rev. W. C. Jason, president of the Delaware State College; Miss Nannie Burroughs, Dr. S. M. Newman, president of Howard University; W. O. Thompson, Dr. C. W. Childs, this city; Dr. James H. Dillard, of New Orleans; T. C. McLurkin, Pinè Bluff, Ark.; A. W. Curtis, Institute, W. Va.; and Thomas Jesse Jones were among the other

speakers.

Byrd Prillerman, head of the West Virginia Colored Institute, was re-elected president. the remaining officers are:

N. B. Young, Florida, Secretary; W. C. Jason, treasurer, and James B. Dudley, Greensboro, N. C., chairman of the executive committee.

PRESIDENT PRILLERMAN'S VISIT.

President Byrd Prillerman, of the West Virginia Colored Institute' returned from the East Friday morning, November 21, where he went to attend the Association of American Agricultural Colleges and Experiment Stations in Washington, D. C.

While on this trip he visited Storer College, at Harper's Ferry, West Virginia; the State Normal School, at Bowie Md., Howard University, Washington, D. C.; the Philadelphia Trade School, the University of Pennsylvania; Public School No. 119, of New York city; the New York Trade School, the College of New York city and Columbia University. Mr. Prillerman is greatly impressed with the work being done by the Philadelphia Trade School and the New York Trade School, and hopes to be

able to put into practice at the West Virginia Colored Institute some of the ideas that he gained at these two institutions.

While on this tour he spoke at Storer College, the State Normal School at Bowie, Md., Howard University and in Wilmington, Del., and New York city.

He says that the Negro Land Grant Colleges are attracting new interest among many of the leading educators of the country. He is especially pleased with the favorable attitude taken toward these schools by Hon. P. P. Claxton, the United States Commissioner of Education.

OUR EXHIBIT

At the Kanawha Industrial School Fair, November 28, and 29.

Occupying a part of the prize booth, though not entered in the competition for prizes. is the exhibition from Institute, one of the finest in the show. Besides the handsome art exhibits from their schools, the management of this institution has placed numerous samples of the products from the farm there, among them being a bunch of soy bean hay which made three tons per acre; cow peas which yielded as well; timothy

hay, late sown crimson clover; corn, both yellow and white, that yielded 70 bushels, and a bunch of peanuts of fine variety grown here for the first time this season. This exhibit also contained samples of canned corn on the cob, sweet potatoes, lima beans, tomatoes, cucumber pickles, pickled beets, and grape jelly. A cleverly designed motto of this exhibit reads: "laugh if it kills you and you will die with a smile."

In this same section are a number of showings from the products from Union district. Besides those of apples, pumpkins, tobacco, and corn, some fine white onions, 36 of which will make a half-bushel, are displayed.

NEGRO MAKES FARMING PAY.

Twenty-two years ago Jonas W. Thomas, a negro, of Marlborough county, S. C. began his career as a farmer by buying an old horse for \$40.75 and by renting 30 acres of South Carolina land for 1,400 lbs. of lint cotton. After four years of hard work and close saving he was able to buy a mule for \$60 and also 67 acres of land. Then he began renting and working farms which belonged to other

men. Gradually he was able to buy the land he had been renting. He also found it worth while to open a commissary.

Now Thomas lives in a twelve-room house and employs on his \$40,000 plantation 39 families, consisting of 189 men, women and children. He grows a variety of crops, including cotton, corn, and some garden truck, and raises his own horses, mules, cows and hogs.

He has received as much as \$31,000 for his cotton crop alone—400 bales of long staple. On an average he has saved \$3,000 a year for 22 years. All that he now has on his farm is his own, "directly and indirectly," he affirms with justifiable pride. In a single year he had borrowed of one local bank and repaid \$23,000. "Good Credit," as Thomas says, "explains a fair share of my success."

"DAN" FERGUSON,

A Natural born Athlete. Makes a record at Ohio State University.

