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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 THE NEWTON BAXTER COMPANY, OF TOLEDO, OHIO, FOR CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION OF ELECTRIC WIRING IN ANNEX TO COTTAGE 11, TOLEDO STATE HOSPITAL, TOLEDO, OHIO, AT COST OF \$244.00. SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE METROPOLITAN CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, May 5, 1925.

HON. L. A. BOULAY, *Director, Department 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, and The Newton Baxter Company, of Toledo, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of electric wiring in annex to cottage 11, Toledo state hospital, Toledo, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of \$244.00.

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