

Sec. 20. County Board shall make rules.—The board of county commissioners shall from time to time prescribe and promulgate rules and regulations to efficiently carry out the provisions of this act and shall publish such information as it may deem advisable to acquaint aged persons and the public generally with the old age pension plan of this state.

Sec. 21. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 1, 1929.

CHAPTER 48—H. F. No. 69

An act to amend Chapter 128, General Laws 1927, relating to the powers of county boards and authorizing the levying of an annual tax for the relief of county agricultural societies.

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

Section 1. That Chapter 128, General Laws 1927, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section 1. County Board may levy tax for agricultural societies.—That in addition to all other powers now or hereafter by law conferred upon county boards, authority hereby is given annually to levy by a four-fifths vote of the board a tax of not to exceed one-quarter of a mill upon all property subject to taxation, and from time to time to appropriate and pay over the proceeds of said tax, when collected, to any county agricultural society of its county which is a member of the state agricultural society, to assist such society in paying its financial obligations heretofore incurred. Provided, however, this act shall not apply to counties having authority to levy a greater tax under existing laws.

Sec. 2. Application.—This act shall not apply to counties in which there is a city of the first class.”

Approved March 9, 1929.

CHAPTER 49—H. F. No. 242

An act to discharge the indemnity bond given under Chapter 418, General Laws of 1927, entitled “an act authorizing the issuance of duplicate bonds to Federal Insurance company and the Home Insurance company in lieu of certain lost, destroyed or stolen bonds of the state.”

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

Section 1. Indemnity bonds released.—The indemnity bond

heretofore given to the State of Minnesota, as provided by Chapter 418, General Laws of 1927, and all liability thereunder shall be released and discharged by the return to the state treasurer of the State of Minnesota the rural credit bonds described in said act, and the cancellation and destruction of said bonds by him in the presence of the State Auditor, and the filing in the office of the State Auditor of a certificate signed by the State Auditor and the State Treasurer reciting the delivery, cancellation, and destruction of said Minnesota rural credit bonds.

Approved March 9, 1929.

CHAPTER 50—H. F. No. 496

An act amending Chapter 140, General Laws 1927, permitting certain counties to purchase, maintain, and use dredge or ditching machines for ditching and for ditch repair operations.

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

Section 1. That Chapter 140, General Laws 1927 be and hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

“Section 1. Counties may purchase dredges in certain cases.—In any county of this state having an area of not more than 2500 square miles and open drainage ditches heretofore constructed of not less than 240 miles in length, the board of county commissioners, with the written consent of the commissioner of drainage and waters first procured and filed in the office of the county auditor, may purchase, in the manner provided by law for the purchase of road machinery and equipment, a dredge or ditching machine for use by the county in cleaning out, *in the construction of new ditches* and repairing county, judicial or state ditches.”

“Sec. 2. May lease machines to contractors.—The county board, in any county which has purchased such dredge or ditching machine, may employ the same in cleaning out, *in the construction of new ditches* and repairing county road ditches and may use, or allow the use thereof by a contractor, *in the construction of new ditches* and in the cleaning out or repairing of any county, judicial or state ditch heretofore constructed, on such terms and conditions as to rental and maintenance charges for the use thereof as the board shall determine to be fair and reasonable. The charges for such rental and the expense of maintenance of the machine, when employed by the board on any county, judicial or state ditch-cleaning or *in the construction of new ditches* or repair work, shall constitute a part of the cost of such construction, cleaning and repair operation and shall be paid out of the proper ditch fund provided for the