

for its acceptability upon the talent of the individual, the present contract did not have to be let after competitive bidding, and the detailed provisions of sections 2314 to 2332, General Code, did not have to be followed. See Opinion No. 3796, rendered December 1, 1931.

It is noted that the Governor of Ohio has approved the contract herein, as required by Section 1 of the act of the legislature passed March 14, 1929 (113 O. L. 59).

Finding said contract in proper legal form, I have this day noted my approval thereon and return the same herewith to you, together with all other data submitted in this connection.

Respectfully,

GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.

3951.

APPROVAL, NOTES OF NEWARK CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, LICKING COUNTY, OHIO—\$50,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, January 13, 1932.

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

3952.

APPROVAL, LEASE TO CANAL LANDS IN LUCAS AND HENRY COUNTIES, OHIO—THE TOLEDO METROPOLITAN PARK BOARD.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, January 13, 1932.

HON. T. S. BRINDLE, *Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—This is to acknowledge receipt of your recent communication submitting for my examination and approval a certain canal land lease in triplicate, executed on behalf of the State of Ohio by your predecessor, Hon. A. T. Connar, by which there is leased and demised to The Toledo Metropolitan Park Board certain abandoned Miami and Erie Canal lands and property in Lucas and Henry Counties, Ohio.

The several parcels of canal lands and other property leased are more particularly described in said lease as follows:

“TRACT ONE—That portion of the abandoned Miami and Erie Canal property, including the full width of the towing path embankment thereof, in Lucas and Henry counties, Ohio, commencing at the intersection of said Miami and Erie Canal in Providence township, Lucas county, Ohio, with the slack-water pool above the Providence dam in the Maumee river, and extending thence westerly, including the full width of said towing path embankment, a distance of seven thousand, nine hundred and forty-one (7,941) feet, more or less, to the west end