board of any such county may increase such salary to an amount not exceeding \$1,800 per annum. Such salary is to be paid in equal monthly installments out of the county treasury upon warrants of the county auditor in the same manner as other county officers are paid.

Sec. 2. Clerk hire.—The County auditor of such counties may be allowed for clerk hire, in the discretion of the county board, a sum not exceeding \$1,200 per year, to be fixed by said board at any

regular meeting thereof.

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

its passage.

Approved March 21, 1923.

CHAPTER 68-H. F. No. 291.

An act to fix the salaries of county commissioners in counties of this state having not less than 35 nor more than 55 full or fractional congressional townships, and having an assessed valuation of not less than two million nor more than six million dollars.

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

Section 1. Salaries of county commissioners in certain counties.—That in all counties having not less than 35 nor more than 55 full or fractional congressional townships, and having an assessed valuation of not less than \$2,000,000 nor more than \$6,000,000, the several members of the county board shall receive a salary of \$300.00 per year, payable quarterly, which shall be in full for all services upon the county board, provided, that for services on committees thereof the said members shall receive in addition to the salary above described, the compensation now provided by law.

Sec. 2. Actual expenses an additional charge—how paid.—Each member of such county boards shall also receive his actual and necessary traveling expenses, incurred in the performance of his official duties within his county, to be audited and allowed as other claims against the county. All claims for such expenses shall state clearly the nature of the services in which same were incurred, and the date of same, and all claims for expenditures for \$1.00 or more shall be accompanied by a receipt signed by the person to

whom the money was paid.

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

Approved March 21, 1923.

CHAPTER 69-H. F. No. 890.

An act, entitled an act to legalize certain proceedings heretofore taken for the drainage of lands in certain cases, and county bonds issued or that may be issued in connection therewith, Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Drainage proceedings legalized.—Where the Section 1. county board of any county of this state, or the judge of the district courts of this state, in pursuance of Chapter 230 of the Laws 1905 and the acts amenthereof supplemental or thereto. has located established, or attempted to locate and establish, any ditch, drain or water course, wholly within any county of this state, or partly within two or more counties thereof, and it has been determined by resolution adopted by said board, or order made by said judge, that said drain, ditch or water course will be of public utility and promotive of or conductive to the public health, and that the benefits, or estimated benefits, to be derived from the construction thereof, are greater than the total cost, including damages awarded, and such drain or water course has been actually constructed in accordance with the plans and specifications filed by the engineer therein, or of the contract made in accordance with such plans or specifications, or the county, has, or the counties have, entered into a contract or contracts for the construction thereof, and the county auditor has, or the county auditors as the case may be, or any of them, have executed and filed in the office of the Register of Deeds, the tabular statement provided for in said act, making assessments for the cost of the location, establishment and construction of the same, within such county, against the lands, corporations and roads benefited thereby, and the time for appeals has expired and no appeals have been taken therefrom, or from any such proceeding, or if such appeals have been taken, that the same have been determined before the passage of this act: then the said proceedings, and all assessments or liens so levied or attempted to be assessed or levied for the actual cost of such work, including damages awarded, and the county bonds, if any, which have been sold and issued, to defray the expense incurred in connection therewith, or that may have been contracted to be sold and have been executed but not delivered to the purchaser to defray the expense incurred in connection therewith, are hereby legalized and declared to be valid and of full force and effect until paid. as provided in said act and amendments thereto.

Sec. 2. Not to affect right of appeal.—This act shall not apply to or affect the right of appeals from such proceedings, as now provided by law, or any actions or appeals now pending, in which the validity of such proceedings, or the sale of such bonds shall be

called in question.

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

Approved March 21, 1923.