

also examined for positions in the colored school in Portland for
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 which a building had been rented.

The Portland school opened on September 22 with an enrollment of thirty pupils. The attendance was a disappointment as it was expected that the enrollment would reach at least seventy-five. The building was unsuited for school purposes.²⁰ Mr. Charles Taylor, an assistant at the school at Broadway and Fourteenth Streets was transferred to take charge of the school. By the end of September there were 457 pupils with six teachers, enrolled in the Fourteenth Street school, 291 pupils in the school at Chestnut and Campbell Streets with three teachers, and 47 in the Portland school with one teacher. There was a total of 795 Negro children out of an total enrollment of 11,843 children in Louisville public schools. However, there were only ten Negro teachers out of a total of 249 public school teachers in the city.²¹

These figures did not include the new Central school, which was not dedicated until October 7.²² The Louisville citizenry generally seemed proud of the ten room structure which had cost with its lot approximately \$32,000.

The Courier-Journal epitomized⁷¹¹ the general sentiment in an editorial:

The Colored People and Their
 Schools

The dedication yesterday of a costly and well-appointed building designed to carry out the purpose of our city authorities to extend