

1 Middleburg Va
mar 18 1940

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school in 1939. tuition fee \$35.⁰⁰
\$20. a month for nine months \$180.⁰⁰
making a total of \$225.⁰⁰
a decision hope you will consider
this early as possible.

your truly

William McK. Jackson

Middleburg La

0/3/2018

10/3/2018

Dave and Delores,

Buried in the human rights portion of our files is a letter to Oscar Emerick, which probably should count as a petition.

While the records are less than clear about the true accreditation status of the Training Center as a high school (some indicate accredited, whilst others do not), clearly the African-American community did not see it as such and demanded a true accredited High School. We can see this not only in the efforts of the County-Wide League, which eventually led to Douglass, but also in the pleadings of ordinary citizens. A good example of a pleading or petition would be that of William McKinley Jackson of Middleburg.

Mr. McKinley was a stone mason and according to the US 1940 Census, only had a 4th grade education; but he wanted more for his daughter, Eva, so complained that the absence of an accredited high school in Loudoun prevented his daughter from gaining entrance to college. he had to send her instead to the Manassas Industrial School^[1]. The letter, which noted that Eva started at Manassas in 1939, also showed his expenses, in order to demonstrate the financial hardship he faced sending his child to a proper school.

Note: The letter doesn't mention his daughter's name. I found that on Ancestry.com. It's worth noting as well that William was an active member of the NAACP -- once again showing how this wonderful organization was pushing for progress.

Larry Roeder

^[1] See EWP Archives 1.1.1 Yr 1940 March 18 McKJackson to Emerick

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LETTER ABOUT
INTEGRATING
school system

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MOTHER FROM WATERFORD
FATHER " LOUDOUN

MCKINLEY

William M. Jackson

Stone Manor

BAN 1899/MAY 18

Elementary school 4th grade

DIED - 10 FEB 1970

(DAV)

EVA L. JACKSON

1940. 1 yr High School

BAN 1922

BLUE EYES - GRAY HAIR
LIGHT BROWN COMPLEXION

School in 1939. 2^d tuition fee \$30.⁰⁰

\$20 a month for nine months \$180.⁰⁰
\$220.⁰⁰

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William McK. Jackson

Middleburg Va


Appears to be a letter from William McKinley Jackson.

Was a stone mason who lived in Middleburg, age 48. From Pennsylvania.

Wife was Mildred S. Jackson, Age 34, who worked as a Maid in a private home.

Daughter was Eva L. Jackson, age 18, as of 1940, completed one year of high school.

Source, 1940 US Census for Middleburg..

 8/29/1817