further, that in all work of laying water pipe the board may require all joints to be made by persons in the employ of the board.

Approved March 31, 1955.

CHAPTER 306—S. F. No. 732

An act relating to wild animals and authorizing the commissioner of conservation to take and dispose of rough fish and other fish; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 97.48, Subdivision 4.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 97.48, Subdivision 4, is amended to read:

Subd. 4. The commissioner is authorized to take rough fish, turtles, ciscoes, herring, whitefish and smelt from any of the waters of this state by means of day labor, contract or permit through the use of seines, nets, or any other devices, under such rules, regulations, contracts or permits as he shall prescribe. All rough fish, turtles, ciscoes, herring, whitefish and smelt so removed by the commissioner shall be disposed of in such form and in such manner as he, by regulation, contract or permit shall prescribe. The provisions of this subdivision shall supersede the provisions of Laws 1939, Chapter 431, as amended, so far as applicable to the letting or making of contracts for taking or sale of fish.

Approved March 31, 1955.

CHAPTER 307-S. F. No. 732

An act relating to the transportation of game and fish; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 97.45, Subdivision 8.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 97.45, Subdivision 8, is amended to read:

Subd. 8. Wild animals, lawfully taken and possessed in Canada and lawfully entered into the state, may be shipped from Minnesota to any point within or without the state by

either residents or non-residents provided all such shipments shall bear such shipping coupons as would be required if the shipment originated from the province where the animals were taken. Game fish lawfully taken and possessed in Canada, may be brought into the state for the purpose of filleting and packing, and may be transported to any point within or without the state.

Approved March 31, 1955.

CHAPTER 308—S. F. No. 838

An act relating to elections, providing for extension of absentee voter privileges; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Sections 203.17, 203.04, 203.19, 203.07, 203.09.

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

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 203.17, is amended to read:

- 203.17 Armed forces, defined. The term "armed forces" as used in sections 203.15 to 203.28 shall refer to and include the Army and Navy, the Air Force, the Marine Corps and the Coast Guard of the United States, or the Merchant Marine of the United States, or the American Red Cross, the Society of Friends, the Women's Auxiliary Service Pilots, the Salvation Army, the United Service Organizations and all other persons connected in any capacity with the Army or Navy of the United States, or the spouses or dependents of such persons if actually accompanying such persons and residing with them.
- Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 203.02, is amended to read:
- 203.02 Application for ballots. At any time not more than 45 days or less than one day before the day of holding any election, any person may make application in writing subscribed by him to the auditor of the county in which he is a resident for ballots and envelopes, by mailing to or filing with such auditor an application substantially in the following form:

"APPLICATION FOR BALLOTS