votes, the same to be determined by the average vote received by such of its candidates as were not endorsed by any other party; and, in case all of the state candidates of any political party were indorsed or renominated by another party, the position of the candidates of either such nominating or endorsing party shall be determined by taking the average vote of its candidates at the last preceding election wherein they were not so endorsed. In like manner the second and succeeding lines shall be filled with the names of candidates of the other political parties receiving respectively the highest number of votes.

When the surnames of two or more candidates for the same office are the same, each such candidate shall have added thereto not to exceed three words, indicating his occupation and residence, and upon such candidate furnishing to the officer preparing the official ballot such words, they shall be printed on the ballot with and as are the names of the candidates and immediately after his name.

Approved April 10, 1915.

CHAPTER 103-S. F. No. 403.

An Act to authorize the county commissioners of certain counties to issue and negotiate bonds for the purpose of paying the floating indebtedness of such counties.

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

Section 1. County boards may issue bonds to take up outstanding floating indebtedness.—The county board of any county in this state may issue and negotiate the bonds of said county to take up the outstanding floating indebtedness thereof now existing. Provided, that the bonds so issued shall be made payable as follows:

One-fifth on December first, 1916; one-fifth on December first, 1917; one-fifth on December first, 1918; one-fifth on December first, 1919; one-fifth on December first, 1920; and shall not bear a higher rate of interest than five per cent (5%) and shall not be sold for less than par and accrued interest from date of issue.

Sec. 2. Levying of taxes for payment of bonds.—The county board of any county in this state that shall have issued and negotiated the bonds of any such county under the provisions of Section 1 of this act, shall levy annually in addition to all other taxes a tax sufficient to pay the annual interest due on said bonds and to pay the bond maturing on the first of December of the following year, which taxes shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as the general taxes are collected. Provided that no such bonds shall be issued unless the county

board of the county issuing such bonds shall pass a resolution authorizing the issuance thereof under this act within ninety days after the passage and approval of this act.

Approved April 10, 1915.

CHAPTER 104—S. F. No. 323.

An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the election and term of county commissioners in all counties in the state of Minnesota, now, or hereafter having a population of over two hundred thousand, and not over three hundred thousand inhabitants, and to repeal all inconsistent acts.

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

Section 1. County commissioners for Ramsey county to be elected in 1918 and each four years thereafter.—That in all counties in the State of Minnesota, now, or hereafter having a population of over two hundred thousand and not over three hundred thousand population, the county commissioners to which any such county is entitled by law, shall be elected at the general election for county officers to be held in the year A. D. 1918, and each four years thereafter, and their terms of office shall be for four years and until their successors are elected and qualified.

- Sec. 2. Present commissioners to hold until successors are elected in 1918.—The terms of office of all county commissioners now in office in any county embraced in Section one of this act, shall continue until their successors are elected at the general election in the year 1918, and until such successors qualify as provided by law.
- Sec. 3. Inconsistent acts repealed.—All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.
- Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 10, 1915.

CHAPTER 105—S. F. No. 170.

An Act defining as larceny certain acts of contractors and sub-contractors on improvements to real estate.

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

Section 1. Defrauding contractor on improvement of real estate to be deemed guilty of larceny.—That any contractor or subcontractor on any improvement to real estate within the meaning of Section 7020, General Statutes 1913, who, with intent to de-