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pliance with the laws of Ohio relating to Workmen's Compensation; Form of Proposal containing the Contract Bond signed by the National Surety Corporation; its Power of Attorney for the signer and its Certificate of Compliance with the insurance laws of Ohio relating to surety companies; Notice to Bidders; Proof of Publication; Division of Contract; Controlling Board Release; Estimated Cost; Tabulation of Bids; Supplemental License Certificate issued by the Secretary of State showing the authority of The Babcock and Wilcox Company to do business in Ohio; certified copy of the Official Proceedings of the 716th Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Ohio State University, which Proceedings deal with the awarding of this contract; communication from The Babcock and Wilcox Company certifying the authority of H. A. Ingram to execute the bid bond in this matter; and letter from the Auditor of State showing all necessary papers are on file in his office.

Finding said contract in proper legal form, I have noted my approval thereon, and the same is transmitted herewith to you, together with all other papers submitted in this connection.

Respectfully,
THOMAS J. HERBERT,
Attorney General.

1408.

CONTRACT—STATE WITH THE NEWTON & HOLT FURNITURE COMPANY, STUDENT ROOM FURNISHINGS AND SHADES, EQUIPMENT, MEN'S DORMITORY, MIAMI UNIVERSITY, OXFORD.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, November 10, 1939.

Hon. Carl G. Wahl, Director, Department of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR: You have submitted for my examination and approval a contract between The State of Ohio acting through you as Director of the Department of Public Works for the Board of Trustees of Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, and The Newton & Holt Furniture Company, an Illinois Corporation, for the construction and completion of Contract for Student Room Furnishings and Shades for a project known as Equipment for Men's Dormitory, Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, as set forth in Group A, Student Room Furnishings and Shades for Entire Building, Items 1-9, inclusive of the Form of Proposal dated July 25, 1939, all according to Plans and Specifications, which Plans, Specifications and Proposal are made a part of this Contract. This contract calls for an expenditure of \$9,824.00.

You have submitted the following papers in this connection: Work-

men's Compensation Certificate showing a compliance with the laws of Ohio relating to Workmen's Compensation; estimate of cost; certificate of availability of funds; notice to bidders; proof of publication; recommendations of the State Architect; tabulation of bids; approval of P. W. A. certification of W. P. Roudebush, Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Miami University, wherein the vote of the Building Committee of the Board of Trustees is registered in favor of the award of the contract to the Newton and Holt Company; form of proposal containing the contract bond signed by The Century Indemnity Company of Connecticut; its power of attorney for the signer and its certificate of compliance with the insurance laws of Ohio relating to surety companies: letter from Auditor of State, showing all necessary papers are on file in his office.

I notice in passing on this contract that the lowest bid has been rejected, and I have been informed that the P. W. A. authorities rejected the bid by reason of the fact that the bidder was disqualified from bidding by reason of P. W. A. rules and regulations, and I assume that such rules and regulations are proper and reasonable, and do not expressly contravene the statutes of Ohio in the instant case.

Finding said contract in proper legal form, I have noted my approval thereon, and same is transmitted herewith to you, together with all other papers submitted in this connection.

Respectfully,
THOMAS J. HERBERT,
Attorney General.

1409.

CONTRACT—STATE WITH THE WICKES BOILER COMPANY, CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION, 1—488 H. P. WATER TUBE BOILER AND STOKER, OHIO HOSPITAL FOR EPILEPTICS, GALLIPOLIS.

Columbus, Ohio, November 10, 1939.

Hon. Charles L. Sherwood, Director, Department of Public Welfare, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR: You have submitted for my examination and approval a contract between the State of Ohio, acting through you as Director of the Department of Public Welfare, and The Wickes Boiler Company, a Michigan corporation, for the construction and completion of 1—488 H. P. Water Tube Boiler and Stoker, Ohio Hospital for Epileptics, Gallipolis, complete with brick work as per specifications of the Department of Public Welfare. This contract will require the expenditure of \$23,523.00.