



Morris Ketchum Jesup

(June 21 1830 - January 22 1908),

United States banker and philanthropist,

He was best known, however, as a munificent patron of scientific research, a large contributor to the needs of education, and a public-spirited citizen of wide interests, who did much for the betterment of social conditions in New York. He contributed largely to the funds for the Arctic expeditions of Commander Robert E Peary, becoming president of the Peary Arctic Club in 1899, and also funded the Jesup North Pacific Expedition (1897-1902),

The Jesup Agricultural Wagon

A committee led by George Washington Carver designed a wagon that would carry equipment and perform demonstrations in the fields of the farmers. Booker T. Washington took Carver's plans to Morris K. Jesup, a benefactor of the school from New York City, who supplied the financial support for the construction of a wagon and the purchase of mules, materials for the harnesses, and demonstration materials. The total cost was \$674.50, with the wagon and harness constructed on the Tuskegee campus by the students. The newly named Jesup Agricultural Wagon left the Tuskegee campus on May 24, 1906, under the direction of George Bridgeforth of the Agricultural Department. In November 1906, supervision of the Movable School was taken over by Thomas Monroe "T. M." Campbell.

