

AT A MEETING OF THE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD RELATIVE TO THE  
LOCATION OF MT. GILEAD HIGH SCHOOL TO REPLACE THE ONE  
DESTROYED BY FIRE AT LINCOLN, VIRGINIA. HELD AT PURCELL<sup>2</sup>

VILLE ON APRIL 10, 1926.

Meeting opened by W. T. Smith, Board Chairman:

As was evidenced once at Ashburn, a delegation  
came before our Board. A lady asked a minister to make  
a prayer. It was granted. That prayer was a great in-  
spiration to me and all concerned. None of us have a  
corner on good judgment and sincerity; ~~alzzw~~ we all need  
guidance. I have asked Rev. Ridgeway to lead us in  
prayer.

Mr. Emerick gave opening address.

We have here a group of honest people with honest  
differences. It would be a monstrous thing if all people  
thought alike. Yet we all live in glass houses. Can  
Can we not submit our views in an orderly fashion devoid of  
all rancor and leave the decision to those who will decide  
the matter in any event? And isn't every man entitled to  
his opinion and the right of expression thereof? We meet  
here today as friends and neighbors to decide an important  
question touching the welfare of our own and our neighbor's  
children and grand-children for perhaps generations yet to  
come. Whatever will be the outcome we shall continue to  
live as neighbors. We should still be friends, for

He who has a thousand friends,  
Has not a friend to spare.

And he who has one enemy  
Shall meet him everywhere.