

acting by the Department of Highways and Public Works and The Elcon Engineering Company, of Columbus, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of remodeling of sewerage system for Ohio Hospital for Epileptics, Gallipolis, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of \$12,970.00.

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. There has further been submitted a contract bond upon which the Globe Indemnity Company appears as surety, sufficient to cover the amount of the contract.

It is further noted that the Board of Control authorized the entering into of the contract with the said Elcon Engineering Company. Also it appears that the laws relating to the status of surety companies and 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,
C. C. CRABBE,
Attorney-General.

1787.

APPROVAL, FINAL RESOLUTION, ONE ROAD IMPROVEMENT IN
PREBLE COUNTY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, September 23, 1924.

Department of Highways and Public Works, Division of Highways, Columbus, Ohio.

1788.

TWO ABSTRACTS, STATUS OF TITLE, THE FIRST CONTAINING 134 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, SITUATED IN FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, ROSS COUNTY, OHIO, AND THE SECOND CONTAINING 231¼ ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, SITUATED IN FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, ROSS COUNTY, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, September 23, 1924.

HON. CARL E. STEEB, *Secretary Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station, Columbus, Ohio.*

Dear Sir:—

This will acknowledge receipt of two abstracts, two deeds and incumbrance estimate submitted by your office to this department for our examination and opinion.

The first abstract submitted was prepared by W. J. Byerly, Abstracter, under date of August 18, 1924, and pertains to the following premises located in Franklin Township, Ross County, Ohio:

Tract One: Being part of surveys Nos. 10696, 10725 and 14523, containing seventy-five acres more or less;

Tract Two: Being part of the same surveys and containing fifteen acres of land more or less;

Tract Three: Being part of surveys 3711, 10723, 10696 and 10725, and containing 44 acres of land more or less;

There being 134 acres of land more or less in the three tracts, the same being more particularly described in the title page of the abstract hereto attached.

Upon examination of said abstract, I am of the opinion that same shows a good and merchantable title to said premises in Wesley Bethel and Carrie May Bethel, his wife.

There appear to be some inaccuracies in the various descriptions of the different tracts of land under consideration in the chain of title, but in view of the fact that these inaccuracies in the description appear in the earlier history of the title and seem to have been to a considerable extent corrected in the later history of the title, it is believed that these inaccuracies may be disregarded.

This abstract does not indicate definitely with reference to the current taxes on the premises described and you are advised that you should procure a receipted tax bill from the grantors covering any taxes that may at this time be a lien, having particularly in mind the taxes for the year 1924, which are now a lien but as yet probably undetermined.

It is further suggested that the proper delivery of the already executed deed submitted with the abstract will be sufficient to convey the title to said premises to the State of Ohio.

Attention is also directed to the incumbrance estimate attached to the abstracts as submitted by your department, which it is believed is in proper form and sufficient to justify the final consummation of the purchase of the premises under consideration.

The second abstract and deed as submitted by you appears to have been prepared by William Scott under date of August 16, 1924, and pertains to the following premises:

Situate in Franklin Township, Ross County, Ohio, and being part of the Virginia Military Survey No. 13441, the first tract containing 132 acres of land more or less, and the second tract containing $99\frac{1}{4}$ acres more or less, said parcels being more particularly described in the caption of the abstract hereto attached.

Upon examination of said abstract, I am of the opinion that same shows a good and merchantable title to said premises in T. King Wilson, sole surviving executor of the estate of Nathaniel Wilson, deceased, late of Ross County, Ohio. There appear to be some minor inaccuracies in the description of the several tracts under consideration in the early history of the title, but inasmuch as these seem to have been corrected to a considerable extent in the later transfers of the tracts under consideration, it is believed that these inaccuracies and deficiencies may be disregarded. The abstract does not indicate definitely with reference to the current taxes on the premises described and you are advised that you should procure a receipted

tax bill from the grantors covering the current taxes, having in mind especially the taxes for the year 1924, which are now a lien but are probably as yet undetermined. It is further suggested that the proper delivery of the already executed deed of T. King Wilson, sole surviving executor of the estate of Nathaniel Wilson, deceased, to Wesley Bethel, will be sufficient to convey the title to said premises to said Wesley Bethel. In this connection attention is also directed to the fact that the two tracts described in the executor's deed of Thomas King Wilson to Wesley Bethel have also been incorporated in the deed of Wesley and Carrie May Bethel to the State of Ohio, which deed has been already approved in the first part of this opinion, and which deed is attached to the first abstract under consideration. Attention is also directed to the incumbrance estimate attached to the abstract here under consideration, which it is believed is in proper form and sufficient to justify the final consummation of the purchase of the premises here under consideration.

The two abstracts, the two deeds and incumbrance estimate submitted by you to this department are herewith returned.

Respectfully,
C. C. CRABBE,
Attorney General.

1789.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF VILLAGE OF LOUISVILLE, STARK COUNTY,
\$46,000.00, STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, September 24, 1924.

Department of Industrial Relations, Industrial Commission of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio.

1790.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF CITY OF NEW PHILADELPHIA, TUSCARAWAS
COUNTY, \$10,778.00, FOR CONSTRUCTING SANITARY SEWERS.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, September 24, 1924.

Retirement Board, State Teachers' Retirement System, Columbus, Ohio.