for benefits.except that such assessment may be spread over a term of three years if so requested when certified, and shall become a lien upon said property until paid.

Sec. 2. Penalty for failure to make connection.—Any person who shall in any way interfere with the carrying out of the provisions of this act shall be, when convicted subject to punishment by a fine of not less than twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars nor more than one hundred (\$100) dollars, or to imprisonment in the county jail for not more than three months or by both fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the trial court.

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

Approved April 12, 1917.

CHAPTER 204-S. F. No. 480.

An act to amend Section 5897 of the General Statutes of Minnesota 1913, relating to the time of maturity of negotiable instruments falling due or becoming payable on Saturday or a holiday.

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

Section 1. Payment of negotiable instruments when falling due on holidays or Saturdays.—That section 5897 of the General Statutes of Minnesota 1913, be amended so as to read as follows:

5897. Every negotiable instrument is payable at the time fixed therein without grace. When the day of maturity falls upon Sunday, or a holiday, the instrument is payable on the next succeeding business day. Instruments falling due or becoming payable on Saturday are to be presented for payment on the next succeeding business day, except that instruments payable on demand may, at the option of the holder, be presented for payment before twelve o'clock noon on Saturday when that entire day is not a holiday; and if presented after 12 o'clock noon on Saturday when that entire day is not a holiday may at the option of the payor be then paid.

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

Approved April 12, 1917.

CHAPTER 205---S. F. No. 864.

An act to amend Section 3, of Chapter 148, of the General Laws of 1887, as amended by Section 1. of Chapter. 166, of the General Laws of 1899, as amended by Section 1, of Chapter 222, of the General Laws of 1905, as amended by Section 1, of Chapter 259, of the General Laws of 1915, for the relief of honorably discharged indigent ex-soldiers, sailors and marines, and permitting the admission of wives, widows and mothers of soldiers to the soldiers' home.

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

Section 1. Limitation on admission of wives and widows of soldiers to Minnesota soldiers' home.—That section 3 of chapter 148 of the General Laws of 1887 as amended by section 1 of chapter 166 of the General Laws of 1899, as amended by section 1 of chapter 222 of the General Laws of 1905, as amended by section 1, of chapter 259, of the General Laws of 1915, for the relief of honorably discharged indigent ex-soldiers, sailors and marines, be amended so as to read as follows:

Section 3. The object of the soldiers' home shall be to provide a home for all honorably discharged ex-soldiers, sailors and marines, who served in the army or navy of the United States during the war of the rebellion, or the Mexican war, or in the war begun in the year 1898 between the Kingdom of Spain and the United States, or the Philippine Insurrection, or the Boxer Rebellion, who now are or may hereafter become citizens of the State of Minnesota, who, by reason of wounds, disease, old age or infirmities are unable to earn their living, and who have no adequate means of support. No applicant shall be admitted to the soldiers' home who has not been a resident of the State of Minnesota for one year next proceeding the time of making his application, unless he served in a Minnesota regiment, or was accredited to the State of Minnesota. All persons who are otherwise entitled under the provisions of this section to admission to said soldiers' home, who actually served in any campaign against the Indians in Minnesota, in the year 1862 shall be entitled to admission to such soldiers' home, notwithstanding such persons were not regularly enlisted, mustered into or discharged from the military service of the United States.

The board of trustees are hereby authorized to admit wives with their husbands, and the widows or mothers of those who are, or if living, would be, eligible to admission under this act, but no wife or widow shall be admitted unless she shall have been married to her soldier husband prior to the year 1905, and no wife or widow of any honorably discharged ex-soldiers, sailors and marines, who served in the army or navy of the United States in the war begun in the year 1898 between the Kingdom of Spain and the United States, or the Philippine Insurrection, . or the Boxer Rebellion, shall be admitted unless she shall have been married to her soldier husband prior to the year 1916, and then only in the event that by reason of physical disabilities, infirmities or old age she is unable to support herself and has no other adequate means of support; and no wife, widow or mother

shall be admitted unless she shall have been a resident of the State of Minnesota no less than, five (5) years next preceding the date of her application, and no wife, widow or mother shall be admitted unless she shall have attained the age of 55 years at the time of making such application. Provided, however, that in case any such wife, widow or mother who had previously been a resident of Minnesota for not less than ten years, and who has lost her residence in this state by removal therefrom for the benefit of her health or the health of her husband or son. and who has returned to this state for the purpose of making it . her home, may be admitted to said soldiers' home after having been a resident of this state for not less than one year next preceding the date of her application, provided such applicant is otherwise eligible to admission under the provisions of this section, and provided further, that all soldiers of the Minnesota National Guard who heretofore or hereafter may lose an arm or leg or his sight, or may become permanently disabled from any cause while in the line and discharge of duty, and are not able to support themselves, may be admitted to the home under such rules and regulations as the board of trustees may adopt, and any soldier of the Minnesota National Guard suffering from illness or injury sustained from any cause in the line and dis-

charge of military duty, shall be admitted to the soldiers' home hospital for medical treatment and hospital service until recovery from such illness or injury, under such rules and regulations as the board of trustees may adopt."

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

Approved April 12, 1917.

CHAPTER 206-H. F. No. 232.

An act to amend Section 880, General Statules of Minnesota 1913, relating to the clerk hire in county treasurer's office in counties of this state.

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

Section 1. Clerk hire for county treasurer of Goodhue county.—That section 880 of the General Statutes of Minnesota 1913, be amended so that said section shall read as follows:

Section 880. In each county of this state having an area of less than 2,500 square miles and which now has or may hereafter have an assessed valuation of more than fourteen million dollars (\$14,000,000) and less than thirty-five million dollars (\$35,000,000) according to the assessment of the last preceding year the county treasurer shall be allowed for clerk hire onetwelfth of one mill for each dollar of such assessed valuation.