CHAPTER 168—S. F. No. 51.

An act legalizing certain affidavits of publication heretofore filed and the record thereof, wherein certain facts which should have been stated were omitted.

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

Section 1. Affidavits of publication and record legalized in certain cases.—That all affidavits of the fact of the publication of any and all legal notices in any newspaper in this state heretofore made which omit to set forth that said newspaper has been circulated in and near its place of publication to the extent of at least two hundred and forty (240) copies regularly delivered to paying subscribers, such affidavits being in other respects in the form required by statute, are hereby declared to be legal and valid; and the record of any such affidavit heretofore or hereafter actually recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the proper county, or in any other public office where any such affidavit is required by law to be recorded, shall be in all respects legal and valid and such record shall have the same force and effect in all respects for the purpose of legal notice and evidence and otherwise as may be provided by law in case such affidavit had contained such omitted facts.

Sec. 2. Application.—Provided that the provisions of this act shall not apply to any action or proceeding now pending in any of the courts of this state in which the validity of any such affidavit is involved.

Approved April 7, 1921.

CHAPTER 169-S. F. No. 170.

An act to amend Section 1, of Chapter 332, Session Laws Minnesota 1917, relating to the organization of mutual companies to insure against loss from death or injury to blooded or registered horses, cattle, hogs, sheep, or other livestock

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

Section 1. Mutual insurance companies for insuring horses and cattle authorized.—That section 1, of chapter 332, Session Laws Minnesota 1917, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

"Section 1. It shall be lawful for any number of persons, not less than twenty-five, residing in adjoining towns in this state, who shall collectively own property worth at least fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), to form themselves into a company or corporation for mutual insurance against loss by death of horses and cattle, but no such company shall operate in more than fifty towns in the aggregate at the same time. Provided, that where any such company contines its operations to one county, it may transact business in the

whole thereof by so providing in its certificate of incorporation. Provided, further, companies may be organized on the mutual plan under this act for the purpose of insuring blooded or registered horses, cattle, hogs, sheep, or other livestock, and may do business in any ten adjoining counties of the state."

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

its passage.

Approved April 7, 1921.

CHAPTER 170-S. F. No. 171. .

An act to amend Section 244, General Statutes 1913, relating to the compensation of court reporters.

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

Section 1. Salaries of court reporters.—That section 244, General Statutes 1913, be and the same hereby is amended so as to

read as follows:

The judges, by an order filed with the county auditors "244. annually on or before the first Monday in May, 1921, and on or before the first Monday in January, annually thereafter, shall fix and establish the salary of the court reporter at an amount not exceeding two thousand seven hundred dollars (\$2700) per year and in such order shall apportion the salaries of the reporters in their respective districts among the several counties, and each county shall be required by such order to pay a specified amount thereof in monthly installments, which amount shall be such proportion of the whole salary as the number of days work actually done by the reporter in the trial of cases in said county during the preceding year bears to the whole number so performed in the district. Each reporter shall have and maintain his residence in the district in which he is appointed, but if any reporter be appointed in two or more districts he may reside in either or any of them.

The reporter, in addition to his salary, shall be paid such sums as he shall pay out as necessary railway, traveling and hotel expenses while absent from the city or village in which he resides in the discharge of his official duties, such expenses to be paid by the county for which the same were incurred upon presentation of a verified, itemised statement thereof approved by the judge; and the county auditor of such county, upon presentation of such approved state-

ment, shall issue his warrant in payment thereof.

Sec. 2. Not to affect certain laws.—Nothing in this act shall be construed as repealing, modifying or amending existing laws relating to the office of court reporter in the Second, Fourth and Eleventh Judicial Districts.

Sec. 3. Inconsistent acts repealed.—All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.