Ferguson, a colored runner, is a natural born athlete and for his first year out is a marvelous runner. Not once this year in practice runs, both in time and competition trials, has he been forced to take the dust of even the veterans

of the squad. He is a modest and retiring chap, gifted with brains and a pleasing individuality. He waits table at one of the fraternities on the campus and the members swear by him. He previously attended the West Virginia Colored Institute, at Institute, West Virginia.

—The Columbus Evening Dispatch.

OUR EXCHANGES.

We are glad to recognise up on our exchange table, School periodicals that we consider old acquaintances.

Chief among them are:

- “The Southern Workman”, Hampton Va.
“The Tuskegee Student, and “The Southern Letter”, both of Tuskegee Ala,
“The Storer Record”, Harper’s Ferry, W. Va.
“The Pharos”, Buckhannon, W. Va.
“The Parthenon”, Huntington, W. Va.
“The McDowell Times”, Keystone, W. Va.
“The Educator”, Charleston, W. Va.
“The Informer”, Urbana, Ohio.
“The Sodalion”, Wilberforce, Ohio.
“The Aurora”, Knoxville, Tenn.
“The Weekly News”, Bluefield, W. Va.

THANKSGIVING DAY

Appropriately celebrated at the West Va. Colored Institute.

At 10 a. m., Thursday, Nov. 27, the Faculty and Student body assembled in the Chapel to listen to

the annual Thanksgiving sermon. The religious committee is to be congratulated for the securing of the Rev. Dr. J. E. Bird, of Charleston, to preach on this occasion.

Rev. Bird, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church—the largest and best arranged in the state—is a pulpit orator of national reputation. His sermon was a strong gospel appeal for the proper recognition for each blessing of life.

The full program was as follows:

PROGRAM

- Hymn 357.....J. Hattin
School
Scripture Reading
Prayer and Chant
Hymn 355.....Elvey
School
Sermon, 1 COR. 4: 7
REV. J. E. BIRD.
Hymn No. 7.....Willcox
School
Doxology
Benediction
Recessional.....O Mother Dear Jerusalem

“Character is power.”

OUR STUDENTS ASSIST IN A SACRED CONCERT

Given by the Women’s Improvement League, of Charleston, west Va.

Sunday night Nov. 30, Mrs. E. Murray Mitchel, teacher of Music in our school, and a select choir of students, assisted at the Sacred Concert held, in The First Baptist Church in Charleston, by the Women’s Improvement League, the Charleston branch of the Federation of Women’s Clubs.

This concert is said to be the most dignified and promising effort of the Club yet manifested towards securing funds to endow a free bed for the race in Charleston’s General Hospital.

The W. Va. C. I. teachers and students rendered eight of the fourteen numbers of the program. Many words of praise have been expressed for the quality and tuneful finish of the solo and chorus work. Mr. Jones, as always, was listened to with wrapt attention.

Appended is the program, rendered by the school representa-

tives, and the names of the students in the select chorus.

Mrs. Mitchel was the recipient of many appreciative words for her finished work in the opening number.

- Prayer (Organ Solo).....H. M. Dunham
Prelude.....H. M. Dunham
Mrs. E. M. Mitchel
Invocation.....Rev. Reed
Let Us All Give Thanks.....Carter
W. V. C. I. Students
Traumerie (Violin Solo).....Schuman
Minuet.....Gluck
Mr. Don W. Jones
Savior, When Night Involves the Skies..
Shelley
W. V. C. I. Students
Nobody Knows De Trouble I’ve seen.....
Folk Song
Reign, Massa Jesus.....Folk Song
W. V. C. I. Students
Ave. Maria.....Milliard
Miss Marie Miles
Life’s Sunset Hymn.....Adam Geibel
Nunc Dimittis Op. 11. No.3.....E. Nevin
W. V. C. I. Students

CHORUS MEMBERS

- Clara Hill, Marie Miles, Courtney Green, Mabel Sinkford, Desora Wormly, Mabel Johnson, Blanche Fletcher, Huling Lewis, Edward Fulks, Thurmond Straughter, Leon Kinkaid, James Hill.



ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Wilberforce is badly beaten by the West Virginia Colored Institute's Star Eleven. Score 38 to 0.

