

51 contributors now live in the school area or have children or grandchildren doing so - these gave \$6681

Please note that a group to the south are about equally convenient to either place, roads considered. These 10 gave \$1439. The Lincoln group of 14 gave \$2489 and the Purcellville group of 27 gave \$2753.

When the Lincoln high school was built the district school board accepted the gifts in good faith and erected a school building. The acceptance of the gifts did not bind the public school officials to conduct a high school at Lincoln forever. But, then, for how long? Just so long as public interest, that is, the convenience of those served and the economy of administration of the school unit would warrant. For some years it has been apparent that it would be more convenient to those served and more economical for operation to have the building located elsewhere than at Lincoln. This has been offset and a change of location completely checked by the fact that a new building would cost, say \$30,000 and the old one sold or wrecked would bring nearly nothing. The fire changes the economics aspect.

The same building is needed wherever it goes up and it would cost about the same. The donation of a new site which is promised would offset all loss in selling the remaining property at Lincoln and rebuilding it elsewhere. Our saving is the Purcellville transportation.

The proponents of the Lincoln site have been advocates of the necessity for a district increase of 10 cents for a building at Lincoln to cost \$30,000 and have variously reported and broadcast the necessity for a tax increase of