

Dedication

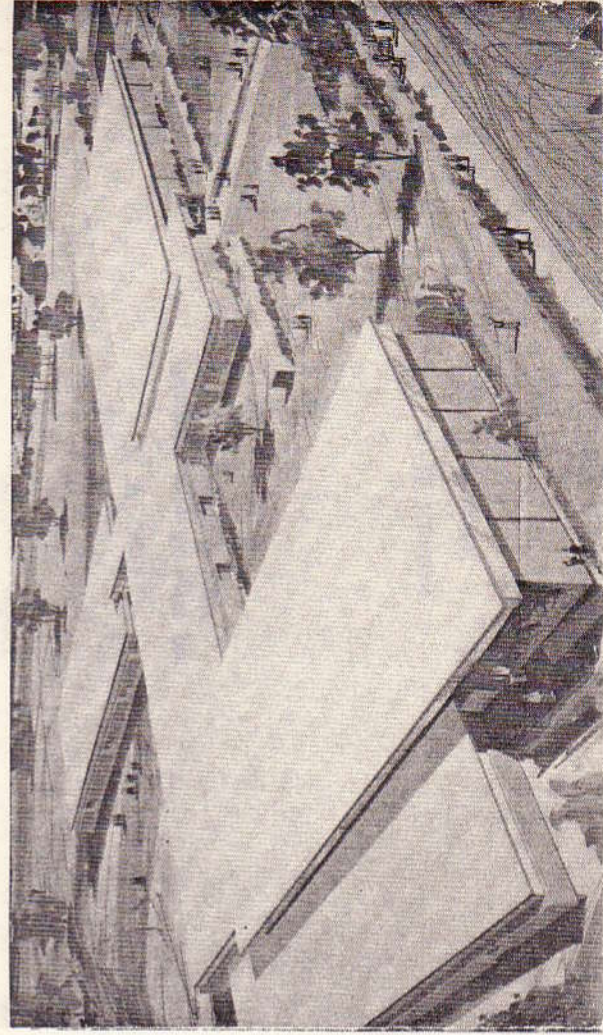
ELLIS WALKER WOODS
Elementary School



E. W. WOODS
1885-1948

1661 East Virgin Street
TULSA, OKLAHOMA

Sunday, November 7, 1965
2:30 p.m.



ELLIS WALKER WOODS

Educator, Humanitarian

1885-1948

Ellis Walker Woods, the fifth child of Andrew and Annie Woods (former slaves), was born June 29, 1885 in Louisville, Mississippi. He had an early ambition to become educated and rise far above the stigma of slavery, which was abolished only twenty years before his birth.

Mr. Woods attended the public school of Louisville before moving on to Sturgis, a neighboring community to complete his high school work.

He decided to attend Rust College in Holly Springs, Mississippi, where he earned a B.S. Degree. He later earned a Master's Degree from Kansas State Teacher's College.

In 1912, Mr. Woods decided to seek work in Oklahoma. He worked a summer in Mounds, Oklahoma, and in 1913, at age twenty-eight, he was appointed to head the Booker T. Washington High School in Tulsa. The first faculty included Mr. Woods, two teachers and fourteen students.

The present site of Tulsa's Booker T. Washington High School at 1631 East Woodrow is the fulfillment of Mr. Woods' dream. The new school was dedicated in 1950.

During the thirty-five years that Mr. Woods headed Booker T. Washington, he gained and held the respect of his students, faculty, community, and was a recognized leader of his people. A member of Vernon A.M.E. Church, Mr. Woods taught Bible Class for thirty years.

His wife of thirty years, Anna, their sons, Homer, Isaac, and Clyde are honored to share in the dedication of this school.

Another son, Ellis Walker, Jr., is deceased.

WOODS SCHOOL FACULTY

A. H. Hudson, Principal	Mrs. Norma McLeod, Sixth Grade
Mrs. Elza Boldoc, Kindergarten	Elmer Davis, Sr., Music
Mrs. Menzola Jackson, Kindergarten	Mrs. Mildred Foshee, Speech
Mrs. Doris Williams, First Grade	Mrs. Blanchie Mayes, Library
Mrs. Margaret Hendrix, First Grade	T. W. Hall, Science
Mrs. Leola Woodard, Second Grade	Mrs. Golar Crowder, Art
Mrs. Nannie Surratt, Third Grade	Mrs. Margie Smith, Physical Ed.
Mrs. Gloria Edwards, Fifth Grade	

John Pascal, Custodian

Mrs. Corine Alexander, Clerk

Mrs. Ollie Boulware, Cafeteria Manager

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ELLIS WALKER WOODS SCHOOL

November 7, 1965

Presiding.....Deborah Lee
Sixth Grade Student

Presentation of Colors.....Boy Scouts

The National Anthem

Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer of Dedication.....Rev. LeRoy K. Jordan
Pastor, First Baptist Church N. Tulsa

This Is My Country.....Sixth Grade Chorus
Elmer L. Davis, Sr., Director of Music
Mrs. Mildred Foshee, Speech Director

Ellis Walker Woods, Educator.....Mr. A. L. Morgan
Principal, Anderson Jr. High School

Introduction of Platform Guests.....Mrs. Loretha McCondochie
PTA President

Remarks.....Dr. Charles C. Mason
Superintendent of Schools

Presentation of Building.....Lahman D. Jones
Vice-President, Tulsa Board of Education

Acceptance of Building.....Deborah Lee

Presentation of Gifts

"Woods, The Pride of Our Hearts".....Sixth Grade Chorus
A Dedicatory School Song by Elmer L. Davis, Sr.

Announcements.....A. H. Hudson, Principal

Bless This House.....Sixth Grade Chorus
Colette January, James Thomas Davis—Soloists