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APPROVAL, BONDS OF SANDUSKY COUNTY, OHIO—\$49,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, January 24, 1934.

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

2214.

APPROVAL, NOTES OF XENIA TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT,
GREENE COUNTY, OHIO—\$7,500.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, January 24, 1934.

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

2215.

BANK—UNLIMITED AMOUNT OF BONDS ISSUED UNDER HOME OWNERS LOAN ACT OF 1933 MAY BE ACQUIRED BY EXCHANGE OF MORTGAGES.

SYLLABUS:

Statutes of this state impose no limitation upon the amount of bonds issued under the Home Owners Loan Act of 1933, which a bank, incorporated under the laws of Ohio, may acquire by the exchange of mortgages.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, January 24, 1934.

HON. I. J. FULTON, *Superintendent of Banks, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—I have your request for my opinion, which reads as follows:

“Section 710-111 of the General Code, as recently amended, permits banks to invest their capital, surplus, undivided profits and deposits in bonds issued by the Home Owners’ Loan Corporation. Since the Legislature has vested authority in banks to so invest by placing the bonds in question in sub-paragraph (a) of said Section 710-111 G. C., there apparently is no limitation upon the amount of money that a bank may invest in such bonds.

I anticipate that banks will acquire these bonds to a large extent through the exchange of mortgages now held in their assets. Section 710-121 of the General Code, in enumerating the limitations placed upon investments set forth in said Section 710-111, omits sub-paragraph (a) thereof. However, by reference to Section 710-112, there is a specific limitation placed upon loans by banks made upon mortgage notes, to-