

first Monday in January thereafter. See also Opinion 3126 rendered under date of April 7, 1931.

Second, the number of members to constitute the new city board should be fixed by the village board a sufficient length of time before the ensuing election for school board members to permit their being elected at this said election.

Third, assuming that the number of members for a new city district, which succeeds a former village district by reason of a change in population, is fixed at five prior to the coming November election, two members should be elected at that election for a term of four years and three members for a term of two years, and thereafter three members and two members alternately should be elected at each succeeding general election for members of boards of education, for terms of four years.

Respectfully,

GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.

3182.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF BEAVERCREEK RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT,
GREENE COUNTY, OHIO—\$180,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, April 25, 1931.

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

3183.

APPROVAL, LEASE FOR OIL AND GAS RIGHTS TO LAND IN NEWTON
TOWNSHIP, MUSKINGUM COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, April 25, 1931.

HON. JOSEPH T. TRACY, *Auditor of State, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted a lease in which you have granted to William S. Foraker, of New Lexington, Ohio, the oil and gas rights to forty-nine acres of land described as follows:

“Situated in the Township of Newton, County of Muskingum and State of Ohio, and being in the South East Quarter of Section No. 15, Township No. 15, Range No. 14 and being bounded as follows:

On the North by lands of John Holloway and G. E. Jarrett.
On the East by lands of Rufus Burton.
On the South by lands of E. D. Yost.
On the West by lands of John Holloway.”

After examination, it is my opinion that said lease is in proper legal form, and I have accordingly endorsed my approval thereon. Of course, it will be necessary for the Governor to indicate his consent before said lease becomes effective. Your attention is further directed to the fact that the signature of the lessee seems to have been attested by only one witness.

Respectfully,

GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.