

Inasmuch as the obligations under this contract are to be paid from local funds in possession of and under the control of the Board of Trustees of Miami University, which said funds are not appropriated by the state, the certificate of the Director of Finance will not be required. There has further been submitted a contract bond upon which Charles E. Schmidt and Leona H. Dickerschied appear 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,  
C. C. CRABBE,  
*Attorney-General.*

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APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN STATE OF OHIO AND LITTLEFORD BROS., CINCINNATI, OHIO, COVERING CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION OF SMOKE CONNECTION IN ORIGINAL OXFORD COLLEGE BLDG., MIAMI UNIVERSITY, OXFORD, OHIO, AT EXPENDITURE OF \$598.00. SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE FIDELITY & DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, October 4, 1926.

HON. G. F. SCHLESINGER, *Director of Highways and Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my approval a contract between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Highways and Public Works for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, and Littleford Brothers, of Cincinnati, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of smoke connection in original Oxford College building, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of \$598.00.

Inasmuch as the obligations under this contract are to be paid from local funds in possession of and under the control of the Board of Trustees of Miami University, which said funds are not appropriated by the state, the certificate of the Director of Finance will not be required. There has further been submitted a contract bond upon which the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland 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,  
C. C. CRABBE,  
*Attorney-General.*