The West Virginia Colored Institute's fighting eleven, ran away with the Varsity squad from over in Ohio, at their annual gridiron contest. The game was played on the Exhibition Athletic grounds of Charleston. Over 300 of the students of the school were present and rooted royally, led on by cheer leader, Campbell.

Both teams were greeted with applause as they trotted on the field. The difference in weight of the teams was much in favor of Wilberforce.

Promptly at 3 P. M., Wilberforce kicked off to Institute. The ball was caught by Davis on Institute's 20 yard line and returned to mid-field. By end runs, alternating between Davis and Hughes, the ball was carried, in four rushes, to Wilberforce's one yard line, where Institute was held, and the ball went over.

Wilberforce kicked thirty yards, Hughes received the punt and returned the kick 15 yards. Again through the battering of Hughes and Davis was the ball brought to within three yards of the goal, when the stone wall defense of the "Force" prevented the necessary gain, and the ball went over. Wilberforce kicked 35 yard. Davis returned the punt 20 yards. In three downs Institute made the distance. On the next three downs, Institute met the same impregnable defense. On the fourth and last down, the ball was given to Hunter, who circled their right end for the first touch down after 9 minutes of play. Davis failed at goal. Score 6 to 0 in favor of Institute. The quarter ended with the ball in mid-field.

Allen was replaced by Burke in the second quarter. Wilberforce received the kick off, on its 20 yard line, and returned the ball 10 yards. Failing to advance by bucking the line, Wilberforce kicked, and the punt was caught by Fulks on his 35 yard line with no advance. In two scrimmages the ball was carried to mid-field. Hunter forward passed to Kincaid who failed to connect. On the kick the ball was caught by a Wilberforce back. Wilberforce tried a forward pass, which Burke intercepted and advanced 15 yards to their 20 yard line. Then as usual, the order was, from Hunter to Burke, a 20 yard run for the second touchdown after 8 1-2 minutes of play. Davis failed at goal, and the and the score stood 12 to 0 for Institute.

Institute kicked 35 yards, and the ball was returned 15 yards. Wilberforce unable to advance the ball on downs, lost. Hughes went around "Forces" left end for 35 yards, then by way of forward pass, it was Hunter to Burke, the third touch down was registered. Davis kicked goal. Score Institute 19, Wilberforce 0.

Institute kicked to Wilberforce's 25 yard line. Wilberforce kicked the ball to mid-

field, where it was captured by an Institute back. Then it was Morgan to Hunter, to Burke, who ran fifty yards through a broken field for the fourth touch down in the last forty seconds of play. Burke failed at goal. Institute 25, Wilberforce 0.

In the second half Institute kicked forty yards. Wilberforce returned the ball 25 yards, and made the distance in four downs, then lost the ball on a fumble. The ball was given to Hunter. He tried center with no advance. At the second down, Hunter faked a forward pass, and carried the ball for the distance. Davis went around Wilberforce's left end for 20 yards. Hughes tried the right end and was thrown for a loss. Davis repeated his journey for 25 yards, to the "Force's" 20 yard line, where Institute lost the ball. Wilberforce kicked and recovered the ball on Institute's fumble. Wilberforce kicked to Institute's 35 yard line, where Hunter caught the punt and returned it to the "Force's" 45 yard line. Burke forward passed to Hardy, who had replaced Kincaid for 15 yards. Hughes was sent through the line for 5 yards more, and, on the ensuing scrimmage, Davis circled the "Force's" left end for another touch down. Hunter kicked out to Fulks, but goal was missed. Institute 31, Wilberforce 0.

Institute kicked 30 yards. Wilberforce forward passed. Hunter booted for 20 yards. Wilberforce, from its twenty four yard line, made its first successful forward pass for 20 yards. On scrimmage, the ball was advanced on the first down thru Institute's line for 10 yards to her 45 yard line. On the next attempt, the ball was lost to Institute on a fumble. Davis then circled the "Force's" right end for 20 yards. The forward pass, from Hunter to Burke, netted 10 yards more. Hunter advanced the ball by the on side kick 10 yards more to the "Forces" 15 yard line. On the first down, the aerial route failed, but an immediate repetition of the rapid transit method, from Hunter to Burke, brought the last touch down of the game. Hunter kicked goal. Score, Institute 38, Wilberforce 0.

