

Edwards took the conveyance of said lands subject to said oil and gas lease. There is nothing in the abstract to show the term of said lease, and I am unable to ascertain from the abstract whether said lease is in full force and effect at this time or not. Inasmuch as the date of said sheriff's deed to Alfred D. Edwards is May 15, 1901, it is altogether probable that said lease has long since expired. However, information upon this point should be secured and made a part of the abstract.

3. The abstracter in his certificate states that the taxes for the first half of the year 1928 have been paid. I assume from this that the taxes for the last half of the year 1928 have not been paid and such taxes are of course a lien on these lands.

On examination of the warranty deed of said Alfred D. Edwards to the State of Ohio, I find that the same has been properly executed and acknowledged. The description therein contained of the lands in question is subject to the exception above noted with respect to the indefinite description of the twenty acres excepted from the southeast quarter of Section 23, and in addition to this exception the description contained in the deed is subject to the further exception arising out of the omission of the word "quarter" after the word "quarter" in the call which appears in said deed as follows: "running north to the northwest corner of said quarter section." The deed should be corrected with respect to the matters here pointed out.

On examination of encumbrance estimate No. 4793, relating to the purchase of the above described lands, shows that the same has been properly executed and that there is a sufficient balance in the proper appropriation account to pay the purchase price of the land.

The controlling board certificate submitted shows that under date of December 20, 1928, the control board authorized the purchase of the land here in question but apparently did not release any particular sum of money for the purpose.

I am herewith enclosing the said abstract, warranty deed, encumbrance estimate and controlling board certificate with the request that the abstract and warranty deed be corrected to meet the objections above noted.

Respectfully,  
GILBERT BETTMAN,  
*Attorney General.*

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APPROVAL, NOTES OF FAIRFIELD TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, BUTLER COUNTY—\$150,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, March 7, 1929.

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

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171.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF NEW BAZETTA RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, TRUMBULL COUNTY—\$1,200.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, March 7, 1929.

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