THE WORK OF MINNESOTA'S 34TH LEGISLATURE SUMMED UP

all to the wastebasket except the Barker bill, which died a more lingering death.

A. K. Ware's bill for the nomination of candidates for United States senator at the primary was killed in committee.

Investigations in Plenty.

The capitol was full of investigating committees during most of the session. Besides the public accounts committee, the special committee on railroad rates and the insurance investigation committee, there were several special investigations started by the house. The illuminating oils committee stirred up a merry time over oil standards, and furnished a diverting incident with the testimony of Fred C. Schiffman, former oil inspector, who claimed he had divided up his fee revenue with an "oil board," whose membership he declined to divulge. The committee concluded that a gravity test was not desirable, because it would increase the price of oil, but recommended that the inspector see that all tank stations are supplied with different grades, so the consumers can buy good oil if they want to pay for it.

A special committee investigated the proposition to establish a state harvester plant at the state prison, which was first offered in the house by L. O. Teigen of Jackson. The committee encountered a storm of protest, but finally compromised by leaving the whole proposition to the board of control to investigate.

A. Hamaford started an investigation into the state grain weighing service, claiming that the system of weighing in the hopper gives opportunity for fraud but, after examining the subject the committee named did not agree with him, and reported that the system is proper. Various bills to require weighing on track scales were killed because of the extra expense they would impose.

A special committee investigated charges and conditions at the South St. Paul stockyards, and brought in a report complimentary to the management.

No Appointments Rejected.

There was a threatened tension between Governor Johnson and the senate early in the session, when the appointment of John E. King of Red Lake Falls as state librarian was held up. King is editor of the Red Lake Falls Courier, a democratic paper, and had indulged in some severe criticism of Lieutenant Governor Ray Jones concerning the Commonwealth Lumber company's timber litigation with the government. Senator E. B. Hawkins, a bosom friend of the senate's presiding officer, had King's name excepted from the list, and it was hung up for ten days or more, during which copies of the offending articles were secured and circulated among the senators. The newspaper men of the state were active in King's behalf, and an awkward fight might have resulted but for the lieutenant governor's action. He shook hands with King and announced his desire that the appointment be confirmed. It was called up by Senator Schaller, and confirmed by viva voce vote.

Senator Ole Mausten had the name of George W. Knox of Aitkin, member of the state board of equalization, excepted from the list of Van Sant recess appointments. He never gave his reasons for opposing Knox, which were understood to be both personal and political, Knox having been luke warm on the head of the state ticket last fall. The appointment was finally called up by Governor McGill, after due notice, and confirmed. Mausten not being present to oppose it. All other appointments were confirmed by the senate without hesitation.

Some Salary Increases.

Dozens of bills were offered to increase the salaries of various state officers. They were so numerous in the house as to call for the appointment of a special committee to consider the bills, while another committee was named to secure information as to the pay of fee offices. By the passage of the Cole bill raising the insurance commissioner from $2,500 to $4,500, and turning all fees into the state treasury, the state retains the services of T. D. O'Brien for two years, and is also the gainer financially. The appropriation bill raised the salary allowance of the dairy and food commissioner to $2,400. A small advance was made in the meager salary paid to General C. C. Andrews, state fire warden, raising him from $1,200 to $1,500 a year. On the recommendation of Governor Johnson the force of the attorney general's office was increased to three assistants, and their compensation raised from $2,000 a year to $3,000. The railroad commissioners were raised from $3,000 to $3,600. Other bills raising judges of the supreme court, district judges, state auditor, treasurer and secretary of state, were killed at various stages. The bill to turn the fees of the governor's private secretary into the state treasury, and fix his compensation at $3,600 a year, was amended to take effect after Frank Day's term ends, and then lost in the shuffle.

State's Building Enterprises.

The expanding needs of state institutions were recognized as well as possible under the financial circumstances. The labors of the Woman's Relief Corps were rewarded, and a building for aged veterans and their wives and for widows of veterans, will be erected at the soldiers' home, $75,000 being allowed. The state prison is to be expanded by purchase of a tract as near as possible to the present site, where other manufacturing industries are to be provided by the board of control at their discretion. A branch of the state agricultural school is to be established at Crookston, the state giving $15,000 for a building, which, it is said, will be supplemented by private donation. The separate training school for girls was not secured at this session, in spite of the work of the women's clubs and the strong recommendation of the board of control. New buildings at other institutions include a new main at the university, a dormitory at the St. Cloud normal school, a nurses' dormitory at Fergus Falls, an auditorium for the agricultural school, a livestock amphitheater at the state fair, cottages at the Anoka and Hastings asylum and a nurses' dormitory at St. Peter.

Senate Fireman Abolished.

