

as a jail matron is an agent or servant or employe of the sheriff, a jail matron who did so contract, would be amenable to the provisions of the statute. It of course follows that a county sheriff can not be authorized to contract with his wife for the supplying of meals to the prisoners if she be the matron of the jail.

With reference to the four questions submitted in your letter, the first two questions having been specifically answered in Opinion No. 833, above referred to, a copy of which is herewith enclosed, I do not again answer them.

As to the third and fourth questions, it is my opinion that:

1. The relation of husband and wife is such that the relation alone does not engender an interest of the husband in the contracts of the wife; and where a county sheriff contracts with his wife for the furnishing of meals to the prisoners in the county jail to be paid for from county funds he does not thereby become interested in a contract for the purchase of supplies for the use of the county in violation of Section 12910 General Code. Nor can he be said thereby to secure a private personal profit out of the feeding of the prisoners confined in the jail.

2. Where a sheriff is permitted to enter into a contract for the furnishing of prepared meals for the prisoners in the county jail, and does so contract, the itemized monthly statements which he is required to file showing the actual cost of the feeding of such prisoners, together with the bills therefor attached, should show the actual number of meals served and the dates thereof and the price per meal which he is required to pay, and the bills attached thereto should be the statements rendered to him by the person or persons with whom he had contracted to furnish such meals.

3. A contract made by the matron of a county jail whereby she agrees to furnish meals for the prisoners in the county jail is in violation of Section 12910, General Code, and therefore illegal.

Respectfully,
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1184.

APPROVAL, NOTE OF THE OTTERBEIN HOME RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, WARREN COUNTY, OHIO—\$900.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, October 21, 1927.

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

1185.

MOTOR VEHICLE—REGISTRATION, WHEN PURCHASED IN ANOTHER STATE—MORTGAGEES MUST EXECUTE BILLS OF SALE—PURPOSE OF SWORN STATEMENT.

SYLLABUS:

1. *Motor vehicles or used motor vehicles purchased outside the State of Ohio, and brought into this state, must first be registered before they may be operated on the highways*