

Sec. 2. Section 1, chapter 182, Session Laws 1915, amended so as to conform to St. Louis County.—That section 1 of chapter 182, Laws of 1915, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

“Section 1. Where any county having a population of less than *two hundred thousand inhabitants* is engaged in constructing, improving, maintaining or repairing any public road by day labor, it shall be lawful for the county auditor and county treasurer to pay the claims of the laborers who have performed manual labor on said roads, for such labor, and the claims of persons who have furnished teams and wagons or plows or scrapers in the performance of work on such roads for the use of such teams and such equipment, without such claims having first been audited and allowed by the county board, provided such claims shall be evidenced and authenticated as herein provided, and be in the form as hereinafter provided.”

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

Approved March 14, 1917.

CHAPTER 70—H. F. No. 641.

An act to amend Sections 6, 21 and 22 of Chapter 115, of the Special Laws of Minnesota for 1885, entitled, “An act to establish a municipal court in the City of Winona,” as amended by Chapters 49 and 50 of the Special Laws of Minnesota of 1887.

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

Section 1. **Police officer to be appointed court officer of municipal court of Winona, and premium on bond may be appointed by city.**—That section 6 of chapter 115 of the Special Laws of Minnesota for 1885, as amended by chapter 49 of the Special Laws of Minnesota for 1887, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 6. The municipal judge shall, on or before the first Monday in May in each year appoint by and with the consent of the city council of said city, a suitable *member of the regular police force of said city* to act as officer of said court, with the official title of “court officer,” whose term of office *as such court officer* shall begin on the first Monday in May and continue for one year and until his successor shall be appointed and qualified. Such officer shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, take the usual oath of office, and shall execute a bond to said city, with one or more sureties, to be approved by said council, conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties, and for the payment and delivery to the person or corporation entitled thereto of all *money* and effects which may come into his hands

by virtue or color of his office. *The premium on such bond may in the discretion of said council be paid by it.* It shall be the duty of said officer to attend said court at all times when it is in session, to execute its orders, to serve all process issued therefrom which may be delivered to him for service, and to perform such other duties as may be required of him by this act or by any law of this state. In case of a vacancy in said office the municipal judge shall, by and with the consent of the said city council, fill such vacancy by appointment of a member of the regular police force of said city for the remainder of the unexpired term; and in case of said court officer's temporary absence or disability, the municipal judge may appoint some other police officer of said city to act for the time being in his place, who shall, while so acting, possess the same powers and perform the same duties as said court officer. *No compensation shall be fixed by the said city council for the services of said court officer;* and such officer may for good cause be removed from office by the municipal judge and the vacancy thus caused shall be filled in the same manner as in this section above provided.

Sec. 2. Salary of municipal judge to be \$1,200 yearly, and court officer same as member of regular police force.—That section 21 of said chapter 115, Special Laws of Minnesota 1885, as amended by chapter 50 of the Special Laws of Minnesota for 1887, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 21. *The salary of the judge of the municipal court shall be twelve hundred dollars (\$1200) per annum to be paid from the city treasury in monthly installments, and the judge shall receive no other fee or compensation for his official services under this act.*

Sec. 3. That section 22 of chapter 115, Special Laws of Minnesota for 1885, as amended by chapter 49, Special Laws of Minnesota for 1887, be and same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Section 22. The court officer and all police officers of said city are hereby vested with all the powers of constables under the statutes of Minnesota as well as at common law, and the court officer and police officers, in making service of any process, warrant or writ, or doing other duty in respect to causes in said municipal court, shall note and return to the court for collection such fees as are allowed to constables for like service in justice courts; and all fees, whether charged by the clerk or the court officer or any police officer, shall be collected by the clerk as costs, and shall by him be accounted for and paid over to the city treasurer of said city as hereinbefore provided.

Service of all process, warrants and writs issued out of said

municipal court, in cases triable therein, that are to be served within the limits of said city, shall be made by the court officer of said court, or by some police officer of said city, except when, in civil cases, service of process by private persons shall be authorized by the court as elsewhere herein provided; but the court may, in its discretion, when the circumstances of the case render such action necessary or advisable, specially authorize the making of such service by the sheriff or any constable of Winona county; and neither said court officer nor any police officer of said city shall receive for any service by him performed in said court, or in executing its orders, process, warrants or writs, any other, or further compensation than the regular salary paid him by said city *for his services as a member of the regular police force of said city*, and if any fees shall be paid to either of said officers for any such service, he shall forthwith pay the same over to the clerk of said municipal court for the use of said city.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 14, 1917.

CHAPTER 71—S. F. No. 212.

An act to appropriate money to pay the per diem and expenses of presidential electors in 1916.

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

Section 1. **\$500 appropriated for per diem and mileage of presidential electors.**—The sum of five hundred (\$500.00) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of the general revenue fund, not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying the salary and mileage of the presidential electors incurred in the national election of 1916.

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

Approved March 17, 1917.

CHAPTER 72—H. F. No. 287.

An act relating to the establishment of the heirship of persons who have died or shall hereafter die, owning property in the State of Minnesota, without known heirs, or heirs.

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

Section 1. **Providing for distribution of property of deceased persons without known heirs.**—When any person who has died within the last past fifteen years in the State of Minnesota, or shall hereafter die being a resident of the State of Minnesota