NOTE BY CLERK OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

This volume contains all the acts of the 1931 regular session of the Legislature, including municipal charters.
List of Members and Officers of the Legislature of West Virginia 1931

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Standing Committees of the Senate

ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS

Messrs. Neale (Chairman), Davis (of Ritchie), Helmick, Martin, Reynolds (of Mineral), Weissenburger, Garvin, Hiner and Snodgrass.

ON THE JUDICIARY

Messrs. Smith (Chairman), Watkins, Davis (of Ritchie), Beneke, Hatfield, Helmick, Hutchinson, Miller, Neale, Reynolds (of Mineral), Woodyard, Hiner, Johnson, Mathews, Reynolds (of Mercer), Snodgrass, Taylor and White (of Hampshire).

ON FINANCE

Messrs. Reynolds (of Mineral) (Chairman), Davis (of Lewis), Hatfield, Helmick, Martin, Miller, Roberts, Smith, Weissenburger, Wells, Woodyard, Hutchinson, Herold, Abbot, Hodges, Taylor, White (of Hampshire) and Wiseman.

ON EDUCATION

Messrs. Miller (Chairman), Hatfield, Helmick, Martin, Weissenburger, Wells, Abbot, Garvin and Wiseman.

ON COUNTIES AND MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS

Messrs. Davis (of Lewis) (Chairman), Hatfield, Miller, Neale, Reynolds (of Mineral), Smith, Garvin, Snodgrass and Taylor.

ON ROADS AND NAVIGATION

Messrs. Wells (Chairman), Davis (of Lewis), Hatfield, Helmick, Hutchinson, Martin, Miller, Neale, Reynolds (of Mineral), Smith, Weissenburger, Herold, Abbot, Garvin, Hodges, Snodgrass and White (of Hampshire).

ON BANKS AND CORPORATIONS

Messrs. Roberts (Chairman), Beneke, Davis (of Lewis), Davis (of Ritchie), Helmick, Hutchinson, Herold, Henshaw and Wiseman.
SENATE COMMITTEES

ON PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND HUMANE INSTITUTIONS

Messrs. Hutchinson (Chairman), Beneke, Davis (of Ritchie), Martin, Neale, Reynolds (of Mineral), Smith, Watkins, Woodyard, Garvin, Hodges, Mathews, Reynolds (of Mercer), Taylor and White (of Hampshire).

ON PENITENTIARY

Messrs. Beneke (Chairman), Davis (of Ritchie), Helmick, Neale, Roberts, Woodyard, Herold, Garvin and Mathews.

ON RAILROADS

Messrs. Helmick (Chairman), Davis (of Lewis), Davis (of Ritchie), Hatfield, Hutchinson, Miller, Smith, Henshaw, Johnson and Reynolds (of Mercer).

ON MILITIA


ON FEDERAL RELATIONS

Messrs. Woodyard (Chairman), Davis (of Lewis), Hutchinson, Martin, Neale, Roberts, Garvin, Hodges and Taylor.

ON CLAIMS AND GRIEVANCES

Messrs. Beneke (Chairman), Davis (of Ritchie), Hutchinson, Martin, Neale, Weissenburger, Garvin, Snodgrass and Taylor.

ON INSURANCE

Messrs. Hatfield (Chairman), Helmick, Miller, Neale, Reynolds (of Mineral), Woodyard, Abbot, Henshaw and Hiner.

ON IMMIGRATION AND AGRICULTURE

Messrs. Weissenburger (Chairman), Davis (of Lewis), Hutchinson, Roberts, Smith, Watkins, Mathews, White (of Hampshire) and Wiseman.

ON MINES AND MINING

Messrs. Watkins (Chairman), Hatfield, Hutchinson, Martin, Miller, Wells, Abbot, Johnson and Reynolds (of Mercer).
SENATE COMMITTEES

ON MEDICINE AND SANITATION

Messrs. Davis (of Ritchie) (Chairman), Beneke, Hatfield, Helmick, Neale, Watkins, Garvin, Hodges and Taylor.

ON LABOR

Messrs. Helmick (Chairman), Davis (of Lewis), Hutchinson, Miller, Neale, Wells, Johnson, Mathews and Snodgrass.

ON FORFEITED, DELINQUENT AND UNAPPROPRIATED LAND

Messrs. Smith (Chairman), Beneke, Davis (of Lewis), Hutchinson, Martin, Woodyard, Garvin, Hiner and Reynolds (of Mercer).

ON PUBLIC PRINTING

Messrs. Woodyard (Chairman), Beneke, Hatfield, Miller, Reynolds (of Mineral), Weissenburger, Herold, Garvin and Hodges.

ON RULES

Messrs. White (of Mingo), (Chairman ex-officio), Davis (of Lewis), Hatfield, Miller, Wells, Woodyard, Abbot, Henshaw and Johnson.

TO EXAMINE CLERK’S OFFICE

Messrs. Martin (Chairman), Davis (of Lewis), Woodyard, Hiner and White (of Hampshire).

ON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Messrs. Weissenburger (Chairman), Beneke, Davis (of Ritchie), Hutchinson, Martin, Miller, Herold, Hodges and Mathews.

ON TEMPERANCE

Messrs. Martin (Chairman), Davis (of Ritchie), Helmick, Miller, Reynolds (of Mineral), Wells, Hiner, Johnson and Mathews.

ON REDISTRICTING

Messrs. Hatfield (Chairman), Helmick, Miller, Reynolds (of Mineral), Smith, Woodyard, Garvin, Henshaw and Taylor.

ON FORESTRY AND CONSERVATION

Messrs. Davis (of Lewis) (Chairman), Hatfield, Helmick, Hutchinson, Reynolds (of Mineral), Watkins, Weissenburger, Hiner, Hodges, Johnson and Wiseman.
Messrs. Smith (Chairman), Roberts, Woodyard, Abbot and Garvin.
## HOUSE OF DELEGATES

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Speaker—J. ALFRED TAYLOR, Fayetteville  
Clerk—R. H. KIDD, Grafton  
Sergeant-at-Arms—HAL DePUE, Charleston  
Doorkeeper—O. O. ALLISON, Chester

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68—Democrats
26—Republicans
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94—Total
Standing Committees of the House of Delegates

ELECTIONS AND PRIVILEGES

Messrs. Smith (of Marion), (Chairman), Ballard, Barnhart, Bas­sel, Butcher, Campbell, Goode, Lubliner, Matthews, McGuire, Ross, Sutherland, Brown (of Hancock), Calhoun, Prichard, Rexroad and Ulrich.

JUDICIARY


FEDERAL RELATIONS

Messrs. Cottrill (Chairman), Barnhart, Bassel, Bryant, Butcher, Calvert, Davis, Foster, Gardner, Gilbert, Hickel, Kenna, Scott (of Morgan), Simmons, Wilkinson, Calhoun, Carter, Faber, Lilly and Mott.

TAXATION AND FINANCE

Messrs. Harbert (Chairman), Baker, Ballard, Bowen, Campbell, Cusack, Ferrell, Hamilton, Matthews, Pence, Randolph, Ross, Scott (of Morgan), Smith (of Marion), Thornhill, White, Wilkinson, Dailey, Hartigan, Laughlin, Rairden and Tabor.

MILITARY AFFAIRS

Messrs. Ross (Chairman), Ballard, Calvert, Campbell, Dunham, Easley, Hays, Hiner, Meadows, Simmons, Fazenbaker, Holbrook, Hyre, Smith (of Preston) and Wolverton.

PROHIBITION AND TEMPERANCE

Messrs. Boggs (Chairman), Ballard, Chipley, Dunham, Gibson, Hickel, Matthews, McGuire, Rife, Righter, Wilkinson, Dailey, Hinerman, Rankin, Rexroad and Tabor.

EDUCATION

Messrs. Hamilton (Chairman), Barnhart, Bassel, Ferrell, Gard­ner, Goode, Hays, Holt, Lubliner, Melrose, Rife, Scott (of Morgan),
HOUSE COMMITTEES

Sutherland, Sycafoose, Talbott, Watkins, Alderman, Calhoun, Fazenbaker, Rankin and Rexroad.

COUNTIES, DISTRICTS AND MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS

Messrs. Ballard (Chairman), Bowen, Butcher, Cowgill, Ferrell, Foster, Harbert, Haymond, Hiner, Kenna, Martin, Myers, Norton, Rife, Talbott, Thornhill, Brown (of Hancock), Carter, Mirable, Mott and Vandervort.

BANKS AND CORPORATIONS

Messrs. White (Chairman), Baker, Ballard, Barnhart, Cowgill, Douglas, Dunn, Gilbert, Haines, Haymond, Matthews, Meadows, Myers, Randolph, Starcher, Sutherland, Brown (of Hancock), Carter, Prichard, Raider and Tabor.

ROADS

Messrs. Talbott (Chairman), Boggs, Bryant, Cowgill, Davis, Hamilton, Harbert, Hays, Hickel, MacQueen, Martin, Simmons, Smith (of Wirt), Thornhill, Watkins, Dailey, Mirable, Mott, Raider, Smith (of Preston) and Ulrich.

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LEGISLATURE OF WEST VIRGINIA

ACTS OF 1931

REGULAR SESSION

CHAPTER 1

(Senate Bill No. 11—By Mr. Wells)

AN ACT authorizing the issuance and sale of not exceeding ten million dollars of road bonds of the state of West Virginia to raise money for road construction purposes under and by virtue of the "Good Roads Amendment" to the constitution adopted at the general election held in November, one thousand nine hundred and twenty; to provide for the distribution and expenditure of the proceeds of sale thereof, and to provide for the levy and collection of an annual state tax and other revenue sufficient to pay semi-annually the interest on said bonds and the principal thereof within twenty-five years.

[Passed February 11, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

SEC.

1. Retirement and reissue of ten million dollars of state road bonds.
2. Transfer and registry of bonds; interest, rate and place payable; exemption from taxation.
3. Form of bond.
4. Form of coupon.
5. Separate listing of coupon and registered bonds.
6. State road sinking fund, sources of; separate account for; how disbursed and invested.
7. When board of public works to lay

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. That bonds of the state of West Virginia of the par value of ten million dollars are hereby authorized to be issued and sold for the purpose of raising funds for assisting in building and constructing the system of state roads and highways provided for by the constitution. Said bonds may be issued by the governor in such amounts, in coupon or registered
form, in such denominations, at such times and bearing such
date or dates as the governor may determine, and shall become
due and payable serially in equal amounts beginning one year
and ending twenty-five years from the date thereof: Provided,
however, That no bonds may be issued under the provisions of
this act until bonds authorized and issued under the provisions
of the "Good Roads Amendment" to the constitution of said
state, ratified at the general election held in November, one
thousand nine hundred and twenty, have been retired and can-
celled out of the state road sinking fund created by section six
of chapter one hundred and thirteen of the acts of the legis-
lature of West Virginia of one thousand nine hundred and
twenty-one, in an amount equal to or greater than the amount
to be issued hereunder at any one time.

Sec. 2. The auditor and treasurer are authorized to arrange
for the transfer of registered bonds and for each such transfer
a fee of fifty cents shall be charged by and paid to the state of
West Virginia, to the credit of the state road sinking fund.
Bonds taken in exchange will be cancelled by the auditor and
treasurer and be carefully preserved by the treasurer. The
treasurer shall make provisions for registering payable to bearer
bonds and for each bond registered a fee of fifty cents shall
likewise be charged by and paid to the state of West Virginia,
to the credit of the state road sinking fund. All of such bonds
shall be payable at the office of the treasurer of the state of
West Virginia, or, at the option of the holder, at some desig-
nated bank in the city of New York to be designated by the
governor. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding
four and one-half per centum per annum, payable semi-annually,
on the first day of............and the first day of............, of each year,
to bearer, at the office of the treasurer of the state of West Vir-
ginia, at the capitol of said state, or at the bank designated by
the governor, upon presentation and surrender of interest cou-
pons then due, in the case of coupon bonds. In the case of
registered bonds the treasurer of the state of West Virginia
shall issue his check for the interest then due on the first day
of.....................and.....................of each year, and mail the same to
the registered owner at his address as shown by the record of
registration. Both the principal and interest of said bonds
shall be payable in gold coin of the United States of the present
standard of weight and fineness and said bonds shall be exempt
from taxation by the state of West Virginia, or by any county, district, or municipality thereof, which fact shall appear on the face of the bonds as part of the contract with the holder thereof.

Sec. 3. Said bonds and coupons shall be engraved and the bonds shall be signed, on behalf of the state of West Virginia, by the treasurer thereof, under the great seal of the state, and countersigned by the auditor of the state, and shall be in the following form or to the following effect, as nearly as may be, namely:

COUPON GOLD BOND
(OR REGISTERED GOLD BOND, AS THE CASE MAY BE)
OF THE
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

The State of West Virginia, under and by virtue of authority of an act of its Legislature passed at the regular session of one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one on the day of , one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one and approved by the governor on the day of , one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, acknowledges itself to be indebted to, and hereby promises to pay to the bearer hereof (in the case of a coupon bond) or to , or assigns, (the owner of record, in case of registered bonds) years after the date of this bond, to-wit, on the day of , in gold coin of the United States of America of the present standard of weight and fineness at the office of the Treasurer of the State of West Virginia, at the capitol of said state, or at the option of the holder at bank in the City of New York the sum of dollars, with interest thereon at per centum per annum from date, payable semi-annually in like gold coin of the United States of America, at the Treasurer’s office or bank aforesaid, on the first day of and the first day of of each year, (and in the case of coupon bonds) according to the tenor of the annexed coupons, bearing the engraved fac simile signature of the Treasurer of the State of West Virginia, upon surrender of such coupons. This bond (in the case of a coupon bond) may be exchanged for a registered bond of like tenor upon application to the Treasurer of the State of West Virginia.
To secure the payment of this bond, principal sum and interest, when other funds and revenues sufficient are not available for that purpose, it is agreed that the board of public works of the State of West Virginia shall annually cause to be levied and collected an annual state tax on all property in the state, until said bond is fully paid, sufficient to pay the annual interest on said bond and the principal sum thereof within the time this bond becomes due and payable.

This bond is hereby made exempt from any taxation by the State of West Virginia, or by any county, district or municipal corporation thereof.

In testimony whereof, witness the signature of ................................., Treasurer of the State of West Virginia, and the countersignature of ................................., the Auditor of said State hereto affixed according to law, dated the ........ day of ................................., one thousand nine hundred and .................................. and the seal of the State of West Virginia.

Treasurer of the State of West Virginia.
Countersigned,
Auditor of West Virginia.

Sec. 4. The form of coupons shall be substantially as follows, to-wit:

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

Bond No.................................................. Coupon No..................................................

On the first day of............................................., 19................., the State of West Virginia will pay to the bearer, in gold coin of the United States of the present standard of weight and fineness, at the office of the Treasurer of the State, or at the option of the holder at ............................................. bank in the City of New York, the sum of............................. dollars, the same being semi-annual interest on Bond No.......................... series of one thousand nine hundred and..................

..............................................................

Treasurer of the State of West Virginia.

The signature of the treasurer to said coupons shall be by his engraved fac simile signature and the coupons shall be numbered in the order of their maturity, from number one consecutively. Said bonds and coupons may be signed by the present treasurer and auditor, or by any of their respective
20 successors in office; and bonds signed by the persons now in
21 office may be sold by the governor or his successor in office
22 without being signed by the successor in office of the present
23 treasurer or auditor.

Sec. 5. All coupon and registered bonds issued under this
2 act shall be separately listed by the auditor of the state in books
3 provided for the purpose, in each case giving the date, number,
4 character and amount of obligations issued, and in case of
5 registered bonds, the name and post office address of the person,
6 firm or corporation registered as the owner thereof.

Sec. 6. Into the state road sinking fund shall be paid all
2 moneys received from the annual state tax levy on the taxable
3 property in the state levied under the provisions of this act,
4 from any and all appropriations made by the state from other
5 sources for the purposes of paying the interest on said bonds or
6 paying off and retiring same, from fines, forfeitures and pen-
7 alties, if any made applicable by law for the payment of said
8 bonds or the interest thereon, from transfer fees as herein pro-
9 vided, and from any source whatsoever, which is made liable by
10 law for the payment of the principal of said bonds or the
11 interest thereon.
12 All such funds shall be kept by the treasurer in a separate
13 account, under the designation aforesaid, and all money be-
14 longing to said fund shall be deposited in the state treasury
15 to the credit thereof.
16 Said fund shall be applied by the treasurer of the state, first
17 to the payment of the semi-annual interest on said bonds as it
18 shall become due as herein provided. The remainder of said
19 fund shall be turned over by the state treasurer to the state
20 sinking fund commission, whose duty it shall be to invest the
21 same in the bonds of the government of the United States, the
22 bonds of the state of West Virginia, or any political sub-division
23 thereof: Provided, however, That bonds so purchased by the
24 state sinking fund commission shall mature so as to provide
25 sufficient money to pay off all bonds herein provided to be
26 issued as they may become due; and the money so paid into
27 the said state road sinking fund under the provisions of this
28 act shall be expended for the purpose of paying the interest
29 and principal of the bonds hereby provided for, and for no
30 other purpose except that said fund may be invested until
31 needed, as herein provided.
Sec. 7. In order to provide the revenue necessary for the payment of the principal and interest of said bonds, as hereinbefore provided, the board of public works is authorized, empowered and directed to lay annually a tax upon all real and personal property subject to taxation within this state, sufficient to pay interest on said bonds accruing during the current year and one twenty-fifth of the total issue (at par value) of said bonds, for such number of years, not exceeding twenty-five, as may be necessary to pay the interest thereon and to pay off the principal sum of said bonds; and said taxes, when so collected, shall not be liable for or applicable to any other purpose: Provided, however, That if there be other funds in the state treasury, or in the state road funds, in any fiscal year, not otherwise appropriated, or if other sources of revenue be hereafter provided by law for the purpose, the board of public works is authorized, empowered and directed to set apart, in any year there be such funds, or other sources of revenue provided for such purpose, a sum sufficient to pay the interest on bonds accruing during the current year, and to pay off and retire the principal of said bonds, or any part thereof, at maturity.

The authority hereby vested in the board of public works shall be in addition to the authority now vested in it by present law.

Sec. 8. The governor shall sell all bonds herein mentioned at such time or times as he may determine necessary to provide funds for road construction purposes, as herein provided, upon recommendation of the state road commission. All sales shall be at not less than par and accrued interest. Registered bonds shall bear interest only from the date of delivery. All interest coupons becoming payable prior to said sale date shall be cancelled by the treasurer and rendered ineffective before the delivery of the bonds so sold.

Sec. 9. The proceeds of all sales of bonds herein authorized shall be paid into the state road fund created by section fifteen, chapter one hundred and twelve of the acts of the legislature of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one; and the proceeds from the sale of said bonds shall be apportioned by the state road commission among the several counties on the eighty-twenty basis in accordance with the provisions of section twenty-three, chapter seventeen of the acts of the legislature of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five.
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Sec. 10. The plates from which the bonds authorized by this act are engraved shall be the property of the state of West Virginia.

Sec. 11. The state auditor shall be the custodian of all unsold bonds issued pursuant to the provisions of this act.

Sec. 12. The governor may authorize the issuance of interim certificates to be issued to the purchasers of said bonds to be held by them in lieu of engraved bonds. When said interim certificates are so issued, they shall become full and legal obligations of the state of West Virginia under all of the provisions of this act just as fully and completely as the engraved and permanent bonds.

Sec. 13. All necessary expenses incurred in the execution of this act shall be paid out of any money in the treasury of the state of West Virginia, not otherwise appropriated, on warrants of the auditor of the state drawn on the state treasurer.

CHAPTER 2

(Senate Bill No. 125—By Mr. White, of Mingo)

AN ACT to coordinate in a single administrative unit the activities of all state public welfare agencies by creating a department of public welfare, and to repeal or revise all acts or parts of acts in conflict herewith.

[Passed March 10, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. Department of public welfare created; appointment, qualification, salary and duties of director.

2. Office at state capital; employees; allocation of funds.

3. Advisory council; advisory surgeons; three divisions in department.


5. Duties and powers of state veterans’ service officer vested in department of public welfare.

6. Duties and powers of board of children’s guardians vested in department of public welfare.

7. Duties and powers of crippled children’s council vested in department of public welfare.

8. Liberal construction of act required.

9. Inconsistent acts repealed.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. There is hereby created the West Virginia department of public welfare, the executive officer of which shall be a director to be appointed, with the advice and consent of the senate, by the governor, to serve concurrently with the governor for a term of four years. The director shall be a person qualified to administer the department so as to carry out the
purposes of this act, namely, to promote efficiency and effec-
tiveness in the expenditure of state funds for public welfare by
the coordination of the activities, personnel and resources of all
state public welfare agencies. The director shall receive a
salary of four thousand eight hundred dollars annually, payable
as other state salaries are paid. The director shall have power
to make such rules and regulations not inconsistent with law as
such director may deem best for the administration of the de-
partment and the care and treatment of wards of the state
under the director’s supervision.

Sec. 2. The department of public welfare shall be provided
by the board of public works with offices at the state capitol,
and the director of said department is authorized to secure the
services of such employees as are necessary for carrying out
the provisions of this act, to fix the salaries of said employees,
and to requisition the state auditor for the disbursement of all
funds appropriated for the department for traveling and other
expenses: Provided, That the amounts designated in the budget
bill shall be devoted to the purpose shown by the itemization
for crippled children, for dependent and neglected children,
and for veterans and their dependents.

Sec. 3. For the purpose of keeping public interest in the
various phases of welfare work sustained, the director shall
maintain close contact with an advisory council, with which he
shall confer on matters of major policy, composed of the presi-
dent and three vice presidents of the West Virginia crippled
children’s society, the head of each veterans’ organization in the
state, and the president and vice president of the state organi-
sation of county welfare boards, and the president and two vice
presidents of the West Virginia federation of woman’s clubs,
which council shall serve without pay. On recommendation of
the West Virginia crippled children’s society, the director shall
appoint an advisory staff of three orthopedic surgeons, who
shall, while acting in such advisory capacity, serve without pay,
for the purpose of examining the credentials, and recommend-
ing the appointment of orthopedic surgeons to be engaged by
the department. The director shall provide a division for
crippled children, a division for dependent and neglected chil-
dren, and a division for veterans’ affairs within the department,
and each division shall be charged specifically with the conduct
of its own affairs.
Sec. 4. The duties, responsibilities, and powers now vested by law in the crippled children’s council, the board of children’s guardians, and the veterans’ service office are herewith transferred to and vested in the department of public welfare. The powers and duties in connection with the board of children’s guardians and the crippled children’s council heretofore vested in the board of control are herewith transferred to and vested in the department of public welfare.

Sec. 5. The duties, responsibilities, and powers now vested by sections one and two, article six, chapter twenty-nine of the official code of West Virginia of one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, in the state veterans’ service officer are herewith transferred to and vested in the department of public welfare.

Sec. 6. The duties, responsibilities, and powers now vested by article three of chapter forty-nine, official code of West Virginia of one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, and the further powers, responsibilities, and duties now vested by articles one, two, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine and ten of chapter forty-nine, official code of West Virginia of one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, in the board of children’s guardians are herewith transferred to and vested in the department of public welfare, and hereafter the term “board of children’s guardians” shall be taken and deemed to mean the department of public welfare.

Sec. 7. The duties, responsibilities, and powers now vested by article eleven of chapter forty-nine, official code of West Virginia of one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, in the crippled children’s council are herewith transferred to and vested in the department of public welfare, and the term “crippled children’s council” heretofore used shall be taken and deemed to mean the department of public welfare.

Sec. 8. Being necessary for the health, welfare, protection and convenience of the citizens of this state, this act shall be liberally construed to effectuate the purposes thereof.

Sec. 9. All other acts and parts of acts inconsistent or in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.
CHAPTER 3

(House Bill No. 78—By Mr. Ross)

AN ACT establishing a state athletic commission regulating boxing, sparring and wrestling in the state of West Virginia, and repealing section twenty-six of article two of chapter sixty-one of the code of West Virginia.

[Passed February 27, 1931; to effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

SEC.
1. State athletic commission; number, residence and politics, compensation, terms, vacancies, quorum; officers, seal and rules.
2. Secretary, power and duties; penalty for false swearing before secretary, etc.; biennial reports of commission.
3. Receipts and expenditure of moneys received by commission.
4. Expense of official headquarters.
5. Commission to have sole control of boxing, etc., matches; issuance and revocation of license; license application, issuance, fee for, duration; municipality not to tax boxing, etc., club.
6. Length of rounds; weight of gloves; no contest to be held on Sunday.
7. Cancellation of license for fake boxing, etc., exhibition; penalty for participating in sham or fake boxing, etc., exhibition.
8. Reports by clubs to commission of contracts, what to show; payments to secretary of five per cent of gross receipts; bonds of applicants for license.
9. Power of commission upon failure to report contest; forfeiture of license by club for nonpayment of tax.
10. Presence of members of commission or inspector at exhibition or matches.
11. Referees; appointment by commission; power.
12. Physical examination of contestants; physician present at contest; report by physician to commission.
13. Weight of boxer.
14. License fee for contestant, referee or second.
15. Penalty for engaging in unlawful contests.
16. Penalty for violation not expressly provided for.
17. Special permits to American Legion and other organizations.
18. Inconsistent acts repealed.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. There is hereby created a board to be known as the state athletic commission of West Virginia. Within thirty days after this act takes effect the governor shall appoint three persons to be members of such commission, no more than two of whom shall belong to the same political party, and no two of whom shall be residents of the same county at the same time, and who shall serve without pay, one of whom shall serve until July first, one thousand nine hundred thirty-two, one until July first, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three, and one until July first, one thousand nine hundred thirty-four. At the expiration of the term of each member his successor shall be appointed for a term of three years. In the event of a vacancy in said board said vacancy shall likewise be filled by appointment by the governor and the governor shall likewise have the power to remove any commissioner at his pleasure. Any two members of the commission shall constitute a quorum for the exercise of the power or
authority conferred upon it. The members of the commission shall at the first meeting after their appointment elect one of their number chairman of the commission, and another of their number secretary of the commission, shall adopt a seal for the commission, and shall make such rules for the administration of their office, not inconsistent herewith, as they may deem expedient; and they may hereafter amend or abrogate such rules. The concurrence of at least two commissioners shall be necessary to render a choice or decision of the commission.

Sec. 2. The office of the commission may be changed at pleasure by the said commission. It shall be the duty of the secretary to keep a full and true record of all proceedings of said commission, to preserve all its books, documents and papers, to prepare for service such notices and other papers as may be required of him by the commission, and to perform such other duties as the commission may prescribe; and he may, under direction of the commission, issue subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses before the commission with the same effect as if they were issued in an action in any circuit court of the state, and may administer oaths in all matters pertaining to the duties of his office or connected with the administration of the affairs of the commission. Disobedience of such subpoena and false swearing before such secretary shall be attended by the same consequences and be subject to the same penalties as if such disobedience or false swearing occurred in an action in any circuit court of the state. The commission shall make to the legislature biennial reports of their proceedings for the two years ending with the last day of the preceding December, and may submit with such report, such recommendations pertaining to its affairs, as to it shall seem advisable.

Sec. 3. The commission shall retain out of all moneys received by it, as hereinafter provided, such sum as shall cover all necessary traveling and other necessary expense of the members of the commission. All moneys so received by the commission in excess of two thousand five hundred dollars per annum shall be by the secretary of said commission paid over to the treasurer of the state of West Virginia, together with the full financial statement of all moneys received and expended, and the secretary of the commission shall annually make report of the fiscal affairs of the commission for the preceding year to the treasurer of the state of West Virginia.
Sec. 4. The commission may designate as its official head-quarters the residence or place of business of any one of its members, or may, if it chooses, maintain an office, but the expense of said office, in case such is maintained, shall also be paid out of the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars provided for in section three.

Sec. 5. The commission shall have and hereby is vested with the sole direction, management and control of and jurisdiction over all boxing, wrestling and sparring matches and exhibitions to be conducted, held or given within the state by any club, corporation or association; and no boxing, sparring, wrestling match, or exhibition shall be conducted, held or given within the state except pursuant to its authority and held in accordance with this act. The commission may, in its discretion, issue and, at its pleasure, revoke the license to conduct, hold, or give boxing, sparring or wrestling matches and exhibitions to any club, corporation or association which shall at the time of application therefor own or hold a lease for a term of at least one year upon the building wherein it may be proposed to conduct, hold or give such boxing, sparring or wrestling match or exhibition. Every license shall be subject to such rules and regulations and amendments thereto as the commission may prescribe. Every application for a license, as herein provided for, shall be on a blank form provided by the commission. No license shall be granted to any club, corporation or association, unless the signer of the application be a bona fide resident of the state of West Virginia. Upon the issuance of such license by the commission, the applicant shall pay a state license tax to the commission of five hundred dollars for one year, or a proportionate part thereof for shorter periods, should such license not be granted at the beginning of the fiscal year, but in no instance shall the license fee be less than one hundred dollars, payable and collectible as are other license taxes. The end of the license year shall be June thirtieth. No municipal corporation shall impose any license tax on any such boxing, sparring or wrestling club, notwithstanding the provisions of any section of the code respecting municipal taxes and licenses. The granting of such license to such club by the commission, or the holding of such license by such club, individual or association, shall not prevent the commission from canceling or revoking the license to conduct such a club, as hereinbefore provided.
Sec. 6. No boxing or sparring match or exhibition shall be more than twelve rounds of three minutes each in length with intermission of one minute each between rounds; and the contestants shall wear, during such contests, gloves weighing at least six ounces; and no exhibition or contest shall be held on Sunday.

Sec. 7. Any club, corporation or association which may conduct, hold or give or participate in any sham or fake boxing, sparring, wrestling match or exhibition, shall thereby forfeit its license issued in accordance with the provisions of this act, which shall thereupon be, by the commission, cancelled and declared void; and it shall not be entitled to receive another such license or any license pursuant to the provisions of this act, nor shall any license thereafter be granted to any club, corporation or association, including among its members, directors, partners or stockholders any member, director, partner or stockholder of the club, corporation or association whose license has been so forfeited. Any contestant who shall participate in any sham or fake boxing, sparring or wrestling match or exhibition, and any other person whatsoever who shall in any manner be connected with the arranging, planning, holding, conducting or giving of any such sham or fake boxing, sparring or wrestling match or exhibition, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall upon conviction thereof, be fined not less than five hundred dollars, nor more than one thousand dollars, and be confined in jail for a period of not less than six months, nor more than one year; and any contestant so participating shall be further totally disqualified from further admission or participation in any boxing, sparring, or wrestling contest held or given by any club, corporation or association duly licensed for said purposes.

Sec. 8. Every club, corporation or association which may hold or exercise any of the privileges conferred by this act, shall, within twenty-four hours after the determination of any contest, furnish to the commission a written report, duly verified by one of its officers, showing the number of tickets sold for such contest and the amount of the gross proceeds thereof, and such other matters as the commission may prescribe, and shall also, within such time pay to the secretary of the commission a tax of five per cent of the total gross receipts from the sale of tickets of admission to such boxing, sparring or wrestling match or exhibition. Before any license shall be granted to any club, corporation or association to conduct, hold or give any
13 boxing, sparring or wrestling match or exhibition, such applicant
14 therefor shall execute and file with the commission a bond in
15 the sum of five thousand dollars, to be approved as to form and
16 the sufficiency of the security thereon by the said commission,
17 conditioned for the payment of the tax hereby imposed.

Sec. 9. Whenever any such club, corporation or association
2 shall fail to make a report of any contest at the time prescribed
3 by this act, or whenever such report is unsatisfactory to the
4 commission, the commission or any member thereof may examine
5 or cause to be examined the books and records of such club,
6 corporation or association, and subpoena and examine under
7 oath its officers and other persons as witnesses for the purpose
8 of determining the total amount of its gross receipts for any
9 contest and the amount of tax due in pursuance of the provisions
10 of this act, and upon such examination and as a result thereof
11 the commission may fix and determine the tax. In case of the
12 default in the payment of any tax so ascertained to be due, to-
13 gether with the expenses incurred in making such examination,
14 for a period of twenty days after notice of such delinquent club,
15 corporation or association of the amount at which the same may
16 be fixed by the said commission, such delinquent club shall
17 ipso facto forfeit its license; and it shall be thereby disqualified
18 from receiving any new license or any renewal of license; and
19 it shall, in addition, forfeit and pay the sum of five hundred
20 dollars, which may be recovered by the said commission by suit
21 in any circuit court of the state.

Sec. 10. Each member of the commission shall have the
2 privilege of being present at all exhibitions and matches with-
3 out charge therefor, and shall, when present, see that the rules
4 are strictly observed, and may be present at the counting of the
5 gross receipts; and in the event that no member of the commis-
6 sion can be present, the commission may appoint an inspector
7 to be present representing said commission, which inspector shall
8 have the same privilege hereby conferred upon a member of the
9 commission; and said inspector shall immediately mail to the
10 commission the official box office statement received by him from
11 the officers of the club.

Sec. 11. The chief official of the boxing match or exhibition
2 shall be the referee. The referee shall be appointed by the com-
3 mission, and shall receive from the commission a card authorizing
4 him to act as such referee, and no club shall employ or per-
5 mit any one to act as referee except one holding such card of
authorization from the commission. The referee shall have
general supervision and control over the match or exhibition.

Sec. 12. In any boxing, sparring or wrestling match or ex-
hibition, each contestant must be examined prior to entering the
ring by a physician who has been in active practice in the state
of West Virginia for not less than five years. The physician shall
certify in writing over his signature, as to contestant's physical
condition to engage in such contest. And said physician shall be
in attendance during the contest prepared to deal with any emer-
gency which may arise. Said physician shall file such report of
examination with the commission within the period of twenty-
four hours after the contest. But in the event that said physi-
cian is convinced of the unfitness of either of the contestants to
enter the contest, he shall at once certify such opinion to the
club, corporation or association under whose management the
contest is conducted, and it shall thereupon be unlawful for
said club, corporation or association to proceed with such con-
test.

Sec. 13. No boxer shall be permitted to contest against an
opponent ten pounds heavier than himself when the weight of
either contestant is less than one hundred and fifty pounds.

Sec. 14. No contestant, referee or second shall be permitted
to take part in any boxing contest, unless holding a license from
the state, said license to be issued by the commission for one
year or proportion thereof, dating from July first to June thir-
tieth, upon the payment of ten dollars, said license to be re-
voked upon conviction of violation of this act.

Sec. 15. Any person who shall engage in boxing, sparring or
wrestling contest with another person for money or other such
things of value, or for any championship, when an admission fee
is charged, either directly or indirectly in this state, except when
such contest is held in compliance with this statute, shall be
deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof
shall be fined not less than fifty dollars, and not more than five
hundred dollars.

Sec. 16. If any person shall violate any provision of this
act, for which violation a penalty is not here expressly pro-
vided, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction
thereof, shall be fined not less than fifty dollars, nor more than
five hundred dollars.

Sec. 17. Nothing in this act contained shall be construed to
2 render unlawful a boxing, sparring or wrestling contest for any
3 charitable purpose, the American Legion, National Guard, Vet-
4 erans of Foreign Wars, United Spanish War Veterans, Disabled
5 Americans Veterans of the World War, or other charitable or-
6 ganization, but a special permit shall be obtained from the com-
7 mission. No charge shall be made for such special permit other
8 than the five per cent of the gross receipts provided for in sec-
9 tion eight, but failure to obtain same shall be construed a mis-
10 demeanor.

Sec. 18. That section twenty-six of article two of chapter
2 sixty-one of the code of West Virginia, and all other acts and
3 parts of acts inconsistent with this act, be and the same are
4 hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 4

(House Bill No. 226—By Mr. Cummins)

AN ACT to create a board of aeronautics; to provide for the selec-
1 tion of its members; to prescribe their terms of office; to pre-
2 scribe their powers and duties; to provide for the supervision
3 and control of commercial and public airports and landing
4 fields and schools of aviation; to provide for appeals from the
5 order of such board; to provide penalties; to provide for the
6 enforcement of all rules and regulations adopted by the board
7 governing the operation of airports, air craft and aviation
8 within the state; to provide for the licensing of aircraft, pilots,
9 mechanics and schools of aviation; to provide for funds to
10 carry out the provisions of this bill.

(Passed March 11, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.)

Sec.
1. State board of aeronautics; number, appointment; bipartisan.
2. Power and duties of board; approval of airport and landing
3. Reason to be given for rejection of application to operate airport,
4. Clerical assistance and inspection;
5. All airplanes owned by residents of state, all pilots, instructors, etc.,
6. Payment of fees into state treasury; separate account for use of fund.
7. Penalty for violation of rules and regulations of commission; inconsistent acts repealed.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. There is hereby created a board of aeronautics,
2 to be known as the West Virginia board of aeronautics, to con-
3 sist of three members to be appointed by the governor for a
term of two years, to serve without pay, no more than two of
whom shall be members of the same political party.

Sec. 2. Such board shall have general supervision and con-
trol over all airports and landing fields used for commercial
purposes, and all state, county and municipal airports, all
schools of aviation, and all other phases of aerial activities.
Such board is hereby given the power and authority to make
such rules and regulations as it may deem necessary and advisa-
ble for the public safety, governing the designing, laying out,
locating, building, equipping and operating of all landing fields
and airports within the state. Such board is given the power
and authority to make different ratings of airports and pre-
scribe the proper uses for which the different classes of
ratings are given. The board is given such power and authority
to make rules and regulations governing the personnel and
operation of all schools of aviation, for the purpose of protect-
ing the health and safety of students therein and insuring, so
far as may be, the public safety through the proper training
and instruction of student aviators and mechanics. Such board
shall adopt and enforce the provisions of the federal air com-
merce act, now in force or as hereafter amended, so as to make
applicable as far as possible the provisions of that act to the
state of West Virginia. All airports and landing fields and
schools of aviation shall, within sixty days after such board is
created, make application to the board for its approval of such
airport, landing field or school, and the board shall immediately
consider and pass upon such application. No airport, landing
field or school shall be used for commercial purposes without
the approval of this board. The board is hereby authorized to
issue a certificate of its approval in each case, for which it may
charge a fee of not to exceed twenty-five dollars.

Sec. 3. In any case where the board rejects an applicant for
permission to operate an airport, landing field or school of avia-
tion, or in any case where the board shall issue an order re-
quiring certain things to be done, it shall set forth its reasons
therefor and shall state the requirements to be met before such
approval will be given or such order modified or changed. In
any case where the board may deem it necessary, it may order
the closing of an airport or landing field or school of aviation
and all operations to cease until it shall have complied with the
requirements laid down by the board.
Sec. 4. The board is hereby authorized to employ the necessary clerical assistants and inspectors. No person shall be considered for appointment as inspector who does not have the following qualifications: He shall hold a federal transport pilot's license; shall have had at least one thousand hours of flying experience; and shall have been a resident of the state of West Virginia for the past year. The duty of the inspectors shall be to see that the state and federal laws governing aviation and the rules and regulations of the board are carried out. The members of the board and the inspectors shall have police power and may make arrests for any violation of this law or the rules and regulations of the board.

Sec. 5. All owners of airplanes within the state shall, within thirty days after such board is created, make application to the board for a license to operate, and the registration of such airplanes. All pilots, student pilots, mechanics and instructors shall also make application for a license to the board, and the board is hereby given authority to charge a reasonable fee for those licenses issued, and which shall not exceed ten dollars.

Sec. 6. All fees or other moneys collected by said board under the provisions of this article shall be paid into the state treasury in the manner provided in article two, chapter twelve of the code, and shall be carried in a separate account and be used and expended only for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this article. The fees or other moneys so paid into the state treasury shall constitute and be treated as an excepted fund, and all of the provisions of section two of said article two, chapter twelve of the code, applicable to the funds therein excepted from the general provisions for the deposit and payment of state funds, shall be applicable to the fund derived from collections made pursuant to the provisions of this article.

Sec. 7. Any person, firm, association or corporation who shall have failed to comply with any rules or regulations adopted by said board, or shall violate any such rules or regulations, or shall fail to comply with or shall violate any order of said board, shall be deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars or by imprisonment of not more than thirty days or both. Each violation of any rule, regulation or order shall be considered as a separate offense.

All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.
CHAPTER 5
(House Bill No. 104—By Mr. Barnhart)

AN ACT to provide for the creation of a commission on uniform state laws, the appointment of commissioners thereto, the payment of the expenses of such commissioners and prescribing the duties thereof.

[Passed February 24, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Became a law without the approval of the Governor.]

SEC. 1. Commission on uniform state laws, appointment and qualification; how vacancies filled.

SEC. 2. Term of office; reimbursement for expenses.

SEC. 3. Meetings and officers of commission.

SEC. 4. Duties of commission to secure uniformity in state laws; report by commission to legislature.

SEC. 5. Inconsistent acts repealed.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That a new article, creating a commission on uniform state laws, be and the same is hereby added to chapter twenty-nine of the official code of West Virginia of one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, to be known as article nine, entitled "commission on uniform state laws," and consisting of sections one to five, inclusive, and to read as follows:

Section 1. Within thirty days after the effective date of this article, the governor, upon the recommendation of the executive council of the West Virginia Bar Association, of a list of seven eligible persons, shall appoint therefrom three commissioners, no more than two of whom shall be members of the same political party, and each of whom shall be members of the bar of this state, in good standing, or of the judiciary of this state, who shall constitute and be known as the commission on uniform state laws, and upon the death, resignation or refusal to serve of any of the commissioners so appointed, the governor, upon like recommendation, shall make an appointment to fill the vacancy so caused, such new appointment to be for the unexpired balance of the term of the original appointee.

Sec. 2. Each of said commissioners shall hold office for a term of four years, and until their successors are duly appointed, but nothing herein contained shall be construed to render a commissioner who has faithfully performed his duties ineligible for reappointment. No member of said commission shall receive any compensation for his services as commissioner, but each commissioner shall be entitled to receive his actual
8 disbursements for expenses in performing the duties of his office, 8a and an account of which expenses, shall be approved by the 9 chairman and paid by the state auditor as other claims author- 10 ized by law.

Sec. 3. The commissioners shall meet at the state capitol at 2 least once in two years and shall organize by the election of one 3 of their number as chairman and another as secretary, who shall 4 hold their respective offices for a term of two years and until 5 their successors are elected and qualified.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of each of said commissioners to 2 attend the meeting of the national conference of commissioners 3 on uniform state laws, or to arrange for the attendance of at 4 least one of their number at such national conference, and 5 in such national conference they shall do all in their 6 power to promote uniformity in state laws, upon all subjects 7 where uniformity may be deemed desirable and practicable; 8 said commission shall report to the legislature at each regular 9 session, and from time to time thereafter as said commission may 10 deem proper, an account of its transactions, and its advice and 11 recommendations for legislation. This report shall be printed for 12 presentation to each legislature.

Sec. 5. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are 2 hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 6

(House Bill No. 155—By Mr. Matthews)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section one, article fifteen, chapter eighteen, of the official code of West Virginia, of one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, relating to New River State School.

[Passed March 4, 1931; in effect May 1, 1931. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. New River State College, change of name; supervision and manage- ment by state board of education and state board of control.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one, article fifteen, chapter eighteen, of the official code of West Virginia be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 1. The New River State School heretofore estab-
2 lished and located at Montgomery, in Fayette county, shall be
3 continued and shall be known as the "New River State College."
4 The educational affairs of the school shall be under the control,
5 supervision and management of the state board of education, as
6 provided in section thirteen, article two, of this chapter, and
7 its financial and business affairs shall be under the charge and
8 control of the state board of control, as provided in section four,
9 article one, chapter twenty-five of the code. The rules and
10 regulations made by the president and faculty of this institu-
11 tion for its general government shall be submitted to the state
12 board of education for its approval. The college shall offer in-
13 struction in home economics, industrial subjects, and such other
14 subjects as the state board of education may direct.
15 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby re-
16 pealed.

CHAPTER 7

(House Bill No. 215—By Mr. Lubliner)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section one, article fourteen, chapter
eighteen, of the official code of West Virginia, one thousand nine
hundred thirty-one, relating to "Bluefield Colored Institute."

[Passed March 4, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the
Governor.]

Sec. 1. Bluefield State Teachers' College, change of name; supervision and
management by state board of education and state board of con-
trol.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one, article fourteen, chapter eighteen of the official
code of West Virginia be amended and re-enacted so as to read as
follows:

Section 1. The Bluefield colored institute heretofore estab-
lished and located at Bluefield, in Mercer county, shall be con-
tinued and shall be known as the "Bluefield State Teachers'
College." The educational affairs of the Bluefield state teachers'
college shall be under the control, supervision and manage-
ment of the state board of education, as provided in section thirteen,
article two of this chapter, and its financial and business affairs
shall be under the charge and control of the state board of con-
trol, as provided in section four, article one, chapter twenty-five
of this code. The rules and regulations made by the principal
and faculty of said college, for its general government, for the admission of students thereto, the standards of scholarship to be maintained therein, and the graduation of students therefrom, shall be submitted to the state board of education for its approval.

CHAPTER 8

(House Bill No. 220—By Mr. Watkins)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact chapter one hundred twenty, acts of the legislature of one thousand nine hundred nineteen, regular session, relating to the purchase, by the state board of control, of additional farm lands for use of the West Virginia industrial school for boys.

[Passed March 12, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. Purchase of additional real estate for industrial school for boys; location; payment.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. That the state board of control is hereby authorized to purchase for the use and benefit of the West Virginia industrial school for boys such real estate as may be necessary for the use of said institution: Provided, however, That no such real estate shall be purchased unless the same be conveniently and advantageously located to said institution: And provided further, That no such land shall be purchased except such as can be paid for in full from the earnings of said institution. Such said earnings shall have been collected at the time of purchase.

CHAPTER 9

(Senate Bill No. 119—By Mr. Wiseman)

AN ACT creating the Carnifex Ferry battle ground park commission, defining its purposes and duties; authorizing the commission to examine, survey and locate Carnifex Ferry battle ground park, determine the acreage thereof; to procure an option or options thereon; and to contract for the
payment of the purchase price out of any moneys which may hereafter be appropriated for that purpose, and to erect suitable battleground markers.

[Passed March 14, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. Carnifex Ferry battleground park commission created; appointment, number and terms of members.

Sec. 2. Powers and duties of commission as to battleground.

Sec. 3. Majority of commission to act; filling of vacancies.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. There is hereby created a commission to be known as the Carnifex Ferry battleground park commission, consisting of three members to be appointed by the governor; their term of office shall be for four years and they shall serve without compensation.

Sec. 2. The commission is authorized to examine, survey and locate lines for a state park for the use and benefit of the public not exceeding one hundred acres, situate in Grant district in the county of Nicholas near Gauley river opposite the mouth of Meadow river, but so as to include the location of the batteries, rifle pits and terrain upon which the battle of Carnifex Ferry was fought between federal troops under General Rosencrans and confederate troops under General Floyd in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, which battle had large influence in determining separate statehood for West Virginia. It is further authorized to procure an option or options, thereon; to contract for the payment of the purchase price, survey and battleground markers out of any moneys which may be appropriated for that purpose, but not to exceed an aggregate of five thousand dollars; to erect suitable markers showing the location of the batteries and troops; and to preserve the said battleground for the benefit of the public and West Virginia history.

Sec. 3. A majority of the commission shall have the right to act in the premises, and vacancies thereon by reason of disability, death, resignation or otherwise shall be filled by the governor.
CHAPTER 10
(House Bill No. 186—By Mr. Norton)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact article thirteen, chapter thirty of the official code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one.

[Passed March 13, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. Requirements to practice professional engineering.
2. Definitions.
3. Board of engineers created; terms of office.
4. Qualifications of members.
5. Power of governor to remove.
6. Qualifications to practice professional engineering.
7. Form of application; fee.
8. Examinations for applicants; re-examinations.
9. Certificate of registration; seal for registrant; unlawful use of.

Sec. 10. Expiration date of certificates; renewals.
11. Application of act to firms or corporations.
12. When certificate issued without examination; fee.
13. What plans of state or political subdivisions to be approved by registered engineer.
14. Exemptions from registration.
15. Reciprocal registration.
16. Penalties for violation of net.
17. Sections of acts severable.
18. Repeal of conflicting acts.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article thirteen, chapter thirty of the official code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 1. That in order to safeguard life, health, and property, any person practicing or offering to practice the profession of engineering, shall hereafter be required to submit evidence that he is qualified so to practice and shall be registered as hereinafter provided; and it shall be unlawful for any person to practice or to offer to practice the profession of engineering, in this state, or to use in connection with his name or otherwise assume, use, or advertise any title or description tending to convey the impression that he is a professional engineer, unless such person has been duly registered or exempted under the provisions of this article.

Sec. 2. The term, "professional engineer," as used in this article, shall mean a person who represents himself to be such a professional engineer, either through the use of the term, "engineer," with or without qualifying adjectives, or through the use of some other title implying that he is such a professional engineer.

The term, "board," as used in this article, shall mean the state registration board for professional engineers, provided for by this article.
Sec. 3. The board shall consist of five professional engineers, who shall be appointed by the governor and shall have the qualifications required by section four.

The members of the board as constituted under the present law shall continue in office until the expiration of the term for which each was appointed, and as the terms of present members shall expire appointments shall be made for terms of five years, and so made as to have the term of one member expire each year.

Each member shall hold office until the expiration of the term for which such member is appointed or until a successor shall have been duly appointed and shall have qualified.

Sec. 4. Each member of the board shall be a citizen of the United States and a resident of this state, and shall have been engaged in the practice of the profession of engineering for at least ten years, and shall have been in responsible charge of engineering work for at least five years.

Sec. 5. The governor may remove any member of the board for misconduct, incompetency, neglect of duty, or for any other sufficient cause.

Sec. 6. The following facts, established in the application, shall be regarded as minimum evidence satisfactory to the board, that the applicant is qualified to practice as a professional engineer, to-wit:

(a) A specific record of seven or more years of active practice in engineering work of a character satisfactory to the board and indicating that the applicant is competent to be placed in responsible charge of such work; or,

(b) Graduation from a school or college approved by the board as of satisfactory standing, having a course in engineering of not less than four years; and a specific record of an additional three years of active practice in engineering work, of a character satisfactory to the board, and indicating that the applicant is competent to be placed in responsible charge of such work.

Provided, That no person shall be eligible for registration as a professional engineer who is not of good character and repute.

In considering the qualifications of applicants, responsible charge of engineering teaching may be construed as responsible charge of work. Graduation in engineering from a school of recognized standing shall be considered as equivalent to four years of active practice and the satisfactory completion of each
year of work in such school without graduation shall be considered as equivalent to a half year of active practice. Graduation in a course other than engineering from a college or university of recognized standing shall be considered as equivalent to two years of active practice: Provided, however, That no applicant shall receive credit for more than four years of active practice because of educational qualifications.

In cases where the evidence presented in the application does not appear to the board to be conclusive or to warrant the issuing of a certificate of registration, the applicant may be required to present further evidence for the consideration of the board, and may also be required to pass an oral or written examination, or both, as the board may determine.

Sec. 7. Applications for registration shall be on forms prescribed and furnished by the board, shall contain statements made under oath showing the applicant's education and detail summary of his technical work, and shall contain not less than five references, of whom three or more shall have personal knowledge of his engineering experience.

The registration fee for professional engineers shall be twenty dollars, ten dollars of which shall accompany application, the remaining ten dollars to be paid upon issuance of certificate. Should the board deny the issuance of a certificate of registration to any applicant the initial fee deposited shall be retained as an examination fee.

Sec. 8. When oral or written examinations are required, same shall be held at such time and place as the board shall determine. The scope of the examinations and the methods of procedure shall be prescribed by the board with special reference to the applicant's ability to design and/or supervise engineering works, which shall insure the safety of life, health and property. Examinations shall be given for the purpose of determining the qualifications of applicants for registration in professional engineering. A candidate failing on examination may, at the discretion of the board, be examined again.

Sec. 9. The board shall issue a certificate of registration upon payment of registration fee as provided for in this article, to any applicant who, in the opinion of the board, has satisfactorily met all the requirements of this article. In case
5 of a registered engineer, the certificate shall authorize the
6 practice of "professional engineering."
7 The issuance of a certificate of registration by this board
8 shall be evidence that the person named therein is entitled to
9 all the rights and privileges of a registered professional en-
10 gineer, while the said certificate remains unrevoked or un-
11 expired.
12 Each registrant hereunder shall upon registration obtain
13 a seal of the design authorized by the board, bearing the regis-
14 trant's name and the legend, "registered professional engi-
15 neer." Plans, specifications, plats, and reports issued by a
16 registrant shall be stamped with the said seal during the life
17 of registrant's certificate, but it shall be unlawful for anyone
18 to stamp or seal any document with said seal after the certifi-
19 cate of the registrant named thereon has expired or has been
20 revoked, unless said certificate shall have been renewed or re-
21 issued.

Sec. 10. Certificates of registration shall expire on the last
2 day of the month of June following their issuance or removal
3 and shall become invalid on that date unless renewed. It shall
4 be the duty of the secretary of the board to notify every person
5 registered under this article, of the date of the expiration of
6 his certificate and the amount of the fee that shall be required
7 for renewal for one year; such notice shall be mailed at least
8 one month in advance of the date of the expiration of said
9 certificate. Renewal may be effected at any time during the
10 month of June by the payment of a fee of five dollars. The
11 failure on the part of any registrant to renew his certificate
12 annually in the month of June as required above shall not de-
13 prise such person of the right of renewal, but the fee to be paid
14 for the renewal of a certificate after the month of June shall
15 be increased ten per cent for each month or fraction of a
16 month that payment of renewal is delayed: Provided, how-
17 ever, That the maximum fee for delayed renewal shall not ex-
18 ceed twice the normal renewal fee.

Sec. 11. A firm, or a copartnership, or a corporation, or a
2 joint stock association may engage in the practice of profes-
3 sional engineering in this state only provided such practice is
4 carried on under the responsible direction of one or more
5 registered professional engineers.

Sec. 12. At any time within one year after this article be-
2 comes effective, upon due application therefor and the pay-
3 ment of a fee of twenty dollars, the board shall issue a certifi-
4 cate of registration, without oral or written examination, to
5 any professional engineer who shall submit evidence under oath
6 satisfactory to the board that he is of good character, has
7 been a resident of the state of West Virginia for at least one
8 year immediately preceding the date of his application, and
9 was practicing professional engineering at the time this ar-
10 ticle became effective, such work being of a character satisfac-
11 tory to the board.
12 After this article shall have been in effect one year, the board
13 shall issue certificates of registration only as provided for in
14 section six hereof.

Sec. 13. After the first day of January, one thousand nine
2 hundred thirty-two, it shall be unlawful for this state, or for
3 any of its political subdivisions, for any county, city, town,
4 or district to engage in the construction of any public work
5 involving professional engineering, unless the plans and spe-
6 cifications and estimates have been approved by, and the con-
7 struction supervised by, a registered professional engineer:
8 Provided, That nothing in this section shall be held to apply
9 to any public work wherein the contemplated expenditure for
10 the completed project does not exceed five thousand dollars.

Sec. 14. The following persons shall be exempted from regis-
2 tration under the provisions of this article, to-wit:
3 (a) A person not a resident of and having no established
4 place of business in this state, practicing or offering to prac-
5 tice herein the profession of engineering, when such practice
6 does not exceed in the aggregate more than sixty days in any
7 calendar year: Provided, That such person is legally qualified by
8 registration to practice the said profession in his own state or
9 country in which the requirements and qualifications for ob-
10 taining a certificate of registration are not lower than those
11 specified in this article;
12 (b) A person not a resident of and having no established
13 place of business in this state, or who has recently become a
14 resident thereof, practicing or offering to practice herein for
15 more than sixty days in any calendar year the profession of
16 engineering if he shall have filed with the board an application
17 for a certificate of registration and shall have paid the fee re-
18 quired by this article. Such exemption shall continue only for
such time as the board requires for the consideration of the applicant for registration: **Provided,** That such a person is legally qualified to practice said profession in his own state or country;

(c) An employee of a person holding a certificate of registration in this state who is engaged in the practice of or profession of engineering and an employee of a person exempted from registration by classes (a) and (b) of this section: **Provided,** That such practice does not include responsible charge of design or supervision;

(d) Officers and employees of the government of the United States while engaged within this state in the practice of the profession of engineering, for said government;

(e) A person who practices the profession of engineering exclusively as a regular employee of a public service company by rendering to such company engineering service in connection with its facilities which are subject to regulation, supervision, and control, in order to safeguard life, health and property by the public service commission of the state of West Virginia, so long as such person is thus actually and exclusively employed and no longer.

Sec. 15. (a) The board shall, upon application therefor, and the payment of a fee of five dollars, issue a certificate of registration as professional engineer to any person who holds an unexpired certificate of registration issued to him by the proper authority in any state or territory or possession of the United States or in any country in which the requirements for the registration of professional engineers are of a standard not lower than that specified in this article: **Provided, however,** That the engineering registration boards of said states, territories, possessions, or countries shall grant full and equal reciprocal registration rights and privileges to registrants of this board. Agreements for reciprocity with other states, territories, possessions, or countries may be entered into by the board at its discretion.

(b) The board shall, upon application therefor and payment of a fee of five dollars, issue a certificate of registration as professional engineer to any person who holds an unrevoked card or certificate of national reciprocal registration, issued by any state, province, or country in conformity with the regulations of the national council of state boards of engineering
21 examiners, and who complies with the regulations of this board, 22 except as to qualifications and registration fee.

Sec. 16. Any person who shall practice, or offer to practice, 2 the profession of engineering in this state without being regis- 3 tered or exempted in accordance with the provisions of this 4 article, or any person presenting or attempting to use as his 5 own the certificate of registration of another, or any person 6 who shall give any false or forged evidence of any kind to the 7 board or to any member thereof in obtaining a certificate of 8 registration, or any person who shall falsely impersonate any 9 other registrant of like or different name, or any person who 10 shall attempt to use an expired or revoked certificate of regis- 11 tration, or shall violate any of the provisions of this article, 12 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, upon conviction, 13 be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than one hundred dol- 14 lars, nor more than five hundred dollars, or suffer imprisonment 15 for a period not exceeding three months, or both.

16 It shall be the duty of all duly constituted officers of the law 17 of this state, or any political subdivision thereof, to enforce 18 the provisions of this article and to prosecute any persons 19 violating same. The attorney general of the state or his assist- 20 ant shall act as legal adviser of the board and render such legal 21 assistance as may be necessary in carrying out the provisions of 22 this article.

Sec. 17. If any section or sections of this article shall be 2 declared unconstitutional or invalid, this shall not invalidate 3 any other section of this article.

Sec. 18. All laws or parts of laws in conflict with the pro- 2 visions of this article shall be, and the same are hereby re- 3 pealed.

CHAPTER 11

(House Bill No. 332—By Mr. Poling)

AN ACT to repeal sections thirty-three, thirty-four, thirty-five, thirty-six, thirty-seven, thirty-eight and thirty-nine, article seven, of chapter eighteen, of the official code of West Virginia, relating to teachers' county institutes.

[Passed March 13, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Became a law without the approval of the Governor.]

1. Teachers' county institutes abolished.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. That sections thirty-three, thirty-four, thirty-five,
2 thirty-six, thirty-seven, thirty-eight and thirty-nine, article
3 seven, of chapter eighteen, of the code of West Virginia, relat­
4 ing to teachers' county institutes, be and the same are hereby
5 repealed.

CHAPTER 12

(House Bill No. 128—By Mr. Smith, of Marion)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section one of article twelve of chap­
ter eighteen of the official code of West Virginia, pertaining to state teachers' colleges, their continuation and management.
[Passed March 4, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. State teachers' colleges, change of names; continuation and manage­ment.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one, article twelve, chapter eighteen of the official code of West Virginia, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 1. The state teachers' colleges heretofore established and known as state normal schools shall be continued and shall be known as state teachers' colleges, respectively, as follows:
3 “Fairmont State Teachers' College,” “West Liberty State Teachers' College,” “Glenville State Teachers' College,”
6 “Shepherd State Teachers' College” and “Concord State Teachers' College.” The educational affairs of the afore­said institutions shall be under the control, supervision and management of the state board of education, as provided in section thirteen, article two of this chapter, and their financial and business affairs shall be under the charge and control of the state board of control, as provided in section four, article one, chapter twenty-five of this code. The function of the state teach­ers' colleges shall be the preparation of teachers through such courses of study as the faculties thereof may prescribe with the approval of the state board of education. The rules and regu­lations made by the president or other head and the teachers of
18 each of the state teachers' colleges for the general government of such college, for the admission of students thereto, the standards of scholarship to be maintained therein, and the graduation of students therefrom, shall be submitted to the state board of education for its approval. The president and the teachers of each of the state teachers' colleges shall be persons of broad and liberal education, as evidenced by the possession of a bachelor's degree from a standard college or university, or the equivalent thereof, as a minimum requirement.

CHAPTER 13
(Senate Bill No. 42—By Mr. Davis, of Lewis)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section four of article seven of chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia of one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, relating to time lost through closing schools on account of diseases; holidays; school month; special exercises; and making Armistice Day a school holiday.

