cepted from the operation hereof. There shall be allowed the clerk of the district court not to exceed \$960 per annum for clerk hire in said office or so much thereof as shall be necessary.

Sec. 3. Effective date. This act shall be in force and effect on and after January 1, 1945.

. Approved April 23, 1945.

CHAPTER 519-S. F. No. 523

An act relating to state civil service; amending Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 43.10, Subdivision 1, as amended by Laws 1943, Chapter 640, Section 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1941, Section 43.10, Subdivision 1, as amended by Laws 1943, Chapter 640, Section 1, is amended to read as follows:

43.10. Subdivision 1. Holdovers. All persons holding offices or employments in the classified service on April 22, 1939 who have been employed by the state, which employment need not be continuous, for a total of five years or more prior to April 22, 1939; all persons holding offices or employments in the classified service on April 22, 1939, who have been employed by the state, which employment need not be continuous for a total of four years or more and who have been on sick leave for at least one year prior to April 22, 1939; and persons holding offices or employments in the Minnesota State Employment Service (a division of the Industrial Commission, not, however, including the employees of the Unemployment Compensation division) who have taken and passed a civil service examination conducted by the United States Employment Service, and who are employed by the state on the effective date of this act, shall automatically receive a civil service status without examination and shall be subject to and protected by the provisions of this act, but shall first be subject to the following: (1) the general classification directed to be made by section 43.12; and, (2) the six months' probationary period provided by section 43.21. The probationary period in the case of persons holding offices or employments covered by this section shall begin to run on the effective date of this

chapter. The words "employed by the state" as used in this subdivision shall include persons employed by joint federal and state agencies administering state and federal relief funds; and persons employed by the Commissioner of Banks in the liquidation of closed banks under the provisions of Section 49.24, provided, that any status which may accrue under this section to employees of the Liquidation Unit of the Banking Department shall be limited to such Liquidation Unit and to state-wide reinstatement or reemployment status as defined in this chapter and the rules made thereunder.

Approved April 23, 1945.

CHAPTER 520-S. F. No. 551

An act relating to the salary of the county superintendent of schools in certain counties.

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

Section 1. Salary of county superintendent in certain counties. In all counties of this state now or hereafter containing a city of the third class with a population of not less than 17,000 inhabitants according to the last preceding state or federal census, the salary and compensation of the county superintendent of schools shall be \$3,000.00 per annum, payable in equal monthly installments out of the county treasury of such counties upon the warrants of the county auditor.

Approved April 23, 1945.

CHAPTER 521-S. F. No. 564

An act relating to forestry, providing for furnishing or selling forest fire prevention or suppression materials and equipment to governmental subdivision of the state, and appropriating money therefor.

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

Section 1. Commissioner of furnish equipment. Subject to applicable provisions of state laws respecting purchases,