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November 9, 1929.

Mr. Charles J. Calrow,
Calrow, Browne & Fitz-Gibbon,
Norfolk, Virginia.

My dear Mr. Calrow:-

In this letter I am replying to a number of things brought out in your recent letters and also the prints.

1 The elevation study transmitted to me under date of October 30, has received very careful study. I will not go into details about this elevation scheme at present but I may venture the following comments:

a Dr. Lambeth with whom I have discussed both the interior and exterior arrangements for this building feels that the elevation scheme would work out very beautifully but feels with me doubt as to whether the lighting scheme would be satisfactory. Mr. Michie, Chairman of the School Board, feels this way with us.

b Dr. Lambeth and I both feel that we ought to have extended porches similar to those at either Venable or McGuffey schools. It is true that the Wren type of building that your study carries out is of the limited city type. Dr. Lambeth who has studied many of Wren's buildings, where the site permitted, says that he used an extended porch type also. Dr. Lambeth has been over to Venable school with me and has gone over everything with great care. His opinion is that Venable is a thing of beauty and convenience both as to the interior and exterior of the building as well as the grounds. He and I are doing a great deal in the way of putting out shrubbery to still further beautify the grounds. I realize that these comments are hardly germane to what we are talking about and yet they are essential parts of the larger scheme for school development.

c I am anxious to see your Colonial study.

d I think that we ought to use every effort to vary the Venable and McGuffey exterior scheme somewhat but at the same time, as you say, we can come back to these schemes and get a successful building.

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THE WILSON COMPANY
BUILDING CONSTRUCTION
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA.

RE:

March 4, 1930.

Dr. James G. Johnson,
Charlottesville, Va.,

Dear Sir:-

In accordance with your request we give below
a list of some of the contracts which we have executed.

Masonic Pavilion,	Charlottesville, Va.
Saint Pauls Memorial Church,	University, Va.
Altamont Apartments,	Charlottesville, Va.
Albemarle Weaving Mills,	Charlottesville, Va.
Charlottesville Woolen Mills,	
(Two Buildings)	Charlottesville, Va.
Frank I x Silk Mills,	Charlottesville, Va.

Further information will be gladly furnished on request.

Yours very truly,

THE WILSON COMPANY,

By,

W. R. Nelson

HMW/l.

ATTEST:

Principal. (SEAL)

Recommendation. Superintendent James G. Johnson and Charles J. Cairns

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✓ 5 I have your letter at hand in reference to the omission of the stairway to the roof. This stairway will begin in the little nook in the corner of the library room as I understand it.

✓ Just a personal note to you, Mr. Calrow. As I came to McGuffey school this morning the outstanding lawyer in the city was on the street car. He is one of my warmest personal friends. He asked me to explain the plans that I had in my hands, which I did. He knows a great deal about architecture and plans for building of various types. It would have warmed your heart to hear what he said.

✓ In the fourteen years that we have worked together we have never had such a golden opportunity as we have at hand now. Let us both make the greatest possible use of this opportunity.

I am,

Very truly yours,

Superintendent.

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THE WILSON COMPANY
BUILDING CONSTRUCTION
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA.

RE:

March 4, 1930.

FOR CONTRACTORS AND MATERIAL DEALERS ON SCHOOL CONTRACT
SUBMITTED BY THE WILSON COMPANY.

Artificial Stone	Economy Concrete Co., of Virginia
Brick Work	#The Wilson Company
Concrete Work	#The Wilson Company
Damp Proofing	#The Wilson Company
Electrical Work	#Sensibagh Ritchie Electric Co.
Excavation & Filling	#The Wilson Company
Glazing	Binewanger & Company
Hardware (Rough)	#Charlottesville Hardware Co.,
	#W. T. Martin Hardware Company
Hardware (Finish)	#R. F. Harris & Company
Light Fixtures	Allowance as Specified
Metal Doors (Fire Doors)	Allowance as Specified
Metal Doors (Hollow Metal)	Richmond Fireproof Door Co.
Mill Work	Reliance Bronze & Steel Company
Ornamental & Miscellaneous Iron	#Filles-Burrage Company
Painting	Standard Iron Works
Plastering	#B. T. Marshall
Plumbing & Heating	#Harris & Harlow
Roofing, Waterproofing and	#W.E. Brown Co., or W. L. Lacy
Sheet Metal Work	T. Dorin Adams Company
Slate Blackboards	Natural Slate Blackboard Co.
Structural Steel	Standard Iron Works
Suspended Ceiling Etc.	#Harris & Harlow
Tile Work	H. N. Francis & Co.
File Partitions & Furring	#The Wilson Company
Toilet Stalls & Partitions	The Mills Company
Trussed Joists	Virginia Steel Company
Wood Floors	#The Wilson Company
General Carpentry	#The Wilson Company

NOTE: Crushed Stone, Sand and all general building supplies will be purchased locally where and when at all possible from some of the following firms or other reliable Charlottesville Dealers.

