

contract covers the construction and completion of electric wiring in remodeling four cottages for the Boys' Industrial School, Lancaster, Ohio, as set fourth in item No. 45 of the proposal of the Northern Electric Company dated November 17, 1924, and is executed in pursuance to article 5 of said former contract, which authorizes your Department to provide labor and material upon the failure of the original contractor to carry out his agreement, and to deduct the cost thereof from any money due under the contract. The contract calls for an expenditure of \$1,181.00.

You have submitted the certificate of the Industrial Commission to the effect that the contractor has complied with the workmen's compensation law.

Inasmuch as the certificate of the Director of Finance as to the availability of funds in connection with the original contract and the bond filed by the original contractor is sufficient to cover the contract, it will be unnecessary to submit a further certificate and bond herein.

Finding said contract in proper form, I have noted my approval thereon and return the same herewith.

Respectfully,
C. C. CRABBE,
Attorney-General.

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APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC WORKS AND HOWELL AND THOMAS, ARCHITECTS, CLEVELAND, OHIO, FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES IN COLLABORATION WITH THE STATE ARCHITECT AND ENGINEER IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN AUDITORIUM AT OHIO UNIVERSITY, ATHENS, OHIO, AT EXPENDITURE OF \$4,000.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, March 3, 1926.

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

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my approval contract between your department and Howell and Thomas, Architects, of 4400 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, for architectural services in collaboration with the State Architect and Engineer in connection with the construction of an auditorium at Ohio University, Athens, Ohio.

You submit the certificate of the Director of Finance to the effect that there are unexpended balances legally appropriated in the sum of \$4,000.00 to cover the obligations under the contract. It appears that the contract has been entered into in pursuance to the request of the board of trustees of Ohio University, and said trustees have approved the same.

Finding said contract in proper legal form, I have noted my approval thereon and return the same herewith.

Respectfully,
C. C. CRABBE,
Attorney General.