completion of repairs to roof of Administration Building, Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home, Xenia, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of \$6,814.50.

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 American Surety Company of New York appear as surety, sufficient to cover the amount of the contract.

You have further submitted evidence indicating that the Bcard of Control waived the advertising provision, that informal bids were taken and tabulated as required by law and 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, <sup>c</sup> C. C. CRABBE, *Attorney-General.*

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## APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN STATE OF OHIO AND W. H. SPOHN PLUMBING AND HEATING COMPANY, COLUMBUS, OHIO, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION OF CHANGES TO TOILETS IN THE WYANDOTTE BUILDING AT A COST OF \$3,932.00—SURETY BOND -EXECUTED BY THE MARYLAND CASUALTY COMPANY.

## COLUMBUS, OHIO, December 6, 1923.

## HON. L. A. BOULAY, Director, Department of Highways and Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my approval contract between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Highways and Public Works and W. H. Spohn Plumbing and Heating Company, of Columbus, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of changes to toilets in the Wyandotte Building, and calls for an expenditure of \$3,932 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 Maryland Casualty 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.