

January 25, 1949

Accounts passed and paid

Voucher No.	CGF		
18	6126	J.G. Wilkinson, Dep Trs sal. net	\$125.00
19	6127	A.F. King, clerk " less wht	140.00
20	6128	A.F. King, custodian	50.00
21	6129	J.H.T. Briscoe, st. atty	166.66
22	6130	Jodie Cusic jailor	90.00
23	6131	W.O. Bennett, janitor	72.00
24	6132	J.R. Abell, tr. mag wht \$1.60	123.40
25	6133	R.S. Burroughs, sub tr mag " 1.60	98.40
26	6134	J.J. Johnson, Ext Ser	113.16
27	6135	Ethel Joy, Ext Ser	41.66
28	6136	Saml Burch 4-H	41.66
29	6137	Harlan Stahl, sanitarian	50.00
30	6138	J. Cooper, Lic Liq Insp. wht \$10	190.00 #

Transportation

31	6139	Saml Bailey	453.00	
32	6140	Saml Bailey	315.00	
33	6141	Frank Ellis inc ext	345.64	
34	6142	Paul Bell " "	412.68	
35	6143	Ambrose Wood no ex	315.00	
36	6144	Ray Quade inc "	384.00	
37	6145	Jos. M. Hancock, no ex	254.80	
38	6146	Rev. M.C. Kavanaugh, SJ no ex	249.12	
39	6147	Alex Hebb inc ext	549.20	
40	6148	Jno. F. Bean " "	899.00	
41	6149	Earl Gatton " "	795.20	
42	6150	Scanlon Herbert " "	296.08	
43	6151	Leon Roberts no ex	240.00	
44	6152	LeRoy Thompson no ex	250.00	
45	6153	Elias Gant " "	400.00	
46	6154	James Mattingly no ex	50.00	
47	6155	Lieut. A.L. Ritchie no ex	50.00	
48	6156	W. Stuart Anderson, prem on bond for	25.00	AFKing
49	6157	Stationers' Inc, desk & chr for Tr	204.00	
50	6158	State Compt Ritchie Hos A. Harrison	69.00	
51	6159	So. Md. Elec Co Inc.	41.00	
52	6160	C & P Telephone Co	68.86	
53	6161	Meyer & Thalheimer Co 500 notes Tr M	39.01	
54	6162	Kathleen Jackson, Liq Lic (Day & Link)	50.00	
55	6163	Leonardtwn Phar pen Com.	12.50	
56	6165	State Roads Comm monthly allotment	2000.00	
57	6166	J.J. Johnson, cleaning office	8.26	
58	6167	W.B. Long, feed Dec '48	71.25	

Cash Recd for deposit				
Mrs. J.W.Elms,	Bldg Permit D.#1	store		\$1.00
Valley Greenwell,	"	#3 dw fr		1.00
Chas. J. Hannon,	"	#8 st "		1.00
Tart & Tudge	"	#8 " "		1.00
Chas. J. Hannon	"	#8 gas sta		1.00
Co. Com. Maintainece Reynolds	(Pr. Geo Com)			15.00
State Compt	Franchise tax on corps.			10.00
"	"	Tr. Mag cases for Dec 48		82.00

Bank Balances Jan 24, 1949	
Com. Gen. Fund	\$50,502.51
Sinking Fund	547.57
Liq.Lic/ Fund	51,875.30
Welfare Bd.	2,731.60
Transportation	211.22

Note Check CGF 6163 Chas J. Mattingly \$25.84
paid by voucher #75

Transp 948- Jan 4 1949
 note Beachman for Sept Oct no Dec \$1144.80
 834.40
 a/c rate of 2086.00 per 10 m \$310.40
 " " 208.60 per dec
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Regular Meeting.

The Board of County Commissioners met on Tuesday, January 25th, with all members present.

The auditing and payment of salary and expense accounts was first considered.

Roads.

