

and *canary* ballots, to the auditor. The judge so chosen shall deliver such returns, ballots, and all other things in this act required to be so delivered, to such auditor, at his office, within 24 hours after delivery of the ballot boxes and returns to the city clerk.

Approved March 26, 1951.

CHAPTER 168—S. F. No. 329

An act relating to kinds of property that may be insured by township mutual fire insurance companies; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 67.27, Subdivision 1.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 67.27, Subdivision 1, is amended to read:

67.27 What may be insured. Subdivision 1. **Kinds of property.** No township mutual fire insurance company heretofore organized and no company organized pursuant to sections 67.12 to 67.15, 67.18 to 67.20, 67.22 to 67.28, 67.30 to 67.32, and 67.34 to 67.43 shall insure any property outside of the limits of the towns in which the company is authorized by its certificate or articles of incorporation to transact business, except personal property temporarily outside of the authorized territory and except as hereinafter further provided, nor shall any township mutual fire insurance company insure any property other than dwellings and their contents, farm buildings and their contents, live stock, farm machinery, automobiles, country store buildings and the household goods therein, threshing machines, farm produce anywhere on the premises, churches and their contents, school houses and their contents, society and town halls and their contents, country blacksmith shops and country garages and their contents, *country locker plants and their contents*, parsonages and their contents and the barns and contents used in connection therewith, creameries, cheese factories and their equipment and contents and respective operators' dwelling houses and contents and barns and contents used in connection therewith, and churches and dwellings, together with the usual out-

buildings and the usual contents of both those dwellings and churches and outbuildings, in any city, village and borough of 1,800 or less inhabitants, and any county poor farm together with contents and such personal property as is used in connection therewith, and which real property, contents and personal property are situated in the county wherein these township mutual fire insurance companies are operating; provided, when at a duly called special or annual meeting of the policyholders it shall be duly decided by them by a majority vote to do so.

Approved March 27, 1951.

CHAPTER 169—S. F. No. 443

An act relating to the payment of retirement allowances to employees of cities of the first class; amending Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 422.10.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1949, Section 422.10, is amended to read :

422.10. **Salary deductions.** Beginning on the first day of July, following the effective date of this act, and thereafter throughout the period of employment, there shall be deducted and withheld from the basic salary, pay, or compensation of each employee in the contributing class five per cent of such salary, pay, or compensation, *except as hereinafter provided.*

Employees who are members of and contributing to the retirement fund on the first day of July next following the passage of this act, and who at said time are contributing to said fund at a rate of less than five per cent, may continue to contribute at said lesser rate. Any such employee may make an application in writing to the retirement board for permission to have the lesser rate of contribution increased to five per cent. Such application, when accepted, shall be final and irrevocable.

The retirement board is authorized to increase the per-