That time-honored figurehead, the fireman of the senate, disappears from view with this session, by the passage of Senator Wood's bill. The Long Prairie senator was on the cold outside of the patronage combine, and gave frequent vent to his disgust at legislative extravagance. He found a practical outlet for it in the bill, which met with no opposition. The fireman of the senate in the old days of wood stoves was a necessary functionary, but in the last twenty years the office, created by statute, has only been an excuse for paying some deserving henchman $5 a day. The fireman of the senate just adjourned earned his money by working as a doorkeeper, but he was an exception.

That Press "Gallery."

When the legislative chambers were thrown open it was found that the capitol commission had bestowed the newspaper representatives in gallery seats almost inaccessible from the main floor. In the senate chamber the press gallery was directly behind the lieutenant governor, where the newspaper men could not hear the secretary or the presiding officer. In the house chamber the gallery was at one side, where some twenty or thirty members were entirely hidden from view. Neither gallery afforded facilities for hearing the proceedings. The newspaper men protested, but some members in both houses had a mistaken idea that Washington had a similar arrangement for the report of congressional proceedings, and they wanted it tried. It was tried a few days and proved a signal failure. Provision was then made in both houses for tables on the main floor, near the speaker's desk. In the house some rearrangement of seats was necessary to provide room for the table.

Full of Good Resolutions.

It was a great session for resolutions. Nearly every subject under the canopy was handled by the resolvers, who consumed much valuable time, especially in the house. Among the important resolutions passed were Senator Thorpe's memorial protesting against the adoption of the "draw-back" rule by the treasury department, which was held up until it was found that the millers did not care a continental; a resolution asking for seed wheat from Canada, duty free; one asking congress to provide for deepening the channel of the upper Mississippi; one commending President Roosevelt for ordering the Standard Oil investigation; one urging congress to pass the Quarles-Cooper bill; one urging the opening of the forest reserve in the Chippewa reservation to settlement, which slid thru and caught the forest reserve advocates napping, and a resolution commending President Roosevelt's attitude on the question of railroad and trust regulation. Senator Coller's memorial asking for the repeal of the Nelson bankruptcy law was killed in the house, 44 to 60.

Drainage Survey Provided.

This legislature dealt with drainage interests in northern Minnesota liberally. It also provided for an important work, the survey of state swamp lands by competent engineers, who are to work under the state drainage commission and report on a comprehensive system of drainage, which will thereafter be used as a basis for all work. An appropriation of $15,000 was provided for the work during the biennial period. This bill was the particular idea of A. L. Cole of Walker. The drainage commission was given $30,000 a year for ditch work, an increase of $5,000 a year over the 1903 appropriation.

State Land and Timber Law.

The agitation of timber trespass questions bore fruit in bills making more stringent rules for the subject, and one was framed and passed, requiring lumber camps to post the descriptions of land cut, and otherwise preventing trespass. Another law allows the state timber board to settle trespass cases, instead of the auditor only. State land matters took up considerable attention. The auditor is now allowed $7,500 a year to be spent in advertising state lands and otherwise promoting immigration. New rules are also made for appraisal of state land, and for its sale and settlement, so as to encourage actual settlers.

Game and Fish Code.

The revised statutes incorporated the old game and fish law, and that is out of date already, for the legislature passed a new game and fish law by William Wolhuter. It provides a gun license of $1 for hunters who go into other counties to shoot, and reduces the size of the bag they may take home. Hunters are limited to two deer, twenty-five field birds and fifty aquatic fowl. Not more than fifteen field birds or twenty-five aquatic fowl may be killed in one day. The new law will increase the fund for game and fish protection.

Placed Under Civil Service.

The De Laittre bill providing a civil service system for the dairy and food departments is the first introduction of this principle into the state service. It provides for annual examinations, beginning in 1907. From the successful ones vacancies in the department are to be filled, and removals are only to be made for cause.

Special Legislation for Cities.

A constitutional amendment will be submitted at the next election to restore to the legislature the power to exact special legislation for cities. It will allow the amendment of charters like Minneapolis, which are not yet on the home-rule plan. The amendment was fathered by Sherman Smith.

Semi-Centennial Coming.

In 1908 Minnesota will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of her admission to statehood. Under a joint resolution introduced by J. T. Mannix, Governor Johnson will appoint a commission of five members, which is to report to the next legislature a plan for celebration of the event.

It's Clover County Now.

Pine county, denuded of her ancient forests, is Pine county no more, but goes by the suggestive name of Clover. The change was desired by the people of the county, and was finally approved by the house yesterday.

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LIST OF BILLS THAT BECOME LAWS WITH THE GOVERNOR'S APPROVAL

APPROPRIATIONS.

