4529.

APPROVAL, LEASE TO LAND IN DELAWARE COUNTY FOR GAME REFUGE PURPOSES.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, July 28, 1932.

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my examination State Game Refuge Leases Nos. 2156, 2157 and 2158.

Said lease No. 2156 purports to be made by a party by the name of Charles D. Weiser. However, the lease is signed, not by said Charles D. Weiser, but by E. H. Weiser and Allie Weiser. Because of this patent discrepancy this lease is disapproved in its present form.

State Game Refuge Lease No. 2157 made to the State of Ohio by Fred P. Hills of Delaware County, Ohio, for a tract of 360 acres in Troy Township, Delaware County, Ohio, and the State Game Refuge Order designed to operate on such land are approved.

Likewise, State Game Refuge Lease No. 2158 made to the State of Ohio by E. H. and H. H. Weiser of Delaware County, Ohio, for a tract of land situated in Troy Township, Delaware County, Ohio, and the State Game Refuge Order designed to operate on such land are also approved.

Enclosed please find the above mentioned documents.

Respectfully,
GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.

4530.

TOWNSHIP FUNDS-MAY NOT BE USED FOR CLEANING A DITCH.

## SYLLABUS:

Township public funds may not be expended for the payment of the cost of cleaning a ditch such as is described in Section 6603, General Code.

Columbus, Ohio, July 28, 1932.

Hon. Charles S. Leasure, Prosecuting Attorney, Zanesville, Ohio. Dear Sir:—Your recent communication reads as follows:

"A board of township trustees has requested me to ask the opinion of your office upon the following.

"A ditch which originates in an incorporated village within the township passes through the village into the township and from there into a natural water course. Muskingum has not and never did have a system of township and county ditches and for that reason has no ditch supervisor nor have the county commissioners ever appointed the county surveyor to look after any of them, nor does this county have any general ditch improvement fund. The village cleaned out the ditch within the corporation limits and has requested the township trustees to clean the