CHAPTER 277-S. F. No. 407.

An act to amend Section 3081, Revised Laws 1905, as amended by Chapter 381; Laws of 1911; relating to the management of the affairs of the state agricultural society, the time and place of holding its annual meeting and the election of officers of said society.

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

Section 1. Annual meeting of state agricultural society to be held on second Wednesday in January.—That section 3081, Revised Laws 1905, as amended by section 2 of chapter 381, Laws 1911, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

The management and control of its affairs shall be vested in its president; two vice-presidents, and six other managers, to be known as its governing board, all of whom shall be citizens of this state, and any five thereof shall constitute a quorum. The annual meeting of such society shall be held at such place in St. Paul or Minneapolis or upon the state fair grounds as the governing board may select beginning the second Wednesday in January. It shall continue until the following Friday on which day a president shall be elected for the term of one year, one vice-president for a term of two years, and two managers for terms of three years each. The present members of governing board and the secretary and treasurer shall serve until the expiration of the terms for which they have been elected. Vacancies shall be filled by the governing. board. Any person appointed to fill a vacancy shall hold office until the next annual meeting of the society which shall select a successor to serve out the unexpired term.

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

Approved April 17, 1917.

CHAPTER 278—S. F. No. 585.

An act authorizing the board of control of state institutions to insure state property at the state prison, at Stillwater, Minnesota.

WHEREAS, the value of the stock of hemp, sisal, twine and materials at the state prison at Stillwater which might be damaged by fire, averages the sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars, (\$1,500,000.00), and the value of like materials for the manufacture of farm machinery and stock thereon on hand averages the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, (\$250,000.00) and the value of all materials and stock on

hand rises at times as high as three million two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, (\$3,250,000.00) and at the present time the total insurance thereon is carried by the state at its own risk and there is provided for all of the buildings and property of the state at the state prison state insurance in the sum of one million one hundred thousand and two hundred dollars, (\$1,100,200.00) and good public policy seems to require that part of such risk be insured against in reliable insurance companies.

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

Section 1. State board of control authorized to insure state property at Stillwater and to pay premiums from revolving fund.—The board of control of state institutions is hereby authorized and empowered in their discretion to insure the State of Minnesota against loss by fire or tornado all or any part of the State property known as the State Prison at Stillwater in any insurance companies authorized to do business in this State, in such amount from time to time as such board may determine, and to pay the premiums for all such insurance in the same manner as other expenses of said state prison and to deduct the same from the revolving fund of said institution.

Sec. 2. How diminished.—Immediately upon procuring any such insurance the state board of control shall give notice thereof to the commissioner of insurance of this state, stating the amount of each policy and containing a description of the property insured thereby, and thereupon such commissioner shall notify the state treasurer thereof. Thereupon the state insurance carried upon such property by virtue of section 3251, General Statutes of 1913, as amended by chapter 99, General Laws of 1915, shall be diminished in an amount equal to such insurance procured by the state board of control and the premiums charged by the state of Minnesota to the account of said state prison shall be accordingly reduced.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 17, 1917.

CHAPTER 279-H. F. No. 52.

An act to amend Chapter 345 of the General Laws of 1899, as amended by Chapter 25 of the General Laws for 1901 entitled an act for the free education of certain students of the university of Minnesota who enlisted in the United States army, navy or marine corps for the war of 1898 between the United States of America and the Kingdom of Spain or is a veteran of the late civil war and to provide for refunding certain tuition already paid.