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funds of the Columbus City School District to hire a teacher to teach the children who are in the said home.

Respectfully,
GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.

3650.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF BUTLER TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, DARKE COUNTY, OHIO—\$21,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, October 13, 1931.

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

3651.

APPROVAL, LEASE TO OHIO CANAL LANDS IN THE VILLAGE OF LOCKBOURNE, OHIO, FOR INTERURBAN ELECTRIC STREET RAILWAY PURPOSES—THE SCIOTO VALLEY TRACTION COMPANY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, October 14, 1931.

HON. A. T. CONNAR, Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Sir:—This is to acknowledge the receipt of your recent communication submitting for my examination and approval a certain canal land lease in triplicate executed by you, in your official capacity as superintendent of public works and as director of said department, to The Scioto Valley Traction Company, by which there is leased and demised to said company for Interurban Electric Street Railway purposes, and for a term of fifteen years, the right to use and occupy a part of the abandoned Ohio Canal lands in the village of Lockbourne, Ohio, which parcel of land so leased and demised is more particularly described in said written lease.

The annual rental reserved in said lease is the sum of \$15.00, which is six per cent of the sum of \$250.00, the appraised valuation of the property leased.

The lease here in question has, apparently, been executed by you under the authority of an act of the legislature in the year 1911 (102 O. L. 293) providing for the abandonment of the Ohio Canal from the west end of Buckeye Lake to the junction of said canal with the Ohio River near Portsmouth, Ohio, as well as under the more general provisions of sections 13965, et seq., General Code.

Upon examination of said lease, I find that the same has been properly executed by you and by said The Scioto Valley Traction Company, by and through its president duly authorized in the premises. The provisions of said lease are in conformity with the statutory provisions above noted and others relating to leases of this kind.

Said lease is accordingly hereby approved by me as to legality and form,