

I am therefore of the opinion that when the salaries of clerks and deputies in the several county offices have been determined in the manner provided in Section 2981, General Code, the same should be paid monthly from the county treasury, in so far as money has been appropriated therefor, and within the limitations imposed by Section 5625-38, General Code. When a county official has made expenditures from the annual appropriation made to his office for deputy and clerk hire, to the full limit of six-tenths of the appropriation during the first six months, and continues to certify payrolls thereafter for monthly payments of salary corresponding in amount to one-twelfth of the entire amount fixed for any yearly salary, the county auditor is not justified in refusing to draw warrants in payment of such payrolls as certified even though there remains but four-tenths of the total annual appropriation, and to pay the payrolls as certified will exhaust the entire appropriation before the end of the year. The auditor should draw warrants in payment of the payrolls as certified, providing such payroll calls for a monthly salary for such deputies and clerks amounting to no more than one-twelfth of the amount determined upon as an annual salary.

Respectfully,

GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.

1217.

APPROVAL, CONTRACT FOR GRADE CROSSING SEPARATION OVER
ERIE RAILROAD, NEAR SPRINGFIELD, CLARK COUNTY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, November 21, 1929.

HON. ROBERT N. Waid, *Director of Highways, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—This will acknowledge receipt of your letter under date of November 21, 1929, enclosing copy of a contract relative to the separation of a crossing at grade of the Erie Railroad Company tracks and the National Road just west of Springfield (S. H. 1, U. S. 40), in which the I. C. & E. Traction Company is a party.

I have carefully examined the agreement, signed by the Receiver of the I. C. & E. Traction Company, find it correct in form, and hereby approve the same.

Respectfully,

GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.

1218.

APPROVAL, ABSTRACT OF TITLE TO LAND OF SARAH E. FISHER
IN THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, November 21, 1929.

HON. CARL E. STEEB, *Business Manager, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—There has been submitted for my examination and approval an abstract of title, warranty deed form, and encumbrance estimate relating to the proposed purchase by the State of Ohio of Lot No. 32 in R. P. Woodruff's Subdi-