[Passed February 23. 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 4. When teacher not required to make up time lost when school closed on account of disease; school holidays to include Armistice Day; length of school month; when schools shall assemble for instruction and ceremonies.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section four of article seven of chapter eighteen of the code of West Virginia of one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one be, and the same is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 4. If any school is closed by the proper authorities on account of the prevalence of any contagious or infectious disease, the time during which such school is closed shall be counted as if taught in determining whether a school has been maintained for the minimum term, and the teacher of such school shall not be compelled to make up such lost time: Provided, That he held himself in readiness to teach subject to the order of the board.
In making contracts with teachers and other employees of the board, it shall be understood that schools are not to be kept open for instruction on any Saturday or on the following days which are hereby named and designated as school holidays, namely: The fourth of July, commonly called "Independence Day"; the eleventh of November, commonly called "Armistice Day"; the last Thursday of November, commonly called "Thanksgiving Day"; the twenty-fifth day of December, commonly called "Christmas Day"; any day on which a general election is held throughout the state; and any day appointed and set apart by the president or the governor as a day of special observance by the people of the state.

The school month shall consist of twenty days on which school is kept in session for the full number of hours prescribed by law, but in any case where Independence Day, Armistice Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, or any day on which a general election is held shall fall on a school day and the school is taught on the day preceding or following, such day shall be counted the same as taught in the report of the teacher for pay for the school month in which it occurs. Schools shall be assembled for instruction on Washington's Birthday and shall devote a portion of the day to exercises commemorating the life and services of the "Father of Our Country." Schools shall be assembled on Armistice Day at the usual time, shall devote not less than one hour to appropriate exercises commemorating the victory of our country and its allies in the world war and the ending of that war, and shall then be dismissed for the day. Schools may also be assembled for instruction on such days as Arbor Day, Labor Day, Memorial Day, Lincoln's Birthday, Columbus Day and other special days and devote a portion of the day to appropriate ceremonies, but on such special days the school must be kept open for the entire school day to entitle the teacher to pay for that day.

The first day of the year, commonly called New Year's Day, shall be a legal school day; but any board of education or trustees of any school district shall have the right to provide for the observance of the same as a holiday.
CHAPTER 14

(Com. Sub. for Senate Bill No. 10—Originating in the Committee on Banks and Corporations)

AN ACT to amend chapter thirty-one of the official code of West Virginia by adding thereto article ten relating to the incorporation, establishment and operation of loan and savings institutions known as "credit unions."

[Passed March 7, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That chapter thirty-one of the official code of West Virginia be amended by adding thereto article ten relating to the incorporation, establishment and operation of "credit unions" and reading as follows:

Section 1. Any eight persons, residents of the state of West Virginia and having a common bond of occupation or association, may apply to the secretary of state for permission to organize a credit union. A credit union shall be organized in the following manner:

(a) The applicants shall execute in duplicate an incorporation agreement by the terms of which they agree to be bound. The agreement shall state:

(1) The name of the proposed credit union;
(2) The post-office address of its principal office or place of business;
(3) The names and post-office addresses of the incorporators, and the number of shares subscribed by each;
(4) The total number of shares of stock which the credit union shall have authority to issue and the par value of each share, which par value shall not exceed ten dollars.

(b) The applicants shall then prepare and adopt by-laws for the general government of the credit union consistent with the provisions of this article, and execute the same in duplicate.

The by-laws shall specify:

1. The date of the annual meeting, which shall be in January of each calendar year, requirements as to notice and manner of conducting such meeting;

2. The number of directors, which shall be not less than five, all of whom must be shareholders and members of the credit union, their powers and duties; and the compensation and duties of all officers;

3. The conditions and qualifications for membership;

4. The number of members of the credit committee and of the supervisory committee, with their respective powers and duties;

5. The conditions upon which shares may be issued, transferred and withdrawn;

6. The charges, if any, to be made for failure to meet obligations punctually;

7. The conditions upon which deposits may be received and withdrawn, and whether the credit union shall have the power to borrow;

8. The manner in which the funds of the credit union shall be invested;

9. The conditions upon which loans may be made and repaid;

10. The method of receipting for money paid in on account of shares, deposits and loans;

11. The manner in which the reserve fund shall be accumulated;

12. The manner in which dividends shall be determined and paid out.

(c) The agreement and by-laws, both executed in duplicate, shall be forwarded to the secretary of state;

(d) The secretary of state, within thirty days after the receipt of such agreement, shall determine whether it conforms to the provisions of this article, and whether or not the organiza-
tion of the credit union in question would benefit the organizers of it, and be consistent with the purposes of this article;

(e) Thereupon the secretary of state shall notify the applicants of his decision. If it is favorable, he shall issue a charter, attach the charter to the duplicate of the agreement and return the same, together with the duplicate of the by-laws to the applicants: Provided, however, That the secretary of state shall issue no charter to any credit union to do business in this state until such incorporation agreement and by-laws have been approved in writing by the commissioner of banking;

(f) The applicants shall thereupon file such charter in the office of the clerk of the county court of the county in which the principal office of the credit union is to be located, and such clerk shall record such charters, the usual fees to be charged for such recordation;

(g) When any credit union authorized by this article desires to begin business, it must notify the commissioner of banking, who shall at his earliest convenience make an examination of its affairs. Having satisfied himself that all the conditions precedent have in good faith been complied with, said commissioner shall then issue to such credit union, under his hand and official seal, a certificate of authority reciting that such examination has been made and that the credit union is authorized to commence business, which certificate shall be displayed in the business place of such credit union and for which certificate of authority said commissioner shall collect a fee of ten dollars, which shall be paid into the state treasury as provided for other fees. But the commissioner may withhold from any credit union his certificate authorizing the commencement of business whenever he has reason to suppose that the members have formed the same for any other than the legitimate objects contemplated in this article.

In order to simplify the organization of credit unions, the commissioner of banking shall cause to be prepared an approved form of incorporation agreement and form of by-laws consistent with this article, which may be used by credit union incorporators for their guidance and, upon written request of any resident of the state of West Virginia, the commissioner of banking shall supply such resident with two blank incorporation agreements and two copies of such form of suggested by-laws free of charge.
Sec. 2. Any and all amendments to the by-laws must be approved in writing by the commissioner of banking before they shall become operative.

Sec. 3. The use by any person, copartnership, association or corporation, except corporations formed under the provisions of this article, of any name or title which contains the words "credit union," shall be a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not less than ten nor more than one hundred dollars for each day of the illegal use of such name, and such use may be enjoined by any court having equity jurisdiction over the party or parties.

Sec. 4. A credit union shall have the following powers:
(a) To receive the savings of its members either as payment on shares, or as deposits (including the right to conduct Christmas clubs, vacation clubs and other such thrift organizations within the membership);
(b) To make loans to members for provident or productive purposes;
(c) To make loans to cooperative society or other organization having membership in the credit union;
(d) To deposit funds in state and national banks;
(e) To invest in any investment legal for savings banks;
(f) To borrow money as hereinafter indicated.

Sec. 5. Credit union membership shall consist of the incorporators and such other persons as may be elected to membership and subscribe to at least one share, pay the initial installment thereon and the entrance fee. Organizations (incorporated or otherwise) composed for the most part of the same general group as the credit union membership may be members. Credit union organizations shall be limited to groups of both large and small membership) having a common bond of occupation or association.

Sec. 6. Credit unions shall be under the supervision of the commissioner of banking. They shall report to him at least semi-annually on or before the first day of January and the first day of July of each calendar year, on blanks supplied by the said commissioner for that purpose. Additional reports may be required by said commissioner. Credit unions shall be examined annually by the commissioner of banking, except that, if a credit union has assets of less than twenty-five thousand dollars, he may accept the audit of a certified public accountant.
10 in place of such examination. The fee for such examination shall
11 be fifteen dollars for credit unions with assets less than twenty-
12 five thousand dollars and twenty-five dollars for credit unions
13 with more than twenty-five thousand dollars in assets. For fail-
14 ure to file reports when due, unless excused for cause, the credit
15 union shall pay to the treasurer of the state five dollars for
16 each day of its delinquency. If the commissioner of banking
determines that a credit union is violating any provision of this
18 article, or is insolvent, said commissioner may serve notice on
19 such credit union of his intention to revoke the certificate of
20 approval. If, for a period of fifteen days after such notice,
21 such violation continues, the commissioner of banking may re-
22 voke such certificate and take possession of the business and
23 property of such credit union and maintain possession until
24 such time as he shall permit it to continue business or its affairs
25 are finally liquidated. He may take similar action if such report
26 remains in arrears for more than fifteen days.

Sec. 7. The fiscal year of every such corporation shall end
2 at the close of business on the thirty-first day of December. The
3 annual meeting of the corporation shall be held in January.
4 Special meetings may be held by order of the directors or of the
5 supervisory committee, and shall be held upon request, in writ-
6 ing, of ten per cent of the members. Notice of all meetings
7 of the corporation shall be given in the manner prescribed in
8 the by-laws. At all meetings of members, a member shall have
9 but one vote, irrespective of the number of shares held. No
10 shareholder may vote by proxy, but a society, association, co-
11 partnership or corporation, having membership in a credit
12 union, may be represented by one person authorized by such
13 society, association, copartnership, or corporation to so repre-
14 sent it. At any meeting the members may decide upon any
15 question of interest to the corporation, and overrule the board
16 of directors; and, by a three-fourths vote of those present and
17 represented, may amend the by-laws, if the notice of the meeting
18 shall have specified the question to be considered.

Sec. 8. At the annual meeting the members shall elect a
2 board of directors of not less than five members, a credit com-
3 mittee and a supervisory committee of not less than three mem-
4 bers each. However, in the discretion of the members, the
5 board of directors as such may also be the credit committee.
6 Except as herein specified, no member of such board shall be a
7 member of either of such committees, nor shall one person be a
8 member of more than one of such committees, and all members
9 of committees and all directors, as well as all officers whom
10 they may elect, shall make oath as hereinafter provided, and
11 shall hold their several offices for such terms as may be de-
12 termined by the by-laws.
13 The oath required of each director, officer and member of a
14 committee shall be the oath of the individual making the same,
15 that he will, as far as the duty devolves upon him, diligently
16 and honestly administer the affairs of such corporation, and
17 will not knowingly violate, or willingly permit to be violated,
18 any of the provisions of law applicable to such corporation, and
19 that he is the owner in good faith and in his own right on the
20 books of the corporation of at least one share therein. Such
21 oath shall be subscribed by the individual making it, and certi-
22 fied by the officer before whom it is taken, and shall immedi-
23 ately be transmitted to the commissioner of banking and filed
24 and preserved in his office.

Sec. 9. At their first meeting, and at the first meeting in
2 each fiscal year, the board of directors shall elect from their
3 number a president, vice-president, a secretary and a treasurer.
4 The office of secretary and treasurer may, if the by-laws so pro-
5 vide, be held by one person; and other officers may be elected
6 in the discretion of the directors. The board of directors shall
7 have the general management of the affairs, funds and records
8 of the corporation, and shall meet as often as may be necessary.
9 Unless the by-laws specifically reserve all or any of these duties
10 to the members, it shall be the special duty of the directors:
11 (a) To act upon all applications for membership and the ex-
12 pulsion of members; (b) to fix the amount of the bond which
13 shall be required of each officer having the custody of funds,
14 which bond shall be signed as surety by some indemnity com-
15 pany duly licensed to transact business in West Virginia, the
16 amount thereof to be approved by the commissioner of banking;
17 (c) to determine from time to time the rate of interest which
18 shall be allowed on deposits and charged on loans; (d) to fix the
19 maximum number of shares which may be held by, and the
20 maximum amount which may be loaned to, any one member;
21 (e) to declare dividends; (f) to recommend amendments to the
22 by-laws; (g) to appoint persons to fill vacancies in the board
23 of directors or in the credit committee until the election and
qualification of their successors; (h) to have charge of the in-
vestment of the funds of the corporation; (i) to perform such
other duties as the members from time to time authorize.
No member of the board of directors or of the credit or
supervisory committee shall receive any compensation for his
services as a member of such board or committees.

Sec. 10. The credit committee shall approve every loan or
advance made by the corporation to members. Every applica-
tion for a loan shall be made in writing on a form prepared by
the board of directors and shall state the purpose for which the
loan is desired and the security offered. No loan shall be made
if it has not received the approval of the entire number of
such committee present when it was considered, which number
shall be at least a majority of the members of such committee,
or if any member of such committee shall disapprove thereof,
but the applicant for a loan may appeal from the decision of
the credit committee to the board of directors. The credit
committee shall meet as often as may be required, after due
notice has been given to each member.

Sec. 11. The supervisory committee shall inspect the se-
curities, cash and accounts of the corporation and supervise the
acts of the board of directors, credit committee and officers. At
any time the supervisory committee, by a unanimous vote,
may suspend the credit committee or any member thereof, or
any member or members of the board of directors, or any offi-
cer or officers elected by the board, and by a majority vote they
may call a meeting of the shareholders to consider any violation
of this article or of the by-laws, or any practice of the corpora-
tion which, in the opinion of such committee, is unsafe and un-
authorized. Within seven days after the suspension of the credit
committee, or any member thereof or of any director or officer,
the supervisory committee shall cause notice to be given of a
special meeting of the members to take action relative to such
suspension. The supervisory committee shall fill vacancies in
their own number until the next meeting of the members.

At the close of each fiscal year, the supervisory committee
shall make or cause to be made a thorough audit of the receipts,
disbursements, income, assets and liabilities of the corporation
for such fiscal year, and shall make a full report thereon to
the directors. Such report shall be read at the annual meeting
22 of the members and shall be filed and preserved with the records
23 of the corporation.

Sec. 12. The capital of the credit union shall consist of the
2 payments that have been made to it by the several members
3 thereof on shares. The par value of the shares shall not exceed
4 ten dollars per share and shall be paid for in money only.
5 Shares may be subscribed for and paid in such manner as the
6 by-laws shall prescribe, not inconsistent with the provisions of
7 this article. A credit union shall have a lien on the shares of any
8 member and upon any dividends payable thereon for and to
9 the extent of any loan made to him and of any dues and fines
10 payable by him. A credit union may, upon the resignation or
11 expulsion of a member, cancel the shares of such member and
12 apply the withdrawal value of such shares toward the liqui-
13 dation of such member’s indebtedness.
14 A credit union may, if the by-laws so provide, charge an en-
15 trance fee for each share subscribed, to be paid by the share-
16 holder upon his election to membership.
17 Fully paid shares of a credit union may be transferred to any
18 person on election to membership upon such terms as the by-
19 laws may provide, and the payment of a transfer fee which
20 shall not exceed twenty-five cents per share.

Sec. 13. Shares may be issued and deposits received in the
2 name of a minor, and such shares and deposits may be with-
3 drawn by such minor, and in such case payments made on such
4 withdrawals shall be valid. If shares are held or deposits made
5 in trust, the name and residence of the beneficiary shall be dis-
6 closed, and the account shall be kept in the name of such holder
7 as trustee for such person. Such shares and deposits may,
8 upon the death of the trustee, be withdrawn by the person for
9 whom the shares were held or for whom such deposits were
10 made, by his legal representatives.

Sec. 14. For failure by any member of a credit union to
2 meet his payments on shares when due, such charges and other
3 penalties may be imposed upon the delinquent member as the
4 by-laws provide. Such charges shall not exceed one and one-
5 half per cent per month or a fraction thereof on amounts due,
6 except that a minimum charge of five cents per month may be
7 imposed.

Sec. 15. A credit union may receive the savings and de-
2 posits of its members in such amounts and upon such terms
Sec. 16. A credit union may lend to its members at reasonable rates, or invest as hereinafter provided, the funds accumulated. The rates of interest shall not exceed one and one-half per cent per month, computed on unpaid balances.

Sec. 17. If the by-laws so provide, a credit union shall have the power to rediscount, as hereinafter provided, or to borrow money from any source, in addition to receiving deposits, as indicated in section fifteen, but the aggregate amount of such rediscounts and borrowings shall at no time exceed twenty per cent of the sum total of the capital, surplus and reserve funds of such borrowing credit union.

Sec. 18. The capital deposits, undivided profits and reserve funds of the corporation may be invested in the following ways, and in such ways only: (a) Loaned to members of the corporation in accordance with the provisions of this article; (b) deposited to the credit of the corporation in a banking institution incorporated under the laws of this state, or in national banks operating in this state; (c) in any investment which is legal for savings banks in the state of West Virginia.

Sec. 19. As provided in section eighteen of this article, a credit union may loan to its members for such purposes and upon such security and terms as the by-laws shall provide and the credit committee shall approve; but security must be taken for any loan in excess of fifty dollars. Endorsement of a note or assignment of shares in any credit union shall be deemed security within the meaning of this section.

A member who needs funds with which to purchase necessary supplies for growing crops may receive a loan in fixed monthly installments instead of in one sum.

If any member of the credit committee makes application to borrow money from a credit union or becomes surety for any other member whose application for a loan is under consideration, the supervisory committee shall appoint a substitute to act on the credit committee in the place of such member, during the consideration of such applications. All officers and members of any committee in any way knowingly permitting or participating in making a loan of funds of a credit union to a non-member thereof shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. The credit union shall have the right to recover the amount of any such
illegal loan from the borrower or from any officer or member of a committee who knowingly committed or participated in the making thereof, or from all of them jointly. A borrower may repay the whole or any part of his loan on any day on which the office of the corporation is open for the transaction of business.

Sec. 20. All entrance fees, transfer fees and charges shall, after the payment of organization expenses, be known as reserve income, and shall be added to the reserve fund of the corporation.

At the close of each fiscal year there shall be set apart to the reserve fund ten per cent of the net income of the corporation which has accumulated during the year. But upon the recommendation of the board of directors, the members at an annual meeting may increase, and, whenever such funds equal the amount of the capital, may decrease, the proportion of profits which is required by this section to be set apart to the reserve fund.

The reserve fund shall belong to the corporation and shall be held to meet contingencies, and shall not be distributed to the members, except upon dissolution of the corporation.

Sec. 21. At the close of the fiscal year a credit union may declare a dividend upon the net earnings. Dividends shall be paid on all fully paid shares outstanding at the close of the fiscal year, but shares which become fully paid during the year shall be entitled to a proportional part of such dividend calculated from the first day of the month following such payment in full.

Sec. 22. Notes, drafts and bills of exchange, executed for the purpose of this article, having a maturity not to exceed six months, and endorsed by a national bank, a state bank or a trust company, may be rediscounted in the open market. The total of such paper outstanding shall at no time exceed the paid-in capital and surplus: Provided, however, That the commissioner of banking, in his discretion, may extend this limit temporarily. And provided further, That the limitation here fixed shall not be considered money borrowed under section seventeen.

Sec. 23. At any regularly called meeting, the members, by a two-thirds vote of those present; may expel from the corporation any member thereof; but such expulsion shall be made
only after a hearing on the part of the member to be expelled.  
A member may withdraw from a credit union as hereinafter  
provided, by filing a written notice of such intention.  
All amounts paid in on shares of an expelled or withdrawn  
member, with any dividends credited to his shares to the date  
of expulsion or withdrawal, shall be paid to such member in  
the order of expulsion or withdrawal but only as funds there-  
for become available, after deducting any amounts due to the  
corporation from such member. All deposits of an expelled or  
withdrawn member, with any interest accrued, shall be paid to  
such member, subject to sixty days' notice, and after deducting  
any amounts due the corporation from such member. Such  
member, when withdrawing shares or deposits, shall have no  
other or further right in such credit union, or to any of its  
benefits, but such expulsion or withdrawal shall not operate  
to relieve such member from any remaining liability to the  
corporation.

Sec. 24. The process of voluntary dissolution shall be as  
follows:
(a) At a meeting called for the purpose (notice of which  
purpose must be contained in the call) four-fifths of the entire  
membership of the credit union may vote to dissolve the entire  
union;
(b) Thereupon, there shall be filed with the secretary of state  
a statement of their consent to dissolution, attested by a ma-  
jority of the officers and including the names and addresses of  
the officers and directors;
(c) The commissioner of banking shall determine whether  
or not the credit union is solvent. If such is the fact, he shall  
cause to be issued in duplicate a certificate to the effect that  
this section has been complied with;
(d) The certificate shall be filed with the clerk of the county  
court of the county in which the principal office of the credit  
union is located, whereupon the credit union shall be dissolved  
and shall cease to carry on business, except for the purpose of  
liquidation;
(e) The credit union shall continue in existence for the  
purpose of discharging its debts, collecting and distributing its  
assets and doing all other acts required, in order to wind up  
its business, and may sue and be sued for the purpose of en-
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24 forcing such debts and obligations until its affairs are fully
25 adjusted and wound up, for three years.

Sec. 25. A credit union may change its place of business on
2 written notice to and approval of the commissioner of banking.

Sec. 26. All credit unions which have been heretofore legally
2 organized under chapter thirty-six of the acts of the legislature
3 of one thousand nine hundred twenty-five, and which were in
4 existence on the thirty-first day of December, one thousand nine
5 hundred thirty, shall, upon the passage of this act, be consid-
6 ered organized under the provisions of this act, and shall not
7 be required to obtain a new charter or to reorganize hereunder,
8 and all acts and things done by any such credit unions so
9 organized under chapter thirty-six of the acts of the legisla-
10 ture of one thousand nine hundred twenty-five, insofar as
11 such acts and things shall not have constituted any violation of
12 law or the provisions of said acts of the legislature of one
13 thousand nine hundred twenty-five, shall be as valid and as
14 effective as if the provisions of this act had taken effect on the
15 first day of January, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one.

Sec. 27. Any violation of this article shall be deemed a mis-
2 demeanor and any person convicted thereof shall be fined not
3 less than one hundred nor more than five hundred dollars and
4 imprisoned in the county jail not less than one month nor more
5 than six months.

Sec. 28. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this
2 act insofar as they affect credit unions only, are hereby re-
3 pealed.

CHAPTER 15

(Senate Bill No. 66—By Mr. Watkins)

AN ACT to expedite and simplify the collection and payment by
banks of checks and other instruments for the payment of
money.

[Passed March 11, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Became a law without
the approval of the Governor.]

Sec. 1. Definitions.
2. Banks as agent or sub-agents of
3. Within what time provisional
depositor; if credit given by
credit may be revoked.
banks revoked, agency relation
to continue.

Sec. 4. When bank is deemed agent for col-
lection or owner of item.
5. Care required of initial or subse-
quent agent collecting bank.
6. "Ordinary care" defined.
7. When item deemed paid.
8. Liability for loss or destruction of
item in transit.
Sec. 9. When agent collecting bank becomes liable or debtor for item.

10. When agent collecting bank may receive check or draft of remitting bank; liability when unconditional credit requested or accepted.

11. Dishonor for non-payment and recourse; exceptions.


13. Return of item by bank legally closed for business; when item

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. For the purposes of this act:

2. (a) The term “bank” shall include any person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of receiving and paying deposits of money within this state. A branch or office of any such bank shall be deemed a bank for the purpose of this act;

6. (b) The term “item” means any check, note or other instrument providing for the payment of money.

Sec. 2. Except as otherwise provided by agreement and except as to subsequent holders of a negotiable instrument payable to bearer or indorsed specially or in blank, where an item is deposited or received for collection, the bank of deposit shall be agent of the depositor for its collection and each subsequent collecting bank shall be sub-agent of the depositor but shall be authorized to follow the instructions of its immediate forwarding bank and any credit given by any such agent or sub-agent bank therefor shall be revocable until such time as the proceeds are received in actual money or an unconditional credit given on the books of another bank, which such agent has requested or accepted. Where any such bank allows any revocable credit for an item to be withdrawn, such agency relation shall nevertheless continue except the bank shall have all the rights of an owner thereof against prior and subsequent parties to the extent of the amount withdrawn.

Sec. 3. A credit given by a bank for an item drawn on or payable at such bank shall be provisional, subject to revocation at or before the end of the day on which the item is deposited in the event the item is found not payable for any reason. Whenever a credit is given for an item deposited after banking hours such right of revocation may be exercised during the following business day.

Sec. 4. An indorsement of an item by the payee or other depositor “for deposit” shall be deemed a restrictive indorse-
ment and indicate that the indorsee bank is an agent for collection and not owner of the item.

An indorsement "pay any bank or banker" or having equivalent words shall be deemed a restrictive indorsement and shall indicate the creation of an agency relation in any subsequent bank to whom the paper is forwarded unless coupled with words indicating the creation of a trustee relationship; and such indorsement or other restrictive indorsement whether creating an agency or trustee relationship shall constitute a guaranty by the indorser to all subsequent holders and to the drawee or payor of the genuineness of and the authority to make prior indorsements and also to save the drawee or payor harmless in the event any prior indorsement appearing thereon is defective or irregular in any respect unless such indorsement is coupled with appropriate words disclaiming such liability as guarantor.

Where a deposited item is payable to bearer or indorsed by the depositor in blank or by special indorsement, the fact that such item is so payable or indorsed shall not change the relation of agent of the bank of deposit to the depositor, but subsequent holders shall have the right to rely on the presumption that the bank of deposit is the owner of the item. The indorsement of an item by the bank of deposit or by any subsequent holder in blank or by special indorsement or its delivery when payable to bearer, shall carry the presumption that the indorsee or transferee is owner provided there is nothing upon the face of the paper or in any prior indorsement to indicate an agency or trustee relation of any prior party. But where an item is deposited or is received for collection indorsed specially or in blank, the bank may convert such an indorsement into a restrictive indorsement by writing over the signature of the indorser the words "for deposit" or "for collection," or other restrictive words to negative the presumption that such bank of deposit or indorsed bank is owner; and in the case of an item deposited or received for collection payable to bearer, may negative such presumption by indorsing thereon the words "received for deposit" or "received for collection" or words of like import.

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the initial or any subsequent agent collecting bank to exercise ordinary care in the collection of an item and when such duty is performed such agent bank shall not be responsible if for any cause payment is not received
in money or an unconditional credit given on the books of an-
other bank, which such agent bank has requested or accepted.
An initial or subsequent agent collecting bank shall be liable
for its own lack of exercise of ordinary care but shall not be
liable for the neglect, misconduct, mistakes or defaults of any
other agent bank or of the drawee or payor bank.
Sec. 6. (a) Where an item is received on deposit or by a
subsequent agent bank for collection, payable in another town
or city, it shall be deemed the exercise of ordinary care to for-
ward such item by mail, not later than the business day next
following its receipt either (1) direct to the drawee or payor
in the event such drawee or payor is a bank or (2) to an-
other bank collecting agent according to the usual banking cus-
tom, either located in the town or city where the item is payable
or in another town or city;
(b) Where an item is received on deposit or by a subsequent
agent bank for collection, payable by or at another bank in the
same town or city in which such agent bank is located, it shall
be deemed the exercise of ordinary care to present the item for
payment at any time not later than the next business day fol-
lowing the day on which the item is received either (1) at the
counter of the drawee or payor by agent or messenger or
(2) through the local clearing house under the regular estab-
lished procedure, or according to the usual banking custom
where the collecting or payor bank is located in an outlying
district;
(c) The designation of the above methods shall not exclude
any other method of forwarding or presentment which under
existing rules of law would constitute ordinary care.
Sec. 7. Where the item is received by mail by a solvent
drawee or payor bank, it shall be deemed paid when the amount
is finally charged to the account of the maker or drawer.
Sec. 8. Where an agent bank forwards an item for collection,
it shall not be responsible for its loss or destruction in transit
or, when in the possession of others, for its inability to repossess
itself thereof, provided there has been no lack of ordinary care
on its part.
Sec. 9. Where ordinary care is exercised, any agent collecting
bank may receive in payment of an item without becoming
responsible as debtor therefor, whether presented by mail,
through the clearing house or over the counter of the drawee or
5 payor, in lieu of money, either (a) the check or draft of the
6 drawee or payor upon another bank or (b) the check or draft
7 of any other bank upon any bank other than the drawee or
8 payor of the item or (c) such method of settlement as may be
9 customary in a local clearing house or between clearing banks
10 or otherwise: Provided, That whenever such agent collecting
11 bank shall request or accept in payment an unconditional credit
12 which has been given to it on the books of the drawee or payor
13 or on the books of any other bank, such agent collecting bank
14 shall become debtor for such item and shall be responsible there-
15 for as if the proceeds were actually received by it in money.

Sec. 10. Where ordinary care is exercised, any agent collecting
2 bank may receive from any subsequent bank in the chain of
3 collection in remittance for an item which has been paid, in
4 lieu of money, the check or draft of the remitting bank upon
5 any bank other than itself or the drawee or payor of the item
6 or such other method of settlement as may be customary: Pro-
7 vided, That whenever such agent collecting bank shall request
8 or accept an unconditional credit which has been given to it on
9 the books of the remitting bank or on the books of any other
10 bank, such agent collecting bank shall become debtor for such
11 item and shall be responsible therefor as if the proceeds were
12 actually received by it in money.

Sec. 11. Where an item is duly presented by mail to the
2 drawee or payor, whether or not the same has been charged to
3 the account of the maker or drawer thereof or returned to such
4 maker or drawer, the agent collecting bank so presenting may,
5 at its election, exercised with reasonable diligence, treat such
6 item as dishonored by non-payment and recourse may be had
7 upon prior parties thereto in any of the following cases:
8 First: Where the check or draft of the drawee or payor bank
9 upon another bank received in payment therefor shall not be
10 paid in due course;
11 Second: Where the drawee or payor bank shall without re-
12 quest or authority tender as payment its own check or draft
13 upon itself or other instrument upon which it is primarily
14 liable;
15 Third: Where the drawee or payor bank shall give an un-
16 requested or unauthorized credit therefor on its books or the
16-a books of another bank: or
17 Fourth: Where the drawee or payor shall retain such item
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18 without remitting therefor on the day of receipt or on the day of maturity if payable otherwise than on demand and received by it prior to or on such day of maturity:

21 Provided, however, That in any case where the drawee or payor bank shall return any such item unpaid not later than the day of receipt or of maturity as aforesaid in the exercise of its right to make payment only at its own counter, such item cannot be treated as dishonored by non-payment and the delay caused thereby shall not relieve prior parties from liability:

27 Provided further, That no agent collecting bank shall be liable to the owner of an item where, in the exercise of ordinary care in the interest of such owner, it makes or does not make the election above provided or takes such steps as it may deem necessary in cases two, three and four above.

Sec. 12. In case of the dishonor of an item duly presented by mail as provided for in the next preceding section, notice of dishonor of such item to prior parties shall be sufficient if given with reasonable diligence after such dishonor; and further in the event of failure to obtain the return of any such item notice of dishonor may be given upon a copy or written particulars thereof, and delay in giving notice of dishonor caused by an attempt with reasonable diligence to obtain return of such item shall be excused.

Sec. 13. First: When the drawee or payor, or any other agent collecting bank shall fail or be closed for business by (official to be designated) or by action of the board of directors or by other proper legal action, after an item shall be mailed or otherwise entrusted to it for collection or payment but before the actual collection or payment thereof, it shall be the duty of the receiver or other official in charge of its assets to return such item, if same is in his possession, to the forwarding or presenting bank with reasonable diligence;

Second: Except in cases where an item or items is treated as dishonored by nonpayment as provided in section eleven, when a drawee or payor bank has presented to it for payment an item or items drawn upon or payable by or at such bank and at the time has on deposit to the credit of the maker or drawer an amount equal to such item or items and such drawee or payor shall fail or close for business as above, after having charged such item or items to the account of the maker or drawer thereof or otherwise discharged his liability thereon but
19 without such item or items having been paid or settled for by
20 the drawee or payor either in money or by an unconditional
21 credit given on its books or on the books of any other bank,
22 which has been requested or accepted so as to constitute such
23 drawee or payor or other bank debtor therefor, the assets of
24 such drawee or payor shall be impressed with a trust in favor
25 of the owner or owners of such item or items for the amount
26 thereof, or for the balance payable upon a number of items
27 which have been exchanged, and such owner or owners shall be
28 entitled to a preferred claim upon such assets, irrespective of
29 whether the fund representing such item or items can be traced
30 and identified as part of such assets or has been intermingled
31 with or converted into other assets of such failed bank;
32 Third: Where an agent collecting bank other than the drawee
33 or payor shall fail or be closed for business as above, after
34 having received in any form the proceeds of an item or items
35 entrusted to it for collection, but without such item or items
36 having been paid or remitted for by it either in money or by an
37 unconditional credit given on its books or on the books of any
38 other bank which has been requested or accepted so as to con-
39 stitute such failed collecting or other bank debtor therefor, the
40 assets of such agent collecting bank which has failed or been
41 closed for business as above shall be impressed with a trust in
42 favor of the owner or owners of such item or items for the
43 amount of such proceeds and such owner or owners shall be
44 entitled to a preferred claim upon such assets, irrespective of
45 whether the fund representing such item or items can be traced
46 and identified as part of such assets or has been intermingled
47 with or converted into other assets of such failed bank.

Sec. 14. The provisions of this act shall not apply to trans-
2 actions taking place prior to the time when it takes effect.

Sec. 15. In any case not provided for in this act the rules
2 of law and equity, including the law merchant and those rules
3 of law and equity relating to trusts, agency, negotiable instru-
4 ments and banking, shall continue to apply.

Sec. 16. This act shall be so interpreted and construed as to
2 effectuate its general purpose to make uniform the law of those
3 states which enact it.

Sec. 17. This act may be cited as the bank collection code.

Sec. 18. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act
2 are hereby repealed.
CHAPTER 16

(Sen. Com. Sub. for House Bill No. 24—By Mr. Barnhart)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section twenty-nine of article eight of chapter thirty-one of the code of West Virginia, relating to consolidations of banking institutions.

[Passed March 11, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Became a law without the approval of the Governor.]

SEC.
29. When liquidating banking institutions may reorganize and continue in business; when banking institutions may consolidate; powers and duties of merger institutions; capitalization of surplus and undivided profits; voluntary liquidation.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section twenty-nine, article eight, chapter thirty-one, of the code of West Virginia, relating to consolidations of banking institutions, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 29. In any voluntary or compulsory proceeding to liquidate a banking institution such banking institution, if the proceeding be not in court, with the consent in writing of the commissioner of banking, and if the proceeding be in court, with the consent in writing of the commissioner of banking and the approval of the court, may reorganize, reclaim possession of its assets, and continue in business. Any banking institution may at any time, with the consent in writing of the commissioner of banking, take over the business and assets and assume the liabilities of another banking institution, all of the terms and conditions of any such purchase, merger or consolidation to be first approved by the commissioner of banking; and after such purchase, merger or consolidation, no other corporation shall be allowed to take or use the name of any institution participating in such purchase, merger or consolidation.

Unless in conflict with a law of the United States of America, at the completion of any purchase, merger or consolidation, whether heretofore or hereafter effected under any past, present or future law of this state or of the United States of America, and whether such banking institution be organized under the provisions of the laws of this state or of the United States of America, or both, the purchasing, merged or consolidated banking institution shall be deemed to have been substituted by operation of law in the place and stead of each of the participating institutions in all fiduciary relationships, and all and singular
the titles, properties, offices, appointments, rights, powers, duties, obligations and liabilities of each participating institution as trustee, executor, administrator, guardian, depository, registrar, transfer agent or other fiduciary shall be deemed to have become vested in and devolved upon the purchasing, merged or consolidated institution, and such purchasing, merged or consolidated institution shall be entitled to take, receive, accept, hold, administer and discharge any and all grants, gifts, bequests, devises, conveyances, trusts and appointments made by deed, will, agreement, order of court or otherwise to, in favor of, or in the name of, any such participating institution, whether made, executed or entered before or after such purchase, merger or consolidation, and whether to vest or become effective before or after such purchase, merger or consolidation, as fully and to the same effect as if the purchasing, merged or consolidated institution had been named in such deed, deed of trust, will, agreement, order or other instrument instead of another participating institution; and all acts heretofore taken or performed in its own name or in the name of, or in behalf of, any institution participating in any such purchase, merger or consolidation by any purchasing, merged or consolidated institution as trustee, executor, administrator, guardian, depository, registrar, transfer agent, or other fiduciary shall be as good, valid, and effectual as if this section had been in force at the time of the taking or performance of such acts.

Any banking institution may capitalize its surplus and undivided profits by issuing shares of stock against the same at par and distributing such shares among its stockholders, when and to the extent that any such proceeding may be authorized in writing by the commissioner of banking.

Any banking institution may, after thirty days’ notice to the commissioner of banking, cease to transact business and go into voluntary liquidation and convert its assets into money and pay the same to the persons entitled thereto.
CHAPTER 17
(House Bill No. 56—By Mr. Matthews)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section ten of article four, chapter twelve of the nineteen hundred thirty-one official code of West Virginia, enacted by the nineteen hundred twenty-nine extraordinary session of the legislature.

[Passed January 28, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 10. State not preferred as to unsecured claim after February 1, 1933.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section ten of article four, chapter twelve of the nineteen hundred thirty-one official code of West Virginia, enacted by the extraordinary session of the legislature of nineteen hundred twenty-nine, relating to the state as a preferred creditor, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 10. On and after February first, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three, the state shall not, by virtue of prerogative or any other right, have any priority or preference of any claim or demand in its favor which is not made a lien and given such priority and preference by statute, over any other unsecured or common creditor of any person, firm or corporation against the property or assets or any part thereof of the debtor.

CHAPTER 18
(House Bill No. 4—By Mr. Barnhart)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section six, article two, chapter fifty-six, official code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one.

[Passed March 11, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 6. Notice of motion for judgment, return, docketing, hearing, continuance, return day; procedure when plaintiff files with notice

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section six, article two, chapter fifty-six, official code of
West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 6. Any person entitled to recover money by action on any contract may, on motion before any court which would have jurisdiction in an action, obtain judgment for such money after not less than twenty days' notice, which notice shall be in writing, signed by the plaintiff or his attorney, and shall be returned to the clerk's office of such court at least five days before the return day of such notice, and when so returned shall be forthwith filed and the date of filing noted thereon, and shall be placed upon the docket for hearing. Such notice may be served, returned as aforesaid, filed and docketed at any time before or during the term of court at which the motion for judgment is to be made, and shall be heard at such term if the term continues for a period of twenty days after the service of such notice, unless good cause for a continuance thereof be shown. If the court be not in session on the return day as set out in the notice, and the term of court be not ended, the motion shall be considered continued until the next court day of the term and if the term be ended, then the motion shall stand continued. The return day of a notice under this section shall not be more than ninety days from its date, unless the commencement of the next succeeding term of court be more than ninety days from such date, in which case the return day may be the first day of such term.

In any such motion, if the plaintiff shall file with his notice, and shall serve upon the defendant at the same time and in the same manner as the notice is served, an affidavit of himself, or some other credible person, stating distinctly the several items of the plaintiff's claim, and that there is, as the affiant verily believes, due and unpaid from the defendant to the plaintiff upon the demand or demands stated in the notice, including principal and interest, after deducting all payments, credits and sets-off made by the defendant, or to which he is entitled, a sum certain to be named in the affidavit, no plea shall be filed in the case unless the defendant shall file with his plea the affidavit of himself, or some other credible person, that there is not, as the affiant verily believes, any sum due by the defendant to the plaintiff upon the demand or demands stated in the plaintiff's notice, or stating a sum certain less than that stated in the affidavit filed by the plaintiff, which the affiant verily believes is all that is due from the defendant to the plaintiff upon the demand
or demands stated in the plaintiff's notice. If such plea and affidavit be not filed, on motion of the plaintiff judgment shall, without further proof, be entered for the plaintiff by the court for the sum stated in his affidavit, with interest thereon from the date of the affidavit until paid: Provided, That before entering judgment on any negotiable instrument, the court shall require the plaintiff to file the same in such proceeding. If such plea and affidavit be filed by the defendant and it be admitted in such affidavit that any sum is due from the defendant to the plaintiff, judgment may be taken by the plaintiff for the sum so admitted to be due, with interest thereon from the date of the affidavit filed by the plaintiff until paid, and the case tried as to the residue.

A proceeding under this section shall not be discontinued by reason of the failure of the clerk to docket the same, or by reason of no order of continuance being entered in it from one day to another, or from term to term. Defense to any such motion may be made in the same manner and to the same extent as to an action at law.

CHAPTER 19

(House Bill No. 143—By Mr. Barnhart)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact sections eight and eleven of article seven, of chapter thirty-eight, of the code of West Virginia, of nineteen hundred thirty-one, in relation to bonds in attachment cases.

[Passed March 6, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Section 8. If the plaintiff shall, at the time of suing out an attachment, or afterwards, give bond with good security, approved by the clerk issuing the attachment, in a penalty of at least double the estimated value of the property to be attached, as shown by the affidavit of the plaintiff or some reliable person,
with condition to pay all costs and damages which may be
awarded against him, or sustained by any officer or other person
by reason of the suing out of the attachment or levying the same,
and to pay, to any claimant of any property seized or sold under
or by virtue of such attachment, all damages which he may sus-
tain in consequence of such seizure or sale, such officer shall
take possession of the personal property levied upon by virtue
of such attachment. But the clerk shall in no case accept such
bond, the penalty of which shall be less than five hundred
dollars.

Sec. 11. Any defendant in the case, or any person interested
in the property so attached, who shall consider the bond so given
not proper in form, or the penalty or security insufficient, may
apply at once, by petition to the court from which the attachment
issued, if in session, and if not, to the judge thereof, in vaca-
tion, and shall be permitted to except to such bond, on any or
all grounds aforesaid, and if any of such exceptions be sustained,
the attached property shall be returned to the person from whom
it was taken by the officer and the attachment shall be quashed
unless the plaintiff shall within such time as the court shall pre-
scribe, give a proper bond, in a sufficient penalty and with surety
sufficient, all to be approved by the court or judge hearing the
exceptions. If such new bond be not given, the principal and
surety in such original bond, who signed the same, shall be
liable to any person who shall suffer any damage by reason of
the suing out and levy of such attachment, to the extent of the
penalty thereof.

CHAPTER 20
(House Bill No. 364—By Mr. Hiner)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section five, article seven, chapter
fifty-five, of the revised code of West Virginia, one thousand
nine hundred thirty-one, relating to actions for wrongful
death.

[Passed March 14, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the
Governor.]

Sec. 5. Action for damages for wrongful death; when confirmed before
death; right of action to survive death of wrong-doer.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section five of article seven of chapter fifty-five of the re-
vised code of West Virginia of one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, relating to actions for wrongful death be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 5. Whenever the death of a person shall be caused by wrongful act, neglect, or default, and the act, neglect or default is such as would (if death had not ensued) have entitled the party injured to maintain an action to recover damages in respect thereof, then, and in every such case, the person who, or the corporation which, would have been liable if death had not ensued, shall be liable to an action for damages, notwithstanding the death of the person injured, and although the death shall have been caused under such circumstances as amount in law to murder in the first or second degree, or manslaughter. No action, however, shall be maintained by the personal representative of one who, not an infant, after injury, has compromised for such injury and accepted satisfaction therefor previous to his death. Any right of action which may hereafter accrue by reason of such injury done to the person of another shall survive the death of the wrong-doer, and may be enforced against his executor or administrator, either by reviving against such personal representative a suit which may have been brought against the wrong-doer himself in his lifetime, or by bringing an original suit against his personal representative after his death, whether or not the death of the wrong-doer occurred before or after the death of the injured party.

All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 21

(House Bill No. 284—By Mr. Barnhart)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section nine of article two of chapter fifty-four of the official code of West Virginia, relating to reports of commissioners and elements of damages in condemnation cases.

[Passed March 14, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 5. Commissioners to ascertain compensation and assess damages; report damages when property taken by railroad; cost of removal of building.
Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section nine of article two of chapter fifty-four of the official code of West Virginia, relating to reports of commissioners and the elements of damages in condemnation cases be and the same is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 9. The commissioners, after viewing the property and hearing any proper evidence which is offered, shall ascertain what will be a just compensation to the person entitled thereto for so much thereof as is proposed to be taken, or for the interest therein, if less than a fee, and for damage to the residue of the tract, beyond the peculiar benefits to be derived, in respect to such residue, from the work to be constructed, or the purpose to which the land to be taken is to be appropriated, including, when less than the fee is taken, the actual damage, if any, done, or that may be done, to the fee by such construction, and make report to the following effect:

"We, the commissioners, appointed by the circuit court of county, (or by the judge thereof in vacation, as the case may be) by an order made on the day of , on the application of respectfully report, that having been first duly sworn, we have viewed the real estate owned by , mentioned in the said application, and are of opinion that dollars will be a just compensation for so much of the said real estate as is proposed to be taken by the said applicant, that is to say: (here describe the part to be taken, and the interest therein, if less than a fee, so as to identify the same with reasonable certainty, which description may be supplemented by reference to a plat annexed to the report, or in any manner that would be sufficient in a conveyance) as well as for damages to the residue of the said real estate beyond the peculiar benefits which will be derived in respect to such residue from the work to be constructed (or from the purposes to which the part to be taken by said applicant is to be appropriated). Given under our hands this day of ."

But if the property is proposed to be taken by a company incorporated for the construction of a railroad, no damages shall be ascertained for the construction of any farm crossings, fences or cattle guards, or for keeping the same in repair. The report shall be signed by at least three of the commissioners, and forth-
with returned to the clerk’s office of the court, to be filed with
the papers of the case.
In ascertaining what will be a just compensation to the per-
son entitled thereto for land on which is situated any building,
structure or improvement or part thereof, the commissioners, or
a jury, where there is a trial by jury, shall take into considera-
tion the cost of the removal of such building, structure or im-
provement to a suitable place, if any such place there be on the
residue of the land from which the property is sought to be
taken.

CHAPTER 22

(Senate Bill No. 185—By Mr. Mathews)

AN ACT fixing the time for holding terms of court in the fifth
judicial circuit of West Virginia.

[Passed March 5, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

SEC. 1 (e). Time for holding terms of cir-
cuit court in Calhoun, Jack-
son, Mason and Roane coun-
ties.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one(e) of article two, chapter fifty-one, of the of-
official code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred and
thirty-one, be amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

Section 1 (e). For the county of Calhoun, on the third Mon-
day in April, August and November.
3 For the county of Jackson, on the first Monday in April,
4 August and November.
5 For the county of Mason, on the first Monday in January,
6 May and September.
7 For the county of Roane, on the third Monday in January,
8 May and September.
CHAPTER 23

(Senate Bill No. 94—By Mr. Watkins)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact sub-section one(s), of article two, of chapter fifty-one of the official code of West Virginia, of one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, fixing the time for holding the regular terms of court for the nineteenth judicial circuit.

[Passed February 20, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

SEC. 1. Time for holding terms of circuit court in Barbour and Taylor counties.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sub-section one(s), of article two, of chapter fifty-one of the code of West Virginia, of one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 1(s). For the county of Barbour, on the first Monday in January and April, and the fourth Monday in September.

For the county of Taylor, on the third Monday in February and May, and the first Monday in November.

All acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 24

(House Bill No. 82—By Mr. Ferrell)

AN ACT fixing a time of holding circuit court in the seventh and twenty-fourth judicial circuits of West Virginia, as established by chapter one hundred thirty-one of the acts of the legislature of West Virginia, session one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine, which said chapter amended and re-enacted section one (g), and lines seven, eight, and nine of section one (h), of chapter fifty-one, of the acts of the legislature of the state of West Virginia, regular session one thousand nine hundred twenty-seven.

[Passed February 17, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That chapter one hundred thirty-one, of the acts of the legisla-
tured of the state of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine, relating to the time of holding regular terms of the circuit courts in the seventh and twenty-fourth judicial circuits, be it amended and re-enacted, so as to read as follows:

Section 1. For the county of Logan, on the second Monday in January, the second Monday in May, and the second Monday in September.

Sec. 2. For the county of Wayne, on the second Monday in March, the second Monday in July and the fourth Monday in November.

CHAPTER 25

(House Bill No. 61—By Mr. Scott, of Morgan)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section seven of article six of chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, relating to game, fish and forestry.

[Passed February 5, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 7. Operation of fish hatcheries and feeding stations by commission; fish cultural operations in waters of state by United States.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section seven of article six of chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, relating to game, fish and forestry, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 7. The commission may establish, operate, conduct and maintain fish hatcheries and feeding stations for fish, and may employ and appoint such persons and assistants at such salaries and for such time as it may deem necessary to operate, conduct and care for them, and may discharge such employees and appointees at will. It may, in the name of the state, purchase or lease lands and water necessary for the establishment, operation, conduct and maintenance of such hatcheries and feeding stations.

The United States commissioner of fisheries and his duly authorized agents are hereby accorded the right to conduct fish cultural operations and scientific investigations in the waters
of this state in such manner and at such times as may be con-
sidered necessary and proper by the said commissioner and his
agents, any laws of the state to the contrary notwithstanding.
All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of
this act are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 26

(House Bill No. 118—By Mr. Scott, of Randolph)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact chapter twenty, article three, sec-
tion thirteen of the official code of West Virginia, one thousand
nine hundred thirty-one.

[Passed March 14, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the
Governor.]

Sec. 13. Bounties by commission and certain | Sec. counties for killing wild nongame
| animals.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That chapter twenty, article three, section thirteen, of the official
code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, re-
lating to bounties for killing wild nongame animals, be amended
and re-enacted to read as follows:

Section 13. The commission shall have the authority to offer
and pay, from time to time, under such regulations as are here-
inafter prescribed, such bounties for the killing and destruction
of wild nongame animals which prey upon and destroy game
animals and game, song, and insectivorous wild birds and fowls
of this state, as the commission shall deem necessary; and the
county courts of the counties of Grant, Greenbrier, Monroe,
Pendleton, Pocahontas, Randolph, Harrison and Webster may,
in their discretion, upon petition of not less than one hundred
citizens and voters of such counties offer and pay from time to
time under such regulations as they may prescribe, such ad-
ditional bounty as such courts may deem necessary for the kill-
ing and destruction of wild nongame animals and fowls as they
may by order entered of record designate.
CHAPTER 27
(House Bill No. 147—By Mr. Mott)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section eight of article three, sections three and five of article four, section six of article five and sections two and eight of article seven, all of chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, relating to the powers of the game, fish and forestry commission, open season on game and fees for hunting licenses.

[Passed March 13, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

ARTICLE 3.

Section 8. The commission shall have the power, by a proper order made and entered in its record book, to limit or suspend for a fixed and definite period, or change the dates of the open seasons for the catching of fish in any stream or part of a stream in this state. The order shall definitely fix such stream by a proper description and shall state therein the period of such suspension. Before such suspension shall become effective, the commission shall give notice thereof by the publication of such order once
9 a week for two successive weeks in the newspapers of the county, 10 or each county wherein such stream is located.

11 The commission shall have the power by a proper order made 12 and entered in its record book, to limit or suspend for a definite 13 and fixed period, the open season for the killing of any game ani- 14 mals or birds, mentioned in this chapter, in any county in this 15 state. Such order shall state the period of such suspension and 16 name the birds and animals, the killing of which is prohibited. 17 Before such suspension shall become effective, the com- 18 mission shall give notice thereof by the publication of such order, 19 in two newspapers of general circulation throughout the state, 20 at least once a week for two successive weeks before the date of 21 the beginning of such suspension.

22 The commission shall also have the power by a proper order 23 made and entered in its record book, when it is deemed necessary 24 to protect game animals, fur bearing animals, fish and frogs, 25 game birds and fowls and forests, to modify and change the bag 26 limits on game animals, birds, fish and frogs. Before any such 27 change in the open season or bag limits is made effective, the 28 commission shall give notice thereof by publication of such 29 order, in two newspapers of general circulation throughout the 30 state, at least once a week for two successive weeks, the last 31 publication to be not later than two weeks in advance of the date 32 the change shall became effective.

33 When the commission shall have entered any such order and 34 given the notice required herein, then anyone fishing in such 35 stream, or hunting or killing in such county any of the animals 36 or birds the killing of which is prohibited, or fishing or hunting 37 in violation of such changes made in the open seasons and bag 38 limits, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction 39 thereof shall be punished as provided in section fourteen of this 40 article.

ARTICLE 4.

Sec. 3. No person shall hunt, capture or kill any deer in this 2 state at any time before the first day of December, one thousand 3 nine hundred and thirty, after which it shall be lawful to hunt, 4 capture or kill any buck deer with one or both horns branched, 5 from the first day of December to the tenth day of December, 6 both inclusive, of each year: Provided, That the state game, 7 fish and forestry commission may at any time open or close
the season against the killing of all deer in manner and form as provided in this chapter: Provided further, That the owner of any deer which shall be kept in any park or field sufficiently enclosed to reasonably prevent its escape therefrom shall have the right to kill any such deer.

No person shall kill more than one deer in any one season of each year; nor shall any person at any time hunt, pursue, shoot at or kill any fawn, doe or any other deer than bucks with one or both horns branched, or have the fresh skin or any other part of any doe or fawn or illegally killed buck in his possession. No person shall chase or hunt deer with dogs in this state at any time, nor permit his dogs to hunt or chase deer; nor shall any person kill any deer that has been chased by dogs. No person shall at any time catch, capture or kill any deer by means of any poison, bait, salt lick, natural or artificial, trap or snare, or like device of any kind. No person shall hunt, pursue, catch or kill any deer between nightfall on one day and daylight of the next day, and no one shall kill or wound any deer while the said deer is in any stream, lake or pond in this state: And provided further, That no person shall hunt, capture or kill any deer in the counties of Mingo, Marion, Marshall and Mercer in this state until the first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four, and that on and after said date the provisions of this chapter shall govern the hunting, capturing or killing of deer in said counties.

Any person killing a deer in this state in any season when it is lawful so to do shall, within twenty days thereafter, inform the commission in writing of such fact, and shall also specify in writing the date and place of such killing, the person by whom killed, the person or persons hunting with him at such time, the length and branching of its horns or antlers, and what was done with such deer.

Any person violating any provision of the first two paragraphs of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than one hundred nor more than three hundred dollars and confined in the county jail not less than thirty nor more than sixty days. Any person violating any provision of the third paragraph of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished as provided in section fifteen of this article.
Sec. 5. No person shall hunt, capture or kill any gray, black, or fox squirrel between the first day of December and the fourteenth day of October of the following year, both inclusive. No person shall kill more than six squirrels in any one day nor more than thirty in any one open season.

ARTICLE 5.

Sec. 6. No person shall hunt, pursue, catch, capture or kill any quail or Virginia partridge between the first day of December and the fourteenth day of October of the following year, both inclusive. No person shall kill more than eight quail in one day nor more than fifty quail in any one open season.

ARTICLE 7.

Sec. 7. A district resident hunting and fishing license shall entitle the licensee to hunt and fish in the county in which the licensee is a resident and all counties bordering on the county in which such district resident hunting and fishing license is issued.

The fee for such license shall be one dollar.

A state-wide resident hunting and fishing license shall entitle the licensee to hunt and fish in all counties in this state. The fee for such license shall be three dollars.

A non-resident hunting and fishing license shall entitle the licensee to hunt and fish in all counties of the state. The fee for such license shall be fifteen dollars.

A non-resident fishing license shall entitle the licensee to fish in all counties of the state. The fee for such license shall be five dollars.

The commission is empowered to issue courtesy hunting and fishing license for which there shall be no charge, to members and agents of the United States Biological Survey and Bureau of Fisheries and to members of state Game, Fish and Forestry Commissions or conservation commissions of states extending similar courtesies, for the purpose of scientific research: Provided, however, That such courtesy license shall not exceed twenty-five in one year.

Sec. 8. No person shall carry any uncased gun in any of the fields or woods of this state, between the thirty-first day of December and the fifteenth day of October of the following year, unless he shall have received a special permit in writing from
5 the local game warden setting forth the purpose of carrying such
6 gun, which in no case shall be for the purpose of killing game
7 birds or game animals. The bona fide owner of such field or
8 woods, or his child, tenant or lessee, shall not be prohibited from
9 carrying a gun on his own land.
10 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with these acts are here-
11 by repealed.

CHAPTER 28
(House Bill No. 254—By Mr. Hiner)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section two of article two of chapter
twelve of the code of West Virginia, relating to method of pay­
ment by state officials, credits to state fund and exceptions
therefrom.

[Passed March 11, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the
Governor.]

Sec. 2. Officials and employees to deposit
state money with treasurer to be
credited to state fund; except­
tions; how excepted funds han­
dled; triplicate reports of collec­
tions; treasurer to designate

Sec. depositories for public utility
corporation taxes and state funds
held by county officials; certifi­
cate by auditor to treasurer of
public utility companies and
taxes due from each.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section two of article two of chapter twelve of the code
of West Virginia be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 2. All officials and employees of the state shall
2 promptly deposit with the state treasurer all moneys received
3 or collected by them for or on behalf of the state for any pur­
4 pose whatsoever. When so paid, such moneys shall be credited
5 to the state fund and treated by the auditor and treasurer as a
6 part of the general revenue of the state, and shall not be used
7 for any purpose whatsoever unless and until authorized and
8 directed by the legislature, except the following funds:
9 (a) All moneys received out of appropriations made by the
10 congress of the United States;
11 (b) All funds derived from the sale of farm and dairy
12 products;
13 (c) All endowment funds, bequests, donations, executive
14 emergency funds, and death and disability funds;
15 (d) All fees and funds collected at state educational insti­
tutions for student activities;
(e) All funds derived from collections from dormitories, boarding houses, cafeterias and road camps;

(f) All moneys received from counties by institutions for the deaf and blind on account of clothing for indigent pupils;

(g) All insurance collected on account of losses by fire and refunds;

(h) All funds derived from bookstores and sales of blank paper and stationery, and collections by the chief inspector of public offices;

(i) All moneys collected and belonging to the capitol building fund, state road fund, state road sinking funds, general school fund, school fund, state fund (moneys belonging to counties, districts and municipalities), state interest and sinking fund for payment of the Virginia debt, state interest and sinking fund, state compensation funds, the fund maintained by the public service commission for the investigation and supervision of applications and licensees under article nine, chapter thirty-one of this code, and all funds and moneys payable to or received by the West Virginia game, fish and forestry commission.

All moneys excepted as aforesaid shall be paid into the state treasury in the same manner as collections not so excepted, and shall be carried in separate accounts to be used and expended only for the purposes for which the same are authorized to be collected by law. The gross amount collected in all cases shall be paid into the state treasury, and commissions, costs and expenses of collection authorized by general law to be paid out of the gross collection are hereby authorized to be paid out of the moneys collected and paid into the state treasury in the same manner as other payments are made from the state treasury.

The officials or employees depositing such moneys with the state treasurer shall prepare reports in triplicate, upon blank forms approved by the chief inspector of public offices, of all moneys received, giving the name and address of the payer, the amount and the purpose for which such payment is made. One copy of this report shall be kept by the official or employee making such report and shall become a part of his permanent record. The original and one copy of such report shall be transmitted to the treasurer, together with the checks, money orders or drafts listed thereon.
The treasurer shall have authority to require all public utility corporations doing business in this state to make payment of all taxes due the state, and various counties, districts and municipalities in the state, by depositing the amounts due in one or more state depositories. He may also permit any county official to deposit in one or more depositories all money payable by such official to the state or its order. In all such cases, however, the treasurer shall designate the depository or depositories in which such deposits are to be made and the amount to be deposited in each. All such deposits shall be made upon blanks and in the manner prescribed by the treasurer. A duplicate copy of all such deposits shall be immediately forwarded to the state auditor by the taxpayer or official making the same. The auditor shall, upon December first of each year, or as soon thereafter as possible, certify to the treasurer the names and addresses of all public utility companies doing business in the state and the amount of taxes due to be paid by each.

CHAPTER 29
(House Bill No. 255—By Mr. Hiner)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section ten of article seven and sections one, nine, ten and twelve of article nine of chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, relating to forests, game and fish and the game, fish and forestry commission.

[Passed March 13, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

ARTICLE 7.
Sec.
10. License fees to be paid to commission and by it to state treasurer; how credited and expended.

ARTICLE 9.
Sec.
1. Protection of forests; appointment and qualifications of chief forester; chief forester to appoint and remove local protector; salaries.
9. Commission to meet requirements of Weeks and Clarke-McNary laws; appropriations for same.
10. Patrol and lookout stations, how maintained; use of game and fish license funds for forest protection and restocking fish or game.
12. When owner fails, commission may establish patrol, cost of, how collected and expended.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section ten of article seven and sections one, nine, ten and twelve of article nine of chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, relating to forests, game and fish and the game, fish and forestry commission, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:
ARTICLE 7

Section 10. All moneys received by or paid to any officer or other person of this state for licenses as aforesaid shall be paid to the commission, in the manner and at the times as herein-after provided, and the commission shall, on receipt of the same, forthwith pay over to the state treasurer such money so received, accompanying it with a statement showing in detail the sources of such money and the purposes for which the same was originally paid, and the same shall be credited forthwith to the game, fish and forestry fund. Such officers and other persons so receiving such money shall, on the first day of each month, pay over to the commission all moneys so paid to them during the preceding month, and each officer and person shall accompany such payment with a report showing, in the case of license money, the name of the county, the class of licenses sold, the names and addresses of the persons paying the same, and the date of the receipt thereof. All such money so paid for licenses shall be credited to the commission, as hereinbefore provided, and shall be further credited to and kept in a separate fund designated "License fund—game, fish and forestry," and shall be used and paid out, upon the order of the commission, solely for the conservation, protection, propagation and distribution of the fish, frogs, wild game and wild birds and fowls in this state, in the enforcement of the fish and game laws of this state, for any of the purposes in this chapter provided; for the operation of the commission, and as provided for by section ten of article nine of this chapter.

