

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Supt. O. L. Emerick
Purcellville, Virginia

My dear Mr. Emerick:

I have your letter of May 12th inquiring as to the progress on the preliminary plans for the Lincoln School.

I was under the impression that this matter of rebuilding at Lincoln was indefinitely postponed. Mr. Dixon reported that certain interested citizens in Purcellville were going to take the thing to appeal, and for that reason we have done nothing further in the matter. I judge, however, from your letter that you have been awaiting preliminary plans for the new building at Lincoln.

Mr. Dixon was under the impression that the general type of building which was to be constructed either at Lincoln or Purcellville would be constructed along the general lines of a building that has been completed at Brosville in Pittsylvania County. If you have definitely decided that the building is to be rebuilt at Lincoln, we will at once get to work on the finished plans and specifications, following the Brosville plan.

I do not wish to be quoted in what I am about to say because I do not think it very wise, under the circumstances, for the State Department to enter into the matter of the controversy that exists between Lincoln and Purcellville, but I am very frankly of the opinion that the logical thing to do is to put up this building at Purcellville rather than Lincoln. However, that opinion does not enter, if you and the Board have come to any definite decision as to what is to be done. If, however, the building is to be constructed at Purcellville, it will probably be necessary for us to come to Purcellville and take exact grades, and before we put any work on it in the rather congested condition in which the department is in at this time, we would rather have the completed grades ready to work out the finished plan, as I understand you want to go ahead with the Brosville plan as a basis for the new building, either at Purcellville or at Lincoln.

Please let me hear from you if any definite decision has been reached as to the location, or if you have definitely decided to rebuild at Lincoln.

With very best wishes, I am

Very truly yours

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