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

- Section 1. Bonds to be furnished by County officers in certain counties.—Laws 1939, Chapter 205, Section 1, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:
- "Section 1. In any county in the state now or hereafter having a population of not less than 55,000 nor more than 70,000 according to the last federal census, and consisting of not less than 35, nor more than 49, congressional townships, the premiums on the bonds required by law to be furnished by the county auditor and his deputies, the register of deeds and his deputies, and the sheriff and his deputies shall be paid by the county."
- Sec. 2. Payments to be validated.—Any payments heretofore made in any such county, covering premiums on bonds of county officers, are hereby validated and approved.

Approved March 26, 1943.

## CHAPTER 182-S. F. No. 518.

(Amending Section 392.01 Minnesota Statutes 1941.)

An act authorizing the county board of certain counties to appoint a county purchasing agent and legalizing certain acts heretofore performed, and amending Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 969-11.

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

- Section 1. Law amended.—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 969-11, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:
  - "969-11. County purchasing agent in certain counties.— In any county now or hereafter having a population of not less than 50,000 nor more than 70,000 inhabitants according to the last federal census, and consisting of not less than 35 nor more than 49 congressional townships, the county board may by resolution duly adopted at a meeting of said board, appoint a county purchasing agent who shall act during the pleasure of the board and who shall have supervision under the direction of said county board, of the purchase and distribution of all merchandise and supplies used by any department of said county, up to the amount of \$500.00. The county board may allow such clerical help to such county purchasing agent as it shall deem necessary. The said county board

may provide in the county court house a suitable store-room in which to store and from which to distribute said supplies and may prescribe such rules and regulations for the management of the work of said purchasing agent as it shall deem necessary."

Sec. 2. Act validated.—Any services and acts heretofore rendered and performed in any such county in good faith are hereby in all things validated and approved.

Approved March 26, 1943.

## CHAPTER 183-S. F. No. 519.

(AMENDING SECTION 275.09 MINNESOTA STATUTES 1941.)

An act authorizing the county board by unanimous vote to levy an additional tax in certain cases; and to amend Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 2060.

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

- Section 1. Law amended.—Mason's Supplement 1940, Section 2060, is hereby amended so as to read as follows:
- "2060. Rate of levy.—There shall be levied annually on each dollar of taxable property, except such as is by law otherwise taxable, as assessed and entered on the tax lists, for the several purposes enumerated, taxes at the rates specified as follows:
- 1. For state purposes, such amount as may be levied by the legislature,
- 2. For county purposes, such amount as may be levied by the county board, the rate of which tax for general revenue purposes shall not exceed five mills, unless such maximum mill levy will not raise the sum of \$40,000 based upon the last preceding assessed valuation of such county, in which case the county board by unanimous vote may levy at such rate as will raise the amount levied by the board but not exceeding said sum of, \$40,000, except that in any county now or hereafter having a population of not less than 65,000, nor more than 85,000, inhabitants, according to the last Federal census, and having not less than 35, nor more than 49, full or fractional congressional townships, the county board is hereby authorized by unanimous vote of its members to make levies for general revenue purposes up to but not exceeding seven mills.