the status of surety companies and the workmen's compensation have been complied with.

Finding said contracts 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.

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APPROVAL, TWO CONTRACTS BETWEEN STATE OF OHIO AND McCURRAN BROTHERS, OF XENIA, OHIO.—ONE OF THESE CONTRACTS COVERS GENERAL CONTRACT FOR HOME ECONOMICS BUILDING (EXCLUSIVE OF ELECTRIC WIRING, PLUMBING AND HEATING), WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY, AT COST OF \$23,009.00, AND OTHER CONTRACT COVERS THE GENERAL CONTRACT FOR LAUNDRY BUILDING (EXCLUSIVE OF ELECTRIC WIRING, PLUMBING AND HEATING), WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY, AT COST OF \$6,700.00.—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE ROYAL INDEMNITY COMPANY.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, August 18, 1924.

Hon. L. A. Boulay, Director, Department of Highways and Public Works, Columbus. Ohio.

Dear Sir:-

You have submitted for my approval two contracts between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Highways and Public Works, and McCurran Brothers, of Xenia, Ohio. One of these contracts covers the General Contract for Home Economics Building (exclusive of electric wiring, plumbing and heating), Wilberforce University, and calls for an expenditure of \$23,009.00, and the other contract covers the General Contract for Laundry Building (exclusive of electric wiring, plumbing and heating), Wilberforce University, and calls for an expenditure of \$6,700.00.

You have submitted the certificates 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 contracts. There has further been submitted a contract bond upon which the Royal Indemnity Company appears as surety, sufficient to cover the amounts of the contracts.

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 contracts 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 contracts 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.