4395.

APPROVAL, RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS RELATING TO CANAL LANDS IN WALNUT TOWNSHIP, FAIRFIELD COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 7, 1932.

HON. T. S. BRINDLE, Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my examination a record in duplicate of the proceedings relating to the sale of certain canal lands in Walnut Township, Fairfield County, Ohio, to Russell H. Young, of Baltimore, Ohio.

Finding the same to be executed in proper legal form, I have attached my signature thereto in approval.

Respectfully,
GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.

4396.

APPROVAL, CONTRACT FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENT IN PICKAWAY AND ALLEN COUNTIES.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 7, 1932.

HON. O. W. MERRELL, Director of Highways, Columbus, Ohio.

4397.

APPROVAL, CORRECTED ABSTRACT OF TITLE TO LAND OF LAFAY-ETTE TAYLOR AND VOLNEY S. TAYLOR IN RARDEN TOWNSHIP, SCIOTO COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 8, 1932.

Hon. Carl E. Steeb, Secretary, Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—There have been submitted for my examination and approval a corrected abstract of title, warranty deed, encumbrance record No. 1784 and certificate of the Board of Control, relating to the proposed purchase by the State of Ohio of a certain tract of land containing 179.7 acres, more or less, situate in Rarden Township, Scioto County, Ohio, and owned of record by Lafayette Taylor and Volney S. Taylor. The property here in question is more particularly described as follows:

"Being parts of V. M. S. Nos. 16037 and 7512-12324-12698 and bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a stone, the most Northerly corner of said Lot 26 and corner to lands of M. M. Stevens and J. A. Reynolds: thence with said Reynolds lines S. 37° 44′ E. 283.4 feet to a stake, corner to said Reynolds and a tract of land conveyed

by grantor herein to Harley Maddock: thence with lines of said Maddock S. 6° 13' W. 223.7 feet to a stake, S. 23° 16' E. 492.5 feet to a stake, S. 66° 16' E. 474.3 feet to a stake, S. 28° 46' E. 437.2 feet to a stake, S. 58° 57' W. 742.2 feet to a stake, S. 8° 37' W. 3534 feet to a stake, S. 12° 37' W. 398.4 feet to a stake, S. 27° 7' W. 783.2 feet to a stake, S. 80° 49' W. 415 feet to a stake, S. 60° 45' W. 359.2 feet to a stake, S. 42° 14' W. 546 feet to a stake, S. 0° 26' W. 500 feet to a stake, S. 56° 41' W. 505.9 feet to a stake, S. 53° 51' W. 664.4 feet to a stake, corner to O. S. U. Lots 26 & 27 and V. M. S. No. 16115, also corner to lands of Harley Maddock and M. M. Stevens; thence with said Stevens line and the line between said Lots 26 & 27 N. 38° 10' W. 631.4 feet to a stone, corner to said Lots 26 & 27 and V. M. S. No. 16037. also corner to lands of said Stevens and Ann Ingles: thence with two lines of said Ingles and lines between said Lot 26 and V. M. S. No. 16037 N. 40° 14' E. 1532.6 feet to a Beech tree, N. 31° 01' W. 1707.5 feet to a stone, corner to V. M. S. No. 7512-12324-12698 and said Survey 16037, also corner to said Ingles and Stevens: thence with said Stevens line and the Westerly line of V. M. S. No. 16037 and said Lot 26 N. 51° 12' E. 3195.6 feet to the beginning and containing 179.07 Acres, more or less, 4.4 Acres more or less, being in V. M. S. No. 7512-12324-12698, 54.4 Acres, more or less, in V. M. S. No. 16037 and 120.27 Acres, more or less, being in O. S. U. Lot No. 26."

Upon examination of the abstract of title of the above described property, after such abstract has been corrected from time to time by additional information furnished and made a part of the abstract, I find that Lafayette Taylor and Volney S. Taylor have a good merchantable fee simple title to the above described property, free and clear of all encumberances except the taxes on this property for the last half of the year 1931 amounting to \$6.82, and excepting the undetermined taxes on the property for the year 1932.

Upon examination of the warranty deed tendered by Lafayette Taylor and Volney S. Taylor, I find that said deed has been properly executed by said grantors and by Merle Taylor and Virginia Taylor, their respective wives. The form and body of said deed is such that the same is legally sufficient to convey this property to the State of Ohio by fee smple title with the warranty that the property is free and clear of all encumbrances. Encumbrance Record No. 1784 which has been submitted as a part of the files relating to the purchase of this property has been properly executed so far as my authority to approve the contract for the purchase of this property is concerned, although this encumbrance record does not yet bear the signature of the Director of Public Works, which signature should, perhaps, be obtained before the transaction for the purchase of this property is closed by the delivery of the warranty covering the purchase price of the property.

It is likewise noted that the purchase of the above described tract of land together with other lands heretofore owned by the above named grantors, has been duly approved by the Board of Control.

I am herewith returning with my approval the abstract of title, warranty deed, encumbrance record No. 1784, certificate of the Board of Control and other files submitted to me relating to the purchase of this property.

Respectfully.

GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.