CHAPTER 437-H. F. No. 339.

An act fixing the salaries and compensation of county officers and their expenses and clerk hire, in all counties in this state now or hereafter having not less than forty-one (41) or more than forty-five (45) congressional townships, whole and fractional, and now or hereafter having an assessed valuation of not less than fourteen million dollars (\$14,000,000) nor more than eighteen million dollars (\$18,000,000), and prescribing the amounts thereof and the time and method of payment thereof, and repealing Chapter 224 Laws of 1919.

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

Section 1. Salaries and clerk hire of officers in certain counties.—That in all counties in this state, now or hereafter having not less than forty-one (41) nor more than forty-five (45) congressional townships, whole and fractional, and now or hereafter having an assessed valuation of not less than fourteen million dollars (\$14,000,000), and not more than eighteen million dollars (\$18,000,000), the salary and compensation of the county officers and their expenses and clerk hire hereinafter named shall be as follows:

Sec. 2. County Auditor.—County Auditor, \$2,820 per year and fees as now prescribed by law. There shall also be allowed \$3,600 per year for county auditor's clerk hire.

Sec. 3. County Treasurer.—County treasurer, \$2,820 per year and fees as now prescribed by law. There shall also be allowed \$2,500 per year for county treasurer's clerk hire.

Sec. 4. Register of Deeds.—Register of Deeds, the salary or fees and clerk hire as now prescribed by law. There shall also be allowed \$1,500 per year for register of deed's clerk hire.

Sec. 5. Sheriff.—Sheriff, \$2,520 per year and expenses in con-

Sec. 5. Sheriff.—Sheriff, \$2,520 per year and expenses in connection with official services rendered for the county, which salary and expenses shall be in lieu of all other fees and expenses paid by the county except for the board and care of prisoners.

Sec. 6. County Attorney.—County Attorney, \$2,520 per year. Sec. 7. Judge of Probate.—Judge of Probate, \$2,520 per year and in addition thereto, they shall be allowed to retain as part of their compensation all sum collected for certified copies or other documents furnished by them. There shall also be allowed

\$1,200 per year for probate clerk hire.

Sec. 8. County Surveyor.—County Surveyor, shall receive the compensation that the board of county commissioners may in their discretion fix, which shall not be less than \$5.00 per day and not more than \$15.00 per day for any public work while employed in the performance of their respective duties, including the time necessarily spent in traveling to and from the field of his labor, together with all necessary expenses payable

by the party or parties who employ the surveyors, and they shall be allowed such necessary help and expenses that the board of county commissioners may allow.

Sec. 9. Coroner.—Coroner, the salary and fees as now pre-

scribed by law.

Sec. 10. Clerk of District Court.—Clerk of the District Court, \$1,620 per year, which shall be in full compensation for all services rendered by them for the respective counties, except in real estate tax proceedings, and in addition thereto they shall be allowed to retain all fees earned and retained by them in connection with their offices.

Sec. 11. Superintendent of schools.—Superintendent of Schools, \$2,040 per year and fees and clerk hire as now pre-

scribed by law.

Sec. 12. County Commissioners.—County Commissioners, \$720.00 per year each, and in addition thereto each member of such county board shall also receive \$3.00 per day for each and every day necessarily occupied by him in the discharge of his official duties while acting on any committee under the direction of the board, and ten cents per mile each way for each mile necessarily traveled in attending such committee work, and shall also be entitled to mileage of ten cents per mile cach way for each mile necessarily traveled for attending meetings of the board, not exceeding twelve meetings in any one year.

Sec. 13. To be paid on auditor's warrant.—The county officers annual salary and clerk hire herein provided for shall be paid by auditor's warrant in twelve equal monthly installments. Claims for expenses herein authorized shall be made by presentation to the county board of itemized and verified accounts, which shall be audited, allowed and paid in the same manner as

other claims against the county.

Sec. 14. County board may allow extra clerk hire.—Provided, however, that no sums whatever shall be paid or allowed for clerk hire in excess of the amounts actually paid or due for help necessarily employed. Additional sums for clerk hire may be authorized by the county board upon written application being made by any county officer to the county board, this application may also be made by any person not now employing any clerks in their office, it being the intention that the sums paid for clerk hire in all county offices shall be equal in accordance with the work of said clerks, their experience and the necessary amount of work to be performed. The salary of any county official, who receives for his compensation salary and also fees, shall not exceed in any one year \$3,600.

Sec. 15. Statements of fees to be filed.—This act shall also be subject to Sections 1075 and 1076, General Statutes of Minnesota for 1913, but in addition thereto the county officials statement

referred to in Section 1075 and 1076 shall be in duplicate, and that it shall include all salaries and fees paid to deputies and clerks, and that a certified copy of said statement shall be filed with the state auditor.

Sec. 16. Laws repealed.—That Chapter 224, Laws of 1919,

is hereby repealed.

Sec. 17. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 23, 1921.

CHAPTER 438-H. F. No. 405.

An act to prohibit the use of oleomargarine or other butter substitutes as substitute for table butter in state institutions other than the state penitentiary, and providing penalty for violation thereof.

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

Section 1. Oleomargarine not to be served in state institutions.—The service of oleomargarine or any other butter substitute to the inmates of any state institution other than the penal and correctional institutions of the state as a substitute for table butter is hereby prohibited.

Sec. 2. Violations—Penalties.—Any officer in charge of any state institutions affected by this Act who shall knowingly violate the provisions of this Act shall be dismissed from the service of the State immediately by the officer or board by whom

he is appointed.

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

Approved April 23, 1921.

CHAPTER 439-H. F. No. 409.

An act providing for and regulating township telephone systems, constructing, maintaining, operating, and acquiring the same and for raising the funds therefor.

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

Section 1. Town boards may construct telephone systems for fire protection.—For the purpose of preventing the starting and spreading of forest or prairie fires and extinguishing the same, promoting public welfare, public health and public safety, and facilitating the work of public improvements, the electors of any organized town of this state shall have power, at their annual town meeting or at any special town meeting called in