ence to legal settlement, for the reason that the poor laws are liberally construed to the end that the unfortunate may be given relief, it is believed that applying the principle announced in the Trumbull and Summit County case, supra, to the facts you present compels the conclusion that the mother and all of her children have a legal settlement in Crawford County.

In your communication you refer to the actions of the "juvenile authorities." In this connection, it may be pointed out that it has frequently been held by this office that a juvenile court has jurisdiction of a child found to be within the county under facts and circumstances which constitute dependency or delinquency.

Based upon the foregoing citations and discussions, it is my opinion that Mrs. L. and all her minor children have a legal settlement in Crawford County.

Respectfully,

GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.

3274.

APPROVAL, ABSTRACT OF TITLE TO LAND OF JAMES H. PAYNE, JOURNEY ANDERSON AND ALEX MIXON IN THE CITY OF CO-LUMBUS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 28, 1931.

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 and encumbrance estimate No. 563, relating to lot No. 5, in Critchfield and Warden's Subdivision of the south half of the north half of lot 278 of R. P. Woodruff's Agricultural College Addition, as said lot is numbered and delineated upon the recorded plat of said subdivision, of record in Plat Book No. 4, page 234, Recorder's Office, Franklin County, Ohio.

Upon examination of said abstract of title, I am of the opinion that James H. Payne, Journey Anderson and Alex Mixon, as trustees of the West Frambes Avenue M. E. Church of Columbus, Ohio, an unincorporated religious society, have a good, merchantable title to the above described premises, free and clear of all incumbrances whatsoever. I am further of the opinion that by reason of the proceedings for the sale of said property had in the Common Pleas Court of Franklin County, Ohio, in case No. 127639 on the docket of said court, and the decree of the court in said cause authorizing the trustees of said religious society to sell said property, said trustees above named now have authority to sell this property to the state of Ohio for the consideration named in said order and decree, to wit, the sum of one thousand dollars.

Upon examination of the warranty deed tendered to the state of Ohio by said trustees above named conveying the property here in question, I find that said deed has been properly executed and acknowledged by said trustees and that the form of said deed is such that the same is legally effective to convey the above described property to the state of Ohio by fee simple title, free and clear of all incumbrances.

Upon examination of encumbrance record No. 563, I find that the purchase price of said property, which is the sum of one thousand dollars, has been duly incumbered for the purpose and that there is a sufficient unincumbered balance in the appropriation account to pay said purchase price. It likewise appears from

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an appropriate recital of the fact contained in said encumbrance record that the money necessary to pay said purchase price has been duly released by the board of control.

I am herewith returning to you with my approval, said abstract of title, warranty deed and encumbrance record No. 563.

Respectfully,
Gilbert Bettman,

Attorney General.

3275.

APPROVAL, LEASE TO OFFICE ROOMS IN COLUMBUS, OHIO, FOR USE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL.

Columbus, Ohio, May 29, 1931.

HON. ALBERT T. CONNAR, Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my approval a certain lease as hereinafter set forth granting to you, as Superintendent of Public Works, for the use of the State Fire Marshal, certain office rooms in Columbus, Ohio, as follows:

Lease from the First Citizens Trust Company for rooms 410 to 420 in the First National Building, 31-33 North High Street, Columbus, Ohio. This lease is for a term of one year, beginning on the first day of May, 1931, and ending on the thirtieth day of April, 1932, by the terms of which the State will be required to pay Three hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$375.00) per month on the first day of each and every month, in advance.

You have submitted encumbrance estimate No. 834, containing a certificate of the Director of Finance, to the effect that there are unencumbered balances legally appropriated, sufficient to pay for the obligations under said lease for the first two months, which is believed to be sufficient under the circumstances.

You have also submitted a resolution of the board of directors of the lessor corporation, showing that the president has authority to enter into this lease for the company.

Finding said lease in proper legal form, I hereby approve it as to form and return it herewith.

Respectfully,

GILBERT BETTMAN,

Attorney General.

3276.

APPROVAL, NOTES OF WASHINGTON RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, LOGAN COUNTY, OHIO—\$4,500.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 29, 1931.

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