commission is without power to contract for such building under its adopted policy and plan involving an estimated expenditure of an amount in excess of that sanctioned by the voters."

As stated above, it appears that the board of education did not advertise for bids for the completion of the school building or for furnishing the same. Section 7623, General Code, clearly requires boards of education of village school districts, where the proposed expenditure exceeds one thousand dollars, except in cases of urgent necessity or for the security and protection of school property, to advertise for bids for four weeks in one or more newspapers of general circulation in the district. The section also requires public opening and reading of the bids submitted and the acceptance of none by the lowest responsible bid. From the information submitted to me, it is clear that Section 7623, General Code, was not complied with.

In view of the foregoing, I am compelled to advise you not to purchase the above issue of bonds.

Respectfully,
EDWARD C. TURNER,
Attorney General.

1409.

APPROVAL, LEASES TO OHIO CANAL, MIAMI & ERIE CANAL, INDIAN LAKE, BUCKEYE LAKE AND LAKE LORAMIE LANDS.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, December 21, 1927.

Department of Highways and Public Works, Division of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

Gentlemen:—I am in receipt of your letter dated December 13, 1927, in which you enclose leases hereinafter described, executed in triplicate, for my approval:

Ohio Canal	Valuation
The East Ohio Gas Company, pipe lease J. B. Furman, land lease Licking Oil Company, pipe lease	200 00
Gordon Phillips, land lease W. A. Wynn, land lease	600 00
Miani and Eric Canal	Valuation
Laura T. McCann, land leaseSlusser-McLean, Scraper Co., land lease H. B. Tenzer Lumber Co., land lease C. S. Cameron, oil and gas lease, bonus 1/8 royalty	400 00 500 00
Indian Lake	Valuation
Roy H. Wagstaff, cottage site	\$1,000 00
Buckeye Lake	Valuation
W. H. H. Stevens, walkway and landing	\$300 00

Lake Loranic Valuation
The Pleasure Island Club, cottage site______\$400 00

I have carefully examined the above leases, and finding them correct in form and legal, I hereby approve the same.

Respectfully,
Edward C. Turner,
Attorney General.

1410.

APPROVAL, FINAL RESOLUTIONS ON ROAD IMPROVEMENTS IN ALLEN AND COLUMBIANA COUNTIES, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, December 21, 1927.

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

1411.

COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION—APPOINTMENT OF LOCAL BOARDS FOR NEWLY CREATED DISTRICTS—APPOINTEES HOLD OVER IF ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS IS INVALID.

SYLLABUS:

Where a county board of education appoints a local board of education for a newly created school district, and thereafter, at the first election for members of boards of education, no successors to such appointees are elected, for the reason that the said election is declared to be invalid, the members of said board who had been appointed by the county board of education hold office until their successors are legally elected and qualified.

Columbus, Ohio, December 22, 1927.

Hon. J. L. Clifton, Director of Education, Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Sir:—This will acknowledge receipt of your request for my opinion, as follows:

"The county board of education of Washington County created several new districts in accordance with Section 4736, G. C. The present members of the boards of education of these districts were appointed by the county board in accordance with this section. The 1927 election was the first one held after such appointment. Candidates were nominated and elected in all these dis-