

“Any expenses incurred in paying said bonds and interest thereon and reasonable compensation to the state treasurer for registering and paying same, shall be paid out of the other funds in the hands of the district treasurer and collected for the purpose of meeting the expenses of administration.”

It will thus be seen that under the provision of section 6828-47 of the General Code, just quoted, the treasurer of state is authorized to receive reasonable compensation for registering and paying bonds issued under authority thereof, and that such compensation shall be paid out of funds in the hands of the district treasurer collected for the purpose of meeting the expenses of administration. In other words, the reasonable compensation of the treasurer of state in this matter is one of the expenses of administration, and should be paid in the event the district desires him to render the services contemplated by the conservancy act.

At your request the other questions submitted in your letter will be held in abeyance, and not considered at this time.

Respectfully,
JOHN G. PRICE,
Attorney-General.

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APPROVAL, CONTRACT OF STATE OF OHIO WITH E. H. LATHAM COMPANY, COLUMBUS, FOR CONSTRUCTION OF COMMERCE BUILDING, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS AT A COST OF \$289,694.00.—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY GLOBE INDEMNITY COMPANY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, October 9, 1922.

HON. LEON C. HERRICK, *Director, Department of Highways and Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted to me for approval a contract (four copies) between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Highways and Public Works of the State of Ohio for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Ohio State University, and E. H. Latham Co., a partnership composed of Edgar H. Latham and Harry W. Carl, of Columbus, Ohio. This contract is for the construction and completion of Commerce Building on the Ohio State University campus, and calls for an expenditure of Two Hundred Eighty-nine Thousand, Six Hundred Ninety-four Dollars (\$289,694.00.)

Accompany said contract is a bond to insure faithful performance, executed by Globe Indemnity Company.

I have before me the certificate of the Director of Finance that there is an unencumbered balance legally appropriated sufficient to cover the obligations of this contract.

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

Respectfully,
JOHN G. PRICE,
Attorney-General.