of Caldwell, Noble county, Ohio, being part of the northeast quarter of section 3, township 6, range 9, and being more particularly described in the last conveyance set forth in the abstract to which this opinion is attached.

Said abstract was prepared and certified under date of November 15, 1926. On examination of same I am of the opinion that it shows sufficient title to the premises under consideration in Norval Robey, H. D. Beymer, Bert Gaither and C. E. Kirchner. Attention is directed to the fact that the premises under consideration abut upon West street in the village of Caldwell, which is now in progress of improvement, and that the assessments therefor have not as yet been levied. In view of this situation there will doubtless be an assessment made against said premises on account of the improvement of said West street.

Attention is also directed to the fact that the taxes for the year 1926 are a lien and unpaid.

The warranty deed as submitted will be sufficient to convey the premises to the State of Ohio when properly delivered. However, it will be noted that the warranty in said deed excepts therefrom any assessment that may be hereafter levied for the improvement of said West Street.

You have also submitted a copy of the minutes of the Controlling Board approving this purchase.

It will also be necessary for your department to procure from the Director of Finance an encumbrance estimate covering this purchase before the final consummation of same. Said encumbrance estimate should be made jointly to the four owners of the premises being purchased.

The abstract, warranty deed and other data submitted by you are herewith returned.

Respectfully,
C. C. CRABBE,
Attorney General.

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APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN STATE OF OHIO AND LEO HERMAN, BOWLING GREEN, OHIO, COVERING CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION OF GENERAL CONTRACT INCLUDING LOW TENSION TRANSFORMER PLATFORM AND REMODELING PRESENT NORTH WING FOR ADDITION TO POWER PLANT, BOWLING GREEN STATE NORMAL SCHOOL, BOWLING GREEN, OHIO, AT EXPENDITURE OF \$21,314.00—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE METROPOLITAN CASUALTY INSURANCE CO. OF NEW YORK.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, November 27, 1926.

Hon. G. F. Schlesinger, Director of Highways and Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Sir:—You have submitted for my approval a contract between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Highways and Public Works, for and on behalf of the board of trustees of Bowling Green State Normal School, and Leo Herman of Bowling Green, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of general contract, including low tension transformer platform and remodeling present north wing, exclusive of plumbing, heating and electrical work, for addition to power plant, Bowling Green State Normal School, Bowling Green, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of \$21,314.00.

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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 Metropolitan Casualty Insurance 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.

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.

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APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN STATE OF OHIO AND LEO HERMAN, BOWLING GREEN, OHIO, COVERING CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION OF GENERAL CONTRACT, FOR TUNNEL EXTENSION TO PHYSICAL EDUCATION BUILDING, BOWLING GREEN STATE NORMAL SCHOOL, BOWLING GREEN, OHIO, AT EXPENDITURE OF \$2,893.00—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE METROPOLITAN CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANY.

Columbus, Ohio, November 27, 1926.

Hon. G. F. Schlesinger, Director of Highways and Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Sir:—You have submitted for my approval a contract between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Highways and Public Works, for and on behalf of the board of trustees of Bowling Green State Normal School, and Leo Herman, of Bowling Green, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of general contract, exclusive of piping contract, for tunnel extension to physical education building, Bowling Green State Normal School, Bowling Green, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of \$2,893.00.

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 Metropolitan Casualty Insurance Company 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.

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.