

1618.

APPROVAL, GAME REFUGE LEASES IN THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES:
ASHTABULA, (4) STARK, AND (2) TUSCARAWAS.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, July 21, 1924.

*Department of Agriculture, Division of Fish and Game, HON. D. O. THOMPSON,
Chief, Columbus, Ohio.*

Dear Sir:—

I have your letter of the 17th inst., in which you enclose the following Game Refuge Leases, in duplicate, for approval:

From Clara L. Stevenson, Ashtabula Township, Ashtabula County -----	1.87 acres
Gertrude and Owen Armbrist, Sugar Creek Township, Stark County -----	
C. T. Funk, Sugar Creek Township, Stark County-----	51¼ acres
Jacob Muskopf, Sugar Creek Township, Stark County-----	190 acres
George F. Schlichter and Laura Cameron, Sugar Creek Township, Stark County-----	160 acres
Clara Smith and E. R. Smith, Franklin Township, Tuscarawas County -----	60 acres
Clifford T. Benfer, Franklin Township, Tuscarawas County----	8 acres

I have examined the above mentioned leases, find them correct in form and herewith return the same to you with my approval endorsed thereon.

Respectfully,
C. C. CRABBE,
Attorney-General.

1619.

APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN STATE OF OHIO AND V. W. SURBER, OF AKRON, OHIO, FOR CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION BUILDING FOR KENT STATE NORMAL COLLEGE, INCLUDING ELECTRICAL WORK, HEATING AND VENTILATING, PLUMBING AND SEWERS, AT COST OF \$157,800.00—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE HARTFORD ACCIDENT AND INDEMNITY COMPANY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, July 21, 1924.

HON. L. A. BOULAY, *Director, Department 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, and V. W. Surber, of

Akron, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of physical education building for the Kent State Normal College, including electrical work, heating and ventilating, plumbing and sewers, and calls for an expenditure of \$157,800.00.

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 Hartford Accident and Indemnity 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.

1620.

DISAPPROVAL, BONDS OF AVON VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT,
LORAIN COUNTY, \$1,065.86.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, July 21, 1924.

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

Re: Bonds of Avon Village School District, Lorain County, \$1,065 86.

Gentlemen:—

I have examined the transcript submitted to this department for the above bond issue and find that the resolution authorizing the issuance of these bonds was adopted October 29, 1923, and it is provided in the resolution providing for the issue that the bonds shall be dated August 1, 1923.

I find no provision in the General Code which authorizes the board of education to issue bonds bearing date prior to the date of the passage of the legislation authorizing their issuance. In fact, the General Code contains no provision relative to the dating of bonds issued under the authority of House Bill 599. It cannot, however, be assumed that the mere absence of any provision will authorize the board of education to issue bonds which will bear date prior to the authorizing act.

These bonds have been advertised for sale in accordance with the resolution providing for their issue, and after the advertisement and after the purchase by the Industrial Commission, the board of education on June 19, 1924, has attempted to cure this defect by a resolution passed on that date, but I am of the opinion that this cannot be legally done.