

and in all things continue to be governed by such general or special laws; *except that the provisions of the General Statutes 1913 and any acts amendatory thereof or supplemental thereto relating to elections in villages, and of chapter 10 of such General Statutes 1913 and any acts amendatory thereof or supplemental thereto relating to indebtedness of villages, shall apply to and govern all such villages organized under any general law:* Provided, that any village or borough of either class, having the requisite population, may reorganize as a city in the mode hereinafter prescribed.

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

Approved April 20, 1917.

CHAPTER 356—S. F. No. 68.

An act to provide for evening schools, where necessary, for adult persons.

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

Section 1. **Public evening schools for adults.**—The school board of any common or consolidated school district or the school board of for unorganized territory may establish and maintain public evening schools as a branch of the public schools, and such evening schools when so maintained shall be available to all persons over sixteen years of age who, from any cause, are unable to attend the public school of such district; and the branches taught at such evening schools and the general conduct thereof shall be subject to the direction and control of the state superintendent of education.

Sec. 2. **Investigations by state superintendent.**—The state superintendent of education is hereby authorized and directed to make such investigations as may be necessary to advance the purposes of this act and to carry out the provisions thereof, and to that end he may appoint such additional assistants as may be necessary.

Sec. 3. **Payment of salaries.**—One-half the salary of all teachers who teach in evening schools in common, independent, or consolidated school districts shall be paid by the state, as appropriations are made by the legislature for that purpose which payment shall be made upon verified statements of account presented by the respective school districts and approved by the local superintendent of schools in all districts maintaining a state high school, or by the county superintendent of schools in the case of districts which do not maintain such state high schools.

Approved April 19, 1917.