of the road overseers of each organized township, and the mayor of president of the council of each municipality, to give the notices provided for in this chapter, and cause the provisions, hereof to be enforced. He shall inspect or cause to be inspected every public highway, street and alley within his district, or municipality, as the case may be, as soon as may be, and not later than ten days after the time herein fixed for cutting or destroying of the weeds and grasses herein mentioned, and shall cause written notice to be served upon all persons or corporations not complying with the provisions of this chapter to comply with the provisions thereof and to cut the grasses and weeds herein specified, within six days after such notice is served.

Sec. 3. Service on occupant or owner and how made on non residents.—Section 5170. Such service shall be upon the occupant, if any there be, otherwise upon the owner or person in charge of the land, and shall be personal and by copy wherever practicable. If there be no person within the county upon whom service can properly be made, of which the certificate of the officer serving such notice shall be prima facie evidence, then notice shall be sent by mail, postage prepaid, to the person who last paid tax upon the land, the name and address of such tax payer to be furnished by the county treasurer of the county in which such land is located.

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

Approved April 14, 1917.

## CHAPTER 230-H. F. No. 492.

An act to amend Section 3975. General Statutes, of the State of Minnesota for the year 1913, relating to the exemption of certain persons from paying a peddler's license fee. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Soldiers, sailors and marines permitted to peddle without license.—That section 3975. General Statutes of Minnesota of 1913, he amended so as to read as follows:

3975. No license fee or other charge shall be required of any honorably discharged soldier, sailor or marine who served the United States in the Civil War, in the Spanish-American War, in the Phillipino Rebellion or in the Boxer Uprising, for the privilege of hawking or peddling goods and merchandise, not prohibited by law or ordinance, solely on his account. Upon application therefor, accompanied by proof of such discharge, to any clerk or other officer authorized to issue such license, the same shall forthwith be granted. Every violation hereof shall be deemed a misdemeanor, the minimum punishment whereof shall be a fine of ten dollars.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect from and after its approval. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved April 14, 1917.

## CHAPTER 231-H. F. No. 1182:

An act to amend Section 8697, General Statutes, 1913, by eliminating therefrom the word "bastard."

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

Section 1. Punishment for concealing birth of causing death of child and the elimination of the word "bastard" from the statutes.—Section 8697, General Statutes, 1913, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

8697. Every person who shall endeavor to conceal the birth of a child by any disposition of its dead body, whether the child died before or after its birth, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor; and every woman who, having been convicted of endeavoring to conceal the still-birth of any issue of her body, which if born alive would be illegitimate, or the death of such issue under the age of two years, shall, subsequent to such conviction, endeavor to conceal any such birth or death, shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than five years.

Approved April 14, 1917.

## CHAPTER 232-H. F. No. 1184.

An act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 314, Laws 1913, being Section 6550, General Statutes, 1913, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 61, Laws 1915, so as to take away certain power therein granted to parents to assign the custody of their children to certain corporations.

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

Section 1. Powers granted to certain corporations in the custody, care, and supervision of the welfare of children.—Section 2 of Chapter 314, Laws 1913, being section 6550, General Statutes, 1913, as amended by section 2, chapter 61, Laws 1915, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 2. The persons so executing said certificate and their successors shall thereupon become a corporation by the name specified therein with all the powers of a common law corporation. It may sue and be sued by its corporate name, have perpetual succession, adopt a corporate seal, and change the same at pleasure. It may in its corporate name acquire and