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96.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF NEWARK RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, LICKING COUNTY—\$55,000,00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, February 15, 1929.

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

97.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF MIAMI TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, GREENE COUNTY—\$16,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, February 15, 1929.

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

98.

SCHOOL DISTRICT—INDEBTEDNESS DISCUSSED—TRANSFER OF TERRITORY TO ANOTHER DISTRICT—PROPORTIONING ASSETS AND DEBITS—DIVISION DETERMINED BY ANNEXING BOARD UNDER SECTION 4696, GENERAL CODE.

## SYLLABUS:

- 1. Indebtedness chargeable to a subdivision, as being incident to an issue of bonds authorized by a vote of the people, becomes a charge against the subdivision as soon as notes are sold in anticipation of the sale of the bonds. An obligation to repay according to the tenor of the notes is created at that time. Of course so long as the proceeds of the sale of the notes remain in the treasury of the subdivision unencumbered by any obligation to expend the money, the net indebtedness of the subdivision remains the same as before the notes were sold.
- 2. When school territory is transferred from one school district to another, by authority of either Section 4692 or 4696, General Code, and an equitable division of the funds and indebtedness is made between the districts involved in the transfer, the funds and indebtedness so divided should be considered of the effective date of the transfer.
- 3. In making an equitable division of funds and indebtedness between school districts, many elements are to be considered, and what is an equitable division in any specific case is dependent upon the facts peculiar to the immediate case.
- 4. When school territory is transferred from one county school district to an adjoining county school district, by authority of Section 4696, General Code, an equitable