CHAPTER 440—S. F. No. 1026.

An act to appropriate money for maintenance of public parks and for additions thereto; for the creation of new parks; for the establishment and maintenance of fish hatcheries and various other semi-state activities, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Appropriations for parks, fish hatcheries and other semi-state activities.—The sums hereinafter named, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby appropriated from any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated; for the purposes specified in the following sections of this act, to be available, where not otherwise stated, for each of the fiscal years ending July 31, 1918, and July 31, 1919.

Sec. 3. Fish Hatcheries:

1. St. Paul Hatchery, for maintenance $ 8,000.00
   For grading and filling, 1918 only 1,000.00
   For addition to residence of Supt. 1919 only 1,000.00
2. Lake Superior Hatchery, site, dam and building, 1918 only 15,000.00
3. Glenwood Hatchery, for maintenance 7,000.00
   For bass ponds, for 1917 only 1,000.00
4. Detroit Hatchery, for maintenance 4,000.00
   For cottage, 1918 only 2,500.00
5. Granite Falls Hatchery, for maintenance 1,000.00
6. For disposing of dead fish on shores of Heron Lake, Minnesota, available immediately 3,000.00

Sec. 4. Agricultural, live stock and poultry societies and associations:

1. Minnesota state agricultural society, for maintenance and repairs $ 25,000.00
   For repairing grandstand and approaches 1918 only 20,000.00
2. County and district agricultural societies, to be paid out pursuant to the provisions of section 6516, G. S. 1913, and acts amendatory thereof, to be paid out for premiums on exhibits only to county and district agricultural fairs held during the year last preceding 100,000.00
3. Minnesota live stock breeders association, for aid 5,000.00
4. State Dairymen's association, for publishing reports and information on the work of the society 4,000.00
5. Minnesota crop improvement association, for aid 3,000.00
6. State horticultural society, for aid

7. Poultry associations, to aid in the payment of premiums at exhibitions of poultry by the following societies: Cannon Valley Agricultural & Poultry Association; Pine County Poultry Association; Chisago County Poultry Association; Grant County Poultry Association of Herman; Plainview Poultry Association; The Minnesota State Poultry Association; The Northern Minnesota Poultry Association; The Duluth Poultry Association; Southeastern Minnesota Poultry Association; The Douglas County Poultry Association; The Kandiyohi County Poultry Association; The Lake County Poultry Association; The Winona County Poultry Association; The Mower County Poultry Association; The Renville County Poultry Association; The Range Poultry Association; The Cokato Poultry Association of Cokato, Minn.; The McLeod County Poultry Association; The Southern Minnesota Poultry & Fanciers Association of Albert Lea; The Cannon Valley Poultry Association of Faribault; The Central Minnesota Poultry Association of St. Cloud, Minn.; Fairmont Poultry Association, Fairmont, Minnesota; The Boys & Girls Agricultural Fair & Poultry Association of Oak Center, Minn.; The Chippewa County Poultry Association of Montevideo; The Otter Tail County Poultry Association; The Southwestern Minnesota Poultry & Pet Stock Association, Windom, Minnesota; Jackson County Poultry Association, Lakefield, Minnesota; Houston County Poultry Association; Fillmore County Poultry Association; Redwood County Poultry Association; Brown County Poultry Association; Wright County Poultry Association, Buffalo, Minn.; Meeker County Poultry Association, Litchfield, Minn.; Lac qui Parle County Poultry Association; Beltrami County Poultry Association; Koochiching County Poultry Association; Minnesota Fanciers Association; Lake Region Poultry Association, Pine River; Cass County Poultry Association, Pillager; Carlton County Poultry Association;
tion; The Breeders & Fanciers Association, Mankato; the Amboy Poultry Association; The Washington County Poultry Association; The Dodge County Poultry Association; The Anoka County Poultry Association; The Isanti County Poultry Association; The Pennington County Poultry Association of Thief River Falls, Aitkin County Poultry Association, Yellow Medicine County Poultry Association, Pope County Poultry Association, Itasca County Poultry Association, Hastings Poultry Association, and Crow Wing County Poultry Association 15,000.00

Provided, that no one association or society shall receive an amount greater than the annual premium paid to exhibitors by them, and shall not in any case exceed the sum of four hundred dollars ($400.00) to any one county. Provided further, that any society or association to be entitled to their distributive share of this appropriation shall file annually with the state auditor, on or before the 1st day of March of each year, a sworn statement signed by the president or secretary of such association or society, showing the amount of cash premiums paid during the year to exhibitors, and the amount to be distributed to such society or association from said fund shall be based and determined upon the amount of cash premiums paid out as hereinbefore provided.

