

that there are unencumbered balances legally appropriated in a sum sufficient to cover the obligations of the contract. There has further been submitted a contract bond upon which the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company appears as surety, sufficient to cover the amount of the contract.

You have further submitted evidence indicating that plans were properly prepared and approved, notice to bidders was properly given, bids tabulated as required by law and the contract duly awarded. Also it appears that the laws relating to the status of surety companies and the Workmen's Compensation have been complied with.

Finding said contract and bond in proper legal form, I have this day noted my approval thereon and return the same herewith to you, together with all other data submitted in this connection.

Respectfully,
EDWARD C. TURNER,
Attorney General.

522.

APPROVAL, ABSTRACT OF TITLE TO LAND IN LIBERTY TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, OHIO, TO BE USED AS A FISH HATCHERY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 21, 1927.

HON. CHAS. V. TRUAX, *Director of Agriculture, Columbus, Ohio.*

MY DEAR SIR:—Examination of encumbrance estimates 370 and 374, an abstract of title, and a copy of a deed covering premises which it is proposed that the State of Ohio purchase from J. B. Quaintance for a fish hatchery near Bucyrus, discloses the following:

The abstract under consideration has been prepared by Charles F. Matthews of Bucyrus, certified under date of February 3, 1927, but subsequently supplemented, and pertains to the following real estate in the County of Crawford and State of Ohio, Section 31, Township 2 S, Range 17 E, and

“Being that part of the northeast quarter and that part of the southeast quarter of Section 31 that lies south of the Plymouth State Road and north of the Sandusky River in the west half quarter of said Section 31.”

The deed copy, is certified by L. F. Battefeld as being a correct copy of the original deed executed by J. B. Quaintance and Cora E. Quaintance, his wife, and held for delivery upon the payment of the consideration named therein, for the following land, situate in the Township of Liberty, County of Crawford and State of Ohio, being a part of Section 31 and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center line of the Plymouth Road at the Northeast corner of the Quaintance Tract as shown of record in Deed Book 91, Page 272, thence with the center line of said road south fifty-eight degrees (58°) west four hundred and forty-three and one-tenths (443.1) feet to a point, thence on a line parallel to the east line and three

hundred and sixty-five (365) feet at right angles thereto, south two degrees and thirty-two minutes ($2^{\circ} 32'$), west one thousand one hundred and twenty-five (1125) feet to a stake; thence south twenty-two degrees and fifty-nine minutes ($22^{\circ} 59'$), east two hundred and eighty-seven (287) feet to a point in the center line of the Sandusky River, passing a stake on bank thereof at two hundred and fifty-seven (257) feet; thence with the meanders of said river up-stream to a point in the center thereof where the east line of Quaintance tract intersects said stream; thence with said east line north two degrees and thirty-two minutes ($2^{\circ} 32'$), east one thousand three hundred sixty-one and four tenths (1361.4) feet to the place of beginning and containing twelve and six hundredths (12.06) acres more or less.

After an examination, it is my opinion that the abstract, supplemented by a deed of Elizabeth A. Meister and John Meister executed on the ninth day of May, 1927 and filed for record on the tenth day of May, 1927, discloses a sufficient title to be in the name of J. B. Quaintance, free from encumbrances; and that the deed executed by J. B. Quaintance and Cora E. Quaintance, his wife, will sufficiently convey said premises to the State when properly delivered.

The encumbrance estimates submitted have been approved by you and contain a certificate by the Director of Finance to the effect that there are unencumbered balances legally appropriated, sufficient to pay three thousand and fifteen dollars (\$3,015.00), the amount of the purchase price.

The abstract, deed, encumbrance estimate and other data submitted by you are herewith returned.

Respectfully,
EDWARD C. TURNER,
Attorney General.

523.

APPROVAL, ABSTRACT OF TITLE TO LAND OF ELIZABETH A. MEISTER, LIBERTY TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 21, 1927.

HON. CHARLES V. TRUAX, *Director of Agriculture, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—Examination of encumbrance estimates 373 and 375, an abstract of title and a deed covering premises which it is proposed that the State of Ohio purchase from Elizabeth A. Meister for a fish hatchery near Bucyrus, discloses the following:

The abstract under consideration has been prepared by E. J. Myers, of Bucyrus, certified under date of February 26, 1927, subsequently supplemented and covers all the land owned at that time by Elizabeth A. Meister in Section 31, Liberty township, Crawford county, Ohio.

The deed submitted is to the State of Ohio, executed by Elizabeth A. Meister and John Meister, her husband, and covers land in said Liberty township, bounded and described as follows:

Being part of Section thirty-one (31), Township number two (2), south, Range number seventeen (17) east, more particularly described as follows: