

CHAPTER 215—S. F. No. 942.

An act defining criminal syndicalism, prohibiting the advocacy thereof and the advocacy of crime, sabotage, violence, or other unlawful methods of terrorism as a means of accomplishing industrial or political ends, and assemblage for the purpose of such advocacy; declaring it unlawful to permit the use of any place, building or rooms for such assemblage in certain cases; and providing penalties for violations of the provisions thereof.

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

Section 1. Criminal syndicalism defined.—Criminal syndicalism is hereby defined as the doctrine which advocates crime, sabotage, (*this word as used in this bill meaning malicious damage or injury to the property of an employer by an employe*) violence or other unlawful methods of terrorism as a means of accomplishing industrial or political ends. The advocacy of such doctrine, whether by word of mouth or writing is a felony punishable as in this act otherwise provided.

Sec. 2. Teaching or advocating syndicalism declared a felony.—Any person who by word of mouth or writing, advocates or teaches the duty, necessity or propriety of crime, sabotage, violence or other unlawful methods of terrorism as a means of accomplishing industrial or political ends, or prints, publishes, edits, issues or knowingly circulates, sells, distributes or publicly displays any book, paper, document or written matter in any form, containing or advocating, advising or teaching the doctrine that industrial or political ends should be brought about by crime, sabotage, violence or other unlawful methods of terrorism; or openly, wilfully and deliberately justifies by word of mouth or writing, the commission or the attempt to commit crime, sabotage, violence or other unlawful methods of terrorism with intent to exemplify, spread or advocate the propriety of the doctrines of criminal syndicalism, or organizes or helps to organize or becomes a member or voluntarily assembles with any society, group or assemblage of persons formed to teach or advocate the doctrine of criminal syndicalism, is guilty of a felony and punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than five years or by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars or both.

Sec. 3. Assembling for purpose declared a felony.—Whenever two or more persons assemble for the purpose of advocating or teaching the doctrines of criminal syndicalism defined in this act, such an assemblage is unlawful and every person voluntarily participating therein by his presence, aid or instigation is guilty of a felony and punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than 10 years or by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 or both.

Sec. 4. Owner or lessor of buildings for assemblage liable for gross misdemeanor.—The owner, agent, superintendent, or occupant of any place, building or rooms who wilfully and knowingly permits therein any assemblage of persons prohibited by the provisions of section 3 of this act, or who, after notification that the premises are so used, permits such use to be continued, is guilty of a gross misdemeanor and punishable by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than one year or by a fine of not more than \$500.00 or both.

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

Approved April 13, 1917.

CHAPTER 216—H. F. No. 211.

An act to amend Chapter 286, Session Laws 1915, relating to the issuance of certain notices and citations by clerks of the probate court over their signatures.

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

Section 1. Clerk of probate court authorized to issue citations.—The judge of the probate court of any county in this state in which county there is a clerk of the probate court may by written authorization duly recorded in the office of the clerk of said probate court authorize said clerk to issue the following orders and citations and sign the same in the name of the clerk instead of having the same signed in the name of the judge to-wit:

1st. Citation for hearing of petition for letters of administration.

2nd. Citations for hearing petition for the admission of a will to probate and the issuance of letters testamentary or of administration with will annexed.

3rd. Citation for hearing, petition for decree of descent.

4th. Orders limiting the time to file claims and fixing the date of hearing of said claims.

5th. Citations for hearing petition to sell, lease or mortgage land.

6th. Citations for hearing petition for settlement and distribution in estates of deceased persons.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 14, 1917.