

built around Lincoln. Build it up instead of breaking it up.

MRS. LAURA HOGE OF HAMILTON FOR LINCOLN:

This is most sudden, but as a pupil of the first High School in Lincoln along with T. Janney Brown and others, I cannot refuse to speak for Lincoln. So much has been said and so well said in behalf of Lincoln from many students and friends, that I would like to ask the people of Hamilton who are in favor of building at Lincoln to stand.

It is without exception that those who have been patrons, and pupils of Lincoln favor Lincoln. If there is an exception it is from those who have not yet reached the patronage of Lincoln.

All from Hamilton please stand. (19 stood from Hamilton in favor of Lincoln)

We have, Mr. Chairman, in addition to this a petition containing 55 names from Hamilton. (A copy of the petition is annexed to this document).

MR. J. V. NICHOLS FOR PURCELLVILLE:

I feel that the survey made by the committee appointed at a mass meeting held here, speaks for itself. I feel, therefore, it is useless for me to say anything. One or two statements have been made here that I do not want to prejudice the people who are assembled here. It seems that the idea is prevalent here that the high school building at Lincoln was all paid for by the Lincoln community. I wish to call to your attention that the erection of the building is only the first cost. The operation of a high school, employment of teachers, janitors, fuel and transportation of the children to school has to be considered. As clerk of the Board for nine years, I know we were struggling to find out about this for the high school and district generally.

That because Lincoln in the past has been an educational center