All money so credited to and kept separately in "License fund—game, fish and forestry," and applicable as aforesaid, and also all other moneys to the credit of the commission in the state treasury whether derived from the fifty thousand dollar annual appropriation from the general revenue of the state or from financial assistance received from the owners of forest land, or from recoveries against persons giving origin to forest fires, or from the federal government, by appropriation under the Weeks and the Clarke-McNary laws or otherwise, shall be withdrawn from the state treasury and expended at the sole discretion of the commission in accordance with the provisions hereof, only upon the written requisition of the commission duly authorized by it at a meeting duly held, and signed by the chairman of such commission, but the unused portion, if any, of said funds or
42 credits derived from said fifty thousand dollar annual appro-
43 priation from the general revenues of the state remaining un-
44 expended or undrawn at the end of the year for which made,
45 shall be carried over as a balance to the next year, and from year
46 to year thereafter, and the appropriation therefor shall not be
47 deemed to have expired at the end of the year.

ARTICLE 9

Sec. 1. The game, fish and forestry commission shall have
2 power and authority to protect the forests of the state against
3 injury or destruction by fire, insects, fungus, or other disease,
4 to study and make recommendations as to proper methods for
5 such protection and for forest culture, and to disseminate any
6 such information throughout the state. For such purposes the
7 commission shall appoint a chief forester, duly qualified with
8 technical forestry training, a graduate of a reputable college
9 or university supplemented by actual experience in handling
10 forestry field organization. The chief forester shall appoint
11 local protectors for such forest fire districts as the commission
12 may deem it necessary to designate, each of whom shall be sub-
13 ject to approval and confirmation by the commission. Such
14 local forest protectors shall hold office at and during the pleas-
15 ure of the chief forester, who may, at his discretion, subject
16 however to the approval of the commission, with or without
17 cause, summarily remove any person appointed by him, and
18 fill any vacancy so, or otherwise, created. The commission
19 shall fix the salary to be paid to the chief forester, and shall
20 fix and pay reasonable compensation to local forest protectors
21 and other employees of the commission.

Sec. 9. The commission may do all things required to meet
2 the conditions and requirements of the federal government in
3 securing federal cooperation under the provisions of the Weeks
4 law and the Clarke-McNary law, and any law amendatory there-
5 of or supplemental thereto, for the purpose of preventing for-
6 est fires and the advancement of forestry practices. The sum
7 of fifty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated annually and
8 the board of public works shall include said sum of fifty thou-
9 sand dollars for said purpose in its biennial budget to the legis-
10 lature as provided in section fifty-one, article six of the consti-
11 tution of this state and/or in such other budgets as it may pre-
12 sent to the legislature as may be necessary to provide the said
13 sum of fifty thousand dollars for the purposes of this section.
which sum of fifty thousand dollars annually shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the game, fish and forestry commission and be expended and drawn upon by it for the aforesaid purposes, in the manner herein elsewhere provided.

Sec. 10. The commission may cooperate with the owners of forest lands and receive financial assistance from them for the purposes aforesaid and do any and all things necessary therefor, including the establishment and maintenance of patrol and lookout stations: Provided, That the commission shall expend for forestry purposes only such moneys as shall be appropriated therefor by the state, and such moneys as may be contributed therefor by the private owners, and such moneys as may be recovered from persons giving origin to forest fires, and such moneys as may be received from the federal government by appropriation under the Weeks and the Clarke-McNary laws, or otherwise, and in addition for the aforementioned purposes, shall provide twenty-five per cent of the funds derived annually from the sale of game and fish licenses: Provided further, That the commission shall, upon the written request of twenty or more taxpayers of any county, expend in that county at least twenty per cent of all money received from such county in hunting and fishing license fees for the purpose of restocking and propagating fish or game.

Sec. 12. If the owner of any forest land fails properly to patrol his lands, the commission may cause the same to be patrolled and charge the cost thereof against such owner: Provided, That the aggregate amount so charged shall not exceed one cent per acre per year. If the amount so charged against such owner as cost and expense of such patrol is not paid upon presentation of a bill therefor, it shall be the duty of the prosecuting attorney of the county in which such land or the greater part thereof is situated, at the instance of the commission or some one of its agents, to institute, in the name of the state of West Virginia, action for the recovery thereof. All moneys collected from owners of forest lands, either by suit or voluntary payment, shall be paid into the state treasury, to the credit of the game, fish and forestry commission to be expended and drawn upon in its discretion as herein elsewhere provided. But the foregoing provisions shall not apply to corporations, firms or individuals who are members of and contributing to the various fire protective associations of this state, now in existence.
CHAPTER 30
(Senate Bill No. 152—By Mr. Smith)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section fourteen of article one of chapter fifty of the official code, relating to the appointment of special constables by justices of the peace, and the authority of such special constables to carry revolvers, pistols and other dangerous or deadly weapons of like kind or character.

[Passed March 7, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 14. Appointment as special constable not to authorize the carrying of deadly weapons.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section fourteen of article one of chapter fifty of the official code, relating to the appointment of special constables by justices of the peace and the authority of such special constables to carry revolvers, pistols and other dangerous or deadly weapons of like kind or character, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 14. Whenever it shall satisfactorily appear to a justice issuing a summons, attachment or warrant of arrest in a civil action, or a warrant in a criminal proceeding, that a necessity exists therefor, he may appoint a special constable to execute the same, either by directing such process to such special constable by name as follows:

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To A .............................................. B .............................................

who is hereby appointed a special constable to execute this process,''
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or by endorsing such appointment on such process:

Provided, That nothing herein contained shall be construed as empowering a justice to confer upon any special constable, so appointed by him, authority to carry revolvers, pistols or other dangerous or deadly weapons of like kind or character, nor shall any such authority be so conferred by any justice; and no special constable shall have or exercise such authority by virtue of such appointment, nor shall such authority be pleaded as a defense by any such special constable to any indictment for carrying such weapons.
CHAPTER 31

*(Senate Bill No. 153—By Mr. Smith)*

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section six of article seven of chapter sixty-one of the official code relating to the carrying of revolvers, pistols or other dangerous or deadly weapons of like kind or character by special officers and posses, and the liability of such officers and posses using such weapons.

[Passed March 14, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

**Sec. 6.** When sheriff may authorize deputy or posse to carry deadly weapons; good faith of such carrier; liability of such carrier for negligent or unlawful use of weapon.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section six of article seven of chapter sixty-one of the official code, relating to the carrying of revolvers, pistols or other dangerous or deadly weapons of like kind or character by special officers and posses, and the liability of such officers and posses using such weapons, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 6. In case of riot, public danger or emergency, a sheriff may authorize a deputy or posse to carry revolvers, pistols or other dangerous or deadly weapons of like kind or character, upon filing with the clerk of the county court the reasons and causes for such authority and the name or names of the persons so authorized, and the same shall always be open to public inspection. Such authority shall authorize such deputies and posses to carry weapons in good faith and only for the specific purposes and times named in such authority, and upon the trial of any indictment for carrying such weapon or weapons, the jury shall inquire into the good faith of the person attempting to defend such indictment under the authority granted by such sheriff. Any person or persons so authorized to carry such weapon or weapons shall be personally liable for the injury caused to any person by the negligent or unlawful use thereof.

*This is the same as House Bill No. 283 introduced by Mr. Barnhart and passed on March 6, 1931.*
CHAPTER 32
(Senate Bill No. 4—By Mr. Hatfield)

AN ACT providing for security against old age want, creating a county system of old age pension relief, prescribing the qualifications of the beneficiaries thereof, providing for public funds by tax levy to maintain the same, prescribing the powers and duties of county courts and administrative officers in relation thereto, and providing penalties for violations of the provisions thereof.

[Passed March 11, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

SEC.
1. Old age pension relief defined and established.
2. How county courts may establish; when established, how discontinued; proclamation of discontinuance; how reestablished.
3. Amount of pension not to exceed one dollar per day.
4. To whom pension granted.
5. Amount and nature of relief to be determined by county court; what relief may include.
6. Application for relief; investigation by county court; protest; appeal by applicant or protestant to circuit court, whose judgment is final.
7. Penalty for attempting to obtain or obtaining relief by fraudulent means.
8. Procedure by county court upon complaint that relief is improperly or fraudulently obtained.
9. Records of pensions; duties of county clerk; discontinuance of pension upon conviction of crime; if pensioner non compos mentis.
10. Pensions exempt from tax or levy.
11. County pension agent, salary, powers and duties.
12. Audit by and annual report to tax commissioner.
13. Estimates and levies by county court for pensions; duties of sheriff-treasurer as to pension fund.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That a new article, creating a county system of old age pension relief, be and the same is hereby added to chapter nine of the code of West Virginia of one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, to be known as Article III, "Old Age Pensions", to follow immediately after Article II of said code, and to read as follows:

Section 1. The care and relief of aged persons who are in need and whose physical or other conditions or disabilities seems to render permanent their inability to provide properly for themselves is hereby declared to be a special matter of public concern and a necessity in promoting the public health and welfare. To provide such care and relief at public expense, a county system of old age pension relief is hereby established, to operate in a uniform manner with due regard to the varying living conditions and costs of living. The terms "pension relief" or "relief", whenever used in this article, shall be construed to include assistance, aid, care, or support to the class of persons who are in need and whose physical or other conditions or disabilities seems to render permanent their inability to provide properly for themselves.
persons affected thereby; and whenever the masculine pronoun
is used it shall be deemed to include the feminine gender.

Sec. 2. Every county court of the state of West Virginia is
hereby authorized to establish a system of old age pensions
in accordance with the provisions of this article; but before
said county pension system shall be established and placed into
effect, the county court of any county shall submit to a vote of
the people of the county, at any general election held therein,
or at any special election called for the purpose, the question
of whether or not said system of old age pension relief shall be
established. If a majority of the qualified voters voting at any
such election favor old age pension relief, the county court
shall provide and maintain said relief beginning with the next
fiscal year after the holding of said election. When old age
pension relief shall be established in any county, it shall con-
tinue therein until changed by a vote of the people. After it
becomes effective in any county and has continued therein for
a period of two years, the county court thereof may, upon its
own motion, and shall, upon the written petition of five hun-
dred taxpayers of the county, who are legal voters thereof, sub-
mit to a vote of the people of the county, at a general or special
election therein, the question of whether or not said system
of old age pension shall be continued. If a majority of the
qualified voters voting at such election shall vote against the
continuance of said old age pension relief, then the county
court shall discontinue said system as of the thirtieth day of
June next following the date of said election, and the rights of
all persons receiving the benefits of such relief shall cease and
determine as of that date, and the county court shall cause
written notice, by due course of mail, to be given to the bene-
ficiaries of pension relief, to the effect that the pension relief
system has been discontinued by a vote of the people, and in
addition thereto, the county court shall publish for two suc-
cessive weeks in two newspapers published in the county and
representing opposite political parties, if there be such, a proc-
lamation to the effect that the old age pension system of the
county has been discontinued by a vote of the people. If there
be but one political party represented in the county by a
newspaper published therein, then said proclamation shall be
published in one of the papers of said party. If there be no
newspaper published in said county, then same shall be pub-
lished in some newspaper of general circulation therein. If at any said election said county pension system is discontinued by a majority of the voters thereof, the question of maintaining a system of old age pension relief shall not again be submitted to a vote of the people within a period of five years from the date of the last election, at which said question was submitted. But where the system is discontinued by a vote of the people of the county, the county court may, upon its own motion, and shall, upon the written petition of five hundred taxpayers of the county who are qualified voters therein, again submit the question of establishing an old age pension system to the voters of the county, after the expiration of five years from the time said election was held, in which said old age pension system was discontinued, and if reestablished by a vote of the people, it shall continue unless again suspended as herein provided.

Sec. 3. Any person while residing in any county, which maintains a system of old age pension relief, who shall comply with the provisions of this article, shall be entitled to a pension in old age. The amount of such pension shall be fixed with due regard to the conditions in each case, but in no case shall it be an amount which shall exceed a total of one dollar per day.

Sec. 4. An old age pension hereunder may be granted only to an applicant who (1) has attained the age of sixty-five years or more; (2) has been a citizen of the United States for at least fifteen years before making application for a pension; (3) has resided in the state of West Virginia and the county in which he makes application continuously for at least ten years immediately preceding the date of application, but continuous residence in the state and county shall not be deemed to have been interrupted by periods of absence therefrom, if the total of such periods does not exceed three years. And absence in the service of the state of West Virginia or the United States shall not be deemed to interrupt residence in the state and county if a domicile be not acquired outside of the state or county; (4) is not at the time of his application an inmate of any public or private home for the aged, or any public home, or any public or private institution of a custodial, correctional or curative character, except in the case of temporary medical or surgical care in a hospital; (5) is not because of his physical or mental condition in need of continued institutional care; (6) during the period of ten years immediately preceding such date has
not been imprisoned for a felony; (7) has not, within one year preceding such application for pension, been an habitual tramp or beggar; (8) has no child or other person responsible under the law of this state for his support, and able to support him; (9) has no property, income or other means of support; (10) has not disposed of or deprived himself, directly or indirectly, of any property for the purpose of qualifying for old age pension relief; (11) does not receive a pension from the United States, or any state or foreign government, or compensation under the laws of the state of West Virginia.

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the county court to provide adequately for those eligible for old age pension relief, and who apply therefor, under the provisions of this article. The amount and nature of the relief which any such person shall receive, and the manner of providing it, shall be determined by the county court with due regard to the conditions existing in each case, in accordance with reasonable rules and regulations made by said court not inconsistent with the provisions of this article. Relief may include, among other things, medical and surgical care and nursing, in the discretion of the court. The relief granted under this article shall whenever practicable be provided for the recipient in his own or some other suitable family home. The court shall determine in each instance the amount of regular relief to which the applicant is entitled and enter an order fixing the same, and issue to the beneficiary thereof a certificate showing the amount of the monthly allowance to which he is entitled during the continuance of said relief allowance. Where a pensioner under this article is seriously ill and in actual need of medical and surgical care and nursing, and the amount of the regular relief provided for him is not sufficient to provide for any such medical, surgical and nursing care, the county court may provide such additional allowance as may be absolutely necessary to pay the expense thereof, and shall enter an order authorizing the payment of such extraordinary expense.

Sec. 6. Any person requesting, or applying for pension relief under this article, shall make his application therefor to the county court of the county in which he resides. The applicant may apply in person, or the application may be made by another in his behalf. The application shall be made in writing, or reduced to writing, and it shall specify that it is made for
old age pension relief under the provisions of this article. The
application shall be verified by the person making the same, or by
some other reputable person who is acquainted with the facts
stated in the petition, and the petition or application should be
supported by other competent testimony if available. In consider-
ing any such application, the commissioners of the court may
make a personal investigation of the condition and circumstances
of the applicant, or the court may, in its discretion, appoint some
reputable person to make such an investigation in its behalf.
Upon any such application being filed, as aforesaid, any citizen
or group of citizens of the county may file with the court objec-
tions to the granting of any old age pension relief prayed for
in the application, and it shall be the duty of the court to hear
evidence offered either in support of or in opposition to the
granting of such relief. Any applicant or protestant feeling
aggrieved by the action of the court, may, as a matter of right,
appeal to the circuit court of the county for further relief. On
any such appeal, the original papers filed with the county court,
including a transcript of the evidence taken therein, shall con-
stitute the record before the circuit court, and the court shall
determine the case upon the original record thus presented; or,
in lieu of the original record, a complete transcript of the record
in the county court certified by the clerk thereof, may be used
on appeal at the option of the appellant. The decision of the
circuit court shall be certified by the clerk thereof to the clerk
of the county court wherein application was made, and the
original record, if used, on appeal, shall be returned to the
clerk of the county court for its files; and the judgment of the
circuit court in any such appeal shall be final.

Sec. 7. Any person who by means of wilful false statement
or representation or by impersonation or other fraudulent de-
vice obtains or attempts to obtain or aids or abets any person
to obtain any old age pension relief, to which he is not entitled,
shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof,
shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars, or imprisoned
in the county jail not more than one year, or be punished by
both such fine and imprisonment. And if, upon the death of
any beneficiary under this article, it is ascertained that there is
any property or estate of which the beneficiary died seized or
possessed, or to which he was otherwise lawfully entitled in his
lifetime, other than household goods and personal property not
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13. exceeding in value the sum of three hundred dollars, the county
court shall have a prior lien, second only to taxes, upon such
estate, if any, to the amount of the aggregate payments made
to the beneficiary under this article, plus three per cent interest
on payments so made. In the event of the existence and discov-
ery of any such estate upon the death of any such bene-
ficiary, it shall be the duty of the prosecuting attorney of the
county to proceed, in the name and on behalf of the county
court for the use and benefit of the old age pension relief fund,
to collect from any such estate any funds so found to be due.

Sec. 8. Any person who has knowledge that old age pension
relief is being improperly granted or administered under this
article, may file a complaint in writing with the county court
setting forth the particulars of such violation. Upon receipt
of such complaint, the county court shall make an investigation
of the allegations set forth in such complaint; or if at any time
the county court has reason to believe that any such relief has
been improperly granted, or fraudulently obtained, it shall
cause an investigation to be made. Upon the filing of any such
complaint, or upon the determination of the court to make an
investigation, it shall be the duty of the court to notify the
pensioner of the time and place of the hearing to be held by
the court thereon; and the petitioner, or the complainant, may
appear in person or by counsel at any such investigation and
hearing. If it shall appear as a result of the filing of such com-
plaint or investigation that the relief was improperly granted,
or that the pensioner has come into the possession of property
or estate or other means of support and is no longer in need of
such relief, the county court may revoke any certificate thereto-
fore issued by it to the pensioner and discontinue any further
payments for old age relief under this article, and make any
other order that it may deem necessary in the premises. Either
party feeling aggrieved by the action of the court shall have
the right of appeal to the circuit court of the county in the
manner and form provided in section six hereof.

Sec. 9. The county court of every county which maintains
a system of old age pension relief under this article shall keep
and maintain an accurate permanent record of all proceedings
relating to old age pensions. The clerk of the county court shall
do all necessary clerical work in connection with said pension
system, and keep and preserve permanent and accurate records
and accounts pertaining to the same, and without any additional
compensation therefor. Said records and accounts, including
the order book, shall be kept separate, distinct and apart from
all other fiscal records and accounts of the office of the county
clerk, and shall be open to inspection during office hours by
any citizen or taxpayer of the county. In addition to the rec-

ords and accounts and files of papers kept and preserved by
the county court in the clerk’s office thereof, it shall be the
duty of the clerk to keep and preserve a book of accounts in
which he shall open a separate account in the name of each
person receiving old age relief under this article, and the clerk
shall enter on the debit side of said account the amount of each
separate payment made to the beneficiary thereof, together with
the date of the payment and the number of the draft, voucher
or check issued for each payment. The account of each pen-
sioner shall bear the number of his pension certificate; and said
book of accounts shall be carefully indexed by arranging the
names of the pensioners in alphabetical order, and giving the
page reference to the personal account of each. When pension
relief has been allowed by the court and proper orders entered
directing the same, it shall be the duty of the clerk of the county
court to issue drafts or vouchers on the last day of each month,
payable to the beneficiaries thereof and to deliver the same. If
any beneficiary under this article is convicted of any crime, mis-
demeanor, or felony, or other offense, punishable by imprison-
ment for one month or a longer period, the county court shall
direct that payment be not made during such period. Upon the
conviction of any beneficiary of old age pension herein provided,
of a heinous offense involving imprisonment for a period of
more than ninety days, his right to receive further relief shall,
ipo facto, cease and determine. Furthermore, if the bene-
ficiary is found incapable of taking care of his money or him-
self, on the testimony of reputable witnesses, the county court
may direct any installment or payment of pension relief to said
beneficiary to be paid to any reputable person for his benefit,
or the court may suspend payment for such period of time as
it deems fit.

Sec. 10. All pensions provided for hereunder shall be exempt
from any tax levied by the state or any subdivision thereof, and
exempt from levy and sale, garnishment, attachment or other
process whatsoever, and shall be inalienable in any form.
Sec. 11. In aid of the effective administration and enforce-
ment of the provisions of this article, the county court of any
3 county having a population, according to the last decennial
census of the United States, of thirty-five thousand or more,
5 may, in its discretion, appoint some reputable and discreet per-
6 son to be known as "county pension agent", and fix his salary
7 in an amount not to exceed the sum of two hundred fifty dollars
8 per month. Such county pension agent shall hold said appoint-
9 ment at the will and pleasure of the county court, and may be
10 removed at any time with or without cause. The county court
11 may allow reasonable actual expenses of said agent incurred
12 in and about the performance of his duties as such. The salary
13 and expenses of said pension agent shall be paid out of the old
14 age pension fund hereinafter provided for. It shall be the duty
15 of any such county pension agent to investigate, supervise and
16 enforce the provisions of this article under the direction and
17 authority of the county court.

Sec. 12. The pension records and accounts of each county
2 court and the clerk thereof shall be subject to inspection, super-
3 vision and audit by the tax commissioner of West Virginia in
4 the same manner and with the same effect as provided by law
5 for other public funds; and the clerk of the county court of
6 each county maintaining a system of old age pension relief
7 shall annually make report to the tax commissioner of all re-
8 ceipts and disbursements of the county pension relief fund, and
9 in such manner and upon such forms as the tax commissioner
10 may require. Said report shall be made by said clerk within a
11 period of thirty days after the end of each fiscal year.

Sec. 13. Every county court which maintains a system of
2 old age pension relief under this article shall each year at the
3 levy estimate and levy period provided by general law for the
4 making up of estimates and the laying of levies, make up an
5 estimate of the necessary and probable amount needed for old
6 age pension relief, and lay a special levy sufficient for said
7 relief fund, not to exceed the sum of five cents on each one
8 hundred dollars of assessed valuation of property in the county.
9 The estimates and levies herein provided shall be published in
10 the manner provided by law for general county levies. Said
11 special levy shall apply to all of the taxable property of the
12 county, including that in incorporated cities and towns. Said
13 special levy shall be in addition to all other county levies pro-
RECORDATION OF COPY OF LOST INSTRUMENT  

Chapter 33

*(Senate Bill No. 25—By Mr. Johnson)*

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section one of article three of chapter thirty-nine of the code of West Virginia, relating to admission to record of a certified copy of a lost instrument.

[Passed February 17, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. Recordation of certified copy of lost or destroyed writing; effect.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section one of article three of chapter thirty-nine of the code of West Virginia, relating to admission to record of a certified copy of a lost instrument, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 1. If any writing be admitted to record in any county of this state or of any other state, and it be proper for such writing to be admitted to record in a county of this state, and the same before having been admitted to record in such county be lost, mislaid or destroyed, on affidavit of such fact, the clerk of the county court of such county wherein such writing is to be recorded may admit to record a copy of such writing from the records of any county of any state wherein it is recorded properly certified by the clerk of such county court or other officer corresponding thereto; and the record of the copy so admitted shall have the same effect as if the original had been admitted to record at the time when the copy was admitted. The clerk of the county court of any county shall also admit to...
14 record such copy of a record or paper as is mentioned in section 15 nine, article one of chapter fifty-seven of this code.

*This is the same as House Bill No. 47, introduced by Mr. Barnhart and passed on February 6, 1931.

CHAPTER 34

(Com. Sub. for Senate Bill No. 46—Originating in the Committee on the Judiciary)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section eleven of article one of chapter thirty-nine of the code of West Virginia relating to the recordation of writings and plats and papers annexed.

[Passed March 11, 1931; in effect July 1, 1931. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 11. Recordation of writings by clerk or erasures; legal effect; size of type in printed instrument.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section eleven of article one of chapter thirty-nine of the code of West Virginia be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 11. Every writing authorized by law to be recorded, when admitted to record, shall, with all certificates of acknowledgment, and all plats, schedules and other papers thereto annexed or thereon indorsed, be recorded by, or under the direction of, the clerk of the county court, in a well-bound book, to be carefully preserved; and there shall be an index to such book as well in the name of the grantee as of the grantor. After being so recorded, such writing may be delivered to the party entitled to claim under the same. If there appear upon such writing, or any paper or certificate annexed thereto, any interlineation, erasure or alteration, of which no memorandum is contained in the writing, paper or certificate, the clerk shall append to the record thereof a memorandum describing as accurately as may be such interlineation, erasure or alteration; and such memorandum shall be copied into every certified copy of such writing, paper or certificate. Every such memorandum, or a duly certified copy thereof, shall be prima facie evidence of what is therein stated: Provided, however, That the clerk of the county court may refuse to accept for recordation any printed instrument printed in whole or in part in smaller than ten point type
21 with at least two points separating each line. Any failure of 22 such instrument to be so accepted by the clerk of the county 23 court shall not affect the validity thereof as to the parties there- 24 to: Provided further, That any such instrument shall be 25 accepted by the clerk for recordation at two times the legal fee 26 therefor.

CHAPTER 35
(Senate Bill No. 61—By Mr. Smith)

AN ACT to provide for a uniform system of fees of clerks of cir­ 27 cuit courts; providing rates and manner of collection of such fees, and relating to fees, costs and accounts of other officers and parties.

[Passed March 11, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 11. Fees of clerks of circuit courts.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section eleven, of article one, chapter fifty-nine of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 11. The clerk of a circuit court shall charge and 2 collect for services rendered as such clerk the following fees, 3 and such fees shall be paid in advance by the parties for whom 4 such services are to be rendered:
5 For instituting or docketing any action, suit or other pro- 6 ceeding, by original process, removal or otherwise, and for any 7 services the clerk may perform therein except as hereinafter 8 set out, where there are not more than five defendants and not 9 more than five witnesses, the fee of the plaintiff shall be, 10 For confession of judgment, motion for judgment, civil ap- 11 peal to such court (appellant—to accompany transcript), ac- 12 tion on suggestion, or any summary proceeding at law, five 13 dollars;
14 For any condemnation proceeding, ten dollars;
15 For any action at law not otherwise herein provided for, 16 ten dollars;
17 For any interpleader, five dollars;
18 For any summary proceeding in chancery, five dollars;
19 For any divorce suit, ten dollars;
20 For any suit in equity not otherwise herein provided for, fifteen dollars;
22 For entering appearance or for any services the clerk may perform therein except as hereinafter set out, where there are not more than five witnesses, the fee of the defendant or of all defendants (appellees on civil appeal) in any such action, suit or other proceeding, shall be three dollars.
27 In addition to the foregoing fees the following fees shall likewise be charged and collected:
29 For each additional defendant more than five there shall be added to the fee of the plaintiff for institution or for services as provided for above, fifty cents;
32 For each additional witness more than five, on the part of either plaintiff or defendant, to be paid by the party requesting such witness, fifty cents;
35 For any transcript, copy or paper made by the clerk for use in any other court or otherwise to go out of the office, for each one hundred words, ten cents;
38 Minimum fee, fifty cents;
39 (Where copy is made of checks, notes, bills of lading, or other matter the character of which warrants a different rate, a reasonable fee;)
42 For proof-reading or comparison of records made outside the office, for each one thousand words, ten cents;
44 For annexing seal of the court to any paper and adding certificate thereto, fifty cents:
46 For taking a bond, one dollar;
47 For issuing an execution, one dollar;
48 For issuing an execution on a transcript of judgment from a justice's court, one dollar and fifty cents;
50 For entering an order of probation, three dollars;
51 For arranging the papers in a certified question, writ of error, appeal or removal to any other court, three dollars;
53 For any retrial, fees in the same amount as for the same services rendered on original institution and trial;
55 For postage and express and for sending or receiving decrees, orders or records, by mail or express, three times the amount of the postage or express charges;
58 For additional services (plaintiff or appellant) where any
59 case remains on the docket longer than three years, for each
60 additional year or part year, five dollars.
61 The clerk shall tax the following fees for services in any
62 criminal case against any defendant convicted in such court:
63 In the case of any misdemeanor, ten dollars;
64 In the case of any felony, twenty dollars;
65 For any service not provided for above, the same fee as a
66 clerk of a county court for service of similar nature or extent.
67 No such clerk shall be required to handle or accept for dis-
68 bursement any fees, costs or accounts, of any other officer or
69 party not payable into the county treasury, except it be on
70 order of the court or in compliance with the provisions of law
71 governing such fees, costs or accounts.

CHAPTER 36
(Senate Bill No. 73—By Mr. Reynolds, of Mineral)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section three, article one, of chapter
thirteen, of the official code of West Virginia, one thousand
nine hundred and thirty-one, relating to the amount of in-
debtedness for which bonds may be issued by political divisions.

[Passed March 6, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the
Governor.]

Section 3. Limitation on bonded indebtedness
of political divisions; additional
indebtedness, by what political
divisions and for what purposes.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:
That section three, article one, chapter thirteen, of the official
code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one,
be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 3. No political division authorized by this article to
issue bonds, shall, by any bond issue, become indebted to an
amount, including all other indebtedness, exceeding two and
one-half per cent of the value of the taxable property therein,
as shown by the last assessment thereof, for state and county
purposes, next prior to the issuing of such bonds: Provided,
however, That any school district for the acquisition of land
and the erection and equipment of school buildings and
any county, magisterial district or any group of mag-
isterial districts, for the construction, reconstruction, locat-
ing, relocating, draining or grading of any county-district road,
10 or bridges thereon, and any municipal corporation of three
11 hundred inhabitants or more, for the purpose of grading, paving,
12 sewering and otherwise improving or reimproving its streets
13 and alleys, and for municipally owned water and light plants,
14 and other municipally owned utilities, may become indebted
15 and issue bonds in an additional sum not exceeding two and
16 one-half per cent of the value of the taxable property therein,
17 ascertained as aforesaid.
18 The term "sewering", as used herein, shall be treated in a
19 comprehensive sense, so as to include all mains, laterals, con-
20 nections, traps, incinerating and disposal plants, and other
21 necessary and convenient accessories to a modern, sanitary and
22 efficient sewerage system, and shall include storm sewers.
23 The term "municipally owned water plants", as used herein,
24 shall also be treated in a comprehensive sense, so as to include
25 all reservoirs, mains, laterals, connections and other necessary
26 and convenient accessories to a modern and efficient municipal
27 water system.
28 All acts or parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this
29 act are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 37
(Senate Bill No. 76—By Mr. Beneke)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section five of article five, chapter
thirty-five, code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred
and thirty-one, relating to trustees of cemetery associations.

(Passed March 13, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the
Governor.)

Sec. 5. Trustee of cemetery associations, appointment, bond, qualifications and compensation; how vacancy filled.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section five, article five, chapter thirty-five, of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, be amended
and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 5. The board of directors of any such cemetery asso-
ciation shall appoint a trustee, who shall be a responsible busi-
ness man or some solvent and reliable bank or trust company,
to act as such trustee for a period of two years, or until his, or
its, successor is appointed. Such trustee shall be known as the
6 trustee of the permanent endowment fund of such cemetery
7 association, and shall immediately upon his, or its, appointment
8 and acceptance of the trust, give bond to the said cemetery
9 association, with some solvent and reliable bonding company
10 authorized to do business in this state, in a sum equal to the
11 amount which may come into the hands of such trustee, which
12 bond shall be increased or diminished from time to time so as
13 always to equal at least the amount of the trust funds in the
14 hands of such trustee; and the premium upon such bond shall
15 be paid out of the income of the trust funds in the trustee’s
16 hands and as part of the cost of the administration of the trust
17 fund. No trustee appointed under this section shall enter
18 upon the discharge of his, or its, duties until such bond is
19 given and approved by the board of directors of such cemetery
20 association: Provided, however, That if the trustee so appointed
21 by any such cemetery association be a banking institution auth-
22 orized and qualified to engage, and engaging, in the business of a
23 trust company under and subject to the provisions of article
24 four of chapter thirty-one of the West Virginia code, one thou-
25 sand nine hundred and thirty-one, it shall not be required to
26 give the bond hereinbefore provided, excepting and unless re-
27 quired by the provisions of section twelve, article four, chapter
28 thirty-one of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hun-
29 dred and thirty-one. The board of directors of such cemetery
30 association shall not allow to such trustee, for service as such,
31 a sum in excess of two per cent of the annual net income from
32 such trust funds. In the event of a vacancy in such trustee-
33 ship, or failure of the board of directors of any such cemetery
34 association to appoint such trustee, after being requested so to
35 do by any stockholder of any such cemetery association, or its
36 successor, or any citizen interested, application may be made
37 to the circuit court of the county wherein such cemetery asso-
38 ciation is located, and it shall be the duty of the circuit court
39 of such county to appoint a trustee, who, when so appointed
40 and qualified, shall have all the powers and perform all the
41 duties of such trustee as provided in this section.
42 All acts or parts of acts or laws inconsistent herewith are
43 hereby repealed.
CHAPTER 38

(Senate Bill No. 130—By Mr. Hatfield)

AN ACT to provide for the payment of taxes and redemption of real estate, delinquent and forfeited, for the non-payment of taxes thereon for the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven and for the years prior thereto upon the payment of the original tax thereon; providing for time, limitations thereon, and exceptions; and relating to charges, claims and rights arising through such delinquency.

[Passed March 14, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

SEC. 1. How real estate delinquent and forfeited for the non-payment of taxes for nineteen hundred and twenty-seven and prior years taxes may be redeemed; amount to be paid

SEC. 2. To, and duties and powers of auditor; effect of redemption; delinquent municipal real estate; when effect of act ceases.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. The owner of real estate delinquent and forfeited for the non-payment of taxes for the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, and/or for the non-payment of taxes for any year prior thereto, where such real estate has not heretofore been sold to any party other than the state of West Virginia, may have the right to redeem the same as hereinafter set out.

The state auditor, having received proof of title when such proof is deemed necessary, and required by him that the person requesting the right of redemption has a legal right to so redeem such real estate, is hereby expressly authorized and required to permit redemption in his office of all such lands forfeited to the state for the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven and any year prior thereto against which such forfeited lands proceedings in the circuit courts have not been instituted as required by the constitution and the statutes of this state.

The owners of all such lands may, on or before the thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one redeem all such lands by the payment to the auditor of the original amount of taxes charged with interest at the rate of twelve per
22 centum per annum and no other fees, percentages, commis-
23 sions, penalties or costs of any kind whatsoever shall be added
24 to the original amount of taxes.
25 When such payment is made the auditor shall properly ac-
26 count for such taxes in the manner provided by general law,
27 relating to delinquent and forfeited real estate and redemptions
28 applicable to such taxes in effect at the time of the passage of
29 this act; and the auditor may require from the commissioners
30 of school lands, the circuit and county clerks such information
31 as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.
32 Upon such payment such taxes and all fees, percentages,
33 commissions, penalties and costs, which might have been added
34 under the provisions of such general law, and all claims thereon
35 of the state of West Virginia and of any county, district or
36 municipality thereof, which might have arisen under such gen-
37 eral law, against such owner shall be discharged; and all rights
38 that might have been acquired by compliance with the pro-
39 visions of such general law shall vest in such owner. Such
40 owner aforesaid, may, in like manner, pay such taxes after the
41 thirtieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-
42 one, but not later than November thirtieth, one thousand nine
43 hundred and thirty-one, with interest thereon at the rate of
44 ten per centum per annum from January first, one thousand
45 nine hundred and thirty-one until paid, with the same rights
46 and privileges otherwise herein provided for.
47 The provisions of this act are applicable likewise to de-
48 linquent municipal real estate not certified to the state auditor
49 when delinquent, and the municipal taxes thereon remaining
50 unpaid may be paid to the municipal collector and the real
51 estate so redeemed.
52 This act shall be in effect until, and including November
53 thirtieth, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one and shall
54 not be in effect after that date.

CHAPTER 39
(Senate Bill No. 131—By Mr. Hatfield)
AN ACT to provide for the redemption of real estate, delinquent
for the non-payment of taxes thereon for the year one thou-
sand nine hundred and twenty-eight and one thousand nine
hundred and twenty-nine, by the payment of the original tax thereon within specified limitations of time; and relating to charges, claims and rights arising through such delinquency.

[Passed March 14, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

SEC. 1. How real estate delinquent for non-payment of taxes for years nineteen hundred and twenty-eight and nineteen hundred and twenty-nine may be redeemed; amount to be paid to auditor; effect of redemption; redemption of delinquent municipal real estate; when effect of act ceases.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. The owner of real estate delinquent for the non-payment of taxes for the years one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight and one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine may have the right to redeem the same as hereinafter set out. The owner of such delinquent real estate for the years afore-said may, on or before May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, redeem such real estate by the payment to the state auditor, as provided by general law relating to delinquent real estate and redemptions applicable to such taxes in effect at the time of the passage of this act, of the original amount shown by the tax ticket for the taxes for which said real estate is delinquent; and no fees, percentages, commissions, penalties or costs of any kind whatsoever shall be added to the original amount aforesaid. Such payment shall discharge in full the liabilities of such owner on all fees, percentages, commissions, penalties and costs which might have been added under the provisions of such general law, and all claims thereon of the state of West Virginia and of any county, district or municipality thereof, which might have arisen under such general law against such owner; and thereupon all rights that might have been acquired by compliance with the provisions of such general law, shall vest in such owner.

The general provisions of this act likewise applies to delinquent municipal real estate not certified to the state auditor when delinquent and the delinquent taxes on such real estate, now in the hands of the municipal collector, may be paid to such collector and such real estate so redeemed.

Such owner aforesaid may in like manner pay such taxes after May thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, but not later than November thirtieth, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, with interest at the rate of ten per
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32 centum per annum from January first, one thousand nine hun-
33 dred and thirty-one, until paid, with the same rights and privi-
34 leges otherwise provided for herein. Such taxes as may be
35 paid shall be paid to the state auditor until October one, one
36 thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, and after that date to
37 the sheriff.
38 This act shall be in effect until and including November
39 thirtieth, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, and shall
40 not be in effect after that date.

CHAPTER 40
(Senate Bill No. 136—By Mr. Henshaw)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact sections two, three, four, five and
twenty-nine of article four of chapter nineteen of the official
code of West Virginia, relating to cooperative and agricultural
credit associations.

[Passed February 25, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 2. Five or more persons engaged in the production
2 of agricultural products may form a nonprofit, cooperative asso-
3 ciation, and/or agricultural credit association, with or without
4 capital stock, and five or more cooperative associations may form
5 an agricultural credit association, and/or cooperative associa-
6 tion, with or without capital stock, under the provisions of this
7 article.

Sec. 3. A cooperative association may be organized to engage
2 in any activity in connection with the marketing or selling of
3 the agricultural products of its members or those purchased
4 from other persons, or with the harvesting, preserving, drying,
5 processing, canning, packing, grading, storing, handling, ship-
6 ping or utilization thereof, or the manufacturing or marketing
7 of the by-products thereof; or in connection with the manu-
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Sec. 1. The term "agricultural credit association" shall be deemed to mean a corporation organized hereunder to finance persons engaged in the production of agricultural products and/or to finance any cooperative association, whether formed under the laws of this or any other state.

Sec. 2. An agricultural credit association shall have the following powers:

(a) To engage in any activity in connection with the marketing, selling, preserving, harvesting, drying, processing, manufacturing, canning, packing, grading, storing, handling or utilization of any agricultural products produced or delivered to it by its members or purchased or received by consignment from other persons, or the manufacturing or marketing of the by-products thereof; or any activity in connection with the purchase, hiring, or use by its members of supplies, machinery, or equipment; or in securing and disseminating market information; or in the financing, directly, through agricultural credit associations, and/or otherwise, any such activities; or in any one or more of the activities specified in this section:

provided, however, That all transactions with nonmembers shall be on terms fixed by the association, and such nonmembers shall not otherwise participate in any benefits derived from such transactions;

(b) To borrow money without limitation as to amount of corporate indebtedness or liability, and to make advance payments and advances to members; to execute, issue, draw, make, accept, endorse, and guarantee, without limitation, promissory notes, bills of exchange, drafts, warrants, certificates, mortgages, and any other form of obligation or negotiable or transferable bills of any kind; to become the surety, guarantor, maker, and/or endorser for accommodation or otherwise of bills, notes, securities, and other evidences of debt of any association or person, anything in any other statute or law of this state to the contrary notwithstanding;

(c) To act as the agent or representative of any member or members in any of the above mentioned activities;

(d) To purchase or otherwise acquire, and to hold, own, and
exercise all rights of ownership in, and to sell, transfer or pledge, or guarantee the payment of dividends or interest on, or the retirement or redemption of, shares of the capital stock or bonds of any corporation or association engaged in any related activity or in the warehousing or handling or marketing of any of the products handled by the association;

(e) To establish reserves and to invest the funds thereof in bonds or in such other property as may be provided in the by-laws;

(f) To buy, hold and exercise all privileges of ownership over real or personal property as may be necessary or convenient for the conduct and operation of any of the business of the association, or incidental thereto;

(g) To establish, secure, own and develop patents, trademarks and copyrights;

(h) To do each and every thing necessary, suitable or proper for the accomplishment of any one of the purposes or the attainment of any one or more of the subjects herein enumerated, or conducive to or expedient for the interest or benefit of the association; and to contract accordingly; and, in addition, to exercise and possess all powers, rights and privileges necessary or incidental to the purposes for which the association is organized or to the activities in which it is engaged, and any other rights, powers, and privileges granted by the laws of this state to ordinary corporations, except such as are inconsistent with the purposes of this article; and to do any such thing anywhere. An agricultural credit association shall have all of the powers given to a cooperative association under the provisions of subdivision (b) of section four of this article and in general shall have power to do and perform any act or thing, not inconsistent with law, which may be appropriate to promote and attain the objects and purposes of such credit association.

Sec. 5. Under the terms and conditions prescribed in the by-laws adopted by it, a cooperative association may admit as members, or issue common stock to, only persons engaged in the production or cooperative marketing of the agricultural products to be handled by or through the association, and any lessor or landlord who receives as rent all or any part of the crop raised on the leased premises; and under the terms and conditions prescribed in the by-laws adopted by it, an agricultural credit association may admit any person as a member.
10 If a member of a nonstock association be other than a natural
11 person, such member may be represented by an individual, asso-
12 ciate, officer or manager or member thereof, duly authorized in
13 writing.
14 One association organized hereunder may become a member
15 or stockholder of any other association or associations organized
16 under this article or similar laws of any state.

Sec. 29. The provisions of the general corporation laws of
2 this state and all powers and rights thereunder shall apply to
3 the associations organized under this article and may be used
4 by them, except where such provisions are in conflict with or
5 inconsistent with the express purposes of this article.

CHAPTER 41
(Senate Bill No. 148—By Mr. Helmick)

AN ACT providing for the distribution and expenditure of moneys
received from the United States of America as proceeds of
national forests.

[Passed March 10, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the
Governor.]

Sec. 1. Proceeds of National Forest, how distributed by auditor.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. That the state auditor is hereby directed to turn
2 over to the sheriffs of the respective counties in which a na-
3 tional forest is situated, the amount of money belonging to
4 such counties, received from the government of the United
5 States of America as proceeds of such national forests, in ac-
6 cordance with an act of congress approved May twenty-four,
7 one thousand nine hundred and eight, (35 Statutes at Large,
8 260; section 500, title 16, of the Code of Laws of the United
9 States of America). Where the national forest is situated in
10 more than one county the money shall be distributed in pro-
11 portion to the area of the national forest situated in the respec-
12 tive counties interested, and to that end the state auditor is
13 hereby authorized and required to obtain the necessary infor-
14 mation to enable him to make the distribution on such basis.
15 It shall also be the duty of the state auditor, upon the payment
16 of such moneys to the sheriffs of the respective counties, to
17 report such payments to the county courts of the respective
18 counties.

Sec. 2. The county courts of the respective counties to which
2 the money is distributed are hereby authorized and directed to
3 distribute and expend said moneys for the benefit of the public
4 schools and public roads in the districts of the respective coun-
5 ties in proportion to the area of the national forest situated in
6 the respective districts interested, and not otherwise, and to
7 that end the county courts of the respective counties are author-
8 ized and required to obtain the necessary information to enable
9 them to make the distribution on such basis.

CHAPTER 42

(Senate Bill No. 175—By Mr. Roberts)

AN ACT amending and re-enacting sections six and seven, article
one, chapter thirty, of the code of West Virginia, with refer-
ence to the examination and registration of nurses.

[Passed March 9, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 6. Fee for examination; fee for regis-
tration; reexamination.

Sec. 7. Form of and fee for license or cer-
tificate of registration; when no
charge for; non-assignable.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections six and seven, article one, chapter thirty, of the
code of West Virginia, be amended and re-enacted to read as
follows:

Section 6. Every applicant for license or registration shall
2 apply therefor in writing to the proper board at least ten days
3 before the date of any examination, and shall transmit with
4 his application an examination fee of twenty dollars, unless a
5 different fee is specially provided by law, which sum the board
6 is authorized to charge for an examination or investigation into
7 his qualifications to practice: Provided, however, That an ap-
8 plicant for registration as nurse shall pay a fee of ten dollars.
9 An applicant failing to pass an examination satisfactory to the
10 board shall, at either the first or second succeeding examination
11 conducted by the board, be entitled to a reexamination without
12 further cost, but one such reexamination shall exhaust his privi-
13 lege under his original application.

Sec. 7. Every license or certificate of registration issued by
2 such board shall bear a serial number, the full name of the
3 applicant, the date of issuance, the seal of the board, and shall
4 be signed by a majority of the members and attested by its
5 president and secretary. Unless otherwise specially provided,
6 the board shall charge a fee of five dollars for every license or
7 certificate of registration issued by it, and a fee of five dollars
8 for every duplicate thereof, which fee shall be paid before such
9 license or certificate of registration, or duplicate, is issued:
10 Provided, That an applicant for registration as nurse shall be
11 granted a certificate of registration on passing the examination
12 of said board, without any charge therefor. No license or cer-
13 tificate of registration granted or issued under the provisions
14 of this chapter shall be assignable.

CHAPTER 43
(Senate Bill No. 178—By Mr. Weissenburger)

AN ACT to provide for the preparation of a list of the names or
roster of the officers and men who participated in the battle of
the revolution fought at Point Pleasant, October ten,
one thousand seven hundred and seventy-four, between
colonial troops and Indians, as nearly complete as possible,
for preservation by inscription thereof on bronze tablets to
be affixed to the Point Pleasant battle monument, at Point
Pleasant, West Virginia, or to a base of said monument, if
and when constructed.

[Passed March 13, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the
Governor.]

Sec. 1. That a list of the names, or roster, of the officers and men who participated in the battle of the revolution
fought at Point Pleasant, between colonial troops and Indians,
on the tenth day of October, one thousand seven hundred and
seventy-four, as nearly complete as is now possible, be pre-
pared, or caused to be prepared, by the Point Pleasant battle
monument commission, as a patriotic service and without ex-
pense to the state, for the purpose of inscribing the said names
on bronze plates or tablets to be attached to the Point Pleas-
10 ant battle monument at Point Pleasant, West Virginia, in alphabetical order, for preservation of the said names and commemoration of the heroism of the said officers and men, or to be attached for the purpose aforesaid, to a base of the said monument, if and when the same shall be constructed; which list, when so prepared, shall be deemed and held to be an official list of the said officers and men.

CHAPTER 44
*(Senate Bill No. 208—By Mr. Beneke)*

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section twenty-two of article seventeen of chapter seventeen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, as amended and re-enacted by House Bill No. Seventy-one, passed by the West Virginia legislature at the session of one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, relating to tolls to be charged on state toll bridges generally and on state toll bridges in the counties of Ohio and Marshall, and the disposition thereof.

[Passed March 12, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

**Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:**

That section twenty-two of article seventeen, chapter seventeen, of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 22. Tolls shall be fixed, charged and collected for transit over such bridges and shall be so fixed and adjusted, in respect of the aggregate of tolls from the bridge or bridges for which a single issue of bonds is issued, as to provide a fund sufficient to pay the principal and interest of such issue of bonds and to provide an additional fund to pay the cost of maintaining, repairing and operating such bridge or bridges, subject, however, to any applicable law or regulation of the United States of America now in force or hereafter to be enacted or made: Provided, That in case a single issue of bonds is issued...
11 for the purchase and/or construction of two or more interstate
12 bridges, only such bridges shall be included as the bridge com-
13 mission shall determine to be competitive, and in no case shall
14 any intrastate bridge be included in any issue of bonds with
15 any interstate bridge: Provided further, That no existing
16 bridge shall be purchased unless the commission shall have de-
17 termined that the income therefrom, based upon the toll re-
18 ceipts for the next preceding fiscal or calendar year will be
19 sufficient to pay all expenses of operating and maintaining such
20 bridge in addition to the interest and sinking fund require-
21 ments of the bonds to be issued to pay the purchase price
22 thereof: And provided further, That whenever interstate bridges
23 are included in one project for financing purposes the commis-
24 sion is hereby authorized to group the existing interstate
25 bridges in Ohio and Marshall counties and purchase same with
26 the proceeds of one bond issue, and when sufficient revenue
27 shall have been determined to be available from the collection
28 of tolls on the bridges terminating in the state of Ohio to pay
29 interest and maintenance charges and to provide a sinking fund
30 ample to retire the bonds at maturity as issued for the acquire-
31 ment of all said bridges, the commission is authorized to make
32 free of tolls the interstate bridges between the city of Wheeling
33 proper and Wheeling Island. The tolls from the bridge or
34 bridges for which a single issue of bonds is issued, except such
35 part thereof as may be necessary to pay such cost of maintain-
36 ing, repairing and operating during any period in which such
37 cost is not otherwise provided for (during which period the
38 tolls may be reduced accordingly), shall be transmitted each
39 month to the state sinking fund commission and by it placed
40 in a special fund which is hereby pledged to and charged with
41 the payment of the principal of such bonds and the interest
42 thereon, and to the redemption or repurchase of such bonds,
43 such special fund to be a fund for all such bonds without dis-
44 tinction or priority of one over another. The moneys in such
45 special fund, less a reserve for payment of interest, if not used
46 by the sinking fund commission within a reasonable time for
47 the purchase of bonds for cancellation at a price not exceeding
48 the market price and not exceeding the redemption price, shall
49 be applied to the redemption of bonds by lot at the redemption
50 price then applicable.

*This bill supersedes House Bill No. 71, introduced by Mr. Barnhart and
passed on February 16, 1931.
CHAPTER 45

(House Bill No. 3—By Mr. Wilkinson)

AN ACT to amend article three of chapter thirty-five of the official code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, by adding thereto an additional section, designated as section seven, making it an offense for any person to entice or attempt to entice away from any home maintained by any of the fraternal organizations specified in said article, any resident of any such home; or to aid or abet any such resident in leaving the same without proper authority; or to harbor, conceal, or aid or abet in harboring or concealing any resident who shall leave such home without proper authority; or to cause or influence or attempt to cause or influence any resident of any such home to rebel against the rules or government of said home, or to have or attempt to have any improper or unlawful communication or intercourse with any female resident of such home, and providing penalties therefor. [Passed March 3, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Became a law without the approval of the Governor.]

SEC. 7. Penalties for enticement of inmates away from fraternal home; for harboring one, leaving without authority or influencing inmate to violate rules of home; or for having improper intercourse with female resident of home; penalty for aiding and abetting.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article three of chapter thirty-five of the official code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, be amended by adding thereto an additional section designated as section seven, as follows:

Section 7. Any person who shall entice or attempt to entice away from any home maintained or kept by any of the fraternal organizations specified in section one of this article, or any other organization of like character, any resident of any such home; or shall aid or abet any resident of any such home to leave the same without proper authority; or shall harbor, conceal or aid or abet in harboring or concealing any resident of any such home who shall have left such home without proper authority; or shall in any way knowingly cause or influence or knowingly attempt to cause or influence any resident in any such home to violate any rule of the home, or to rebel against the government of the home...
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12 in any particular; or shall have or attempt to have any improper
13 or unlawful communication or intercourse with any female resi-
14 dent of such home, knowing her to be a resident thereof, shall be
15 guilty of a misdemeanor, and, on conviction thereof, shall be
16 fined not less than ten dollars nor more than five hundred dol-
17 lars, or imprisoned not exceeding one year, or, in the discretion
18 of the court, both fined and imprisoned.
19 If any person shall aid or abet the commission of any of the
20 offenses named in this section, or aid or abet an attempt to com-
21 mit the same, he shall be punished as herein provided the same
22 as if he were the principal. In the trial of any indictment for
23 committing any of the offenses named in this section, the ac-
24 cused may be found guilty of an attempt to commit the same,
25 or of aiding or abetting another in committing or attempting to
26 commit the same.

CHAPTER 46
(House Bill No. 12—By Mr. Sutherland)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section sixty-six of article twelve
of chapter eleven of the official code of West Virginia, relating
to the tax to be paid by corporations for the privilege of
acquiring and holding land in this state in excess of ten thou-
sand acres.

[Passed February 12, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 66. Tax on corporation holding land
in excess of ten thousand acres;
when and to whom paid; penalties for non-payment; report and
payment into treasury by secretary of state; corporations excepted.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section sixty-six of article twelve of chapter eleven of the
official code of West Virginia, which became effective January first,
one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, relating to the tax to be
paid by corporations for the privilege of acquiring and holding
land in this state in excess of ten thousand acres, be amended and
re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 66. Every corporation, including railroad and other
2 corporations, holding more than ten thousand acres of land in
3 this state shall pay to the state a tax of five cents per acre for
4 the privilege of acquiring and holding of land so acquired and
5 held by it in addition to ten thousand acres. Such corporations
shall, under the hand of the president and seal of the corporation, and attested by the secretary, apply to the secretary of state for a certificate authorizing the holding of the number of acres stated in such application, and pay the tax thereon; and it shall be the duty of the secretary of state to issue to such corporation a certificate stating the amount of tax paid and the number of acres on which paid, and the number of acres the corporation is thereby entitled to hold. Hereafter a domestic corporation shall state in its agreement for incorporation and a foreign corporation shall state in its application for authority to hold property and transact business in this state, the number of acres it desires to hold, and pay the taxes thereon to the secretary of state before the certificate of incorporation or of authority is issued. If any corporation desires to increase the number of acres it may hold, it shall make application therefor to the secretary of state. Such application shall be signed by the president of the corporation, sealed with its corporate seal, and attested by the secretary, and shall state the number of acres it then holds and the number of acres it desires to hold. The secretary of state shall collect the proper amount of tax and shall issue to the corporation a certificate reciting the number of acres the corporation may hold and the amount of tax paid to him. If any corporation shall fail to comply with the provisions of this section it shall be liable to a fine of not less than twenty-five nor more than five hundred dollars, and be liable to pay such tax due to the state with a penalty of ten per cent on the total amount due, and be liable to all the provisions of sections seventy-seven and seventy-eight of this article so far as they are applicable. All moneys received by the secretary of state under the provisions of this section shall be reported to the auditor, and paid into the state treasury in the manner prescribed for the payment of other moneys received by him.

No corporation shall be required to pay the said tax of five cents per acre for license to hold any land in this state in excess of ten thousand acres for which such corporation shall have already paid a license tax at the time this act takes effect.
CHAPTER 47
(House Bill No. 69—By Mr. Hinerman)

AN ACT making it unlawful for non-residents of the state of West
Virginia to buy any furs in the state without first having se­
cured a license therefor, and fixing the amount of said license
and the manner of securing the same.

[Passed March 12, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the
Governor.]

Sec. 1. License for non-resident dealers in furs.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. That no person who is a non-resident of the state
shall, without a state license therefor, buy or offer to buy, any
fur, pelt, hide, or skins, within the state of West Virginia.
License shall be secured in the same manner and from the
same source as other state licenses, and the license fee shall be
fifty dollars; and any violation of this section will be subject to
the same punishment as provided in section two, of article twelve,
of chapter eleven, of the code.

CHAPTER 48
(House Bill No. 70—By Mr. Cummins)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section seventeen, article three,
chapter twenty-nine, official code of West Virginia, nineteen
hundred thirty-one, relating to exit doors of public buildings
and buildings to which the general public has access; to reg­
ulate unsafe conditions in buildings, and to provide for a re­
view by the state fire marshal of the orders of certain officers.

[Passed March 3, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 17. What exit doors to swing outward; discretion of fire marshal; pen­
salty for violation; order for re­
moval of combustible material or
repair or removal of unsafe build­
dings; appeal to state fire mar­
shal.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section seventeen, article three, chapter twenty-nine of the
official code of West Virginia, nineteen hundred thirty-one, be
amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

Section 17. All the exit doors of all school houses, churches
2 and theatres, excepting one and two-room school houses and
3 country churches, and all other buildings used for public as-
4 semblages, shall swing outward; all the exit doors, of all other
5 buildings which are open to the general public and to which
6 the general public have access may, in the discretion of the fire
7 marshal, be required to swing outward, if, in the judgment of
8 said fire marshal, the public welfare and safety, may require:
9 Provided, however, That the provisions of this section shall not
10 apply to exit doors of rooms used for mercantile stores and shops.
11 Any owner of such property, his agent, lessee, or trustee, or
12 any other person who shall violate any of the provisions of this
13 paragraph, or any order of the said fire marshal shall be guilty
14 of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, before any
15 justice of the peace or other court of competent jurisdiction,
16 shall be fined not less than ten or more than fifty dollars, and
17 every day such violation continues, after notice from said fire
18 marshal, shall constitute a separate offense.
19 If any officer named in the preceding section shall find any
20 building or other structure, which, for want of repairs, or by
21 reason of age, or dilapidated condition, or for any other cause,
22 is especially liable to fire, and which is so situated as to en-
23 danger other buildings or property, or if any such officer shall
24 find in any building or upon any premises any combustible or
25 explosive material or inflammable conditions dangerous to the
26 safety of such building on premises, he shall have power to make
27 reasonable orders for the repair or removal of the same, and
28 such orders shall forthwith be complied with by the owner or
29 occupant of such building or premises.
30 If any person deems himself aggrieved by an order of any
31 subordinate officer named in the preceding section, he may,
32 within twenty-four hours, apply to the state fire marshal for a
33 review of such order, and the cause of the complaint shall at
34 once be investigated by the direction of the state fire marshal;
35 and if such order is found to be necessary by the state fire
36 marshal for the reasonable protection of any property, it shall
37 remain in full force and shall be forthwith complied with by
38 such owner or occupant.
CHAPTER 49

(Com. Sub. for House Bill No. 107—Originating in the Committee on Education)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact sections four, five, eight, nine, ten, nineteen, twenty-two, twenty-four, twenty-five, twenty-six and twenty-nine of article three, chapter thirty-seven, of the official code and adding thereto section thirty-seven.

[Passed March 14, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

SEC. 4. Commissioner of school lands: appointment and term; vacancies; oath and bond; records.

SEC. 9. Copy of report to clerk of county court; recordation and index; proceedings in pending suits to be certified to clerk of county court.

SEC. 10. Recordation and filing of report; chancery suits upon; suits upon escheated land; when shall be made or may become defendants in suit.

SEC. 19. When decree of reference made; notice to parties to suit; publication and form of notice.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 4. The circuit court of every county shall, at its first regular term in the year nineteen hundred thirty-three and in every fourth year thereafter, appoint a commissioner of school lands, who shall maintain an office at the county seat which may be furnished by the county court, and whose term shall begin on the first day of July following and continue for four years and until his successor is appointed and qualified. Every such commissioner, holding office at the time this act takes effect, shall continue to hold office until his successor is appointed and qualified under the provisions of this section. Vacancies, occurring at any time after the adoption of this act, shall be filled by appointment by the circuit courts for the unexpired term. Such commissioner shall perform the duties and exercise the powers hereinafter provided for. Every such commissioner shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, take an oath in open court that he will faithfully, to the best of his skill and judgment, execute the duties of his office, and shall give bond to be
issued by a reliable surety company and approved by the court in a penalty to be fixed by the court, but at least five thousand dollars, a duplicate copy thereof to be filed with the state auditor, conditioned that he will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of his office, and will pay over and account for, according to law, all moneys, bonds, and other securities, which may come to his hands by virtue of his office. Where such commissioner is not now so bonded he, before proceeding further in the discharge of his duties, shall give bond as herein required. He shall, as far as possible, see that every officer, having any duty to perform under this chapter, perform the same as herein required and report any failure of such officer to do so to the circuit court of his county. The court may, whenever in its opinion it is proper to do so, require such commissioner to give a new or additional bond, as prescribed by section fourteen, article two, chapter six of this act and all provisions of said section, and of sections fifteen and sixteen of said article shall be applicable to such new and additional bond when given.

It shall be the further duty of every commissioner of school lands to install and keep a uniform system of accounts, reports, and records, the forms and methods thereof to be prescribed and furnished by the tax commissioner.

