

Mr. Nichols is right. He was largely responsible for my being on the school board. I served with him six or eight years. Mr. Nichols has never in any trying situation been unfair to me.

Mrs. Asa M. Jamey:

Mr. Nichols, you say you were responsible for Mr. Smith being appointed as one of the school board. Was it not ~~through~~ through Mr. Smith that you got your new \$18,000 grade school building? Didn't Mt. Gilead give \$13,000 and Jefferson \$5,000? Am I right?

Mr. Emerick:

The question of the location of the Lincoln High school is probably the biggest one ever to come before this board. As I understand the question as presented it is. Shall the Lincoln High school be re-built on the old site at Lincoln or shall it be re-located on a new site at Purcellville?

The law of the matter runs as follows:

The county school board must select a location and site. The location and site must be approved by the division superintendent of schools before the building can be erected. This applies to a new site or the old site.

An appeal may be had from the action of the county school board to the school trustee electoral board and from that board to the court.

In case the superintendent should approve the location or site before an appeal is taken the appeal would obtain as above. In case the superintendent should dis-approve the location or site, that would automatically nullify the action of the board and the appeal would then be to the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and the State Board of Education.

A sympathizer with the Lincoln proposition would naturally say the superintendent would want this school at Purcellville because he lives here and that is his personal wish. Gentlemen of the school board, I hold tenaciously to the proposition that it is to my personally advantage now and forever to do the best thing for the school system of Loudoun County. If the Purcellville people do not like my views not or at any other time I am sorry but hope they will let me and my family continue to live among them in peace. If the Lincoln people do not like my views I am sorry. I would even hope to still hold them as friends.

As I view the situation the valid arguments may be summed up on both sides very briefly and are about as follows:

Lincoln high school has served as a model and standard for high school work in this county almost since its foundation. It has led the way and shed its light for others. Much of the credit for this has been due to the deep interest in education