compensation has been made by the Director of the Department of Adjusted Compensation.

An examination of the matter has been made and upon the advice of Hon. W. B. Woodson, Acting Judge Advocate General of the Navy, that midshipmen at the United States Naval Academy have been regarded as officers on active duty (Decision of the Department, February 8, 1922, File No. 5252-131:1), it is the opinion of this department that they should be so treated and regarded as entitled to receive the Ohio soldiers' adjusted compensation under the recent amendment, when meeting all requirements.

Respectfully,

JOHN G. PRICE,

Attorney-General.

3052.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF MARION COUNTY IN AMOUNT OF \$28,500 FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENTS.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 2, 1922.

Department of Industrial Relations, Industrial Commission of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio.

3053.

ASSEMBLY—CHAIRMEN OF SENATE AND HOUSE GENERAL FINANCE COMMITTEES OF 84th GENERAL ASSEMBLY—NOT ENTITLED TO PER DIEM COMPENSATION PROVIDED BY SEC-TION 270-6 AND 2312 G. C. FOR SERVICES AS MEMBERS OF CER-TAIN BOARDS-MAY BEREIMBURSED FOR **NECESSARY** EXPENSES.

The chairmen of the Senate and House Finance Committees of the 84th General Assembly are not entitled to receive the per diem compensation provided for by sections 270-6 and 2312 of the General Code, for services rendered by them as members of the Sundry Claims, Emergency, and Controlling Boards; but they may be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in discharging the duties imposed upon them by those sections and the general appropriation bill. Section 31, of Article II, Ohio Constitution, considered and applied.

Columbus, Ohio, May 3, 1922.

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

Dear Sir:—In answer to your recent inquiry as to whether or not the Chairmen of the Senate and House Finance Committees of the 84th General Assembly are entitled to receive the per diem and expenses provided for them as members of the Emergency Board and Controlling Board by section 2312 of the General Code, as amended in 109 O. L., p. 233, and also the per diem and expenses provided