It shall be the duty of the public examiner to prescribe uniform forms and methods of accounting to be used by agricultural societies and no such society shall be entitled to state aid under the provisions of this act unless it has complied with the orders and instructions of the public examiner with respect to the use of the accounting forms and methods so prescribed by the public examiner.

Any county or district agricultural society which may have held its second annual fair shall be entitled to share pro rata in such distribution. The state auditor shall certify to the secretary of the State Agricultural Society on or before January 5th of each year a list of all county or district agricultural societies that have complied with this act, and which are entitled to share in such appropriation. All payments hereunder shall be made on or before December 20th, on the year in which the fair is held, provided, however, that in determining the amount to be paid to any society or association under this section, the state auditor shall exclude all payments made by such society or associations as premiums or purses for, or in horse races, ball games and amusement features of any nature."

Approved April 16, 1929.

## CHAPTER 212-S. F. No. 459

An act making it unlawful to falsely charge any banking concern with actual or threatened insolvency, defining the crime of slander as pertaining thereto, terming the same a gross misdemeanor and prescribing the punishment therefor.

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

Section 1. Certain statements to be unlawful.—It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to falsely and maliciously state, utter, publish or cause to be falsely and maliciously stated, uttered, or published, any report, rumor or statement directly or indirectly tending to disclose that any bank, public or savings institution is in an existing or probable insolvent financial condition.

Sec. 2. Violation a gross misdemeanor.—Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of Section 1 hereof

shall be deemed guilty of a gross misdemeanor and shall be punished by imprisonment in the county jail of any county wherein such false, slanderous declarations are made or published, for a term of not less than 30 days nor more than 6 months or by a fine of not less than \$100.00 or both.

Sec. 3. This act shall be in force from and after its passage. Approved April 17, 1929.

## CHAPTER 213-S. F. No. 1193

An act relating to the disposition of dead fish in or upon the shores of public waters, and appropriating moneys therefor out of the Fish Lakes Improvement Revolving Fund created by Laws 1925, Chapter 408, as amended by Laws 1927, Chapter 437, and acts amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto.

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

Section 1. Disposition of dead fish.—Whenever fish which have died from any cause accumulate in any public waters which are accessible to the public or upon the shores of such waters so as to constitute a public nuisance or so as to be detrimental to game fish in such waters, it shall be the duty of the commission of game and fish, upon discovering the same or being informed thereof, to cause such fish to be removed and buried or otherwise disposed of.

Sec. 2. Appropriation.—As much as may be necessary of any moneys in the Fish Lakes Improvement Revolving Fund created by Laws 1925, Chapter 408, as amended by Laws 1927, Chapter 437, and acts amendatory thereof or supplementary thereto, not required for any other purpose for which the moneys of said fund are appropriated by said laws governing the same, is hereby appropriated for the purposes of this act in addition to the purposes for which said moneys are already appropriated as aforesaid, and said laws are hereby modified and amended so far as may be necessary to conform herewith.

Approved April 17, 1929.