

shall be operated upon any public highway with lugs, or other hard protuberances upon the bearing surface of the wheels, except in particular places where and at times when the same are necessary.

Sec. 4. **Violation a misdemeanor.**—Any person who shall operate a vehicle on the highways of the State of Minnesota in violation of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 5. **Commissioner of highways and municipalities to have authority to restrict use of roads.**—The Commissioner of Highways, or the governing board of any municipality having jurisdiction of roads therein shall have the authority to restrict the character and weight of motor traffic upon earth or gravel roads under their jurisdiction when weather or soil conditions would, in their judgment, result in such traffic destroying or excessively damaging such roads. When such Commissioner or board find it necessary to place restrictions on the kind and weight of motor traffic on such roads, the road shall be posted with plainly printed notices at both ends of such section of roads on which traffic is to be restricted, also at the points where such roads leave the nearest town, and when practicable, proper notices shall be published in the local newspapers. All such notices shall state the loads and kind of vehicles prohibited from using such roads.

Approved April 20, 1921.

CHAPTER 397—H. F. No. 356.

An act to provide for the maintenance of school libraries.

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

Section 1. **Schools may provide libraries.**—Maintenance—Every school district may provide library facilities as part of its school equipment, according to the standards of the State Board of Education.

Sec. 2. **School board to vote funds.**—The school board of any school district may vote sufficient funds for the maintenance of the school library, appoint a librarian, and make rules for the use and management of the library.

Sec. 3. **Cities and villages may maintain libraries.**—In cities and villages of less than two thousand people, not levying a tax for public library purposes, the school board may maintain a public library for the use of all residents of the district, and provide ample and suitable rooms for its use in the school building.

Sec. 4. **State department of education to furnish list of books.**—The State Department of Education shall from time to time prepare and amend a list of books suitable for school libraries, including dictionaries and other books of reference, histories and

works of biography, literature, political economy, agriculture, travel and science.

Sec. 5. State to pay one-half.—Upon receiving from any district a certified statement, approved by the county superintendent showing the purchase of books specified and included in the list prepared under the foregoing section, the appointment of a librarian for each library and the making of proper provisions for the care thereof, and for the free circulation of books suitable for circulation, the State Commissioner of Education shall furnish such district a requisition on the state auditor for one-half the purchase price, within the limitations of section 7 of the Laws of 1921, relating to State Aid to Public Schools.

Sec. 6. School and village libraries may combine.—Any school board may contract with the board of any approved county, city or village library to become a branch of said public library and to receive therefrom library books suited to the needs of the pupils in the school and for the community, according to the standards established in the rules of the State Board of Education. In the event of such contract between the school board and the public library board, such school board may place in the public library such books belonging to the school library as may be more useful in the public library for students and the community, and such school board shall annually pay to such library board, the school library book fund and the state library aid to which such school district is entitled. All books purchased by such public library from funds provided by the school district or state school library aid shall be selected from the state list for school libraries.

In the event of the making of such contract, a librarian shall be employed who meets the standards of the State Board of Education and the school board and library board may jointly employ such librarian who may spend her time partly in the school and partly in the library.

Sec. 7. Laws repealed.—Sections 2949 and 2950 of the General Statutes of Minnesota, 1913, and section 10, chapter 296 of the Laws of 1915 and all other acts or portions of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Sec. 8. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 20, 1921.

CHAPTER 398—H. F. No. 1176.

An act to amend Section 16 of Chapter 133, Laws 1921, being an act entitled; "An act fixing and regulating the salaries, compensation, duties and help of certain county officials in counties hav-