S. F. 1, Brower—Appropriating $150,000 to defray the expenses of the legislative session.

H. F. 39, Roberts—Appropriating $1,000 for printing 1,000 additional copies of the revised statutes.

H. F. 143, Roberts—Appropriating $30,000 for the completion of the south wing of the state reformatory at St. Cloud.

H. F. 354, Roberts—Appropriating $500 for removal of the state library to the new capitol.

H. F. 389, R. T. Lewis—Appropriating $10,000 to pay wages of employees in the new capitol building.

H. F. 110, Dorsey—Appropriating $500 to purchase 500 additional copies of the revised code.

S. F. 109, Brower—Appropriating $50,000 for building a new dormitory in connection with the St. Cloud normal school.

H. F. 14, Roberts—Appropriating $9,800 to pay for the official publication of the synopsis of constitutional amendments proposed at the general election of 1904.

H. F. 565, Roberts—Appropriating $24,000 to pay insurance premiums on state buildings, due April 1, 1905.

H. F. 886, Omnibus bill appropriating money for state institutions and departments.

S. F. 232, Comstock—Appropriating $410 to repay fees taken from university students for lockers burned in main building fire.

H. F. 750, Mannix—Appropriating $1,200 a year for the distribution of public documents.

BANKS AND BANKING.

H. F. 59, Lauritsen—Amending the law relating to the taxation of bank stock so the corporations may pay taxes on stock or interest held by individuals, and have a lien therefor on the stock.

H. F. 163, Putnam—Transferring the custody of securities deposited by annuity, safe deposit and trust companies from state auditor to state treasurer.

S. F. 218, Calhoun—Abolishing days of grace, and providing that commercial paper shall fall due on the day named, or in case that is a legal holiday, on the day after.

CITIES AND VILLAGES.

H. F. 11—Legalizing annexations of territory heretofore made by cities and villages.

H. F. 237, T. Hayes—Authorizing the electors of certain villages (Spring Valley) to vote on the question of licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors.

S. F. 169, Brower—Authorizing cities in certain cases (St. Cloud) to issue bonds for extension of waterworks system.

S. F. 170, Brower—Authorizing cities of less than 10,000 to issue coupon bonds to take up floating indebtedness, and to prevent the subsequent creation of such indebtedness.

H. F. 371, J. A. Gates—Relating to the passage and publication of village ordinances.

S. F. 165, Peterson—Granting cities of less than 2,500 inhabitants the power to issue bonds for waterworks purposes.

S. F. 119, Coller—Prohibiting officers and employees of cities and villages from receiving fees as witnesses in cases to which the city or village is a party.

S. F. 153, Rieke—Requiring statements of village treasurers to be published one week before the village election.

H. F. 752, J. A. Gates—Amending the law relating to the registration of mortgages in cities located in two or more counties.

H. F. 276, Bennett—Allowing cities incorporated under the law of 1895 to issue bonds for waterworks in excess of the limit of indebtedness.

H. F. 360, Thayer—Authorizing township clerks to hold their offices in certain villages.

S. F. 280, Wardeberg—Authorizing cities of 10,000 to 20,000 inhabitants to issue bonds for the construction of waterworks systems.

H. F. 656, Hayes—Permitting cities of less than 10,000 inhabitants to annex territory in an adjoining county.

H. F. 485, O'Laughlin—Authorizing villages to license pool and billiard tables.

H. F. 113, Murray—Authorizing villages to issue bonds for funding floating indebtedness.

S. F. 248, Coller—Legalizing issue of bonds to pay floating indebtedness in cities of less than 10,000.

H. F. 227, Vollmer—Authorizing cities of 10,000 to 20,000 to issue bonds for repairing bridges.

H. F. 252, Bennett—Providing a means of adding to the territory of villages of less than 1,000 inhabitants.

S. F. 507, Sundberg—Providing that no village or city election may be held on the same day that township elections are held.

H. F. 711, O'Laughlin—Providing a salary of $100 a year for mayors and aldermen in cities of less than 10,000.

S. F. 214, Somerville—Providing for certain additions to territory of cities of less than 10,000.

S. F. 351, Hawkins—Authorizing the extension of city waterworks systems in certain cases.

H. F. 576, Wells—Providing for the separation of unplatted agricultural lands included in the corporate limits of villages.

H. F. 250, Downing—Providing for parks and park boards in cities of less than 20,000.

H. F. 613, Hille—Empowering cities of less than 10,000 to issue bonds for improving or purchasing waterworks or electric light plants.

H. F. 638, McColl—Providing for the renewing of records of county auditors.

S. F. 356, Laugen—Authorizing village councils to spend $50 for free musical entertainment.

S. F. 391, Morgan—Empowering cities of 10,000 to 20,000 to grant authority for the construction of street railways.

S. F. 160, Hardy—Providing that cities shall have clear title to property condemned for waterworks, instead of an easement.

S. F. 401, Thompson—Empowering villages to permit electors residing within their corporate limits to vote at general elections.

