

Monthly Newsletter September 2022 Loflin Center on IPS History

September 1922 events leading up to the creation of Attucks, Washington, and Cathedral HSs, and the move of Shortridge HS and Butler College*

Sept 3 Catholic schools dedicate St Catherine at 1100 block Tabor/2200 Shelby Sts.

Sept 3 *Indianapolis Star* presents Butler Irvington/Fairview arguments: "Build Butler for the future." Half a page dedicated idea of expansion: "City Vitally Affected" by giving city a "real university"; Butler can stand still and die or take next big step; will help locals who can't afford other campuses; Fairview ideal for quiet college campus; big donors lining up—Northsiders also

Sept 3 "Better Babies" contest, popular during the Eugenics Movement, to be held again at Indiana State Fair. Babes examined, tested, and compared to "normal" development

Sept 4 Missionary says Christianity only way to make Japan great: their militarism and their religions must go

Sept 6 Fairview Park 46th/Sunset Ave. option extended to Dec 31 by Butler trustees

Sept 19 A petition was submitted for a new all Black high school by Mr. G. A. Millett, chair of the Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce Committee on Education. The committee met the previous Wednesday to discuss the petition. As well, they sent a letter to the board last June. The petition suggests a Black high school conveniently located in main Black residential population of the city.

Sept 19 Mr. George Buck, principal of Shortridge High School, spoke endorsing a need for all-Black high school: <https://vorcreatex.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/George-S.-Buck-IPS-Shortridge-principal-and-public-school-segregationist.pdf>

Sept 21 Lutherans and KKK want all children in public schools 5 months/year

Sept 21 45,767 students attend IPS. High school: Tech 3,916; Manual 1,885; Shortridge 1,953=7,754; Elementary=38,013

Sept 26 George Beaman: Mapleton Civic Association; C.H. Bird: Federation of Civic Clubs; Phillip Zoehler: state tax board and education committee of the Chamber of Commerce; C. H. Winders of Church Federation of Indianapolis; Rev. C. G. Baker of Hawthorne Neighborhood Association petition for new west side high school.

Sept 26 Rev. C. G. Baker's Westside delegation presents proposal to IPS for a new Westside high school. Site at Washington and Belmont offered. The delegation claims that Westside students had to pass afternoon dance halls in downtown Indianapolis to get from school. A proposal of support for Westside HS was submitted by schools committee of **Federation of Civic Clubs**, Mr. George W. Beaman and C. H. Bird. Beaman runs for IPS seat in 1924 and loses.

Sept 26 Whites citizens and parents of former school #4 protest conversion to an all-Black school; they want their school back

Sept 26 Holy Trinity Church and IPS #52: Parrish estimate 1906 Haughville **mostly immigrants from Slovenia/Poland/Hungary/Bohemia/Bulgaria**

*Highlighted dates/events affected the building of Attucks and Washington, expanding Manual, and relocating Shortridge, Cathedral, and Butler College.