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A PPROVAL, FINAL RESOLUTIONS, ROAD IMPROVEMENTS IN CLERMONT, CRAWFORD AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, March 20, 1925.

Department of Highways and Public Works, Division of Highways, Columbus, Ohio.

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APPROVAL, THREE BONDS UPON WHICH THE COLUMBIA CASUALTY COMPANY APPEARS AS SURETY, EACH OF WHICH IS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000.00, AND COVERS THE FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE OF THE OFFICIAL DUTIES OF EACH PRINCIPAL, AS FOLLOWS: OTTO W. BRACH, CHIEF OF DIVISION OF LABOR STATISTICS; W. A. HARMAN, CHIEF OF WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION DIVISION; AND G. L. COFFINBERRY, AUDITOR AND STATISTICIAN.

Columbus, Ohio, March 20, 1925.

HON. H. R. WITTER, Director, Department of Industrial Relations, Columbus, Ohio.

Dear Sir:—You have submitted to this department for consideration three bonds upon which the Columbia Casualty Company appears as surety, each of which is in the amount of \$10,000, and covers the faithful performance of the official duties of each principal, as follows:

Otto W. Brach, Chief of Division of Labor Statistics; W. A. Harman, Chief of Workmen's Compensation Division; G. L. Coffinberry, Auditor and Statistician.

It may be noted that section 871-4 provides:

"All employes or deputies of the said commission receiving or disbursing funds of the state shall give bond to the state in amounts and with surety to be approved by said commission."

Also, section 154-14, after providing for the bonds of officers mentioned in sections 154-3, 154-5 and 154-6 of the General Code, further provides that:

"The director of each department may, with the approval of the governor, require any chief of a division created under the authority of this chapter, or any officer or employe in his department, to give like bond in such amount as the governor may prescribe."

The information submitted does not indicate specifically under which sections of the statute the bonds under consideration are required. If under the latter section, of course, they should be approved by the governor. If under the former section,