

construction or improvement, to the secretary of agriculture of the United States government for his approval.

**Sec. 2. Commissioner of highways to make report.**—If the commissioner of highways deems such proposed construction or improvement of such a nature as to probably meet with the approval of the said secretary of agriculture, he shall submit a project statement with reference thereto to the said secretary of agriculture, with such recommendations as he deems advisable, having regard to the equitable division among the several counties of this state of the federal aid apportioned to this state by the secretary of agriculture under the provisions of said act of congress, and available during any given year.

**Sec. 3. County board to enter into contracts.**—If any such project statement so submitted to the secretary of agriculture, shall be approved by the secretary, the county board may, in the name of the county, enter into all necessary contracts or agreements with said secretary of agriculture of the United States, as may be required or necessary to make such construction or improvement and receive federal aid thereon or therefrom; provided, however, that all plans and specifications for any such construction or improvement shall be prepared by, or approved by the commissioner of highways of this state, and the work and labor incidental to the making of such construction or improvement shall be done and performed under the direct supervision of the state highway department.

**Sec. 4.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 20, 1917.

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#### CHAPTER 434—S. F. No. 810.

*An act to amend Chapter 142, Laws 1915, fixing the salaries of clerks and clerk hire in probate courts in the state of Minnesota, in counties having a population of not less than 220,000 inhabitants and not over 325,000 inhabitants.*

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

**Section 1. Clerk of probate court of Ramsey county to receive salary of \$2,750 and salaries of other clerks in said court.**—That the salary of the clerk and employees of probate courts in all counties of this state having according to the then last completed state or national census the population of not less than 220,000 inhabitants and not more than 325,000 inhabitants is hereby fixed as follows: The clerk of probate at the sum of *twenty-seven hundred and fifty dollars* (\$2,750.00) *per annum*, a deputy clerk at the sum of *eighteen hundred dollars* (\$1,800.00) *per annum*, one *court reporter* who shall also act as

secretary to the judge of probate in all matters pertaining to his official duties who shall be paid the sum of *fifteen hundred dollars* (\$1,500.00) *per annum*, an inheritance tax clerk at the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) *per annum*, a registration clerk at the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) *per annum*, a file clerk at the sum of *twelve hundred dollars* (\$1,200.00) *per annum*, *three general clerks one of whom shall be paid twelve hundred dollars* (\$1,200.00) *per annum each* and two at the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) *per annum each*; all of said salaries shall be paid in equal monthly installments out of the county treasury of such counties upon the warrants of the county auditor.

Sec. 2. To apply to other counties reaching population of over 220,000.—Whenever according to the then last state or national census the population of any county of this state which now has a population of less than 220,000 inhabitants, shall acquire not less than that number, such county shall at once become subject to the provisions of this act, and whenever, according to such census the population of any county shall exceed 325,000 inhabitants or fall under 220,000 inhabitants, the provisions of this act at the expiration of *thirty days* from the final filing of the enumeration of such county shall not longer apply thereto.

Sec. 3. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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#### CHAPTER 435—H. F. No. 1269.

*An act making it unlawful for any citizen or subject of any nation with which the United States is at war to have firearms or explosives in his possession.*

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. **Unlawful for non-citizen of United States to carry fire arms of explosives.**—It shall be unlawful for any citizen or subject of any nation with which the United States is at war, and who has not declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States, to have in his possession or under his control any firearms of any kind or nature whatsoever, or any explosives of any kind or nature whatsoever, or the necessary ingredients of any explosives from which explosives could be manufactured. Provided, however, that any person, having in his possession or in his control any such forbidden article shall have five (5) days from and after the passage of this act to dispose of the same.