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Administrative History: Established in 1924 for the purpose of training rural teachers in Kentucky, the Rural Training School was located just west of main campus on four acres. It was organized in accordance with the Kentucky State Course of Study for Rural Schools. An average of twelve student teachers were enrolled each term. During the summer county superintendents and school people from out of state visited the school.

The building had one large class room, a reading room, a dining room and a kitchen. It was supplied with furnace heat and running water. The students had access to a library, maps, globes, a sand table, a victrola and piano. Included in the equipment were movable, adjustable seats, one large and one small study table. The older children organized a thrift club raising pigs, chickens, vegetables and strawberries to increase their bank account. The seventh grade boys were enrolled in manual training.

The outdoor campus included basketball and volleyball courts and a baseball diamond along with a slide for the younger students. The flagstone walk, flag and flagpole were furnished by the PTA. [Talisman 1927, p. 77]

Directors:
Ethel Clark 1924-1947
Mae Pedigo 1947-1955

Description: Administrative records created about the Rural Training School.

Dates: 1932-1956

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Access Restrictions: none

Allied Materials:
UA1C2/70 Rural Training School Photo Collection
UA1C7 Department Photo Collection
UA94/7 Student / Alumni Papers Training Schools

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Administrative records created about the Rural Training School.

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Description
Bailey, Elizabeth
Barriger, Denval
Bell, Louise
Buis, Rose
Cannon, Will
Carter, Jean
Cobb, Alice
DeVon, Jean
Ellis, Mattie
Gough, Phyllis
Hagan, Florence
Hall, Geraldine
Hancock, Mary
Hawkings, Ruby
Hummer, Irby
Hunter, Helen
Jackman, Doris
Jones, Elsie
Jones, Ovesen
Line, Noye
Mahurin, Frances
Mardis, John
McKenney, Lena
McMillin, Ora
McNeil, Patrick
Nichols, James
Parker, Hazelle
Parsley, Coy
Payne, Ruth
Peterson, Martha
Rice, Thomas
Schunk, Dale
Shirrell, Carl
Sklepovich, John
Smith, Clyde
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- Vicars, James
- Watkins, Blanche

- Alexander, Emma
- Alexander, James
- Baise, Doris
- Bradley, Emma
- Bradley, Leveta
- Carrier, Nancy
- Cecil, Mary
- Clark, Estelle
- Compton, Jean
- Cottrell, Garland (2)
- Cowley, Billie
- Cravens, James (2)
- Depp, Wilma
- Durham, Obed
- Embry, Jane
- Estill, Alexander
- Eubank, Leon
- Florence, Thelma
- Florence, Thomas
- Foley, June
- Gilbert, Mary
- Gillock, Hattie
- Givens, Dorothy
- Goad, William
- Graham, Blanche
- Handy, Marjorie
- Hinton, Gladys
- Jackson, Marcia
- Johnson, Floye
- Lindsey, Howard
- Logsdon, Ora
- Magers, Norma
- Marders, Lovejoy
- Marks, Howard (2)
- May, Louisa
- McKinney, Rudelle
- Meadows, Dorothea
- Miller, Pearl
- Oakes, Mildred
- Ogles, Alma
- Overfelt, Pauline
- Ovesen, Neil
- Payne, Ruth
- Perkins, Bernard
- Polston, Robert
- Porter, Don
- Puryear, Elizabeth (2)
- Roark, Mary
- Sawyers, Kathleen
- Sherry, Cherokee
- Smith, Lewis
- Spear, Garnet
- Stearns, June
- Walden, Mary
- Walton, Laura
- Wiggins, Dorothy
- Williams, Dorothy
Box 1

Description

Adams, Roxie
Bartley, Kenneth
Brown, Bliss
Cardwell, Edna
Carrier, Nancy
Cash, Vicie
Cook, Nancy (2)
Cornelius, Hattie
Cowley, Wilda aka Billie
Daugherty, Douglas
Daugherty, Wilbur
Dick, J.B.
Fiscus, Virginia
Florence, Thomas
Haines, Betty
Harrah, Patty
Henninger, Elizabeth (2)
Humphrey, Loise
Jacobi, Maxine (2)
Jarvis, Mary
Joiner, Elwanda
Jones, Ora
King, Cordelia
Kiper, Gracie
Kirby, Mary
Leathers, Josephine
Lowe, Marie
Miller, Marilyn
Minton, Edith
Perkins, Clarence
Pigg, Bernice
Proffitt, Clarence
Pryor, Evelyn
Ramsey, Mrs. Taft
Ramsey, Virginia
Roberson, Margaret
Scholl, Judy (2)
Smith, Lewis
Sosh, Mrs. George (2)
Teeters, Ione
Walden, Mrs. Dane
Walker, Charline
Ward, Mrs. Osawade
Watkins, Blanche
Wells, Thelma (2)
Willoughby, Celestine
Wilson, Helen
Woodring, Nellie
Young, Daisy

Rural Training School (WKU) 1953-1955

Student Teachers

Box 1

Description

6th grade graduation ceremonies, includes programs, class histories, poetry, plays, class prophecies and class wills.

Rural Training School (WKU) 1946-1955

Commencement

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Rural schools
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Choke Cherry
Citizenship & Christianity
Cork Elm, Rock Elm
Eaton, Walter Prichard. The Birches
Frost, Robert. Stopping by Woods on Snowy Evening
Garrison, Theodosia. The Poplars
Historical Elms
Kilmer, Joyce. Trees
List of Poems
List of Students
Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth. Hiawatha’s Canoe
Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth. The Village Blacksmith
Oak Leaves
Payne, Anna. Ambition
Pussy Willow
Red Mulberry
Rock Chestnut Oak
Spanish Vocabulary
The Post Oak
To Make Blue Prints
Trees Mentioned in the Bible
Van Dyke, Henry. A Salute to Trees
Vowels Pronunciation in Spanish
Willows, Weeping Willow
Yellow Ash
Yggdrasil, The Tree of the Universe

Box 1  18  Rural Training School (WKU)  1947-1955  Library
Description  Lists of books to be purchased for the Rural Training School.  Subjects  Rural schools
Subjects  Books
Libraries

Box 1  19  Rural Training School (WKU)  1932  Poetry
Description  Clark, Ethel. Anthology of English & American Poetry for Children, 1932
            Miller, Joaquin. Columbus
            Old Voices
            Patri, Angelo. Children in School Need Fine Poetry, ndp, nd
            Spinning Song
            Emerson, Ralph Waldo. Fable
            When is a Man Educated?
Subjects  Rural schools
          Poetry
          Poems