Code, are in pari materia and it of course follows that they must be construed together. Said Section 3373, among other things, especially provides:

"All purchases of materials, machinery, and tools, shall, where the amount involved exceeds five hundred dollars, be made from the lowest responsible bidder after advertisement made in the manner hereinbefore provided."

In view of the foregoing, and in specific answer to your question, it is my opinion that when township trustees purchase road machinery and equipment, under the provisions of Section 7201 of the General Code, and the amount involved exceeds \$500.00, the same must be purchased in pursuance of competitive bidding, as required by Section 3373 of the General Code.

Respectfully,
GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.

1657.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF NORTH OLMSTED VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT, CUYAHOGA COUNTY—\$34,500.00.

Columbus, Ohio, March 24, 1930.

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

1658.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF ARCHBOLD VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT, FULTON COUNTY—\$95,000.00.

Columbus, Ohio, March 24, 1930.

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

1659.

APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN STATE OF OHIO AND FREEMAN & JONES, INC., CLEVELAND, OHIO, FOR CONSTRUCTION OF WATER SUPPLY, INSTITUTION FOR FEEBLE-MINDED AT APPLE CREEK, OHIO, AT AN EXPENDITURE OF \$9,100.00—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE HARTFORD ACCIDENT AND INDEMNITY COMPANY.

Columbus, Ohio, March 24, 1930.

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

DEAR SIR:—There has been submitted for my opinion a contract between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Public Works for the Department of