H. F. 861, Dowling—Authorizing the creation of water and light boards in cities and villages of less than 50,000.

H. F. 812, Morse—Authorizing cities of less than 10,000 to construct boulevards.

S. F. 289, Frater—Authorizing cities of 5,000 to 10,000 to issue bonds for the construction of waterworks plants.

S. F. 167, McNamee—Allowing the submission of a revision of a home rule charter as one amendment.

S. F. 466, Dale—Permitting cities and villages to purchase and donate sites for library buildings to library boards.

S. F. 182, Morgan—Allowing cities of 10,000 to 20,000 not governed by home rule charters to grant franchises for the construction of street railways.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

H. F. 1, Roberts—Substituting for sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 17 of article 9, a new section defining the taxing power of the state.

H. F. 579, Road and Bridge Committee—Increasing the amount of state tax that may be levied for road and bridge purposes from one-twentieth to one-fourth of a mill, and striking from the constitution all reference to the state highway commission.

H. F. 343, Rowe—Amending the constitution so as to prevent municipalities from requiring licenses from farmers peddling their own products.

H. F. 75, Smith—Proposing an amendment to allow special legislation with reference to cities not having homerule charters.

CORPORATIONS.

H. F. 52, Anderson—Providing for the incorporation of grand and subordinate lodges of the Degree of Honor, A. O. U. W.

H. F. 107, W. A. Nolan—Providing for the consolidation of adjacent cemeteries in certain cases.

S. F. 100, Stephens—Amending the law relating to corporations so as to give boom companies the right of eminent domain along unnavigable streams.

H. F. 244, W. A. Nolan—Authorizing companies loaning money on farm mortgages to issue debenture bonds on a capital of $100,000.

H. F. 391, Denzer—Providing for the establishment of permanent funds for the care and improvement of public cemeteries.

H. F. 279, Thundale—Amending the statutes relating to the formation of co-operative associations, to permit forming co-operative telephone companies.

H. F. 468, Morley—Allowing co-operative creamery associations to buy and own stock in similar associations.

S. F. 429, McGill—Allowing corporations not organized for pecuniary profit to increase the number of their trustees.

COUNTIES AND COUNTY OFFICERS.

S. F. 199—Repealing the special law fixing the salary of the county auditor of Nicollet county.

H. F. 111, Larson—Providing a means for obtaining title to land for courthouse sites.

S. F. 144, W. A. Smith—Authorizing counties of less than 75,000 to issue courthouse bonds in certain cases.

H. F. 205, Lemon—Requiring register of deeds to supply lists of mortgages and other real estate securities.

H. F. 177, Ekman—Authorizing county boards to issue refunding bonds in certain cases.

S. F. 52, Rieke—Authorizing counties of less than 75,000 inhabitants to have tract indexes transcribed.

H. F. 208, Bennett—Authorizing an allowance for clerk hire to judges of probate in counties of more than 35,000 inhabitants.

S. F. 336, Schaller—Authorizing county commissioners to allow expense accounts for keeping steam for county superintendents receiving less than $1,400.

S. F. 402, Swedback—Authorizing county commissioners to issue bonds for the construction of courthouses in certain cases.

S. F. 308, Dale—Reimbursing Lac qui Parle county for $125 in fines collected for illegal fishing, erroneously turned into the state treasury.

H. F. 36, Stone—Authorizing county commissioners to loan sinking funds on real estate first mortgages.

S. F. 516, Cole—Regulating the fees of the register of deeds of Otter Tail county.

S. F. 517, Cole—Allowing $500 clerk hire for the judge of probate of Otter Tail county.

S. F. 518, Cole—Allowing $800 traveling expenses for the superintendent of schools of Otter Tail county.

H. F. 467, Pehler—Requiring clerks of court to give receipts to persons taking out marriage licenses.

S. F. 439, Cowan—Authorizing county commissioners in certain cases to appropriate money for displays at county fairs.

S. F. 442, Schain—Authorizing county commissioners to appoint delegates to the state conference of charities and corrections.

S. F. 378, Cowan—Changing the name of Pine county to "Clover."

H. F. 621, Cole—Requiring counties to pay expenses incurred by sheriffs in executing death warrants.

H. F. 819, Anderson—Relating to the care of poor by counties.

H. F. 880, Lemon—Authorizing the transcribing of records of registers of deeds.

S. F. 523, Eberhart—Authorizing county commissioners to grant additional clerk hire to county auditors in certain cases.

COURT PROCEDURE.

S. F. 227, Collier—Providing that in small cities municipal courts shall have exclusive jurisdiction in all cases over justice courts.

S. F. 32, Schaller—Permitting the sentence of accused persons who plead guilty without waiting for indictment by grand jury.

