

be signed by Mr. Cochrane on the line reserved in the deed form for his signature. His signature should also be properly witnessed by two persons.

When the corrected lease is again submitted to this department for approval, you will likewise submit therewith some certificate or memorandum showing that there are sufficient balances in some proper appropriation account to pay the rent reserved in this lease. Said lease is herewith returned for the corrections above indicated.

Respectfully,
GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.

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APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN STATE OF OHIO AND PITTSBURGH-DES MOINES STEEL COMPANY, PITTSBURGH, PA., FOR CONSTRUCTION OF NEW WATER LINES FOR OHIO SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' ORPHANS' HOME, XENIA, OHIO, AT AN EXPENDITURE OF \$26,800.00—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE SOUTHERN SURETY COMPANY OF NEW YORK.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, January 20, 1930.

HON. ALBERT T. CONNAR, *Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—There has been submitted for my approval a contract between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Public Works, for the Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home, Xenia, Ohio, and Wm. H. Jackson, Geo. A. Smith and Ruth H. Jackson, doing business as Pittsburgh-Des Moines Steel Company of Pittsburgh, Pa. This contract covers the construction and completion of contract for new water lines for the Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home, Xenia, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of twenty-six thousand eight hundred dollars (\$26,800.00).

There has been 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. There has also been submitted evidence that the consent of the Controlling Board to the release of funds has been obtained in accordance with Section 11 of House Bill No. 510 of the 88th General Assembly. In addition, there has been submitted a contract bond upon which the Southern Surety Company of New York appears as surety, sufficient to cover the amount of the contract.

There has further been submitted evidence indicating that plans were properly prepared, notice to bidders was properly given, bids tabulated as required by law and the contract duly awarded. Also it appears that the law relating to the status of surety companies and the workmen's compensation act have been complied with. The Secretary of State has furnished the certificate showing that the above foreign partnership has designated him as its agent for the purpose of accepting service of summons in any action brought under the provisions of Section 2316 of the General Code, or under the provisions of the workmen's compensation law.

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,
GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.