

several counties constituting the Seventeenth Judicial District of Minnesota shall be held commencing on the day hereinafter described as follows, to wit:

In Martin County, on the second Monday in March and the second Monday in October.

In Faribault County, on the first Monday in April, and the second Monday in November.

In Jackson County, on the third Monday in May, and the first Monday in December.

Sec. 2. Inconsistent acts repealed.—All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 7, 1921.

CHAPTER 175—S. F. No. 424.

An act to establish and create a public park to be known and designated as "Whitewater State Park"; authorizing the purchase and condemnation of lands for park purposes, and ratifying and confirming all acts done under and pursuant to the provisions of item 14, of Section 12, Chapter 463, Laws 1919.

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

Section 1. Whitewater State Park created.—That sections 17, 19, 20 and 29, in township 107, of range 10, in the county of Winona and state of Minnesota, or so much thereof as the state of Minnesota is now or may hereafter become seized or possessed of, shall be and hereby is set apart perpetually as a public park.

Sec. 2. Name—Dedication.—The name of said park shall be "Whitewater State Park" and the same is by this act dedicated to the perpetual use of the people of the state of Minnesota under the proper restrictions herein provided or which may hereafter be provided by law.

Sec. 3. Care vested in State Auditor.—The general care, improvement and supervision of the Whitewater State Park, until otherwise provided for, shall be vested in the state auditor acting as state land commissioner.

Sec. 4. Attorney General to take steps to acquire land for park.—The attorney general is hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary steps to procure from the parties owning land within the limits of said Whitewater State Park concessions or any conveyances thereof to the state of Minnesota and pay therefor such reasonable consideration as may be agreed upon subject to the approval of the governor of this state. In case any tract of land within said sections hereinbefore mentioned cannot be secured upon satisfactory terms, the attorney general is hereby authorized to institute,

for and in behalf of the state, proceedings in condemnation as provided by law for condemning and converting private property within this state to public use.

Sec. 5. Offenses—Penalties.—Any person who shall wilfully cut, destroy or mutilate, or cause to be cut, destroyed or mutilated, any tree, shrub, timber, evergreen or ornamental plant of any kind in said park, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof by any court having competent jurisdiction shall be punished by fine of not less than ten and not more than one hundred dollars for each offense, or by imprisonment in the county jail of Winona county Minnesota, for not less than ten nor more than ninety days for each and every such offense.

Sec. 6. Acts ratified—Appropriation continued.—All acts done under and pursuant to the provisions of Item 14, of section 12, chapter 463, Laws 1919, are hereby ratified and confirmed, and the balance of the appropriation thereby made is hereby continued in force and made available to carry out the provisions hereof, such balance to be drawn on the order of the attorney general of this state.

Sec. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 7, 1921.

CHAPTER 176—S. F. No. 433.

An act fixing the clerk hire of the county auditor in counties now or hereafter having not less than thirty-eight nor more than forty-two congressional townships and now or hereafter having a taxable valuation of not less than eight million dollars.

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

Section 1. Clerk hire for auditors in certain counties.—In each county of this state now or hereafter containing not less than thirty-eight nor more than forty-two congressional townships, and now or hereafter having a taxable valuation of not less than eight million dollars, as finally equalized by the state tax commission each year, there shall be allowed for county auditor's clerk hire as follows:

Three-tenths of a mill on every dollar of the first five million dollars of assessed valuation and one-tenth of a mill on every dollar of assessed valuation in excess of five million dollars, which clerk hire shall be paid in equal monthly installments to the persons actually rendering such service. The amount of said clerk hire for any year shall be computed on the assessed valuation of the preceding year and shall be paid in the same manner as the salary of other county employees.