S. F. 33, Schaller—Amending the law governing recognizances to conform with S. F. 32.

H. F. 753, Chamberlain—Providing for the separate trial of juvenile delinquents in cities of 50,000, and making rules for the treatment of such delinquents.

H. F. 805, Chamberlain—Relating to the duties and compensation of probation officers in cities having juvenile courts.

S. F. 288, Putnam—Requiring justices of the peace to issue warrants for persons charged with non-support on complaint of a member of the board of county commissioners.

CURATIVE ACTS.

H. F. 203, Hogue—Legalizing the incorporation of certain villages attempted under the law of 1885.

H. F. 97, Oleson—Legalizing the acts of county commissioners in creating indebtedness in certain cases.

S. F. 94—Legalizing city charters adopted by municipalities but not properly filed and recorded.

H. F. 278, Flower—Legalizing the foreclosure of mortgages by advertisement when the power of attorney has been executed but not recorded.

S. F. 47, Dale—Legalizing acknowledgments of conveyances taken by notaries public after their terms have expired.

H. F. 351—Validating sales of school lands where there was defect in publishing notice of sale.

H. F. 154, Bennett—Legalizing conveyances of real estate from husband to wife and the records thereof.

H. F. 370, Morse—Legalizing bonds issued by villages in certain cases.

S. F. 279, Rieke—Legalizing bonds issued by village councils in certain cases.

S. F. 190, Coller—Legalizing acts in connection with dissolving a corporation, done after the corporation ceased legally to exist.

S. F. 299, Stephens—Legalizing and validating certain plats of land already filed for record.

H. F. 24, R. T. Lewis—Legalizing certain mortgage foreclosures.

H. F. 63, Bardwell—Legalizing certain village ordinances and grants of franchises for waterworks and gas and electric light plants.

S. F. 392, Brower—Legalizing certain assessments for drainage ditches.

S. F. 262, Schain—Legalizing certain expenditures by the county commissioners of Stevens county for the relief of destitute persons.

H. F. 887, Rider—Legalizing the copy of a plat of the city of Little Falls.

S. F. 317, Ward—Legalizing the construction of certain drainage ditches.

S. F. 339, Mausten—Legalizing deposits of county treasurers of money realized from the sale of road and bridge bonds.

H. F. 232, Simons—Legalizing irregular acknowledgments of conveyances.

S. F. 427, Stephens—Legalizing assessments levied for draining meandered lakes.

S. F. 494, Schaller—Legalizing bonds issued by towns for improving roads.

H. F. 575, Stock—Reimbursing persons for taxes paid by mistake on railroad land exempt from taxation.

H. F. 137, Bardwell—Legalizing mortgage foreclosure sales in certain cases.

H. F. 141, Wallace—Legalizing the reconveyance of cemetery lots in certain cases.

H. F. 268, Flower—Legalizing sheriff's certificates recorded after the expiration of twenty days.

H. F. 705, Hickey—Legalizing the organization of certain corporations.

S. F. 468, Judiciary Committee—Legalizing certain proceedings in probate court.

S. F. 460, W. A. Smith—Legalizing newspapers in certain cases.

S. F. 399, Stone—Legalizing sales of real estate under defective executions.

DISTRICT COURTS.

S. F. 159, Brower—Fixing the date for the terms of court in the seventh judicial district.

H. F. 19, Nelson—Changing the term of district court in Kanabec county, now beginning the third Tuesday in February, to the third Tuesday in March.

H. F. 247, Clague—Prescribing the time for holding terms of district court in the ninth judicial district.

S. F. 341, Peachey—Fixing the time for holding terms of court in the fifth judicial district.

S. F. 338, Barker—Fixing the time for holding terms of court in the eighteenth judicial district.

S. F. 295, Peterson—Fixing the time for holding general terms of the district court in Becker county.

DRAINAGE.

H. F. 330—Directing county auditors to give certain public notices relating to drainage proceedings.

S. F. 174, Stephens—Re-enacting the state drainage law, with additional provisions for deepening and widening ditches already made.

S. F. 340, Shell—Authorizing counties to extend the outlets of existing ditches into adjoining states.

H. F. 7, Cole—Authorizing the state drainage commission to employ engineers to make a survey of state swamp lands and report a comprehensive system for their drainage.

S. F. 182, Drainage Committee—Regulating the construction of county ditches and providing for draining shallow and grassy meandered lakes.

DULUTH AND ST. LOUIS COUNTY.

H. F. 361, R. T. Lewis—Amending the act of 1903 relating to the board of prisoners in counties over 75,000.

H. F. 546, R. T. Lewis—Allowing cities of more than 50,000 to construct their own plants for the disposal of garbage.

S. F. 369, Pugh—Reimbursing the county commissioners of St. Louis county for certain traveling expenses.

S. F. 380—Providing for the employment of road foremen in St. Louis county.

H. F. 560, Saari—Providing for a county inspector of mines in St. Louis county.

H. F. 533, R. T. Lewis—Authorizing Duluth to condemn land for an extension of its waterworks system.

H. F. 541, R. T. Lewis—Authorizing Duluth to refund water or gas plant bonds.

H. F. 852, Dowling—Providing for an additional assistant county attorney for St. Louis county.

S. F. 441, St. Louis Delegation—Establishing a courthouse commission to select a site and construct a courthouse in St. Louis county.

