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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,
GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.

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APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF OHIO AND JAMES I. BARNES OF LOGANSPOBT, INDIANA, AND SPRINGFIELD, OHIO, FOR ADDITIONS TO BOTANY AND ZOOLOGY BUILDING AT OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY AT AN EXPENDITURE OF \$92,320.00—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE SEABOARD SURETY COMPANY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, December 30, 1930.

HON. ALBERT T. CONNAR, *Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my approval a contract between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Public Works, for the Board of Trustees of the Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, and James I. Barnes of Logansport, Indiana, and Springfield, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of general contract, (Division I, Items 1-12, Inc.) as set forth in the general conditions of the specifications for additions to Botany and Zoology Building on the campus of the Ohio State University, and covered by the Form of Proposal dated November 28, 1930. Said contract calls for an expenditure of ninety-two thousand three hundred and twenty dollars (\$92,320.00).

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. You have also filed evidence that the Controlling Board has approved the expenditure as required by Section 11 of House Bill No. 510 of the 88th General Assembly. In addition, you have submitted a contract bond, upon which the Seaboard Surety 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. It is noted that the contractor has filed with the Secretary of State a power of attorney designating a statutory agent, as required by Section 2319, General Code.

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,
GILBERT BETTMAN,
Attorney General.