

CHAPTER 81.

[H. B. No. 200—Wadeson.]

VILLAGE BOARDS.

An Act to Re-enact Chapter 269 of the Laws of North Dakota for the year 1915, being an Act Defining the Powers of Village Boards Relating to the Erection, Purchase, Leasing, and Operation of Electric Light and Power Plants or Gas Works, and granting to Village Boards the Authority to Contract with Others for Electric or Gas Street Lighting, Electricity and Gas.

Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] That Section 1 of Chapter 269, Laws of North Dakota for the year 1915, is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

The Board of Trustees of villages shall have the power upon petition of five-eighths of the citizen-owners of the taxable property of such villages in the manner and form provided by Section 3868 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota, for the year 1913 as amended by Chapter 269 of the Session Laws of 1915, to purchase, erect, lease, manage and maintain any electric light and power plants or gas works to supply electric light, power or gas for village and commercial purposes and to its inhabitants, or to contract with others within or without such village to furnish electric light, power or gas to such village and its inhabitants, and to furnish electric or gas street lamps, poles and other equipment necessary therefor, and to pass all ordinances, penal or otherwise, that shall be necessary for the full protection, maintenance, operation, management and control of the property so erected, purchased, leased, or contracted for.

Approved March 12, 1917.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

CHAPTER 82.

[S. B. No. 315—Gibbens.]

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

Appropriation to Meet a Deficiency for the Per Diem of Officers and Employees of the Senate and House of Representatives, Fifteenth Legislative Assembly.

WHEREAS, the 14th Legislative Assembly made appropriations for the specific departments of the Legislative Assembly to meet the expenses and expenditures of the 15th Legislative Assembly, and

WHEREAS, the specific appropriation for the payment of the per diem of officers and employees of both the Senate and House of

Representatives of said 15th Legislative Assembly were incorrectly estimated therein and fixed at the amount of twenty thousand (\$20,000.00) dollars, and

WHEREAS, by such incorrect estimate and appropriation a deficiency will occur in the said appropriation for the payment of per diem of officers and employees of said Senate and House of Representatives of the 15th Legislative Assembly; therefore,

Be it Enacted by the Senate of North Dakota, the House of Representatives Concurring therein:

§ 1. APPROPRIATION.] There is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of six thousand (\$6,000.00) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary to meet a deficiency in the appropriation for the per diem of officers and employees of the Senate and House of Representatives, Fifteenth Legislative Assembly.

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] Whereas, it is necessary for the immediate preservation of peace; health and safety that this Act shall become effective without delay for the following reasons, to-wit: That there are now insufficient moneys available for the purpose herein specified and the demand is immediate that such appropriation be made; therefore, this Act shall become and be in force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the Governor.

Approved February 24, 1917.

CHAPTER 83.

[S. B. No. 66—Englund.]

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS the Mouse River, also known in Canada as the Souris River, in the spring of the year over-flows its banks and often causes great injury, and irreparable damage to property in the State of North Dakota, and

WHEREAS it appears that the flood conditions of the Mouse River can be prevented by deepening and extending a coulee or dry creek, situated in the Province of Saskatchewan, Dominion of Canada, a short distance north of the boundary line of North Dakota, which coulee nearly connects Mouse River with Des Lacs Lake, and thereby causing the surplus waters of said river to flow into Des Lacs Lake, therefore

Be it Resolved by the Senate of the State of North Dakota, the House of Representatives Concurring Therein:

That we, the members of the Fifteenth Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota, respectfully petition the President, the Secretary of State and the Senate of the United States to make

arrangements with the Government of the Dominion of Canada for the turning of the surplus waters of the Mouse River at the expense of the United States in the manner suggested in these resolutions thereby saving the citizens of this State from the damage and devastations caused by the flooding of this river.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Secretary of State be instructed to send a copy of these resolutions to the President, to the Secretary of State, to the Senate of the United States and to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Approved March 9, 1917.

CHAPTER 84.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

[Lathrop.]

A Concurrent Resolution to Provide for the Creation of a Special Committee to Investigate and report on Legislation Necessary for the Relief of Floods.

WHEREAS; Much damage is done by floods in the valley of the Red River of the North and its tributaries, and also in the Mouse River Valley and the Des Lacs Valley; and

WHEREAS; The Governor of our State has recommended in his annual Message that serious consideration be given to this problem; and

WHEREAS; Intelligent action is not possible without accurate information, and through uniform action with other states and the Federal Government; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED; That, if the Senate and House Drainage and Irrigation Committee; in joint session, shall deem it advisable; they are hereby authorized to create a Special Committee to investigate this problem and report their findings back to both the Senate and House Drainage Committees for their information and guidance. The Special Committee to be at all times under the control and jurisdiction of the Joint action of said Senate and House Irrigation Committee, with the following general duties, and, under the following limitations.

