gent in the performance of their duties in connection with roads, such boards may lawfully protect themselves against damages by means of insurance."

The third branch of the same syllabus reads:

"Municipal officers, when not acting in a proprietary capacity, such as when operating a public utility, are limited in the acquiring of such insurance in the same manner as boards of education and township trustees."

For further opinions regarding the same subject matter, see 1931 Opinions of the Attorney General, No. 2995 and 1934 Opinions of the Attorney General No. 3478.

Therefore, in specific answer to your question, 1 am of the opinion that a municipal corporation may purchase liability insurance to cover such motor vehicles as police cruisers, fire trucks, etc., in view of the provisions of Section 3714-1, General Code, as amended effective August 18, 1937.

Respectfully,

THOMAS J. HERBERT, Attorney General.

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BONDS-CITY OF COLUMBUS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, \$1,000.00.

Columbus, Ohio, April 26, 1939.

The Industrial Commission of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

Re: Bonds of the City of Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio, \$1000.00.

The above purchase of bonds appears to be part of a \$2,720,000 issue of Sewage Treatment Bonds of the above city dated December 15, 1933. The transcript relative to this issue was approved by this office in an opinion rendered to your Commission under date of June 15, 1938, being Opinion No. 2601.

It is accordingly my opinion that these bonds constitute valid and legal obligations of said city.

Respectfully,

THOMAS J. HERBERT, Attorney General.