Sec. 5. A record of all real estate forfeited for any cause to the state of West Virginia, under the constitution and laws thereof, or purchased for the state at a sale for taxes and not redeemed or released according to law, which has or shall come to the knowledge of the auditor of the state, shall be kept by him in a well-bound book in his office, in which shall be shown the name of the former owner thereof, if known, and if not, that fact shall be stated, the quantity or supposed quantity of such real estate, the local or other description thereof, as certified to him, for what year the owner thereof was not charged with taxes thereon, and when such real estate became forfeited. Such record shall be prima facie evidence that the owner of such real estate was not charged with taxes thereon for any of the years stated therein and that he did not cause such real estate to be entered and charged with taxes as required by law, and that such real estate was forfeited, and title thereto vested in the state at the time specified. In order to enable the auditor to make such record, it shall be the duty of the clerk of the county court of each county in which any such real estate ought to have been,
but was not, entered on the land books and charged with taxes thereon upon discovering such failure to certify the same, and all facts in relation thereto, to the auditor. The auditor shall certify to the commissioner of school lands of the proper counties, copies of all the certificates of any such clerk received by him within sixty days after receiving the same, except lands purchased for the state at a sale thereof for taxes, which shall be certified to the commissioner of school lands immediately after the expiration of twelve months after the purchase thereof. The commissioner of school lands shall, as expeditiously as possible, cause proceedings to be started against all forfeited lands to be sold or otherwise disposed of within a period of three years unless the court for good reasons otherwise order and direct.

Sec. 8. The commissioner of school lands of each county shall tender and file a written report to the circuit court of his county from time to time and, at least once in each year, a list of all tracts and parcels of land lying in whole or in part in his county, reported to him by the auditor and surveyor and escheator as required by sections five, six and seven of this article, or which shall otherwise come to his knowledge, which in his opinion are liable to be sold for the benefit of the school fund. Such report shall be tendered and filed immediately upon the receipt thereof from the auditor. All reports previously certified to the commissioners of school lands and not so filed, shall be filed forthwith.

The commissioner of school lands, in such report as herein provided for, shall show, as far as practicable, the following:

(a) If such report describes any real estate as forfeited for nonentry on the land books of the proper county and district, as provided in section six, article thirteen of the constitution of West Virginia, such report shall show the name of the party, parties, firms or corporations claiming title of such land at the time such report is made; the number of the lot or acres as the case may be; the town, city, district, road, street or waters, in or on which such real estate is located, and such other description as may reasonably be given in such report that will aid in identifying or locating the land and the years constituting such forfeiture; the name or names of all known claimants, or adverse claimants, and all known occupants of such real estate, or any part thereof;

(b) If such report describes any real estate as waste and
unappropriated, such report shall also state that such tracts of real estate were waste and unappropriated and that the title thereto had not passed from the commonwealth of Virginia or the state of West Virginia, and the names of all claimants or occupants thereof;

(c) If such report describes any real estate as escheated, the report shall also state that such tracts of real estate were escheated to this state by reason of the owner named therein having died intestate and without any heir, owning an estate of inheritance which shall be specifically described in such report;

(d) If such report describes any real estate as forfeited for the nonpayment of the taxes due thereon for any year, the report shall show the same parties, firms or corporations; description; location and year constituting such forfeiture, as is shown in the certificate of the auditor, certifying such land to the commissioner of school lands.

Sec. 9. When the report mentioned in the preceding section is filed, the clerk of the circuit court shall transmit to the clerk of the county court of such county an attested copy of such report, which shall be by the clerk of the county court recorded in his office in a well-bound book, which shall be labeled on the back thereof "report of commissioner of school lands."

Such clerk of the county court shall index each tract or parcel of land so reported in the name of the party or parties from whom the same became forfeited; or, if such parcel or parcels should be waste and unappropriated, the name shall be indexed as to their location; if such parcel or parcels should be escheated, the same shall be indexed as to the person from whom such lands escheated and if the name of such persons be unknown then as to their location.

In any suit pending in the circuit court upon report made by the commissioner of school lands, when redemption of a tract or parcel of land has been made under a decree of such court, or where a tract or parcel of land has been decreed and sold, or where the court has decreed a tract or lot of land not forfeited to the state as waste and unappropriated, or not escheated to the state, the clerk of such court shall, after each term thereof, report each tract or parcel of land so adjudicated by such court, to the clerk of the county court, who shall, upon the copy of such report so recorded in his office, in the marginal space therein to be provided therefor, note in red ink opposite each tract the disposition thereof made by any decree, showing the date of
such decree; the chancery order book and page number where recorded; and its purport in respect to such tract by the words, "redeemed," "decreed and sold" or "not liable to sale," as the case may be.

Sec. 10. Every such report shall be recorded in the chancery order book of such court and filed and preserved by the clerk of such court in his office, and thereupon a suit or suits in chancery shall be commenced and prosecuted by and in the name of the state of West Virginia for the sale of every such tract and parcel of land, so reported, as required by section four of article thirteen of the constitution of this state. All tracts or parcels of land mentioned in such report, which are claimed to have escheated, shall be proceeded against in a separate suit. All other tracts or parcels of land mentioned in any such report shall, as far as practicable, be included in one suit, but a separate suit may be brought and prosecuted for the sale of each tract of land exceeding in quantity one thousand acres; and the former owner of any such tract of land at the time of the forfeiture thereof, or the person in whose name the same is forfeited, shall, if known, be made a defendant therein, and all persons claiming title to or interest in any such lands shall also, as far as known, be made defendants therein. And there shall be filed as an exhibit with such bill, which shall be treated as part of the allegations thereof, a certified copy of the commissioner's report as mentioned in section eight of this article. And any person claiming an interest in any such land or the proceeds thereof, not so made defendant, may file his petition in any suit stating what interest he claims therein, either in open court or before a commissioner in chancery where a reference to such commissioner has been made, while suit is pending before him, or at rules, if the case be pending at rules, and shall thereupon become a defendant therein, and may defend and protect his interest, if he has any therein, to the same extent as if he had originally been made a party defendant therein.

Sec. 19. If the court shall be of the opinion that any party to such suit has a clear right of redemption in any land involved in such suit, a decree of reference shall not be made as to such lands. In all cases where the title is contested, or the amount of taxes, interest and cost is disputed, a decree of reference shall be made to determine the rightful owner and/or
7 the amount of taxes, interest and cost. When a decree of reference is made in any such suit, the commissioner before proceeding to the discharge of his duties, under such decree, shall give notice to all parties to such suit and to all unknown owners and claimants of the lands, or any part of them, mentioned in the bill, and referred to such commissioner, by publication in some newspaper printed in the county in which the suit is brought, or if no such paper be printed therein, then in some newspaper of general circulation in such county once in each week for four successive weeks, and by posting at the front door of the courthouse of such county at least four weeks before proceeding to discharge his duties under such decree, of the time and place at which he will so proceed. And such notice, when so published and posted, shall be equivalent to the personal service thereof on all the parties to the record in such suit, and on all unknown owners and claimants of any tract or parcel of land mentioned in the bill, or any part thereof. Such notice may be in form or effect as follows:

"The State of West Virginia, vs. A., B., C., D., (naming the defendants mentioned in the bill having an interest in such tracts referred to such commissioner).

"The plaintiff and each and all of the above-named defendants, and all unknown owners and claimants of any part or parcel of the following tract (or tracts) of land (here give a general description of each tract of land proceeded against and give the name of the owner or owners in whose name such land is alleged in the bill to be forfeited) mentioned in the plaintiff's bill in the above styled cause, will take notice that, on ............ day of ................... , 19......, at ............... , in the county of ........................., I will commence the discharge of my duties under a decree of reference entered in said cause on the ............ day of ........................., 19...., directing me to ascertain and report (here insert briefly what is required by the decree to be ascertained and reported) at which time and place you, and each of you, can attend and protect and defend any interest you may have in the lands, or any of them, in question in this suit.

"Given under my hand this............ day of ........................., ........................................... Commissioner."

Sec. 22. Every such sale shall be made by the commissioner of school lands, upon terms, conditions and notice, provided
3 for in the decree of sale. The commissioner, making such sale, 
4 shall take from the purchaser of each parcel of land so pur- 
5 chased his notes with good security, payable to the state of 
6 West Virginia, for the deferred payments of purchase money 
7 provided for in the decree of sale, with interest from date 
8 thereof, and shall make report thereof to the court which de- 
9 creed the sale, in which he shall state the name of each pur- 
10 chaser and the particular tract or tracts, lot or lots, or part or 
11 parcels, of any tract or lot purchased by him, and the quantity, 
12 as near as may be, so purchased by such purchaser; the amount 
13 of the purchase money of each tract, lot or parcel, or the part 
14 thereof so purchased; the amount of the purchase money paid 
15 on each at the time of the purchase, and the amount of the 
16 notes taken for the residue of the purchase money; the name 
17 of the surety in such notes and the time at which they will 
18 become due and payable; the gross amount of money in hand 
19 arising from such sales, and the cost and legal expenses there- 
20 of, exclusive of his commissions. He shall return with his 
21 report all notes and securities taken by him for the purchase 
22 money of the real estate sold by him, and the clerk of the court 
23 shall indorse thereon the day they will respectively become 
24 due and payable, and file and preserve the same in his office; 
25 and such notes and securities shall be a lien upon the real estate 
26 for which they were given; and, if not paid when due, the clerk 
27 shall, without process or further proceeding, enter in the law 
28 order book a judgment against the makers and obligors therein 
29 and sureties thereon, in favor of the state of West Virginia, 
30 upon such note for the amount remaining unpaid, with in- 
31 terest. Such judgment shall be as final and valid as if entered 
32 by the court, except only that the court shall have such control 
33 of it as is given by article two, chapter fifty-eight of this act. 
34 Execution may issue upon such judgment, or a rule may be 
35 awarded and the land resold as in other chancery suits.

Sec. 24. Every commissioner of school lands shall collect 
2 both the proceeds of all sales of school lands made as aforesaid 
3 and the proceeds of all redemptions; and for his service as such 
4 commissioner, he shall receive the following compensation, 
5 to-wit:
6 For all money collected and paid over by him, as such com-
7 missioner, a commission of not less than five nor more than ten 
8 per cent on the amount thereof; for each deed to a purchaser
9 of any part of such lands, his heirs, devisees or assigns, five
dollars, and for each report of a tract made and filed by him,
if sold or redeemed, one dollar, to be taxed as part of the costs;
and if such commissioner be a practicing attorney, and shall
prosecute suits for the collection of the purchase money of the
land so sold, he shall have the attorney's fee taxed in the costs
of such cases for the state, if they be collected from the defend-
ant, but not otherwise; and if he be not a practicing attorney,
such suits shall be prosecuted by an attorney employed by
him to prosecute the suit for the sale of the lands for the state.
But the money recovered shall be collected and accounted for
by the commissioner of school lands. The court in which any
suit is prosecuted under this article, shall allow the attorney,
prosecuting the same for the state, a fair and reasonable com-
pensation for all the services rendered by him therein for the
state, including the regular statute fees as provided in section
twenty-five of this article, and the same shall be paid him out
of the proceeds of the lands sold or redeemed in every such
suit. And in addition to the compensation above allowed the
commissioner of school lands, he shall be allowed all reasonable
and proper expenses necessarily incurred and actually paid
by him in the proper discharge of the duties of his office under
this article, to be fixed and adjusted by the court upon the
production of vouchers showing the amount paid and upon what
account. And in case of the redemption of any such real
estate by the former owner thereof, as provided in section
twenty-nine of this article, such commissioner shall be entitled
to the same commission on the money as if such real estate had
been sold and the proceeds thereof collected by him; and the
attorney shall receive the same fee in case of redemption as
he would have received in case said real estate had been sold,
but such attorney's fee shall not exceed the sum of the statute fee
assessed as costs against the tract redeemed, plus the interest
on the taxes collected on the tract redeemed.

Sec. 25. The cost per tract of every such suit shall be ascer-
tained and taxed by the clerk as hereinafter provided, and shall
be paid out of the proceeds of the sale or redemption of such real
estate, and not otherwise, to the several persons entitled thereto,
if sufficient for the purpose; but if such proceeds are not suffi-
cient to pay the whole of such costs and commissions and the
7 expenses aforesaid of the commissioner of school lands, the same
8 shall be paid therefrom to the several persons entitled thereto
9 pro rata. If the residue of such proceeds after the payment of
10 such costs and commissions and expenses of the commissioner of
11 school lands, as provided in the next preceding section, be suf-
12 ficient to pay all the state, county, municipal and district taxes
13 that may be due on such lands, such commissioner of school lands
14 shall, when ordered by the court to do so, pay any taxes on such
15 lands that may be due to the county, municipality and district
16 in which the real estate is situated, to the sheriff of such county
17 and into the treasury of such municipality, and he shall pay the
18 balance of such proceeds into the treasury of the state for the
19 benefit of the school fund; but if such proceeds are not suffi-
20 cient to pay all the taxes aforesaid, then they shall be paid to
21 such sheriff and into the treasury of such municipality and to
22 the state pro rata; and such sheriff, in either event, shall at his
23 regular settlements with the county court and the respective
24 boards of education of his county, account for and pay over all
25 money paid to him under the provisions of this chapter. If
26 the land be either sold or redeemed, fees, not to exceed the fol-
27 lowing, shall be assessed as costs against each tract: Clerk of
28 the circuit court, one dollar fifty cents; clerk of the county
29 court, for noting disposition as provided for in section nine
30 of this article and certifying to assessor, fifty cents; the com-
31 missions allowed the school land commissioner; a statute fee
32 of ten dollars if the amount of the taxes due on the land
33 forfeited is less than fifty dollars; fifteen dollars, if the amount
34 of the taxes due on the land forfeited is more than fifty dol-
35 lars and less than one hundred dollars; or twenty dollars if
36 the amount of the taxes due on the land is more than one
37 hundred dollars; the school land commissioners' report fee,
38 one dollar; if a reference is made the fee of the commis-
39 sioner in chancery shall be determined and taxed as costs
40 the same as in other chancery causes; the sheriff's fee of
41 seventy-five cents for each process executed on persons who are
42 or may be interested in the particular tract being redeemed or
43 sold; if a survey is had, the surveyor and chairman shall be paid
44 as for other work done for the county and the costs assessed to
45 the tract surveyed; a printers' fee of five dollars per tract if
46 service is had by order of publication and an additional printers'
47 fee of five dollars per tract, if commissioner in chancery's notice
has been published; and in cases of sale, the printer's fee for advertising such sale; a five dollar deed fee for the commissioner of school lands, and publication fees incident to the forfeiture. Any commissioner of school lands who shall fail to pay over to the parties entitled thereto and account for, at the time of making his annual report to the auditor, any moneys which shall have come into his hands and possession, when thereto lawfully required, shall be deemed guilty of larceny, or at the discretion of the court, be fined not exceeding double the amount he so failed to pay and account for, and be imprisoned in the county jail not exceeding one year. And no commissioner of school lands shall become the purchaser of any school lands at the sale thereof, or be interested therein, and upon so doing shall forfeit his office and at the discretion of the court be fined not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Sec. 26. The commissioner of school lands of each county shall, on or before the thirty-first day of July of each year, make out in triplicate a report as of the thirtieth day of June of each year, showing all the tracts of land that have been forfeited to the state, or purchased for the state at a sale for taxes, disposed of by the commissioner, and not heretofore reported. The commissioner of school lands, in such report as herein provided for, shall show in relation to each tract the following:
The name or names in which each tract was certified to him, as forfeited; the number of the lot or acres as the case may be; the town, city, district, road, street or waters in or on which real estate is located; the year or years for which taxes due thereon had not been paid; the amount of all taxes due the state, the county, and any district or municipality; whether redeemed, sold or not liable to sale; by whom redeemed or to whom sold; total amount of sale or redemption, and an itemized statement of all disbursements.

He shall also report, in like manner, all lands for which he has instituted proceedings in the name of the state for lands forfeited to the state by reason of not being on the land books for five years or more, and all lands which have escheated to the state. The report hereby required to be made shall be made upon blank forms to be furnished by the auditor. The commissioner of school lands shall certify and forward the original of the report herein provided for to the state auditor; the second copy thereof shall be certified and filed with the cir-
27 court at the first regular term of said court thereafter, and
28 the third copy shall be certified and filed with the clerk of the
29 county court.
30 Every commissioner, failing to make any report required by
31 this section, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and be fined not
32 less than one hundred nor more than one thousand dollars, to be
33 deposited to the credit of the general school fund and be removed
34 from office. It shall be the duty of the state tax commissioner
35 to make an annual audit of the records of the commissioners of
36 school lands, and report the findings thereof to the circuit court.
37 It shall be the further duty of the state tax commissioner
37a to take steps to enforce in conjunction with the circuit court
38 the provisions of this section, and to collect any moneys which
39 any commissioner of school lands may have received and have
40 failed to pay to the state or county, or any district or mu-
41 nicipality. The state tax commissioner shall, as far as possible,
42 see that every officer having any duty to perform under this
43 article, shall perform the same as herein required and report
44 any failure of such officer to the proper authority.

Sec. 29. The former owner, his heirs, devisees or assigns, of
2 any real estate forfeited for any cause to the state of West Vir-
3 ginia, may, before suit is instituted, redeem such real estate by
4 payment of commissions, a title fee of not more than five dol-
5 lars, publication fees and taxes and interest properly charge-
6 able thereon to the commissioner of school lands, but no other
7 fees and costs shall be allowed; such redemption shall be reported
8 by the commissioner of school lands to the circuit court at its
9 first term thereafter at which time an order shall be entered by
10 the circuit court, showing the disposition of such tracts so re-
11 deemed in like manner as if redemption had been made pending
12 suit; or the former owner, his heirs, devisees or assigns, or any
13 real estate, forfeited for any cause to the state of West Virginia,
14 may at any time during the pendency of the suit for the sale
15 thereof, and before a decree for the confirmation thereof has
16 been made and entered by the court, file his petition therein in
17 manner and form as provided in the next preceding section in
18 relation to the excess of the proceeds of such sale, praying to be
19 allowed to redeem so much only of such real estate as to which
20 the title still remains in the state; and upon the filing of such
21 petition, and upon such proof being made as would entitle the
22 petitioner to the excess of the purchase money of such real estate
23 if the same had been sold, the court may, by a proper decree, 24 permit the petitioner upon the payment into court, or to the 25 commissioner of school lands, the costs, taxes and interest prop- 26 erly chargeable thereon, to be fixed by the court in its decree, 27 to redeem the real estate mentioned in his petition. And upon 28 such payment being made as aforesaid, the court shall enter its 29 decree declaring the redemption of such real estate by such peti- 30 tioner, so far only as the title thereto is in the state, as provided 31 in this chapter, and so far as the petitioner has shown himself 32 entitled to redeem the same; which decree shall operate as a 33 release of such forfeiture of such real estate to the extent de- 34 clared therein, and of all former taxes and interest charged and 35 chargeable thereon. And such petitioner shall acquire no other 36 title to the lands so redeemed than was vested in him imme- 37 diately before such forfeiture, but such redemption shall in no 38 wise effect or impair any right, title or interest any other person 39 may have in such real estate or any part thereof, by purchase 40 from the state, or under and by virtue of section three, article 41 thirteen of the constitution of this state.

CHAPTER 50

(House Bill No. 110—By Mr. Kenna)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section forty-eight, of article three, of chapter sixty-one, of the code of West Virginia, prescribing penalties for the damaging or carrying away, without permission, of trees, flowers, etc., growing within one hundred yards of public roads.

[Passed March 14, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 48. Unlawful to damage trees, flowers, etc., growing within one hundred yards of public road without written permission; unlawful to have same in possession without written permission; exceptions as to public service companies; penalties for violation of section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section forty-eight, of article three, of chapter sixty-one, of the code of West Virginia be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 48. It shall be unlawful to break, cut, take or carry away, or in any manner to damage any of the trees, shrubbery or flowers, including everything under the title of flora, whether
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4 wild or cultivated, growing within one hundred yards on either 5 side of any public road in this state, without the permission in 6 writing of the owner or owners of record, the agent, or tenants, 7 of the land upon which such trees, shrubbery or flowers, includ- 8 ing everything under the title of flora, shall be growing.

9 It shall be unlawful for any person wilfully or knowingly to 10 have in his possession, or to haul along any public road in this 11 state, any trees, shrubbery or flowers, including everything under 12 the title of flora, which are protected by this section, unless such 13 person so having in his possession or hauling the same shall 14 have permission in writing so to do from the owner, agent or 15 tenant of record of the land from which the same have been 16 taken.

17 Nothing herein contained shall be construed as affecting the 18 right of public service companies operating under franchise, 19 their agents or employees, to keep the railroad tracks, lines, 20 wires or other equipment free from interference in the satisfac- 21 tory operation of their properties, or the right of the public au- 22 thorities in the maintenance of the public roads under their juris- 23 diction and control.

24 Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this 25 section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction 26 thereof, for the first offense shall be fined not more than fifty 27 dollars, and for subsequent offenses shall be confined in the 28 county jail for not more than three months, or fined not more 29 than fifty dollars, or both, for each offense. Justices of the peace 30 shall have concurrent jurisdiction with the circuit and criminal 31 or intermediate courts of offenses under this section.

CHAPTER 51
(House Bill No. 131—By Mr. Lubliner)

AN ACT to repeal section twelve, article twenty, of chapter nineteen, of the official code of West Virginia, relating to dogs.

(Passed March 11, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.)

Sec. 1. Removing restriction on ownership of dogs by aliens.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. That section twelve, article twenty, of chapter
nineteen of the code of West Virginia, be repealed, and hereafter
be omitted from the sections, language, terms and provisions of
the same.

CHAPTER 52
(House Bill No. 135—By Mr. Bassel)

AN ACT to amend chapter nineteen, article eleven, of the code of
West Virginia, by adding thereto sections five to seventeen,
inclusive, regulating the weighing, testing, buying and sell­ing
of milk and cream; providing for the examination and
appointment of certified testers; and the issuing of licenses
and making of tests; and providing penalties.

[Passed March 9, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the
Governor.]

SEC.
5. Permit by commissioner of agricul­
ture when milk or cream is re­
cieved by measure; fee for and
duration of; when permit not re­
quired.
6. How milk or cream tested.
7. Approval of testing utensil instru­
ment by commissioner of agri­
culture.
8. Certified tester, qualification and
certificate; examination of cer­
tified testers and certificate and
license to; fee for and renewal
of license.
9. Who may take samples for testing
purposes; qualifications of per­
son licensed to weigh and sample
milk and cream; fee for and re­
newal of license; how often tests

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That chapter nineteen, article eleven, of the code of West Vir­
ginia, be amended by adding thereto sections five to seventeen in­
clusive, which sections shall read as follows:

Section 5. Every creamery, shipping station, milk factory,
cheese factory, ice cream factory or milk condensary, or per­
son, receiving, buying, paying for milk or cream, regardless
of method of settlement shall be required to hold a permit
for each and every place where milk or cream is received by
weight or measure. The permit shall be issued to such cream­
ery, shipping station, milk factory, cheese factory, ice cream
factory, condensary, or person upon complying with the pro­
visions of the law and upon filling out of an application blank
furnished upon application to the commissioner of agriculture,
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10 and sending it together with the annual license fee of five dollars to him. The permit shall be valid until June thirty, following date of issue and shall be revoked by the commissioner of agriculture for violation of the provisions of this act. This act shall not apply to individuals buying milk or cream for private use, or to hotels, restaurants, boarding houses, railroad dining cars or drug stores.

Sec. 6. It shall be unlawful for any person, association, copartnership, or corporation, their agents or servants, engaged in the business of buying milk or cream on the basis of, or in any manner with reference to, the amount or percentage of butterfat contained therein, to underread, overread, or otherwise fraudulently manipulate the test, commonly known as the Babcock test used for determining the percentage of such fat in said milk or cream, or to falsify the record thereof, or to make the Babcock reading except when the fat has a temperature of one hundred thirty to one hundred forty-five degrees Fahrenheit, or to use for such test quantities other than seventeen and six-tenths cubic centimeters in the case of milk, and nine grams or eighteen grams in the case of cream. In all tests of cream the cream shall be weighed and not measured into the test bottle.

Sec. 7. No person, association, copartnership, or corporation, purchasing milk or cream, and paying for the same, on the basis of the percentage of butterfat contained therein, shall, if the percentage of butterfat is ascertained by the said "Babcock test," use any test glassware except standard Babcock test glassware which has been previously approved by the commissioner of agriculture. If the proportion of butterfat is determined by any method other than the "Babcock test," no utensil or instrument shall be used in such determination until the same has been inspected and approved by the commissioner of agriculture.

Sec. 8. Every person, association, copartnership, corporation, or agent or servant thereof, engaged in the business of receiving or buying milk or cream on the basis of, or in any way with reference to, the amount of butterfat contained therein, as determined by the Babcock test, shall have said test or tests made, only by a certified tester who shall directly supervise and be responsible for the same. For the purpose of this act, a certified tester is any person, who having furnished satis-
9 factory evidence of good character, and having passed a satisf-
10 factory examination in milk and cream testing conducted by the
11 commissioner of agriculture shall have received a certificate
12 of proficiency from the commissioner of agriculture. Each ap-
13 plicant for such certificate shall pay a fee of three dollars to the
14 commissioner of agriculture in such manner as the regulation
15 may prescribe, to defray the cost of the required examination
16 and of the certificate. Examination of certified testers shall be
17 held in each congressional district at a suitable place, at
18 intervals decided upon by the commissioner of agriculture who
19 shall issue temporary testing permits to applicants which shall
20 be valid until the next scheduled examination. The commis-
21 sioner of agriculture shall issue such certificate of proficiency
22 in the name of the approved applicant and under serial num-
23 ber, and shall maintain a correspondingly numbered register
24 of all such certificates issued under this act. The commissioner
25 of agriculture shall issue a license to said applicant, good until
26 June thirty, following date of issue, on the payment of a fee
27 of two dollars. This license shall be renewed annually, with-
28 out further examination, at the discretion of the commissioner
29 of agriculture upon the payment of two dollars. Each certified
30 tester shall post his license in plain view in the testing room in
31 which he is employed. The commissioner of agriculture may
32 revoke said license for failure to post it as above required or
33 for any other just cause.

Sec. 9. Every person, association, copartnership, or cor-
2 poration engaged in the business of buying milk or cream on
3 the basis of or in any way with reference to the amount of
4 butterfat contained therein shall have the samples taken for
5 testing purposes either by a certified tester or by a person
6 licensed or certified to weigh and sample milk and cream. For
7 the purpose of this act a person certified to weigh and sample
8 milk or cream is any person who, having furnished satisfac-
9 tory evidence of good character and having passed a satisfac-
10 tory examination in weighing and sampling milk and cream
11 conducted by the commissioner of agriculture, shall have re-
12 ceived a certificate of proficiency from the commissioner of agri-
13 culture. Each applicant for such certificate shall pay a fee of
14 one dollar and fifty cents to the commissioner of agriculture.
15 The commissioner of agriculture shall issue such certificate of
16 proficiency in the name of the approved applicant and under
serial number. The commissioner of agriculture upon receipt of this certificate of proficiency, together with the payment of a fee of two dollars, shall issue a license to said applicant good for one calendar year. This license shall be renewed annually without further examination at the discretion of the commissioner of agriculture upon the payment of two dollars. Each licensed weigher and sampler shall post his or her license in plain view in the plant in which he or she is employed. The commissioner of agriculture may revoke said license for failure to post it as above mentioned or for any other just cause.

Sec. 10. Any person, association, copartnership, or corporation engaged in the business of buying milk or cream on the basis of, or in any way with reference to, the amount or percentage of butterfat contained therein, as determined by the Babcock test, shall make such test of milk or cream bought from each person at least once every sixteen days. The milk or cream purchased from each person shall be represented by a composite sample, taken from each of the several lots of milk or cream bought from each person concerned, and composite samples of all persons concerned shall cover the same period of time. Each composite sample shall be held in an airtight bottle; such bottle shall be plainly labeled with the name or number of the person whose milk or cream the composite sample represents; and the rack or container where the samples are held shall be plainly labeled showing the date of the first and last day of the period of time covered by the said composite sample. After such samples have been tested their residues shall be kept intact on the premises for a further period of not less than twelve days, in order to make possible a check test. The commissioner of agriculture is hereby authorized to make check tests whenever in his judgment such tests are for the public welfare. Every person, firm, or corporation affected by the provisions of this act shall within five days after the day on which the test herein provided for has been made notify the seller of such milk or cream or his agent of the result of such test, stating the period of time during which said composite samples were taken. Notice under this section may be given by posting of the results of said tests continuously.
for ten days in a conspicuous place in receiving stations or in
writing. Where a daily test is made on milk or cream and the
average of these several tests used as a basis of settlement there
shall also be a composite sample taken covering a period of first
and last half of month and shall be held intact on the premises
for a period of not less than ten days, in order that the commis-
sioner of agriculture or his agents may make check tests when-
ever in his judgment such tests are advisable for the public
welfare.

Sec. 11. No percentage of fat ascertained from a sample,
containing milk or cream, that has been so treated as to cause
it to test lower or higher than the test of the milk or cream
from which it was taken, shall be used as a basis of payment
for milk or cream purchased or sold. No composite sample shall
be tested for use as a basis for payment of milk, which has been
kept more than fifteen days after such composite sample has
been completely taken.

Sec. 12. No person, association, copartnership, or corpora-
tion purchasing or selling milk or cream, or both, by weight, and
no agent or servant of any such person, association, copartner-
ship or corporation shall fraudulently use, as the basis of pay-
ment for such purchase, any weight other than the true weight
of the milk or cream so purchased or sold.

Sec. 13. Every person, association, copartnership, corpora-
tion or agent or servant purchasing or receiving milk or cream
from the producer thereof for manufacturing purposes or for
reselling the same shall, at each time of payment to such pro-
ducer for such milk or cream, or where the producer of such
milk or cream is selling the same to such purchaser or re-
ceiver by or through cooperative association or other agency
and the payment thereof is being made by such purchaser or
receiver to such cooperative or other agency shall at the time
such purchaser or receiver makes each payment to such cooper-
active association or other agency, give each such producer so de-
levering milk a statement showing the amount delivered daily
during the time for which payment is made and the average per
centum butterfat test of same, provided payment is made on the
basis of the butterfat content; such statement to contain the
name or number of the producer or seller of such milk or cream,
the date of delivery thereof. and the amount so delivered; such
statement to be given in the terms of the unit used as a basis
25 for determining the value thereof: Provided, however, That 26 such purchaser or receiver may in lieu of said monthly state- 27 ment give daily to such producer or to his agent at the time of 28 delivery of such milk or cream to such purchaser or receiver 29 a written statement of the amount of milk or cream so received 30 or purchased.

Sec. 14. The commissioner of agriculture and his agents are 2 hereby authorized to enter the premises, and to examine the 3 books and records and testing apparatus of any person, asso- 4 ciation, copartnership, or corporation, for the purpose of carry- 5 ing out the provisions of this act.

Sec. 15. The commissioner of agriculture shall be charged 2 with the enforcement of the provisions of this act; and may 3 make such rules and regulations as he may deem advisable in 4 carrying out the provisions of this act as long as they are not 5 inconsistent with this act. Nothing contained in this section 6 shall be construed to prevent any individual from prosecuting 7 anyone violating any of the provisions of this act. And it shall 8 be the duty of every prosecuting attorney to whom the com- 9 missioner of agriculture shall report any violation of the pro- 10 visions of the act to cause proceedings to be commenced against 11 the person or persons so violating the provisions of this act and 12 to prosecute the same to final termination according to the laws 13 of the state of West Virginia.

Sec. 16. Any person violating any of the provisions of this 2 act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction there- 3 of, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than one hun- 4 dred dollars, or imprisonment in the county jail for not more 5 than thirty days, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 17. All fees or other moneys collected by said com- 2 missioner of agriculture under the provisions of this act shall 3 be paid into the state treasury in the manner provided in article 4 two, chapter twelve of the code, and shall be carried in a 5 separate account and be used and expended only for the pur- 6 pose of carrying out the provisions of this act. The fees or 7 other moneys so paid into the state treasury shall constitute 8 and be treated as an excepted fund, and all of the provisions 9 of section two of said article two, chapter twelve of the code, 10 applicable to the funds therein excepted from the general pro- 11 visions for the deposit and payment of state funds, shall be
12 applicable to the fund derived from collections made pursuant
13 to the provisions of this act.
14 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are here-
15 by repealed.

CHAPTER 53
(House Bill No. 146—By Mr. Haymond)

AN ACT to re-enact and amend section six of article four of chapter
eleven, official code of the state of West Virginia, one thousand
nine hundred thirty-one, relating to assessment of lands, estates
in land and undivided interests therein.

[Passed February 27, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the
Governor.]

Sec. 6. Assessment of parcelled tract to
different owners: separate assess-
ment of surface and mineral and
timber rights; separate assess-
ment of undivided interests.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 6. When a tract of land becomes the property of
2 different owners in several parcels, the assessor shall assess the
3 several parcels separately to the individual owners thereof, giving
4 to each of such parcels its true and actual value according to the
5 rule prescribed in this chapter. When any person becomes the
6 owner of the surface, and another or others become the owner
7 or owners of the coal, oil, gas, ore, limestone, fireclay, or other
8 minerals or mineral substances in and under the same, or of the
9 timber therein, the assessor shall assess such respective estates to
10 the respective owners thereof at their true and actual value,
11 according to the rule prescribed in this chapter.
12 When any person or persons are, or becomes, the owner or
13 owners of any undivided interest or interests in land, or in the
14 surface, coal, oil, gas, ore, limestone, fireclay, timber or other
15 estates therein, the owner or owners of such undivided interest
16 or interests may, on request to the assessor, and without consent
17 or acquiescence of the other joint owner or owners of the other
18 undivided interest or interests, have such undivided interest or
19 interests assessed to him or them separately and independently
20 of other undivided interest or interests therein; and all such
21 assessments and undivided interests heretofore entered on the
22 assessment books are hereby validated.
CHAPTER 54
(House Bill No. 154—By Mr. Smith, of Wirt)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section six of article three of chapter sixty-two of the revised code of West Virginia.

[Passed February 26, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 6. Custody of jury in felony cases by sheriff.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section six of article three, chapter sixty-two of the revised code of West Virginia relating to custody of juries; expenses, and conversation with juries, be and it is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 6. After a jury in a case of felony is impaneled and sworn, they shall be kept together and furnished with suitable board and lodging by the sheriff or other officer until they agree upon a verdict or are discharged by the court. After a jury has been impaneled, no sheriff or other officer shall converse with, or permit any one else to converse with a juror, unless by leave of the court.

CHAPTER 55
(House Bill No. 160—By Mr. Haines)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section fifty-seven, of article twelve, of chapter eleven, of the official code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one.

[Passed March 11, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 57. License hawkers and peddlers; when license not required.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section fifty-seven, article twelve, chapter eleven, of the official code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, relating to hawkers and peddlers, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 57. On every license to act as a hawker or peddler, if the person licensed travel without a horse or vehicle, fifty
3 dollars; if he travel with one horse, with or without a wagon or
4 other vehicle, one hundred fifty dollars; if he travel with two
5 or more horses, with or without a vehicle, or if he travel with a
6 motor vehicle, two hundred dollars. Such license shall be placed
7 in some conspicuous place in his wagon or other vehicle or about
8 his pack: Provided, That nothing in this article shall be con-
9 strained as levying a license tax on resident farmers selling pro-
10 duce of their own production; or upon citizens of this state buy-
11 ing or selling dairy, poultry, or other farm products direct to,
12 or from farmers within the state of West Virginia.

CHAPTER 56
(House Bill No. 185—By Mr. Smith, of Marion)

AN ACT to amend article five of chapter twenty-eight of the code of West Virginia, by enacting an additional section, to be numbered section twenty-seven (a), relating to extra good time to be allowed certain classes of convicts of the West Virginia penitentiary.

[Passed March 2, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 27 (a). Extra good time allowance for certain convicts.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That article five of chapter twenty-eight of the code of West Virginia be amended by enacting an additional section to be called section twenty-seven (a), relating to extra good time to be allowed certain classes of convicts of the West Virginia penitentiary, to read as follows:

Section 27 (a). The warden may, with the written approval of the governor, allow, in addition to that now permitted by law, such good time to convicts, except life prisoners, working outside the wall of the penitentiary and as domestic help for the warden at the penitentiary, as he may deem proper.
CHAPTER 57

(House Bill No. 331—By Mr. Cummins)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact chapter twenty-eight, article five, section twenty-eight of the code of West Virginia, relating to the parole of convicts.

[Passed March 13, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

SEC. 28. Parole of convicts by governor; while on parole in legal custody of governor; power of governor to retake; while paroled convict deemed serving out sentence and entitled to good time allowance.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That chapter twenty-eight, article five, section twenty-eight of the code of West Virginia, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 28. The governor shall have authority, under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe, to issue a parole, or permit to go at large, to any convict who now is, or hereafter may be, imprisoned in the penitentiary of this state, under sentence other than a life sentence, and who has not previously served two terms of imprisonment in any penal institution for felony. Every such convict, while on parole, shall remain in the legal custody and under the control of the governor, and shall be subject at any time to be taken back within the inclosure of the penitentiary for any reason that shall be satisfactory to the governor, and at his sole discretion. Full power to retake and return any such paroled convict to the penitentiary is hereby expressly conferred upon the governor, whose written order, when attested by the secretary of state, shall be a sufficient warrant authorizing all officers named therein to return any such paroled convict to actual custody in the penitentiary; and it is hereby made the duty of all officers to execute such order the same as an ordinary criminal process. This section shall not be construed to operate in any sense as a release of any convict paroled under its provision, but simply as a permit granted to such convict to go without the inclosure of the penitentiary, and while so at large he shall be deemed to be serving out the sentence imposed upon him by the court, and shall be entitled to good time the same as if he were confined in the penitentiary.
CHAPTER 58

(Senate Bill No. 35—By Mr. Roberts)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact article six of chapter thirty-one of the official code of West Virginia relating to the continuation, incorporation, and operation of building and loan associations, and repealing all articles or parts of articles, general or special, heretofore enacted and inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this article.

[Passed March 6, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. Building and loan associations heretofore organized under laws of this state may continue under present charter; associations, both foreign and domestic, heretofore or hereafter organized to do business in this state, to operate subject to rules, etc., prescribed herein.

Sec. 2. Building and loan associations, defined; domestic and foreign; general corporation laws, not inconsistent, to apply.

Sec. 3. Only mutual building and loan associations and mutual savings and loan companies to operate under this article; charters of mutual building and loan associations heretofore organized, validated.

Sec. 4. Organizers of association, number; articles of association, what to state.

Sec. 5. Approval of commissioner of banking of charter, or amendment, required.

Sec. 6. Constitution and by-laws, what to provide and determine.

Sec. 7. When certificate of authority to commence business may be issued by commissioner of banking; no business to be transacted until authorized; if association not organized within one year from date of certificate of incorporation, certificate to be void; to maintain no branches other than those already established.

Sec. 8. Membership, continuation; dues; minor, over fourteen years of age, may become shareholder; effect of receipt, etc., to minor shareholder; withdrawal of shareholder, holding jointly, etc., with another; shares held in fiduciary capacity, withdrawal value.

Sec. 9. Associations to be permanent; serial associations may continue to issue installment shares in series.

Sec. 10. Pledged and free shares; classes of shares; shares sold for money only and no commission to be charged; receipts to shareholders.

Sec. 11. Shares of deceased shareholder to be held by legal representative or trustee of estate.

Sec. 12. When stock reaches matured value, payment of dues to cease; payment on unpledged shares having a withdrawal value.

Sec. 13. Cancellation of shares after written notice; payment to withdrawing shareholder; interest, if not paid within sixty days.

Sec. 14. Enforcement of withdrawal of fully paid and free installment shares.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. That the building and loan associations heretofore organized under the laws of this state may continue under their present charters or any extension thereof, and that all building and loan associations, whether domestic or foreign, heretofore or hereafter organized or authorized to do business in this state, shall be incorporated, established, and operated subject to the powers, duties, privileges, limits, rules, and regulations herein prescribed.

Sec. 2. Corporations organized in this state for the purpose of encouraging industry, frugality, home-building, and saving among their members, and for the purpose of assisting their members to accumulate and invest their savings by accumulating a fund from periodical payments on their stock or otherwise to be loaned among their members and to other persons, shall be known in this article as building and loan associations. Such associations organized under the laws of this state shall be known as domestic associations and those organized under the laws of any other state or territory shall be known as foreign associations.

All the provisions of the law of this state relating to general corporations, not inconsistent with this article, shall be applicable to building and loan associations.

Sec. 3. No corporation, except mutual building and loan associations or mutual savings and loan companies, shall be permitted to operate under this article. The charters of all mutual building and loan associations heretofore organized are hereby in all respects validated and confirmed, and all such
6 associations shall have the powers and privileges of associations
7 formed under this article.

Sec. 4. Any number of resident citizens of West Virginia, 
2 not fewer than nine, may associate themselves together for the 
3 purpose of organizing a building and loan association as de- 
4 fined in this article, and for that purpose they shall make, sign, 
5 and acknowledge before some person, authorized by the laws 
6 of this state to take acknowledgment of deeds, articles of asso- 
7 ciation in writing which shall state:

8  First: The corporate name of the association. The name 
9 adopted by any association shall not be the same assumed by 
10 any other association nor so similar as to be liable to mislead. 
11 The words "Building and Loan Association" shall end the 
12 name of every domestic association hereafter organized under 
13 this article, and no association not organized under this article 
14 shall be entitled to use a name embodying such combination of 
15 words, except that the associations now existing may continue 
16 their present names.

17  Second: The name of the city or town where the principal 
18 office or place of business is to be located.

19  Third: A provision that such association is organized under 
20 this article for the purpose herein expressed.

21  Fourth: The amount of the total authorized capital stock, 
22 the number of shares into which the same shall be divided, the 
23 par value of each share, which shall be one hundred dollars, the 
24 number of shares subscribed for, the amount of dollars which 
25 has been subscribed, and amount of dollars which has been 
26 paid. This paragraph shall not apply to associations hereto- 
27 fore organized.

28  Fifth: The names and postoffice addresses of all the incor- 
29 porators and the number of shares of stock subscribed for by 
30 each.

31  Sixth: The time the association is to continue.

Sec. 5. No charter for a building and loan association shall 
2 be issued by the secretary of state, or amendment of such char- 
3 ter made, until the application therefor shall have been sub-
4 mitted to the commissioner of banking and approved by him 
5 and his approval endorsed thereon.

Sec. 6. The incorporators shall make and adopt the neces- 
2 sary constitution and by-laws consistent with law, and submit 
3 two copies thereof, duly certified by the secretary and chair-
man of the organization meeting, to the commissioner of banking. The constitution and by-laws, among other things, shall provide and determine:

First: The date of the regular annual meeting, which, in the case of associations hereafter organized, shall be in the month of January, and the notice to be given, the qualifications of voters and the manner of voting, the manner of calling special meetings, and the proportion of shares which shall constitute a quorum.

Second: The number and qualifications of directors other than those specified in this article, and their terms of office, the removal or suspension of directors and the filling of vacancies, and the meetings of the board of directors, its powers and duties.

Third: The officers, the manner of their election, their terms of office and their duties.

Fourth: The classes of shares which may be issued, the times when they may be issued and their matured value.

Fifth: The certificates or passbooks which shall be issued to shareholders.

Sixth: The fees that may be charged, which shall be only an entrance fee not exceeding twenty-five cents a share, or in lieu thereof a membership fee of not exceeding one dollar; a transfer fee not exceeding twenty-five cents a share, but not more than a total fee of one dollar on each transfer.

Seventh: The sums of money or dues that shall be paid upon shares and the time of their payment; the time and manner of apportioning, crediting, and paying dividends.

Eighth: Loans and investments, the security to be taken for loans, the premium plan, if any, and the conditions under which loans may be repaid.

Ninth: The fines which may be imposed upon members for failure punctually to pay dues, interest, premium, taxes, or insurance, and for a reward for the punctual payment of the same.

Tenth: The conditions upon which shares may be transferred, matured, withdrawn, retired, or forfeited. Conditions under which the association may advance money to borrowers for payment of taxes, assessments, insurance premiums, repairs, or other purposes as long as the security is sufficient.
Eleventh: The manner and conditions under which the by-laws may be altered or amended.

Sec. 7. When the commissioner of banking shall have approved the by-laws, and the association has filed with the commissioner of banking a certified copy of the charter, also duly certified copies of the minutes of the meeting of the shareholders at which directors were elected, and of the first meeting of the directors at which officers were elected, also a list of the names of the directors and all officers, with their addresses, and when the commissioner of banking is satisfied that such association has complied with all the requirements of the law precedent to the exercise of the powers imposed by law, and it appears that such association is lawfully entitled to commence business, he shall give to such association a certificate of authority under his hand and official seal that such association is authorized to commence business.

No building and loan association shall transact any business except such as is incidental or necessarily preliminary to its organization until it has been authorized by the commissioner of banking to do so. A building and loan association failing to organize and receive authority from the commissioner of banking to commence business within one year from the date of receiving its certificate of incorporation, shall cease to exist, and such certificate shall be null and void. No association shall establish more than one office nor maintain branches other than those already established.

Sec. 8. The members of a building and loan association shall be only those to whom its shares have been issued or transferred in accordance with the provisions of its constitution and by-laws. Their membership shall continue until such shares have been matured and paid, withdrawn, retired, or forfeited. The payments made to any such association upon shares issued by it shall be called dues. They shall be paid in such sums and at such times as are provided by the by-laws until the shares reach their matured value, are withdrawn, retired, or forfeited.

Minors above the age of fourteen years may become shareholders in any association the same as adults, and such minor shareholders shall be subject to the same duties and liabilities as respects their stock as adult members. Any receipt, release, acquittance, or discharge given the association by such minor
16 shareholder shall be binding upon such minor to the same extent as if he were of full age. Minors under fourteen years of age may hold shares by a trustee or guardian.
19 When shares shall have been issued in the names of two or more persons, payable to either, or payable to either or the survivor, either of said named persons, whether the other be living or not, may withdraw from such association and receive the amount payable on withdrawal in the same manner and on the same terms allowed by law or the by-laws in case of any other shareholder, and the receipt of or acceptance by the person so paid shall be a valid and sufficient release and discharge of the association for any payment so made.
28 Persons who hold shares in a fiduciary capacity shall have all the rights and privileges of membership, except the right to hold office. Whenever a person holding shares in such capacity dies and no notice of the revocation or termination of the trust shall have been given to the association in writing, the withdrawal value of the shares having such withdrawal value may be paid to the beneficiary. The association shall not be liable to beneficiaries for moneys paid to their guardians or trustees on account of such shares.

Sec. 9. Every building and loan association hereafter organized shall be permanent in character, and may issue shares at any time and credit dividends thereon in the passbooks of its members, or pay the same in cash, or by check. Serial associations heretofore organized may continue to issue their installment shares in series and credit the dividends apportioned to such shares by series. Dividends credited by serial associations upon other classes issued by them may be credited in the passbooks of their members or paid in cash or by check.

Sec. 10. Shares in any building and loan association that have been transferred to it as security for the repayment of a loan shall be called "pledged shares." Shares which have not been so transferred shall be called "free shares."
5 Every association shall have the right to divide its shares into such classes and to sell and issue any of its shares of stock on such terms and conditions as the constitution and by-laws provide. Shares of stock shall be sold for no consideration other than money, and no commission shall be charged for any such sale.
11 Every association shall furnish each shareholder with re-
ceipts, by pass-book or otherwise, for all moneys received by the association, and a record thereof shall be kept in proper form.

Sec. 11. The shares of a deceased shareholder may be held and controlled by the legal representative or trustee of the estate of such shareholder. No fine or penalty shall be charged on such shares after the death of the shareholder, unless the future payments on such shares be assumed by his legal representative.

Sec. 12. When any stock, including stock having a fixed maturity date, shall have reached its matured value, payments of dues thereon shall cease and borrowers shall be entitled to have their securities released and returned to them. The holders of unpledged shares having a withdrawal value shall be paid out of the funds of the association the matured value thereof, with such rate of interest or dividends as shall be determined by the by-laws, from the time the board of directors shall declare such stock to have matured until paid. At no time shall more than one-half of the net monthly receipts of the association be applicable to the payment of matured shares and withdrawals as hereinafter provided without the consent of the board of directors. The by-laws of any association may provide for holders of matured installment stock to retain the same without requiring the association to issue full paid stock therefor.

Sec. 13. The dues and dividends upon free shares of any such association may be withdrawn and the shares cancelled after sixty days' written notice of such intention filed with its secretary at the place of business of the association, but the board of directors may waive such notice: Provided, That the constitution and by-laws of the association may provide for the issuance of classes of full paid shares of stock which may not be withdrawn. The withdrawing shareholder shall be paid such part of the withdrawal value of his shares as may be determined by the board of directors, less fines and other obligations, and remain a shareholder until full payment to him be made: Provided, That not more than one-half of the net funds received by the association in any one month shall be applicable to the payment of withdrawing shareholders and matured share as hereinbefore provided unless otherwise ordered by the board of directors. A withdrawing member holding shares having a withdrawal
17 value, not paid within sixty days, shall be entitled to legal in-
18 terest upon his shares if earned, beginning at the expiration of
19 the said sixty days.

Sec. 14. The board of directors of any building and loan
2 association may retire all full paid and free installment shares
3 having a withdrawal value by enforcing withdrawals of the
4 same: Provided, That the by-laws shall clearly state the manner
5 in which such withdrawals may be enforced and the holders
6 of such shares are paid the full value of their shares less all
7 obligations: Provided further, That all such full paid shares
8 may be retired before the installment shares.

Sec. 15. If a member, not a borrower, be in arrears for more
2 than six months for dues upon any installment shares owned by
3 him, his shares at the option of the board of directors may be
4 declared forfeited. The withdrawal value of the shares at the
5 time of the declaration of forfeiture shall be ascertained and all
6 fines and other charges deducted therefrom and the balance
7 paid to the member. All shares so forfeited shall cease to par-
8 ticipate in any profits of the association and shall revert to the
9 association free from all interest or claim on the part of such
10 member or any person claiming under him.

Sec. 16. No transfer of shares shall be binding upon the
2 association until the same has been made upon its books, and
3 the transferee shall take the same charged with all the liabilities
4 to the association and the conditions attaching thereto at the
5 time of the transfer.

Sec. 17. Any building and loan association may charge
2 premium or interest in excess of the legal rate upon loans to its
3 shareholders if the by-laws so provide and fix the rate of
4 premium in addition to the rate of interest to be paid upon
5 such loan, such premium always to be a definite, certain, and
6 fixed amount for any loan, and to be payable in advance or in
7 installments at the same time as the periodical installments of
8 dues and interest.
9 No premium, fines, or interest, or interest on such premium,
10 that may be charged by or accrue to any such building and loan
11 association according to the provisions of this article shall be
12 deemed usurious.

Sec. 18. The corporate powers of any building and loan asso-
2 ciation shall be exercised by a board of directors of not fewer
3 than five in number all of whom shall be bona fide shareholders
in such association, and a majority of whom shall be resident citizens. The officers shall consist of a president, one or more vice-presidents, a secretary, a treasurer, and such other officers as the by-laws shall provide, to be elected at the first meeting of the directors following the annual meeting of the shareholders. The president and vice-presidents must be directors, but the other officers and employees may or may not be directors. The duties of the officers, their terms of office, the time and manner of their election, the manner of filling vacancies, the time of holding periodical meetings of the directors and shareholders, the manner of calling special meetings, the qualifications of electors, and the manner of voting, shall be determined by the constitution and by-laws. Unless the compensation of the officers, directors, and committees shall be provided for in the by-laws, the directors shall fix and determine the same.

Sec. 19. Subject to the provisions of this article and its by-laws, any building and loan association may invest the funds received by it as follows:

First: In loans to its shareholders secured by a bond or other obligation and mortgage or deed of trust on real estate, accompanied by a transfer and pledge to the association of shares having a matured or par value at least equal to the amount of such loans: Provided, That no building and loan association shall lend upon any one piece of real estate more than ten per cent of its paid in capital stock, contingent or reserve funds, and undivided profits. Personal property may be accepted as additional security where the primary and principal security is a mortgage or deed of trust on real estate.

Second: In loans to shareholders upon their obligations secured by the transfer and pledge to the association of shares not previously transferred or pledged to it, the withdrawal or par value of which shall at least equal the amount of such loan. Any such bonds or obligations, mortgages, or deeds of trust taken by any such association from its shareholders shall be deemed conditioned upon the performance of the provisions of this article and the by-laws of the association relating to the payment of loans, premium, interest, dues, fees, and fines, although the same may not be fully expressed therein.

Third: In real property as follows: (a) A lot of land whereon there is or may be erected a building or buildings suitable for the convenient transaetion of its business, from portions of
which, not required for its own use, a revenue may be derived:

Provided, That no building and loan association shall so invest more than ten per cent of its assets; (b) Such as shall be conveyed to it in satisfaction of debts previously contracted in the course of its business; (c) Such as it shall purchase at sales under judgments, decrees, or mortgages or deeds of trust held by it: Provided, That any real estate acquired by any building and loan association under clauses (b) and (c) shall be disposed of by the association at the earliest practicable date; but the officers thereof shall have a reasonable discretion in the matter of the time to dispose of such property in order to save the association from unnecessary losses.

If at any time it has funds in excess of the amount needed for loans to its members and the payment of matured shares and withdrawals, such funds may be invested:

(a) In loans to persons not members, or to members without pledge of their shares as collateral security; on bonds or obligations secured by mortgage or deed of trust, which shall be a first lien on improved real estate in this state, not to exceed sixty-five per centum of the cash value thereof;

(b) In loans to other domestic building and loan associations;

(c) In bonds or interest bearing obligations of the United States, or the District of Columbia, or of the state of West Virginia, or of any county, district, school district, or other political sub-division in the state of West Virginia, or of any incorporated city or village in the state of West Virginia; and in such other securities as now are or hereafter may be accepted by the United States to secure government deposits in national banks, or approved by the state commissioner of banking.

Sec. 20. Every officer or other person elected or appointed to any position or employed in any capacity, requiring the collection, receipt, payment, or custody of money, securities, books, or records belonging to a building and loan association, before entering upon his duties, shall give bond in adequate amount and with good and sufficient surety, which shall be a surety company authorized to transact business in this state, the premium thereon to be paid by the association, and such bonds shall be approved by the board of directors of such association; and said board shall examine annually all such bonds and pass on the sufficiency of the same, and if insufficient, immediately require new or additional bonds; and the failure of any person
to comply at once shall be ground for his summary removal by the board of directors. The commissioner of banking may at any time order the bond of any such person to be increased in amount. The board of directors, in lieu of individual bonds, may accept a schedule or blanket bond which covers all the officers and employees of any building and loan association handling money or property of such association.

Sec. 21. No building and loan association shall:

First: Take a mortgage or deed of trust upon real estate unless a written application is first made for the loan described in such mortgage or deed of trust, showing the date, name of applicant, amount of loan desired, description of the real estate offered, and other information necessary, and unless a written report thereon shall have been made by at least two members of the appraisal committee, signed by them, stating that they have examined the real estate described in such application and that in their judgment it affords adequate security for such loan. Such report shall show separately the value of the land and the value of the improvements and of the building or buildings erected thereon. The application and the report shall be filed and preserved with all the other papers relating to the loan.

Second: Take a mortgage or deed of trust upon improved real estate if the amount secured by such mortgage or deed of trust, plus any prior liens, exceeds sixty-five per centum of the appraised value thereof as shown by such report, unless said excess be secured by a pledge of free stock or notes of the association, or upon vacant real estate if the amount so secured, plus any prior liens, exceeds fifty per centum of the appraised value thereof as shown by such report.

Third: Take a mortgage or deed of trust upon real estate unless the title to such real estate is approved by the attorney of the association or some other competent authority on titles.

Sec. 22. Any loan made by a building and loan association to a member may be repaid at any time: Provided, That the member shall pay the principal due thereon, the premium earned, and the interest, fines, and other charges accrued at the date of such repayment, and all sums advanced by the association for taxes, assessments, insurance premiums, repairs, or other purposes, with interest thereon, less the withdrawal value of the shares transferred as security therefor. Any association may
9 provide in its by-laws that any such borrowing member may
10 pay upon any such loan a sum equal to the matured value of
11 one or more of the shares transferred and pledged as security
12 therefor upon the same proportionate terms as are provided in
13 this section for payment in full and have such share or shares
14 cancelled.

Sec. 23. Whenever any borrower shall fail or neglect to pay
2 dues on shares, interest, premium, or fines as provided by the
3 by-laws or the terms of his obligation, bond, mortgage, or deed
4 of trust, or other evidence of indebtedness, for a period of three
5 months, or shall be in default in the performance of any of the
6 obligations imposed upon him thereby, then the whole of said
7 indebtedness shall become and be immediately due and payable
8 at the option of the association. His pledged shares may be
9 declared cancelled and their withdrawal value at the time of
10 said declaration applied as a payment on the loan, and such
11 shares shall revert to the association. The balance or the
12 amount due, with interest and premium, fines, and other charges
13 thereon, may be enforced by proceedings on his security accord-
14 ing to law. When the amount thus collected exceeds the amount
15 due, the excess shall be returned to the defaulting borrower.

Sec. 24. Any building and loan association heretofore incor-
2 porated in this state and now in operation or hereafter incor-
3 porated under this article shall have the right, if so provided in
4 its by-laws, to borrow money and issue therefor such evidence of
5 debt or obligations in such form and manner as may be pro-
6 vided in the by-laws or by the board of directors of the asso-
7 ciation; but before any money shall be borrowed, the board of
8 directors shall by a majority vote pass and record a resolution
9 to that effect.

Sec. 25. Every building and loan association shall set aside
2 out of its earnings a contingent reserve, which shall at no
3 time exceed eight per cent of the assets of said association,
4 and which shall be used only for the purpose of making good
5 to the association losses suffered on loans and expenses incurred
6 in the collection of loans which may not be charged against or
7 collected from the borrower. Every building and loan associa-
8 tion may also carry an undivided profit account as provided
9 in the constitution and by-laws of the association, but such
10 account of permanent associations shall not exceed five per cent
11 of their assets. The contingent reserve and the undivided
Sec. 26. At stated periods of not more than six months, as specified in the constitution and by-laws, the gross earnings of all permanent associations shall be ascertained, from which shall be deducted the costs and expenses of conducting the business of the association. A portion of the net earnings, to be determined by the board of directors, may be placed in the contingent reserve for the payment of losses and expenses as provided in this article, and a further portion of such net profits, to be determined by the board of directors, may be transferred as a dividend to the credit of all shareholders in proportion to the value of the shares of stock at that time as may be provided in the constitution and by-laws. The holders of full paid shares shall receive their dividends in cash, and the holders of shares of installment stock which have not been fully paid shall have their dividends credited to their account on the value of their shares. Any residue of such earnings may be held as surplus or undivided profits, to be used as other earnings: Provided, That the same rate of dividends shall be paid all shareholders alike by building and loan associations or savings and loan companies not now having more than one authorized rate of dividends.

Sec. 27. Whenever it shall appear to the commissioner of banking that any association does not keep its books and accounts in such manner as to enable him readily to ascertain its true condition, he may issue an order requiring such association to open and keep such books, accounts, and records of the transactions, accounts, and financial condition of such association. Any building and loan association that refuses or neglects to comply with any such order shall be subject, in the discretion of the commissioner of banking, to a forfeiture of ten dollars for each day it neglects and fails to open and keep such prescribed books and accounts. Whenever any building and loan association fails or refuses to pay the forfeiture hereunder imposed for failure to open accounts, the commissioner of banking is hereby authorized to institute proceedings for the recovery of such forfeiture, and when recovered, pay the same into the state treasury.

Sec. 28. Any two or more associations of this state may consolidate into a single association by a two-thirds vote of all the
3 shareholders of each of the different associations at a special
4 meeting of each association called for that purpose, of which
5 at least ten days’ notice shall have been given to each member,
6 the consolidation to be upon such terms as shall be mutually
7 agreed upon by the boards of directors of such associations,
8 and such terms shall be plainly set forth to each shareholder
9 in the notice of such special meeting.
10 Any association may, after like notice to shareholders, upon
11 the affirmative vote of the holders of sixty-six and two-thirds
12 per cent of its outstanding stock, sell and transfer its business to
13 another association: Provided, That in the event of either a con-
14 solidation or a sale, the commissioner of banking shall have at
15 least ten days’ written notice of said proposal and that he shall
16 approve said proposed transaction in writing.
17 Any shareholder, not consenting to such consolidation, sale,
18 or transfer, shall be entitled to receive the withdrawal value
19 of his shares as provided hereinbefore in settlement, or to have
20 such value applied in part settlement of his loan, if he be a
21 borrower.

Sec. 29. All the powers and duties of the commissioner of
2 banking of this state shall apply to building and loan asso-
3 ciations in so far as the same are applicable and not incon-
4 sistent with the provisions hereof, and all the provisions of the
5 state banking law setting forth the powers and duties of the
6 commissioner of banking and all institutions over which he
7 is given supervision and control shall apply to building and
8 loan associations, except as inconsistent herewith, and shall
9 be construed as part of this article the same as if specifically
10 incorporated herein.