The Special Committee may be authorized to meet with organizations having this project under consideration, or to meet with representatives of the States of South Dakota and Minnesota, and of the Federal Government, provided that such meeting shall be held at a point not farther than St. Paul, Minnesota. Provided further that the committee shall not exceed five in number, and in the case of Members of the Legislative Assembly or Officers or Employees of the State of North Dakota, shall be entitled only to actual traveling expenses. Should any member be chosen on Committee not in the pay of the state, the Committee is authorized to pay such member, or members, a reasonable per diem and actual traveling expenses.

Should such Special Committee be created, there is hereby appropriated out of the general funds of the state, from moneys not otherwise appropriated the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300.00), or as much thereof as may be necessary to pay the actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.
Approved February 14, 1917.

CHAPTER 85.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION. (Appropriation Committee.)

A Concurrent Resolution Providing for the Acceptance of an offer Donating a Bust of Lincoln, Providing for an Appropriation Therefor.

Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota, the Senate Concurring therein:

§ 1. Paul Fjelde, the Sculptor and Former North Dakota boy, has offered to donate to the State of North Dakota a bust of Lincoln, a replica of which was presented to Norway on July 4th, 1914, and

WHEREAS, It is desirable to have this bust at the Capitol in time to have the same dedicated on February 12, being Lincoln's Birthday, and

WHEREAS, The State will be asked to bear the expenses only of making a new cast and of expressage,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN, That this generous offer be accepted and, be it further resolved that there be appropriated for this purpose the sum of Seventy-five and No-100 Dollars (\$75.00) or as much thereof as may be needed.

§ 2. EMERGENCY.] Whereas, it is necessary for the public peace and safety that due recognition be given to the great name of Abraham Lincoln, and his services for this great commonwealth of the United States, and that memorial day, February 12th, 1917, set aside to honor his memory, be duly observed, this act shall take effect and be in force immediately in order to be of any force and effect.

Approved January 30, 1917.

CHAPTER 86.

[H. B. No. 346—Harris.]

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

Amending the Constitution of the State of North Dakota, Changing the Name of the State Reform School Located at Mandan, in the County of Morton, to that of State Training School.

Be it Enacted by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota, the Senate Concurring:

That the following proposed amendment to Section 215 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota be referred to the Legislative Assembly to be chosen at the next general election in said state to be by said last mentioned Legislative Assembly submitted to the qualified electors of the state for approval or rejection in accordance with the provisions of Section 202 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota.

AMENDMENT.] Article 19, Section 215 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota is amended so as to read as follows:

§ 215.] The following public institutions of the state are permanently located at the places hereinafter named, each to have the lands specifically granted to it by the United States in the act of congress approved February 22, 1889, to be disposed of and used in such manner as the legislative assembly may prescribe subject to the limitations provided in the article on school and public lands contained in this constitution.

First: The seat of government at the City of Bismarck in the County of Burleigh.

Second: The State University and the School of Mines at the city of Grand Forks, in the County of Grand Forks.

Third: The Agricultural College at the city of Fargo, in the County of Cass.

Fourth: A State Normal School at the City of Valley City in the County of Barnes, and the Legislative assembly in apportioning the grant of eighty thousand acres of land for normal schools made in the act of congress referred to shall grant to the said normal school at Valley City, as aforementioned, fifty thousand (50,000) acres, and said lands are hereby appropriated to said institution for that purpose.

Fifth: The school for the Deaf and Dumb of North Dakota at the city of Devils Lake, in the County of Ramsey.

Sixth: A State Training School at the city of Mandan, in the County of Morton.

Seventh: A State Normal School at the city of Mayville, in the County of Traill, and the legislative assembly in apportioning the grant of lands made by congress in the act aforesaid for state normal schools, shall assign thirty thousand (30,000) acres to the institution hereby located at Mayville, and said lands are hereby appropriated for said purpose.

Eighth: A state hospital for the insane at the city of Jamestown, in the County of Stutsman. And the legislative assembly shall appropriate twenty thousand acres of the grant of lands made by the act of congress aforesaid for other educational and charitable institutions for the benefit and for the endowment of said institution, and there shall be located at or near the city of Grafton, in the County of Walsh, an institution for the feeble-minded, on the grounds purchased by the secretary of the interior for a penitentiary building.

Approved March 15, 1917.

CHAPTER 87.

[H. B. No. 249—Lageson, Lathrop and Tenneson.]

