

# Lincoln Building Will Be Repaired, Used

Among the actions taken by the Hillsboro board of education Monday night at a regular meeting was an agreement to renovate the Lincoln elementary school following the recent fire there.

Board members indicated that the building would still have to be used, as was their original intention, for a "couple of years" until the new elementary schools are completed.

The board also accepted the res-

ignation of one junior high school teacher, heard reports on various school plant projects, set a date for a budget hearing and hired a number of non-teaching personnel.

The board has received some estimates on the rebuilding of the Lincoln school and others will be obtained and presented to the insurance adjustor, probably this week.

The board intends to renovate the one downstairs classroom which was damaged severely. Other parts of the building were damaged only slightly. They plan to refloor the room, put in new windows, desks, electricity, redecorate and accomplish other details.

—:—  
**THE BUILDING** houses nearly 75 pupils. It contains four classrooms. Two upstairs class rooms were used only for music and art work.

Board members said that the present crowded condition of the other buildings would make it impossible to integrate the Lincoln pupils into the other buildings at this time. This crowding problem would become more acute when the new building at Webster is completed and all the Washington pupils are moved there while a new building goes up at the latter site.

The board indicated that it would stick to the original plan of abandoning Lincoln after the new schools are completed. By fixing the building up now, members feel that it will be in better shape if they should decide to dispose of it.

(CONTINUED ON PAGE 2)

## Continue Check Of Hog Stealing

### Subpoena Two Men For Questioning on Theft

Authorities here are continuing their investigation of the theft of "from two to nine" hogs from the farm of Paul Ryan, near Sinking Spring, it was reported today.

A hearing was being conducted in Common Pleas Court, Thursday morning, in which Prosecutor Richard L. Davis was questioning six persons who, he believed, had knowledge of facts pertaining to the case.

Prosecutor Richard L. Davis said that he has questioned Leonard Carter, 22-year-old Pike County man who was arrested by Sheriff F. F. Gustin and Deputy Howard Dunsieith, Saturday, but Carter has de-

village council meeting that he had "never heard" from the prosecutor.

Davis added Wednesday that he is still entirely willing to submit any questions to the attorney-general if a request is filed with him.

In regard to legal rulings, Jones declared:

"Davis' opinion is no better than my own." Since Davis is from Hillsboro, they said, he was expected to be prejudiced.

Both Jones and Thoroman asked commissioners if it was possible for them to seek an injunction to prevent the issue from going on the ballot. The officials said they could not answer that question.

However, later, Prosecutor Davis ventured an unofficial opinion that he knew of no method of stopping the action.

## Lincoln Building

(CONTINUED FROM FRONT PAGE)

Resignation of Dick Goins, janitor of Lincoln, was submitted in writing to the board. It was accepted. No reason for the resignation was given.

Reports have reached this newspaper that the colored population here is divided on the question of renovating or abandoning the Lincoln school.

Resignation of Anna Jean Slater as general science and eighth grade science instructor was accepted. She is taking a job at Parma near Cleveland at a boost in salary, the board learned.

Superintendent Paul L. Upp reported that the painting job at the high school under the direction of Eddie Lucas is approximately half completed.

—:—  
**MAJOR** renovation of the Webster School playground is also progressing, it was reported. The entire playground lying south of the present building was scraped and leveled and French-type drainage installed. This consists of laying three-inch stone in trenches at intervals across the entire grounds. The top has been stoned and is to be covered with an hardtop covering of asphalt. It is being designed for year-round use, board members said. With the new building at Webster, playground space will be limited, prompting the board to fix

up the remaining space so it could be used to fullest advantage.

—:—  
**THE BOARD** set a hearing on the proposed budget for 1955 for next Tuesday, July 20, at 12 noon. The hearing will be held in conjunction with the opening of bids on the new Webster School, although they are separate activities.

Non-teaching personnel, hired on a 12-month basis, renamed included:

Charles Lewis, janitor, Webster; Earl Neal, janitor, Washington; Earl Redkey, custodian, high school; George Foster, assistant custodian, high school; Marion Liming, custodian, administration building; cafeteria cooks, Mrs. Mary Gall, Mrs. Eva Wolfe; superintendent's secretary, Miss Kathleen Williams; secretary to high school principal, Miss Barbara Reed.

No action was taken on bus drivers at this meeting but Upp said it was assumed at this time that the same corps of drivers would be retained. Details of bus routes, salaries and other details will be worked out later.

Some difficulty is being encountered in filling teaching vacancies at the high school, Upp told the board, although the elementary staff remains complete. Vacancies include a Latin-French teacher, a bookkeeping instructor, an English teacher, (grades 9 and 10) and a general science teacher to replace Miss Slater.

Exact status of the coaching staff members has not been worked out. It is expected that both Charles Rymer and Ray Oliver will be worked into the fall football program. In fact, Rymer is already at work on details concerning equipment, scheduling, etc., since he is familiar with much of it. The new head football coach, Henry K. (Hank) Schroth, has visited here several times recently and plans to move here in the near future. He is currently working at Piketon as an inspector.

## Compensation

(CONTINUED FROM FRONT PAGE)

rate jumped from 1.05 to 1.92, the auditor explained.

Hillsboro paid a total of \$1,197.92 last year, as compared to \$872.83 during the previous year. This city's rate was jumped from 94