Hunter, Davis, Hughes, and Burke were Stars. Fulks ran the team like a cool headed general. Lewis substituted for him in the last quarter. All the team was a perfect machine.

LINE UP.

WILBERFORCE	POSITION	INSTITUTE
Couts—Jones	L. E.	Kincaid—Hardy
Sweet	L. T.	Patterson
Moore	L. G.	Young
Patterson (Capt.)	CENTER	Morgan—Noel
Burford	R. G.	Clark
Clarke	R. T.	Cunningham
Sims—L. Simpson	R. E.	Allen—Burke
A. Simpson—Crawford	Q.	Fulks—Lewis
Cardwell	R. H.	Davis
Griggs	L. H.	Hughes
Willet	F. B.	Hunter (Capt.)

Referee, Lively, W. V. U.; Umpire, Hodges, W. V. U. Head time keeper, Guss, O. S. U., Watkins, Wilberforce. Head lines-man, Lewis, C. H. S. 15 minute quarters.

STATE UNIVERSITY *of* LOUISVILLE *vs* W. V. C. I.

The West Virginia Colored Institute team again defeated the Kentucky State University team at Louisville, Ky., in one of the most hotly contested games witnessed by football fans this year. Many people believed the game with the State University would be an easy victory for Institute, since Institute had defeated Wilberforce University and Wilberforce, in turn, had defeated the State University, but the team that played Institute was not the team that played Wilberforce. New players had strengthened the team and had been coached especially for Institute's style of playing. The game was played at the 27th Street park before a good sized crowd, considering the weather, as it had rained continually during the morning and the ground was in poor condition for the open style of football.

The first quarter opened by State University kicking to Institute. Institute received the ball and by a series of end-runs and line plunges carried it into Kentucky's territory. The State University held for downs and the ball went over. During the remainder of this first half, the ball sea-sawed up and down the field. The spectators were thrilled each moment by the brilliant playing of both sides. The half ended with honors about equally divided.

The Institute entered the second half with a determination to win and the State University with a determination equally as strong to defend their goal. During the intermission, Mr. Brown, the coach for the Institute team, advised Capt. Hunter and his team mates to change their style of attack, as the slippery condition of the field made the open style of playing difficult.

Institute kicked to State University, the ball was received by a University end, and was returned to the middle of the field before being downed. By a series of brilliant plays, the University carried the ball into Institute's territory, and it looked to the spectators as if it was an onward march to the goal. State's stock went soaring and the grandstand went wild for the home team. This only served to rouse

fighting spirit in the West Virginia boys. The line held like a stone wall while the State University attempted to carry the few remaining yards for a touchdown. Their attempts were futile, and Institute received the ball on downs. Then, for the first time since the game started, the Institute brought into play all they knew about football and gave evidence of that unconquerable spirit by which they have won so many games. It was the finest exhibition of team work that one could wish to see. The line men opened up holes in the State University's defense, while Hunter, Davis, and Hughes hurled themselves through the line for five, eight, and ten yards at each down. The Kentucky rooters begged their boys to hold the line, the coach sent in new men at the end of every play, but his team could not withstand the terrific onslaught of the Institute machine. The third quarter ended with the ball in Institute's possession. In two downs, Hughes and Davis carried the ball to within four yards of the goal and made it first down for Institute. Capt. Hunter was given the ball and sent sorrow into the hearts of the Kentucky rooters when he hit the line with a thud, for when the referee blew his whistle and untangled the mass of players, Hunter was holding the ball close to his body, three yards over the goal line. An attempt to punt out was a failure and no goal was kicked.

In the last quarter, Institute kicked to Kentucky. By brilliant playing, Capt. Johnson and Jackson carried the ball into Institute's territory. It was only a flash of brilliancy, however, for Institute held for downs, and was taking the ball down the field with a rush when time was called. Score, 6 to 0 in favor of Institute.

