
LOUDOUN COUNTY.

Two new two-room school-houses were completed this fall in Loudoun, one at Leithton and the other at Waters. Each building replaced an antiquated one-room building. The name of the Waters school has been changed to Emerick.

Rural supervision is proving very popular in four of our rural districts this year. The supervisor, Miss Lucy Duncanson, has about 28 teachers in the white one and two-room schools of the four districts. The open weather and the use of an automobile has enabled her to spend a great deal of time with her teachers. Our boards made arrangements to have a supervisor in charge of the one and two-room schools of the other two rural districts, but a supervisor could not be found.

A colored supervisor is working in Loudoun for the first time.

Besides the annual institute which was held just before the opening of our schools, one general county meeting of teachers has been held.

Loudoun county's first teacherage is now about completed. This is a six-room house located on the grounds of the Lovettsville high school.

O. L. EMERICK, *Superintendent.*

The article is from the Virginia Journal of Education, September, 1920 pg 205. Hopefully you can open the picture, which talks about Leithton and Water schools. In 1920 both were replaced by new schools and Waters became Emerick, which I didn't know.

As for Leithton, Oscar Emerick was discussing a new white school. There are 22 pages of class lists for Leithton in the LCPS Archives, from 1920-21 and 1935-36

The Leithton structure replaced the colored school. Unfortunately, the only records we have for that school are from 1895/96 and are in the Library of Virginia.

In 1895/96 Miss Annie E. Gillem of 1150 15th St., NW, Washington, DC was the "colored" instructor, operating on a 2nd Grade certificate. **Source:** Lists of Teachers, 1892-1975 ([1896ColoredCombined](#) Census of Colored Teachers 1895/96 – Done Dec 15, 1895), Richmond, Virginia, USA: Virginia Department of Public Instruction/Education. **Note:** Ms. Gillem also instructed the previous year at [Unison](#). Based on the 1870 and 1880 U.S. Census records for Washington, DC. She was probably born in 1842 in Washington, DC.

It's worth noting that the general rule was not to place white children in former "colored" schools, major exception being Banneker.

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