

Princeton, Alabama
Jackson County
March 19, 1935

Mr. Harry Walker,
Athens, Alabama

Dear Mr. Walker:

We are writing you in hopes of securing advice on how to get financial aid on a local school building, which is well under way of construction but our funds are in a manner exhausted while the building is only about one-half completed.

We have not ask for aid as yet, but have resorted to all plans and means of securing help locally first. We pledged our 3 mill tax in the beginning, and have secured many donations in the form of cash, timber and labor. We now feel worthy of a plea for assistance.

Having kept a close watch on the four billion dollar work-relief bill; we feel confident of its passing. If it does will you, as our representative from this district, notify us at once of the necessary procedure to make application for enough to complete this worthy project?

We have used F.E.R.A. labor for all work that has had to be hired, except a few skilled carpenters. Of course if we could have funds with which to hire men we could absorb a good number of the unemployed.

The structure is of cobble stones, and is really very pretty. We have the front completed, which consists of four class rooms, an office and a library. We have now begun a wing consisting of three class rooms, but do not have enough money with which to complete same, or to even begin the other 3-room wing or auditorium, which the plan calls for. Our site is perfect, all of the inspectors, etc. have marveled at it.

When completed this school will serve some eight hundred pupils. It is located in the center of Paint Rock Valley, which is a very fertile farming center, and covers a good part of Jackson County. Most all of the residents are farm owners and their tenants.

Mr. Walker, we will greatly appreciate any helpful suggestion from you in regard to a method of solving our problem as set before you in the above.

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Thanking you very much for your time and efforts
in our behalf; and assuring you of our willingness to
reciprocate at any time we might be of the slightest
use to you, we are,

Yours very truly,

Mrs. Mary Walker McKinney President, P.T.A.

F. C. Trice Chmn. Building Committee