

will get credit only if they go to an accredited high school. We, over in that community, feel like where we have 5, or 6, or 7 miles, and some of the children have to come that far to Hillsboro and then go to Lincoln 7 miles farther, we feel the high schools should be located so that they could accommodate the people to the best advantage. There is a possibility that some day some of these high schools might be closed up. I dare say there are only two or three meeting the high school requirements at the present. We ask to have the new one put up so that it can accommodate the most folks. I feel five or six miles is far enough.

We did not know this meeting was coming so soon, but I have a petition containing 35 names from the Hillsboro vicinity which I wish to present. (petition is annexed to this document.)

MR. PEARSON FOR LINCOLN:

I happen to live in one of the outlying districts, Philomont. When this matter was first brought to my attention, I began to reflect on it and why do we locate schools without regard to roads. Why do we go to Yale or Swarthmore or some other of the places of Higher learning? Is it not the reputation of the institution? Then I came back to Lincoln. I said I lived in that community, I know what the people stand for, and I cannot think of a site that is better located than Lincoln. The little difference of roads, in my mind, does not count. The school is in a community that will surround the children with the proper influence. It is ideally located and I for one would feel very safe with a child 12 to 16 years of age in those surroundings, with a possibility that it might protect him as a man or woman. They have made good and it is not a question of fitness, it is only a question of a fire that destroyed the building at Lincoln. Other condi-