

furnished a statement to the board of education at its last meeting of the month held by the board of education after the expenses were incurred.

Respectfully,

HERBERT S. DUFFY,
Attorney General.

3442.

APPROVAL, LEASE, CANAL LAND, STATE OF OHIO, THROUGH DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, TO RALPH D. ZOOK, WALNUT CREEK, OHIO, ANNUAL RENTAL, \$15.00, ABANDONED OHIO CANAL PROPERTY, DESIGNATED AND DESCRIBED, OXFORD TOWNSHIP, COSHOCTON COUNTY, OHIO, FOR RESIDENTIAL AND AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, December 22, 1938.

HON. CARL G. WAHL, *Director, Department of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR: This is to acknowledge the receipt of your recent communication with which you submit for my examination and approval a canal land lease executed by you as Superintendent of Public Works and as Director of said department to one Ralph D. Zook of Walnut Creek, Ohio.

By this lease, which is one for a stated term of fifteen years and which provides for an annual rental of \$15.00, there is leased and demised to the lessee above named the right to occupy and use for residential and agricultural purposes, that portion of the abandoned Ohio Canal property, including the full width of the bed and banks thereof, located in Oxford Township, Coshocton County, Ohio, which is described as follows:

Beginning at a line drawn at right angles to the transit line of the G. F. Silliman Survey of said canal property through Station 3087+00 of said survey, and running thence westerly with the lines of said canal property, six hundred (600') feet, as measured along said transit line to a line drawn at right angles to said transit line through station 3093+00 of said survey, and containing two and eighty-four hundredths (2.84) acres, more or less, and excepting therefrom any portion of the above described property that may be occupied by a public highway.

Upon examination of this lease, which is executed by you under the authority of an Act of the 89th General Assembly enacted April 29, 1931, 114 O. L., 541, I find that the same has been executed by you in your official capacity above stated and by Ralph D. Zook in the manner provided by law.

Assuming, as I do, that this property has not been designated for state highway purposes and that no application for the lease of the same has been made by any of the corporations or persons having prior rights to the lease of this property under Section 8 of said Act, I find that the terms and provisions of this lease and the conditions and restrictions therein contained are in conformity with the above mentioned Act of the legislature and with other related statutes. I am, therefore, approving this lease, as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the lease and upon the duplicate and triplicate copies thereof, all of which are herewith enclosed.

Respectfully,

HERBERT S. DUFFY,

Attorney General.

3443.

APPROVAL—CONTRACT, STATE OF OHIO, THROUGH DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, WITH FOSDICK AND HILMER, CONSULTING ENGINEERS, CINCINNATI, OHIO, FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES, MIAMI UNIVERSITY, OXFORD, OHIO, FOR PREPARATIONS AND PLANS, EQUIPMENT, EAST WING OF CHEMISTRY BUILDING.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, December 22, 1938.

HON. CARL G. WAHL, *Director, Department of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR: You have submitted for my approval a contract by and between the State of Ohio, acting by the Director of Public Works, for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, and Fosdick and Hilmer, Consulting Engineers, Cincinnati, Ohio, for the preparation of plans, specifications, bills of material and estimates of cost for Equipment for the East Wing of the Chemistry Building, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. His duty also to include the superintending of the construction of said im-