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

Providing for a Commission of Three Citizens of the State to be Appointed by the Governor to Confer with the Drainage Boards or Drain Commissioners Under the Laws of the State of North Dakota, and with Similar Commissions that be Appointed in Adjoining States, for the Purpose of Investigating the Method and Systems of Drainage and Reclamations on Boundary Line Waters between This State and Other Adjoining States, and for the Purpose of Investigating and Reporting on the Best Methods of Effecting Mutual Co-operation between the Drainage Districts or Drainage Boards of This State and of Any Adjoining States Concerning the Drainage and Flood Control of Boundary Line Waters and Areas of Land Affected Thereby, and Providing for an Appropriation Therefor.

Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota, the Senate Concurring therein:

§ 1.] There is hereby established for a period of time not exceeding two years, a commission to be known as the Boundary Drainage Commission, consisting of three citizens of the State of North Dakota, who shall be appointed by the Governor thereof within thirty days after this resolution becomes effective.

§ 2.] Each member of said commission shall qualify by taking the oath of office prescribed by law, and the Governor shall be authorized to fill any vacancies that may occur in such commission.

§ 3.] It shall be the duty of such commission to assist in the organization of drainage flood control districts and to confer with any drainage district or drain commissioners in the State of North Dakota for the purpose of acquiring information and knowledge as to the best means of accomplishing uniform methods of drainage and reclamation of boundary line waters and areas of land affected thereby.

It shall also be the duty of said commission to confer with any similar commission appointed by any State adjoining the State of North Dakota concerning boundary line waters and lands affected thereby, all for the purpose of considering the best means of accom-

plishing the drainage and flood control of boundary line waters in the states concerned, and of effecting uniform methods of reclamation of the land affected thereby.

It shall also be the duty of such commission to formulate a report of their investigations and their recommendations, which report shall be printed and filed with the Governor of this state not later than the first day of October, 1917, and it also shall be the duty of such commission to formulate a report of their investigations and recommendations, which report shall be printed and submitted to the next legislative assembly not later than the first Monday in January, 1919.

§ 4. Each commissioner appointed by said Governor shall be entitled to receive the sum of five dollars per day for his actual time devoted to the work of such commission, and in addition thereto his actual and necessary traveling expenses, all to be submitted as otherwise required by law on form vouchers itemized.

§ 5. The said commission shall be authorized and empowered to employ necessary stenographic help.

§ 6. There is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$3,000.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this resolution.

§ 7. EMERGENCY.] Whereas, it is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety that this Act shall become effective without delay, for the reason that flood conditions and the question of flood control are now questions of great and paramount public interest to the State of North Dakota and its citizens. Therefore, this resolution shall become and be in effect and in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Governor.

Approved March 15, 1917.

CHAPTER 88.

[H. B. No. 26—Ward.]

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

UNITED STATES GRAIN STANDARDS ACT.

WHEREAS, The Sixty-Fourth Congress of the United States has passed an Act known as the "United States Grain Standards Act," authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to investigate the handling, grading and transportation of grain, and to establish standards of quality and condition for the various kinds of grain, and

WHEREAS, The Secretary of Agriculture has appointed and authorized a Federal Commission to standardize the grades of grains, and

WHEREAS, Dr. E. F. Ladd, President of the State Agricultural College of North Dakota has conclusively demonstrated that the

present method of fixing standards of grain is inequitable and unfair to the farmers of this state, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ladd has proven that in order to constitute an adequate and a fair standard, the milling and baking tests of grain must be primarily considered,

Therefore be it Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota, the Senate Concurring Therein:

That we, the members of the 15th Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota hereby respectfully petition the Hon. David F. Huston, Secretary of Agriculture, and the honorable members of the Federal Commission to carefully consider the findings of Dr. E. F. Ladd and in their determination of the standards for the grading of grain to base the standards of quality thereof primarily on the milling and baking tests.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be instructed to send a copy of these resolutions to the President of the United States, to the Hon. David F. Huston, Secretary of Agriculture, to the Chairman of the Federal Commission authorized to fix grain standards, and to each of our senators and representatives in congress, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we urge our representatives and senators in congress to use their efforts and influence to bring about a more equitable method of grading grain along the lines suggested in these resolutions.

Approved February 14, 1917.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

CHAPTER 89.

[S. B. No. 13—Lindstrom.]

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

For an Amendment to the Constitution Providing for the Elective Franchise.
Be it Resolved by the Senate of the State of North Dakota, the House of Representatives Concurring:

That the following proposed amendment to Section 121 of Article 5 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota be referred to the Legislative Assembly to be chosen at the next general election in said State be published, and upon agreement by the Legislature so chosen next, as aforesaid, to be by said last mentioned Legislative Assembly submitted to the qualified electors of the State for approval or rejection at the general election in the year 1920 in accordance with the provisions of Section 202 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota.

AMENDMENT. That Section 121 of Article 5, of the Constitution of North Dakota, as amended by Article 2 of the Amendment to