OPINIONS

behalf of the State of Ohio, wherein it is provided that the state shall indemnify the railroad company and save it harmless from all loss or damage to persons or property resulting from the construction or maintenance of such sidetracks on state property.

> Respectfully, Gilbert Bettman, Attorney General.

4202:

APPROVAL, NOTES OF YORK TOWNSHIP RURAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, ATHENS COUNTY, OHIO—\$3,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, March 29, 1932.

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

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OHIO RIVER—LOW WATER MARK ON NORTH SHORE OF RIVER IS SOUTHERN BOUNDARY OF OHIO—JURISDICTION TO ENFORCE FISH AND GAME LAWS ON OHIO RIVER.

SYLLABUS:

1. The low water mark on the north shore of the Ohio River remains the southern boundary of the State of Ohio, though such low water mark may have varied from time to time through the gradual processes of accretion and reliction. Where, however, such low water mark has been caused to shift by artificial means, as by the construction of locks and dams, the southern boundary of the state would not change, but would remain where the low water mark was prior to such construction.

2. The officers of the states on both sides of the Ohio River, for the practical purposes of enforcing their fish and game laws, may fix an arbitrary line on the river and agree among themselves that they will not enforce the laws of their respective states in the territory on the opposite side of this line. Such agreement, however, would have no binding effect upon said states for the reason that the fixing of such a line would not change or fix the actual boundaries of such states or affect the concurrent jurisdiction which said states have over said river.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, March 29, 1932.

HON. WILLIAM H. REINHART, Conservation Commissioner, Department of Agriculture, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:-I am in receipt of your recent communication which reads as follows:

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