Section 1. Certain banks may be depositaries.—In every case where a bank which is eligible under the provisions of General Laws 1927, Chapter 381, merges or consolidates with another bank under the charter of either, such consolidated bank shall, so long as all taxes levied and assessed against its shares under the laws of this state subsequent to such consolidation are paid as required by law, be eligible to receive deposits of public moneys under said act.

Approved April 19, 1929.

CHAPTER 263—H. F. No. 1222

An act providing for fidelity insurance of state officers and employes.

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

Section 1. State may take fidelity insurance.—The comptroller from time to time shall make surveys of each department or other agency of the state government to determine the employes in such department or agency whose fidelity should be assured by individual bond or fidelity insurance policy, and the amount of such bond or insurance necessary for each such employe, and shall submit a list thereof to the commission of administration and finance for its action thereon. The commission may approve in whole or in part and shall certify its action thereon to the directing head of each such department or agency, who shall require each of the employes so listed to give bond to the state in the amount indicated in such certificate. The commission in such certificate may direct that, in lieu of individual bonds so required, the directing head of any such department or agency shall procure and keep in effect a group insurance policy, in such aggregate amount as the commission shall direct, insuring the fidelity of such department employes in the respective amounts so required but subject to the usual provision for schedule substitution in case of change in personnel during the time the insurance is in effect. Such policy may cover also the subordinate officers of such department required by law to give bond to the state, and in the amount of such requirement. All policies and bonds issued under this act shall run to the state and after approval by the comptroller shall be filed with the secretary of state.

Sec. 2. Payment of premium.—Where fidelity insurance is effected in any department or agency under the provisions of this

act the premium therefor shall be paid out of the proper appropriation of such department, and such insurance shall be deemed full compliance with any provision of law requiring any such official or employe to give bond to the state for the faithful discharge of duty. If group insurance is provided covering the personnel of any department or agency all individual fidelity bonds covering such officers or employes theretofore bonded shall be canceled and a proportionate part of the premium paid therefor refunded.

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

Approved April 19, 1929.

CHAPTER 264-H. F. No. 185

An act to amend General Statutes 1923, Sections 10163, 10164 and 10165, relating to public dances.

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

Section 1. Issuance of permit.—That General Statutes 1923, Section 10163, be amended to read as follows:

"10163. In all cities, villages and boroughs of this state said permit must be procured from the governing body of the municipality provided however, that in any county within which there now exists a city having a population of 225,000 inhabitants or more, such permits may be issued only by the town board of the town within which such public dance is to be held except when said public dancing place is owned by the municipality and the dance to be given or held therein is to be given by and under the supervision of the public authorities of said municipality. In all other cases such permit must be procured from the county board of the county in which said public dance is to be held. Such permits may be issued for one or more public dances or for a period of time not exceeding one year, provided that in any case where a permit for one single dance is desired, the town board of the town where the dance is to be held shall have a right to grant the same, but any person owning or operating a dance pavilion or dance hall in any such town where dances are regularly held during the year or a part thereof, must make application for such dance permit to the county commissioners and