taking the purchase of this property out of the application of Section 2288-2, General Code, which provides that before any officer, board or commission of the state enters into any contract, agreement or obligation involving the expenditure of money, or passes any resolution or order for the expenditure of money, the Director of Finance shall first certify that there is a balance in the appropriation pursuant to the time such obligation is required to be paid, not otherwise obligated to pay precedent obligations. Before the purchase of this property is closed there should be submitted to me for approval encumbrance estimates covering the several sums of money to be paid for this property.

I am returning to you, with my approval, said corrected abstract of title and warranty deed executed by the Greenville Historical Society, as well as the other files which you submitted to me.

Respectfully,
GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.

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APPROVAL, ABSTRACT OF TITLE TO PREMISES OF CORA M. ARTRIP IN THE VILLAGE OF NEW RUMLEY, HARRISON COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 12, 1930.

The Ohio State Archaeological and Historical Society, Ohio State University, Columbus. Ohio.

GENTLEMEN:—You have submitted for my examination and approval a corrected abstract of title covering certain lots and parcels of land owned of record by one Cora M. Artrip in the village of New Rumley, Harrison County, Ohio, which property is more particularly described in Opinion No. 1934, directed to you under date of June 2, 1930.

Upon examination of the corrected abstract of title submitted I find that the objections noted by me in said former opinion have been corrected by a number of affidavits which have been prepared and made a part of said abstract. Without discussing at length the tenor and effect of said affidavits, I am of the opinion upon the examination of said abstract of title that said Cora M. Artrip has a good merchantable fee simple title to the property here in question, free and clear of all encumbrances except the taxes for the last half of the year 1929, payable June 20, 1930, amounting to ninety-four cents (\$.94), and the undetermined taxes for the year 1930. The taxes here referred to are, of course, a lien upon said property.

The warranty deed executed by said Cora M. Artrip and Benjamin Artrip, her husband, was approved by me in the former opinion above referred to, as likewise were encumbrance estimate No. 312 and the other files submitted to me relating to the purchase of this property.

I am accordingly returning to you with my approval, said corrected abstract of title, warranty deed, encumbrance estimate and other files submitted to me in this matter.

Respectfully,
GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.