

BLIND ASYLUM.

CHAPTER 24.

[H. B. No. 155.]

LOCATION AND GOVERNMENT OF BLIND ASYLUM.

AN ACT Entitled an Act to Locate and Provide For the Government of a State Blind Asylum at Bathgate, Pembina County, North Dakota.

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

§ 1. LOCATION AND GOVERNMENT.] There is hereby established and located at the corporation of Bathgate, Pembina County, North Dakota, a blind asylum, which shall be known by the name of the North Dakota Blind Asylum. The government and management of said blind asylum is hereby vested in a board of trustees consisting of five members, who shall be styled the Board of Trustees of the North Dakota Blind Asylum.

§ 2. TRUSTEES—HOW APPOINTED—LENGTH OF TERM.] The members of said board shall be nominated by the Governor, and by and with the consent and advise of the Senate shall be appointed on or before the third Monday of February of each biennial session of the Legislative Assembly, for a period of four years from said date; *Provided, however,* That the first board of trustees shall be appointed by the Governor at once upon the taking effect of this act; and *Provided further,* That the terms of the first board shall be three members for the period of four years and two of the members for a period of two years, the length of the term of the respective trustees to be designated by the Governor in making the appointments. Such appointments to be by and with the consent and advise of the Senate, should the Legislative Assembly be then in session; otherwise the trustees appointed shall qualify and hold office until their successors are appointed and qualified. The Governor shall have power to fill all vacancies in said board which may occur, when the Legislative Assembly is not in session, and the members of said board shall hold their office until their successors are appointed and qualified as provided in this act.

§ 3. ORGANIZATION OF BOARD—QUORUM.] The Governor shall cause to be issued to each of said trustees a commission, which shall be under the seal of the State. At the first meeting of said board the members thereof shall take and subscribe the oath of office required of all civil officers of the State, and shall then proceed to elect a president, secretary and treasurer, but the treasurer need

not be a member of the board of trustees. A majority of said board shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. The board shall require a bond of its treasurer and fix the amount thereof.

§ 4. MEETINGS OF BOARD—COMPENSATION.] The board of trustees shall hold its meetings at the corporation of Bathgate and fix the time of holding the same; *Provided*, There shall not be to exceed twelve regular meetings in each year. The members of the board shall receive as compensation for their services three dollars per day for each day employed, not to exceed twenty-four days in any one year, and five cents per mile for each mile actually and necessarily traveled in attending the meetings of said board, which sum shall be paid out of the State treasury on the vouchers of said board.

§ 5. POWER OF TRUSTEES DEFINED.] Until such time as the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota shall make an appropriation for the construction and maintenance of such asylum, or until there shall be derived from the interest of the proceeds of the sale or rent for the leasing of the 30,000 acres appropriated for this asylum, sufficient funds to construct and maintain such asylum, the sum of \$5,000, the trustees appointed under this act shall receive no compensation whatever, nor shall they issue their warrant upon the State treasury for any purpose whatever.

§ 6. PROCEEDS FROM LAND GRANT.] The thirty thousand acres of land donated by Congress for the purpose of such blind asylum and appropriated by the Constitution of this State therefor, and all moneys received from the interest and income derived from the sales of such lands or rents derived from the leasing of such lands, are hereby appropriated for the construction and maintenance of said asylum.

§ 7. BY-LAWS AND RULES OF REGULATION.] The said board of trustees shall direct the disposition of all moneys appropriated by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota or the interest of all moneys that may be derived from the sale, or the rent derived from the leasing of land donated by Congress to said State and by the constitution of said State appropriated for said asylum, and shall have supervision and charge of the construction of all buildings provided for or authorized by law for said asylum. Said board of trustees of said asylum shall have power to enact by-laws and rules for the regulation of all its concerns not inconsistent with the laws of this State, to see that its affairs are conducted in accordance with the requirements of law; to provide employment and instruction for the inmates, to appoint a superintendent, a steward, a matron, a teacher or teachers, and such other officers as in their judgment the wants of the institution may require, and prescribe their duties; to exercise a general supervision over the institution, its officers and inmates, and

determine the salaries to be paid to the officers and order their removal upon good cause.

§ 8. REPORTS—WHEN MADE.] The board of directors shall make a report to the Governor on or before the last Monday in December next preceding each biennial session of the Legislative Assembly, containing a financial statement, showing the condition of all funds appropriated for the asylum; also the money expended and the purpose for which the same was expended in detail; also showing the condition of the institution generally.

§ 9. EMERGENCY.] *Whereas* an emergency exists that there is no provision of law providing for the appointment of trustees of the North Dakota Blind Asylum or prescribing their duties and power, *Therefore* this act shall take effect and be in full force and effect after its passage and approval.

Approved, March 21, 1895.

BOUNDARIES OF COUNTIES.

CHAPTER 25.

[S. B. No. 24.]

CHANGING COUNTY BOUNDARIES.

AN ACT to Increase the Revenues of the State by Changing and Increasing the Boundaries of the Counties of Billings, Stark and Mercer.

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

§ 1. BILLINGS COUNTY.] Billings county shall be bounded as follows, viz.: Beginning at the southwest corner of the State, thence north and along the west boundary of the State to the center of the main channel of the Missouri river, thence easterly and along the center of the main channel of the Missouri river to the line between ranges 100 and 101 west, thence south and along the line between ranges 100 and 101 west, to the 12th standard parallel, thence east and along the 12th standard parallel to the northeast corner of township 148 north, of range 98 west, thence south and along the line between ranges 97 and 98 west, to the 10th standard parallel, thence west along the 10th standard parallel to the 15th guide meridian, thence south along the 15th guide meridian to the 9th standard parallel, thence east along the 9th standard parallel to the northeast corner of township 136 north, of range 98 west, thence south along the line between ranges 97 and 98 west, to the 8th standard parallel, thence west