year after the passage of this act. This act shall not affect any pending litigation, nor apply to any corporation whose charter has been declared forfeited by any court of competent jurisdiction in this state.

Sec. 2. Relation back. When such steps are taken to renew the corporate existence of such association, the proceedings shall relate back to the date of the expiration of the original corporate period; and when the period is extended as provided by this act, all corporate acts and contracts done, performed, made, and entered into after the expiration of said original period shall be legal and valid.

Approved March 27, 1947.

CHAPTER 159-H. F. No. 359

An act relating to the inscribing of the names of deceased military personnel of World War II on the columns in the concourse of certain court houses; amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 374.23.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 374.23, is amended to read as follows:

Commission to file report upon completion of building. Upon the completion of the erection and equipping of the city hall and court house building the commission herein provided to be appointed shall make and file with the district court of the county, the office of the auditor of any such county. and the clerk of any city of the first class located in such county a report of its proceedings, setting forth, in general terms, the acts performed by such commission pursuant to this chapter, as well as the contracts which were let in the erection and equipping of such building, and the balances remaining in the funds provided by the sale of bonds, as herein provided. Upon the filing of such report the commission shall thereupon be discharged. The council of any such city and the board of commissioners of any such county may, not later than ten years from the date of the filing of such report, expend the balances remaining in the funds provided by the sale of bonds for enlarging the court facilities in such building, and for inscribing the names of deceased military personnel of World War II on the columns in the concourse

of said building, to be done, however, only upon the request of the judges of the district court in the county in which the building is located. The remainder of the proceeds of the bonds shall be used for the purpose of retiring bonds issued hereunder, and upon the expiration of the ten-year term, in the event the above mentioned improvements to the building have not been contracted for, the funds provided therefor shall thereupon be used to retire the bonds.

Approved March 27, 1947.

CHAPTER 160—H. F. No. 323 [Coded as Section 384.141]

An act to permit the county auditor to destroy certain records relating to taxes and assessments.

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

[384.141] Section 1. **Destruction of certain records.** The county auditor may destroy local assessment books for sprinkling, oiling, grass and trees and water for years prior to the year 1936 and thereafter when such records are more than ten years old, on file in his office, and may also destroy real and personal property assessment books and real and personal property tax duplicate books for years prior to 1926.

Approved March 27, 1947.

CHAPTER 161-H. F. No. 309

An act relating to the publication of the official proceedings of the county board, and amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 375.12.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 375.12, is amended to read as follows:

375.12. Publication of proceedings. The county board shall cause the official proceedings of its sessions to be published in some qualified newspaper printed and published in its county, which publication shall be let annually by contract