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 PURCELLVILLE 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 present to make a prayer. It was granted. That prayer was a great inspiration to me and all concerned. None of us have a corner on good judgment and sincerity; we all need guidance. I have asked Rev. Ridgeway to lead us in prayer.

Mr. Emerick (gave opening address (copy)) X to y

Address by W. T. Smith, Ch.:

Under the new law as we are using it, teachers are paid out of a fund which we call a county fund. It is not as levied by the Board of Supervisors. What we call the District fund now is used for building buildings, up keep, janitors and supplies. Teachers salaries and other expenses such as superintendent's office expenses are paid out of the fund by county levy and partly by the district money, and partly by state money. What is known as the district tax is 60% on the \$100 valuation. The county tax is 23% on the \$100 valuation. 30% of Mt. Gilead's tax is used in the county fund and the other 30% is used for up-keep of buildings. Mt. Gilead is in debt about \$35,000, mostly because of the fact that we put up modern grade school buildings at Bluemont, Purcellville and Hamilton. This year we are building at North Fork and about \$1500 went to the domestic science cottage at Lincoln.

It has been suggested that we limit each side to a certain