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ical and Historical Society, and Paul L. Gilmore Company, of Columbus, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of all work included under the title of Base Bid as indicated on the drawings and mentioned in the specifications for the Electrical Contractor for Additions to Museum and Library Building and Equipment, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of one thousand nine hundred and thirty-three dollars (\$1,933.00).

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 furnished evidence to the effect that the consent of the Controlling Board to the expenditure has been obtained as required by Section 12 of House Bill No. 502 of the 87th General Assembly. In addition you have submitted a contract bond upon which the Fidelity and Casualty Company of New York 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.

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APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF OHIO AND ROBERT H. EVANS & COMPANY, COLUMBUS, OHIO, FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONS TO MUSEUM AND LIBRARY BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT, OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY, COLUMBUS, OHIO, AT AN EXPENDITURE OF \$77,376.00—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE AMERICAN SURETY COMPANY OF NEW YORK.

Columbus, Ohio, May 3, 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 the Ohio State Archaeological and Historical Society, and Robert H. Evans & Company, of Columbus, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of all work included under the title of Base Bid as indicated on the drawings and mentioned in the specifications for the General Contract for Additions to Museum and Library Building and Equipment, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of seventy-seven thousand three hundred and seventy-six dollars (\$77,376.00).

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 furnished evidence to the effect that the consent of the Controlling Board to the expenditure has been obtained as required by Section 12 of House Bill No. 502 of the 87th General Assembly. In addition you have submitted a contract bond upon which the American Surety Company of New York 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.

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BOARD OF HEALTH OF GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT—AUTHORITY TO FILE COMPLAINTS.

SYLLABUS:

A board of health of a general health district provided for and appointed under the provisions of Section 1261-16, et seq., General Code, comes within the category of "officers performing the duties of a board of health of a village," within the purpose and intent of Section 1249, General Code, and as such is authorized to file with the state department of health the complaint therein provided for, in all cases where the board of health of a village in the county, prior to the amendment of Section 4404, General Code, 108 O. L., Part 1, 247, was authorized to do so.

Columbus, Ohio, May 4, 1928.

Hon. John E. Monger, Director of Health, Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Sir:—This is to acknowledge receipt of your recent communication in which you advise that on July 29, 1926, there was filed with the State Department of Health a petition purporting to be signed by fifty persons, residents and qualified electors of Crawford County and of villages and townships therein, complaining that the City of Bucyrus was discharging and permitting to be discharged sewage and other waste matter into the Sandusky River with the result that the same created a public nuisance detrimental to health and comfort, and that the waters of said river were so polluted and contaminated that they were rendered unfit for watering stock or for any other domestic purpose. This petition which was filed under the authority of Section 1249, General Code, requested your department to take proper steps to abate the nuisance complained of.

You further state that under date of September 30, 1927, the board of health of Crawford County, General Health District, filed with the State Department of Health a copy of a resolution theretofore adopted by said Crawford County General Health District, reciting that the City of Bucyrus was permitting sewage to be discharged into the Sandusky River and thereby creating a public nuisance detrimental to health, and requesting the State Department of Health to investigate the conditions complained of and to take appropriate action in the matter in accordance with Sections 1249 to 1261, inclusive, of the General Code.

You advise that this petition and complaint were duly investigated and that as the result of such investigation the director of health made findings that sewage from the City of Bucyrus discharged into the Sandusky River had so corrupted said stream as to give rise to foul and noxious odors and conditions detrimental to health and com-