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APPROVAL, BONDS OF THE CITY OF MASSILLON, STARK COUNTY, OHIO—\$10,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, October 6, 1927.

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

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TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES—AUTHORITY TO DESIGNATE POLLING PLACE AS THEY DETERMINE MOST CONVENIENT FOR VOTERS—IT NEED NOT BE WITHIN PRECINCT.

SYLLABUS:

Under the provisions of Section 4844, General Code, where a township is divided into two or more precincts according to law, the polling place may be designated by the township trustees at such place within the township as they shall determine to be most convenient of access for the voters of the precinct, which voting place of necessity need not be within the precinct itself.

Columbus, Ohio, October 6, 1927.

Hon, Ernst M. Botkin, Prosecuting Attorney, Lima, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—This will acknowledge receipt of your recent communication requesting my opinion as follows:

"In a township which is divided into two precincts according to law may the poling place for one of the precincts be located outside of such precinct, but within the said township? In connection with this question your attention is called to Section 4844 of the General Code, Sections 3260 and 4834 of the General Code of Ohio. I shall appreciate your reply to this inquiry at your earliest convenience."

You call my attention to Section 3260, General Code, which provides as follows:

"The trustees shall fix the place of holding elections within their township, or of any election precinct thereof. For such purpose they may purchase or lease a house and suitable grounds, or by permanent lease or otherwise acquire a site, and erect thereon a house. If a majority of the electors of the township or a precinct thereof, voting at any general election, vote in favor thereof, the trustees may purchase a site and erect thereon a town hall for such township or precinct and levy a tax on the taxable property within such township or precinct to pay the cost thereof, which shall not exceed two thousand