Sec. 30. If upon examination the commissioner of banking
2 finds any domestic building and loan association conducting its
3 business contrary to law, or failing to comply therewith, he
4 shall notify its board of directors of such fact in writing. If
5 after thirty days such illegal practices or failure continue, or
6 if he should find that the affairs of any such association are in
7 an unsound condition and that the interests of the public de-
8 mand its dissolution and the winding up of its business, he
9 shall in either case take possession of said association and
10 liquidate the same in the manner provided in respect to state
11 banks in chapter thirty-one of the code.

Sec. 31. In case any deputy commissioner or employee ap-
pointed or acting under the provisions of this article shall dis-
close to any person, other than officially to the commissioner of
banking of the state by the report made to him, or in compliance
with the order and precept of a court, the names of shareholders
in any building and loan association or any information respect-
ing their private accounts, or who shall wilfully make a false
official report as to the condition of such association, shall be
guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction thereof shall be fined
in the sum of not less than one hundred dollars nor more than
five hundred dollars.

Sec. 32. The by-laws of any building and loan association
may be repealed, altered, or amended from time to time in such
manner as may be provided in the by-laws of such association.
No amendment shall be in force or effect until a certificate of
its adoption, in duplicate, under the seal of the association,
signed by the president and the secretary, showing date of the
meeting, that required notice was given, the attendance of share-
holders, and the number of shares represented, and the vote
upon the amendment, is filed with the commissioner of banking
and approved by him in writing, his approval or disapproval of
such amendment being endorsed upon the copies of the certifi-
cate of adoption, one of which to be returned to the association
and the other to be filed in his office.

Sec. 33. Foreign building and loan associations doing busi-
ness in this state shall conduct such business in accordance with
the laws governing domestic associations, and shall comply with
all the requirements of said laws, except as herein provided. No
foreign building and loan association shall do business in West
Virginia until it procures from the commissioner of banking a
certificate of authority to do business in this state, after comply-
ing with the following provisions:
(1) It shall file with the commissioner of banking a certified
copy of its charter, constitution and by-laws, and other rules and
regulations, showing the manner of conducting business, together
with a statement of its financial condition, such as is required
from all building and loan associations organized under the laws
of this state.

Sec. 34. When a foreign building and loan association has
complied with the provisions of this article, and the commissioner
of banking is satisfied that it is doing business according to the
laws of West Virginia and is in sound financial condition, he
shall issue his certificate of authority to the association to do business in this state. Annually thereafter, upon filing the statement required from domestic building and loan associations in this state, and if the commissioner of banking be satisfied that such foreign association is conducting its business in accordance with the laws of this state and entitled to public confidence, he shall issue a renewal of such certificate of authority.

Sec. 35. Every foreign building and loan association doing business in this state shall be subject to the same examinations as are domestic building and loan associations: Provided, That the expense of all examinations of such foreign associations shall be paid by the association examined, as prescribed in section thirty-three, article eight, chapter thirty-one, of the code, and the money so paid shall be paid into the state treasury. Such examination may be made in collaboration with the state wherein the foreign association has its home office.

Sec. 36. It shall be unlawful for any person to act as agent for any building and loan association not authorized to do business in this state, or to solicit, sell, or dispose of any shares of any such unauthorized association, and any person or persons acting for any such unauthorized association, or in any manner aiding in the transaction of the business of such association in this state, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty dollars nor more than five hundred dollars for each offense, and in default of payment of such fine, shall be imprisoned in the county jail for a period not exceeding one year. All fines collected under the provisions of this section shall be paid into the state treasury.

Sec. 37. All foreign building and loan associations authorized to do business in this state shall be subject to and shall pay to the commissioner of banking the following fees, which shall be paid into the state treasury, to-wit: For filing an application for admission to do business in this state, five hundred dollars. For each certificate of authority and annual renewal thereof, two hundred dollars. For filing each semi-annual report, ten dollars, and for filing certified copy of charter, constitution and by-laws, ten dollars.

Sec. 38. All domestic and foreign building and loan associations shall pay annually to the state auditor a state license tax for the privilege of doing business in this state in an amount
based upon the amount of money loaned by such associations in this state instead of upon the proportion of capital stock represented by the property owned and used in this state, and in computing such tax the same rate shall be used for foreign associations as is used for domestic associations: Provided, however, That the amount of money loaned by such associations shall be taken to be the amount shown upon the face of the document evidencing the loan without deduction of credits therefrom.

Sec. 39. Whoever directly or indirectly, wilfully and knowingly, makes or transmits to another or circulates or counsels, aids, procures, or induces another to make, transmit, or circulate any false or untrue statement, rumor, or suggestion derogatory to the financial condition, solvency, or financial standing of any building and loan association, including any foreign building and loan association, doing business in this state, or with intent to depress the value of the shares, bonds or securities of any such association, directly or indirectly, wilfully and knowingly, makes or transmits to another, circulates or counsels, aids, procures, or induces another to make, transmit, or circulate any false or untrue statement, rumor, or suggestion derogatory to the financial condition, or with respect to the earnings or management of the business of any building and loan association, or resorts to any fraudulent means with intent to depress in value the shares, bonds, or securities of any building and loan association, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, each offender shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars or imprisoned not more than one year, or in the discretion of the court be both fined and imprisoned.

Sec. 40. Any person violating any of the provisions of this article shall be subject to the penalties provided in section thirty-nine, article eight, chapter thirty-one, of the code, unless a specific penalty is provided in this article.

Sec. 41. The provisions of this article are several, but if any provisions of this article be held unconstitutional, the decision of the court shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions of the article. It is hereby declared as a legislative intent that this article would have been adopted had such unconstitutional provisions not been included therein.

Sec. 42. Sections one, two, three, four, five, six and seven, of
2 article six of chapter thirty-one of the code of West Virginia, 
3 relating to building and loan associations, and all articles or 
4 parts of articles, general or special, heretofore enacted, incon-
5 sistent or in conflict with the provisions of this article, are here-
6 by repealed.

CHAPTER 59

(House Bill No. 195—By Mr. Watkins)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact sections eighteen, nineteen, twenty 
and twenty-one of article eight of chapter seventeen of the of-

[Passed February 27, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the 
Governor.]

SEC. 18. General provisions as to speed and 

driving; specific speed limits; 

what complaint for violations of 

speed limit to show; when local 

authorities by order or ordinance 

may increase speed limit; when 

slow speed unlawful; speed limits 

for certain vehicles; speed sign 

posts on bridges, etc.; speed of 

authorized emergency vehicles; 

reckless driving; penalties.

SEC. 19. Unlawful to drive vehicles exceed-
ing maximum size and weight; max-

imum width, height and 

length of vehicles; extension of 

load from vehicles; length of 

draw bar or other connection 

between vehicles; display of red 

flag; excess gross weight; per-

mit; division of state into area; 

gross load on bridges; removal 

of excess weight; control of 

vehicles and weights by local 

authorities by orders and signs; 

provisions as to tires; special 

permits for engines or tractors; 

loads not to escape from vehi-

bles; penalty for violation of sec-

tion.

SEC. 20. Application for special permit for 

vehicle exceeding maximum size 

or weight.

SEC. 21. Inconsistent acts repealed.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections eighteen, nineteen, twenty and twenty-one of the of-

ficial code of West Virginia, relating to traffic regulations and 

laws of the road, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as fol-

lows:

Section 18 (a) No person shall drive a vehicle upon a high-

way at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent, having 

due regard to the traffic, surface and width of the highway and 

the hazard at intersections and any other conditions then ex-

isting.

Nor shall any person drive at a speed which is greater than 

will permit the driver to exercise proper control of the vehicle 

and to decrease speed or to stop as may be necessary to avoid 

colliding with any person, vehicle or other conveyance upon or 

entering the highway in compliance with legal requirements 

and with the duty of drivers and other persons using the high-

12 way to exercise due care: Provided, That this provision shall
13 not be construed to relieve the plaintiff in any civil action from
14 the burden of proving negligence upon the part of the de-
15 fendant as the proximate cause of an accident.
16 (b) No person shall drive a vehicle upon a highway at a
17 speed in excess of that indicated as follows for the particular
18 districts or locations:
19 (1) Fifteen miles per hour; (a) When passing a school
20 building or the grounds thereof during school recess or while
21 children are going to or leaving school during opening or clos-
22 ing hours; or (b) When approaching within one hundred
23 feet of a grade crossing of a steam, electric or street railway
24 where the driver's view of such crossing or of any traffic on
25 such railway within a distance of four hundred feet in
26 either direction is obstructed.
27 (2) Twenty miles per hour; (a) In any business dis-
28 trict, herein defined to be the territory contiguous to a highway
29 when fifty per cent or more of the frontage thereon for a dis-
30 tance of three hundred feet or more is occupied by buildings
31 in use for business; or (b) Upon approaching within fifty feet
32 and in traversing an intersection of highways where the
33 driver's view in either direction along any intersecting high-
34 way within a distance of two hundred feet is obstructed, ex-
35 cept that when traveling upon a through street or at traffic-
36 controlled intersections the district speed shall apply.
37 (3) Twenty-five miles per hour; (a) On suburban
38 streets; or, (b) At any railway grade crossing where the
39 view is not obstructed; or (c) In public parks within cities,
40 unless a different speed is indicated by local authorities and
41 duly posted.
42 (4) Forty-five miles per hour; On open country highway,
43 except as otherwise limited by this act.
44 (c) In every charge of violation of this section the com-
45 plaint, also the summons or notice to appear, shall specify the
46 speed at which the defendant is alleged to have driven, also
47 the speed indicated in this section for the district or location
48 and in the event charge shall also be made of violation of any
49 other provision of this act, the complaint and the summons or
50 notice to appear shall also specify such other offense alleged
51 to have been committed.
52 (d) Local authorities in their respective jurisdictions are
54 hereby authorized in their discretion to indicate by order or 
55 ordinance higher speeds than those indicated in subdivision 
56 (b) of this section upon through highways or upon open 
57 highways or portions thereof where there are no intersec-
58 tions or between widely spaced intersections if signs are erected 
59 giving notice of the indicated speed, but local authorities shall 
60 not have authority to modify or alter the basic rule set forth in 
61 subdivision (a) of this section, or in any event to indicate by 
62 order or ordinance a speed in excess of forty-five miles per 
63 hour.
64 (e) It shall be unlawful for any person unnecessarily to 
65 drive at such a slow speed as to impede or block the normal and 
66 reasonable movement of traffic except when reduced speed is 
67 necessary for safe operation or because upon a grade or when 
68 the vehicle is a truck or truck and trailer necessarily or in com-
69 pliance with law proceeding at reduced speed.
70 Traffic and police officers are hereby authorized to enforce 
71 this provision by directions to drivers and in the event of ap- 
72 parent wilful disobedience to this provision and refusal to com- 
73 ply with direction of an officer in accordance herewith the con-
74 tinued slow operation by a driver shall be unlawful and con-
75 stitute a misdemeanor.
76 (f) No person shall drive a vehicle upon a highway at a 
77 speed in excess of that indicated as follows for the particular 
78 class of vehicles and the particular districts or location:
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lie bridge, causeway or viaduct at a speed which is greater than the maximum speed which can with safety to such structure be maintained thereon, when such structure is signposted as provided in this section.

The state road commission upon request from any local authorities shall, or upon its own initiative may, conduct an investigation of any public bridge, causeway or viaduct, and if it shall thereupon find that such structure cannot with safety to itself withstand vehicles traveling at the speed otherwise permissible under this act, the commission shall determine and declare the maximum speed of vehicles which such structure can withstand, and shall cause or permit suitable signs stating such maximum speed to be erected and maintained at a distance of one hundred feet before each end of such structure. The findings and determination of the commission shall be conclusive evidence of the maximum speed which can with safety to any structure be maintained thereon.

(h) The speed limits set forth in this act shall not apply to authorized emergency vehicles when operated in emergencies and the drivers thereof sound audible signal by bell, siren or exhaust whistle. This provision shall not relieve the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle from the duty to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons using the street, nor shall it protect the driver of any such vehicle from the consequence of a reckless disregard of the safety of others.

(i) Any person who drives any vehicle upon a highway carelessly and heedlessly in wilful or wanton disregard of the rights or safety of others, or without due caution and circumspection and at a speed or in a manner so as to endanger or be likely to endanger any person or property, shall be guilty of reckless driving.

(j) Any person violating the provisions of subdivision (a) of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall for a first conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars or by imprisonment in the county or municipal jail for not more than ten days; for a second such conviction within one year thereafter such person shall be punished by a fine of not more than two hundred dollars or by imprisonment in the county or municipal jail for not more than twenty days or by both such fine and imprisonment; upon a third or subsequent conviction within one year after the
Every person who drives a vehicle upon a highway at a speed in excess of that indicated in subdivisions (b), (d), (f) and (g) of this section, and who, while so driving violates the basic rule set forth in subdivision (a), or any person who violates subdivision (i) of this section, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be punished by imprisonment in the county or municipal jail for a period of not less than five days nor more than ninety days, or by fine of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, or by both such fine and imprisonment, and on a second or subsequent conviction shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than ten days nor more than six months, or by a fine of not less than fifty dollars nor more than one thousand dollars, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Sec. 19. (a) It shall be unlawful and constitute a misdemeanor for any person to drive or move or for the owner to cause or knowingly permit to be driven or moved on any highway any vehicle or vehicles of a size or weight exceeding the limitations stated in this act or any vehicle or vehicles which are not so constructed or equipped as required in this article or the rules and regulations of the commissioner adopted pursuant thereto, and the maximum size and weight of vehicles herein specified shall be lawful throughout this state, in the areas, on the roads and under the conditions herein specified, and local authorities shall have no power or authority to alter said limitations except as express authority may be granted in this act.

(b) (1) No vehicle shall exceed a total outside width, including any load thereon, of eight feet, except that the width of a farm tractor shall not exceed nine feet, and except further that the limitations as to size of vehicles stated in this section shall not apply to implements of husbandry temporarily propelled or moved upon the public highway, or to vehicles operated under the terms of a special permit issued as provided in section twenty; (2) No vehicle unladen or with load shall exceed a height of twelve feet; (3) No vehicle shall exceed a length of thirty-three feet, and no combination of vehicles
coupled together shall exceed a total length of eighty-five feet;  
(4) No train of vehicles or vehicle operated alone shall carry  
any load extending more than three feet beyond the front  
thereof; (5) No passenger vehicle shall carry any load extend-  
ing beyond the line of the fenders on the left side of such vehicle  
or extending more than six inches beyond the line of the  
fender on the right side thereof.

(c) The drawbar or other connection between any two  
vehicles, one of which is towing or drawing the other on a high-  
way, shall not exceed fifteen feet in length from one vehicle to  
the other, except that the connection between any two vehicles  
transporting poles may exceed fifteen feet but shall not exceed  
twenty-five feet. Whenever such connection consists of a chain,  
rope or cable, there shall be displayed upon such connection  
a red flag or other signal or cloth not less than twelve inches  
both in length and width.

(d) (1) No motor vehicle or combination of vehicles hav-  
ing a gross weight in excess of those permitted in this section  
shall be driven on any highway unless the owner shall first  
have secured a permit as provided for in section twenty; (2)  
For the purpose of controlling the circulation of vehicles or of  
combinations of vehicles of heavy weight, the state road com-  
mision is authorized to classify the area of the state as metro-  
politan, industrial or agricultural, and to designate therein the  
roads of major importance. Such roads shall for the purposes  
of this section be considered as major roads and all other roads  
ot so designated shall for the purposes of this section be con-  
idered secondary roads; (3) No motor vehicle equipped with  
pneumatic tires and driven on any major highway in a metro-  
politan area shall have a maximum wheel weight unladen or  
with load in excess of eleven thousand two hundred pounds, or  
an axle weight in excess of twenty-two thousand four hundred  
pounds; (4) No motor vehicle equipped with pneumatic tires  
and driven on any major highway in an industrial area shall  
have a maximum wheel weight unladen or with load in excess  
of nine thousand pounds, or an axle weight in excess of eighteen  
thousand pounds; (5) No motor vehicle equipped with pneu-  
matic tires and driven on any major highway in an agricultural  
area shall have a maximum wheel weight unladen or with load  
in excess of eight thousand pounds, or an axle weight in excess  
of sixteen thousand pounds; (6) No motor vehicle equipped  
with pneumatic tires and driven on any secondary highway in
any designated area shall have a maximum wheel weight unladen or with load in excess of eight thousand pounds, or an axle weight in excess of sixteen thousand pounds; (7) Motor vehicles equipped with solid tires and driven on any major highway in a metropolitan area shall be subject to the same maximum wheel weights and axle weights prescribed for that area for motor vehicles equipped with pneumatic tires. No motor vehicle equipped with solid tires driven upon any major highway in an industrial or agricultural area shall have a maximum wheel weight unladen or with load, or a maximum axle weight, in excess of eighty per cent of the weights prescribed for motor vehicles equipped with pneumatic tires; nor shall any motor vehicle equipped with solid rubber tires and driven upon any secondary highway have a maximum wheel weight unladen or with load, or a maximum axle weight, in excess of fifty per cent of the weights prescribed for motor vehicles equipped with pneumatic tires; (8) No motor vehicles having a minimum axle spacing of less than forty inches shall be driven on any highway in any area; (9) Subject to the maximum axle and wheel loads specified in this section, the gross weight of any motor vehicle or combination of vehicles driven on a major road in a metropolitan area shall be fixed within the safe capacities of the bridges existing in the area. Subject to the maximum axle and wheel loads specified in this section, the gross weight of any motor vehicle or combination of vehicles driven on a major road in an industrial or agricultural area shall not exceed that determined by the following formulas:

For bridges designed under Class H-20 specifications, total gross load in pounds = 1330 (L + 40), in which L represents the over-all distance in feet between the front and rear axles of the motor vehicle or the first and last axles of the combination of motor vehicles; For bridges designed under Class H-15 specifications, total gross load in pounds = 1000 (L + 40); For bridges designed under Class H-10 specifications, total gross load in pounds = 670 (L + 40).

(e) Any peace officer having reason to believe that the weight of a vehicle and load is unlawful is authorized to weigh the same either by means of portable or stationary scales, and may require that such vehicle be driven to the nearest scales in the event such scales are within two miles. The officer may then require the driver to unload immediately such portion of
the load as may be necessary to decrease the gross weight of
such vehicle to the maximum therefor specified in this act.

(f) Local authorities may by ordinance or resolution pro-
hibit the operation of vehicles upon any highway or impose
restrictions as to the weight of vehicles, for a total period of not
to exceed ninety days in any one calendar year, when operated
upon any highway under the jurisdiction of and for the main-
tenance of which such local authorities are responsible, when-
ever any said highway by reason of deterioration, rain, snow
or other climatic conditions will be seriously damaged or de-
stroyed unless the use of vehicles thereon is prohibited or the
permissible weights thereof reduced. Such local authorities
enacting any such ordinance or resolution shall erect or cause
to be erected and maintained signs designating the provisions
of the ordinance or resolution at each end of that portion of
any highway affected thereby, and the ordinance or resolution
shall not be effective until or unless such signs are erected and
maintained. Local authorities may also, by ordinance or resolu-
tion, prohibit the operation of trucks or other commercial
vehicles, or impose limitations as to the weight thereof on desig-
nated highways, which prohibitions and limitations shall be
designated by appropriate signs placed on such highways.

(g) (1) Every solid rubber tire on a vehicle moved on any
highway shall have rubber on its entire traction surface at least
one inch thick above the edge of the flange of the entire pe-
riphery, and no motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer having
any steel or other metal tire in contact with the roadway shall
be operated on any highway; (2) No tire on a vehicle moved
on a highway shall have on its periphery any block, stud, flange,
cleat or spike or any other protuberances of any material other
than rubber which projects beyond the tread of the traction
surface of the tire, except that it shall be permissible to use
farm machinery with tires having protuberances which will
not injure the highway, and except also that it shall be permis-
sible to use tire chains of reasonable proportions upon any
vehicle when required for safety because of snow, ice or other
conditions tending to cause a vehicle to slide or skid; (3) The
state road commission as to state roads and local authorities in
their respective jurisdictions may, in their discretion, issue
special permit authorizing the operation upon a highway of
traction engines or tractors having movable tracks with trans-
verse corrugations upon the periphery of such movable tracks or farm tractors or other farm machinery.

(h) No vehicle shall be driven or moved on any highway unless such vehicle is so constructed or loaded as to prevent its contents from dropping, sifting, leaking, or otherwise escaping therefrom.

(i) It shall be unlawful and constitute a misdemeanor for any person to violate any of the provisions of this section. Every person convicted for a misdemeanor for a violation of any of the provisions of this act for which another penalty is not provided shall for a first conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars or by imprisonment in the county or municipal jail for not more than ten days; for a second such conviction within one year thereafter such person shall be punished by a fine of not more than two hundred dollars or by imprisonment in the county or municipal jail for not more than twenty days or by both such fine and imprisonment; upon a third or subsequent conviction within one year after the first conviction such person shall be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars or by imprisonment in the county or municipal jail for not more than six months or by both such fine and imprisonment. Upon any conviction hereunder the license of the person convicted shall be revoked.

Sec. 20. The state road commission, and local authorities in their respective jurisdiction may, in their discretion, upon application in writing and good cause being shown therefor, issue a special permit in writing authorizing the applicant to operate or move a vehicle or combination of vehicles of a size or weight exceeding the maximum specified in this act upon any highway under the jurisdiction of and for the maintenance of which the body granting the permit is responsible. Application for such permit shall state the proposed maximum wheel loads, maximum axle loads, minimum axle spacing of each such vehicle, vehicles, or combination thereof, and the specific roads over which permit for operation is requested; and the application shall show whether permit is requested for a single trip or for continued operation; and the road commission or local authority is authorized to issue or withhold such permit at its discretion, or to limit the number of trips, or to establish seasonal or other time limitations within which the vehicles described may operate on the roads in-
18 directed, or may otherwise limit the prescribed conditions of
19 operation of such vehicles when necessary to assure against
20 undue damage to the road foundations, surfaces or structures.
21 Every such permit shall be carried in the vehicle or combina-
22 tion of vehicles to which it refers and shall be open to inspec-
23 tion by any peace officer, and it shall be a misdemeanor for any
24 person to violate any of the terms or conditions of such special
25 permit, and such violation shall constitute grounds for the
26 revocation of such permit by the authorities granting same.

Sec. 21. All acts and parts of acts coming within the purview
2 of this act and inconsistent therewith are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 60
(House Bill No. 264—By Mr. Norton)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section two, of article six, of chap-
2 ter forty-four of the code of West Virginia, so as to provide that
3 fiduciaries investing money in any securities mentioned in said
4 section shall not be liable for any loss resulting therefrom.

(Passed March 13, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the
5 Governor.)

Sec. 2. In what securities fiduciaries may
6 invest trust funds without court
7 order or liability for loss; pro-
8 cedure when instrument creating
9 trust directing investment of
10 trust funds.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section two, of article six, of chapter forty-four of the
1 code of West Virginia be, and the same is, hereby amended and re-
2 enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 2. Any executor, administrator, guardian, curator,
3 committee, trustee, or other fiduciary whose duty it may be to
4 loan or invest money intrusted to him as such, may, without
5 any order of any court, invest the same or any part thereof in
6 any of the following securities, and without liability for any loss
7 resulting from investments therein:
8 (a) In bonds or interest-bearing notes or obligations of the
9 United States, or those for which the faith of the United States
10 is distinctly pledged to provide for the payment of the princi-
11 pal and interest thereof, including bonds issued under the federal
12 farm loan act;
(b) In bonds or interest-bearing notes or obligations of this state;
(c) In bonds of any state of the United States, including bonds issued by the West Virginia bridge commission, which has not within ten years previous to the making of such investment defaulted in the payment of any part of either principal or interest on any of its bonds issued by authority of the legislature of such state;
(d) In the bonds or interest-bearing notes or obligations of any county, district, school district or independent school district, municipality, or any other political division, of this state that have been issued pursuant to the authority of any law of this state, since the ninth day of May of the year one thousand nine hundred seventeen;
(e) In bonds and negotiable notes secured by first mortgage or first trust deed upon improved real estate in this state where the amount secured by such mortgage or trust deed shall not at the time of making the same exceed eighty per cent of the assessed value of the real estate covered by such mortgage or trust deed, and when such mortgage or trust deed is accompanied by a satisfactory abstract of title, certificate of title, or title insurance policy, showing good title in the mortgagor when making such mortgage or trust deed, and by a fire insurance policy in an old line company with loss, if any, payable to the mortgagee or trustee as his interest may appear: Provided, That the rate of interest upon any of the above enumerated securities, in which such investments may be made, shall not be less than four per cent, nor more than seven per cent, per annum.
This section shall not apply where the instrument creating the trust, or the last will and testament of any testator, or any court having jurisdiction of the matter, specially directs in what securities the trust funds shall be invested, and every such court is hereby given power specially to direct by order or orders, from time to time, additional securities in which trust funds may be invested, and any investment thereof made in accordance with any such special direction shall be legal, and no executor, administrator, guardian, curator, committee, trustee, or other fiduciary, shall be held liable for any loss resulting in any such case.
CHAPTER 61

(House Bill No. 320—By Mr. Cottrill)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact article fifteen, chapter nineteen of the code of West Virginia relating to commercial fertilizers.

[Passed March 14, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. Definition of "fertilizer."
Sec. 2. Statement to be attached to fertilizer package.
Sec. 3. Certificate of registration; how obtained; cancellation; fee for and expiration of.
Sec. 4. Misleading or deceptive affidavit for registration; refusal or cancellation; change of ingredients prohibited; percentage of available plant food.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. The word "fertilizer," as used in this act, or in any rule or regulation authorized thereunder, unless the context otherwise requires or a different meaning is specifically prescribed, shall mean any article, substance or mixture applied to the soil for the purpose of increasing the productiveness thereof, excepting only the dung of domestic animals when sold as such without brand, name or trademark, all forms of agricultural lime, and bacterial preparations when sold with or without brand, name or trademark.

Sec. 2. Every bag, barrel or other package of fertilizer sold, offered or exposed for sale in this state shall have branded thereon or conspicuously attached thereto a statement showing:

(a) The name, brand or trademark of the fertilizer; (b) The net weight of the package; (c) The name and address of the manufacturer; (d) The guaranteed analysis of the fertilizer and a quantitative statement of the materials from which each of the constituents is derived as set out in the affidavit required in section three of this article. The analysis shall set forth the minimum percentage of total nitrogen, available phosphoric acid and water soluble potash, except that in case of bone meal, animal manures and tankage, untreated phosphate rock and basic slag phosphates the minimum per cent of total phosphoric acid may be given.

Sec. 3. Every manufacturer who shall sell, offer or expose for sale, or distribute, in this state any commercial fertilizer,
3 shall, before the same is sold, offered or exposed for sale, obtain
4 from the commissioner of agriculture a certificate of registration
5 for each brand of fertilizer to be sold, offered or exposed for sale.
6 The commissioner of agriculture shall have full power, and is
7 hereby authorized and required to cancel and withdraw any cer-
8 tificate upon satisfactory evidence that any rules and regulat-
9 tions covering the sale of commercial fertilizer have been vio-
10 lated by the holder of the same. The commissioner shall not
11 issue any certificate of registration except upon the filing with
12 the commissioner of agriculture of a certified copy of the state-
13 ment specified in section two of this article for each brand of
14 commercial fertilizer, accompanied by a fee of twenty dollars
15 for each brand, which moneys shall become a part of the general
16 revenue of the state. All certificates so issued shall become null
17 and void on December thirty-one, next succeeding date of is-
18 suance thereof.

Sec. 4. The commissioner of agriculture shall have the power
2 to refuse to accept any affidavit for any fertilizer or material to
3 be used as a fertilizer under a brand or trade name, or with
4 any information or statement accompanying same which is mis-
5 leading or deceptive or tends to mislead or deceive as to its
6 quality or the constituents or materials of which it is composed.
7 Any registration of any fertilizer may be cancelled by the com-
8 missioner whenever it is shown that any statement upon which
9 said registration was made or upon which the fertilizer is sold
10 is false or misleading. He shall also have the power to refuse
11 to register more than one commercial fertilizer under the same
12 name or brand when offered by the same manufacturer, jobber,
13 importer, firm, association, corporation or person. Should any
14 commercial fertilizer be registered in this state and it is after-
15 ward discovered that such registration is in violation of any of
16 the provisions of this article, the commissioner shall have the
17 power to cancel such registration. The commissioner shall have
18 the power to refuse to allow any manufacturer, importer, job-
19 ber, firm, association, corporation or person to lower the guaran-
20 teed analysis or change the ingredients of any brand of his or
21 their commercial fertilizer during the term for which registered
22 unless satisfactory reasons are presented for making such change.
23 Provided, however, That the commissioner shall refuse to regis-
24 ter any fertilizer unless the same contains sixteen per cent or
24 more of total available plant food, except that untreated phos-
phate rock, basic slag phosphates, bone meal, animal tankage
and animal manures when sold with brand name or trade-mark
may be registered and sold without containing the minimum of
sixteen per cent total available plant food.

Sec. 5. Whenever a manufacturer, importer, jobber, firm,
association, corporation or person manufacturing or selling a
brand of commercial fertilizer shall have filed the statement
required by section three and the same has been registered by the
commissioner, no other agent, importer, jobber, firm, association,
corporation or person shall be required to file for registry
such statement for such brand.

Sec. 6. The provisions of this article shall not apply to fer-
tilizer materials sold to fertilizer manufacturers to be prepared
or treated by them and resold.

Sec. 7. The commissioner of agriculture, in person or by
deputy, shall take samples of any fertilizer on sale in this state
and shall cause such samples to be analyzed according to the
methods of the association of official agricultural chemists, official
at the time, and publish the results of analysis from time
to time. Any purchaser of fertilizer within the state may take
a sample of the same, in accordance with such rules and regula-
tions as the commissioner of agriculture may establish, and forward
the same for analysis, and if the commissioner has reason
to believe that the fertilizer from which the sample is taken is not
as guaranteed in the statement attached to such fertilizer, he
shall cause the sample to be analyzed free of charge and certify
the result of the analysis to the person forwarding such sample.

Sec. 8. The enforcement of the provisions of this article shall
be vested in the state department of agriculture, and the com-
missioner of agriculture is authorized to make and enforce such
rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the intent
and purpose of this article. The commissioner is authorized, in
person or by deputy, to enter, during business hours, any store
room or other place where fertilizers are sold, offered or exposed
for sale for the purpose of taking samples therefrom for analysis.

Sec. 9. The commissioner of agriculture shall promptly re-
port to the prosecuting attorney of the county in which the of-

tense was committed any violations of this article and all failures
4 to comply therewith.

Sec. 10. Any person who shall sell, offer or expose for sale
any fertilizer without first having secured certificate of regis-
ADDITIONAL LEVIES

3 tration as provided by section three of this act, or without hav-
4 ing branded on or attached to the bag, barrel or other package
5 containing such fertilizer the statement required by section two
6 of this article, or any fertilizer containing less than sixteen per
7 cent of total available plant food, or who shall receive or remove
8 any fertilizer without its having been registered or branded as
9 provided by this article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and
10 upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than twenty nor
11 more than one hundred dollars for the first offense, and not less
12 than fifty nor more than five hundred dollars for each subsequent
13 offense.

Sec. 11. The provisions of this act shall become effective
2 January one, one thousand nine hundred thirty-two. All acts
3 or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 62

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section ten of article eight of
chapter eleven of the official code of one thousand nine hun-
dred thirty-one, relating to levies.

[Passed March 14, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the
Governor.]

Sec. 1. Additional levies by counties, school
districts or municipalities to be

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section ten of article eight of chapter eleven of the official
code of one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, be amended and
re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 1. If any county court, board of education, or com-
2 mon council of a municipal corporation be of opinion that the
3 maximum rate of levy of taxes hereinbefore named in sub-
4 division (a) of section three of this article as to counties, or in
5 section five as to elementary and high schools, in school dis-
6 tricts, or in section seven as to municipalities, will not pro-
7 duce sufficient funds for the current fiscal year to cover the
8 expenditures for the year in the county or school district,
9 or municipality, as the case may be, it may enter an order
10 on its record book of proceedings setting forth the purposes
11 for which additional funds will be needed, the amount thereof
12 for each purpose, and the total thereof, the separate and ag-
13 gregate amount of the taxable property on which it is author-
14 ized to levy taxes and the rate of levy in cents on each one
15 hundred dollars' assessed valuation of such property neces-
16 sary to produce the additional amount estimated to be needed;
17 and in the same order submit to the voters of the county, the
18 school district or the municipality, as the case may be, at an
19 election therefor, the question of such additional levy. If a
20 majority of the votes cast on the question at such election be
21 in favor of such additional levy, the court, board or council,
22 as the case may be, shall have authority to make such additional
23 levy, but the same shall not exceed twenty cents on each one
24 hundred dollars' assessed valuation of the taxable property
25 in the county, school district, or municipality, according to the
26 last assessment thereof.

CHAPTER 63
(House Bill No. 349—By Mr. Hiner)
AN ACT to amend and re-enact sections three and four of article
nine, chapter thirty-three, of the code of West Virginia, one
thousand nine hundred thirty-one, relative to deposits to be
made with the state treasurer by insurance companies before
obtaining a license to write annuity contracts.
[Passed March 13, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the
Governor.]

Sec. 3. Deposit with state treasurer by in-
surance companies writing an-
uity contracts; what bonds may
be deposited; when deposit made

Sec. 4. Definition of "bonds and securi-
ties."

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:
That sections three and four of article nine of chapter thirty-
three, of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred
thirty-one, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 3. Before a license to transact business in this
2 state shall be issued by the insurance commissioner to any
3 person, association, or corporation within the purview of sec-
4 tion one of this article, the insurance commissioner shall re-
5 quire the applicant to deposit with the state treasurer (in
6 accordance with article five, chapter twelve of this code), in
7 trust, for the benefit of its contract holders, bonds of the
8 state of West Virginia, or such other bonds and securities in-
9 cluding bonds issued by the West Virginia bridge commis-
10 sion as may be approved by said insurance commissioner, or
11 both, to the aggregate amount of one hundred thousand dol-
12 lars, and, in addition to such deposit, such person, associa-
13 tion or corporation shall maintain at all times a deposit with
14 the state treasurer of bonds and securities approved by the in-
15 surance commissioner to an amount equal to the total amount
16 which such person, association or corporation may be liable
17 to pay in cash to the holders of all contracts under the terms
18 thereof at the time of the deposit: Provided, That when, by
19 the laws of any other state, any such person, association or
20 corporation shall have been required to make and shall have
21 made such deposit in such state, equal or greater in amount
22 for the benefit of contract holders in such state, upon the
23 filing of a certificate to such effect from the proper officer in
24 such state with the insurance commissioner of this state, such
25 person, association or corporation shall not be required to
26 make such deposit with the treasurer of this state for the
27 benefit of its contract holders in such other state; and when
28 the laws of any other state require such deposit less in amount,
29 such person, association or corporation shall file a certifi-
30 cate from the proper officer in such state with the insurance
31 commissioner of this state showing the amount of the deposit
32 made, and shall deposit with the treasurer of this state an
33 amount which, together with the deposit made in such other
34 state, shall make up the total amount required by this state
35 to be deposited by such person, association or corporation,
36 and such contract holders in such other state shall not be
37 entitled to the benefit of the securities deposited with the
38 treasurer of this state under this article, except so much of
39 such deposit as may be made to complete the total amount re-
40 quired by this article where the law of any other state re-
41 quires a lesser amount.
42 The insurance commissioner may require an independent
43 appraisal, at the expense of the company, of any property
44 on which it holds a mortgage or trust deed or any bond or
45 other investment offered by such company for the purpose of
46 complying with the deposit provisions of this article.

Sec. 4. The words "bonds and securities" used in the fore-
2 going section, shall be construed to mean bonds or obligations
3 of the United States; or bonds of any state or any political
4 subdivision thereof, including bonds issued by the West Vir-
5 ginia bridge commission; or bonds or obligations of any foreign
6 government, or territorial possession thereof; or bonds of any
7 private corporation secured by first mortgage or trust deed
8 on its property; or debentures, notes, preferred or guaranteed
9 stocks of a corporation whose net income applicable to pay-
10 ment of dividends for five years next preceding the date of
11 their being offered for deposit shall have been equal to at least
12 four per cent per annum on the par value on all its out-
13 standing stock, or, in case its stock has no par value, then on
14 the value at which such stock was issued; or bills and accep-
15 tances eligible for purchase by federal reserve banks; or notes
16 or bonds secured by first mortgage or trust deed on improved
17 real estate, to an amount not exceeding fifty per cent of its ap-
18 praised value, if they be accompanied by proper abstract of
19 title and fire insurance policy or policies to adequately pro-
20 tect the improvements on such real estate: Provided, That no
21 corporation shall deposit, under this article, more than ten per
22 cent of any preferred or guaranteed stock of any issuing
23 corporation.

CHAPTER 64
(House Bill No. 351—By Mr. Taylor)
AN ACT to provide funds for the relief of persons who, by act of
Providence or otherwise, are in needy or necessitous circum-
stances, by authorizing municipalities to transfer money from
other funds to the general fund for the fiscal years beginning
July first, one thousand nine hundred thirty and July first, one
thousand nine hundred thirty-one, and to make contracts, incur
indebtedness and issue orders therefor payable out of the gen-
eral fund for the fiscal year one thousand nine hundred and
thirty-one, prior to the beginning of such fiscal year.

[Passed March 14, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

SEC. 1. Transfer of funds by municipality in one thousand nine hundred thirty and one thousand nine hundred thirty-one for the relief
SEC. of the needy; contracts and orders for relief of needy, amount and control.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. That for the relief of persons who, by act of
2 Providence or otherwise, are in needy or necessitous circum-
3 stances, the council or other governing body of any munici-
4 pality, in addition to authority already provided by statute,
5 is hereby authorized and empowered: (1) To transfer, during
6 the fiscal year beginning the first day of July, nineteen hundred
7 and thirty, from any fund under its control, except funds de-
8 rived from levies authorized by a vote of the people, to the gen-
9 eral fund, a sum not exceeding ten cents on each one hundred
10 dollars of the nineteen hundred and thirty assessed valuation of
11 all property of the municipality; (2) To transfer, from any fund
12 under its control, except funds derived from levies authorized
13 by vote of the people, to the general fund, a sum not exceeding
14 ten cents on each one hundred dollars of the assessed valuation
15 of all property of the municipality, during the fiscal year begin-
16 ning the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-
17 one; (3) To, at any time during the fiscal year ending the thir-
18 tieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one,
19 enter into contract, incur indebtedness and issue orders for the
20 relief of the needy, payable in an amount not to exceed five cents
21 on each one hundred dollars of the nineteen hundred and thirty
22 assessed valuation of the property of the municipality out of the
23 general fund for the fiscal year beginning the first day of July,
24 one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one: Provided, however,
25 That the orders to be issued, indebtedness incurred and con-
26 tracts entered into as provided in subsection three hereof, shall
27 be administered, distributed and controlled only under the di-
28 rection of the American Red Cross in municipalities where
29 chapters of such organization exist.

CHAPTER 65

(House Bill No. 352—By Mr. Taylor)

AN ACT to provide for the relief of persons who, by act of Provi-
dence or otherwise, are in needy or necessitous circumstances,
by authorizing county courts to transfer money from the
county road fund to the general county fund for the fiscal
years beginning July first, one thousand nine hundred thirty
and July first, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, and to
make contracts, incur indebtedness and issue orders therefor
payable out of the general county fund for the fiscal year one
thousand nine hundred thirty-one prior to the beginning of
such fiscal year.

[Passed March 14, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. Transfer of funds by county court
in one thousand nine hundred thirty and one thousand nine

Sec. hundred thirty-one for the relief
of the needy; contracts and orders for relief of needy, amount.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. That for the relief of persons who, by act of
Providence or otherwise, are in needy or necessitous circum-
stances, the county courts of the several counties of the state in
addition to authority already provided by statute are hereby
authorized and empowered:

1. To transfer during the fiscal year beginning the first
day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirty, from the county
road fund to the general county fund, a sum not exceeding ten
cents on each one hundred dollars of the nineteen hundred
thirty assessed valuation of all property of the county:
Provided, however, That where the transfer of money from the
county road fund to the general county fund for the fiscal year
beginning the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred
thirty, has already been authorized in any county by a special
act of the legislature for the purposes set forth in this section.
the same shall be credited against the total amount authorized
to be transferred by subparagraph (1) of section one of this
article.

2. To transfer from the county road fund to the general
county fund, a sum not exceeding ten cents on each one hundred
dollars of the assessed valuation of all property of the county,
during the fiscal year beginning the first day of July one thou-
sand nine hundred thirty-one.

3. To, at any time during the fiscal year ending the thirty-
tieth day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, enter
into contracts, incur indebtedness and issue orders for the
relief of the needy, payable in an amount not to exceed five
cents on each one hundred dollars of the nineteen hundred
thirty assessed valuation of all property of the county out of
the general county fund for the fiscal year beginning the first
thirty-one day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one.
CHAPTER 66
(House Bill No. 359—By Mr. Lubliner)

AN ACT to provide for the care and treatment by hospitals approved by the state board of health of residents suffering from communicable diseases, and residents suffering from diseases and ailments deemed a serious impairment to health, when such residents are unable financially to obtain proper hospitalization and treatment; providing for method of entering such residents in hospitals, by what officers the same are to be entered; providing for the keeping of records thereof and by whom to be approved; permitting hospitals so treating and caring for such residents to file a record thereof with the sheriff of the county and take credit therefor against the state, county and district taxes assessed against the real estate and personal property of said hospital to the extent of the amounts properly certified; and directing the sheriff to allow such credits when properly certified and to make report thereof to the county court.

[Passed March 18, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec.
1. How persons suffering with communicable disease may be hospitalized at expense of county.
2. What hospital records to show.
3. Credit for hospital costs against taxes of hospital.
4. Filing of hospital record.
5. Filing of hospital credits by sheriff with county court.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. Whenever it is found by the county court, or any member thereof, sheriff or prosecuting attorney of any county, upon careful investigation, that any bona fide resident of any county is suffering from any communicable disease and that such resident is unable financially to obtain the proper and duly recognized hospitalization and methods of treatment therefor; or whenever any bona fide resident of any county, upon careful investigation by any of the aforesaid officers, is found to be unable financially to obtain the proper and duly recognized hospitalization and methods of treatment for any disease or ailment which, but for this act, would seriously impair the health of the person so suffering, or the health of the public, and it is deemed by said officer for the benefit of the public health and welfare, any of said officers are hereby authorized to enter said resident in any reputable hospital with-
16 in the county which has been approved by the state board of
17 health.

Sec. 2. All hospitals within this state which have been ap-
2 proved by the state board of health desiring to avail themselves
3 of the provisions of this act shall, at their expense, keep a true
4 and accurate account and record of all charges made by them
5 for professional and hospital services rendered to all residents
6 entered in said hospitals by the officers authorized hereunder,
7 which record shall plainly and accurately show the city or town,
8 county and state in which the hospital is located; the name of
9 the hospital; name of patient, residence of patient, color, age,
10 sex, diagnosis, date of entrance in hospital, prognosis, probable
11 duration of confinement in hospital, name and official capacity
12 of officer entering patient in hospital, which officer shall, at the
13 time of entering the patient in the hospital, sign said record in
14 duplicate, and the same shall be signed in duplicate by a mem-
15 ber of the staff of the hospital in which the patient is entered,
16 all of which records shall be prepared and signed in duplicate,
17 and to which shall be attached a certificate of the officer entering
18 the patient in the hospital to the effect that an investigation
19 of the case had been made and which disclosed that the patient
20 was unable financially to obtain the prescribed hospitalization
21 and treatment and should be treated therefor, to which record
22 there shall be appended an itemized statement of all expenses
23 and charges of said hospital for professional and hospital serv-
24 ices with an affidavit of some employee of the hospital having
25 knowledge of the records, showing the account to be true and
26 correct, which said record shall, upon presentation to the officer
27 entering the patient in the hospital, if found to be correct, be
28 approved, in duplicate, and returned to the hospital promptly.
29 The records herein prescribed shall be in the following form or
30 to the following effect:
31 "Hospital..............................................; city or town
32 ........................................; county of ............, West Vir-
33 ginia; name of patient ......................................;
34 residence of patient ...........................................county,
35 West Virginia; color..............; age..............; sex..............;
36 diagnosis......................................................; date of
37 entrance in hospital.................................; prognosis
38 ..........................................................; probable duration
39 of confinement...........................................; name
and official capacity of officer entering patient in hospital.

of...county.

member of the staff of hospital.

State of West Virginia, county of:

I, .......... , a.

made a careful investigation of the physical and financial condition of the herein-named patient this day entered in the above-named hospital, and from the medical information furnished me I am of opinion that said patient should receive treatment in the aforesaid hospital, and that said patient, according to my best information, is not able financially to pay for the hospitalization and treatment prescribed by said hospital. Given under my hand this...day of.,


Official capacity.

Itemized Statement

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State of West Virginia, county of., to-wit:

Personally appeared before the undersigned notary public in and for the county aforesaid,

who being first duly sworn deposes and says that (he) (she) is employed by the hospital, and is familiar with the records and accounts of said hospital, and that the herein itemized statement correctly sets forth the dates, items and charges incurred by reason of professional and hospital services rendered.

Bookkeeper or other employee.

Taken, subscribed and sworn to before me and given under my hand this...day of., 19...

Notary Public.

My commission expires.
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81 APPROVED:
82 ................................................
83 Member of county court.
84 Sheriff.
85-86 Prosecuting attorney.
87 To the sheriff of................ county, West Virginia:
88 Herewith is a record showing charges made and incurred by
89 the..........................................hospital by reason
90 of professional and hospital services rendered..............
91 which record has been properly certified, verified and approved,
92 and request is hereby made that credit for said amount be given
93 the undersigned against the state, county and district taxes
94 assessed against the real estate and personal property of this
95 hospital. This the......day of......................, 19...
96 ...........................................hospital."

Sec. 3. Upon presentation of one copy of such record to the
2 sheriff, which shall be filed and retained by him, credit for the
3 amount set forth in the itemized statement of such record, when
4 approved by the officer entering the patient in the hospital, shall
5 be allowed against the state, county and district taxes assessed
6 against said hospital for the year in which such services were
7 rendered.

Sec. 4. All hospitals within the provisions of this act shall
2 retain and file one copy of the aforesaid record which shall be
3 open to inspection to any of the herein constituted officers of
4 said county: Provided, That such hospitals shall not be re-
5 quired to retain said record for a period longer than five years
6 after the entry of the patient covered by said record.

Sec. 5. At the end of each fiscal year the sheriffs of the
2 several counties shall file with the county courts of their re-
3 spective counties a list showing the amount of credit allowed to
4 each hospital by reason of the provisions of this act.
CHAPTER 67

(House Bill No. 84—By Mr. Taylor)

A "BUDGET BILL" making appropriations of public moneys out of the treasury, in accordance with the provisions of the amendment to the Constitution of the State of West Virginia, known as the "Budget Amendment."

[Passed April 14, 1931; in effect from passage.]

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. That there be and are hereby appropriated out of the treasury for the fiscal year ending June thirty, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two, and for the fiscal year ending June thirty, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-three and for the remainder of the fiscal year ending June thirty, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, the following sums of money for the following-named purposes:

Sec. 2. The amounts appearing in the column headed "1932" are for the fiscal year ending June thirty, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two and the amounts appearing in the column headed "1933" are for the fiscal year ending June thirty, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-three.

Sec. 3. All appropriations appearing under sub-sections "A" and "B" are payable out of the general revenue of the State unless otherwise provided herein.

Sec. 4. No payments shall be made from appropriations appearing in sub-sections "A" and "B", which appropriations are designated, "Payable out of collections," in excess of the amounts therein set forth, and no payments shall be made in excess of the amount of collections, for the particular institution, department, commission or board, paid into the general
7 revenue of the state under the provisions of Senate Bill 104, 8 one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine legislature, as 9 amended.

10 Payments may be made from said appropriations appearing
11 herein at any time during the fiscal year so long as the aggre-
12 gate for the year does not exceed the amount of the appropria-
13 tion and does not exceed the collections that will be made for
14 the year and paid into the general revenue of the state.

15 Provided, however, That no payments shall be made from said
16 appropriations until after the appropriation for a particular
17 institution, department, commission or board for like purposes,
18 which is not limited to collections, has been expended.

SUB-SECTION "A"

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<td>10 Salaries of the members of the Public Service Commission</td>
<td>18,000.00</td>
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<td>11 Salary of the Chief of the Department of Mines</td>
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<td>14 Salary of the State Historian and Archivist</td>
<td>3,600.00</td>
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25 Salary of the Janitor and Custodian ...........................................
26 ...........................................
27 Salary of the Keeper of the Rolls...........................................
28 Salaries of the three members of the Board of Control ..............
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30 Salary of the State Commissioner of Prohibition ......................
31 ...........................................
32 Salary of the Director of the Bureau of Negro Welfare and Statistics ...........................................
33 ...........................................
34 Salary of the Director of Public Welfare ...................................
35 ...........................................
36 ...........................................

**JUDICIARY**

37 Salaries of the judges of the Supreme Court of Appeals .........
38 ...........................................
39 Salaries of the judges of the Circuit Courts .........................
40 ...........................................

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**

*Attorney General’s Office*

Sec. 6. Salaries of three assistant Attorneys General.............
2 ...........................................
3 To pay salaries of clerks, stenographers and other assistants, including current, general and traveling expenses .................
4 ...........................................
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*Auditor’s Office*

Sec. 7. Salary of Chief Clerk ...........................................
2 ...........................................
3 Salary of deputy insurance commissioner ...........................................
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6 To pay salaries of other clerks, stenographers and assistants, current general and traveling expenses, including insurance 10-16 and securities department ..................
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18 general expenses—Securities Department — PAYABLE OUT
19 OF COLLECTIONS .......................... 10,000.00 10,000.00
20 For refunding moneys erroneously
21 paid into the treasury such
22 sums are hereby appropriated
23 as may be erroneously so paid,
24 payable out of the same fund
25 into which paid.
26 For pay of State agents, such
27 amounts are hereby appropri-
28 ated as may be necessary to pay
29 commissions of State agents,
30 payable out of the fund collect-
31 ed: Provided, That in no case
32 shall the amount so paid exceed
33 ten per centum of the funds col-
34 lected and paid into the treas-
35 ury by any such agents.
36 For refunding to counties, dis-
37 tricts and municipal corpora-
38 tions, county, district and mu-
39 nicipal taxes paid into the treas-
40 ury for the redemption of lands,
41 such amount is hereby appro-
42 priated as will be necessary
43 to refund to the counties, dis-
44 tricts and municipal corpora-
45 tions entitled thereto the taxes
46 so paid into the treasury.
47 For refunding county, district
48 and municipal taxes paid into
49 the treasury by railroads and
50 other companies, such sum is
51 hereby appropriated as will be
52 necessary to refund to each
53 county, district and municipal
54 corporation the amount of such
55 taxes as may be paid into the
56 treasury to the credit of such
57 county, district and municipal
58 corporation.
Governor's Office

Sec. 8. Salary of private secretary to the Governor .......................... 5,000.00

Pardon Attorney’s Office

Sec. 9. Salary of the Pardon Attorney ....................................... 4,800.00
3 Salary of the stenographer ................................................. 900.00
4 Current general expenses .................................................. 300.00

Civil Contingent Fund

Sec. 10. For civil contingent fund, to be expended upon the order of the Governor, no part of which, however, is to be used for clerk hire in any of the State offices or institutions other than the Governor’s office .................................................. 20,000.00

Treasurer’s Office

Sec. 11. Salary of assistant treasurer ..................................... 4,000.00
3 To pay salaries of other clerks, stenographers and assistants, including current general, traveling expenses and premiums on official bonds ................................................. 24,925.00

Secretary of State’s Office

Sec. 12. Expenses of secretary of state’s office, including compensation of clerks, stenographers and other expenses .......... 17,000.00
5 Salary clerk board of public works ........................................ 3,000.00

Department of Agriculture

Sec. 13. To pay salaries of clerks, stenographers and other assistants, current general and traveling expenses, and for carrying out the provisions of law relating to diseased animals and
the eradication of bovine tuberculosis; for carrying out the provisions of law relating to control of plant diseases and control of corn borer; for carrying out the provisions of law relating to pure seeds, commercial fertilizer and commercial feeding stuffs; for carrying out the provisions of law relating to control of contagious abortion; for the establishment of additional chemical laboratories for the purpose of determining the amount of spray residue on fruit; Bureau of Markets and publication of bulletins; and for advertising the resources and natural advantages of West Virginia ............................................. 100,500.00 100,500.00

For carrying out the provisions of law relating to plant diseases and control of corn borer, including nursery and sire registration—PAYABLE OUT OF COLLECTIONS 4,000.00 4,000.00

For carrying out the provisions of law relating to pure seeds, commercial fertilizer and feeding stuffs—PAYABLE OUT OF COLLECTIONS 7,500.00 7,500.00

For carrying out the provisions of law relating to inspection of fruits, vegetables, potatoes, eggs, truck crops and livestock—PAYABLE OUT OF COLLECTIONS 16,000.00 16,000.00

For carrying out the provisions of House Bill one hundred thirty-five, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one legislature, relat-
GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS

48 ing to regulating the weighing, testing, buying and selling of milk and cream—PAYABLE OUT OF COLLECTIONS...... 2,500.00 2,500.00

State Tax Commissioner’s Office

GENERAL OFFICE

Sec. 14. Salary of law assistant to commissioner........................... 5,000.00 5,000.00
Salary of chief assistant........................... 3,000.00 3,000.00
To pay salaries of other clerks, stenographers and assistants, current general and traveling expenses, including expenses in connection with securing proper assessment of property, compilation of returns and apportionment of valuations of public utilities ....................................... 30,000.00 30,000.00
All forfeitures and license taxes collected by the State Tax Commissioner, or his agents, under and by virtue of the authority granted by law, shall be paid into the treasury. All necessary salaries, expenses, commissions and attorneys’ fees authorized by law for the collection of same shall be paid by the Tax Commissioner through the State treasury out of the gross collections. Any part of such forfeitures that may from time to time be due the State or any county, district or municipality shall be distributed through the State treasury by the Tax Commissioner upon the basis provided by law by securing State checks for said purposes and such amounts are
hereby appropriated. A sufficient amount of the aforesaid moneys collected and paid into the State treasury is hereby appropriated to pay the salaries, expenses, commissions or fees authorized by law, and it shall be the duty of the Auditor and Treasurer to keep a separate account of the receipts and disbursements of such funds.

**GROSS SALES DEPARTMENT**

47 Salary of assistant, Gross Sales Tax
48 ............................................... 4,000.00 4,000.00
49 To pay salaries of other clerks, stenographers and assistants,
current general and traveling
52-54 expenses .................................. 37,500.00 37,500.00

**ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT**

55 Salary of chief accountant............. 6,000.00 6,000.00
56 Expenses of uniform system of accounting, including compensation of assistants, stenographers and other expenses............. 10,000.00 10,000.00
59 Expenses of auditing state departments and compiling financial reports .................................. 12,500.00 12,500.00

*State Commissioner of Prohibition*

Sec. 15. To pay salaries of secretary, clerks, stenographers, field officers and other assistants, including current general and traveling expenses and premiums to the State Compensation Fund .................................. 25,000.00 25,000.00
8 Provided, however, That no part of this appropriation shall be available in the event of appoint-
ment by the State Commissioner of Prohibition of deputies, agents or assistants who are not receiving their full compensation out of the appropriation herein made by the state.

**Department of Mines**

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<td>To pay salaries of mine inspectors, including sand and limestone mines and oil and gas</td>
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<td>To pay salary of chief director of mine safety and rescue work, including salaries of assistants and rescue teams, traveling expenses, current general expenses, maintaining rescue stations and trucks and for Safety Day demonstrations and instructions</td>
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**Commissioner of Banking**

| Sec. 17 | To pay salaries of examiners, secretary, stenographers and assistants, traveling expense of commissioner, examiners and assistants and current general expenses | $62,900.00 | $62,900.00 |

**Bureau of Labor and Department of Weights and Measures**

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### Department of Weights and Measures
- Current general expenses of the Bureau of Labor: $1,500.00
- Salaries of factory inspectors: $1,500.00
- Traveling expenses of the Commissioner of Labor and factory inspectors: $10,000.00
- Salaries of two inspectors of weights and measures: $7,000.00
- Traveling expenses of two inspectors of weights and measures: $4,200.00
- Salaries and current general expenses: $3,000.00

### Department of Archives and History
Sec. 19. To pay salaries of librarian, clerks, stenographers and other assistants, including current general expenses, purchase of books, periodicals, magazines and newspapers: $10,000.00

### State Health Department
Sec. 20. To pay salaries, current general expenses and for the purchase of typhoid, smallpox and other vaccine serums for general distribution upon the order of the public health commissioner: $102,500.00
- Salaries and current general expenses—PAYABLE OUT OF COLLECTIONS: $7,500.00

**Provided, however,** That after the payment of necessary salaries and expenses, any part of this sum may be used and expended by the State Department of Health in cooperation with the departments of the Federal Government.
Capitol Building and Grounds

Sec. 21. For water, light, heat, current expenses, other than repairs and improvements 40,000.00 40,000.00
Repairs and improvements 2,500.00 2,500.00
To pay rent of old capitol annex and other property 7,000.00
To purchase vault equipment, files, office furniture, other equipment and furnishings for new capitol 42,500.00 42,500.00

Governor’s Mansion and Grounds

Sec. 22. Current general expenses, including expenses of official functions 7,000.00 7,000.00
Repairs, improvements, furnishings, gas, water and electricity 5,000.00 5,000.00

Labor Funds, Capitol Building

Sec. 23. Salaries of engineers, watchmen, janitors, charwomen, elevator and telephone operators 40,000.00 40,000.00

Militia

Sec. 24. To carry into effect the provisions of law relating to the militia. Armory rentals, repairs and equipment, light, heat, water, caretaker and janitor service 47,500.00 47,500.00
All other expenditures for Militia 50,000.00 50,000.00
—PAYABLE OUT OF COL-
LECTIONS 4,000.00 4,000.00
To pay Mrs. Ola Bent, widow of Claude S. Bent, member of National Guard, killed while in line of duty, to be paid in monthly installments 600.00 600.00
16 To pay Corporal Clarence R. Boyles, member of National Guard, injured while in line of duty, to be paid in monthly installments ........................................... 300.00

State Sinking Fund Commission

Sec. 25. Expenses of State Sinking Fund Commission, including compensation of assistants, stenographers and all other expenses ............................................ 14,000.00

State Water Commission

Sec. 27. Current general and traveling expenses, including compensation of necessary assistants ........................................... 5,000.00

Bureau of Negro Welfare and Statistics

Sec. 28. To pay for clerk hire ........................................... 2,100.00

Soldiers, Sailors and Marines

Sec. 29. Salary of service officer ........................................... 3,000.00

All appropriations in this section to be disbursed on the requisition and approval of the Director of Public Welfare.
Criminal Charges

Sec. 30. To pay criminal charges, including transportation of prisoners and extradition of criminals and fugitives........ 125,000.00

Publication of Delinquent Lists

Sec. 31. To pay cost of publishing list of delinquent corporations as provided by law, payable on requisition of Governor or Auditor............................ 500.00

State Aid for Agricultural Fairs or Associations

Sec. 32. To carry out the provisions of law, providing for State aid for the encouragement of agricultural fairs to be paid on approval of Governor and Commissioner of Agriculture.... 7,500.00

Provided, That three thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars for each year shall be distributed to such fairs as may be designated by the department of agriculture as Four-H regional fairs. 

Provided, however, That of the remainder not more than two thousand five hundred dollars each year shall be paid to any one agricultural fair or association.

National Cemetery

Sec. 33. To carry out the provisions of law, relating to National Cemetery at Grafton...... 500.00

JUDICIARY DEPARTMENT

Supreme Court of Appeals

Sec. 35. Salary of the clerk... 6,000.00
2 Salary of deputy clerk........ 3,600.00
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3 Salary of assistant clerk............. 1,800.00 1,800.00
4 Salaries of five law clerks........... 18,000.00 18,000.00
5 Per diem of the crier................ 950.00 950.00
6 Compensation of stenographers for 3,600.00 3,600.00
the judges of the Supreme Court
7 of Appeals.............................
8 Mileage of the Supreme Court judges 650.00 650.00
9 Current general expenses of the 2,500.00 2,500.00
12 Supreme Court........................
13 Printing and binding Supreme 7,000.00 7,000.00
14 Court reports........................
15 Reprinting, binding, proofreading 3,500.00 3,500.00
16 Supreme Court Reports............... 1,200.00 1,200.00
17 For expenses of conducting ex- 3,000.00 3,000.00
amination of applicants to prac- 2,400.00 2,400.00
19 tice law, including traveling ex-
18 penses and per diem of the
20 members of the examining
21 board, to be paid on the order
23 of the president of the exam-
24 ining board............................
25 Salary of State Law Librarian.... 3,000.00 3,000.00
26 Current general expenses and
27 clerk hire, law library............... 4,000.00 4,000.00
28 Purchase and binding books for
29 State law library.....................

