

appropriated herein shall be used for work relief or any works projects.

Sec. 39. All departments, divisions, or agencies of government for which a merit increase appropriation was provided in Laws 1947 for the year ending June 30, 1949 are hereby authorized to use any remaining undisbursed and unobligated portion of such merit increase appropriation for salaries for the year ending June 30, 1949.

Sec. 40. The unobligated balances on hand as of June 30, 1949, in the several appropriations and accounts of each of the departments or divisions for which an appropriation is made herein out of the General Revenue Fund, are hereby cancelled into the General Revenue Fund as of June 30, 1949, and the unobligated balances on hand as of June 30, 1949, appropriated out of any other funds, shall be cancelled into the fund from which they are appropriated as of June 30, 1949.

Sec. 41. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 2, 1949.

CHAPTER 243—S. F. No. 112

[Not Coded]

An act providing for the establishment, maintenance and control of a state park in Fillmore County.

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

Section 1. Exchange of state lands for park purposes; duty of commissioner; land exchange commission. The commissioner of conservation is authorized to request any appropriate agency of the United States to acquire for exchange with the state such lands as the commissioner may select in Sections 12, 13, 23, and 24, Township 102 North, Range 12 West in Fillmore County, not to exceed 850 acres, to be exchanged in the manner provided by law, subject to the approval of the Land Exchange Commission, for state lands de-

sired by such federal agency. Upon the conveyance of such lands in Fillmore County to the state pursuant to such exchange, the same shall be and hereby are withdrawn from sale, set apart, established and dedicated as a state park to be named by the commissioner after consulting with such public officials, organizations, or citizens as he deems appropriate.

Sec. 2. Legal action upon advice of attorney general. The commissioner of conservation is hereby authorized to initiate any legal action which in his opinion is desirable, upon the advice of the attorney general, to cure any defects in title or perfect the title of any of the lands affected hereby, and he may acquire any outstanding interests in such lands or the title to any other privately owned lands adjacent to the lands dedicated for state park purposes hereby, either by gift or by purchase, with any funds made available to him for that purpose.

Sec. 3. Supervised as are other state parks. Said park shall be under the supervision and control of the commissioner of conservation, and shall be administered and maintained under the laws relating to other state parks so far as applicable; provided, that suitable portions thereof may be used for wildlife, forestry, or other projects, reserving suitable portions for public park purposes, as the commissioner may determine.

Approved April 2, 1949.

CHAPTER 244—S. F. No. 362

[Not Coded]

An act relating to the salary and clerk hire of county auditors in certain counties.

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

Section 1. Salary of county auditor in certain county. In each county containing not less than 18, nor more than 20, full and fractional congressional townships and having a population of not less than 36,000 nor more than 36,500, according to the last preceding federal census, the county auditor shall receive from the county an annual salary of \$4,500, payable in equal monthly instalments and there shall be allowed for clerk