bonds in the aggregate amount of \$71,500.00 of a \$75,000.00 authorization, dated December 15, 1923, and bearing interest at the rate of $5\frac{1}{2}\%$ per annum.

From this examination, in the light of the law under authority of which the above bonds have been authorized, I am of the opinion that bonds issued under these proceedings constitute valid and legal obligations of said rural school district.

Respectfully,
THOMAS J. HERBERT,
Attorney General.

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CONTRACT—STATE WITH THE STERLING AND WELCH COMPANY, RUGS, DRAPES, FURNITURE, ETC., EQUIPMENT FOR MEN'S DORMITORY, MIAMI UNIVERSITY, OXFORD.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, September 20, 1939.

Hon. Carl G. Wahl, Director, Department of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Sir: You have submitted for my approval a contract between the State of Ohio acting through you as Director of the Department of Public Works for the Board of Trustees of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, and The Sterling and Welch Company, an Ohio Corporation, with its principal place of business in Cleveland, Ohio, for the construction and completion of Contract for Rugs, Drapes, Furniture, Etc., for a project known as Equipment for Men's Dormitory, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, as set forth in Group B, Rugs, Drapes, Furniture, Etc., for Public Rooms and Suites, Items 1-118 inclusive, of the Form of Proposal dated July 22, 1939, all according to Plans and Specifications, which Plans, Specifications and Proposal are made a part of this Contract. This contract calls for an expenditure of \$4,875.00 to be paid from dormitory funds and a certificate of availability of such funds is attached to the contract.

You have transmitted the following papers in this connection: division of contract; estimate of cost; notice to bidders; proof of publication; recommendation of State Architect; approval of P. W. A.; tabulation of bids; form of proposal containing the contract bond signed by the United States Guarantee Company; its power of attorney for the signer; its certificate of compliance with the insurance laws of Ohio relating to surety companies; Workmen's Compensation Certificate showing a compliance with the laws of Ohio relating to Workmen's Compensation; letter from Auditor of State, showing all necessary papers are on file in his office.

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Finding said contract in proper legal form, I have noted my approval thereon, and same is transmitted herewith to you, together with all other papers submitted in this connection.

Respectfully,
THOMAS J. HERBERT,
Attorney General.

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CONTRACT—STATE WITH THE JOHN VAN RANGE COM-PANY, KITCHEN APPARATUS, CENTRAL DINING HALL AND COLD STORAGE, LONGVIEW STATE HOSPITAL, CINCINNATI.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, September 20, 1939.

Hon. Carl G. Waiil, Director, Department of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR: You have submitted for my approval a contract between the State of Ohio acting through you as Director of the Department of Public Works for the Department of Public Welfare, and The John Van Range Company, an Ohio Corporation, with its principal place of business in Cincinnati, Ohio, for the construction and completion of Contract for Kitchen Apparatus for a project known as Refrigerating System and Kitchen Apparatus for New Kitchen, Central Dining Hall and Cold Storage, Longview State Hospital, Cincinnati, Ohio, as set forth in Item 3, Kitchen Apparatus of the Form of Proposal dated August 11, 1939, all according to Plans and Specifications, which Plans, Specifications and Proposal are made a part of this Contract. This contract calls for an expenditure of \$48,694.19.

You have submitted the following papers in this connection: Contract encumbrance record No. 59; division of contract; estimate of cost; notice to bidders; proof of publication; controlling board's release; Workmen's Compensation Certificate showing a compliance with the laws of Ohio relating to Workmen's Compensation; tabulation of bids; recommendation of State Architect; approval of P. W. A. form of proposal containing the contract bond signed by the Indemnity Insurance Company of North America; its power of attorney for the signer; its certificate of compliance with the insurance laws of Ohio relating to surety companies; letter from the Auditor of State, showing that all necessary papers for this project are on file in his office.

Finding said contract in proper legal form, I have noted my approval