

## **Information Sheet**

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This is *Ozark Glory*, the 1927 yearbook for Will Mayfield College at Marble Hill in Bollinger County, Missouri. The book was dedicated to the college's president, W. C. Ferguson, and contained information about the school's faculty, students, activities, and campus.

Will Mayfield College was founded by William Henderson Mayfield and Dr. H. J. Smith as Mayfield-Smith Academy at Smithville (now Sedgewickville) in Bollinger County, Missouri, in 1878. In 1880 the school was moved to the county seat at Marble Hill, and in 1885 the first building was completed. In 1903 the name of the school was changed to Will Mayfield College in honor of William Henderson Mayfield's son, Will, who was a graduate of the Academy and who had died the previous year at the age of 20. Governed by the St. Francois Association of Baptist Churches, the College offered four years of preparatory school and two years of junior college work. The College closed its doors permanently in 1934 for financial reasons.

This 90-page yearbook, or "annual," is typical of the genre. Included are names, photographic portraits, and information about administrators, faculty, and students, as well as pictures of the campus and pages devoted to extracurricular activities. Pages 72 through 85 are devoted to advertisements for area businesses. In 1926-1927 the school enrolled 20 college sophomores, 37 college freshmen, and 55 high school students.

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