Cedar Lane, Old Blacksmith Rd, needs repair
Stte Road in front of Leonardtown Laundry needs drain pipe
Brown Road, leading to Old St. Andrews Ch " repair
Little Harzley Road, in 7th needs repair to make it passable.
All the above were referred to Mr. Thompson.

Letter from State Road Com relative to amts obtainable in 49-50 was read, Mr. Thompson will prepare letter asking that this money be transferred thru SRC and used for secondary roads in County.

Letter from Mr. Jump, auditor, advises he will be here in Feb to complete budget and open new Cash System.

Letter from Bd. Mental Hygiene, advises hereafter patients will be expected to pay \$50 per mo for maintenance. If not able to pay this amt., family will be surveyed by Welfare Bd in an attempt to determine what family can pay. Mr. King given authority to have patients investigated by Welfare before requesting admission for them.

St. Mary's Reading Room and Debating Society request County remove all books in the Public Library room not belong to the S.M.R.R & D.S. Room in jail which can be used for the books. Messrs. King and Briscoe to attend to this.

Request from Mrs. Mildred Cusic for transportation of 1 child from Sotterly to parochial school. No bus travels this route which is thru a private road. Informed cannot be done.

Health Dept requests \$1200.00 per an for Health officer
1000.00 " " " " Nurse
1200.00 " " " additional
sanitarian.

Board agrees to pay \$1200.00 for Health officer
1000.00 " " Nurse
600.00 " present sanitarian-do not
feel that 2 are necessary. Mr. King and Brisce will confer with Dr. Collinson in re above.

St. Mary's
County Council P.T.A.- represented by Messrs Guyther, Dean, Kirby, Cropper, Quirk and Mrs. Burch Tennyson and peter Biscoe (colored) ask why nothing has been done on the School Program. Mr. W. Bernard Duke, president of the Council spoke for the group. Mr. Briscoe read from the minutes of the Board for Dec 28-1948- request for 2 projects made by the Bd. Educa.

- 1- Purchase and remodelling of Carver Hts Dormitory
for use as colored school
\$3,500 check sent July 13, 1948 for purchase
Deed made in name of St. Mary's County Bd. Educa.
\$10,000.00 allocated for remodelling of school
(above 2 amounts from Incentive Fund- per-
mission to use Fund for this was secured from
the Atty Gen for Md. by Mr. Briscoe)
\$11,200.00 assured Bd. Educa. in May for repairs
to school buildings now in use
Total for 1948 \$24,700.00

- 2- Consolidated Elementary School at Mech. Plans were
submitted for this in 1947 by Mr. Baldwin and
submitted after revamping in 1948- (not ac-
cepted finally)

Mr. M.M. Dean asked why nothing had been done and Mr. Briscoe called his attention to the two above projects. Mr. Dean then said a law was passed in Chas. County at about the same time the law passed in St. Mary's relative to bonding for schools and schools in Chas. County were almost ready for use, but nothing had been done here. Mr. Briscoe replied that the Chas. County law stipulated certain schools to be built on specified sites for definite amounts, whereas the school program in St. Mary's was left to the discretion of the Bd. of Commissioners. Said Mr. Dean "do you say the bill was worded wrong?" Mr. Briscoe replied "I do not say so." Mr. Briscoe repeated several times throughout the discussion that the Bd. of Commissioners would consider all projects presented to them by the Bd. of Education but would not do anything until definite and specific projects were received. Mr. Briscoe added that if the Council felt that other schools should be built in the County other than those specified by the Bd. of Educa, the Council and the Bd. of Educa should get together on the matter and reach a decision. Asked how long it would take to secure the money for the school building program, Mr. Briscoe replied that when the projects were presented and approved the money would be gotten. He further advised the Council that the Commissioners had appointed an Advisory Board who would receive the specified projects, give them careful consideration and later pass them on to the Commissioners with their recommendations.

Commissioner Frank Bailey said he felt it would be a wise program to build and complete each year, one school for white and one school for colored, rather than start construction of several and not complete any.

