

Specifically answering your question in regard to the municipal court of Mansfield, Ohio, it is my opinion that the chief of police and other police officers of the city of Mansfield are not entitled to receive and retain fees in addition to their salaries in state cases tried in such municipal court.

I deem it unnecessary to comment upon the former opinions of this office to which you refer for the reason that each municipal court is governed by the particular act by which it was created and the other statutes relating thereto.

Respectfully,

EDWARD C. TURNER,

Attorney General.

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APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF OHIO AND THE FRITZ-RUMER-COOKE COMPANY, COLUMBUS, OHIO, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A COAL STORAGE BIN, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY, COLUMBUS, OHIO, AT AN EXPENDITURE OF \$12,862.50—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE INDEMNITY INSURANCE COMPANY OF NORTH AMERICA.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, January 24, 1928.

HON. RICHARD T. WISDA, *Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my approval a contract between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Public Works, for and on behalf of the board of trustees of the Ohio State University, and The Fritz-Rumer-Cooke Company, of Columbus, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of a coal storage bin on the campus of Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of twelve thousand, eight hundred and sixty-two and 50/100 dollars (\$12,862.50).

You have submitted the certificate of the Director of Finance to the effect that there are unencumbered balances legally appropriated in a sum sufficient to cover the obligations of the contract. You have also submitted a certificate from the Controlling Board, signed by the secretary thereof, that in accordance with Section 12 of House Bill No. 502, 87th General Assembly, said board has properly consented to and approved the expenditure of the monies appropriated by the 87th General Assembly for the purpose covered by this contract. In addition, you have submitted a contract bond upon which the Indemnity Insurance Company of North America appears as surety, sufficient to cover the amount of the contract.

You have further submitted evidence indicating that plans were properly prepared and approved, notice to bidders was properly given, bids tabulated as required by law and the contract duly awarded. Also it appears that the laws relating to the status of surety companies and the workmen's compensation have been complied with.

Finding said contract and bond in proper legal form, I have this day noted my approval thereon and return the same herewith to you, together with all other data submitted in this connection.

Respectfully,

EDWARD C. TURNER,

Attorney General