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OPINIONS

2092.

APPROVAL, NOTES OF HANOVER TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, BUTLER COUNTY—\$50,000.00.

Columbus, Ohio, May 12, 1928.

Retirement Board, State Teachers Retirement System, Columbus, Ohio.

2093.

CITY SCHOOL TERRITORY—NOT TRANSFERABLE OUT OF CORPORATE LIMITS.

SYLLABUS:

Territory embraced within the corporate limits of a city cannot be transferred from the city school district of said city for school purposes.

Columbus, Ohio, May 14, 1928.

HON. J. L. CLIFTON, Director of Education, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—This will acknowledge receipt of your request for my opinion which reads as follows:

"Upon request from the clerk of the Zanesville Village School District, Muskingum County, I am submitting to you certain facts and questions relative to annexation of village district territory by Zanesville city, and the probability of transfer of any part of such annexed territory back to the village school district.

The South Zanesville Village School District comprises an area of approximately three miles square with a tax duplicate of more than \$3,000,000. The district has 550 children of school age. One school building is located at Norval Park and one in South Zanesville. The debt of the district is approximately \$100,000.

April 12, 1928, an ordinance of the city of Zanesville became effective which ordinance annexed certain territory to said city and included in that territory a part of South Zanesville Village School District. This annexed territory represents in property valuation more than one-half the tax duplicate of the original village school district and includes one building and approximately 100 children of school age. As a result of the loss of this territory the South Zanesville Village District still has a debt of \$100,000, a school population of about 450 children, and a tax duplicate of approximately \$1,500,000.