

Commander-in-chief may fix grades.

"The commander-in-chief may, from time to time fix the number and grade of brigade staff officers, regimental and company officers, non-commissioned officers and other enlisted men which shall constitute each organization of the national guard, now or hereafter authorized by law. Provided, the change is made to conform more closely to the number and grade of officers and enlisted men allowed by law, in time of peace, to similar organizations in the army of the United States; and, provided further, that unless so changed, said organization shall remain as now constituted under this act and the provisions of the Military Code."

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 6, 1902.

H. F. No. 107.

CHAPTER 35.

Seed grain loans.

An act to provide for extending the time of payment of seed grain loans obtained by farmers under and by virtue of chapter forty-two (42) of the General Laws of Nineteen Hundred One (1901).

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

Delinquent payments of loans of 1901.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the county auditor of each county wherein the crop of the year 1901 was partially or wholly destroyed by drouth, storms, floods or otherwise, and before the 20th day of March, A. D. 1902, to give notice to the respective persons who availed themselves of the benefits of chapter forty-two (42) of the General Laws of Nineteen Hundred One (1901), and who having failed to make payment of the amount due the county, and the persons receiving such notice, shall, on or before the first day of April, A. D. 1902, make out in duplicate an application duly subscribed and sworn to by him, and attested by two witnesses. Said application shall contain a true statement of the following facts: First, the number of acres seeded by him in the year 1901, and the number of bushels of each kind of grain raised by him during said year; second, the number of acres the applicant has plowed and prepared for seeding, the number of acres the applicant intends to have plowed and prepared for seeding before seeding time; third, that said applicant's crop was, in the year 1901, entirely or partially

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destroyed by drouth, storms, flood or otherwise; fourth, a true and full description of all real estate and personal property owned by the applicant, and whether encumbered, or otherwise, and also description of real estate upon which the party intends to crop in the year 1902.

County
auditor
may grant
extension.

SEC. 2. On receipt of such application, the county auditor of said county may grant an extension of time for the payment of the loan obtained by the applicant by virtue of the provisions of said chapter forty-two (42), until Nov. 15, 1902. Provided, that said extension shall not be granted until the applicant has signed a contract in duplicate form, to be acknowledged before said county auditor and attested by two witnesses, wherein said applicant, for and in consideration of the benefits of said chapter forty-two (42) received the sum of ——— dollars, from the said county as a loan for the purchase of seed grain; that said sum shall be a first lien upon all the crops of grain raised in the year 1902, by him, and in case of failure to pay the amount due on or before Nov. 15, 1902, with interest and costs, the same shall be levied by the county auditor of the proper county as a tax, the same to be collected as taxes against real and personal property are collected by virtue of the laws of this state, and that the applicant waives the benefits of any and all exemptions as to the tax to be levied for its payment, and that the county shall have a first lien on the land for which the seed grain is provided and upon the crops to be raised by him during the year 1902, to the extent of the amount of such loan.

Lien on
crops.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the county auditor, on granting such application, to file a duplicate of said application and contract in the office of the town clerk of the township in which said applicant resides at the time of making such application.

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

Approved March 11, 1902.