Barnes Lumber Corporation
Charlottesville Hardware Company
Filles-Burrage Company
W. T. Martin Hardware Company
R. F. Harris & Company
Charlottesville Lumber Company
Valentine & Hull
Wood Vest & Company
H. S. Thomas
McElroy Shepherd Company

The firms marked thus # in the first list designate Charlottesville firms.

1930 March

Correspondence: Superintendent James E. Johnson and Charles J. Calrow

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At a special meeting of the School Board of the City of Charlottesville held at McGuffey School Building at four thirty o'clock on the afternoon of Thursday, April 4, 1929, the following members were present: W. H. Wood, Chairman, John P. Sneed, Mrs. G. F. Spitzer, M. Kaufman, Mrs. Charles A. Graves, James A. Leitch, Miss Effie Gleason, F. B. Peyton, Miss Gertrude Mann, James H. Lindsay, T. J. Michie.

The call for this special meeting which was issued April 3, 1929, is spread as a part of the official minutes of this meeting.

The following report which was presented by the Special Committee on New School Improvement was fully discussed in every detail. After certain minor corrections and additions which were to be made in the report in order that the report might express in full detail exactly what the School Board has in mind the report in full with the additions and emendations was unanimously adopted with the following members voting by a recorded affirmative vote: W. H. Wood, John P. Sneed, Mrs. G. F. Spitzer, M. Kaufman, Mrs. Charles A. Graves, James A. Leitch, Miss Effie Gleason, F. B. Peyton, Miss Gertrude C. Mann, James H. Lindsay and T. J. Michie.

It was clearly understood in adopting this report that the following properties located in Blocks 14 and 15 of the plat of the Belmont Division of the City of Charlottesville recorded in DB 96 p 72, were authorized to be purchased as a site for the Elementary School for White Children to be located on this property:

Item Number 1 in Block 14 (as outlined below) owned by G. E. Crawford, DB 46 p 263 and DB 47 p.46, option price \$7,000.

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Whereas, The School Board of the City of Charlottesville deems it imperative that steps be taken as soon as possible to increase the school facilities for white children in order that the crowded conditions existing at McGuffey and Midway school buildings may be relieved; and

Whereas, After prolonged and careful consideration of this problem the School Board has decided that an elementary school building for white children located on Belmont will be the most advisable and expedient step to take in school expansion for the white children of the city at this time; and

Whereas, After the most thorough study of the probable capital outlay necessary to carry out this plan of giving relief to the white children of the city, it has been found that the following estimated expenditures will have to be cared for:

Cost of site and incidental fees connected with the purchase of said site	\$ 52,800
Cost to erect a modern building on said site	\$175,000
Fees for services of architects and engineers	\$ 10,700
Laying of sidewalks, sewer, gas, water, and drain lines, construction of approaches to building, grading and otherwise improving the grounds	\$ 9,500
Equipment for building	<u>\$ 12,000</u>
	\$240,000 ;

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Whereas, The committee after the most careful consideration of what may be possible in the way of expanded school facilities in the light of the financial limitations of the city is of the unanimous opinion that an elementary school in the eastern end of the city is all that the city may reasonably be called upon to finance at this time; and

Whereas, After the most thorough study of many different locations as possible sites for an elementary school building in the eastern end of the city the sub-committee consisting of Messrs. Leitch, Sneed and Superintendent Johnson has unanimously reached a decision as to the best possible site to be selected for the said elementary school building; and

Whereas, The full committee consisting of T. J. Michie, W. H. Wood, Miss Effie Gleason, James A. Leitch, J. P. Sneed, and Superintendent James G. Johnson unanimously agree upon the site recommended by the said sub-committee; and

Whereas, Options for a period of ninety days have been secured on the major portions of the different lots and proper-

then necessary to be purchased for said site; and

Whereas, There are certain lots and parcels of land upon which options up to this time have not been possible to be secured; and

Whereas, It is advisable, expedient, and necessary for the School Board of the City of Charlottesville to take some definite steps toward the purchase of such lots or parcels of land as will be needed for a site for said Elementary School Building in the eastern end of the city; therefore,

RESOLVED, That the committee consisting of T. J. Michie, J. P. Sneed, James A. Leitch, Miss Effie Gleason, W. H. Wood, and Superintendent James G. Johnson be instructed, authorized, and empowered to take all of the necessary legal steps to complete the purchase, either by negotiating satisfactory purchase prices with the individuals or parties owning each parcel of land or by condemnation proceedings where satisfactory purchase prices cannot be agreed upon with any party or parties, of all or such parts of the following described lots and parcels of land with all the improvements thereon as said committee

Whereas, After a very full discussion, "It was unanimously decided that two things would be necessary in order that the entire white school population of the city might have the relief necessary for the comfort, the safety, and the general welfare of the children:

I A school building of at least sixteen rooms for elementary white children located somewhere in the eastern part of the city. This building to be of a quality and type similar to Venable and McGuffey school buildings;

