CHAPTER 268-H. F. No. 1201.

An act providing for the semi-monthly payment of salaries to county employes in counties having a population of not less than twenty-seven thousand and not more than thirty thousand inhabitants and having an area of not less than three hundred fifteen thousand and not more than three hundred twenty-five thousand acres.

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

Section 1. Salaries of County employees of certain Counties to be paid semi-monthly.—The salaries and compensation of all officers and employes of counties now or hereafter having a population of not less than twenty-seven thousand (27,000) and not more than thirty thousand (30,000) inhabitants and having an area of not less than three hundred fifteen thousand (315,000) and not more than three hundred twenty-five thousand (325,000) acres. acres, shall be paid on the first and fifteenth days of each month.

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

Approved April 16, 1923.

CHAPTER 269—H. F. No. 1309.

An act relating to the testing of cattle for tuberculosis and authorizing county boards to appropriate money therefor.

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

Section 1. County Board to appropriate money for cattle testing.-The boards of county commissioners of the several counties of this state are hereby authorized upon petition of a majority of the persons owning cattle in the county, as shown by the last preceeding assessment roll in The Auditor's office, to appropriate out of the funds of the county not otherwise appropriated, a sum of money not exceeding twenty-five cents per head of cattle for each tuberculin test that may be administered, until the percentage of tuberculous cattle within the county is reduced to meet the requirements of a "modified accredited" area" as defined and approved by the United States Department of Agriculture and the State Live Stock Sanitary Board of Minnesota, for the purpose of aiding in the testing of cattle in the county for tuberculosis and of carrying out sanitary and quarantine regulations. When there are no funds available for such an appropriation, a tax shall be levied in a sufficient amount for the purpose, and after the levy thereof orders may be issued against such tax and in anticipation of its collection. All such money shall be expended under the direction and supervision of the State Live Stock Sanitary Board and shall be disbursed

on vouchers verified by the executive officers of said board, and in cases where the United States Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Animal Industry, is a party to a co-operative agreement with the county for the control of tuberculosis in cattle, by the federal inspector in charge, as hereinafter provided.

Sec. 2. Live stock sanitary board to make tests.—Thereafter such county board shall apply to the State Live Stock Sanitary Board for the testing of all cattle in the county on the "county area" plan, and it shall then become the duty of the State Live Stock Sanitary Board to enter into an agreement with the county commissioners of said county to cause the testing of all cattle in the county for tuberculosis, provided funds are available for the payment of indemnities as required by law, and provided also that an adequate force of veterinarians qualified to test cattle as required are available. Such agreement shall specify such quarantine rules and regulations as the State Live Stock Sanitary Board may deem advisable relative to the control of tuberculosis among cattle in such county.

Sec. 3. Subsequent tests to be made without expense.— After a county has been certified as a "modified accredited area," subsequent tests of cattle in the county and retests of infected herds shall be made in the discretion of the State Live Stock Sanitary Board, and such tests and retests shall be without expenses to the county.

Sec. 4. Federal aid.—For the purpose of receiving federal aid, the United States Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Animal Industry, may be a party to the co-operative agreement between the State Live Stock Sanitary Board and the board of county commissioners.

Sec. 5. Counties may be certified as modified accredited area.—When the percentage of tuberculosis cattle within a county is reduced to meet the requirements of a "modified accredited area," the State Live Stock Sanitary Board shall apply to the United States Department of Agriculture for a certification of said county as a "modified accredited area."

Sec. 6. Owners of cattle shall submit them for tests.— Whenever a co-operative agreement as above referred to has been made, the owners of cattle in such county shall submit the same for tuberculin tests and physical examinations and shall cause to be slaughtered, under the direction of the State Live Stock Sanitary Board, within thirty days after the test or condemnation, all animals that react to the tuberculin test or are condemned after a physical examination. Each co-operative agreement, entered into for the tests of cattle, between a county, the State Live Stock Sanitary Board and the Bureau of Animal Industry, shall be registered and tuberculin tests shall be administered to the cattle in any county in the order of the registration of such agreements. Definite quarantine rules and regulations shall be adopted and enforced by the State Live Stock Sanitary Board within the area covered by the co-operative agreement.

Sec. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 16, 1923.

CHAPTER 270-H. F. No. 1339.

An act defining and licensing state public produce warehouses and warehousemen, providing for the bonding of such warehouses, for the storing and inspection of produce, for the issuance of receipts thereon, for the regulation and control of said licensee, and appropriating money for carrying out the purposes thereof.

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

Section 1. Licensed public produce warehouses.—Any person maintaining and conducting a public warehouse where produce is handled, kept or stored for others may maintain the same as a state licensed public produce warehouse by complying with the provisions of this act.

Sec. 2. Definition of produce.—The term "produce" as used in this act shall mean and include the natural products of the farm, except hay, grain, straw and livestock other than veal; the natural products of the orchard, garden and apiary; the raw and finished products of the dairy, creamery, cheese factory. condensery and dry milk factory; the products of livestock, including wool, mohair, skins, hides and meats; veal; poultry and poultry products; game and fish. Sec. 3. Warehousemen must be licensed.—No person shall

Sec. 3. Warehousemen must be licensed.—No person shall engage in, or purport to be engaged in, or hold himself out as being engaged in the business of conducting a state licensed and bonded public produce warehouse, or solicit business therefor, unless he shall be licensed to carry on such business by the Commissioner of Agriculture, hereinafter referred to as the Commissioner.

Sec. 4. Commissioner of Agriculture to issue licenses—Fees —Bonds.—Licenses to engage in the business of conducting a state licensed and bonded public produce warehouse, hereinafter referred to as a "Warehouse," shall be issued by the Commissioner to such reputable person or persons as shall apply therefor, pay to the State of Minnesota at the time of making application for license, and annually thereafter, a license fee of "\$25.00, and further comply with the conditions herein specified to wit:

(a) The application shall be in writing and under oath and shall set forth the place or places where the applicant

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