Circuit Courts

Sec. 36. Compensation of special
2 judges of the circuit courts....... 5,000.00 5,000.00
3 Mileage of the judges of the cir- 2,500.00 2,500.00
4 cuit courts.............................
5 Allowance for stenographic work, 14,000.00 14,000.00
stationery and postage, as pro-
6 vided by law...........................
8 Allowance for food and lodging 6,000.00 6,000.00
9 while holding court in a county
10 other than that in which the
11 judge resides, as provided by
Sec. 36(a). To supplement the
the general school fund to meet
the requirements of law relating
to state aid for elementary
schools ........................................... 925,000.00 1,175,000.00
The foregoing appropriation shall
be distributed by the state auditor, upon the order of the state
board of public works designating the amount to which each
district is entitled under existing law. Said order shall designate the district and fix the
amount allowed to said district
and said board of public works
shall file a certified copy thereof
with the state auditor.
It shall be the duty of the Board
of Public Works to distribute
annually, as provided by law,
for elementary school purposes
a total sum of not less than that
appearing in the appropriation
bill for said purposes.

Yorktown Sesquicentennial

Sec. 36(b). To pay all expenses
in connection with the state’s participation in the national Yorktown sesquicentennial to be held in Yorktown, Virginia, during October, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, to be expended upon the order of the Governor .......................................... 10,000.00

Celebration of the Birth of George Washington

Sec. 36(c). To pay all expenses
in connection with the state’s participation in the nation wide
Sec. 36(d). The Board of Public Works is hereby authorized to transfer to the State Sinking Fund Commission the amount necessary to meet interest and sinking fund requirements for any bond issue administered by said commission, and for which said commission does not have available funds for said purposes on account of the failure of the local taxing district to remit necessary funds due to failure of the local depository or otherwise; said amounts are hereby appropriated as may be necessary for years ending June 30, 1931, 1932 and 1933. The amounts so transferred are to be repaid by the State Sinking Fund Commission with interest at the rate carried by the bonds for which the advancement was made out of funds received from the local taxing district at the time of collecting future interest and sinking fund levies.

SUB-SECTION "B"

Sec. 37. All appropriations appearing under "Sub-Section 'B'" are payable only on the requisition and approval of the State Board of Control.

Sec. 38. No part of any appropriation in "Sub-Section 'B'" shall be used in payment for land unless the appropriation specifically authorizes said payment.

No part of any appropriation in "Sub-Section 'B'" for "Current General Expenses" or "Repairs and Improvements" shall be used to supplement a specific appropriation for salaries.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

State Board of Control

Sec. 39. Salary of secretary... 3,600.00 3,600.00

2 To pay salaries of purchasing
agent, director of building con-
struction, chief clerk printing
department, bookkeepers, sten-
ographers and other assistants,
current general and traveling
expenses ........................................ 54,500.00  54,500.00
Current general expenses—PAY-
ABLE OUT OF COLLEC-
TIONS ........................................ 500.00  500.00

Printing, Binding and Stationery

Sec. 40. For printing, binding,
stationery and storage..........  55,000.00  55,000.00
The State Board of Control is
hereby authorized to determine
the necessity and advisability of
all expenditures for printing,
binding, stationery and storage,
except where the same is specifi-
cally required by law.

Huntington State Hospital

Sec. 41. Current general ex-
penses ........................................ 125,000.00  125,000.00
Current general expenses—PAY-
ABLE OUT OF COLLEC-
TIONS ........................................  75,000.00  75,000.00
Repairs and improvements........  15,000.00  15,000.00

Spencer State Hospital

Sec. 42. Current general ex-
penses ........................................  90,000.00  90,000.00
Current general expenses—PAY-
ABLE OUT OF COLLEC-
TIONS ........................................  30,000.00  30,000.00
Repairs and improvements........  5,000.00  5,000.00

Weston State Hospital

Sec. 43. Current general ex-
penses ........................................ 250,000.00  250,000.00
Current general expenses—PAY-
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<td>Repairs and improvements</td>
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<td>while working in State owned coal mine, at Weston State Hospital, to be paid in</td>
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<td>To furnish and equip new medical center ready to open about August first</td>
<td>10,000.00</td>
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<td>one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one and to pay the cost of</td>
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<td>maintenance of patients therein</td>
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### Welch Emergency Hospital

Sec. 46. Current general expenses

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Sec. 47. Current general expenses

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### Fairmont Emergency Hospital

Sec. 48. Current general expenses

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### Hopemont Sanitarium

Sec. 49. Current general expenses

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### Rutherford Sanitarium

Sec. 50. Current general expenses

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7 Provided, however, That no part
of the appropriations authorized by this section shall be used for maintenance of a dairy, milk and dairy products to be purchased from sources approved by State Departments of Health and Agriculture.

**Denmar Sanitarium**

Sec. 51. Current general expenses ........................................... 22,500.00 22,500.00

3 Current general expenses—PAYABLE OUT OF COLLECTIONS .... 25,000.00 25,000.00

6 Repairs and improvements .......... 5,500.00 5,500.00

*Provided, however, That no part of the appropriations authorized by this section shall be used for maintenance of a dairy, milk and dairy products to be purchased from sources approved by State Departments of Health and Agriculture.*

**Tuberculosis Field Clinic Service**

Sec. 52. For payment of expenses of tuberculosis field clinic service in cooperation with a like expenditure by West Virginia Tuberculosis and Health Association ................................. 10,000.00 10,000.00

**West Virginia Industrial School for Boys**

Sec. 53. Current general expenses ........................................... 90,000.00 90,000.00

3 Current general expenses—PAYABLE OUT OF COLLECTIONS .... 25,000.00 25,000.00

6 Repairs and improvements .......... 7,500.00 7,500.00

7 To pay George A. Barnard, employee, permanently, totally dis-
192 GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS

Sec. 54. Current general expenses
2................. 25,000.00 25,000.00
3 Current general expenses—PAYABLE OUT OF COLLECTIONS
4................. 5,000.00 5,000.00
5................. 1,500.00 1,500.00

West Virginia Industrial Home for Girls

Sec. 55. Current general expenses
2................. 37,500.00 37,500.00
3 Current general expenses—PAYABLE OUT OF COLLECTIONS
4................. 16,500.00 16,500.00
5................. 2,000.00 2,000.00

West Virginia Industrial Home for Colored Girls

Sec. 56. Current general expenses
2................. 14,500.00 14,500.00
3 Current general expenses—PAYABLE OUT OF COLLECTIONS
4................. 2,500.00 2,500.00
5................. 1,000.00 1,000.00

State Board of Children’s Guardians

Sec. 57. Salaries, traveling and current general expenses
2................. 35,000.00 35,000.00
3 To provide food, clothing and maintenance for indigent children, no part of this appropriation to be used for administration expenses, this appropriation to continue into effect until the purpose has been carried out, twenty thousand dollars of this appropriation to become available for expenditure upon the passage of this act
13................. 30,000.00
After July first, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one all appropriations in this section to be disbursed on the requisition and approval of the director of public welfare.

West Virginia Children's Home

Sec. 58. Current general expenses ........................................... 18,000.00 18,000.00

Current general expenses—PAYABLE OUT OF COLLECTIONS 4,500.00 4,500.00

Repairs and improvements ........................................... 2,500.00 2,500.00

West Virginia Colored Children's Home

Sec. 59. Current general expenses ........................................... 10,500.00 10,500.00

Current general expenses—PAYABLE OUT OF COLLECTIONS 1,500.00 1,500.00

Repairs and improvements ........................................... 1,000.00 1,000.00

West Virginia Home for Aged and Infirm Colored Men and Women

Sec. 60. Current general expenses ........................................... 12,000.00 12,000.00

Current general expenses—PAYABLE OUT OF COLLECTIONS 15,000.00 15,000.00

West Virginia Geological Survey

Sec. 61. To pay salaries and current general expenses .................. 29,000.00 29,000.00

Current general expenses—PAYABLE OUT OF COLLECTIONS 2,000.00 2,000.00

Point Pleasant Battle Monument Commission

Sec. 62. Maintenance, Tu-Endie Wei Park ................................... 1,200.00 1,200.00
Berkeley Springs Sanitarium
Sec. 63. Repairs and improvements, including the cost of
construction of sewerage upon
state property............................ 5,000.00 5,000.00
Current general expenses—PAYABLE OUT OF COLLECTIONS
6 ............................................. 6,000.00 7,500.00

Rumseyan Society
Sec. 64. For maintenance of
grounds at Shepherdstown......... 250.00 250.00

State Board of Pharmacy
Sec. 65. Salaries and current
general expenses....................... 500.00 500.00
Salaries and current general ex-
penses—PAYABLE OUT OF
COLLECTIONS .......................... 2,500.00 2,500.00

West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Nurses
Sec. 65-A. Salaries and current
general expenses....................... 500.00 500.00
Salaries and current general ex-
penses—PAYABLE OUT OF
COLLECTIONS .......................... 2,500.00 2,500.00

West Virginia State Board of Dental Examiners
Sec. 65-B. Salaries and current
general expenses....................... 500.00 500.00
Salaries and current general ex-
penses—PAYABLE OUT OF
COLLECTIONS .......................... 2,000.00 2,000.00

Florence Crittendon Home (Wheeling)
Sec. 66. For the care and treat-
ment of wayward girls and their
children, residents of West Vir-
ginia, who may become public
charges, admitted under regu-
lations prescribed by the State
Board of Control....................... 5,000.00 5,000.00
Ch. 67] General Appropriations

Morgan Morgan Memorial Commission

Sec. 67. Maintenance of Park. 50.00

West Virginia Crippled Children’s Council

Sec. 68. To pay salary of executive secretary, clerks, stenographers, field orthopedic nurses, current general and traveling expenses and for the treatment, care and hospitalization of deformed and physically defective children, including cost of casts, braces, shoes and similar items... 85,000.00

Provided, however, That not more than $8,000.00 annually of the foregoing appropriation shall be used to pay salaries of teachers engaged in the teaching of crippled children in the hospitals of the state and in the orphanage at Elkins and in the tuberculosis sanitariums at Hill Crest and Denmar.

Provided, however, That not more than 15% of the appropriation in this section shall be used for administration expenses or for expenses other than for the treatment, care and hospitalization of deformed and physically defective children, including cost of casts, braces, shoes and similar items.

Provided, however, That any part of the appropriation authorized by this section allocated to certain counties and not used in said counties, the same is hereby made available for reallocation in the next fiscal year. This provision shall apply to the ap-
propriation authorized by the 1929 Legislature. All appropriations in this section to be disbursed on the requisition and approval of the Director of Public Welfare.

**West Virginia Penitentiary**

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<td>To pay Ray Estep, permanently injured while employed in penitentiary coal mine</td>
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<td>To pay John Gilliland, injured while on duty as a guard at the West Virginia Penitentiary</td>
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**State Department of Public Safety**

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| 72 | Any member of the department of public safety who has been or may hereafter be injured while in the line of duty in the services of the state shall be entitled to receive such compensation for such period of time as determined and fixed by the State Board of Control: Provided, however, That such
17 compensation shall not exceed
18 the rate of compensation receiv-
19 ed at the time of injury, payable
20 out of the foregoing appropri-
21 ation.
22 *Provided, however,* That the fore-
23 going appropriation may be used
24 to pay hospital and surgical
25 treatment of troopers injured
26 while in line of duty and to pay
27 premiums on group insurance
28 for members of department.

**West Virginia University**

Sec. 74. Salaries of officers,  
2 teachers and employees.......... 700,000.00 700,000.00
3 Salaries of officers, teachers and  
4 employees, including extension  
5 work—PAYABLE OUT OF  
5-a COLLECTIONS .................... 225,000.00 225,000.00
6 Current general expenses.......... 200,000.00 200,000.00
7 Current general expenses—PAY-  
8 ABLE OUT OF COLLEC-  
9 TIONS ............................... 125,000.00 125,000.00
10 Library books....................... 25,000.00 25,000.00
11 Repairs and improvements........ 50,000.00 50,000.00

**University Extension Work**

Sec. 75. Mining and Industrial Extension................. 40,000.00 40,000.00
3 Agricultural, Horticultural and  
4 Home Economics Extension........ 70,000.00 70,000.00
5 To pay all expenses in co-operation  
6 with Federal Government in  
7 carrying out the provisions of  
8 Capper-Ketchem Federal Act  
9 for Boys' and Girls' work......... 5,000.00 5,000.00
10 4-H Camp for boys and girls club  
11 work at Jackson's Mills........... 20,000.00 20,000.00
12 Repairs and improvements, Jack-  
13 son's Mills........................... 4,000.00 4,000.00
14 Community Packing Plant, Current expenses, repairs and improvements, Inwood ................... 8,000.00 8,000.00
17 To pay the cost of equipment and improvements heretofore incurred in compliance with Federal regulations and fire underwriter regulations ....................... 4,000.00 4,000.00
22 For expenses in cooperation with Oglebay Institute ....................... 5,000.00 5,000.00
23 For expenses in cooperation with the Federal Government in provisions of Clark-McNary Act (Forestry extension) ....................... 1,980.00 1,980.00
24 For installation of refrigeration plant—Community Egg Packing Plant ....................... 5,000.00

West Virginia Agricultural Experiment Station

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Marshall College

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**Potomac State School, Keyser**

Sec. 78. Salaries of officers, teachers and employees.
- Salaries - Payable out of collections.
- Current general expenses.
- Repairs and improvements.
- New heating plant, main building.

**New River State College, Montgomery**

Sec. 79. Salaries of officers, teachers and employees.
- Salaries - Payable out of collections.
- Current general expenses.
- Repairs and improvements.
- Equipment and books for new library.

**Concord State Normal School**

Sec. 80. Salaries of officers, teachers and employees.
- Salaries - Payable out of collections.
- Current general expenses.
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### West Virginia School for the Deaf and Blind

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### West Virginia School for Colored Deaf and Blind

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### West Virginia State College

Sec. 87. Salaries of officers, teachers and employees — PAYABLE OUT

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**Bluefield Colored Institute**

Sec. 88. Salaries of officers, teachers and employees .............. ..
2 Salaries of officers, teachers and employees—PAYABLE OUT OF COLLECTIONS | 57,000.00 | 57,000.00 |
3 Current general expenses .......... | 5,000.00 | 5,000.00 |
4 Current general expenses—PAYABLE OUT OF COLLECTIONS | 15,000.00 | 15,000.00 |
5 Repairs and improvements .......... | 3,500.00 | 3,500.00 |
6 Equipment for new building ........ | 17,500.00 | 17,500.00 |

**Storer College**

Sec. 89. Salaries of officers, teachers and employees, and repairs and improvements........ | 17,500.00 | 17,500.00 |

**SUB-SECTION "C"**

Sec. 90. All appropriations appearing under Sub-Section 2 "C" are payable out of the General Revenue of the State Fund for the fiscal year ending June thirty, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one. Except appropriations in Section 94 which are payable for the years one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two and one thousand nine hundred and thirty-three.

**LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT**

**SENATE**

Sec. 91. Mileage of the members of the Senate for the regular session of one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one.... 1,040.00
2 President of the Senate, two dol-
Compensation and Per Diem of Other Elective Officers

8 Compensation of the Clerk of the Senate, including sixty dollars in advance for postage...

11 Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate at twelve dollars per day, including one hundred and fifty dollars for services in assembling furniture and preparing Senate Chamber for the opening of the session...

18 Doorkeeper of the Senate, at twelve dollars per day...

Presidential Appointees

20 One supervisor of stenographers for seventy-one days...

21 Secretary of Minority Leader, fifteen day at eight dollars and fifty-six days at ten dollars...

25 One floor stenographer for sixty days and four for fifty days...

27 Three floor stenographers for thirty days and four for seventy-one days and one for sixty-one days...

31 Two floor stenographers for ninety-two days...

33 Eleven committee clerks for sixty days...

35 Five committee clerks for fifty days and three for thirty days...

37 Two committee clerks for seventy-one days...

39 Four document room clerks for sixty days, three for fifty days and two for thirty days...

42 Two document room clerks for twenty days and two for sev-
enty-one days and three for sixty-one days

One document room clerk for ninety-two days

One mailing and banking clerk for ninety-two days

One chief journal page for ninety-two days

One journal page for sixty days

One day and one night watchman for ninety-two days

Private secretary to the President for ninety-two days

Stenographer to the President for ninety-two days

Clerk, stenographer and messenger to Committee on Finance for ninety-two days

Clerk to the Committee on the Judiciary for sixty-five days

One stenographer and messenger to the Committee on the Judiciary for sixty days

One stenographer to the Committee on the Judiciary for ninety-two days

One clerk to the Committee on Roads for sixty days

Stenographer to the Committee on Roads for sixty days

Two toilet room attendants for ninety-two days

One toilet room attendant for eighty-two days

Chaplains of the Senate for ninety-two days

Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate for ninety-two days

Clerk to the Sergeant-at-Arms for ninety-two days

2,920.00

736.00

736.00

736.00

360.00

1,288.00

1,380.00

920.00

920.00

2,484.00

780.00

900.00

920.00

600.00

480.00

920.00

410.00

552.00

920.00

736.00
85 Assistant Doorkeeper of the Senate for ninety-two days .......... 920.00
87 Four floor pages for seventy-one days ................................ 1,704.00
89 Two floor pages for ninety-two days .................................. 1,104.00
91 Two cloak room attendants for ninety-two days ..................... 920.00
93 Three mailing clerks for sixty days .................................... 1,080.00
95 One ladies’ maid for ninety-two days ................................... 460.00

Clerk’s Appointees

97 Joint supervisor of printing (Senate part) for ninety-two days ..... 690.00
100 One reading clerk for ninety-two days ................................. 920.00
102 One official reporter for ninety-two days ............................. 1,104.00
104 One secretary to the Clerk for ninety-two days ..................... 1,104.00
106 One abstract clerk for ninety-two days ............................... 920.00
108 One supervisor of printing for ninety-two days ..................... 1,104.00
110 One bill editor for seventy-one days ................................ 852.00
112 One clerk on enrolled bills for ninety-two days .................... 920.00
114 One warrant clerk and bookkeeper for seventy-one days .......... 852.00
116 One superintendent of document room for ninety-two days ....... 920.00
119 Two bill record clerks for seventy-one days ........................ 1,562.00
121 Two proof readers on enrolled and engrossed bills for seventy-one days ........................... 1,420.00
124 One copy holder for sixty days
and one for seventy-one days.....  
126 One proof. reader and one copy-
holder on bills for ninety-two 
days ......................................... 1,840.00
129 One roll clerk for eighty-eight 
days ........................................... 920.00
131 One journal proof reader for six-
ty days and one for seventy-
one days ..................................... 1,310.00
134 One journal copy holder for sev-
ty-one days and one for eighty-
eight days ..................................... 1,630.00
137 One office stenographer for 
ninety-two days ............................. 920.00
139 One general assistant clerk for 
ninety-two days ............................ 1,104.00
141 One messenger for ninety-two 
days ........................................... 460.00
143 One assistant clerk for sixty days 600.00
144 To pay M. S. Hodges for editing, 
compiling and publishing the 
"West Virginia Legislative 
Hand Book and Manual and 
Official Register" under the 
same provisions as to distribu-
tion as were adopted in the 
session of one thousand nine 
hundred and twenty-one, in-
cluding all expenses incurred 
in the employment of contribu-
tors, preparation of matter, 
clerical hire, stenographic ser-
vice and proof reading, and 
for shipping charges in connec-
tion with the distribution of 
the book;

For the year ending June thirty, 
one thousand nine hundred and 
thirty-two ................................ 8,000.00
166-a After the distribution provided 
for in the acts of one thousand,
nine hundred and twenty-one
above referred to, or by further
resolution of the legislature,
the remainder of the edition
shall be sold by the superin-
tendent of public printing to
persons desiring to purchase
the same at the price of three
dollars per volume.
The editing, compiling and pub-
lication of said manual shall
be made by M. S. Hodges,
Clerk of the Senate, under the
superintendence and at the di-
rection of the committee con-
sisting of the President of the
Senate and two members of the
Senate to be named by the
President of the Senate, who
shall direct what matter shall
be used in said Manual.
Contingent fund of the Senate.... 30,000.00

Miscellaneous Appropriations

To pay J. M. Lynn, Lige Bostic,
Elvin Whittington, D. O.
Pauley, Boisy Green, Will
Wright, Fred Morris, Mrs. P.
P. Holland, Almeda Courtney
and Henry Mosby for thirty-
two days of the extended ses-
sion at five dollars per day for
janitor, elevator and char-
women services ....................... 1,600.00
To pay the following named per-
sons and firms for supplies fur-
nished and services rendered,
one thousand nine hundred and
thirty-one session, Senate:
O. C. Butler, binders.................. 22.50
Charleston Cut Flower Com-
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<td>Charleston Lumber Company, lumber</td>
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<td>Diamond Ice &amp; Coal Company, ice</td>
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<td>Farmers Hardware Supply Company, tacks, glasses, hammer, and ladder</td>
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<td>Jordan Taxi Company, taxi fare</td>
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<td>H. R. Judy, keys, locks and repairs</td>
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<td>Laird Office Equipment Company, supplies, etc</td>
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<td>Mathews Storage Company, drayage, labor and storage</td>
<td>222.50</td>
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<td>Mock Orange Mineral Water Company, drinking water and rent on coolers</td>
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<td>S. Spencer Moore Company, binders, supplies, rental on steel file, etc</td>
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<td>Henry Mosby, for repairing and building journal cases</td>
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<td>223</td>
<td>National Towel Supply Company, towel service</td>
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248 cuspidors, etc. .......................... 191.25
249 Prince, Mahan & McClure, matches ....................................... 1.60
250 Remington-Rand Business Service, Inc., carbon paper............... 6.00
251 Schoolfield-Harvey Electric Company, electric bulbs................... 4.32
252 Smith & Brooks, mops, buckets, brooms, brushes, etc.................. 38.70
253 J. E. Thomas, rubber stamp........................................ 1.10
254 W. F. Thompson, installing electric lights .......................... 20.00
255 Underwood Typewriter Company, Inc., rubber keys, ribbons, and rental on typewriters and tables ........................................... 208.00
257 Woodyard Commercial Printers, Senate Bill covers and stationery ......................... 23.20
258 To pay L. Javins for services, sixty days at five dollars per day ........................................... 300.00
259 To pay Bernard Williams, journal page at the capitol, as per certificate of the Board of Public Works, eighty-eight days at six dollars per day ............. 528.00
260 The Clerk of the Senate is authorized to draw his warrant upon the Auditor, payable out of the contingent fund of the Senate, for any bills for supplies and services upon the approval of the President of the Senate that may have been incurred by the Senate and not included in the appropriation bill, and for bills for supplies and services incurred after adjourn-
ment, including office rent, if it becomes necessary to rent offices to close up the work of the session, the requisition for said bills to be accompanied by a bill of same to be filed with the Auditor.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES

Sec. 92. Mileage of members of the House of Delegates, including extended session ......................... 9,150.20
4 Per diem of the Speaker of the House at $2.00, including thirty-two days extended session.................. 184.00
7 Contingent fund of the House of Delegates ..................................... 37,500.00

Compensation of Other Elective Officers

10 Compensation of the Clerk of the House for services during the regular and extended sessions... 2,300.00
13 Compensation of the Sergeant-at-Arms for services during the regular and extended sessions... 1,380.00
16 Compensation of the Door-Keeper of the House for services during the regular and extended sessions... 920.00

Speaker's Appointees

21 Private Secretary to the Speaker... 1,380.00
22 Two Assistant Doorkeepers............. 1,216.00
23 Two Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms... 1,620.00
24 One Chaplain ................................ 552.00
25 One Joint Supervisor of Printing on the part of the House.............. 690.00
27 Nine Clerks at $12.00 per day, including five for the extended session ........................................... 7,920.00
30 Thirty-seven clerks at $10.00 per
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31 per day, including fourteen for the extended session 26,110.00
32 Forty-five Clerks at $8.00 per day, including four for the extended session 20,396.00
33 Two Pages at $8.00 per day, including the extended session 1,472.00
34 Eighteen Pages at $6.00 per day, including two for the extended session 6,602.00
35 One Janitor at $6.00 per day 360.00
36 One Chief Custodian and sixteen Janitors at $5.00 per day, including seven for the extended session 5,360.00

Clerk's Appointees
47 Chief Assistant Clerk, including extended session 1,104.00
48 Reading Clerk, including extended session 984.00
49 Journal Clerk, including extended session 1,104.00

Miscellaneous Appropriations
53 The Charleston National Bank, rent Judiciary Committee room 40.00
54 B. Preiser Company, Inc 69.75
55 The Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Company 280.26
56 Kanawha Valley Leather Co 1.50
57 Laird Office Equipment Company 718.11
58 Charleston Cut Flower Company 20.00
59 J. E. Thomas 1.40
60 Morgan Lumber Manufacturing Company 9.12
61 Kanawha Novelty Works 11.00
62 A. C. Frame 1.10
63 Brawley Brothers 47.30
64 Empire Dry Cleaning Company 3.00
65 H. R. Judy 3.30
66 Thomas O. Laird Company 102.08
70 Black & White Cab Co., Inc. .......... 10.50
71 O. J. Morrison Department Store
72 Company .................................. 3.94
73 Smith & Brooks .......................... 182.75
74 E. B. Rocke ................................ 350.00
75 The S. Spencer Moore Company.. 280.32
76 Clutter Typewriter Company....... 311.75
77 Mock Orange Mineral Water Co... 36.50
78 Kanawha County Court, part ex-
79 pense water, light and fuel...... 975.00
80 Diamond Ice & Coal Company..... 31.95
81 Oakdale Spring Water Company.. 85.60
82 Superior Stamp Company ........... 1.20
83 W. H. Young and Son ............... 3.50
84 J. K. Lance, for storing furniture
85 of the 1931 session.................. 500.00
86 W. H. Hutchison, ex-Sergeant-at-
87 Arms, assisting the organization
88 of 1931 session, from January
89 14 to January 22, inclusive....... 100.00
90 J. W. Ferry, for use of automobile
91 in serving subpoenas for inves-
92 tigating committees .................. 100.00
93 The Sergeant-at-Arms of the House is authorized to draw
94 his warrant upon the Auditor, payable out of the contingent
95 fund of the House for any bills for supplies and services that
96 may have been incurred by the House and not included in the
97 appropriation bill, and for bills for supplies and services in-
98 curred after adjournment, including office rent, if it becomes
99 necessary to rent offices to close up the work of the session, the
100 requisition for said bills to be accompanied by a bill of same
101 approved by the Speaker of the House to be filed with the
102 Auditor.

Legislative Printing and Stationery

Sec. 93. To pay the cost of
2 legislative printing and station-
3 ery, the appropriation to be
4 available for the year ending
5 June thirty, one thousand nine
6 hundred and thirty-one. If
the work is not completed prior to June thirty, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, then the appropriation shall continue in effect until completed ........................................... 50,000.00

Salaries of Members of the Legislature

Sec. 94. Salaries of members of the Senate ............................... .
2 Salaries of members of the House of Delegates......................... .
3 15,000.00 47,000.00
4 15,000.00 47,000.00

SUB-SECTION “D”

Sec. 95. All appropriations appearing under Sub-Section “D” are payable out of the general revenue of the State Fund for the fiscal year ending June thirty, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one.

MISCELLANEOUS APPROPRIATIONS

9 To pay unpaid bills for year ending June 30, 1930, Huntington State Hospital .......................... .
10 16,000.00
11 To supplement the appropriation for current general expenses, Huntington State Hospital, for the year ending June 30, 1931.... .
12 29,000.00
13 To install new boilers in power house, Huntington State Hospital .......................... .
14 10,000.00
15 To supplement the appropriation for current general expenses, Fairmont Emergency Hospital, for the year ending June 30, 1931 ..................... .
16 18,000.00
17 To supplement the appropriation for current general expenses, West Virginia Penitentiary, for year ending June 30, 1931.... .
18 75,000.00
for salaries of the Judges of
the Circuit Courts for re-
mainder of year ending June
30, 1931................................. 15,000.00
To pay allowances for food and
lodging of Circuit Judges while
holding court in a county other
than that in which the Judge
resides, for remainder of year
ending June 30, 1931.............. 3,000.00
To supplement the appropriation
for allowances to Circuit Judges
for stenographic work, station-
ery and postage for remainder
of year ending June 30, 1931.... 7,600.00
$600.00 of the foregoing to be
used in payment of bills for the
year ending June thirtieth, one
thousand nine hundred and
thirty.
To supplement the appropriation
for compensation of Special
Judges of the Circuit Courts
for remainder of year ending
June 30, 1930....................... 600.00
To pay current general and travel
ing expenses, including compen-
sation of necessary assistants of
State Water Commission for
remainder of year ending June
30, 1931 ......................... 2,500.00
The appropriation for Marshall
College as fixed by Section 74-A
of Sub-Section "K" of the
Budget Bill as passed by the
1929 Legislature for the year
ending June 30, 1931, is hereby
changed from "Collections for
genral expenses, $85,000.00" to
"Collections for general ex-
penses, $115,000.00," the entire
amount to be paid out of collections actually paid into the state treasury by Marshall College.

To reimburse the City of Charleston for elevator operators, janitors, charwomen, heat, light and water (except for drinking purposes) and cost of preparation for occupancy and restoring to normal condition the City Hall for the 1931 Legislative Session

To pay Dillon, Mahan & Holt, attorneys, for services, traveling expenses, etc., rendered in appellate court, State of West Virginia vs. Frank Lyons, et als., collection of taxes against forfeited and escheated lands.

To supplement the appropriation for payment of criminal charges including transportation of prisoners and extradition of criminals and fugitives for year ending June 30, 1931.

For remodeling trades building, West Virginia state college, which building has been condemned by and closed upon order of state board of control and state board of education.

The appropriation for state board of examiners and registration of architects as fixed by section K-nine of subsection K of the Budget Bill as passed by the one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine legislature for the year ending June thirtieth, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one is hereby changed from

3,200.00

750.00

25,000.00

1,000.00
collections for general expenses, $1,900.00, to collections for general expenses, $3,400.00, the entire amount to be paid out of collections actually paid into the state treasury by said board.

To pay Dr. J. W. Hartigan balance due on salary for the month of February and one-half month of March, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine, as superintendent of Weston state hospital

SUB-SECTION "E"

Sec. 96. All appropriations appearing under Sub-Section 2 "E" are payable out of the general school fund of the State.

Department of Education

Sec. 97. Salary of assistant superintendent
3 Salary of state aid clerk, part time
4 To pay salaries of clerks, stenographers, supervisors, director
6 of physical education and other
7 assistants
8 To pay current general and
9 traveling expenses and other
10 necessary expenses of inspectors
11 and supervisors of rural schools,
12 high schools and colored schools
13 Printing, binding and stationery...
14 Expenses of state superintendent...
15 For the Division of Investigation
16 and service in connection with
30 the State Board of Education
31 and the State Council on Education
32 in connection with elementary schools, high schools and
34 institutions of higher learning;
35 for the preparation and distribution of courses of study; for
the preparation and distribution of plans and specifications for one, two, three and four room schools, including the salary of the director of this division and for the necessary printing and travel in connection therewith ......................................................................... 12,000.00

State Board of Education
Sec. 98. Salaries of six members of State Board of Education ............................................... 6,000.00
Salaries of two advisory members of State Board of Education ........................................... 2,000.00
Expenses of members of State Board of Education .......................................................... 2,500.00
Expenses of advisory members ......................................................................................... 600.00
Salary and expenses of secretary ..................................................................................... 5,000.00
Salaries of stenographers to secretary ............................................................................... 1,800.00
To assist in rehabilitation work in cooperation with the Federal Government, payable on order of the State Board of Education and the Director of Public Welfare ........................................... 10,000.00
Vocational education, payable on order of the State Board of Education and State Board of Control ................................................................................................................. 30,000.00
State aid to out of state students, to carry out the provisions of Chapter 10, Acts one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, to be disbursed by the State Board of Control upon requisition of the State Superintendent of Free Schools ................................................................................. 7,000.00

General Expenses
Sec. 99. Salaries of county su-
The Auditor shall credit all delinquent taxes due the State to the fund to which they belong, and the cost of certification of sale shall be paid out of the fund to which they are credited, and there is hereby appropriated so much as may be necessary for the payment of the following (payable on requisition of the Auditor):

To pay salaries and current general expenses of land department

For the publication of the above delinquent taxes, there is hereby appropriated so much as may be necessary at the rate fixed by general law, payable on requisition of the Auditor.

In addition to the foregoing appropriations the balance of the receipts for each year of said fund is hereby appropriated for supplemental aid to schools in accordance with the provision of general law.

**SUB-SECTION “F”**

Sec. 100. All appropriations appearing under Sub-Section "F" are payable out of the State Road Fund of the State.

**STATE ROAD COMMISSION**

*Administration Expenses*

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5 ing, recording and other assist-
6 ants ........................................ 122,750.00 122,750.00
7 Traveling expenses........................ 22,500.00 22,500.00
8 Office rent, including heat, light,
9 water and janitor service, in-
10 cluding automobile bureau........... 12,000.00 12,000.00
11 Current general expenses, includ-
12 ing automobile bureau............... 57,500.00 57,500.00
13 Federal Aid supervision............... 5,000.00 5,000.00
14 To pay premiums to the State
15 Compensation Fund for the in-
16 surance of employees................. 45,000.00 45,000.00

Automobile Bureau

Sec. 102. For cost of manufac-
2 turing license tags for sale to
3 automobile owners, including
4 cost of storage, envelopes for
5 mailing, postage, freight, ex-
6 press and cartage..................... 54,000.00 54,000.00
7 Salaries of clerks, stenographers
8 and other necessary assistants.... 105,000.00 105,000.00
9 To pay salaries and expenses for
10 the enforcement of traffic, li-
11 cense and permit laws to be dis-
12 bursed on the requisition of the
13 Department of Public Safety
14 and State Board of Control........ 30,000.00 30,000.00
15 To pay cost of printing and bind-
16 ing official list of licenses issued
17 by Automobile Bureau, State
18 Road Commission .................... 7,500.00 7,500.00

General

Sec. 103. To pay all expenses
2 in connection with the assess-
3 ment and collection of the tax
4 on gasoline; payable on requisici-
5 on of State Tax Commissioner
6 To pay salaries of the members
7 of the West Virginia Bridge
8 Commission, including compen-
sation of Secretary and other assistants, and current general and traveling expenses, payable on requisition of the West Virginia Bridge Commission

12,000.00

To pay current general and traveling expenses, compensation of members and necessary assistants, West Virginia Bridge Commission, for remainder of year ending June 30, 1931, payable on requisition of the West Virginia Bridge Commission

7,500.00

For complying with and carrying out the provisions of law, relating to refunds and for refunding moneys erroneously paid through the commission into the treasury, such sums are hereby appropriated as may be erroneously paid.

In addition to the foregoing appropriations the balance or residue of the annual receipts of the state road fund are hereby appropriated for the payment of interest on and principal of outstanding road bonds, for maintenance and construction and reconstruction of state roads, in accordance with the provisions of the good roads act of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one and amendments thereto.

To pay claims against the State Road Commission resulting from personal injury or property damages; this amount appropriated for remainder of year ending June thirty, one thou-
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51 sand nine hundred and thirty-
52 one, and to remain in effect un-
53 til claims are paid..........................  7,936.90

SUB-SECTION “G”

Sec. 104. All appropriations appearing under Sub-Section 2 “G” are payable out of the special license fees authorized by section 15, chapter 8, Acts of 1915 (regular session) and amendment thereto.

Public Service Commission

Sec. 105. To pay salaries and current general expenses...........  80,000.00  80,000.00

Provided, That not more than $5,000.00 of the foregoing appropriation may be expended annually in cooperation with the West Virginia Geological Survey, and/or, the United States Geological Survey for investigation of water power resources of the State.

SUB-SECTION “H”

Sec. 106. All appropriations appearing under Sub-Section 2 “H” are payable out of the fund created by chapter 9, Acts of 1915 (extraordinary session) and amendments thereto.

Workmen’s Compensation

Sec. 107. Salary of State Compensation Commissioner..............  6,000.00  6,000.00

Current general expenses....................  250,000.00  250,000.00

To pay attorneys’ fees and expenses in case of State Compensation Commissioner vs. New River and Pocahontas Consolidated Coal Company, to recover premiums ..................................  7,000.00

Above appropriation to be payable during the year ending June thirty, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one.
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SUB-SECTION "I"

Sec. 108. All appropriations made by general law payable out of special revenue, which special revenue is not required to be paid into the general revenue of the State under the provisions of section two, article two, chapter twelve of the Code, as amended, are hereby authorized, payable out of the special revenue or collections made for the specific purposes.

All revenue collected under the Act of the one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine legislature relating to the construction of a capitol is hereby appropriated and authorized to be expended for the purposes designated by this Act. Payments to be made as the construction work progresses and in anticipation of the collection of revenue from future levies authorized by said Act.

SUB-SECTION "K"

Sec. 109. No payments shall be made from appropriations appearing in Sub-Section "K" in excess of the amounts hereinafter set forth, and no payments shall be made in excess of the amount of collections, for the particular institution, department, commission or board, paid into the general revenue of the State under the provisions of Senate Bill 104, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine legislature, as amended.

Payments may be made from said appropriations appearing herein at any time during the fiscal year so long as the aggregate for the year does not exceed the amount of the appropriation and does not exceed the collections that will be made for the year and paid into the general revenue of the State.

All appropriations appearing in "Part One" are payable on the requisition of the head of the particular department, commission or board.

All appropriations appearing under "Part Two" are payable on the requisition of the State Board of Control.

PART ONE

Fire Marshal

Sec. 110. Salary of fire marshals

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PART TWO

State Veterinary Examining Board

Sec. 112. Collections for general expenses .............................................. 500.00 500.00

West Virginia State Board of Embalmers

Sec. 113. Collections for general expenses .............................................. 1,000.00 1,000.00

State Board of Examiners in Optometry

Sec. 114. Collections for general expenses .............................................. 1,500.00 1,500.00

State Board of Examiners and Registration of Architects

Sec. 115. Collections for general expenses .............................................. 2,000.00 2,000.00

State Board of Registration for Engineers

Sec. 116. Collections for general expenses .............................................. 1,900.00 1,900.00

West Virginia State Board of Osteopathy

Sec. 117. Collections for general expenses .............................................. 500.00 500.00

State Board of Examiners for the Examination of Accountants

Sec. 118. Collections for general expenses .............................................. 1,000.00 1,000.00

SUB-SECTION “L”

Sec. 119. For refunding overpayments made into the treasury on account of taxes, licenses, fines and commissions, to be paid out of the fund into which they were paid, such an amount as may be necessary for such purpose is hereby appropriated.

Sec. 120. The appropriations herein made to or for any state board or institution shall be drawn from the treasury upon the requisition of the proper officers thereof made upon the Auditor at such times and in such amounts as may be necessary for the purposes for which such appropriations are made; and the Auditor shall pay the amount named in any such requisition.
tion at such time and in such installments as shall be necessary for the purposes for which any such appropriation is made. But all requisitions for appropriations for new buildings and substantial betterments, except such as are under control of the Board of Control, shall be accompanied by the architect's estimate that the amount named in such requisition is needed for immediate use. The Auditor shall not issue his warrants to pay any money out of the state treasury unless the same is needed for present use.

The members of all state boards or commissions, unless a different rate of compensation is provided by law, shall be allowed four dollars per day for each day necessarily employed as such (including the time spent in going to and returning from the place of meeting) and the actual and necessary expenses incurred by them in the discharge of their duties, and no mileage shall be paid. But before payment of any such member of any such compensation or expenses, he shall make up in duplicate and certify to its correctness an itemized statement of the number of days spent (giving dates) and the expenses, which statement shall be filed with the secretary or clerk of the institution, the original whereof the secretary or clerk shall file or preserve in his office, and the duplicate he shall at once forward to the Auditor. If any such member shall wilfully make a greater charge for such services or expenses than truth justifies, he shall be guilty of embezzlement and punished accordingly.

Sec. 121. All printing, binding, printing paper, and stationery for the state superintendent of free schools shall be paid for out of the general school fund. All of said printing, binding, printing paper, and stationery shall be purchased on requisition through the superintendent of public printing. No printing, binding or printing paper or stationery for the following named boards, officers or institutions shall be paid for out of the appropriation for public printing, public binding, or for supplying paper or stationery, but shall be paid for out of the appropriations therefor herein made, or out of the expense fund or current general expense fund thereof, namely:

The public service commission, the state road commission, the workmen's compensation department, the game and fish commission, state fire marshal, the university and all its branches, and all state schools, state hospitals and other state institutions, the geological survey, experiment station, all schools
or hospitals receiving state appropriations, and the following boards: Pharmacy, dental, nurses, veterinary, embalmers, optometry, architects, engineers, osteopathy and accountants.

Such boards, officers and institutions, except the state superintendent of free schools, that are herein required to pay for their own printing, stationery and printing paper and binding, have authority to procure the same, or have the same done on requisition of the Superintendent of Public Printing, or may buy such printing and stationery, or have such printing and binding done on competitive bids, under such rules as may be made by the commissioners of public printing.

When stationery or printing is procured from the superintendent of public printing or printing and binding are done on requisition of his office, by such board, officers or institutions, the superintendent of public printing as to such printing, binding, stationery and printing paper, shall certify the cost thereof to the auditor, stating to what officer, board or institution the same was furnished, and the auditor shall charge against the proper fund or appropriation of such officers, institution or board the amount thereof, and credit such amount to the proper appropriations made by this act for public printing, binding, stationery and printing paper. Provided, That the annual or biennial reports required by law to be made to the governor by such boards, officers and institutions shall be printed and paid for out of the appropriation for public printing, public binding and for supplying printing paper and stationery, but all such reports shall be typewritten, or prepared in such a manner that the same shall be legible and suitable for printers' copy, and only so much of any such reports shall be printed as may be ordered by the governor; and no such reports shall be printed by the public printer except on requisition therefor, signed by the governor, which requisition shall state the number to be printed and how the same are to be bound. Such officers, boards and institutions as are required by law to make a report to the governor shall place the same in his hands as soon as the same are completed, and within ninety days after the close of the period which they are to cover.

Sec. 122. No sum of money shall be paid out of the treasury for the years ending June thirtieth, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two, and one thousand nine hundred and thirty-three, beyond the amounts hereby appropriated, unless the same be
provided for by constitution or some general law, and no money
shall be hereafter drawn from the treasury to pay the salary of
any officers or employees before their services have been
rendered.

Sec. 122-b. Premiums on official bonds which are by law
payable out of the State Treasury are hereby authorized to be
paid out of appropriations herein at a rate not exceeding the
rate heretofore paid for such bonds. Premium on seven hun-
dred thousand dollars of the State Treasurer’s bond and on
6 bonds required by Board of Public Works for custodians of
7 securities to be paid out of appropriations for the Workmen’s
8 Compensation Fund and the remainder out of general revenue
9 appropriation made for said purpose.

Sec. 123. Upon the adjournment of this session of the legis-
lature, the clerk of the house and the clerk of the senate shall
3 jointly make up and furnish the auditor and treasurer, without
4 delay, a certified copy of this and all other acts carrying appro-
priations.

CHAPTER 68
(Senate Bill No. 81—By Mr. Wiseman)
AN ACT to validate all the proceedings authorizing the issuance of
bonds by the county court of Clay county, West Virginia, for
and on behalf of the magisterial district of Union, Clay county,
West Virginia, in the sum of one hundred and twenty thousand
dollars, authorized at an election held in said district on the
seventh day of November, one thousand nine hundred and
twenty-five, by a vote of three-fifths of the voters voting at said
election upon the question of issuing said bonds for the pur-
pose of constructing, building, making repairs and permanent
improvement of county and district public roads, located and
situated in said Union district; and to authorize the execution
and sale of said bonds, and to provide a tax to pay the same
and the interest thereon.

[Passed February 13, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. Road bonds of Union District, Clay county validated.
2. County court to sell and deliver

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. All proceedings authorizing the issuance of bonds
2 of the county court of Clay county, West Virginia, for and on
3 behalf of the magisterial district of Union, in the amount of
4 one hundred and twenty thousand dollars, authorized at an
5 election held in said Union district on the seventh day of No-
6 vember, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, by a vote
7 of three-fifths of the voters of said district voting upon the
8 question of issuing said bonds, for the purpose of constructing,
9 building, making repairs and the permanent improvement of
10 certain county and district roads, located and situated in said
11 Union district and providing for the payment of same and the
12 interest thereon, are hereby in all respects validated and con-
13 firmed.

Sec. 2. The county court of Clay county, state of West Vir-
2 ginia, is hereby authorized to execute, make sale of and deliver
3 bonds described in section one of this act for and on behalf of
4 the magisterial district of Union, Clay county, West Virginia,
5 pursuant to the proceedings validated and confirmed by section
6 one of this act, which said bonds shall bear date as of the first
7 day of January, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six,
8 and bear interest at the rate of five and one-half per centum
9 per annum, payable semi-annually, and be of the denomination
10 of one thousand dollars each, and numbered from one to one
11 hundred and twenty, both inclusive, and payable three thousand
12 dollars each year, beginning two years after the date of said
13 bonds for seven years, and four thousand dollars each year
14 thereafter until the whole of said bonds shall have been paid.

Sec. 3. The county court of Clay county, West Virginia, shall
2 annually impose and collect a tax in excess of all other taxes,
3 on all property subject to taxation in said Union district, suffi-
4 cient in amount to pay annually the interest on the bonds herein
5 authorized and the principal thereof at maturity.

CHAPTER 69
(Senate Bill No. 83—By Mr. Wiseman)

AN ACT to validate all the proceedings authorizing the issuance of
bonds by the county court of Clay county, West Virginia, for
and on behalf of the magisterial district of Buffalo, Clay
county, West Virginia, in the sum of one hundred forty-three
thousand dollars, authorized at an election held in said dis-
trict on the eleventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred
and twenty-seven, by vote of three-fifths of the voters voting at said election upon the question of issuing said bonds for the purpose of constructing, building, making repairs and permanent improvement of county and district public roads, located and situated in said Buffalo district; and to authorize the execution and sale of said bonds, and to provide a tax to pay the same and the interest thereon.

[Passed February 13, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. All proceedings authorizing the issuance of bonds of the county court of Clay county, West Virginia, for and on behalf of the magisterial district of Buffalo, in the amount of one hundred forty-three thousand dollars, authorized at an election held in said Buffalo district on the eleventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, by a vote of three-fifths of the voters of said district voting upon the question of issuing said bonds, for the purpose of constructing, building, making repairs and the permanent improvement of certain county and district roads, located and situated in said Buffalo district and providing for the payment of same and the interest thereon, are hereby in all respects validated and confirmed.

Sec. 2. The county court of Clay county, state of West Virginia, is hereby authorized to execute, make sale of and deliver bonds described in section one of this act for and on behalf of the magisterial district of Buffalo, Clay county, West Virginia, pursuant to the proceedings validated and confirmed by section one of this act, which said bonds shall bear date as of the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, and bear interest at the rate of five and one-half per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and be of the denomination of one thousand dollars each, and numbered from one to one hundred and forty-three, both inclusive, and payable three thousand dollars each year, beginning two years after the date of said bonds, for ten years, and four thousand dollars each year for the next four years, and five thousand dollars each year thereafter until the whole of said bonds shall have been paid.

Sec. 3. The county court of Clay county, West Virginia,
2 shall annually impose and collect a tax in excess of all other 
3 taxes, on all property subject to taxation in said Buffalo dis- 
4 trict, sufficient in amount to pay annually the interest on the 
5 bonds herein authorized and the principal thereof at maturity.

CHAPTER 70

(Senate Bill No. 84—By Mr. Wiseman)

AN ACT to validate all the proceedings authorizing the issuance 
of bonds by the county court of Clay county, West Virginia, 
for and on behalf of the magisterial district of Henry, Clay 
county, West Virginia, in the sum of one hundred and twelve 
thousand dollars, authorized at an election held in said district 
on the fourth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and 
twenty-five, by a vote of three-fifths of the voters voting at said 
election upon the question of issuing said bonds for the pur­
pose of constructing, building, making repairs and permanent 
 improvement of county and district public roads, located and 
situated in said district, and to provide a tax to pay the same 
and the interest thereon.

[Passed February 13, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

SEC. 1. Road bonds of Henry district, Clay county, validated.
SEC. 2. County court to sell and deliver bonds; form of bonds.
SEC. 3. Levy by county court to pay interest and principal of bonds.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. All proceedings authorizing issuance of bonds of 
2 the county court of Clay county, West Virginia, for and on behalf 
3 of the magisterial district of Henry, in the amount of one 
4 hundred and twelve thousand dollars, authorized at an election 
5 held in said Henry district on the fourth day of April, one 
6 thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, by a vote of three-fifths 
7 of the voters of said district voting upon the question of issuing 
8 said bonds, for the purpose of constructing, building, making 
9 repairs and the permanent improvement of certain county and 
10 district roads, located and situated in said Henry district and 
11 providing for the payment of same and the interest thereon, are 
12 hereby in all respects validated and confirmed.

Sec. 2. The county court of Clay county, state of West 
2 Virginia, is hereby authorized to execute, make sale of and de-
3 liver bonds described in section one of this act for and on behalf
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4 of the magisterial district of Henry, Clay county, West Vir-
5 ginia, pursuant to the proceedings validated and confirmed by
6 section one of this act, which said bonds shall bear date as of
7 the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-
8 five, and bear interest at the rate of five and one-half per centum
9 per annum, payable semi-annually, and be of the denomination
10 of five hundred dollars each, and numbered from one to two
11 hundred and twenty-four, both inclusive, and payable one thou-
12 sand dollars two years from the date thereof, three thousand
13 dollars three and four years from the date thereof, and three
14 thousand five hundred dollars annually thereafter for thirty
15 years from and after the first day of May, one thousand nine
16 hundred and twenty-nine.

Sec. 3. The county court of Clay county, West Virginia,
2 shall annually impose and collect a tax in excess of all other
3 taxes, on all property subject to taxation in said Henry district,
4 sufficient in amount to pay annually the interest on the bonds
5 herein authorized and the principal thereof at maturity.

CHAPTER 71

(Senate Bill No. 82—By Mr. Wiseman)

AN ACT to validate all the proceedings authorizing the issuance of
bonds by the county court of Greenbrier county, West Virginia,
for and on behalf of the White Sulphur district, Greenbrier
county, West Virginia, in the sum of one hundred and fifty-
one thousand dollars, authorized at an election held in said
district on the twenty-sixth day of March, one thousand nine
hundred and twenty-seven, by a vote of three-fifths of the
voters voting at said election upon the question of issuing said
bonds for the purpose of constructing, building, making re-
pairs and permanent improvement of county and district pub-
lic roads, located and situated in said White Sulphur district;
and to authorize the execution and sale of said bonds, and to
provide a tax to pay the same and the interest thereon.

[Passed February 13, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec.
1. Road bonds of White Sulphur dis-
trict, Greenbrier county, vali-
dated.

Sec.
2. County court to sell and deliver
bonds; form of bonds.

Sec.
3. Levy by county court to pay inter-
est and principal of bonds.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. All proceedings authoring the issuance of bonds
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2 of the county court of Greenbrier county, West Virginia, for
3 and on behalf of the White Sulphur district, in the amount of
4 one hundred and fifty-one thousand dollars, authorized at an
5 election held in said White Sulphur district on the twenty-sixth
6 day of March, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven,
7 by a vote of three-fifths of the voters of said district voting
8 upon the question of issuing said bonds, for the purpose of con-
9 structing, building, making repairs and the permanent improve-
10 ment of certain county and district roads, located and situated
11 in said White Sulphur district and providing for the payment
12 of same and the interest thereon, are hereby in all respects
13 validated and confirmed.

Sec. 2. The county court of Greenbrier county, state of West
2 Virginia, is hereby authorized to execute, make sale of and
3 deliver bonds described in section one of this act for and on
4 behalf of the White Sulphur district, Greenbrier county, West
5 Virginia, pursuant to the proceedings validated and confirmed
6 by section one of this act, which said bonds shall bear date as of
7 the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-
8 seven, and bear interest at the rate of five per centum per
9 annum, payable semi-annually, and be of the denomination of
10 one thousand dollars each, and numbered from one to one hun-
11 dred and fifty-one, both inclusive, and payable five thousand
12 dollars each year for twenty-nine years, and six thousand dol-
13 lars in thirty years from their date.

Sec. 3. The county court of Greenbrier county, West Vir-
2 ginia, shall annually impose and collect a tax in excess of all
3 other taxes, on all property subject to taxation in said White
4 Sulphur district, sufficient in amount to pay annually the in-
5 terest on the bonds herein authorized and the principal thereof
6 at maturity.

CHAPTER 72

(House Bill No. 145—By Mr. Haymond)

AN ACT to validate the proceedings authorizing the issuance of
school bonds of the board of education of the district of Union,
in the county of Marion, state of West Virginia, in the sum
of two hundred fifty thousand dollars, authorized at an
election held in the district of Union on the eighteenth day
of June, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine, by vote of three-fifths of the voters voting in said election upon the question of issuing said bonds for the purpose of acquiring additional grounds and buildings, and repairing and renewing present buildings, for the use of the elementary pupils of said school district, and also for the purpose of enlarging high school and of acquiring additional land and constructing and erecting additional buildings and providing additional facilities and other high school purposes in connection with the present high school within said district, and to authorize the execution and sale of said bonds and to provide a tax to pay the same and the interest thereon.

[Passed February 20, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. School bonds of Union magisterial district validated.

Sec. 2. Board of education authorized to execute and sell form of bonds.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That certain proceedings authorizing the issuance of school bonds of the district of Union, in the county of Marion and state of West Virginia, be validated and the execution and sale of said bonds be authorized; and that provisions be made for a tax to pay the said bonds and the interest thereon.

Section 1. All proceedings authorizing the issuance of school bonds for the district of Union, in the county of Marion, state of West Virginia, in the sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars, authorized at an election held on the eighteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine, by vote of three-fifths of the voters of said district voting upon the question of issuing said bonds for the purpose of acquiring additional grounds and buildings, and repairing and renewing present buildings for the use of the elementary pupils of said school district, and also for the purpose of enlarging high school and of acquiring additional lands and constructing and erecting additional buildings and providing additional facilities and other high school purposes in connection with the present high school within said district as set out in the order of the board of education of Union district, in the county of Marion, state of West Virginia, on the twenty-fourth day of May, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine, submitting the proposition of issuing said bonds to the voters of said district, are hereby in all respects validated and confirmed.
Sec. 2. The board of education of Union district, in the county of Marion, state of West Virginia, is hereby authorized to execute, make sale of and deliver the bonds described in section one of this act, pursuant to the proceedings mentioned therein, which said bonds shall bear date as of the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine, and interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and be in the denomination of one thousand dollars each, and numbered from one to two hundred and fifty, both inclusive, and payable as provided in said order of the board of education of the district of Union, county of Marion, made on the twenty-fourth day of May, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine.

CHAPTER 73

(House Bill No. 281—By Mr. Gardner)

AN ACT to validate all the proceedings authorizing the issuance of bonds by the county court of Pocahontas county, West Virginia, for and on behalf of Greenbank district, Pocahontas county, West Virginia, in the sum of two hundred sixty thousand dollars, authorized at an election held in said district on the tenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred twenty, by a vote of three-fifths of the voters voting at said election upon the question of issuing said bonds for the purpose of constructing, building, making repairs and permanent improvement of county and district public roads, located and situated in said Greenbank district; and to validate the execution and sale of said bonds heretofore made, and to provide a tax to pay the same and the interest thereon.

[Passed March 2, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. Certain bonds of Greenbank district validated.  
Sec. 2. Execution and sale of bonds validated; form of bond.  
Sec. 3. Annual levy to pay bonds.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. All proceedings authorizing the issuance of bonds of the county court of Pocahontas county, West Virginia, for and on behalf of Greenbank district, in the amount of two hundred sixty thousand dollars, authorized at an election held in said Greenbank district on the tenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred twenty, by a vote of three-fifths of the voters of
said district voting upon the question of issuing said bonds, for 
the purpose of constructing, building, making repairs and the 
permanent improvement of certain county and district roads, 
located and situated in said Greenbank district, and providing 
for the payment of same and the interest thereon, are hereby in 
all respects validated and confirmed.

Sec. 2. The execution and the sale heretofore made of the 
bonds described in section one of this act, for and on behalf of 
the Greenbank district, Pocahontas county, West Virginia, pur-
suant to the proceedings validated and confirmed by section one 
of this act, are hereby in all respects validated and confirmed. 
Said bonds bear date as of the first day of July, one thousand 
nine hundred twenty, and bear interest at the rate of five per cen-
tum per annum, payable semi-annually, and are of the denomina-
tion of one thousand dollars each, and numbered from one to two 
hundred sixty, both inclusive, and payable serially beginning 
two years after date and ending in thirty-four years from their 
date.

Sec. 3. The county court of Pocahontas county, West Virgin-
ia, shall annually impose and collect a tax in excess of all 
other taxes, on all property subject to taxation in said Greenbank 
district, sufficient in amount to pay annually the interest on the 
bonds herein authorized and the principal thereof at maturity.

CHAPTER 74

(Senate Bill No. 86—By Mr. Henshaw)

AN ACT to authorize the city of Martinsburg to incur indebted-
ness and issue bonds in the amount of one hundred thousand 
dollars for the purpose of refunding indebtedness incurred 
in improving and extending the water system of said city; 
making additional improvements thereto, and providing for 
the payment of bonds so issued and the interest thereon.

[Passed February 13, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

SEC. 1. City of Martinsburg authorized to 
sell water works bonds; how pro-
cesses expended.

SEC. 2. Referendum on bond issue; direct 
annual levy to pay, if revenue 
from water plant insufficient to 
pay bonds and interest.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. Subject to the limitations imposed by the con-
stitution and in conformity with the general laws relating to
3 the issuance of bonds, as contained in article one, chapter thir-
4 teen, of the code, the city of Martinsburg is hereby authorized
5 to issue and sell its water works bonds in the amount of one
6 hundred thousand dollars, and expend the proceeds thereof as
7 follows: Approximately twenty-six thousand dollars to pay off
8 and discharge existing indebtedness against the water system
9 owned by the city; twenty thousand dollars to refund to cer-
10 tain banking institutions and manufacturing companies money
11 advanced to the city for the installation of a supply water line
12 extending to springs owned by the city; two thousand five
13 hundred dollars for lands for rights-of-way for water lines and
14 extensions, and the remainder of said one hundred thousand
15 dollars for the purpose of improving the water system of said
16 city at such time and in such manner as the council with the
17 consent and approval of a water commission, representing the
18 financial and manufacturing interests of the city, appointed
19 by the council and composed of G. W. F. Mulliss, T. W. Mar-
20 tin and F. C. Foreman.

Sec. 2. No bonds shall be issued hereunder unless and until
2 all questions connected with the same shall have been first sub-
3 mitted to a vote of the people and have received three-fifths
4 of all the votes cast for and against the same, nor without pro-
5 viding for a direct annual tax, sufficient to pay annually, the
6 interest on such bonds, and the principal thereof at maturity:
7 Provided, That no part of such direct levy shall be laid unless
8 the revenue derived from the operation of the water plant shall
9 prove insufficient to discharge such bonds and interest thereon
10 as the same shall become due and payable.

CHAPTER 75
(House Bill No. 191—By Mr. McGuire)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact sections two, four, nineteen, thirty-
two, thirty-four, thirty-five, forty-six, fifty-four, fifty-five, fifty-
six, fifty-seven, fifty-eight, sixty-one, seventy-three, ninety-two,
one hundred three and one hundred four of chapter three of
the acts of the legislature of one thousand nine hundred twenty-
five, bound in a volume of municipal charters of such acts, and
known as the “Charter of the City of Hollidays Cove;” and to
add to said chapter three of the acts of the legislature of one
Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections two, four, nineteen, thirty-two, thirty-four, thirty-five, forty-six, fifty-four, fifty-five, fifty-six, fifty-seven, fifty-eight, sixty-one, seventy-three, ninety-two, one hundred three and one hundred four of chapter three of the acts of the legislature of one thousand nine hundred twenty-five, bound in a volume of municipal charters of such acts, and known as the "Charter of the City of Hollidays Cove," be amended and re-enacted, and

That sections fifty-three (a), fifty-three (b), fifty-three (c), fifty-three (d), fifty-three (e), fifty-three (f), fifty-three (g), fifty-three (h), fifty-three (i), fifty-three (j), fifty-three (k), fifty-three (l), fifty-three (m), fifty-three (n), fifty-three (o), fifty-three (p), ninety-two (a), ninety-two (b), ninety-two (c), and one hundred three (a), all relating to and becoming a part of the charter of the City of Hollidays Cove.

