

the state such labor and employment as may be adapted to their respective training and capacity, and shall, so far as may be feasible, aid said adults in securing any provisions which may be made by the school for the blind for the betterment of their lot.

Said agency shall further be empowered to aid the blind (1) by home instruction and training, (2) by assisting them in securing tools, appliances and supplies, (3) by aiding in marketing the products of their labors, (4) by care and relief for the indigent blind, and in any other practicable means of alleviating their condition.

Sec. 5. Expenses to be paid out of appropriation for current expenses and act not to apply to certain counties.—Section 4153, General Statutes, 1913, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

4153. *The state board of control is hereby authorized to defray the necessary expenses of the aforesaid agency from the appropriation for the current expenses of said board; provided, that in any county of this state, nor or hereafter having a population of over one hundred fifty thousand (150,000) inhabitants and an assessed valuation of over two hundred fifty million dollars (\$250,000,000) exclusive of money and credits, the county board of said county is authorized to defray part or all of the necessary expenses of maintaining said agency and its work within said county from the general revenue fund of said county, not exceeding the sum of twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200), in any one year, said expenses to be paid as other claims against said county are paid.*

Sec. 6. Certain sections repealed.—Sections 4144, 4145 and 4149, General Statutes, 1913, are hereby repealed.

Sec. 7. This bill shall take effect and be in force from and after July 31, 1917.

Approved April 17, 1917.

CHAPTER 347—H. F. No. 1245.

An act to amend Subdivision 8 of Section 696, General Statutes 1913, relating to appropriations by the county board to agricultural societies and farm improvement associations.

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

Section 1. County boards authorized to appropriate not to exceed \$100 annually for county agricultural society, farm improvement associations, etc.—That sub-division 8, of section 696 General Statutes 1913, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

8. To appropriate to any county agricultural society of its

county, which is a member of the State Agricultural Society, or to any farm improvement association organized by the citizens of two or more counties jointly for the purpose of advancing the agricultural interest of each of such counties, a sum of money not exceeding five hundred dollars, annually, provided, that in any county in which two county agricultural societies are members of the State Agricultural Society any appropriation so made shall be divided equally between them.

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

Approved April 17, 1917.

CHAPTER 348—S. F. No. 716.

An act making it unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to pay employes, salary or wages earned by any instrument other than one negotiable.

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

Section 1. **Payment of salary or wages earned by non-negotiable instruments unlawful and penalty for same.**—It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation other than public service corporations to issue to any employee in lieu of or in payment of any salary or wages earned by such employee, a non-negotiable time check or order. Any person, firm or corporation so issuing a non-negotiable instrument in lieu of or in payment of such salary or wages earned, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

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

Approved April 17, 1917.

CHAPTER 349—S. F. No. 783.

An act to authorize any city in this state of over 50,000 inhabitants to issue and sell its bonds for the purpose of constructing bridges across navigable streams running through such city.

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

Section 1. **Minneapolis authorized to issue \$100,000 bridge bonds.**—Any city in this state now or hereafter having over 50,000 inhabitants and not governed under a charter adopted pursuant to section 36, article 4, of the State Constitution, may, by resolution adopted by the affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of all the members elect of its city council, issue and sell bonds of such city to the amount of one hundred thousand dollars in par value, for the purpose of constructing con-