"The requirement of section 1206, General Code, that 'the state highway commissioner shall advertise for bids for two consecutive weeks' is mandatory, and the contract entered on June 14, for advertisement in two weekly newspapers of the county on June 6th and June 13th is invalid."

Applying the construction of the similar statute to the provisions of section 2294 G. C., under which this advertisement was made, it is necessary to hold that these bonds have not been advertised for sale and sold as required by the provisions of the foregoing section.

2. The bond resolution was passed on August 25, 1926, and provides that the first bond should mature on October 1, 1927. Section 2295-12 of the General Code provides:

"All bonds hereafter issued by any county, municipality, including charter municipalities, school district, township or other political subdivision, shall be serial bonds maturing in substantially equal semi-annual or annual installments. If issued with semi-annual maturities the first installment shall mature not earlier than the first day of March next following the fifteenth day of July next following the passage of the ordinance or resolution authorizing such bonds; and if issued with annual maturities, the first installment shall mature not earlier than the first day of the second September next following said fifteenth day of July. In either case the first installment shall mature not later than eleven months after said earliest date thereof."

In applying the foregoing statute it will be found that the first maturing bond has not been made to conform to the provisions of the foregoing section.

3. The bond issue is made for the purpose of purchasing a non-fireproof building and furnishing a school house. The transcript does not show compliance with the provisions of section 5654-1 of the General Code in so far as the showing should be made as to the amount of the contract price for the foregoing improvements. It is possible that the two latter objections might be met by additional information or corrections, but in view of the failure to comply with the provisions of section 2294 of the General Code, the advertisement of the notice of the sale and the sale of the bonds could not be approved, and for that reason you are advised not to accept the same.

Respectfully,
C. C. CRABBE,
Attorney-General.

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APPROVAL, BONDS OF VILLAGE OF MADEIRA, HAMILTON COUNTY, \$25,854.29.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, December 29, 1926.