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Abstract

Correspondence, reports, statistics, maps, photographs and pamphlets related to the efforts in West Virginia of the early southern program of the General Education Board (GEB). The GEB, founded by John D. Rockefeller, is one of the most significant philanthropic efforts in the history of U.S. education particularly noted for its aid to African-American schools, teachers and students. In West Virginia it aided the African-American colleges of West Virginia State, a public institution and Storer, a privately supported school. For both colleges it was asked to fund building construction, equipment purchases and teachers salaries especially for vocational education and home economics. Mention is also made of conditions at Storer College and at other Negro colleges around the country. Other West Virginia schools aided were Bethany, Salem, Morris Harvey, West Virginia University, Davis & Elkins, and West Virginia Wesleyan. Aid was requested at these other West Virginia schools for endowments, salaries, building construction and purchases of equipment and books. There are also for these colleges selected balance sheets, resolutions, statistics, prospectuses and case studies. There is much material on vocational education, adult and extension courses, and surveys and statistics of libraries, schools and teachers on the secondary level in West Virginia supplied mainly by the West Virginia Department of Education. Other topics mentioned are expansion of secondary education in mining areas, establishment and maintenance of the West Virginia Division of Information and Statistics, the formation of the West Virginia Foundation of Independent Colleges, the employment stabilization of life planning institutes and war activities of schools in both World War I and World War II. Names mentioned are D. B. Purinton, Frank B. Trotter, W. E. Hodges, J. N. Deahl, Wallace B. Fleming, George Rice Hovey, Cloyd Goodnight, Stephen B. Elkins, Henry D. Hatfield, Nat T. Frame, L. L. Friend and M. P. Shawkey.

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Education

Schools

World War, 1914-1918

World War, 1939-1945

Bethany College (Bethany, W. Va.)

Davis and Elkins College

Morris Harvey College

Salem College (Salem, W. Va.)

Storer College

West Virginia. State Department of Education

West Virginia. Division of Information & Statistics

West Virginia Foundation of Independent Colleges

West Virginia State College (Institute, W. Va.)

West Virginia University

West Virginia Wesleyan College

Deahl, J. N.

Elkins, Stephen B. (Stephen Benton), 1841-1911

Fleming, Wallace Bruce, 1872-1952

Frame, Nat T. (Nat Terry), 1877-

Friend, L. L.

Goodnight, Cloyd

Hatfield, Henry Drury, 1875-1962

Hodges, W. E.

Hovey, George Rice.

Purinton, Daniel B.

Shawkey, M. P.