It was reported that Mr. C.J. Johnson, president of the Bd. of Educa advised the Council the Commissioners had made no money available to the Bd. Mr. Briscoe replied that the Carver Hts dormitory was paid for, the sum of \$10,000 assured for remodelling of same, and the sum of \$11,200

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allocated for repairs as requested May 8, 1948. (\$24,700.00) He further stated that the Commissioners intended to first determine what schools were needed, what they would cost before placing any heavy debt on the taxpayers of the County, To bond at once, without definite plans, and to place the interest debt on the people longer than was necessary, would cause great condemnation by the people they represent and whose money will be used to pay the cost. They have no intention of bonding for the full amount and handing the money over without first considering the manner of its being used. He further stated that when the Bd. of Educa presented definite and specific programs they will receive the Commissioners immediate consideration, if and when the county is bonded for the program.

Mr. Oliver Guyther was very anxious to correct a statement attributed to him by the metropolitan daily, which credited him with saying the reason for the delay in the program was due to the Commissioners being politically opposed to him. He said his remarks were rather that there "was a faction opposed to him, politically, which did not want his faction to receive credit for the building program." He went on to say that "Unless this Bond issue gets underway I WILL PASS A LAW MAKING IT MANDATORY THAT THE COUNTY BE BONDED AS I DO NOT INTEND TO ALLOW THE FIRST LAW TO BACKFIRE."

Last May the Council presented a Long Range Program to the Commissioners. From that list Mr. Guyther suggested the Commissioners could select several projects and start, rather than wait for the Bd. of Educa to present an entirely new program. He added that there were several projects he personally felt were important

Carver Hts.	GM. Elemen Sch	Consol. Eleme. at Mech
Banneker HS	MBHS and GMHS additions	Consolidate 2 colored in the 7th Dist, Fenwick and another.

Mr. Briscoe replied that the Commissioners would make no such move they would wait for the specified projects to be requested by the Bd. Educa. Should the Commissioners select any project and work on it, it might be one the Bd of Educa considered important therefore they would wait for projects specified by the Bd. of Educa.

When asked what amount he had in mind, \$350,000.00 as voted on or \$550,000.00 as appeared in the conservation, Mr. Guyther replied he meant \$550,000.00 which is just about half of what the Long Range Program needs." When asked if he referred to the \$904,400.00 amount as first requested for the L.R.P. he said "that is right, they (meaning the Council) knew the people of the County would never vote for the bonding of the County to that extent; that was why they had asked for the \$350,000.00 the rest will come later." He said he considered the \$200,000.00 as authorized without vote in 1948 was settled, making the amount available with the bond issue \$550,000.00"

The gist of the meeting was to the effect that when the Bd. of Education present specific and definite requests the Commissioners will consider them.

Letters were addressed to a group of citizens, representing the 9 Election Districts, 3 Commissioner Districts and several At Large to act as the Advisory Committee

Harry Beale, Ridge; ~~J. Allen Goad~~, Leonardtown; J.R. Drury, Lntn., Stuart Bennett, Lntn, Sam Bailey, River Spgs., Zach Fowler, Chaptico; T. Raymond Dixon, Mech., Elliott Burch Charlotte Hall; Donovan Bohanan, Park Hall; R.B. Broun, Jr., Lntn Mrs. Howard Chesser, Piney Pt; Mrs. A.F. King, Lntn; Mrs. Dan Davis, Chaptico; ~~Mrs. J.J. Johnson~~, Bushwood; Mrs. T.W. Nicolet Lexington Park and 3 colored men from the Commissioner Districts Noble Beachum, Palmers; ~~Richard Smith~~, Ridge and Wilson Butler, Mech.

Requesting they act as members of the Advisory Com., and to reply at once indicating acceptance or regrets.

