OPINIONS

2597.

APPROVAL, BONDS OF VILLAGE OF BROOKLYN HEIGHTS, CUYA-HOGA COUNTY, \$41,500.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 23, 1925.

Retirement Board, State Teachers Retirement System, Columbus, Ohio.

2598.

APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN STATE OF OHIO AND JOHNS-MANVILLE, INC., CLEVELAND, OHIO, FOR CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION OF "REMOVING THE PRESENT BASE AND FLOOR FINISH IN THE CORRIDORS OF SCIENCE HALL, KENT STATE NORMAL SCHOOL, KENT, OHIO, AND THEN REPLACING THEM WITH MASTIC FLOORING," AT COST OF \$5,100.00. SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 24, 1925.

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 Johns-Manville, Inc., a foreign corporation whose Ohio address is Euclid Ave. and 46th St., Cleveland, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of "removing the present base and floor finish in the corridors of science hall, Kent state normal school, Kent, Ohio, and replacing them with mastic flooring," and calls for an expenditure of \$5,100.00.

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 United States Fidelity and Guaranty 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, that the board of control authorized the advertising for a period of ten days, which was properly done and the 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.