people from settling here, and will decentralize our rural community. People will move to town and as this is an agricultural county, such a trend away from the farms will not help Loudoun property.

7./ Rural children should be educated in their own environment in order to build up rural districts.

8./ We have an excellent faculty, adequate school building and equipment in good order. There is no economy in removing the school. Increase in taxes and tax rates has always followed consolidation. Our High School is well worth building up in spite of the demoralizing effect of the action of the school board.

9./ Bringing children together from all parts of the county increases danger of spreading contagious disease.

10./ Our fine grade school will be affected as younger children will be apt to go where older children in the same family go to High School.

11./ Mr. Emerick was duly informed before the November board meeting that 100 % of the Waterford patrons wished to retain the Waterford High School.

In consideration of these points, we urge the County School Board to reconsider their decision in regard to closing the Waterford High School