

by steam or other power, for the purpose of husking or shredding corn, or corn stalks unless the said machine shall be proved with reasonable safety devices approved by the commissioner of labor for the protection from accidents from the snapping rollers and husking rollers, and shall be so guarded that the person feeding said machine shall be compelled to stand at a reasonable safe distance from the snapping rollers.

Sec. 2. No person, firm or corporation shall use, operate or permit to be used or operated any such machine purchased prior to the passage and publication of this act, unless during all the time such machine shall be used and operated, it shall be in charge of a competent person, whose sole duty shall be to oversee and attend to the operating and use of the same.

Sec. 3. Any such person, firm or corporation, who shall violate any of the provisions of this act shall be punished by a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25) or more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for each offense.

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CHAPTER 355—H. F. No. 307. ^{C 355} 13 - - 235

An Act to establish and create a public park to be known and designated as the Fort Ridgely State Park, authorizing the purchase and condemnation of land for park purposes and appropriating money therefor.

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

Fort Ridgely state park.—Section 1. That the west half of the northeast quarter of section six, township one hundred eleven, north, range thirty-two, west, in the county of Nicollet and State of Minnesota, except a tract of land described as follows: Beginning at the southeast corner of the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of said section six, township one hundred eleven, north, range thirty-two west, Nicollet County, Minnesota, thence south six and fifty one-hundredths (6.50) chains; thence north seventy-nine degrees and thirty minutes (79 30') west, one and twenty-five hundredths (1.25) chains; thence north eight (8) chains; thence south seventy-nine degrees and thirty minutes (79 30') one and twenty hundredths (1.20) chains; thence south one and fifty-one hundredths (1.50) chains to place of beginning, containing one acre of land.

Also the east half of the northeast quarter of section six, township one hundred eleven, north, range thirty-two, west, in county of Nicollet and State of Minnesota, except a tract of land therein

known and designated as the Fort Ridgely cemetery association cemetery according to the plat of said cemetery on file and of record in the office of the register of deeds in and for Nicollet county, Minnesota, or so much thereof as the State of Minnesota is now or may hereafter become seized, shall be and hereby is set apart perpetually as a public park.

To be dedicated to the use of the people of the state.—Sec. 2. The name of said park shall be Fort Ridgely state park and the same is by this act dedicated to the perpetual use of the people of the State of Minnesota, under the proper restrictions herein provided or which may hereafter be provided by law.

Under care of state auditor.—Sec. 3. The general care, improvement and supervision of the Fort Ridgely state park, until otherwise provided for, shall be vested in the state auditor, acting as state land commissioner.

Proceeding by attorney general.—Sec. 4. The attorney general is hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary steps to procure from the parties owning land within the limits of said Fort Ridgely state park, concessions or any conveyances thereof to the State of Minnesota, for park purposes and pay therefor such reasonable consideration as may be agreed upon, subject to the approval of the governor of this state. In case any tract of land within the limits of said park cannot be secured upon satisfactory terms, the attorney general is hereby authorized to institute for and in behalf of the state proceedings in condemnation as provided by law for condemning and converting private property within this state to public use.

Destroying or mutilating trees a misdemeanor.—Sec. 5. Any person who shall wilfully cut, destroy or mutilate or cause to be cut, destroyed or mutilated, any tree, shrub, timber, evergreen, or ornamental plant of any kind in said park, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof by any court having competent jurisdiction, shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten dollars and not more than one hundred dollars for each offense or be imprisoned in the county jail of Nicollet county, Minnesota, for not less than ten days or more than ninety days for each and every such offense.

\$5,000 appropriated.—Sec. 6. To carry out the provisions of this act there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of five thousand dollars, to be drawn on the order of the attorney general of this state.

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