Sec. 6. Miscellaneous funds:
1. For Farmers Institutes, for maintenance, $1,000.00 of which shall be for salary of O. C. Gregg pursuant to provisions of section 2990 to 2993 inclusive, G. S. 1913 16,000.00
2. For aid to fire departments 135,000.00
3. For publishing laws in legal newspapers of the state, available for the year ending July 31, 1917 50,000.00
4. For purchase of Minnesota reports, as provided by law 3,200.00
5. For mileage and per diem of sheriffs, for conveying prisoners to state prison and state reformatory, as provided by law 7,500.00
6. For registers and receivers of U. S. Land offices .......................... 400.00
7. For vessel tonnage tax ........................................... 10,000.00
8. For state insurance fund ........................................ 70,000.00
9. For burial of soldiers and sailors and markers for their graves, as provided by law 7,500.00
11. For state historical society, for maintenance .......................... 25,000.00
12. For payment of pensions to Indian war veterans, as provided by law .................. 30,000.00
13. Board of law examiners, for disbarment proceedings, under section 4961, G. S. 1913 1,000.00
14. For society for prevention of cruelty, for aid .......................... 4,500.00
15. Fees, public land collections .................................... 50.00

Sec. 7. Grand Army of the Republic:
1. Minnesota department, G. A. R. maintenance of headquarters .......................... 1,000.00
2. Ladies of the G. A. R: caring for veterans of civil war, their wives and widows at Anoka cottage .......................... 3,500.00
3. For the purpose of transporting from Minnesota to Vicksburg, Mississippi and return, and caring for and subsisting en route, all honorably discharged union and confederate survivors of the Civil war, now residents of Minnesota, who may make the trip, together with the governor and his staff, and a suitable drum corps, or band,—to attend the "National Memorial Reunion and Peace Jubilee" of union and confederate veteran survivors of the Civil war, irrespective of campaign or service in which said veterans participated, to be held in the National Military Park at Vicksburg, Mississippi, October 16th to 19th, 1917, and for incidental expenses connected therewith, available for the fiscal year ending July 31, 1918, so much as may be necessary of ........................................... 25,000.00

Said appropriation shall be dispersed for the purposes above mentioned by a commission, consisting of the present commander of the department of Minnesota, Grand Army of the Republic, together with his successor in that office, and the assistant adjutant general of said department, which commission shall be known as the "National
Memorial Reunion and Peace Jubilee Commission for Minnesota, and such commission shall make all necessary rules, regulations and arrangements necessary for the trip to and from such reunion, and shall determine what persons are eligible and entitled to the benefits of this act, and is authorized by said name, from time to time, to make requisitions on the state auditor for warrants on the state treasurer, for such portions of said appropriation as may be necessary for said purposes; provided that no member of said commission shall receive any compensation for his services in connection with the duties herein specified and that not more than $75.00 shall be dispersed for the benefit of any single person entitled to make, and making, said trip.

The state treasurer shall pay all warrants so made upon him by the state auditor out of said appropriation, and any portion of the latter remaining after said commission shall have made its report, as next herein-after directed, shall be returned to the fund from which this appropriation is made.

Said commission shall make a full report of its doings to the governor, when the disbursements herein authorized have been made, and shall accompany with the same with vouchers, specifying, with reasonable particularity, the various purposes for which the same have been used.

Sec. 8. Drainage.

1. For the final completion of the deepening, widening, straightening, opening of the channel of the Roseau River, including bridges, made necessary by the construction of said ditch between Roseau Lake and international boundary, for the year ending July 31, 1918, only...

Sec. 9. Inheritance taxes.

For the payment of inheritance taxes to the several counties, as provided by law, available immediately...

Sec. 13. Peat land experiments.

For the leasing or otherwise securing for experimental purposes three tracts of land having a
peat soil, the same to be not less than 10 acres nor more than 40 acres, one situated in either Beltrami county or some county west of it, another in either Koochiching, Itasca or Aitkin county or in some county east of these, and the third in the southern half of the state. The supervision of experiments on peat lands is to be under the direct charge of experimental schools or stations of the department of agriculture of the university situated nearest the three tracts that are secured for this purpose.

Approved April 23, 1917.

CHAPTER 441—H. F. No. 1214.

An act to amend Chapter 44 of the General Statutes of Minnesota for 1913, relating to drainage by adding thereto certain sections to be known as Sections 5481-A, 5481-B, 5552-A, 5552-B, and 5672-A, and to amend Sections 5523, 5525, 5526, 5527, 5530, 5534, 5536, 5537, 5541, 5542, 5551, 5571, 5605, 5672 and 5703, all of said sections relating to public ditches and the drainage of lands, assessments of damages and benefits resulting therefrom, defining the duties of the state drainage commission, engineers and state and county officials so far as the same relates to drainage and drainage ditches, providing for appeals in certain cases and for the cost of construction of bridges over such ditches under certain conditions.

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

Section 1. Powers of state drainage commission and procedure of engineers.—Amend chapter 44 of the General Statutes of Minnesota for the year 1913, relating to drainage, by adding after section 5481 a new section to be known as section 5481-A, as follows:

5481-A. The state drainage commission of the state of Minnesota is hereby authorized and empowered and it shall be its duty to prescribe rules and regulations for the establishment and construction of drainage projects under any and all of the drainage laws of the state in accordance with what may seem to said commission to be just and proper and consistent with the provisions of law governing ditch proceedings and such commission shall furnish copies of said rules and regulations for the use of engineers, county officials and others engaged in such work, but said rules and regulations shall be construed to be advisory only.