

Acceptance.—Sec. 3. The engineer shall accept the said ditch or any part thereof constructed under such modified or altered contract in the same manner as is now provided by law for the acceptance of the construction of public ditches under chapter 230 of the General Laws of 1905.

Agreement to be modified.—Sec. 4. Nothing herein contained shall in any manner prevent the persons whose lands are affected by the construction of any such county or judicial ditch from uniting in a written agreement with the contractor and his bondsmen for the alteration or modification of any such contract which the engineer may in writing recommend and to which he shall consent, as to the manner or time within which such ditch or drain shall be constructed. Thereupon the contract shall be deemed to be so altered and modified. upon the filing of said agreement and recommendations and consent with such county auditor, or county auditors, or clerk of the district court, as the case may be, and said ditch construction shall thereupon be accepted by said engineer with reference to such altered or modified contract.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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CHAPTER 139—S. F. No. 233.

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An Act fixing the salaries of county treasurers in counties having or which hereafter may have a population of 150,000 inhabitants or over, and not more than 250,000 inhabitants, and providing help and compensation therefor in county treasurers' offices in such counties.

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

Treasurer to receive \$4,500 per annum.—Section 1. The county treasurer of each county of this state having, or which may hereafter have, a population of 150,000 or over, and not more than 250,000 inhabitants shall be paid a salary of \$4,500 per annum.

Clerk hire and salaries.—Sec. 2. The county treasurer of each such county shall appoint and employ one chief deputy who shall be paid the sum of \$1,800 per annum; one

deputy who shall have charge of the statement department and settlements in said office, who shall be paid the sum of \$1,200 per annum; six clerks who shall be paid the sum of \$1,000 per annum each; one cashier or teller who shall be paid the sum of \$1,500 per annum; one accountant who shall be paid the sum of \$1,000 per annum. He may also employ such other additional help as the business of his office may require during the months of April, May, June, October and November in each year; *provided*, that no such other person, so employed, shall be paid compensation greater than at the rate of \$100 per month, and that the entire compensation for such extra help shall not exceed \$2,500 in any one year. Any of the said \$2,500 appropriated for such extra help, remaining unexpended in any one year, shall be turned back to the general fund.

How paid.—Sec. 3. The salary and compensation of the county treasurers of such counties and of the appointees and employees in their said offices shall be paid monthly in equal instalments.

Last census to govern.—Sec. 4.—For the purposes of this act, population may be proved by the last preceding census, either national or state.

Sec. 5. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Sec. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

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CHAPTER 140—S. F. No. 224.

An Act to repeal chapter 165 of the General Laws of Minnesota for the year 1895, being an act to declare a forfeiture and determination of the rights of the Hastings, Minnesota River and the Red River of the North Railway Company, afterward called the Hastings and Dakota Railroad Company, to any of the public lands within this state heretofore granted or reserved to aid the construction of the line of road of said company.

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

Chap. 165, G. L. 1895 repealed.—Section 1. That chap-