S. F. 448, St. Louis Delegation—Allowing the settlement of taxes in St. Louis county.

S. F. 449, St. Louis Delegation—Empowering certain boards of education to make rules for the government of schools.

EDUCATION.

H. F. 123, Anderson—Relating to funds for the support of public schools in districts of 20,000 to 50,000 (Winona).

S. F. 102, Schain—Appropriating $10,000 for school libraries, to be distributed under the existing laws.

H. F. 94, Wohlhuter—Appropriating $25,000 to cover the deficiency in appropriation for aid for semi-graded and rural schools in 1903 and 1904.

S. F. 203, Torson—Providing for the extension of boundaries of school districts where two or more incorporated villages are included in the same district.

S. F. 238, Wilson—Authorizing educational institutions to receive bequests.

H. F. 522, Putnam—Establishing a college of pedagogy at the state university.

S. F. 145, Eberhart—Providing for payment of state aid to high, graded semi-graded and rural schools by warrants.

H. F. 299, Stone—Providing for record of teachers' certificates and diplomas by county superintendents of schools.

S. F. 385, E. E. Smith—Extending the law authorizing the consolidation of school districts.

H. F. 349, Bouck—Giving $50 state aid to rural schools employing second-grade teachers.

H. F. 309, Anderegg—Providing an optional plan for redistricting counties for school purposes, in order to consolidate districts.

H. F. 673, Johnson—Providing for the establishment of county schools of agriculture.

S. F. 444, Wilson—Extending the truancy law to cover the ages between 8 and 18.

S. F. 220, Thorpe—Providing for the issuance of bonds by school districts.

S. F. 445, Schaller—Fixing the time of election of superintendents of schools in special districts.

ELECTIONS.

H. F. 226, Adams—Providing that certificates of nomination secured by petition shall not be filed until after the regular primary election.

H. F. 164, Juliar—Amending the primary law so that polls in the country need not be opened until 9 a.m.

H. F. 195, Deegan—Requiring counties to furnish election judges with postage in cases where they are required to mail election returns.

H. F. 493, Dorsey—Prohibiting corporations from making political contributions to candidates or committees.

S. F. 493, Dunn—Providing for the testing and approval of voting machines that may be used in this state.

FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION.

H. F. 329, Morley—Accepting a grant of 20,000 acres from the United States government for a state forest reserve.

H. F. 414, Committee on Forestry—Amending the law relating to the per diem of deputy fire wardens.

GAME AND FISH LAWS.

H. F. 283, Wallace—Protecting Mongolian, English, Golden, Reeves, Japanese, Temminck's, Tragopan and Ring-neck or China Torquatus pheasants.

S. F. 342, Morgan—Protecting carrier pigeons.

S. F. 366, Cooke—To extend the powers of game wardens over both sides of boundary waters between Minnesota and adjoining states.

H. F. 794, Wohlhuter—A general game and fish law, reducing the size of the hunter's "bag" and requiring a gun license of $1 for men hunting in other counties.

S. F. 382, Judiciary Committee—Giving Minnesota courts concurrent jurisdiction over boundary waters with the courts of adjoining states.

HENNEPIN COUNTY AND MINNEAPOLIS.

S. F. 113, Calhoun—Allowing Minneapolis to divert the waters of Bassett's creek into Cedar lake, raising the level of the city lakes and increasing the flow of Minnehaha creek.

S. F. 175, Gjertsen—Increasing the salary of the deputy sheriff in charge of insane prisoners in Hennepin county to $1,200.

H. F. 125, Bardwell—Authorizing the continued expenditure of $10,000 a year by Hennepin county in the improvement of Lake Minnetonka.

S. F. 283, Calhoun—Legalizing the $100,000 bond issue voted on by the city at the last election for new graded school buildings and additions.

S. F. 284, Calhoun—Legalizing the $100,000 bond issue voted on by the city at the last election for new high school buildings and additions.

S. F. 86, Gjertsen—Providing that questions on the adoption of new city charters or amendments to present charters shall be submitted to the voters on a separate ballot.

H. F. 640, Bardwell—Turning over unclaimed fees in the office of the clerk of courts for the maintenance of the Hennepin county law library.

H. F. 542, Hennepin, Ramsey and St. Louis Delegations—Providing for a levy of one-tenth of a mill in cities of 50,000 for a police pension fund.

