1762.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD, OHIO, IN AMOUNT OF \$12,600 FOR FIRE ENGINE HOUSE.

Columbus, Ohio, December 31, 1920.

Industrial Commission of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio.

1763.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF CITY OF IRONTON, OHIO, IN AMOUNT OF \$12,000 FOR STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, December 31, 1920.

Industrial Commission of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio.

1764.

APPROVAL, ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE AMERICAN ASSURANCE AND BONDING COMPANY OF CINCINNATI, OHIO.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, December 31, 1920.

HON. HARVEY C. SMITH, Sccretary of State, Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Sir:—The articles of incorporation of The American Assurance and Bonding Company of Cincinnati, Ohio, are herewith returned to you with my approval endorsed thereon.

Respectfully,

JOHN G. PRICE,

Attorney-General.

1765.

- ROADS AND HIGHWAYS—DISCUSSION AS TO AUTHORITY OF STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER TO USE EQUIPMENT OF A CONTRACTOR WHO HAS BEEN REMOVED FROM STATE WORK—WHERE GENERAL ASSEMBLY RELEASES CONTRACTOR FROM LIABILITY FOR FAILURE TO COMPLETE ROAD CONTRACT—NOT AUTHORIZED TO PAY CONTRACTOR RENT FOR USE OF EQUIPMENT TO COMPLETE CONTRACT—BENTZ CASE.
- 1. In the absence of the consent of the contractor, the state highway commissioner is not authorized to retain and make use of the equipment of such contractor in completing the work embraced in the contract, after the contractor has been removed from his work.
- 2. Where, following the completion of work embraced in a contract, the General Assembly has released the contractor from liability arising because of his having failed to complete his contract, the State Highway Commissioner is not authorized to pay to such contractor rent or royalty on account of the use by the