Capt. Johnson and Jackson were the best ground gainers for the State University, while the whole Institute team is to be complimented on their machine like playing. Hughes, Davis, and Capt. Hunter stood out as stars of the game. Capt. Hunter seemed to realize that this, perhaps, would be his last opportunity to defend the Old Gold and Black, and he left his team mates an example of unconquerable spirit that will go down in the football history of W. V. C. I. After the game, the teams were served a Turkey Dinner. The Institute team, lead by Campbell, the cheer leader, sang songs of victory to the faculty and student body of the State University. "It was hard but fair". Through the kindness of the C. & O. railroad officials, the trip was a very pleasant one for the boys. They left Louisville at 9 a. m. in a special coach provided

for the party going and returning, so they did not have to change trains.

The team arrived home at 8 p. m., where they were received in grand style as champions of the tri-state league—Ohio, Kentucky, and West Virginia.

LINE UP.

STATE UNIVERSITY.	POSITION.	INSTITUTE.
Alexander	L. E.	Kincaid, & Hardy
Perdue	L. T.	Patterson
Pope, Hambleton	L. G.	Young
Offett	CENTER	Morgan
Summers	R. G.	Clark
Jones, Ray	R. T.	Cunningham
Campbell	R. T.	Allen, & Burke
Johnson (Capt)	Q. B.	Fulks
Jackson, Mahin	L. H.	Hughes
Turpin	R. H.	Davis
Bryant	F. B.	Huuter (Capt)

Score: State University 0. Institute 6. Referee: Dr. Latimore.
Umpire, Dr. Jackson. Time, 10 minute quarters.



AROUND THE INSTITUTE

The thanksgiving sermon of the Rev. Dr. J. E. Bird was a literary and spiritual treat. The religious committee is to be congratulated for securing for this occasion a minister of such prominence.

His text was, "What hast thou, that thou didst not receive?," 1 Cor. 4:7.

President and Mrs. Prillerman, and a large number of teachers and students attended the funeral of Susie Chandler, at Charleston the afternoon of the 30th ult. Miss Chandler was a student in our school some years past, and has a sister, Catherine Chandler, a member of the academic class of 1914.

The football squad was tendered an ovation on its return from victory over the Louisville State University eleven. Mr. Hunter, captain, at the request of the President, related to the student body, Monday morning Dec. 1, the chief things of interest in the game.

The team was accompanied on its Louisville trip, by B. Ballard, farm foreman, W. A. Brown, Commercial assistant, and an old grad, A. E. Howard. An enjoyable time is reported by all.

The industrial and agricultural exhibit, of the School, shown the week ending November 29 in the Armory at Charleston, has been the subject of favorable comment both by the press of the county, and those spectators whose good fortune it was to see it.

The occasion for the exhibit was the annual observance of the Kanawha

County Corn and Industrial Show. While the school was debarred from receiving a prize, the committee awarded the School Exhibit the Blue ribbon of highest merit.

Profs. Hazlewood, and Westmoreland of Sumner High School of Parkersburg, accompanied by the School's foot ball squad, on their homeward return after their unsuccessful game the 21st ult. with Garnett High School of Charleston, spent the day of the 22nd of November the guests of the School.

In the afternoon, the first and second foot ball squads played an exhibition game of 10 minute quarters for the visitors. Prof. Hazlewood departed expressing himself as highly pleased with everything.

The foot ball squad was given a grand send off in the Chapel on the morning of its departure for Louisville. Pres. Prillerman after appropriate remarks, called the squad on the stage, and presented each one of the squad with—and also Lafayette Campbell, Cheer leader—a W. V. I. Monogrammed old gold and black armlet. The boys promised to bring back their shields, or be brought back on them. They brought them back.

Prof. W. A. Joiner, Dean of the Normal Department, and Superintendent of Industries of Wilberforce University, was the guest of C. E. Mitchel, our business manager, the 7, 8, and 9th of November. Prof. Joiner addressed the student body the night of the 9th, and created a favorable impression with his audience.