H. F. 658, Fosseen—Providing for county roads in Hennepin county in charge of the county commissioners.

H. F. 272, Roberts—Giving counties the right to construct ditches within incorporated villages.

H. F. 543, Hennepin Delegation—Amending the salary bill of 1903 by adding to certain salaries of county employees and increasing the force of certain offices.

H. F. 679, Bardwell—Authorizing the village of Excelsior to create a park board.

S. F. 188, E. E. Smith—Providing for the division of towns in Hennepin county into road districts, and for the payment of road taxes in cash.

S. F. 38, Comstock—Permitting Hennepin county to issue $250,000 additional 4 per cent bonds for the completion of the city hall and courthouse.

H. F. 882, Timberlake—Allowing the county commissioners of Hennepin county to make repairs to county property without calling for bids in cases of emergency.

S. F. 372, Wallace—Increasing the salary of the assistant superintendent of schools of Hennepin county to $1,500.

S. F. 451, Calhoun—Providing pensions for retired and disabled police matrons in cities of 50,000.

H. F. 823, Wallace—Increasing to nine the number of high schools in any county which may receive state aid.

S. F. 155, Wilson—Providing for an annual examination of the Minneapolis city treasurer and city comptroller by the public examiner.

S. F. 431, McGowan—Amending the law so as to reduce certain fees collected by the clerk of courts of Hennepin county.

INSURANCE.

H. F. 100, Roberts—Allowing sprinkler leakage insurance companies to begin business on a paid-up capital of $25,000.

H. F. 258, Morse—Amending chapter 175, laws of 1895, relating to the organization of mutual fire insurance companies.

S. F. 219, E. E. Smith—Permitting Lloyd insurance companies to write sprinkler leakage insurance.

S. F. 324, Horton—Permitting foreign life insurance companies to do business in Minnesota on presenting a certificate showing that they have $100,000 securities on deposit in another state.

S. F. 236, Lord—Amending the law of 1901 providing for the incorporation of stipulated premium companies in several particulars.

S. F. 481, Thompson—Requiring the publication of annual statements of insurance companies in the home county, if a Minnesota company, but if not within the state, then publication must be made in the two most populous counties of the state.

H. F. 707, Special Insurance Investigating Committee—Creating a state fire marshal.

H. F. 502, Morley—Providing for the consolidation of certain township mutual insurance companies.

H. F. 567, Morley—Allowing township mutual company stockholders to select officers by direct vote.

S. F. 521, Frater—Allowing agricultural implement dealers to form mutual insurance companies.

S. F. 383, Laybourn—Prohibiting the consolidation of mutual life insurance companies without the consent of the policy holders.

MEMORIALS TO CONGRESS.

H. F. 2, Roberts—A memorial to congress asking for the enactment of a law giving the interstate commerce commission the power to fix railroad rates.

S. F. 511, Special Railroad Rate Investigating Committee—A memorial asking congress to increase the powers of the interstate commerce commission so as to allow the enforcement of the long and short haul clause, and asking for legislation to abolish the private car evil.

MILITIA AND G. A. R.

S. F. 150, Pugh—Regulating the Minnesota naval reserve.

H. F. 161, Flower—To provide quarters for posts of the G. A. R. and other associations and organizations of veteran soldiers.

H. F. 56, O'Laughlin—Appropriating $254 to reimburse certain persons for supplies furnished the national guard at Camp Lakeview in July, 1896.

S. F. 173, Eberhart—Allowing the national guard to participate in military maneuvers outside the state.

PENAL CODE AND NEW OFFENSES.

H. F. 202, Hickey—Prohibiting any person or company from playing or producing for profit or selling for profit any dramatic or musical composition without the consent of the author or proprietor.

H. F. 32, Flower—Extending the laws against bribery to members elect of the legislature.

H. F. 42, Flower—Making it a felony to oer a bribe to a member elect of the legislature.

S. F. 229, Coller—Providing a fine of not over $500 or imprisonment not less than three months or more than two years for the offense of wantonly poisoning animals.

S. F. 226, Collester—Making it a misdemeanor to hitch horses to tombstones or shade trees in cemetery property.

H. F. 254, Rider—Increasing the maximum penalty for robbery in the first degree to forty years.

H. F. 57, Erickson—Defining a bucketshop and fixing a penalty for conducting a bucketshop or "bucketing" trades.

S. F. 172, McNamee—Making it the crime of manslaughter to shoot a man by mistake for a deer.

S. F. 376, Mannix—Making it burglary in the first degree to enter a building unlawfully and carry or use explosives.

PROBATE COURT ACTS.

S. F. 18, Dunn—Amending chapter 10 of the laws of 1901, relating to the partial distribution of estates.

S. F. 76, Wilson—Permitting the probate judges of Hennepin and Ramsey counties to refer insanity examinations to the court commissioner.

