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DISAPPROVAL, NOTE OF CITY OF MIDDLETOWN, \$45,000, FOR SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, July 27, 1922.

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

Re: Note of city of Middletown in anticipation of collection of special assessments in the amount of \$45,000.

GENTLEMEN:—The resolution of purchase adopted by the Industrial Commission May 31, 1922, provides for the purchase of bonds in the amount of \$45,000, issued for the purpose of providing funds to pay the property owners' portion of certain street improvements.

The transcript discloses that the securities authorized and intended to be delivered consist of a short time note in the amount of \$45,000, issued in anticipation of the levy and collection of special assessments for the improvement of certain streets, said note falling due not earlier than November 1, 1922, and before September 1, 1923.

Permit me to call your attention to section 1465-58 G. C., which authorizes the purchase of certain securities by the Industrial Commission, which section does not authorize the purchase of notes.

Therefore, without passing upon the validity of the note in question, I advise the commission not to purchase the same for the reason that it is not authorized by law to purchase that class of securities.

Respectfully,
 JOHN G. PRICE,
Attorney-General.

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APPROVAL, CONTRACT OF STATE OF OHIO WITH PHILLIP F. KROMER AND SON, COLUMBUS, OHIO, FOR SHEET METAL WORK ON CERTAIN BUILDINGS, OHIO STATE FAIR GROUNDS AT A COST OF \$2,500.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, July 27, 1922.

HON. LEON C. HERRICK, *Director, Department of Highways and Public Works
 Columbus, Ohio.*

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted to me for approval a contract (four copies) between the state of Ohio, acting by the Department of Highways and Public Works, and Phillip F. Kromer and Son, a partnership, of Columbus, Ohio. This contract is for the construction and completion of sheet metal work consisting of the replacing of eave troughs, down spouts and metal roofing on certain buildings at the Ohio State Fair Grounds, and calls for an expenditure of not to exceed twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500).

I have before me the certificate of the Director of Finance that there is an unencumbered balance legally appropriated sufficient to cover the obligations of this contract.