II A high school building, modern in type, to care for at least twelve to fifteen hundred pupils as the ultimate capacity for said high school building, which building should be located at some point as nearly central as feasible."; and

Whereas, "It was unanimously decided that Mr. Sneed and Mr. Leitch be appointed as a sub-committee to work with Superintendent Johnson in viewing suitable sites and in obtaining options on such sites as said committee might deem advisable."; and

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therefore

RESOLVED, That the Mayor and the Council of the City of Charlottesville be and are hereby requested to authorize and to submit to a vote of the people a bond issue for the sum of TWO HUNDRED AND FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$240,000) to be used by the School Board of the City of Charlottesville in carrying out the above outlined project for the expansion of the school facilities for white children in the City of Charlottesville.

shall deem advisable and necessary for a suitable school site upon which to construct an Elementary School Building on Belmont in the City of Charlottesville; said properties being more particularly described as being located in blocks 14 and 15 in the Belmont Division of said City and lying between Belmont Avenue on the North and Monticello Avenue and Tufton Avenue on the South; (see plat DB 96 p 72):

1. The three lots facing 144 feet more or less on Belmont Avenue with the house and other improvements thereon known as 8, 9, and 10, or a part of lot 15 in block 14 owned by C. E. Crawford upon which lots and house there is a ninety day option for the sum of \$7,000, DB 46 p 263; and DB 47 p 46.

2. The vacant lot facing 48 feet more or less on Belmont Avenue owned by B. L. Payne known as lot 7 in block 14 upon which there is a ninety day option for the sum of \$2,000, DB 46 p 399.

3. The lot facing 48 feet more or less on Belmont Avenue with the house and other improvements thereon known as lot 6 in block 14 owned by W. T. Cason and Vera Cason his wife upon

which house and lot there is a ninety day option for the sum of \$6,500, DB 42 p 2.

4. Twenty-five feet facing on Belmont Avenue, being the eastern portion of lot number 5 in block 14 with the improvements thereon owned by George T. Harlan upon which there is a ninety day option for the sum of \$1,000.

5. The lot facing 48 feet more or less on Monticello Avenue with the house and other improvements thereon being known as lot 12 in block 14 owned by C. A. Latham upon which there is a ninety day option for the sum of \$2,900.

6. The vacant lot facing 48 feet more or less in Monticello Avenue known as lot number 13 in block 14 owned by B. S. Young upon which there is a ninety day option for the sum of \$525, DB 47 p 52.

7. The lot facing 48 feet more or less on Monticello Avenue with the house and other improvements thereon known as lot number 14 in block 14 owned by W. J. Harvey upon which there is a ninety day option for the sum of \$3,500, DB 36 p 186.

8. The lot facing 48 feet more or less on Monticello

Avenue with the house and other improvements thereon known as
lot number 15 in block 14 owned by B. G. Payne upon which there
is a ninety day option for the sum of \$3,800, LB 47 p 46; and
LB 47 p 46B.

9. The lot facing 48 feet more or less on Monticello
Avenue with the house and other improvements thereon known as lot
16 in block 14 owned by D. W. Godwin upon which there is a ninety
day option for the sum of \$3,500, LB 47 p 46; and LB 51 p 425.

10. The lot facing 48 feet more or less on Monticello Avenue
with the house and other improvements thereon known as lot 17 in
block 14 owned by Lloyd M. Haggard upon which there is a ninety
day option for the sum of \$3,800, LB 47 p 46; and LB 47 p 52.

11. Any other property in block 14 that may be deemed
advisable by said committee to purchase.

12. Lots 1, 2, and 3 in block 15 facing 144 feet more or less
upon Belmont Avenue with the house and other improvements thereon
owned by A. M. Gable and wife from whom up to this time no option
has been possible to be secured, LB 60, p 85. (\$7,000)

13. Lots 7, 8, and 9 in block 15 facing 144 feet more or less
on Tufton Avenue with the improvements thereon owned by Mrs.

Nannie B. Jones, DB 39 p 187. (\$3,000)

14. Lots 4, 5, and 6, in block 15, facing on Belmont Avenue and Monticello Road, and all the improvements thereon, owned by Mrs. E. B. Hughes, Lot 4, DB 133 p 344; Lots 5 and 6, DB 157 p 335. (\$7,500)

Lots 10, 11 and 12, in block 15, facing 144 feet more or less on Tufton Avenue, and all the improvements thereon, owned by Mrs. Nannie B. Jones; Lots 10 and 12, DB 148 p 306; Lot 11, DB 155 p 482.

SUB-COMMITTEE

The special committee on New School Improvement Program met at McGuffey School at eleven o'clock on the morning of Wednesday, April 3, 1929 at which time the following members were present: T. J. Michie, Chairman, J. P. Sneed, James A. Leitch, Miss Effie Gleason, W. H. Wood and Superintendent James G. Johnson.

The preceding preambles and resolutions were read and discussed, after which it was moved and unanimously carried