In addition to said salary the actual compensation for clerk hire in the office of said judge of probate shall not exceed \$5,000.00 per annum, of which sum \$1,800.00 shall be paid for the salary of the clerk of probate; \$1,200.00 shall be paid for the salary of the deputy clerk of probate; the balance of said sum, \$5,000.00, may be paid for additional clerical and stenographic help upon an application and showing by the judge of probate to the county board; all of said salaries shall be paid in equal monthly installments out of the county treasury of such counties upon the warrants of the county auditor.

Provided, however, that any additional clerk hire that is allowed by the county board shall be paid out of the county treasury upon the certificate of the judge of probate. Provided further that in case the county board of any county shall refuse to allow such additional clerk hire as may be necessary, the probate judge may appeal to the district court within thirty days by filing with the county auditor a notice thereof. The district court, either in term or vacation and upon eight days notice to the chairman of the county board, shall hear such appeal and summarily determine the amount of compensation needed for such additional clerk hire for the term of office by an order, a copy of which shall be filed with the county auditor.

Sec. 3. Census to govern.—Whenever according to the then last state or national census the population of any county of this state, which now has a population of less than twenty nine thousand inhabitants, shall acquire not less than that number, such county shall at once become subject to the provisions of this act, and whenever, according to such census the population of any county shall exceed thirty one thousand inhabitants, or fall under twenty nine thousand inhabitants, the provisions of this act at the expiraion of ninety days from the final filing of the enumeration of such county shall no longer apply thereto.

Sec. 4. Inconsistent acts repealed.—All acts or parts of acts

inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 7, 1921.

CHAPTER 165-H. F. No. 1043.

An act authorizing certain counties of this state to reimburse county agricultural societies or officers thereof for the cost and expense of making certain improvements on land owned by such counties and used for county agricultural fairs.

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

Section 1. Counties may reimburse County Agricultural Societies for cost of land in certain cases.—Whenever any County Agricultural society or officer thereof in any County having more

than nine thousand and less than thirteen thousand inhabitants and having an assessed valuation of more than four million dollars and less than seven million dollars, exclusive of money and credits, and having not less than fifteen and not more than seventeen, full or fractional congressional townships, has heretofore erected or constructed or contributed funds for the erection of a building, buildings, fence, fences, or for the construction or repair of roads. streets or race track or for the construction or installation of waterworks or for the filling in of lands, which building, buildings, fence, fences, roads, streets, race track, waterworks or filled lands are used for county fair purposes and title to such improvement or improvements and the land upon which the same are situate has been or may hereafter be conveyed to the county, or was at the time of the construction or installation of such improvement or improvements, vested in the county, the county board of such county is hereby authorized and empowered to pay to such society or officer thereof erecting or constructing such improvement or making such contribution, an amount equal to the money so expended or contributed by such society or officer thereof in erecting, constructing, repairing, installing or making such improvement or improvements; provided, however, that the amount which shall be paid out under the provisions of this act by any one county shall not exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars."

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

Approved April 7, 1921.

CHAPTER 166—H. F. No. 1097.

An act authorizing the issue and sale of county bonds for the purpose of permanently improving certain state roads.

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

Section 1. Counties to issue road bonds in certain cases.—The county board of any county in this state is hereby authorized to issue and sell from time to time the bonds of said county in such an amount, not exceeding \$25,000, as in the board's judgment may be necessary for the purpose of paying the expense incurred or to be incurred in permanently improving a state road or state roads within such county when such permanent improvement was or is necessary by reason of the periodic flooding of such state road or state roads, but the aggregate net indebtedness of any county inclusive of the bonds issued hereunder shall not at any time exceed fifteen per centum of the assessed valuation of the county's taxable real property.

The words "state road" as used herein means a state road as defined by Chapter 235, Section 1, Laws of 1913, or any part or sec-