[Passed February 11, 1931; in effect from passage. Became a law without the approval of the Governor.]
(h), fifty-three (i), fifty-three (j), fifty-three (k), fifty-three (l), fifty-three (m), fifty-three (n), fifty-three (o), fifty-three (p), ninety-two (a), ninety-two (b), ninety-two (c), and one hundred three (a), be enacted and added to the charter of the City of Hollidays Cove, so as to read as follows:

Section 2. The corporate limits of the city of Hollidays Cove shall be as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point in Butler district, Hancock county, said point being the southwest corner of Ferguson avenue and Main street, as designated on plan of 'Block B,' "C. Ferguson's First Addition to Hollidays Cove, West Virginia," which plan is duly of record in the office of the clerk of the county court of Hancock county, West Virginia, to which reference is hereby made by way of further description; thence south eighty-seven degrees thirty minutes east eight hundred twenty and no-tenths feet to a point on eastern edge of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company right-of-way; thence along above mentioned right-of-way, south six degrees twenty-five minutes west for three hundred sixty-five and four-tenths feet to a point on right-of-way; thence south eighty-three degrees thirty-five minutes east four hundred and fifty-nine and four-tenths feet to a point in the public road; thence along the public road south twelve degrees two minutes east two hundred and two feet to a point; thence south sixty degrees twenty-nine minutes east one thousand three hundred thirty-nine and eight-tenths feet to a point; thence south nineteen degrees one minute east one hundred and fifty-five feet to a point; thence south nine degrees three minutes east three hundred and thirty-one feet to a point in the public road known as the Steubenville and Pittsburgh pike; thence south eighty-four degrees fourteen minutes west two hundred sixty-nine and two-tenths feet to a point on the bank of Harmon's creek; thence by the following lines: north sixty-nine degrees fifteen minutes west three hundred fifty feet, north seventy-eight degrees two minutes west eight hundred fifty-five and seven-tenths feet, south seventy-six degrees ten minutes west five hundred and eighty-eight feet to a point west of the Chester Branch railroad bridge; thence south five degrees ten minutes west one hundred and ninety-eight and three-tenths feet to a point; thence south twenty-one degrees thirty-seven minutes west four hundred and sixty-three and four-tenths feet to a point on the Hancock-Brooke county line; thence south eighty-six degrees
38 fifty-two minutes west eight hundred twenty-five and five-tenths feet to a point in the center of Harmon's creek; thence south forty degrees thirty minutes east three hundred ninety-seven feet to a point; thence nineteen degrees fifteen minutes west four hundred twenty-nine and no-tenths feet to a point; thence south twenty-six degrees thirty minutes west for one thousand eighty-two and no-tenths feet to a point; thence south thirty-seven degrees west for one thousand eighty-two and no-tenths feet to a point; thence south fifty-three degrees fifteen minutes west for eight hundred two and no-tenths feet; thence south forty-eight minutes west for one thousand two hundred and thirty and no-tenths feet to a point; thence north fifty-three degrees thirty-five minutes east for eight hundred twenty-five and no-tenths feet to a point; thence north thirty-three degrees thirty-five minutes east eight hundred ninety-three and no-tenths feet to a point near the west edge of Heazlett avenue; thence north twenty-five degrees fifty minutes east for one thousand seven hundred seventy and no-tenths feet to a point on west side of lot number eight, on plan of lots laid out for E. C. Stern, Hollidays Cove, Hancock county, West Virginia; thence north sixty-four degrees thirty-five minutes west for seventy and no-tenths feet to a point; thence north seventy-four degrees twenty-five minutes west for three hundred eighty-five and five-tenths feet to a point; thence north sixty-three degrees forty-five minutes west for two hundred ten and no-tenths feet to a point; thence south seventy-six degrees thirty-five minutes west for one hundred twenty-four and no-tenths feet; thence south sixty-one degrees thirty minutes west for two hundred eighty-one and four-tenths feet to a point; thence south eighty-eight degrees thirty minutes west for two hundred two and nine-tenths feet; thence north twelve degrees forty-five minutes west for one hundred one and no-tenths feet to a point; thence north forty-eight degrees fifteen minutes east for seventy-six and two-tenths feet; thence north sixty-seven degrees thirty-five minutes east for one thousand two hundred and fifty-five one hundredths feet to a point on north side of county road to Marland Heights; thence north seventy-six degrees thirty-five minutes west for one hundred two and fifty-five one hundredths feet to a point; thence north sixty-four degrees thirty-five minutes west for seventy and no-tenths feet to a point; thence north seventy-four degrees twenty-five minutes west for three hundred eighty-five and five-tenths feet to a point; thence north sixty-three degrees forty-five minutes west for two hundred ten and no-tenths feet to a point; thence south seventy-six degrees thirty-five minutes west for two hundred eighty-one and four-tenths feet to a point; thence south eighty-eight degrees thirty minutes west for two hundred two and nine-tenths feet; thence north twelve degrees forty-five minutes west for one hundred one and no-tenths feet to a point; thence north forty-eight degrees fifteen minutes east for seventy-six and two-tenths feet; thence north sixty-seven degrees thirty-five minutes east.
for one hundred fifty-six and no-tenths feet to a point; thence north fifty-one degrees forty-seven minutes east for one hundred six and no-tenths feet; thence north forty-seven degrees forty minutes east for one hundred seven and no-tenths feet to a point; thence north fifteen degrees forty-seven minutes east for eight hundred ninety-seven and no-tenths feet to a point; thence north seventy-three degrees thirty-five minutes east for one thousand four hundred eighty-seven and no-tenths feet to a point on west side of a twenty-foot alley and Ferguson avenue; thence south eighty-seven degrees thirty minutes east along the south side of Ferguson avenue, for a distance of one thousand fifty and no-tenths feet to the place of beginning.

Sec. 4. The municipal authorities of the city of Hollidays Cove shall consist of a mayor and five councilmen, who shall, for the assessment year preceding their respective elections as hereinafter provided, have been assessed with and paid taxes in the city of Hollidays Cove, upon a valuation of at least five hundred dollars worth of real estate or personal property therein and any person elected to any one of such offices who has not been assessed with and paid taxes on such amount of property shall not qualify or enter into the performance of the duties thereof, but such office shall thereby become vacant and shall be filled by a qualified person, as provided herein for other vacancies. In addition to the municipal authorities mentioned in this section above, the city may have a police judge, city manager, city clerk, city auditor, city physician, health commissioner, building inspector, city attorney, city engineer, city tax collector, treasurer, lockup keeper, humane officer or officers, police chief, fire chief and such number of policemen and firemen as council by ordinance or resolution may direct, or the mayor shall appoint.

The officers heretofore named in this section, other than the mayor, councilmen and policemen, may be appointed by the mayor with the consent of the council, but none of such officers shall be appointed until council shall, by a majority of the full membership thereof, authorize the filling of such office. All of the officers named in this and the preceding section shall be paid proper salaries which shall be fixed by the council, except as herein otherwise provided, and such salaries shall be within the limits provided for by this act.
Sec. 19. The council shall hold regular meetings on the first
2 Monday following the first Tuesday of each month, and the
3 hour and place of such meetings shall be fixed by the council
4 in the rules adopted by it.

Sec. 32. The mayor and five members of council shall be
2 elected for the term of two years, and their successors shall
3 be elected every two years thereafter, and their terms of office
4 shall begin on the first day of February of the year in which
5 they shall be elected.
6 The mayor's salary shall be fixed by council, not to exceed
7 five hundred dollars per year.
8 The mayor shall have the full and complete power of the
9 removal of all officers appointed by him, subject to appeal to
10 council, except in case of police officers, who shall be removed
11 as hereinafter in this act is provided.
12 The mayor shall appoint or employ such other person or
13 persons as the ordinances of the city may require or the council
14 may authorize by proper resolution. All such officers shall
15 be appointed for the term of two years and until their suc-
16 cessors are appointed and qualified, unless they are removed
17 in the way and manner in the act provided.
18 It shall be the duty of the mayor to attend all meetings of
19 the council and preside over that body.
20 It shall be the duty of the mayor to see that all the laws and
21 ordinances of the city are enforced and he shall have a general
22 oversight of the peace, health and good order of the city. He
23 shall discharge the functions assigned by this act to the police
24 judge and city manager until these officers are appointed, or,
25 in their absence or inability to act.
26 All fines of every kind collected by any officer or employee,
27 including the police judge, when acting as a justice, shall be
28 paid to the city treasurer.

Sec. 34. The city clerk shall be ex officio clerk of the city
2 council; he shall keep a complete record of all ordinances, reso-
3 lutions and acts of the city council. He shall enter in a sepa-
4 rate volume all ordinances of a general nature, a violation
5 of which shall subject any person to any penalty, and care-
6 fully index the same. All ordinances providing for the issuing
7 of bonds, the creation of a debt, the construction of any public
8 improvement, or of any local or temporary nature shall be en-
9 tered in a separate volume by the city clerk, and carefully
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10 indexed. He shall keep complete books of account showing
11 all financial transactions of the city, and of each department,
12 all receipts, expenditures made by the city, the sources of all
13 income, and the purposes of all expenditures. He shall make
14 out all vouchers and pay-rolls of the city, and shall do and per-
15 form all other duties which may be required of him by the
16 council by any ordinance or resolution.
17 He shall attend all meetings of the council and keep in
18 proper minute book a record of its proceedings, and sign the
19 record of each said proceeding.
20 He shall prepare and cause to be served all notices required
21 to be given to any person, firm or corporation, and after proper
22 service and return thereof of any notice, he shall file and pre-
23 serve the same.
24 He shall file in convenient form, so as to be readily accessible,
25 all correspondence carried on by the city or by any depart-
26 ment thereof, and, as custodian of all the books, records and
27 proceedings of the council, he shall make and certify copies
28 thereof whenever required, and affix the corporate seal of the
29 city to any paper required to be sealed and to any certified
30 copy of any paper, order or proceeding which he may make.
31 The minutes of every meeting, after being corrected, shall be
32 signed by the mayor and city clerk, and a copy of any record,
33 paper, entry, order, ordinance, resolution or proceeding made
34 by the council, or by the police court judge when properly
35 certified under the seal of the city shall be admissible as evi-
36 dence in any court in the state in any proceeding in which the
37 original paper or record, if present, would be admissible. He
38 shall, in case of the absence of the mayor, discharge the duties
39 and functions assigned by this act to the police judge.

Sec. 35. The police judge shall be ex officio a justice and a
2 conservator of the peace, with authority to issue process for
3 all offenses committed within the police jurisdiction of the city
4 of Hollidays Cove, of which a justice of the peace has juris-
5 diction under the state statutes, and for all violations of any
6 city ordinances, and shall have charge of and preside over the
7 police court of such city; and may commit persons charged
8 with felony or misdemeanor to jail or take bond for their ap-
9 pearance before the grand jury of the circuit court of Hancock
10 or Brooke county, depending on whichever court has jurisdic-
11 tion of the offense charged; said police judge shall keep a record
showing the style of each case, which record shall be indexed and numbered. Before trying any person charged with any violation of any ordinance, he shall issue his warrant, specifying the offense or violation charged; he shall render judgment in any case as the law of the state or the ordinance of the city applying thereto may require; he shall also have the power to issue executions for all fines, penalties and costs imposed by him, and he may require immediate payment thereof, and in default of such payment, may commit the person in default to the jail of the county of Hancock or Brooke or some place of imprisonment within Brooke or Hancock county, designated by the council as the city jail, if there be one, until the fine and penalty and costs shall be paid or satisfied, to be employed during the term of imprisonment, as hereinafter provided, but the term of imprisonment in any case of the violation of a city ordinance, shall not exceed sixty days, and in all cases where a person is sentenced to imprisonment, or to the payment of a fine of ten dollars or more, such person shall be allowed an appeal from such decision to the circuit court of said Hancock county, upon the execution of an appeal bond, with surety deemed sufficient by the said police judge in a penalty double the amount of the fine and costs imposed by him, where the penalty imposed for the violation of such ordinance is a fine only, or in a sum not to exceed five hundred dollars, where the penalty imposed is imprisonment, or both fine and imprisonment, conditioned that the person proposing to appeal will appear before the circuit court of Hancock county on the first day of the next regular term thereof to answer for the offense wherewith he is charged, and not depart thence without leave of the court and satisfy all costs and fines imposed against him; and in no case shall judgment for a fine of less than ten dollars be given by the police judge, if the defendant, his agent or attorney, object thereto. If such appeal is taken, the warrant of arrest, the transcript of the judgment, the appeal bond and other papers of the case shall be forthwith delivered by the said police judge to the clerk of said circuit court, and the court shall proceed to try the case as upon indictment or presentment and render such judgment, including that of cost, as the law and the evidence may require.

The expense of maintaining such persons committed to the jail of the county for violation of city ordinance by such police
53 judge, shall be paid by the city. The police judge shall account
54 for and pay over the amount of all the fines collected by him
55 weekly to the treasurer of the city, and shall make monthly
56 reports thereof, and all other matters pertaining to the council
57 of said city.

Sec. 46. The police judge, when appointed, shall have at-
2 tained the age of twenty-five years, and shall have been a resi-
3 dent of this state for a period of two years, and of the city of
4 Hollidays Cove previous to the beginning of his term of service
5 for a period of one year.

Sec. 53 (a) In addition to the methods hereinbefore and here-
2 inafter prescribed for the payment of the cost of construction
3 and improvement of streets, alleys, sewers and sewer systems,
4 the city of Hollidays Cove is hereby authorized to issue certifi-
5 cates for the purpose of providing funds for the grading, pav-
6 ing, repaving, curbing, sewer or otherwise improving the
7 streets and alleys of said city, or for constructing any sanitary
8 sewer therein, payment whereof shall be made by the property
9 owners abutting said construction or improvements as is here-
10 inafter provided. In ordering the construction or improve-
11 ment of any such street, alley, sewer or sewer system, and in
12 ascertaining the amount of the assessment to be levied against
13 each particular piece of property abutting thereon to pay the
14 cost thereof, council shall, except where it is in this act from
15 section fifty-three (a) to section fifty-three (p), both inclusive,
16 otherwise specifically provided, proceed in the same manner as is
17 hereinafter provided in sections fifty-four, fifty-five, fifty-six,
18 fifty-seven and sixty-one, of this act, for the levying and pay-
19 ment of special assessments levied and made to pay the cost
20 of abutting property owners for improvements made upon any
21 public street or alley, or the construction of any public sewer,
22 where the cost of such improvement is paid by the issuance of
23 bonds of said city in anticipation of the collection of special
24 assessments, except that the whole cost of such improvement,
25 including the cost of grading, paving, curbing and sewer or
26 street intersections, shall be apportioned against the several
27 properties abutting upon the street or portion thereof so im-
28 proved.

Sec. 53 (b) It is hereby provided that the cost of any im-
2 provement mentioned in section fifty-three (a) hereof, and for
3 which certificates are to be issued, shall be divided into ten
installments as nearly equal as possible, payable one each year for ten successive years from the date thereof. Certificates issued to pay such cost shall draw interest at the rate of six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, and may be sold, negotiated and renegotiated at the pleasure of council, or the holder thereof. They shall contain a provision that in the event of default in the payment of any one of said certificates, or any interest thereon, by the owner of the property therein mentioned and described, then, and in such an event, all the certificates issued as against that particular property concerning which there has been a default in payment of one certificate, shall, after such default shall have continued for a period of sixty days, forthwith become due and payable, and the holder of such certificate or certificates may proceed to collect all of such unpaid certificates, in the manner herein-after provided.

Sec. 53 (c) Any certificate issued under the provisions of this act for the payment of the cost of improving or constructing any street or alley, or any sewer or sewerage system, shall be negotiable at any bank or trust company within the counties of Hancock and Brooke, and nothing contained in this act shall be construed as imposing a time limit upon the enforcement by appropriate suit of any lien created under the provisions hereof.

Sec. 53 (d) In all cases where an assessment is about to be levied upon the property abutting on a street or alley improved in accordance with the provisions contained in this and the three preceding sections, the council shall have the right and power to, at the same time when it shall award a contract for the making of said improvements, by resolution entered of record by it, order that such certificates, when issued, shall be sold, assigned and transferred to any person, persons, firm or corporation, for a consideration, and apply the amount received thereby to the payment of the cost of such improvements, or council may order that such certificates or any amount or number thereof, be transferred and assigned to the contractor, to whom such contract is awarded, in consideration of his performance of the provisions of his contract or such part thereof as is provided for in the order of council: Provided, however, That no sale, assignment or transfer of any such certificate or certificates shall be made by the city at a
18 greater discount than five per cent of the aggregate sum repre-
19 sented by said certificate or certificates.

Sec. 53 (e) Upon the issuance of any certificate provided for
2 in the four preceding sections of this act, the clerk of the city
3 of Hollidays Cove shall cause an abstract of such certificates to
4 be recorded in the office of the clerk of the county court of the
5 county in which the property therein mentioned is located.
6 Such abstract shall be sufficient in form, if it contains such
7 provision or provisions as to show the then name or names of
8 the owner or owners of the said property, the amount of the
9 assessment as levied by council, and such description as would
10 enable a person of the average intelligence to understand the
11 property against which such lien exists. The provisions of
12 this section shall be construed liberally in favor of the holder
13 of any such certificate or certificates.

Sec. 53 (f) The lien created by any such assessment and by
2 the issuance of certificates as are mentioned in the five preced-
3 ing sections, may be released as is now provided by law for
4 the release of deeds of trust in the state of West Virginia, and
5 in addition thereto, upon presentation to the clerk of the
6 county court of the county wherein the real estate subject to
7 said lien is situated, of all of the certificates issued against any
8 particular property mentioned in the recorded abstract pro-
9 vided for in section fifty-three (e) of this act, showing that the
10 same have all been paid, the clerk of the county court of the
11 county in which said abstract is recorded is hereby authorized
12 and empowered to release the lien of such assessment as to
13 any such real estate by noting a release thereof on the record
14 of the lien as to such real estate in the margin of the trust
15 deed book where the same is recorded, and such annotation by
16 such clerk shall have the effect to release such real estate from
17 such lien, as effectively as a regularly executed and recorded
18 release thereof.

Sec. 53 (g) The proceeds of any such certificates, where the
2 same are not assigned or transferred to the contractor, shall
3 be applied to the payment of the cost of the making of the
4 improvement provided for in section fifty-three (a) hereof, to-
5 gether with all costs of advertising, engineering charges, at-
6 torney fees and other miscellaneous charges which may arise
7 directly or indirectly by reason of the making of said improve-
8 ments.
Sec. 53 (h) Any certificate issued by the city of Hollidays Cove under the provisions hereof, shall be and constitute a lien in the hands of the holder of any such certificate or certificates, upon the real estate in said certificate described, subsequent in priority only to tax liens, and the payment thereof may be enforced in the name of the holder of said certificate or certificates by a proper suit in equity, in any court having jurisdiction to enforce a lien upon the property in said certificate or certificates mentioned, and in the same manner in which a vendor’s lien on real estate is enforced.

Sec. 53 (i) The city of Hollidays Cove, in the issuing, transferring and sale of any such certificate or certificates, shall under no circumstance or circumstances be held liable for the payment thereof, or any part thereof, or any interest thereon, either as a guarantor, or in any other manner whatsoever.

Sec. 53 (j) Upon entering any decree pertaining to the enforcement of any street improvement lien created by this act, the court having jurisdiction thereof shall assess as part of the court costs in said action a reasonable compensation to be paid by the defendant to the attorney for the plaintiff for his services to the plaintiff in connection with the enforcement of said lien, and as well, shall charge to the defendant all other costs necessary or incidental to the enforcement of the lien created under the provisions of section fifty-three (h) of this act.

Sec. 53 (k) Whenever said city shall issue or be about to issue any certificates for the construction or improvement of any street or alley, or the construction or improvement of any sewer or sewer system, there shall be submitted to the attorney general, for his approval or disapproval of the validity thereof, duly certified copies of all orders, notices, advertisements, affidavits, records and proceedings connected with or pertaining to the issuance of said certificates. The attorney general shall thereupon either approve or disapprove the validity of said certificates, and attach or stamp thereon his certificate to the effect that said certificates have been approved or disapproved, as the case may be, by virtue of the authority of this act.

He shall keep on file in his office all the papers pertaining to any certificate issue submitted to him, and shall record his findings of approval or disapproval in a well-bound book kept
for that purpose in his office, which shall be kept open for in-
spection during business hours, to any person in interest.

Sec. 53 (1) Upon approving or disapproving any such cer-
tificates, the said attorney general shall immediately notify the
said city of his action, either by mail or telegram, or both, and
shall, as soon as can be done, notify the people in the political
division wherein such improvements are to be made, of his
approval or disapproval, by notice published in one issue of
some newspaper of general circulation in such political di-
vision.

Sec. 53 (m) After ten days shall have elapsed from the date
of the last publication of the notice by the attorney general
in the preceding paragraph mentioned, the said certificates,
the validity of which have been approval by the attorney
general, shall then become incontestable and shall be valid
and binding obligations against the property in said certifi-
cate mentioned, and the validity thereof shall not be con-
tested thereafter in any court of law or equity: Provided, how-
ever, That any person in interest within said political division,
feeling aggrieved by the action of the attorney general in ap-
proving or disapproving the validity of such certificates, may
within ten days after the date of the publication of the notice
provided for in section fifty-three (1) hereof (but not after said
ten days), present his or her petition to the supreme court of
appeals, or to a judge thereof in vacation, praying that the
action of the attorney general in approving or disapproving as
aforesaid, be reversed or modified; and if said court, or a judge
thereof in vacation, be of the opinion to hear and determine
the matters in said petition set out, the case shall be proceeded
with as in cases of original jurisdiction, the petitioner shall
file with the clerk of the court a bond with securities to be
approved by him, and in such sum as the court or judge may
fix, for the payment of such costs as may be awarded against
him in said court. The clerk of the court shall forthwith no-
tify the attorney general of any action taken by the court or
judge in vacation, upon such petition, and shall also notify the
clerk of the city of Hollidays Cove; and for the hearing thereof
the attorney general shall file with the clerk of said court all
the papers, documents, evidence and records or certified copies
thereof, which were before him and on which he based his ap-
proval or disapproval, and before the date fixed for a final
hearing, he shall file with the clerk of said court, a written
33 statement of his reasons for the approval or disapproval of
34 said certificates. Upon the submission of the case, the court
35 shall decide the matters in controversy, and enter such order
36 thereon as to it may seem to be just; but hearings upon such
37 cases shall have precedence upon those arising upon appeals
38 and writs of error.

Sec. 53 (n) The cost of publishing the notice to property own-
2 ers directed to be made in the three preceding sections, and the
3 cost of certifying and copying all records, papers and pro-
4 ceedings to be used by the attorney general in passing upon
5 the validity of such certificates, and all necessary expenses in-
6 curred by the attorney general in connection with any issue
7 of certificates, shall be paid by the abutting property owners
8 in the same manner as the actual cost of the construction or
9 improvement made, if the same be finally approved; and if the
10 same be finally disapproved, such expense shall be paid out of
11 the general fund of the city of Hollidays Cove.

Sec. 53 (o) Any certificate or certificates issued under the pro-
2 vision of this act shall be payable in full at such time when
3 any interest thereon is payable, upon notice to the holder
4 thereof in writing, if the holder be known, or, if the holder
5 is unknown, then by publication of such notice in some news-
6 paper of general circulation in said city, once a week for four
7 successive weeks prior to the date when such interest is pay-
8 able, which notice shall state the number of said certificate or
9 certificates desired to be redeemed, together with a description
10 of the property covered by said certificates. Should the holder
11 of any such certificate or certificates fail or refuse to produce
12 to the party entitled thereto, such certificate or certificates
13 at the time mentioned in said notice, and turn over such cer-
14 tificate or certificates and release the lien created thereby, under
15 the provisions hereof, upon tender of payment at such time of
16 the principal of such certificate or certificates in full, together
17 with any accrued interest thereon, then all interest upon any
18 such certificate or certificates, unaccrued, shall forthwith cease.

Sec. 53. (p) Any certificate or interest coupon mentioned
2 in this act and issued for the purpose or purposes mentioned in
3 section fifty-three (a) hereof, shall be sufficient if the same be in
4 form or effect as follows:
5
6 CERTIFICATE.
7 KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

8 THAT, WHEREAS, The City of Hollidays Cove, in the Counties of Hancock and Brooke, in the State of West Virginia, has made, or is about to make certain constructions or improvements upon a certain street (or upon certain streets) of said City, in accordance with Chapter .................................,

9 Sections 53 (a) to 53 (o), both inclusive, of the Acts of the Legislature of West Virginia for the year 1931, and in accordance with a certain order or resolution of the council of said City, adopted on the .................. day of ..........., 19......; and,

10 WHEREAS, Such constructions or improvements abut certain real estate of .................................., described as follows: (Here copy description); and,

11 WHEREAS, The Council of said City has levied upon said property an assessment of .................. Dollars to pay the pro rata share of said property, and the owner thereof in and to the cost of such construction or improvement. Now, therefore,

12 THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH: That the now owner of the property hereinbefore described, ..........heirs and assigns, are obligated to pay to the holder hereof, on or before the ........ day of ..........., 19......, the sum of .................. Dollars, with interest thereon from the date hereof, at the rate of six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually until paid, being one-tenth of the total assessment levied against said property, in accordance with the said Order or Resolution of Council, entered on the .......... day of ..........., 19......

13 This certificate is one of a series of ten certificates of like tenor or effect, dated an even date herewith, and is payable both as to principal and interest at the office of the Peoples Bank of Hollidays Cove, West Virginia, or at the office of the Clerk of the City of Hollidays Cove, the interest being payable only upon presentation of interest coupons, hereto attached, as they severally become due.

14 The assessment herein mentioned shall constitute a lien upon the property herein mentioned, but the said City of Hollidays Cove shall under no circumstance or circumstances, be held liable for the payment of this certificate or any part thereof, or any interest thereon, either as a guarantor or in any other manner whatsoever.

15 Failure to pay this certificate or any interest thereon within
sixty days from the date when the same is due and payable
shall forthwith operate to cause the entire unpaid amount of
the whole assessment of $......................... Dollars
to become due and payable.

In Witness Whereof, The City of Hollidays Cove has
caused this certificate to be signed by its Mayor, countersigned
by its Clerk, and its corporate seal to be hereunto attached,
this, the............. day of .........., 19......

CITY OF HOLLIDAYS COVE,

Hancock and Brooke Counties, West Virginia.

[CorporatE Seal]

By.........................

Mayor.

Countersigned:

..........................

Clerk.

INTEREST COUPON.

On the............. day of .........., 19......, the
holder hereof is entitled to collect..........................

Dollars, being one-half year interest upon Certificate No.
........................ of the City of Hollidays Cove, West Virginia,
subject to all the provisions of said certificate.

........................................

Clerk.

Sec. 54. Whenever the council shall deem it expedient to
cause any street or alley in said city, or portion thereof to
be paved, curbed or macadamized or otherwise improved in a
permanent manner, upon the petition in writing of persons
owning the greater amount of the frontage of the lots abutting
on both sides of any street or alley, between any two cross
streets or between a cross street and an alley, it shall order the
work done in the following manner and upon the following
terms: The contract for such paving or other improvements
shall after due advertisement in which the council shall reserve
the right to reject any and all bids, be let to the lowest re-
sponsible bidder. Except where the improvement is paid for
by the issuance of certificates as in this act is provided, the
contractor shall look only to the city for the payment of the
work, and in no sense to the abutting land owners. The total
cost of curbing, grading and paving or otherwise improving
17-18 any such street or alley, with the exception in the case of a
19 street occupied by street-car tracks or other railways of the
19a distance between the rails and two additional feet outside of
20 each rail, which portion shall be borne and paid entirely by the
21 street-car or other railway company operating such street or
22 other railway (unless otherwise provided by the franchise of
22a such street-car or other railway company granted previous to
23 the passage of this act) shall be borne by the owners of land
24 abutting upon said street, alley or portion thereof, according
25 to the following plan, that is to say: Payment is to be made
26 by all lands owners on either side of such portion of a street
27 or block so paved or improved, in such portion of the total cost,
28 less the portion, if any, chargeable to such street-car or other
29 railway company, as the frontage in feet of his land so abut-
30 ting bears to the total frontage of all land so abutting on such
31 street, alley or portion thereof so paved or improved as afore-
32 said. The cost of such paving or improvement chargeable to
33 the abutting owners is not to include any portion or amount
34 paid for paving of squares at intersection of streets, which
35 shall in all cases be borne and paid by this city. When the
36 paving of any street or alley, or portion thereof, shall have
37 been let to contract, it shall be the duty of the engineer of
38 such city to cause the several frontages abutting thereon to be
39 measured and to calculate the assessment upon each and every
40 land owner so abutting, adding to the contract price all other
41 charges, costs and expenses necessary to complete said im-
42 provements and to certify the same to the council showing the
43 proper amount to be determined as provided in the foregoing
44 plan. It shall be the duty of the council to examine and com-
45 pare such assessment, amounts and names so certified to it,
46 and thereupon said council shall give notice by publication for
47 one issue in some newspaper of general circulation in said city,
48 that an assessment under this section is about to be laid against
49 the abutting property for paving or improvements done on
50 said streets or alleys, describing the location of such paving
51 or improvements, and any owner or owners thereof shall have
52 the right to appear before said council within two weeks from
53 such publication thereof, and move said council to correct any
54 apportionment or assessment excessively or improperly made
55 as charged, with corrections said council shall have the power
56 to make, and if found to be correct, or when corrected by the
57 council, as aforesaid, it shall enter the same together with a
description of the lots of land as to location, frontage, depth
and ownership, so far as the same may be ascertained, upon
its records, and to enter in its records that such owners and
lots be assessed and chargeable with the amount so ascertained
to be borne by them, respectively, and when so approved, cer-
tified and entered of record, the same shall be and constitute
an assessment against said owners and lots for such respective
amounts. And except where the cost of such improvement is
paid by the issuance of certificates, it shall be the duty of the
Council to immediately certify such assessments to the treasurer
for collection as herein provided, and a copy of said order shall
be certified by the clerk to the clerk of the county court of the
county wherein said property is situated, who shall be required
to record and index the same in the property trust deed book
in the name of each person against whose property assessments
appear therein. The amounts so assessed against said abutting
land owners shall be paid in ten payments as follows: That
is to say, one-tenth of said amount, together with interest on
the whole assessment for one year, shall be paid unto the city
treasurer of the city, or the holders of any assessment cer-
tificate before the first day of May next after said assessments
have been certified to the county clerk. And a like one-tenth,
together with interest for one year upon the whole amount re-
mainung unpaid on or before the first day of May in each suc-
ceeding year thereafter, until all has been paid and each of
said installments of one-tenth, beginning with the first, shall
bear interest on the amount of said installment at six per
centum per annum from the date of the making of the assess-
ment as herein provided, until paid: Provided, however, That
any abutting owner so liable for any portion of the cost of
such paving shall have the right at any time after the same is
certified as aforesaid, to the treasurer for collection, to antici-
pate the payment of any or all of said assessments, and shall
be allowed to pay the face of said assessment with interest at
six per centum per annum only to the time of payment. To
each of such installment of assessments remaining unpaid in
the treasurer's hands on the days herein specified for the pay-
ment thereof, a penalty of ten per centum shall be added and
except in cases where certificates are issued, any assessments
so remaining unpaid in the treasurer's hands on such date
shall be taken up by the council, and thereupon such council shall place such assessments with the penalty added thereto, in the hands of the city treasurer or other officer of said city, whose duty it is to collect delinquent taxes and assessments to be treated and considered, and payment thereof enforced in all respects as herein provided for the collection of taxes due the city, and they shall be a lien upon the property liable therefor, the same as for taxes, which lien may be enforced in the same manner as provided for taxes. The liens hereinbefore provided for shall have priority over all other liens, except those for taxes due the state and shall be on a parity with taxes and assessments due the city. Whenever all such assessments for paving, sewerage or curbing, macadamizing or other improvements shall be paid in full to the treasurer, he shall deliver to the party paying the same a release of a lien therefor, which may be recorded in the office of the clerk of the county court as other releases of liens, and whenever any such assessments shall be shown to the satisfaction of the mayor or other official performing the duties of mayor, to have been paid in full to any officer entitled to receive the same, such mayor or official may in like manner execute such release.

Sec. 55. Whenever the council shall order the construction of any public sewer in said city, the owners of the property abutting upon any street in which such sewer shall be constructed, shall be charged with and liable for sewerage assessments as follows: When a contract has been let for said sewer, the engineer of such city shall report to the council, in writing, the total cost of such sewerage, including all costs, charges and expenses necessary to complete same, and a description of the lots of land as to the location, frontage, depth, and ownership liable for such sewer assessment, so far as the same may be ascertained, together with the amount chargeable against each lot and owner, estimated on the basis of one dollar per foot for inside lots, and one dollar and twenty-five cents per foot for corner lots, frontage measures on said sewer being considered, except that such estimate as to corner lots fronting thereon and having a greater depth than one hundred and fifty feet shall be estimated at one dollar and fifty cents per foot frontage, and any lot having a depth of two hundred feet or more and fronting on two streets, one in front and another in the rear of said lot, shall be assessed on both of said streets, if a sewer is con-
21 structured on both streets, or if fronting on a street running back
22 two hundred feet or more to an alley, shall be assessed on both
23 the street and the alley if a sewer shall be constructed on both
24 street and alley; where a corner lot has been assessed on one
25 end, it shall not be assessed on the side; and thereupon said
26 council shall give like notice by publication as is required in
27 case of street paving assessments, and the same rights shall
28 exist as to the persons and property affected and the same duty
29 as to corrections by said council as are prescribed with reference
30 to paving, which report shall in like manner be examined by
31 the council, and if found to be correct or corrected as aforesaid,
32 and such estimated assessments to be a fair and equitable ap-
33 portionment of the cost of such sewer, it shall enter an order
34 upon its record setting forth such location, depth, ownership
35 and said amount of such sewer assessment, against each, respec-
36 tively, calculated as aforesaid, and the entry of such order shall
37 constitute and be an assessment for such proportion and amount
38 so fixed therein against such respective owners and lots, and if
39 after such advertisement, notice and hearing said council shall
40 find that such apportionment at such rate is unjust, or in-
41 equitable, it shall ascertain, fix and assess the cost thereof
42 among and upon the abutting owners respectively, justly and
43 equitably, and in like manner assess and enter the amount so
44 fixed respectively upon its records, and the council shall, in
45-55 either event thereupon certify the same to the treasurer for
46 collection, and certify a copy of such order to the clerk of the
47 county court of the county wherein said abutting property is
48 situate, who shall record the same in the proper trust deed book,
49 and index the same in the name of each owner of any such lot
50 so charged with such assessment, and such assessment so made
51 shall constitute and be a lien upon said lots respectively, which
52 shall have priority over all other liens except those for taxes
53 due the state, and shall be a parity with other taxes and assess-
54 ments due the city and shall be paid by the parties liable there-
55 for to the said treasurer or to the party holding any certificate
56 as in this act is provided, at all times in the manner and with
57 the attendant penalties for failure to pay promptly at the time
58 prescribed in all respects as hereinbefore provided in the case of
59 assessments for paving streets and alleys in a permanent man-
60 ner, and the parties liable therefor shall in the same manner
61 and to the same extent have the right and be entitled to antici-
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72 pate any or all of such installments thereon as in such case pro-
73 vided. The liens herein and hereinbefore provided for street
74 paving, macadamizing, sewerage assessments and assessments
75 for other improvements shall constitute liens upon the real
76 estate upon which they are assessed, as against creditors of the
77 owners thereof, or purchasers for value, and without actual
78 notice of such liens only from and after the time that the state-
79 ment thereof certified as aforesaid, shall be filed for record in
80 the office of the clerk of the county court of the county wherein
81 said abutting property is situate.

Sec. 56. Whenever it is deemed expedient by the council of
2 said city to provide for the grading, paving, curbing, sewer ing,
3 macadamizing or otherwise improving any street or alley there-
4 in, or constructing any sanitary sewer, to be paid for in whole
5 or in part by special assessments, said council shall declare by
6 resolution, three-fifths of the whole number elected thereto con-
7 curring by an aye and no vote, the necessity of such improve-
8 ment. At the time of the passage of said resolution, the council
9 shall have on file in the office of the city clerk, plans, specifica-
10 tions, estimates and profiles of the proposed improvements,
11 showing the proposed grade of the street and improvement,
12 after completion, with reference to the property abutting there-
13 on, which plans, specifications, estimates and profiles shall be
14 open to the inspection of all persons interested. Said resolu-
15 tion shall determine the general nature of the improvement,
16 what shall be the grade of the street, alley or other public
17 place to be improved, as well as the grade or elevation of the
18 curbs, and said council shall approve the plans, specifications,
19 estimates and profiles for the proposed improvement. Council
20 shall also determine in said resolution the method of paying
21 for the work contemplated in said plans and specifications,
22 whether by an appropriation for funds in the treasury un-
23 appropriated, or whether or not by the issuance of certificates
24 as in this act is provided, or whether or not bonds shall be
25 issued in anticipation of the collection of special assessments
26 to be made against the abutting property owners, as provided
27 for in this chapter. Assessments shall be payable in ten install-
28 ments as provided for herein. The resolution herein provided
29 for, declaring the necessity for such improvement, shall, after
30 its adoption, be published in some newspaper of general circu-
31 lation in the city for one issue of such newspaper, and an affi-
Sec. 57. A notice of the passage of the resolution required in the last preceding section, embodying a copy of said resolution, shall be served upon the owner of each piece of property to be assessed, said service to be made in the manner provided in section one of chapter one hundred and twenty-one of Barnes' code of West Virginia of one thousand nine hundred twenty-three: Provided, That if any of the owners or persons be not residents of the county wherein said improvement is proposed, or if it appears by the return in any case that the owner cannot be found, then a notice of the passage of said resolution shall be published in some newspaper of general circulation in the city in which said improvement is proposed to be made, once a week for two successive weeks, and such notice, whether by service or publication, shall be completed at least three days before said improvement is begun or the assessment is levied and the return of the officer serving such notice or a certified copy of said return, or where published, the certificate of the publisher of said newspaper shall be prima facie evidence of the service of the notice as herein required. Provided further, That if the owner be a railroad company or other corporation, that notice shall be served upon some agent or attorney for said railroad company or corporation, within Hancock or Brooke county: Provided, That there be such agent or attorney for said railroad company or corporation within such county, and such service shall be made two weeks before said improvement is begun or the assessment is levied. Notice upon infants may be served on their guardians and upon insane persons by service upon their committee.

Sec. 58. Except as otherwise in this act provided, the city shall pay the cost of paving the intersections at all cross streets (but not including the places where private alleys or private crossings cross the sidewalk, which shall be paid by the owner or owners of said private alley or crossing at the time the paving is laid on said crossing): Provided, That whenever special assessments shall be hereafter levied under the provisions of this chapter, made for the improvement of any street or other public place (other than sidewalks) the property so
assessed shall not, except where otherwise herein so provided, again be assessed for more than half the cost and expense of repaving or repairing such street or other place, unless the grade be changed; but, this exception shall not apply to the paving of streets or other public places which were paved or improved before the passage of this act.

Sec. 61. In any case in which special assessments have been or shall hereafter be made upon property for the construction of any improvements authorized by this act, and several kinds of material have been named in the ordinance or ordinances providing for the same, and on which bids have been received for the construction of said improvement with any, either or all of said materials, said assessments shall be valid and binding assessments upon the property so assessed. In the case of the construction of sewers required under the provisions of this act, notice of the passage of said resolution as provided for herein shall be made in the manner provided for in case of paving.

Sec. 73. It is hereby provided that any assessment, whether the same be special or otherwise made upon property for any of the purposes provided for in this act, may be collected in any one of three ways:

First: By levy upon the personal property of the party or parties against whom the said assessment is made.

Second: By returning delinquent to the auditor the real estate of the party or parties against whom the said assessment is made, in which case they shall be returned by the auditor to the sheriff and the real estate sold by the sheriff the same as provided by general law for the collection of state and county taxes, or

Third: By a suit in chancery in the circuit court of Hancock county, West Virginia, wherein the court may enter a decree appointing a special commissioner to sell the real estate upon which a lien is created by the provisions of this act by reason of any improvements herein mentioned and the proceeds of such sale shall be distributed as follows:

(1) To the payment of the costs and expenses of such suit and sale, including a reasonable fee to the attorney for the city for his services in connection with said suit.

(2) To the payment of such assessment, penalty and interest and the remainder, if any, shall be paid to the defendant owner or owners of such real estate.
Sec. 92. The mayor may, in his discretion, from time to time, appoint, discharge and subject to the limitations contained in this act, fix the salaries of such number of police officers, with such rank as he shall deem proper.

The jurisdiction of all police officers appointed by the mayor under the provisions of this act shall extend to all parts of the city of Hollidays Cove, and to such other parts of Brooke county, West Virginia, and Hancock county, West Virginia, as do not exceed five miles in distance from said city.

All police officers appointed by the mayor under the provisions of this act are hereby authorized and empowered, within their jurisdiction as herein provided, as follows:

First: To make arrests of any and all persons charged with the violation of any ordinance of the city, or of any law of this state, or of the United States, and, when a witness to the perpetration of any offense or crime, or to the violation of any ordinance of the city or of any law of this state or of the United States, may arrest without warrants; to arrest and detain any and all persons suspected of the commission of any felony or misdemeanor, whenever complaint is made and a warrant is issued thereon for such arrest, and any and all persons so arrested shall be forthwith brought before the proper tribunal for examination and trial in the city or county within their jurisdiction where the offense for which any such arrest has been made was committed.

Second: To serve criminal process issued by any court or justice of the peace, anywhere within their jurisdiction; Provided, however, That they shall not serve civil process.

Third: To cooperate with constables, sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, officers of the department of public safety, officers of the prohibition department, and federal authorities in detecting crime and in apprehending any person or persons engaged in or suspected of the commission of any crime, misdemeanor or offense against the law of this state, or of the United States.

Fourth: To serve and execute warrants for the arrest of any person and warrants for the search of any premises, issued by any properly constituted authority, and shall generally exercise all the powers conferred by law upon a sheriff, constable or any other peace officer of this state, except that they shall not serve any civil process or exercise any of the powers of such officers in matters of a civil nature.
Fifth: Any police officer appointed under the provisions hereof, knowing or having reason to believe that anyone has violated the law within their jurisdiction, may make complaint in writing before any court or officer having jurisdiction, and procure a warrant for such offender, execute the same, and bring such person before the proper tribunal having jurisdiction. Such police officer shall make return on all such warrants to said tribunal, and his official title shall be "police officer of the city of Hollidays Cove," and such return shall have the same effect as if made by a sheriff.

Sixth: All police officers appointed under the provisions of this act shall have the right, at any place within their jurisdiction, to carry about their person, or otherwise, any revolvers, pistols or other weapons who shall have first given bond before the clerk of said city, with surety to be approved by said clerk, in a penalty of not less than thirty-five hundred dollars, conditioned for their faithful performance of their respective duties, which said officers shall be liable under their said official bond, for the damages done by the unlawful or careless use of any such weapon, whether such bond is so conditioned or not.

Seventh: No police officer appointed under the provisions hereof shall do anything or act until he shall first have filed his affidavit before the clerk of said city of Hollidays Cove, which affidavit shall be in form or effect as follows:

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA,
COUNTY OF HANCOCK.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and of the State of West Virginia, and that I will perform my duties as police officer of the city of Hollidays Cove, West Virginia, to the best of my skill and judgment, so help me God.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this ............... day of ....... ...... ... ... ... ...

Notary Public.

Sec. 92 (a). In addition to all such police officers, if any, as may be appointed by the mayor under the provisions of this act, the council may, in regular or special session, a majority of the members elected to said council concurring therein by an aye and no vote, appoint such additional number of police
6 officers as in the judgment of council is proper, and shall in 7 the same order or resolution provide for the compensation of 8 any such police officer or police officers so appointed by it: 9 Provided, however, That no police officer appointed by council 10 or by the mayor, under the provisions of this act, shall receive 11 a greater salary than three thousand dollars a year. 12 The jurisdiction, rights, authority and powers of all police 13 officers appointed by council under the provisions hereof shall 14 be the same in every respect as is provided in section ninety-two 15 hereof, for police officers appointed by the mayor.

Sec. 92 (b). Police officers appointed under the provisions of 2 this act by the mayor may be discharged by the mayor at his 3 will, or they may be discharged by the council at any regular 4 or special meeting thereof, all of the members of council at- 5 tending such meeting voting in favor of such discharge: Pro- 6 vided, however, That no police officer, appointed by the mayor, 7 shall be discharged by council until he shall receive at least 8 five days’ notice from the clerk of said council, stating that at a 9 time to be mentioned in said notice, the council will take up the 10 matter of his retention or discharge.

Sec. 92 (c). Where any police officer or police officers is or 2 are appointed by council under the provisions of this act, he, she 3 or they may be discharged only by council, a majority of the 4 members of council attending the meeting at which such dis- 5 charge is acted upon voting in favor of such discharge: Pro- 6 vided, That no advance notice, in this instance, of the contem- 7 plated action of council, need be given any such police officer 8 or police officers.

Sec. 103. The council shall have authority to levy and collect 2 any annual tax on real estate and personal property in said 3 city, and to impose a license and assess a tax thereon on wheeled 4 vehicles for public hire, and for all dogs kept within said city, 5 and to impose a tax upon all other subjects of taxation under 6 the several laws of the state which shall be uniform with respect 7 to persons and property within the jurisdiction of said city, 8 and shall only be levied on such property, real, personal and 9 mixed, on which the state imposes a tax: Provided, That no 10 greater levy shall be laid by said council on taxable property 11 of said city than one dollar upon each one hundred dollars of 12 the assessed valuation of the property of the municipality,
13 unless such greater levy shall be authorized by a vote of the
14 people at an election held pursuant to said chapter nine of the
15 acts of the legislature of the year one thousand nine hundred
16 eight, and subject to all the provisions of chapter eight and any
17 and all amendments thereto, except as herein provided. There
18 shall be a tax of two dollars annually assessed on each and
19 every inhabitant of said city over the age of twenty-one years,
20 who is subject to a capitation tax under the laws of the state
21 of West Virginia. The same shall be set out and included in
22 the personal property book against every such inhabitant, and
23 shall be collected under the authority of the city at the time of
24 collecting other levies and taxes.

Sec. 103 (a). All property, whether real, personal or mixed,
2 of every nature whatsoever, which under the provisions of sec-
3 tion two of this act is located within the boundaries of the city of
4 Hollidays Cove, shall be liable for taxes assessed by the council
5 of said city, for the year one thousand nine hundred thirty-
6 one, regardless of whether or not such property was located
7 within the boundary lines of the city of Hollidays Cove prior
8 to the passage and approval of this act.

Sec. 104. The city treasurer or tax collector shall have the
2 power to collect the city taxes except as otherwise provided in
3 this act, and he shall also have power to collect the city claims
4 which may be placed in his hands by the council for collection,
5 except that fines imposed by the police judge or mayor shall not
6 be collected by him.
7 All acts and parts of acts in conflict with this act are hereby
8 repealed.

CHAPTER 76

(Senate Bill No. 215—By Mr. Smith)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact certain sections of chapter eleven
of the acts of the legislature of one thousand nine hundred
and twenty-one (municipal charters), as amended, in whole or
in part, by chapter seventy-seven of the general acts of one
thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, and chapter twenty-
seven of the acts of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-
five (municipal charters), and chapter seventeen of the acts
of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven (municipal
charters), and chapter eleven of the acts of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine (municipal charters), in relation to the charter of the city of Huntington.

[Passed March 12, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections three, eighteen, twenty, thirty, forty-three, forty-four, seventy-five, seventy-six, seventy-seven, and seventy-eight of the acts of the legislature of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one (municipal charters), if and as amended, in whole or in part, by chapter seventy-seven of the general acts of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, and chapter twenty-seven of the acts of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five (municipal charters), and chapter seventeen of the acts of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven (municipal charters), and chapter eleven of the acts of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine (municipal charters), in relation to the charter of the city of Huntington, be amended by changes, additions and/or consolidations, and reenacted so as to read as follows:

That section three be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated section three(a), as follows:

Section 3(a). That all of the territory added to the corporate limits of the city of Huntington by chapter eleven of the acts of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine (municipal charters), shall be and remain a part of the first ward of said city, as heretofore established, bounded and described by and in section three.

Sec. 18. In addition to the municipal authorities mentioned in sections four and seven of this act, the city shall have a city clerk, treasurer, auditor, police judge, city attorney, chief of police, chief of fire department, city engineer, and such other officers and agents now existing and as the board of commissioners may hereafter change or create. The board of commissioners shall have the right to abolish any office which now
8 exists, or to combine the duties of two or more offices, but it
9 shall not have the power to create any new office except by
10 ordinance made and adopted in the manner provided in this
11 act. The mayor shall have the sole and exclusive right to name
12 and appoint the police judge, the chief of police, chief of the
13 fire department, and the city jailer, and all other officers in the
14 police department and fire department who as such are not
15 under civil service.
16 All other officers and employees of the city (excepting those
17 under civil service) shall be named, appointed and elected by
18 the board of commissioners.

Sec. 20. Candidates to be voted for at any general municipal
2 election for mayor or for the other members of the board of
3 commissioners, or members of the citizens board, shall be nomi-
4 nated on the fourth Monday in April preceding such election,
5 in the same manner as candidates for state and county offices
6 are nominated under the general election laws of the state.

Sec. 30. All officers appointed exclusively by the mayor (as
2 provided in section eighteen) shall hold their respective offices
3 at the pleasure of the mayor, and may be removed from office
4 by the mayor for or without cause, and all officers who are
5 appointed by the board of commissioners shall hold their re-
6 spective offices at the pleasure of the board, and may be removed
7 from office by the board for or without cause.

Sec. 43. If there shall occur at any time a vacancy in the
2 office of mayor or in the office of commissioner, by death, resig-
3 nation or removal from office hereinafter provided, the citizens
4 board shall fill such vacancy by appointment for the unexpired
5 term, and for that purpose the citizens board shall immediately
6 convene; but the person so appointed to fill any such vacancy
7 shall be of the same political party as the mayor or commis-
8 sioner whose office is vacated.
9 If the citizens board, after an investigation and hearing,
10 should find that the mayor or any commissioner is permanently
11 incapacitated for the performance of his duties during the re-
12 mainder of his term of office, the board may, by a vote of two-
13 thirds of its members, declare the office vacant. The mayor or
14 any commissioner may also be removed from office for cause
15 as provided in said act of one thousand nine hundred and
16 twenty-one. The person so appointed shall take and subscribe
to the oath of office and execute bond required by said act of
one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one.

Sec. 44. That section forty-four be amended by adding there-
2 to a new section, designated forty-four(a).

Sec. 44(a). The mayor shall, on entering upon the duties of
2 his office, designate and file with the city clerk (and shall
3 record the same in the minute book) the name of one of the
4 other two commissioners as vice-mayor of the city, which other
5 commissioner so designated shall, under the title of vice-mayor,
6 perform the duties of the mayor, so far as required, by the
7 mayor, during the absence of the mayor from the city or when
8 required by the citizens board while he is otherwise temporarily
9 incapacitated.

Sec. 75. The city shall create a board of five to be styled
2 "the civil service board", consisting of four members and
3 the president of the citizens board, ex officio, who shall pre-
4 side at all meetings of the board, but shall have the right to
5 vote only in case of a tie on any question arising before the
6 board. The citizens board shall appoint two members for the
7 board from each of the dominant political parties of the city,
8 and who shall not be a member of the citizens board or hold
9 an office or position with the city.
10 A member of the civil service board may be removed from
11 office in the manner and for the causes provided for the re-
12 moval of the mayor. The term of office of the members of
13 said board shall be the same as that for which the mayor was
14 elected.
15 The duties of the civil service board shall be to examine
16 and certify all applications for positions in the police depart-
17 ment or fire department, except the chiefs thereof; to hear and
18 determine all appeals made by members of either of those
19 departments, who are under civil service; to hear evidence,
20 summons witnesses and render judgments in all cases in which
21 charges have been preferred against any officer of either of
22 those departments; to make promotions, upon the recommenda-
23 tion of the mayor, of members of either of the departments
24 when it is deemed advisable for increased efficiency; to pre-
25 scribe rules for the conduct of the members and officers of
26 those departments; to make rules and regulations governing
27 the actions of the board and to keep the same in the records
28 of its proceedings.
29 The civil service board shall hold meetings for the purpose
30 of examining and certifying the eligibles to the appointment
31 of the police department and fire department, and to that end
32 shall give at least ten days’ public notice of the time, place and
33 purpose of such meetings. The board may be called into
34 special session by its president or by a majority of its members
35 for the purpose of disposing of any matters coming within its
36 purview. The board shall hold at least two meetings during
37 any calendar year, and as many more meetings as may be
38 necessary to meet the requirements for the efficient manage-
39 ment of its affairs.
40 The city clerk shall be ex-officio clerk of said board.
41 Appointments to the police department and fire department
42 shall be made from the applicants of said respective positions,
43 which applicants, under civil service examinations, receive an
44 average grade of sixty or more, giving preference to the ap-
45 plicant receiving the highest grade and whose grade certificate
46 is the oldest, and likewise making such appointments so as not
47 to give either of the dominant political parties in the city, as
48 nearly as may be, more than one-half of the total number of
49 men under civil service in either department. When the list
50 of names of applicants who are eligible as prescribed in this
51 section shall have been exhausted, or when either dominant
52 political party shall be entitled to appointment and there shall
53 be no member of such party eligible on the list, then such ap-
54 pointment may be made from the list of persons who may
55 apply therefor, disregarding those applicants who stood the
56 civil service examination and received thereon a grade below
57 sixty.
58 All persons now under civil service in either of said depart-
59 ments shall have advantage of civil service and shall continue
60 in office, unless removed for cause and in the manner provided
61 in this section.
62 The mayor, or chief of either the police department or fire
63 department by and with the mayor’s consent, may, as a matter
64 of discipline, suspend, without pay, for a period of not ex-
65 ceeding thirty days, any officer or member of either of those
66 departments, for just cause, by giving such officer or member
67 written notice of such suspension, defining the cause or causes
68 therefor. Such suspended officer or member shall have the
69 right, within ten days, but not later, to appeal to the civil
service board, if he deems such suspension unjust. If such
accused officer or member, upon a hearing before the civil
service board, is found not guilty, then he shall immediately
report for duty, and he shall be paid for the time lost by his
suspension. The mayor may, upon evidence which he deems
sufficient, dismiss any member of the police department or fire
department, by giving written notice to such person, clearly
defining the charges preferred against him, and fixing a time,
not later than ten days from that time, on which such member
may appear for trial before the civil service board; and should
the board, upon trial, find him guilty of the charges preferred,
the dismissal by the mayor shall stand affirmed, without pay
from the time of his dismissal by the mayor. But if such
person shall be acquitted of the charges preferred by the
mayor, he shall be reinstated to his position and shall be paid
for the time lost by him because of his dismissal by the mayor.
The action of the civil service board thereabout, in either of the
event of suspension or dismissal by the mayor as aforesaid,
shall be final, and no appeal therefrom shall lie.
The civil service board may make reasonable rules governing
the conduct of all persons while on duty and off duty, who are
under civil service; and the violation of such rules may be
cause for suspension or dismissal as provided in this section;
but causes for suspension or dismissal, as herein provided, is
not limited to the violation of said rules promulgated by the
board.
In making examinations and determining the fitness and
qualifications of applicants for positions the civil service board
shall take into consideration the size, age, health, physical ap-
pearance, habits, and moral surroundings of the applicant; and
after such examinations the board shall at once place on record
in the minutes of the civil service board the result of such
examination, giving the names of the applicants, positions
sought by them, and their respective percentages based on one
hundred, and stating the political party, if any, to which the
applicant holds allegiance.
All other acts and parts of acts coming within the purview
of this act, and inconsistent herewith, and not included in the
provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.
CHAPTER 77
(House Bill No. 297—By Mr. Rife)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section two of chapter eleven of the acts of the legislature (municipal charters) of one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine, relating to the charter of the city of Huntington.

[Passed February 26, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 2. Corporate limits.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section two of chapter eleven of the acts of the legislature (municipal charters) of one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine, relating to the charter of the city of Huntington, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 2. The corporate limits of the city of Huntington shall be as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a stake at low-water mark of the Ohio river, southerly side thereof, about a mile above the mouth of the Guyandotte river, in the west side of the Peck farm; thence southerly with the west line of the Peck farm to the top of the river hill; thence leaving the corporation line as heretofore established, and continuing southerly with the west line of the Peck farm and with the property lines in a general southerly direction to the south line of the Chesapeake and Ohio railway company right-of-way; thence easterly and with the said south right-of-way line of the Chesapeake and Ohio railway company to a point where said line intersects with the west line of Fifth street as shown upon plat number one of Altizer place, a map of which was filed in the county court clerk’s office of Cabell county, West Virginia; thence with the westerly line of said Fifth street southerly to the northerly line of state road number three (now known at this point as Riverside drive); thence westerly with the northerly line of said state road number three to the easterly line of the International Nickel company property; thence northerly with the east line of said International Nickel company property to the southerly right-of-way line of the Chesapeake and Ohio railway; thence westerly with the south line of said railway company right-of-way line to the top of the west bank of Pat’s branch; thence southwesterly with
the west bank of Pat's branch to the southerly line of state road number three; thence with said southerly line of said state road number three and therewith in an easterly direction to a point in said line where said state road number three turns in the southerly direction to cross the Guyan river; thence continuing with the west line of said state road number three southerly to the south bank of Guyan river; thence westerly with the south bank of the Guyan river to the east line of Elwood avenue, as said latter line is shown on a map of Arlington addition, Huntington, West Virginia, Arlington Land company, owners, a subdivision of said city of Huntington, which said map was made by R. W. Breece, engineer, and dated March twenty-eight, one thousand nine hundred twenty-five, a copy of which map is now filed in the office of the clerk of the county court of said Cabell county; thence in a southerly direction along and with the east side of Elwood avenue to the southerly side of Washington boulevard, as shown on said map; thence in an easterly direction with the southerly line of Washington boulevard continuing with the same to the point of juncture of Washington boulevard with Arlington boulevard, and thence continuing in a southerly direction with the westerly line of Arlington boulevard to a point which is five hundred feet south of the top of the bank of Guyan river; thence in an easterly direction at a right angle to Arlington boulevard to a point in the southeasterly corporation line of the city of Huntington, as heretofore constituted by chapter one hundred fifty of the acts of the legislature of one thousand nine hundred one; thence south and then westerly with said corporation line to the Huntington-Hamlin pike; thence in a straight line and westerly direction to a point on the west side of the McCoy (Eighth street) road two feet northeast of the northeasterly corner of the F. L. Weymouth land; thence westerly across the McCoy road to the northeasterly corner of the F. L. Weymouth land; thence following the northeasterly line of the F. L. Weymouth land and the northerly line of the land of F. L. and F. A. Weymouth to the intersection of the present corporation line at the left fork of Hisey creek; thence westerly with the northerly bank of the said left fork to its intersection with the right fork; thence westerly with the northerly bank of Hisey fork of Four Pole creek to a point in the center of the Hisey fork of Four Pole creek, a corner of Mrs. F. L. Whittaker and the Andrew J. Cox estate, thence in
a southerly direction and with the west line of the said Whittaker land to the southwesterly corner of same; thence continuing with the south line of the said Whittaker land in a southeasterly direction to a large white oak, a corner to the Wm. Long land (now Mullins), which is also the most southern corner to the said Whittaker land and on the Porter ridge, thence southwesterly with the Long and Overby (now Mullins) lands and with said Porter ridge to the northeast corner of the Ollis Simmons land; thence with the east line of said Simmons land and continuing with said Porter ridge to the northeast corner of Sam Simmons land; thence with the east line of said Sam Simmons land and the said Porter ridge in a southerly direction to the northeast corner of T. H. Reece's land; thence with the north line of same and with said Porter ridge in a southeasterly direction to the southeast corner of said Reece's land; thence with the east line of said Reece in a southerly direction and with said Porter Ridge to a locust stump, a corner to the said T. H. Reece and Oliver Morrow; thence in a southwesterly direction and with the line between said Reece and Morrow and continuing with said Porter ridge to the most southerly corner of said Reece's land and on top of said Porter ridge; thence leaving the said Reece and Morrow line and running through the said Oliver Morrow lands in a southwesterly direction and with the center of the main Porter ridge to the Wayne county line, and with Wayne county line in a northwesterly direction to a point in the south right-of-way of the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad right-of-way; thence continuing with the southerly line of the right-of-way of said railway company to the point of its intersection with the easterly corporation line of the town of Ceredo in Wayne county; thence in a northerly direction with the said east corporation line of the town of Ceredo to the southerly boundary line of the proposed state road; thence easterly with the said southerly boundary of the proposed state road, a distance of three hundred feet; thence due north to the northerly boundary of the proposed state road; thence westerly along the northerly boundary of the proposed state road to the said easterly corporation line of the town of Ceredo to the low-water mark of the southerly side of the Ohio
103 river; thence easterly with said low-water mark of the Ohio 104 river to the point of beginning.
105 Provided, That the territory embraced relating to that part 106 of the boundary line in Wayne county shall always remain in 107 Wayne county.

