FALSE STATEMENTS

CHAPTER 36.

[S. B. No. 20—Bowman.]

DEFINING AND FIXING PENALTY

An Act Making It a Felony for Any State Official to Wilfully Publish False Statements With Reference to Any State Department, Institution or Industry and Providing the Manner in Which Such Cases Under the Provisions of This Act Shall Be Tried and Providing the Penalty Therefor.

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

- § 1. No state official shall wilfully publish any false statement in regard to any of the state departments, institutions or industries which said false statements shall tend to deceive the public and create a distrust of the state officials or employees in charge of such departments, institutions or industries, or which tends to obstruct, hinder and delay the various departments, institutions and industries of the state.
- § 2. The District Court in any county in the state where any such false statements shall have been uttered or otherwise published, shall have jurisdiction to try any case brought under the provisions of this Act.
- § 3. In all prosecutions under the provisions of this Act and tried by a jury such jurors shall be selected from various parts of the county in which such case shall be tried.
- § 4. Any person violating the provisions of this Act shall be deemed guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state penitentiary for a term of one year or by a fine of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or both.
- § 5. All Acts or parts of Acts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

Approved 9:15 P. M. December 11, 1919.

FERRIES

CHAPTER 37.

[S. B. No. 49-King.]

LICENSE.

An Act to Provide for the Licensing of Ferries; the Collection of Fees Therefor and the Disposition Thereof; to Provide Penalties for the Violation Thereof; and to Repeal Section 2062 of the Compiled Laws of