ter 263 of the Session Laws of 1917 be amended by adding to the end thereof the words "but such case may, with the consent of the parties, be tried without a jury".

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

after its passage.

Approved April 15, 1921.

CHAPTER 286-H. F. No. 608.

An act legalizing construction of swimming piers and appropriations and expenditures therefor by villages.

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

Section 1. Construction of swimming piers and payments for same legalized.—In all cases where the village council of any village in this state has heretofore, between July first and September first, 1920, constructed a swimming pier for public use in a meandered lake abutting on said village, and constructed the same without advertising for bids or letting a contract therefor, and has appropriated money and issued the village orders on the general funds of said village to pay therefor in the sum of not to exceed \$200.00, and said orders have been paid, the construction of such swimming pier, and the construction thereof without advertising for bids or letting a contract therefor, the appropriation of such money, the issuing of such orders for the payment of the same, and the payments of said orders are in all things legalized and validated.

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

after its passage.

Approved April 15, 1921.

CHAPTER 287—H. F. No. 618.

An act amending Section 3542, General Statutes 1913, regulating the designation of beneficiaries by members of fraternal benefit societies.

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

Section 1. Beneficiaries—Who may be.—Section 3542, Gen-

eral Statutes 1913, is hereby amended to read as follows:

3542. The payment of death benefits shall be confined to the wife, husband, family, relatives by blood or marriage, including illegitimate children, parent or child by adoption, affianced husband or wife, a person dependent on the member or on whom the member is dependent, the member's estate, a benevolent, educational, religious or charitable corporation, or to an incorporated institution for the support of the member; provided, that the member