

3. For laboratory equipment available for the year ending July 31, 1919..... 2,000.00
- Sec. 13. Adjutant general.
1. For maintenance 2,800.00
- Sec. 14. State librarian.
1. For maintenance 300.00
 Provided, that the stenographer and clerk to the librarian shall be paid the annual salary of \$1,200 per year.
- Sec. 15. State surveyor general of logs and lumber.
1. For maintenance available for the year ending July 31, 1919 8,000.00
2. For maintenance 10,000.00
- Sec. 16. Department of agriculture.
1. For maintenance under the provisions of H. F. 803, available for the year ending July 31, 1919..... 10,000.00
2. For maintenance under the provisions of H. F. 803 25,000.00
- Sec. 17. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.
 Approved April 25, 1919.

CHAPTER 468—S. F. No. 115.

An act to amend Section 4256 of the General Statutes of 1913, relating to road crossings over railroads.

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

Section 1. Construction of road crossings over railroads.—

Section 4256 of the General Statutes of 1913 be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

Section 4256. Every such company shall construct and maintain in good repair and free from snow or other obstruction, wherever any of its lines shall cross a public road, sufficient crossings, consisting of:

1. Sufficient grades, sixteen feet in width on each side of the center of such road, and of such slope as may be deemed necessary by the officers having charge of the public road;

2. A plank covering of the same width, securely spiked, extending the full length of the ties, the planks not more than one inch apart, *the flangeways between the planking and the rails not more than two and one-half inches in width, the surface of the planking on a level with the top of the rails; the flangeway edge of the plank*

in any such crossing hereafter built, shall be suitably faced or otherwise protected with metal, and whenever any existing crossing is rebuilt or the flangeway planks thereof are renewed, the flangeway edge of such planks shall be similarly faced or protected by metal.

3. In municipalities such grades and planking shall extend the full width of the street, or of that part thereof graded or used for travel, and like planking shall be placed between all tracks which are not more than fifteen feet apart, and a suitable sidewalk shall be constructed by said company to connect with and correspond to said walks constructed and installed by the municipality or by owners of abutting property, but cement or concrete construction shall not be required in track space actually occupied by the railroad ties if some substantial and suitable sidewalk material is used in lieu thereof. In case of roads newly established, such crossings shall be constructed within thirty days after the service on the nearest station agent or section foreman of such company of a notice, signed by the proper officer or officers having charge of such road, that such crossing is required.

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

Approved April 25, 1919.

CHAPTER 469—S. F. No. 156.

An act to empower any cities of the third and fourth classes in the state of Minnesota, whether existing under a special or general law, or under a home rule charter, to prescribe reasonable rates under which public service corporations supplying gas or current for electric lighting or power purposes and occupying the streets and public places of any such city may operate within any such city.

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

Section 1. Rates for gas or electric current to be prescribed by city council.—That in addition to all other powers now conferred upon any cities of the third and fourth classes in the state of Minnesota, whether existing under a general or special law or under a home rule charter, any such city is hereby authorized and empowered, through its city council or like governing body, by ordinance, to prescribe from time to time the rates which any public service corporation supplying gas or electric current for lighting or power purposes within said city may charge for such service. Provided, that nothing herein shall be construed to impair the obligation of any contract or franchise provision now existing between any such city and any such public service corporation. It shall be the right and duty of any such council or governing body to prescribe a rate which shall permit any such corporation to make a reasonable return on the