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automatic signal control for eight passenger elevators in place of what is specified, and substituting Me-tyl-wood cars of Tyler manufacture for wood cars for eight passenger elevators. Said contract calls for an expenditure of two hundred and twenty-two thousand, nine hundred and seventy-six dollars (\$222,976.00).

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. It is to be noted that the Controlling Board's approval of the expenditure is not required under the act (113 O. L. 59) appropriating the money for this contract. In addition, you have submitted a contract bond upon which the National 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. A certificate of the Secretary of State shows that the contracting foreign corporation is qualified to do business in Ohio.

Finally, it appears that the Governor has approved all the acts of the Commission, in accordance with Section 1 of House Bill 17, 88th General Assembly, heretofore mentioned.

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.

2925.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF VILLAGE OF AURORA, PORTAGE COUNTY, OHIO—\$23,350,00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, February 6, 1931.

Retirement Board, State Teachers Retirement System, Columbus Ohio.

2926.

APPROVAL, LEASE TO STATE RESERVOIR LAND AT LAKE LORAMIE FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES—JOHN H. MEYER.

Columbus, Ohio, February 6, 1931.

HON. I. S. GUTHERY, Director of Agriculture, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—You recently submitted to me, through the Division of Conservation, a certain reservoir land lease, executed on behalf of the State, by J. W. Thompson, Conservation Commissioner, acting for and on behalf of the