272 OPINIONS

application to a situation such as you have at the Muskingum County Children's Home.

Respectfully,
EDWARD C. TURNER.

Attorney General.

157.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF VILLAGE OF WOODSFIELD, MONROE COUNTY, OHIO—\$16,000.00.

Columbus, Ohio, March 8, 1927.

Department of Industrial Relations, Industrial Commission of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio.

158.

APPROVAL, ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE LANCASTER CASUALTY COMPANY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, March 9, 1927.

Hon. Clarence J. Brown, Secretary of State, Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Sir:—I am returning to you herewith the articles of incorporation of "The Lancaster Casualty Company," with my approval endorsed thereon.

Respectfully,
EDWARD C. TURNER.
Attorney General.

159.

DIRECTOR OF HIGHWAY—REIMBURSEMENT OF PROSPECTIVE SELL-ER OF LAND FOR PREPARATION OF CONTRACT.

## SYLLABUS:

Where no valid contract for the purchase of land by the state is entered into, the Director of Highways and Public Works may not lawfully reimburse a prospective seller of such land for expenses occurred by him in preparing an abstract of title and a deed for said premises.

Columbus, Ohio, March 9, 1927.

Hon. George F. Schlesinger, Director, Department of Highways and Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—I acknowledge the receipt of your letter of recent date as follows:

"You will recall that an agreement was reached concerning the Reider-