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BONDS—CITY OF CLEVELAND, CUYAHOGA COUNTY,
\$5,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 1, 1939.

Retirement Board, State Public School Employees Retirement System, Columbus, Ohio.

GENTLEMEN :

RE: Bonds of the City of Cleveland, Cuyahoga County,
Ohio, \$5,000 (Unlimited).

The above purchase of bonds appears to be part of a \$500,000 issue of street improvement bonds of the above city dated February 1, 1921. The transcript relative to this issue was approved by this office in an opinion rendered to the State Teachers Retirement Board under date of August 1, 1935, being Opinion No. 4486.

It is accordingly my opinion that these bonds constitute valid and legal obligations of said city.

Respectfully,

THOMAS J. HERBERT,
Attorney General.

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BONDS—CITY OF AKRON, SUMMIT COUNTY, \$32,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 1, 1939.

The Industrial Commission of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio.

GENTLEMEN :

RE: Bonds of the City of Akron, Summit County, Ohio,
\$32,000.

The above purchase of bonds appears to be part of a \$337,000 issue of a voted \$1,900,000 authorization of sewer bonds of the above city dated April 1, 1938. The transcript relative to this issue was approved by this office in an opinion rendered to the Public Employees Retirement Board under date of May 25, 1939, being Opinion No. 648.

It is accordingly my opinion that these bonds constitute valid and legal obligations of said city.

Respectfully,

THOMAS J. HERBERT,
Attorney General.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION—NOT EMPOWERED TO JOIN WITH OTHER BOARDS TO ESTABLISH OR MAINTAIN VOCATIONAL OR TRADE SCHOOL—CITATIONS AS TO DUTY, POWER AND AUTHORITY—SUCH BOARD CREATURE OF STATUTE.

SYLLABUS:

A board of education is not empowered to join with another board or other boards of education in the establishment or maintenance of a vocational or trade school.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 1, 1939.

HON. E. N. DIETRICH, *Director of Education, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR: You have requested my opinion with respect to the following:

“Several school districts—for example, Martins Ferry, Bridgeport, Bellaire, St. Clairsville, and Tiltonsville—desire to provide a vocational school building for the youth of their several communities.

The question arises: Does Section 7620, of the Ohio School Laws permit boards of education to use funds to erect and equip a vocational school building in such a joint effort? If not, is there other legal authority that would permit such joint expenditure?”

Section 7620, General Code, referred to by you is the statute upon the terms of which the power of boards of education to provide the physical equipment for the housing and equipping of the public schools which they are authorized and directed to establish and maintain, is based. The power and authority there extended is expressed in general terms, and is quite broad and extends to the building, enlarging, repairing and furnishing schoolhouses, purchasing or leasing sites therefor or rights-of-way thereto, purchasing or leasing real estate to be used as playgrounds for school children, renting suitable school rooms when necessary, providing necessary apparatus and doing all other things necessary by way of providing the physical needs for the convenience and prosperity