

ANDERSON ROSENWALD SCHOOL

SELECTED HISTORICAL NOTES TO DATE

MARCH 6, 2012

1905, April 22nd : W.S. Willis, Leslie Willis, O.L. Willis and wife Daisy Willis deeded a **one acre** parcel of land to R.H. Hipps, Jas E. Bryan, and W.L. Hensley, Madison County Board of Education. (MCRD 20-186) [Site of present school building]

1905, June 5th : "The Superintendent reported that a school house had been erected for the colored people at Mars Hill at a cost of \$125.00 including an acre of ground." (MCBE Minutes) [Same site as above?; not present building]

1907, June 27th : J.R. Rogers and N.S. Rogers deeded a strip of land 10 feet wide by about 300 yards long to R.H. Hipps, Jasper Ebbs, and J.M. Wallin, Madison County Board of Education. This property to be used as a road from the public road to the public school property for the colored school. (MCRD 23-205)

1925, August 3rd : "On motion \$150.00 was apportioned to repair the Mars Hill Colored School. Same to be taken from the funds apportioned the Music funds, or any other funds available." (MCBE Minutes)

1925, November 2nd : "The County superintendent was also requested to write the director of the Rosenwald fund for information etc. relative to securing aid for the building of a colored school at Mars Hill." (MCBE Minutes)

1926, July 5th : "The Superintendent was directed to write the Director of the Rosenwald Fund as to whether they would give assistance on a building with a site of less than two acres." (MCBE Minutes)

1926, July 19th : "No action was taken on the Colored building at Mars Hill, or the building at Little Creek." (MCBE Minutes)

1927, June 14th : J.M. Rice and wife Harriet Rice deeded the Board of Education four lots. These were lot numbers 37, 38, 44, and 45 which J.R. Rogers had deeded to Rice in 1925. (MCRD 49-452) [The northeast corner of this parcel was also the northwest corner of the one acre school property obtained in 1905. The two properties combined contained a total of 2.1 acres.]

1927, July 5th : By order, J.M. Rice was released from Special Tax District #3. By order of the Board, the following bills were paid..... 2488 – [blank] Rice site for colored school at Mars Hill \$150.00. (MCBE Minutes) [This would have been J.M. Rice.]

MCRD – Madison County Register of Deeds, book and page numbers.

MCBE – Madison County Board of Education

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