

## Edwin Washington Project

## White Petition

| Date  | Town or School             | Cross Ref | Key word(s)       | Topic   |
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| -Petition<br>undated<br>-Cover letter<br>undated<br>-Response<br>April 11, 1922 | Leithton ("Pot-<br>House") |           | Displeased; upset | Petition requesting<br>that teacher Miss<br>Story <sup>1</sup> be replaced. |

<sup>1</sup>Note to file: *The Superintendent's Record of Teachers' Certificates lists Olive Story during the 1920-21 term.*

*Petition*

**Text**

WE THE UNDERSIGNED

Are most displeased with Miss Story's teaching and running of the Pot-House School and ask that you give us another teacher. 1922-23

**Names** (signed)

W B Kerrick

Mrs. W B Kerrick            2 children

Mrs. J D Burgess            3 children

Mrs Alexander            6 children

Mrs Dora Waters            2 children

Mrs James W. Wright

Mrs A T Haws

Mrs Henry W. Frost Jr

Mrs Bessie Stipe

Mr. & Mrs. W. H. Downs    children 4

Mr. & Mrs. Fred Thomas    children 2

*Cover Letter*

**Text**

MISS CHARLOTTE H. NOLAND  
MIDDLEBURG  
LOUDOUN CO., VIRGINIA

Dear Mr. Emmerick (sic)--

All these people around here are dreadfully upset about The Pot House School and have appealed to me to help them--There really must be something very wrong with a teacher who antagonizes every one--I have gotten a list of 55 children who would go, and want to go if there were a good teacher, and at present there is not an attendance of over 15--Are you coming over to this part of the county any time soon and could you come in and have lunch with me and talk it over--Please do not think I am trying to interfere, but I take a great interest in this county, and it means so much to have a nice school--If they only had the promise of something for next year it would be a help--Hoping to see you soon.

Most Sincerely  
/s/ Charlotte H. Noland

*Response*

April 11, 1922

Miss Charlotte Noland  
Middleburg, Va.

My dear Miss Noland:

I thank you for your letter of the date with inclosures.(sic)

You can assure the patrons of the Leithton School that Miss Story will not return next session. No selection of teachers has been made yet as the board must first decide whether there will be one or two teachers. Very few teachers would accept a position without being sure of the number of teachers in the school.

In connection with the list of pupils for the school nit is very important that we have the ages of the children. It is only by having that information that we can make an intelligent decision as to the approximate number of children who will attend school regularly. Our experience with these lists has been always that we do not get into school all that are listed or that promise to attend. I am returning the list and ask that you have some one gather this information, if possible.

Please be sure that I do not think you are meddling but on the contrary I appreciate your interest and help.

Division Superintendent

Very sincerely yours,