Miss Leila Abell, apptd clerical assistant to Mr. Lawrence

\$50 per month Feb 1, 1949

Mr. Wayne Russell apptd Field Clerk \$7.00 per day not to exceed 100 days per year.

Following is list of items brought to attention of representatives in Gen Assembly

Increase dog license male to \$2 female to \$4

Empower Bd. Com. to sell or lease lots or parts of ground at Alms House property, and to legalize all leases or sales prior to this date.

Increase bounty on Hawks and Crows

Unify School Transp.

Revamp bill for assistance to organized active V. Fire Dept in county to not exceed \$700 per annum/instead of each

\$1500 for entire county.

Increase salary of Clerk to Bd to \$2400

Appoint Deputy Clerk to assist clerk

Increase salary of Commissioners commensurate with increased duties.

Mr. Frank Bailey says he feels with the increased amount of work now coming before the Board they should meet weekly.

Board adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

clerk

AROUND THE COURT HOUSE

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND ST. MARY'S COUNTY COUNCIL PTA. DISCUSSED SCHOOL BUILDING PROGRAM

Board Told By Commissioners Is First To Determine What Schools Are Most Needed and At What Cost, Before Sending Plans to St. Mary's County For Approval

At a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners and the St. Mary's County Council PTA held Tuesday in the Court House, the Commissioners made clear their position on the matter of the building of new schools. They intend to build new schools at what cost, but not placing any heavy debt on the taxpayers of the county. To bond at once without definite plans, and to place the interest debt on the people longer than absolutely necessary, would cause great dissatisfaction by the people they represent, and whose money will be used to pay the cost.

The Commissioners advised the Council that when the Board of Education presents them with definite projects they will give the matter their immediate consideration. The Council was represented by Messrs. Oliver Guyther, W. Dale Cropper, Cal. M. Dean, Mrs. Burch and Peter Biscoe, (col-)

lected asked why the Commissioners had not begun the school building program for which the bond issue was voted. Mr. Attorney to the Board of Education said the Board of

Education had received the first project has been received and acted upon; the next project will be acted upon when presented by the Board of Education. He further advised the Council that an Advisory Board had been appointed by the Commissioners to receive the projects, give them careful consideration, and later pass them to the Commissioners with recommendations.

Commissioner Frank Bailey said he thought that the white and one colored schools built and completed each year would be a far wiser program to follow, than to start construction of several and perhaps complete none.

It was reported that Mr. Johnson, President of the Board of Education, advised the Council the Commissioners had made no money available for the bond in a previous paragraph the amount paid or allocated in 1948 is shown to be \$24,700. So far no report of any kind has been made to the Commissioners as to how the money was spent or how the schools completed. Mr. Johnson advised that he would come before the Commissioners and attempt to show the school pro-

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BUILDING NEEDS SURVEY MAY 20, 1948

NEW CONSTRUCTION—SCHOOL ESTIMATED COST

Margaret Brent High School—Add, 4 Classrooms, Shop Cafeteria and Kitchen	\$ 90,000
Great Mills High School—Add 3 Classrooms, Gymnasium-Auditorium	189,000
Valley Lee Consol. Elem., 3 Classrooms	56,000
Great Mills Elem.—Add Cafeteria & Kitchen	35,000
Leonardtown, 6 Classrooms, Cafeteria and Multipurpose Room	100,400
Ridge Elem.—Add Multipurpose Room, Heating Plant, Heating	
Consolidated Elem. (5th. Dist.), 10 Classrooms, Gymnasium	
Banneker Elem., 6 Classrooms, Cafeteria	
Scotland—Add 2 Classrooms, Multipurpose Room	
Consolidated Elem. (5th. Dist.), 6 Classrooms, Cafeteria, Multipurpose Room	
Consolidated Elem. (7th. Dist.), 4 Classrooms	
Total New Construction	

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BUILDING NEEDS SURVEY MAY 20, 1948 — Continued

REPAIRS & REPAIRS FOR 1948—ESTIMATED COST