S. F. 77, Wilson—Giving the court commissioner in Hennepin and Ramsey counties the same jurisdiction over insanity cases as the judge of probate.

S. F. 93, Dunn—To require interpreters at all hearings of deaf and dumb persons charged with insanity.

H. F. 30, Bardwell—Repealing a section of the law of 1903, providing for the discharge of an executor or administrator on proving to the court that he has fully carried out the decree of distribution and the orders of the probate court.

S. F. 186, Schaller—Relating to the payment of debts and legacies of deceased persons.

S. F. 259, Lord—Relating to duties of testamentary guardians.

PUBLIC HEALTH, DAIRY AND FOOD.

H. F. 116, Fraser—Prohibiting the careless distribution of drugs and medical compounds.

S. F. 25, Durant—Requiring receptacles containing wood alcohol to be labeled "wood naphtha."

H. F. 218, Anderson—Prohibiting the sale of cocaine except on physician's prescription.

H. F. 394, Committee on Public Health—Amending the act of 1903 establishing the state livestock sanitary board so as to provide for the payment of damages to owners of animals slaughtered by order of the board.

H. F. 201, Lauritsen—Giving the dairy and food commission power to enter depots, express companies, etc., for more effective enforcement of food laws against "box car" merchants.

S. F. 246, Jepson—Providing for the payment of claims pending against the state for animals condemned under the provisions of chapter 141, Laws of 1903, later held to be invalid.

H. F. 498, Bouck—Prohibiting the slaughter of "bob" veal.

H. F. 508, Flower—Protecting the owners of receptacles in which beverages or food products are sold.

RAILROAD AND WAREHOUSE.

H. F. 179, Gandrud—Requiring railroad companies to report particulars of each accident resulting in death or injury to human beings to the railroad and warehouse commission.

S. F. 314, Thorpe—Giving the railroad and warehouse commission power to revoke the licenses of commission merchants for conduct prejudicial to the interests of consignees.

H. F. 198, Hogue—Requiring railroad companies to provide depots with toilerooms.

S. F. 508, Railroad Rate Investigating Committee—Giving the railroad and warehouse commission jurisdiction over terminal charges, prohibiting raising and lowering of rates without consent of the commission, giving the commission authority to alter rates without complaint and giving the commission access to the books of the railroad companies.

S. F. 509, Railroad Rate Investigating Committee—Prohibiting either the giving or receiving of rebates or special concession to shippers, and prescribing penalties for violation of the act.

S. F. 510, Railroad Rate Investigating Committee—Joint resolution directing railroad commission to reduce freight rates in Minnesota to the basis of adjoining states, and to readjust rates so there shall not be more than 5 per cent difference between distributing tariffs and distance tariffs.

H. F. 439, Wallace—Providing for inspection and weighing of hay shipped by railroad at terminal points, under authority of the railroad and warehouse commission.

H. F. 867, Railroad Rate Investigating Committee—Authorizing the railroad and warehouse commission to appear before the interstate commerce commission in behalf of Minnesota claimants.

S. F. 225, Stone—Requiring mileage books sold by railroads in this state to be transferable.

H. F. 4, Johnson—Requiring railroads to bulletin the time for the arrival of passenger trains.

H. F. 451, J. A. Gates—Requiring railroads to establish gates or other safety devices at crossings in villages upon order of the railroad and warehouse commission.

S. F. 207, Stone—Requiring railroads to use the same name for a station as that of the city or village in which the station is located.

S. F. 249, Thorpe—Requiring uniform warehouse receipts to be issued by all public warehouses.

RAMSEY COUNTY AND ST. PAUL.

S. F. 112, Dunn—Allowing cities of 50,000 to issue bonds for $10,000 for the purpose of macadamizing roads leading to such cities on a two-thirds vote of the council.

H. F. 601, Ramsey Delegation—Raising the salary of members of the county board of control and the hospital physician appointed by it.

S. F. 15, Dunn—Authorizing cities of more than 50,000 inhabitants to condemn lands for park purposes.

S. F. 193, Dunn—Providing for the payment for land condemned for park purposes in cities of 50,000.

H. F. 509, Ramsey Delegation—Regulating the expenditure of road and bridge funds in counties of over 150,000.

H. F. 437, Ramsey Delegation—Making the 1900 census the basis for determining the population of counties of more than 200,000, in relation to the fees of county officers, so Ramsey may not come under law governing Hennepin.

H. F. 438, Ramsey Delegation—Making the same provision with regard to fees of clerks of the district court.

H. F. 631, Selb—Providing for the acquisition of land in Ramsey county for a site for the proposed state hospital for indigent crippled children.

H. F. 733, Haskell—Regulating the amount allowed the county attorney of Ramsey county for clerk hire.

H. F. 668, Lemon—Providing that assessments