2569.

APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN STATE OF OHIO AND THE WILLIAM MOORE COMPANY, OF CLEVELAND, OHIO, FOR CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION OF AN ARTILLERY BARN TO BE ERECTED AT LAKEWOOD, OHIO, AT COST OF \$13,867.00. SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, Tune 15, 1925.

Hon. Frank D. Henderson, Adjutant General, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my approval a contract between the state of Ohio, acting by the adjutant general, and The William Moore Company, of Cleveland, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of an artillery barn to be erected at Lakewood, Ohio, and calls for an expenditure of \$13,-867.00.

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 Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland appears as surety, sufficient to cover the amount of the contract.

You have submitted evidence indicating that notice to bidders was properly given and that all the bids were above the estimates. It further appears that the board of control granted permission to revise specifications and to eliminate certain provisions so as to bring the contract price within the estimate of \$14,000, and further authorized the awarding of the contract to one of the two firms making the lowest bids on the original plans without readvertising. 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.

2570.

DISAPPROVAL, BONDS OF CITY OF WILMINGTON, CLINTON COUNTY, \$9,636.75.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, June 15, 1925.

Re: Bonds of City of Wilmington, Clinton County, \$9,636.75.

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

Gentlemen:—The transcript submitted in connection with the foregoing issue of bonds shows that these bonds are being issued under the provisions of section 3914 G. C. for paying the property owners' share of the cost of street improvements, and also discloses that the declaratory resolution providing for the improvement was published in one newspaper of the city, and that the assessing ordinance,