county of the time and place when said lands will be offered for sale.

County auditor to conduct sale.—Sec. 2. That section 937, Revised Laws 1905, be and the same is hereby amended so that it shall read as follows:

Section 937. Such sale shall be conducted by the county auditor in such manner as shall be directed by the state auditor. Each parcel shall be sold to the highest cash bidder therefor, but not for a less sum than the aggregate taxes, penalties, interest and costs charged against it, unless the cash value thereof, fairly determined by the state auditor, shall be less than such aggregate; provided, however, that all parcels bid in for the state for taxes for the year 1901 or prior years may be disposed of for one-half of the total taxes as originally assessed. The purchaser shall forthwith pay the amount of his bid to the county treasurer, and the officer conducting the sale shall give to him a certificate in a form prescribed by the attorney general, in which shall be set forth the name of the purchaser, a description of the land sold, the price paid and the date and place of the sale. The auditor and treasurer of the county shall attend such sale, the former to make a record of all sales thereat, and the latter to receive all moneys paid on account thereof.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 25, 1907.

## CHAPTER 431-S. F. No. 734.

An Act providing for the furnishing of statements of tax liens and tax sales by the county auditor.

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

Duties of county auditor.—Section 1. The county auditor, upon written application of any person, shall make search of the records of his office, and ascertain the existence of all tax liens, and tax sales as to any lands described in said application, and shall certify the result of such search under his hand and the seal of his office, giving the description of the land and all tax liens and tax sales shown by such

records, and the amount thereof, the year of tax covered by such lien, and the date of tax sale and the name of the purchaser at such tax sale.

Compensation.—Sec. 2. For such service, the county auditor shall receive a compensation of 25 cents for each lot or tract of land described in said certificate, which compensation shall be in addition to any compensation allowed him by law. Any number of contiguous tracts of land not exceeding one section, assessed as broad acres, or adjoining lots in the same block, in the city or village, shall be considered as one lot or parcel within the meaning of this section, provided, that the provisions of this act shall not apply to counties having a population of more than two hundred thousand (200,000).

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 25, 1907.

## CHAPTER 432-S. F. No. 744.

An Act to legalize certain conveyances of real property made by husband to wife.

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

Conveyances.—Section 1. That all conveyances of real property within this state, made between the 2nd day of April, 1906, and the 4th day of April, 1906, in which a married man has conveyed real property directly to his wife, shall be and the same are hereby declared legal and valid and entitled to be recorded and the records of such conveyances, when recorded in the office of the proper county, shall be in all respects valid and legal, and such conveyances and records thereof shall have the same force and effect in all respects for the purpose of notice, evidence or otherwise, as are, or may be, provided by law, in regard to conveyances in other cases. Provided, that the provisions of this act shall not apply to any act or proceedings now pending in any of the courts in this state; provided, further, that this act shall not be construed to extend to any case where vested rights in any such property have been acquired by third parties.