The bond is approved as to surety by Hon. Leon C. Herrick as Director of Highways and Public Works, and I am endorsing on it my approval as to form.

The statutes are not specific as to the place of deposit of the bond, but in accordance with general custom I am transmitting it to you for filing.

A copy of this Opinion is forwarded to Hon. Leon C. Herrick as Director of Highways and Public Works, for his information.

Yours respectfully.

C. C. CRABBE,
Attorney General.

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APPROVAL, CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF OHIO AND THE WEISS HEATING AND PLUMBING COMPANY, CLEVELAND, OHIO, FOR CONSTRUCTION AND COMPLETION OF PLUMBING FOR NEW MALE INFIRMARY BUILDING, CLEVELAND STATE HOSPITAL, AT A COST OF \$15,064.00—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY THE UNITED STATES FIDELITY AND GUARANTY COMPANY.

Columbus, Ohio, June 5, 1923.

Hon. Leon C. Herrick, 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 The Weiss Heating and Plumbing Company, a domestic corporation of 5604 Cedar Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. This contract covers the construction and completion of plumbing for New Male Infirmary Building, Cleveland State Hospital, and calls for an expenditure of \$15,064.00.

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 appear 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.