CHAPTER 78
(House Bill No. 257—By Mr. Fazenbaker)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact sections thirty and thirty-one, chapter eighty-nine, of the acts of the legislature of West Virginia, of one thousand nine hundred thirteen, passed on the third day of February, one thousand nine hundred thirteen; and known as the charter of the city of Keyser, relating to the authority of the city clerk, the city treasurer, collector and police judge; and repealing all acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act.

[Passed March 2, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 30. City clerk, term, oath of office and bond; duties as to records and city elections; notarial powers; to act as assessor; powers as assessor; city to furnish office; to be police judge; powers as police judge; appeal from decision; power to parole; record as police judge; to be city collector; powers and bond as city collector; monthly report to council; quarterly reports; to be city treasurer; may appoint deputies with approval of council.

Sec. 31. Powers and duties of treasurer; city depositors; payment of city warrants.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections thirty and thirty-one, of chapter eighty-nine, of the acts of the legislature of West Virginia of one thousand nine hundred thirteen, passed on the third day of February, one thousand nine hundred thirteen, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 30. The city clerk shall serve for a term of two years, unless sooner removed for cause. He shall, before entering upon the discharge of his duties as such clerk, take and subscribe to the oath of office prescribed in section fifteen of this act, and shall execute such bond covering his duties as clerk, treasurer, collector and police judge as shall be fixed by council which bond shall be approved by council and filed with the cashier of one of the banks in the city, known as a depository therefor, and a record showing the execution, approval and
10 filing of said bond shall be spread upon the minute books of
11 the city.
12 In addition to all the other duties prescribed in this act, the
13 city clerk shall keep the records of the council, and he, or his
14 deputy, shall be present at all regular and special meetings
15 of that body. It shall be his duty to properly record in a well-
16 bound book all the proceedings of council as well as a complete
17 record of all ordinances, franchises, bonds, permits and reso-
18 lutions adopted or passed by council, and to properly index the
19 same, for the convenience and inspection of the council, or any
20 city official or taxpayer.
21 Before any business at any regular meeting of the council is
22 undertaken it shall be the duty of the clerk to read publicly
23 to the council the minutes of all regular or special meetings
24 of that body, not theretofore read or approved, and upon
25 approval of same by council, the signatures of the mayor and
26 clerk shall forthwith be affixed. All records of council so
27 approved and signed, or duly authenticated copy thereof,
28 signed by the clerk and under the seal of the city, shall be
29 admitted as evidence in any proper case in any court in this
30 state.
31 The city clerk, except as may be otherwise herein provided,
32 shall be the custodian of the records and papers of the city
33 and the seal of the city, which shall be kept by him at
34 his office, and the records and papers shall be open to public
35 inspection at all proper hours. He shall, acting under existing
36 laws, insofar as they are not in conflict with this act, perform
37 such duties relating to all city elections held under this act,
38 as the clerks of the circuit or county courts perform, under
39 state laws, in relation to the holding of general or special
40 elections; and he shall likewise be the custodian of all regis-
41 tration books, ballot boxes, ballots, tally sheets, etc., pertaining
42 to all municipal elections.
43 The city clerk shall have power within the municipality to
44 administer oaths and take acknowledgments of deeds and other
45 instruments required by law to be acknowledged, in the same
46 manner and with like effect and under the same penalties as
47 notaries public, justices of the peace and other officers of the
48 state are authorized to administer oaths, or take acknowledg-
49 ments, under state laws.
50 It shall be the duty of the city clerk, who shall be the as-
sessor, to make an assessment of the property within the city subject to taxation, substantially in the manner and form in which assessments are made by the assessor of the county, and return the same to the council on or before the first day of August in each year, and for the purpose he shall have all powers conferred by law on county assessors. He shall list the number of dogs in the city and the names of the persons owning the same, which list shall be returned to the council. In order to aid the said council in ascertaining the property and tithables subject to taxation by said city, the city clerk (who shall act as assessor) of said city shall have access to all books and public records of Mineral county without expense to said city or assessor, and he shall also have the same power and be subject to the same penalties in ascertaining and assessing the property and subjects of taxation in said city as are granted and imposed upon the county assessors throughout the state by the general state law, and the council shall also have authority to prescribe by ordinance such other rules and regulations as may be necessary to enable and require such assessor to ascertain and properly assess all property and tithables liable to be taxed by said city so that such assessment and taxation shall be uniform, and to enforce such ordinance by reasonable fines and penalties. And the said city assessor, making the valuation for assessment shall make the same assessment for both real and personal property as the assessor of said county for the assessment year assessed by the county assessor. The city clerk shall have an office in the city hall, council chamber or such other place as the council may designate and provide. He shall keep his office open for at least three consecutive hours in the forenoon and afternoon of each day.

In addition to the duties hereinbefore set out and otherwise provided in this act, the city clerk shall by virtue of his office be the police judge of the city, and his oath of office and the conditions of his bond shall extend to and cover his duties and obligations as police judge. The city clerk, shall, as such police judge, be ex officio a justice of the peace with authority to issue warrants or other process for all offenses within the police jurisdiction of the city, of which a justice of the peace has jurisdiction under state laws, and for all violations of any city ordinance. In order to preserve the peace and good order of the city and protect the persons and property therein, ri-
ous and disorderly persons in the city may be arrested and
detained before issuing any warrant therefor. He shall hold
daily session of his said court, Sundays excepted. He shall
have and exercise all of the civil jurisdiction conferred by law
upon justices of the peace, and before proceeding to act in
such capacity, he shall file with the clerk of the county court
of Mineral county, a certificate from the mayor of said city
showing his appointment and qualifications as city clerk, and
shall thereupon take the oath and execute the bond required
to be taken and executed by justices of the peace.

The police judge may commit persons charged with felony
or misdemeanor to jail or take bond for their appearance be-
fore the grand jury, but he shall receive no fees or other com-
penation for such services; he shall have power to issue ex-
ecutions for all fines, penalties and costs imposed by him, and
he may require the immediate payment thereof, and in de-
fault of such payment may commit the person so in default
to jail, until the fine and penalty and costs shall be paid or
satisfied, and anyone so committed may be required to work
during imprisonment, as required by council.

If any person is sentenced to imprisonment, or any person
or corporation is assessed with a fine of ten dollars or more,
such person or corporation shall be allowed an appeal from
said decision of the police judge to the circuit court of Min-
eral county, upon the execution of an appeal bond with surety
deemed sufficient and approved by the police judge in a pen-
aty double such fine and costs conditioned that the person or
corporation proposing to appeal will perform and satisfy any
judgment which may be rendered against him or it by said
court on such appeal; and in no case shall a fine of less than
ten dollars be given by the police judge, if the defendant, his
agent or attorney request that the fine be made as much as ten
dollars.

If the appeal be taken, the warrant of arrest, the transcript
of the judgment, the appeal bond and other papers of the case
shall be forthwith delivered by the police judge to the clerk
of the court to which such appeal is taken, and said court shall
proceed to try the case as upon indictment or presentment and
render such judgment, including that of costs, as the law and
evidence may demand.

The police judge shall be authorized to suspend sentence or
parole any juvenile offender under the age of sixteen years,
who may be brought before him for the violation of any ordi-
nance of the city or charged with any misdemeanor under the
laws of the state; he shall prescribe the conditions of such
parole and enter them in his docket and may commit the of-
fender to the care and custody of any proper person with a
view to the correction and reformation of such offender, and
may take from such person such bond or security, conditioned
as he shall prescribe. The chief of police, or a policeman desig-
nated by him, shall attend all sessions of the police court and
perform such duties as may be required by ordinance or re-
quested by the police judge.

The police judge shall keep in a well-bound book a complete
record of all cases heard and considered by him, and he shall
account for all fines, as well as the fees of himself and other
officers, under salary, collected by him, and shall make month-
ly reports thereof, and of all other matters pertaining to his
office to the council of the city. In the absence of the
police judge the mayor of the city shall sit as such police
judge with the same power and authority.

The police judge, if an attorney, shall not practice in said
police court as an attorney or counselor, in any case appealed
or removed therefrom, but shall have the right to practice law
as an attorney in other courts and cases.

In addition to the other duties to be performed by the city
clerk, he shall also be the city collector, charged with the duty
of collecting all taxes, levies, assessments, water rents and all
other funds due the city, including licenses; and as such collec-
tor shall have and exercise all of the rights, authority and pow-
ers conferred upon town sergeants by the general law of the
state with reference to the collection of taxes and funds of
cities, towns and villages, and upon sheriffs with reference to
the collection of state and county taxes and funds. He shall at
least once in each week, or oftener if the council so require,
account for all moneys received by him as such collector; he
shall before entering upon the duties of his office give the bond
hereinbefore required, payable to the city of Keyser in the pen-
alty of not less than five thousand dollars, conditioned for the
faithful performance of the duties of the office of city clerk, collector, treasurer and police judge and to account for and pay over as required by law, all moneys which may come into his hands by virtue of any and all of said offices, and shall be chargeable with all of the city taxes, levies, assessments, licenses and water rents, from the time the bills therefor are required to be made up and collected, and with all moneys of the city, including fines, fees and penalties, that may come into his hands. He shall receive no fees or commissions for the services, but shall account to the city for all fees received by him, except those received by him when acting in civil suits, taking depositions or acknowledgments.

He shall at the first stated meeting of the council in each month make his report to the council of all moneys and credits coming to his hands as city clerk, treasurer, police judge and collector, and he shall compile a detailed itemized statement showing the receipts, expenditures and the financial condition of the city quarterly, for each year, the statements showing the receipts, expenditures and the financial condition of the city quarterly, for each year, the statements to be distributed to not less than three hundred responsible citizens of the city, either by mail, or in any manner to be directed by the city council. The second financial statement shall be a semi-annual statement, the third statement shall refer only to the transactions occurring within the three months constituting the third quarter of the fiscal year, and the fourth statement shall be an annual statement setting forth the financial condition of the city for the entire fiscal year, and it shall not be required that any of such financial statements shall be published in a newspaper.

In addition to the duties of the city clerk hereinbefore enumerated, he shall act in the capacity and be the treasurer for said city and perform the duties as prescribed in section thirty-one hereof.

The city clerk may appoint such deputies and assistants with the approval of the council, as the duties of his office render necessary. The deputies shall take the oath required of the city clerk, and shall give such bond as he may require, but such deputies or assistants shall not perform any judicial duty of the police judge.

Sec. 31. The treasurer shall be the same person who is ap-
2 pointed city clerk and shall receive and account for all moneys
3 from all sources of municipal revenue. All license taxes and
4 fees shall be paid to him direct by the person to whom such
5 license is issued, and no license shall be valid without the re-
6 ceipt of the treasurer for such tax and fees endorsed thereon.
7 All officers and agents of the city, authorized to receive money
8 for the city, or revenues thereof, from any source whatsoever,
9 shall pay over to the treasurer such money and revenues
10 within one week after the receipt thereof or sooner if required
11 by the council.
12 He shall keep the funds of the city in some bank or banks
13 within the city, which shall pay to the city two per centum or
14 more per annum interest on such deposits, payable quarterly,
15 based on the average daily balance on such funds in all accounts.
16 If no bank within the city is willing at any time to receive de-
17 posits of the treasurer, and to pay such interest thereon, the
18 treasurer shall report this fact to council, which shall there-
19 upon designate a bank or banks in which he shall deposit such
20 funds for the time being, and until some bank in the city will
21 receive deposits at the rate of interest so fixed.
22 Said bank or banks shall give bond in the penalty prescribed
23 by council, and with sureties to be approved by council, con-
24 ditioned for the prompt payment, whenever lawfully required,
25 of all public moneys, or parts thereof, which may be deposited
26 with them.
27 The treasurer shall pay all warrants, or other proper orders
28 legally drawn and presented, out of the moneys at the time in
29 the fund on which such warrant or order is drawn, but no money
30 shall be paid by him except as the same shall have been ap-
31 propriated by the council and upon an order signed by the
32 mayor, the city clerk and the commissioner of finance. The
33 treasurer shall perform any other duties which council may
34 from time to time prescribe and which are not inconsistent with
35 the general scope of his duties.
36 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are here-
37 by repealed.
CHAPTER 79

(House Bill No. 28—By Mr. Myers)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact sections four and seven of chapter eighty-two of the acts of the legislature of West Virginia, for the year one thousand nine hundred eleven, as amended and re-enacted by chapter sixteen, acts one thousand nine hundred twenty-one, and as amended and re-enacted by chapter seventy-six, acts one thousand nine hundred twenty-three, relating to the charter of the city of Moundsville, in the county of Marshall; making the offices of clerk, chief of police and solicitor elective.

(Passed March 14, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.)

SEC. 4. Municipal officers, number, elective and appointive, qualifications; additional officers.

SEC. 7. Terms of office; compensation of councilmen.

S. Act effective when ratified at special election.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections four and seven of chapter eighty-two of the acts of the legislature of West Virginia for the year one thousand nine hundred eleven, as amended and re-enacted by chapter sixteen, acts one thousand nine hundred twenty-one, and as amended and re-enacted by chapter seventy-six, acts one thousand nine hundred twenty-three, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 4. The officers of said city shall be a mayor, clerk, who shall be ex-officio collector, solicitor, chief of police, health officer, treasurer, street commissioner, city engineer, sewer inspector, and two councilmen from each ward. The mayor, clerk, solicitor, and chief of police shall be elected by the qualified voters of said city.

The health officer, street commissioner, treasurer, sewer inspector and city engineer shall be appointed by the council, and the councilmen shall be elected by the qualified voters of their respective wards. No person shall be eligible to the office of mayor unless he is a qualified voter thereof, nor unless he has resided therein for at least six months before his election; and in case of a councilman, unless he is a bona fide resident of the ward from which he is elected and a freeholder of said city; and a removal of a councilman from the ward in which he was elected or his ceasing to be a freeholder in the said city shall
vacate his office, and no person shall be eligible to any city office unless he be a taxpayer and a qualified voter thereof.

In addition to the municipal authorities mentioned in this section the council may from time to time create and employ other officers and agents and fix their salaries and compensation.

Sec. 7. The terms of office of the mayor, clerk, chief of police and solicitor shall begin on the first Monday in April next succeeding his election and shall be for the term of two years, and until his successors shall have been elected and qualified. The treasurer, health officer, street commissioner, city engineer and sewer inspector shall be appointed by the council and shall hold their offices during the pleasure of the council. Any former incumbent shall be ineligible for a second appointment unless he shall have fully settled up the business of his former term or terms. At the first election held after this act goes into effect, there shall be elected a mayor, clerk, chief of police and solicitor, whose term of office shall begin on the first Monday in April next succeeding his election and shall be for the term of two years, until his successor is elected and qualified; and one councilman from each ward, whose term of office shall begin on the first Monday in April next succeeding two years; one councilman from each ward shall be elected and shall hold office for four years from the first Monday in April next succeeding his election and until his successor is elected and qualified. But nothing in this section shall be construed to invalidate the election or term of office of any councilman elected to office and whose term of office begins on the first Monday in April in the year one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine, under provisions of section seven of the charter of said city of the act of one thousand nine hundred twenty-three.

The council of said city shall have the right to fix a compensation for the members thereof, which compensation, however, shall not exceed one hundred and fifty dollars per year to each member.

Sec. 8. The provisions of this act shall not be effective, unless and until at a special election in said city of Moundsville held within two years after the date of the passage of this act and called by the council thereof, a majority of the legally
5 qualified voters of said city shall favor such enactment. At
6 such election the ballot to be used shall be in the following
7 form:
8 □ □ For charter amendment.
9 □ □ Against charter amendment.
10 Such election shall be conducted and the returns thereof
11 made and the result declared in the same manner provided for
12 holding, ascertaining and declaring the result of other munici-
13 pal elections within said municipality.
14 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby
15 repealed.

CHAPTER 80
(House Bill No. 267—By Mr. Butcher)
AN ACT to amend and re-enact subsection (d) of section fifty-four
of an act of the legislature of West Virginia, passed on the
thirtieth day of January, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nin
nine, known as senate bill number seven, relating to the char
ter of the city of Parkersburg, and being chapter one of the
acts of the legislature of West Virginia of one thousand nine
hundred twenty-nine, relating to municipal charters.

[Passed February 17, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the
Governor.]
SEC. 54(d). Who eligible to benefits pension fund.
Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:
That subsection (d) of section fifty-four of an act of the legis
lature of West Virginia passed on the thirtieth day of January,
one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine, known as senate bill num
ber seven, relating to the charter of the city of Parkersburg, and
being chapter one of the acts of the legislature of West Virginia
of one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine, relating to municipal
charters be, and the same is hereby amended and re-enacted so as to
read as follows:
Section 54 (d). From and after the passage of this act, no
2 one shall be eligible to participate in the benefits of any such
3 pension fund:
4 (1) Who does not possess all the qualifications, and who has
5 not complied with all conditions therefor, prescribed by the
6 charter of the city of Parkersburg, and the general law, not in
7 conflict therewith; or
8 (2) Who has not been regularly and permanently appointed
9 to the department in the benefits of whose pension fund he
10 seeks to participate, after examination and recommendation by
11 the civil service board provided for in section twenty-eight of
12 the charter of the city of Parkersburg; or
13 (3) Who was so regularly and permanently appointed to
14 any such department after the passage of this act and who,
15 at the time of his said appointment, was over thirty-five years
16 of age; or
17 (4) Who has not passed the physical examination pre-
18 scribed by the trustees of such pension fund.
19 All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are here-
20 by repealed.

CHAPTER 81
(House Bill No. 210—By Mr. Campbell)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact sections four, six, seven, eleven and
thirteen, of chapter one hundred eighteen of the acts of one
thousand nine hundred seventeen, relating to the charter of the
city of St. Albans.

[Passed March 11, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 4. Elective and appointive officers; terms of office; qualifications.
6. Elections, how conducted; who entitled to vote; contested elections; tie vote; election officials; how chosen.
11. Written applications by persons seeking appointive office.
13. Authority of council to remove elective officers; notice; vacancies.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections four, six, seven, eleven and thirteen, of the charter of the city of St. Albans be amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

Section 4. The officers of said city shall be a mayor, six
councilmen, a city manager, clerk, who shall be ex officio collector,
a city treasurer, solicitor, police judge and a chief of police. The
mayor and six councilmen shall be elected by the qualified voters
of the said city. The city manager, clerk, treasurer and solicitor
shall be appointed by the council, to serve during the will and
pleasure of the council, and the police judge and the chief of
8 police shall be appointed by the mayor and be approved by the
council, to serve during the will and pleasure of the mayor and
council.
11 No person shall be eligible to any elective office unless he is a
12 qualified voter of said city, nor unless he has resided therein for
13 at least one year before his election, and he must be a freeholder
14 of said city, and have paid taxes for the year preceding his elec-
15 tion on at least three hundred dollars’ worth of real estate, in his
16 own or his wife’s name. And no person shall be elected to any
17 office, or retain and hold the same who shall be or become an
18 officer or employee of any person, firm or corporation holding
19 any franchise or contract under or with said city.

Sec. 6. Elections shall be conducted under the general law
2 of this state.

3 The next election hereunder shall be held on the first Tuesday
4 in April, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, and biennially
5 thereafter, as hereinafter provided. Every person who has
6 been a bona fide resident of the city for three months next pre-
7 ceding any election, and otherwise a qualified voter under the
8 constitution and laws of this state, shall be entitled to vote at
9 such election. The elections shall be held, conducted and the
10 results thereof be ascertained, returned and determined under
11 such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the council
12 which shall not be inconsistent with the general laws of the state
13 governing municipal elections, and shall conform as nearly as
14 practicable to such laws. Contested elections shall be tried by
15 council, and the proceedings therein shall conform as nearly as
16 may be to similar proceedings in the case of the county and dis-
17 trict officers. The council shall be judge of the election returns
18 and qualifications of its own members. In case two or more
19 persons receive an equal number of votes for the same office, if
20 such number be the highest cast for such office, the city council
21 shall decide by vote which of them shall be returned elected, and
22 shall make their return accordingly.

23 The judges of the first election provided for in this section,
24 shall consist of three voters and taxpayers of said city, one of
25 which shall be appointed by the candidates of each of the two
26 principal parties participating in said election, and the third to
27 be chosen by the council of the town of St. Albans.

Sec. 7. At the first election provided for in section six, there
2 shall be elected a mayor and four councilmen. The mayor shall
be elected for a term of two years, or until his successor is duly
elected and qualified. The two councilmen receiving the highest
number of votes shall serve for a term of four years, and the
councilman receiving the next highest number of votes shall
serve for a term of three years, commencing the first Monday in
May, one thousand nine hundred thirty-two, and the councilman
receiving the next highest number of votes shall serve for a term
of one year, commencing the first Monday in May, one thousand
nine hundred thirty-two. At the next election held as provided
for in section six, there shall be elected a mayor for a term of
two years, or until his successor is duly elected and qualified,
and three councilmen for a term of four years each; and there-
after at each biennial election there shall be elected three council-
men to serve for a term of four years each, and the mayor for a
term of two years, and their terms of office shall begin the first
Monday in May next after said election.

Sec. 11. In the appointment of the city treasurer, clerk and
manager, the city council shall receive written applications from
all persons seeking to fill such positions, and the council shall in
each case appoint such person or persons as in their judgment
are competent and qualified to fill the respective positions. The
council shall have the right to reject all applicants.

Sec. 13. The council shall have the authority to remove from
office any elective officer of the city for misconduct, drunken-
ness or neglect of duty, by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the
members of the council; but only after reasonable notice to such
officer, and a hearing of the charges preferred; and any vacancy
in office, however occasioned, may be filled by the council for the
unexpired term or until the next succeeding election.
CHAPTER 82
(House Bill No. 190—By Mr. McGuire)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact chapter fourteen of the acts of the legislature, passed February twenty-first, one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven, entitled an act to create a municipal corporation of the city of Wellsburg, in the county of Brooke and to grant a charter thereto, to amend a charter of the city of Wellsburg and all acts of the legislature amendatory thereon.

[Passed February 11, 1931; in effect from passage. Became a law without the approval of the Governor.]

SEC. 1. The inhabitants of the portion of the county of

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That chapter fourteen of the acts of one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven, and all acts of the legislature amendatory thereof, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 1. The inhabitants of the portion of the county of
2 Brooke, in the state of West Virginia, within the limits of the
3 city of Wellsburg as they now are, or as they may hereafter be,
4 shall be and continue a body politic and corporate, by the name
5 and style of "City of Wellsburg," and as such, and by that
6 name, shall have perpetual succession and may contract and be
7 contracted with, sue and be sued, plead or be impleaded, answer
8 and be answered unto, and may purchase, acquire by condem-
9 nation proceedings for public use, take, receive, hold and use
10 goods and chattels, lands and tenements and choses in action,
11 or any interest, right or estate, therein either for the proper
12 use of said city, or in trust for the benefit of any person or as-
13 sociation therein; and the same may grant, sell, convey, tran-
14 fer and assign, let, pledge, mortgage, charge and encumber, in
15 any case and in any manner in which it would be lawful for
16 private individuals so to do, except where its power may be
17 limited by law; and may have and use a common seal, and alter
18 and renew the same at pleasure; and generally have all the
19 rights, franchises, capacities and powers appertaining to mu-
20 nicipal corporations in this state.
21 All real and personal estate, and all funds, rights, titles, taxes,
22 credits and claims and rights of action owned by the city of
23 Wellsburg immediately before this charter takes effect of which
24 are then held in trust or have been appropriated for the use or
25 benefit of said city or of the inhabitants thereof, shall be and
26 the same are hereby transferred to and vested in the city of
27 Wellsburg under this charter.
28 All lawful contracts with and all lawful rights, claims and de-
29 mands against the city of Wellsburg, at the time this charter
30 takes effect, shall be good in law against the said city under
31 this charter.

Sec. 2. The boundaries of the city of Wellsburg shall be as
2 follows: Beginning at the mouth of Buffalo creek and extend-
3 ing eastwardly along the center line of the meandering of said
4 creek to a point where the county bridge now crosses the said
5 creek a short distance east of the P. W. & Ky. R. R. bridge and
6 the bridge of the Pan Handle Traction Company; thence in
7 an easterly direction to the east side of the Wellsburg and
8 Bethany Turnpike; thence northerly along the east side of the
9 Wellsburg and Bethany Turnpike to the east line of the Pan
10 Handle Traction Company; thence following the east line of
11 the Pan Handle Traction Company in a northeasterly direction
12 until it strikes a line running parallel to Commerce street and
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13 fifty feet distant westwardly therefrom; thence in a southerly
14 direction along a line parallel to Commerce street and fifty feet
15 distant westwardly therefrom to the south line as shown on the
16 Tyers plat, recorded in deed book thirty-nine at page five hun-
17 dred forty-five of the records of Brooke county; thence in a
18 straight line in an easterly direction to the line of the lands of
19 F. A. Chapman; thence in a northerly direction along the west
20 line of the lands owned by F. A. Chapman and the lands owned
21 by S. H. Hubbard and Dorrie Hubbard to a corner at the join-
22 ning of the lands of S. H. Hubbard and Dorrie Hubbard with those
23 of Josephine Du Pont Leonard and of the J. F. Cree Estate;
24 thence in a northerly direction in a straight line across the lands
25 of J. F. Cree, now deceased, to the southeast corner of lot fifty-
26 four of the plan of lots platted and recorded by I. H. Duval;
27 thence in a northerly direction in a straight line to the north-
28 east corner of lot fifty-two of said plan of lots; thence in a north-
29 east direction in a straight line to the southeast corner of the
30 lands of H. W. Paull; thence in a northerly direction along
31 east boundary line of the property of said H. W. Paull of the
32 property of Elizabeth P. Jacobs, of the property of Thomas
33 Boyd, deceased, of the property of W. H. Tarr, deceased, and
34 the property of Miss Lou Tarr, deceased; of the property of
35 G. L. and S. R. Caldwell, of the property of A. P. Oxtoby, of the
36 property platted into lots by Fred L. Hall, of the property of
37 Edward Rithner and of the property of the Brooke Cemetery
38 Company; thence from the northeast corner of the said ceme-
39 tery property in a northwesterly direction in a straight line
40 to a point in a ravine situate at the foot of what is known as
41 Gilchrist Hill and four hundred feet east of the Ohio river;
42 thence in a westwardly direction following the meandering of
43 said run or ravine to the east shore of the Ohio river; thence
44 on a direct line to the west shore of said river; thence extend-
45 ing along the west shore of said river in a southerly direction
46 to a point opposite the mouth of Buffalo creek; thence from
47 said point to the mouth of said Buffalo creek, the place of be-
48 ginning, including all the land and water between the boundary
49 lines aforesaid.
50 The boundaries of the city of Wellsburg shall also extend
51 to and include the tract of land conveyed to the city by I. H.
52 Duval and wife, by deed dated March twenty-ninth, one thou-
53 sand eight hundred eighty-six, recorded in deed book number
54 twenty-six, page four hundred sixty-six, of the records of
Brooke county, which said tract contains the reservoir of the city water works.

Sec. 3. The officers of the city shall be a mayor, two councilmen from each ward, city collector and treasurer, city clerk and chief of police. The mayor, members of council, city collector and treasurer, city clerk and chief of police, of said city shall be elected by the voters of said city as hereafter provided. The other officers shall be appointed by the council: Provided further, That the chief of police or other elective officer may designate and nominate such assistants as are herein provided for, who shall be appointed by said council unless good cause be shown for the rejection of such nomination or nominations.

Sec. 4. The mayor shall be the chief executive officer of said city; he shall take care that the provisions of this act, and the orders, by-laws, ordinances, acts and resolutions of the council of said city are faithfully executed; he shall have authority to convene council in special session whenever he may deem it advisable to do so, and shall be ex-officio a justice and conservator of the peace within said city, and shall within the same have, possess and exercise all the powers and perform all the duties vested by law in a justice of the peace, except that he shall have no jurisdiction in civil cases or causes of action arising out of the corporate limits of the city; he shall have the same powers to issue attachments in civil cases as a justice of this county has, although the cause of action may have arisen out of the city; but in such cases he shall have no power to try the same, but such attachment shall be returnable to and be heard by some justice of his county; any warrant or other process issued by him may be executed any place within the county of Brooke; he shall have control of the police of said city, and may appoint special police officers whenever he may deem it necessary; and it shall be his duty especially to see that the peace and good order of the city are preserved and that persons and property therein are protected, and to this end he may cause the arrest and detention of all riotous and disorderly persons in the city before issuing his warrant therefor; he shall have power to issue executions for all fines, penalties and costs imposed by him, or he may require immediate payment thereof, and in default of such payment he may commit the party in default to the jail of Brooke county, or other place of imprisonment in said city until the fine or penalty and costs are paid; but the term of imprisonment shall not exceed thirty days; he shall from time to time
31 recommend to council such measures as he may deem necessary
32 or needful for the welfare of the city. The expense of maintain-
33 ing any person imprisoned by him, except it be to answer an in-
34 dictment, or be under the provisions of section two hundred
35 twenty-seven and two hundred twenty-eight of chapter fifty of
36 the code of West Virginia, shall be paid by the city. The mayor
37 shall not receive any money belonging to the state or individuals,
38 unless he shall give such bond and security required of a justice
39 of the peace by chapter fifty of the code of West Virginia; and
40 all the provisions of said chapter relating to moneys received by
41 justices shall apply to like moneys received by the mayor; and
42 for such services when acting in the capacity of a justice of the
43 peace, he shall receive such fees as are allowed by law to justices
44 for similar services.
45 It shall be lawful for the mayor, when any person is fined by
46 him, at his discretion, to sentence such person to labor without
47 compensation, on any of the streets or alleys, or any of the public
48 works or improvements, undertaken, or to be undertaken by the
49 city, in lieu of the fine so imposed for a period not exceeding
50 thirty days. In rendering such judgment, and giving such sen-
51 tence, the mayor shall ascertain and fix the amount of the fine
52 upon the payment of which, with the costs of prosecution, such
53 person shall be discharged from sentence to labor. Such person
54 so sentenced to labor, shall be confined in the jail of Brooke
55 county, or other place of imprisonment in said city, while not
56 at labor.

Sec. 5. The city of Wellsburg shall be divided into four wards
2 as nearly equal in population as practicable. The members of
3 council from each ward shall be elected by the voters thereof and
4 the council shall establish one or more voting places in each ward,
5 and when more than one voting place shall be established in a
6 ward, the council shall establish as many precincts as there are
7 voting places numbering the same and establish the boundary
8 line thereof. Council shall have authority to alter the boundaries
9 of any of the wards of said city and to increase the number of
10 said wards keeping in view the equality of population.

Sec. 6. The first election under this act shall be held on the
2 second Tuesday of June one thousand nine hundred thirty-one
3 and an election shall be held annually thereafter on the second
4 Tuesday of June. The officers elected under this act shall hold
5 their office from the first day of July next succeeding their elec-
6 tion until their successors are elected and qualified. The terms
7 of all officers elected after said election shall commence on the
8 first day of July next succeeding their election. Vacancies in
9 all offices shall be filled by the council of said city until the next
city election, at which time the unexpired term of any officer
11 who has died, resigned or in any manner been removed, shall be
12 filled by election.
13 The present year of all officers of the city now terminates
14 upon the first Monday of May, this time being changed in this
15 act to the first day of July. All present officers whose time of
16 office terminates upon the first Monday of May shall continue to
17 hold their respective offices until the first day of July succeeding
18 the expiration of their former term.

Sec. 7. Every person elected or appointed to an office in said
2 city, shall within twenty days after this election or appoint-
3 ment and before entering upon the duties of his office, take and
4 subscribe to the oath required by law. to be administered by the
5 mayor, clerk or any other person legally authorized so to do.

Sec. 8. All citizens of this state who have been bona fide resi-
2 dents of the said city for not less than sixty days next preceding
3 the election, and who are qualified voters under the constitution
4 and laws of this state, shall be entitled to vote at all municipal
5 elections held in said city, but only in the ward of which they
6 are residents.

Sec. 9. The council of the city, shall, after the first day of
2 July one thousand nine hundred thirty-one consist of two mem-
3 bers from each ward within said city, one member from each
4 ward to be elected annually at the city election to be held upon
5 the second Tuesday of June of each year and to hold office for the
6 term of two years or until his successor is elected and qualified.

Sec. 10. At the election of officers to be held upon the second
2 Tuesday of June one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, after
3 the passage of this act, there shall be elected a mayor, city col-
4 lector and treasurer, chief of police and one councilman from
5 each ward; and thereafter the mayor, city collector and treas-
6 urer and chief of police shall be elected every two years and shall
7 hold their respective offices for the term of two years and until
8 their successor shall be elected and qualified: Provided fur-
9 ther, That a referendum may be had on the question of
10 whether or not the office of chief of police shall be an elective or
11 appontive position, and if and upon, its submission to the
12 voters of said city, a majority of said votes shall favor said office
as being an appointive one, then the city council shall make such 
appointment and the duties of said officer shall be and remain 
the same, as herein provided.

The city clerk elected in said city at the election held therein 
on the second Tuesday of April, one thousand nine hundred 
and thirty shall hold his office until the first day of July, one thou-
sand nine hundred thirty-two, and thereafter a city clerk shall 
be elected every two years, who shall hold his office for the term 
of two years and until his successor is elected and qualified.

Sec. 11. The street commissioner shall be appointed by the 
council, and shall hold his office at their pleasure; and perform 
such duties and receive such compensation therefor as the coun-
cil may from time to time prescribe.

Sec. 12. The powers, duties and compensation of all officers 
shall be established by ordinance; but the compensation pertain-
ing to any office shall not be increased or diminished so as to 
affect any officer subsequent to his election or appointment and 
during the term for which he was elected or appointed.

Sec. 13. When two or more persons shall receive an equal 
number of votes for the same office, if such number be the 
highest number cast for each office, the council shall decide by 
lot which of them shall be returned as elected.

Sec. 14. All contested elections shall be decided by the 
council.

Sec. 15. The mayor shall by virtue of his office, preside over 
the council, but shall only have a vote in case of a tie. The com-
mittes of the council shall be selected by the hold-over members 
of this body and confirmed by council.

Sec. 16. The council shall cause to be kept in a well bound 
book, an accurate record of all its proceedings which shall be 
fully indexed and open to the inspection of the public.

Sec. 17. The clerk of said city shall be clerk of the council, 
and all of the committees thereof: have charge of all the records 
and archives, make out an assessment book from the books of the 
asssessor of Brooke county and perform such other duties per-
taining to his office as the council may prescribe.

Sec. 18. At each meeting of council the proceedings of the 
last meeting shall be read and corrected, if erroneous, and signed 
by the presiding officer and clerk. Upon the call of any member
Sec. 19. The council shall have plenary power and authority therein by ordinance or resolution as the case may require, (so far as such power or authority is not in conflict with the constitution and laws of this state or the constitution of the United States) to lay off, vacate, close, open curb, recurb, pave or repave and keep in good repair, roads, streets, alleys, sidewalks, crosswalks, drains and gutters; for the use of the public, and to improve and light the same, and have them kept free from obstructions on or over them; to prevent by proper fines and penalties the throwing, depositing or permitting to remain on any street, sidewalk, alley, lane, square or other public place any glass, scrap iron, nails, tacks, wire, other litter, or any offensive matter or any thing likely to injure the feet of persons or animals or the tires of vehicles; to regulate the use of streets, alleys, lanes and sidewalks for vehicles propelled by man power, and for other vehicles the use of which is not regulated by general laws; to regulate the width of sidewalks on the streets, and, subject to section twenty-one hereof, to order the sidewalks, footways and crosswalks to be curbed, recurbed, paved, repaved and kept in good order, free and clean, by the owners or occupants thereof, or of the real property next adjacent thereto; to establish and regulate markets, and prescribe the time of holding the same; to prevent injury or annoyance to the public or individuals from anything dangerous, offensive or unwholesome; to prevent hogs, cattle, horses, sheep, dogs or other animals, and fowls of all kinds, from going at large in such town; to protect places of divine worship and to preserve peace and order in and about the premises where held; to arrest, convict and punish any person for keeping a house of ill-fame, or for letting to another person any house or other building for the purpose of being used or kept as a house of ill-fame, or for knowingly permitting any house owned by him, or under his control, to be kept or used as a house of ill-fame, or for loafing, boarding or loitering in a house of ill-fame, or frequenting same; to arrest, convict and punish any person for importing, printing, publishing, selling or distributing any book or other thing containing obscene language; to arrest, convict and punish any person for cruelly, unnecessarily or needlessly beating, torturing, mutilating, killing or overloading or...
overdriving, or wilfully depriving of necessary sustenance, any
horse or other domestic animal; to arrest, convict and punish
any person for gambling or keeping gaming tables, commonly
called A. B. C. or E. O. table or faro bank or keno table, or
table of like kind, under any denomination, whether the gaming
table be played with cards, dice or otherwise, or any person who
shall be a partner or concerned in interest, in keeping or ex-
hibiting such table or bank, or keeping or maintaining any
gaming house or place, or betting or gambling for money or any-
thing of value; to license, or for good cause to refuse to license
in a particular case, or at its discretion to prohibit in all cases,
the operation of pool and billiard rooms and maintaining for
hire of pool and billiard tables, notwithstanding the general law
as to state licenses for such business. When the council, in the
exercise of its discretion, shall have refused to grant a license
to operate a pool or billiard room mandamus shall not lie to com-
pel the council to grant such license, unless it shall clearly ap-
pear that the refusal of the council to grant such license is dis-
criminatory or arbitrary. In the event that the council de-
cides to license any such business, the council shall have power
and it shall be the duty of the council, to make and enforce
reasonable ordinances regulating the licensing and operating
of such businesses: the council shall also have such power and
authority to arrest, convict and punish any person for carrying
about his person any revolver or other pistol, dirk, bowie-knife,
razor, slug, shotgun, billy, metallic or other false knuckles, or any
other dangerous or other deadly weapon of like kind or charac-
ter, within such town: to arrest, convict and punish any person
for driving or operating, within such town, a motor vehicle
when intoxicated or under the influence of liquor, drugs or nar-
cotics: to provide penalties for the offenses and violations of
law mentioned herein in addition to the penalties provided in
section twenty-three of this article, but which shall not exceed
the penalties provided for like offenses and violations in this
chapter, and in chapter sixty-one of this code; to abate or cause
to be abated anything which. in the opinion of a majority of the
whole council, shall be a nuisance; to regulate the keeping of
gunpowder and other combustibles; to acquire, by purchase,
condemnation and otherwise, land in or near the city for pro-
viding and maintaining proper places for the burial of the dead
and to regulate interments therein upon such terms and con-
itions as to price and otherwise as may be determined by the
council, and in order to carry into effect such provisions the
council may acquire any cemetery or cemeteries already estab-
lished; to provide for the regular building of houses or other
structures, and for making of division fences by the owners of
adjacent premises and the drainage of lots by the proper drains
and ditches; to make regulations guarding against danger or
damage by fire; to prevent the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors,

\[\text{drinks, mixtures and preparations therein; to protect the per-
sons and property of the inhabitants of such city, and to pre-
serve peace and good order therein, except as otherwise pro-
vided, to prescribe the powers and define the duties of the offi-
cers appointed by the council, fix their terms of service and
compensation, and require and take from them bonds, when
deemed necessary, payable to such city, in its corporate name,
with such sureties and in such penalty as the council may see
fit, conditioned for the faithful discharge of their duties; to
require and take from employees and contractors bonds in such
penalties with such sureties and with such conditions, as council
may see fit; to erect, or authorize or prohibit the erection of,
gas works, electric light works or water works within or with-
out the town and to prevent injury to such works or the pollu-
tion of the water and its maintenance in a healthful condition
for public use within the town; to regulate and provide for the
weighing of hay, coal and other articles sold or for sale in the
town; to provide a revenue for the city and appropriate the
same to its expenses, which power shall include the power to
tax dogs; to impose a license tax on persons or companies keep-
ing for hire carriages, hacks, buggies or wagons; or for carry-
ing passengers for pay in any such vehicle, in such town; to
adopt rules for the transaction of business, and the govern-
ment and regulation of its own body.

Wherever the powers herein granted cannot be reasonably
and efficiently exercised by confining the exercise thereof with-
in the corporate limits the powers of the corporation shall ex-
tend beyond the corporate limits to the extent necessary to the
reasonably efficient exercise of such powers within the cor-
porate limits. But such powers, unless otherwise provided,
shall not extend more than one mile beyond the corporate
limits, nor shall such powers extend into the corporate limits
of another municipal corporation.
Sec. 20. Whenever anything for which a state license is required is to be done within said city, also to include miniature golf course, the council may require a license therefor and may impose a tax thereon for the use of said city.

It shall be unlawful for any person in said city to hold himself or herself out as a fortune teller, clairvoyant, mind reader, or palmist and purport and claim to tell the future or the past by the above or any other hidden and secret methods or science, or to practice the above calling, avocation or profession, and the council may pass an ordinance prohibiting the same and prescribing penalties for its violation. Nothing in this section contained shall be construed so as to control any religious association or body.

Sec. 21. If the owner of any real property next adjacent to any sidewalks, crosswalks, drains and gutters within said city, shall fail or refuse to curb, pave, recurb or repave or to keep the same clean in the manner or within the time required by the council, it shall be the duty of the council to cause the same to be done at the expense of the city and to assess the amount of such expense to such owner of the property abutting thereon and the same may be collected by the city collector and treasurer in the same manner provided for the collection of city taxes. Council shall always have authority to pave or repave, curb or recurb or otherwise permanently improve streets, alleys, crosswalks, drains and gutters and sewers in said city at the expense of the city.

The city of Wellsburg having upon the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred eight, by a special election, adopted, chapter eight of the acts of the legislature of one thousand nine hundred eight, as a method for paving and sewering within said city, therefor, article eight of chapter eight of the official code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, is hereby adopted and made a part of the charter of the city of Wellsburg, with the exception that all paving and repaving, curbing and recuring and sewerage, which shall be done in the city, the whole cost thereof, other than that portion which is chargeable to a street railway company, or other railway company, shall, including the intersection of streets and alleys, be charged to the owners of the property abutting upon any street so improved or sewer.

Sec. 22. It shall be the duty of the city collector and treas-
Sec. 22. The city collector and treasurer shall render an account at least once every six months during his continuance in office and oftener, if required by council, to render an account of the taxes, fines, penalties, assessments and other claims in his hands for collection and to read a list of such as he shall not have been able to collect by reason of insolvency, removal or other causes; to which list he shall make affidavit that he used due diligence to collect the same but has been unable to do so, and if the council shall be satisfied of the correctness of said list and affidavit, it shall allow the city collector and treasurer a credit for said claim; he shall pay any money in his hands to the city, upon the order of council and not otherwise.

Sec. 23. For the purpose of promoting health, safety, morals, or the general welfare of the community, council is hereby empowered to regulate and restrict the height, number of stories, and size of buildings and other structures, the percentage of lot that may be occupied, the size of yards, courts, and other open spaces, the density of population, and the location and use of buildings, structures, and land for trade, industry, residence or other purpose.

Districts. For any or all of such purposes the council may divide the municipality into districts of such number, shape and area as may be deemed best suited to carry out the purposes of this article; and within such districts it may regulate, and restrict the erection, construction, reconstruction, alteration, repair or use of buildings, structures, or land. All such regulations shall be uniform for each class or kind of buildings throughout each district, but the regulations in one district may differ from those in other districts.

Purposes in View. Such regulations shall be made in accordance with a comprehensive plan and designed to lessen congestion in the streets; to secure safety from fire, panic and other dangers; to promote health and the general welfare; to provide adequate light and air; to prevent the overcrowding of land; to avoid undue concentration of population; to facilitate the adequate provision of transportation, water, sewerage, schools, parks, and other public requirements. Such regulations shall be made with reasonable consideration, among other things, to the character of the district and its peculiar suitability for particular uses, and with a view to conserving the value of buildings and encouraging the most appropriate use of land throughout such municipality.
Method of Procedure. The council shall provide for the manner in which such regulations and restrictions and the boundaries of such districts shall be determined, established, and enforced, and from time to time amended, supplemented, or changed. However, no such regulation, restriction, or boundary shall become effective until after a public hearing in relation thereto, at which parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard. At least fifteen days' notice of the time and place of such hearing shall be published, in an official paper, or a paper of general circulation, in such municipality.

Changes. Such regulations, restrictions, and boundaries, may from time to time be amended, supplemented, changed, modified, or repealed. In case, however, of a protest against such change, signed by the owners of twenty per cent or more either of the area of the lots included in such proposed change, or of those immediately adjacent in the rear thereof extending one hundred feet therefrom or of those directly opposite thereto extending one hundred feet from the street frontage of such opposite lots, such amendment shall not become effective except by the favorable vote of three-fourths of all members of the council of such municipality. The provisions of the previous section relative to public hearings and official notice shall apply equally to all changes or amendments.

Zoning Commission. In order to avail itself of the zoning powers conferred by this article, the council shall appoint a commission, consisting of freeholders of the municipality, to be known as the zoning commission, to recommend the boundaries of the various original districts and appropriate regulations to be enforced therein. Such commission shall make a preliminary report and hold public hearings thereon before submitting its final report, and council shall not hold its public hearings or take action until it has received the final report of such commission. Where a municipal planning commission already exists, it may be appointed as the zoning commission. The members of the commission shall serve without compensation.

Board of Adjustment. The council may provide for the appointment of a board of adjustment, and in the regulations and restrictions adopted pursuant to the authority of this article may provide that the said board of adjustment may, in ap-
propriate cases and subject to appropriate conditions and safeguards, make special exceptions to the terms of the ordinance in harmony with its general purpose and intent and in accord with general or specific rules therein contained.

The board of adjustment shall consist of five members each to be appointed for a term of three years and removable for cause by the appointing authority upon written charges and after public hearing. Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term of any member whose term becomes vacant.

The board shall adopt rules in accordance with the provisions of an ordinance adopted pursuant to this article. Meetings of the board shall be held at the call of the chairman and at such other times as the board may determine. Such chairman, or in his absence the acting chairman, may administer oaths and compel the attendance of witnesses. All meetings of the board shall be open to the public. The board shall keep minutes of its proceedings, showing the vote of each member upon each question, or, if absent or failing to vote, indicating such fact, and shall keep records of its examinations and other official actions, all of which shall be immediately filed in the office of the board and shall be a public record.

Appeals to the board of adjustment may be taken by any person aggrieved or by any officer, department, board, or bureau of the municipality affected by any decision of the administrative officer. Such appeal shall be taken within a reasonable time, as provided by the rules of the board, by filing with the officer from whom the appeal is taken and with the board of adjustment a notice of appeal specifying the grounds thereof. The officer from whom the appeal is taken shall forthwith transmit to the board all the papers constituting the record upon which the action appealed from was taken.

An appeal stays all proceedings in furtherance of the action appealed from, unless the officer from whom the appeal is taken certifies to the board of adjustment after the notice of appeal shall have been filed with him that by reason of facts stated in the certificate a stay would, in his opinion, cause imminent peril to life or property. In such case proceedings shall not be stayed otherwise than by a restraining order which may be granted by the board of adjustment or by a court of record on application on notice to the officer from whom the appeal is taken and on due cause shown.
The board of adjustment shall fix a reasonable time for the hearing of the appeal, give public notice thereof, as well as due notice to the parties in interest, and decide the same within a reasonable time. Upon the hearing any party may appear in person or by agent or by attorney.

The board of adjustment shall have the following powers:

(a) To hear and decide appeals where it is alleged there is error in any order, requirement, decision, or determination made by an administrative official in the enforcement of this article or of any ordinance adopted pursuant thereto;

(b) To hear and decide special exceptions to the terms of the ordinance upon which such board is required to pass under such ordinance;

(c) To authorize upon appeal in specific cases such variance from the terms of the ordinance as will not be contrary to the public interest; where, owing to special conditions, a literal enforcement of the provisions of the ordinance will result in unnecessary hardship, and so that the spirit of the ordinance shall be observed and substantial justice done.

In exercising the above mentioned powers such board may, in conformity with the provisions of this article, reverse or affirm, wholly or partly, or may modify the order, requirement, decision, or determination appealed from, and may make such order, requirement, decision, or determination as ought to be made, and to that end shall have all the powers of the officer from whom the appeal is taken.

The concurring vote of four members of the board shall be necessary to reverse any order, requirement, decision or determination of any such administrative official, or to decide in favor of the applicant on any matter upon which it is required to pass under any such ordinance, or to effect any variation in such ordinance.

Any person or persons, jointly or severally, aggrieved by any decision of the board of adjustment, or any taxpayer, or any officer, department, board, or bureau of the municipality, may present to a circuit court of the county, a petition, duly verified setting forth that such decision is illegal, in whole or in part, specifying the grounds of the illegality. Such petition shall be presented to the court within thirty days after the filing of the decision in the office of the board.

Upon the presentation of such petition the court may allow
a writ of certiorari directed to the board of adjustment to re-
view such decision of the board of adjustment and shall pre-
scribe therein the time within which a return thereto must be
made and served upon the realtor’s attorney, which shall not
be less than ten days and may be extended by the court. The
allowance of the writ shall not stay proceedings upon the de-
cision appealed from, but the court may, on application, on
notice to the board and on due cause shown, grant a restrain-
ing order.
The board of adjustment shall not be required to return the
original papers acted upon by it, but it shall be sufficient to re-
turn certified or sworn copies thereof or of such portions
thereof as may be called for by such writ. The return shall
concisely set forth such other facts as may be pertinent and
material to show the grounds of the decision appealed from
and shall be verified.
If upon the hearing, it shall appear to the court that testi-
mony is necessary for the proper disposition of the matter, it
may take evidence or appoint a referee to take such evidence
as it may direct and report the same to the court with his
findings of fact and conclusions of law, which shall constitute
a part of the proceedings upon which the determination of the
court shall be made. The court may reverse or affirm, wholly
or partly, or may modify the decision brought up for review.
Costs shall not be allowed against the board unless it shall
appear to the court that it acted in bad faith or with malice in
making the decision appealed from.
Remedies. In case any building or structure is erected, con-
structed, reconstructed, altered, repaired, converted, or main-
tained, or any building, structure or land is used in violation
of this article or of any ordinance or other regulation made
under authority conferred hereby, the proper local authori-
ties of the municipality, in addition to other remedies, may in-
stitute any appropriate action or proceedings to prevent such
unlawful erection, construction, reconstruction, alteration, re-
pair, conversion, maintenance, or use, to restrain, correct, or
abate such violation, to prevent the occupancy of such building,
structure, or land, or to prevent any illegal act, conduct busi-
ness, or use in or about such premises.
Conflict With Other Laws. Wherever the regulations made
under authority of this article require a greater width or size
of yards, courts, or other open spaces, or require a lower height
of building or less number of stories, or require a greater per-
centage of lot to be left unoccupied, or impose other higher
standards than are required in any other statute or local ordi-
nance or regulation, the provisions of the regulations made
under authority of this article shall govern. Wherever the
provisions of any other statute or local ordinance or regu-
lation require a greater width or size of yards, courts, or other
open spaces, or require a lower height of building or a less
number of stories, or require a greater percentage of lot to be
left unoccupied, or impose other higher standards than are
required by the regulations made under authority of this
article, the provisions of such statute or local ordinance or
regulation shall govern.

Power to Appoint Municipal Planning Commission. The
council is hereby authorized to appoint a municipal planning
commission.

Municipal Planning Commission; Compensation. The mu-
icipal planning commission shall consist of not less than five
citizens, all of whom shall be taxpayers and residents, who
shall be nominated by the mayor and confirmed by the council
of the town. The members of the commission first appointed
shall serve respectively for terms of one year, two years and
three years, divided equally or as nearly equally as possible be-
tween these terms. Thereafter members shall be appointed for
terms of three years each. Vacancies shall be filled by ap-
pointment for the unexpired term only. Members of the com-
mission shall serve without compensation.

Duties of Commission. The duties of the commission shall
be to prepare plans for the development of the whole or any
portion of the municipality and of any land outside of the
municipality which, in the opinion of the commission, bears
relation to the planning of the municipality: Provided, how-
ever, That the power of the municipal planning commission
shall not extend beyond the territorial limits of the munici-
pality except so far as is reasonably necessary to protect the
community, both within and without the corporate limits,
against the inadequate streets, highways, and sewers, and in-
adequately planned and zoned territory: Provided further,
That when two or more municipal corporations in close prox-
imity might otherwise have conflicting jurisdiction under this
section, the first municipal corporation to exercise such extra-
territorial jurisdiction shall thereby acquire exclusive jurisdic-
tion over such territory. Such plans shall show recommenda-
tions for new streets, bridges, parks, parkways, playgrounds
and any other public areas or public improvements. When-
ever the commission shall have agreed upon a plan for the
development of the municipality or any portion thereof, such
plan or plans shall be submitted to the mayor and council for
their consideration and action.

Before final action shall be taken by any municipality or de-
partment thereof on the location and design of any public
building, public memorial, street, park, parkway, playground
or other public area, such question shall be submitted to the
municipal planning commission for investigation and report.

Plans of Land and Streets to be Submitted to Commission
and Approved by Mayor and Council. All plans, plats, or re-
plats of land laid out in building lots, and the streets intended
to be dedicated to public use, shall be submitted to the mu-
nicipal planning commission for their consideration and no
such plat or replat shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the
county court, as provided by law in other cases, until such plat
or replat shall have indorsed upon it the fact that it has first
been submitted to the municipal planning commission, and
by the municipal planning commission to the mayor and coun-
cil and by the mayor and council duly approved.

Commission May Employ Help; Expenses. The municipal
planning commission shall have the power and authority to
employ engineers and clerks, and/or any other help neces-
sary, and to meet such expenses the municipal planning com-
mission shall submit to the mayor and council its budget for
each fiscal year, itemizing expenses and amounts, and the pur-
pose. The council shall thereupon consider such budget and
make such allowances to the municipal planning commission
as it shall deem proper.

Sec. 24. The chief of police, shall, subject to the directions
2 of the mayor, have charge of and be responsible for the police
3 force of the city and see that all subordinate police officers
4 faithfully perform their official duties; he shall nominate, and
5 by and with the advice and consent of the council, a majority
6 of all the councilmen elected concurring by yeas and nays, ap-
7 point all the subordinate police officers; he shall be ex officio a
8 constable within the corporate limits of his city; may execute
9 any writ or process issued by the mayor or justice of the peace
10 at any place in Brooke county. It shall be the duty of the chief
11 of police to collect all fines and costs at the time of trial or
12 assessment of said fines and costs by the mayor, and make
13 monthly reports thereof to the council and pay said fines and
14 costs and all city moneys that may come into his possession to
15 the city collector and treasurer weekly; and he shall have in all
16 respects the same power to enforce the collection of fines and
17 costs as the sheriff of Brooke county now has, or may hereafter
18 have, to enforce the collection and payment of fines and costs:
19 he shall have all the powers, rights and privileges within the
20 corporate limits of the city and anywhere within Brooke county
21 in regard to the arrest of persons, the collection of claims
22 and the execution and return of process, that can be legally
23 exercised by a constable of a district in which the said city is sit-
24 uated. and he and his sureties shall be liable to all fines, penalties
25 and forfeitures that a constable of a district is liable to, for any
26 failure or dereliction in his office, to be recovered in the same
27 manner and in the same courts that the fines, penalties and for-
28 feitures may be recovered against such constable. All subordi-
29 nate police officers shall have all the powers, rights and priv-
30 ileges of a constable of the district within the corporate limits
31 of the city, in regard to the arrest of persons and the execution
32 and return of all criminal writs and process issued by the mayor,
33 but the council may exempt them from giving the bond required
34 by constables.
35 The chief of police shall before entering upon the duties of
36 his office, execute a bond for the faithful performance by him
37 of the duties of his office, and for the accounting for and paying
38 over as required by law, all the money which may come into
39 his hands by virtue of his office, with sureties satisfactory to the
40 council in a penalty of two thousand dollars, and shall for his
41 compensation receive a salary of not less than one hundred fifty
42 dollars nor more than two hundred dollars per month during
43 his tenure of office, the same to be affixed by the council.

Sec. 25. Said city shall have the right to condemn real estate
2 therein for streets, alleys and other purposes of public utility,
3 and proceedings for such condemnations shall be as prescribed
4 in chapter fifty-four of the code of West Virginia, and shall be
5 at the expense of said city.
Sec. 26. The meetings of council shall be at such times and places as council may from time to time prescribe.

Sec. 27. Council shall appoint three commissioners and two clerks in each ward, before each annual election, who shall hold the election herein provided for. Said commissioners shall make return of the elections so held by them, to the council of said city, as soon as practicable after such elections are held; and council shall thereupon ascertain and publish the result of such election and enter said result upon the journal thereof. The city clerk shall provide the necessary poll books and ballot boxes for such elections, at the expense of the city, and the provisions of chapter three, of the code of West Virginia, insofar as they are applicable thereto, and not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, shall apply to and govern such elections.

Sec. 28. All salaries herein provided shall be paid monthly or quarterly as determined by council.

Sec. 29. All propositions involving the appropriation of money shall be read before the council and referred to the proper committees thereof which shall examine the same and report thereon as soon as practicable and any propositions involving the appropriation of one thousand dollars or more shall not pass unless at least two-thirds of the members of council are present at the time the same is acted upon.

Sec. 30. All ordinances of said city and all entries in the journal of the council thereof which shall be printed or published by authority of the council, or which shall be certified to be corrected by the city clerk of the city, under the seal thereof, shall be received by all the courts and justices of the state as prima facie correct.

Sec. 31. The city shall construct, keep in repair and maintain its own roads, streets and alleys and by reason thereof shall not be required to pay any district or county road levies for the construction or maintenance of roads outside of the city limits, except levies to pay the bonded indebtedness of the county of Brooke, now outstanding.

Sec. 32. In addition to the method of securing the laying of sidewalks set out in section twenty of this charter, the council of said city may cause any sidewalk to be constructed, laid, relaid or otherwise permanently improved in the city of Wellsburg, in the following manner and upon the following terms: Notice shall first be given the abutting property owners by pub-
licitation for two successive weeks in one newspaper published in
said city by giving location of property in front of which side-
walks shall be laid, but no error in said publication shall in any
way affect the validity of the certificate hereinafter provided
for, or any of them. The contract for same shall, after due
advertisement in which council shall reserve the right to reject
any and all bids, be let to the lowest responsible bidder and upon
completion and acceptance of the work council shall order the
mayor and city clerk to issue to the contractor doing the work
a certificate for the amount of the assessment to be paid by the
owner of any lot or fractional part thereof fronting on such
sidewalk, and the amount specified in said assessment certificate
shall be a lien in the hands of the holder thereof upon the lot or
part of a lot fronting on such sidewalk and such certificate shall
draw interest from the date of said assessment, and the payment
may be enforced in the name of the holder of such certificate
by a proper suit in equity in any court having proper jurisdic-
tion to enforce such liens and council shall fix the amount of
such assessment and do all things in connection therewith neces-
sary as is provided for paving or improving streets and alleys
and such certificates shall be issued one for each abutting lot or
portion thereof payable six months from the date of the com-
pletion and acceptance of the work and shall be a lien in the
hands of the holder thereof upon the particular lot against
which they are assessed in the same way and manner and of the
same effect that assessments for street paving liens under the
other provisions of this act created: Provided, however, That
council shall not receive any bids or let any sidewalk contract
between the first day of October and the first day of March of
any year. Nothing in this section shall be so construed as to
prevent any abutting lot owners from having his own sidewalk
put in if done before the advertising hereinbefore mentioned
and provided same is done according to the lines, grades and
specifications of the city engineer, for which no charge shall
be made. The total cost of constructing, laying, relaying or
otherwise permanently improving any sidewalk or walks shall
be borne by the owners of the land abutting upon said sidewalk;
corner lots shall be assessed for the amount in front or alongside
of said lot and extended to the curb line.

Sec. 33. The municipal corporation shall cause to be pub-
2 lished in two newspapers of opposite politics, if there be such
3 published therein, at a compensation not to exceed the rate pro-
4 vided by law for like publications, for one issue, or, if no such
5 newspaper be published therein, to publish in pamphlet form
6 not less than one hundred copies of a sworn statement of the
7 financial condition of such corporation. Such statement shall
8 contain a summary account of the receipts and expenditures of
9 the city or municipality showing the source from which all
10 money was derived, and the purpose for which expended, and
11 also a specific statement of the debts of such municipal corpo-
12 ration, showing the purpose for which any debt was contracted,
13 the time it becomes due, the rate of interest, up to what time
14 the interest thereon has been paid, the amount of money in the
15 treasury at the end of the preceding administration and the
16 debts contracted by it. Such statement shall be prepared by
17 the municipal corporation every twelve months and shall then
18 be printed according to the provisions of this section. Either
19 method of the report shall be sworn to by the recorder, by the
20 mayor and two members of the city council. One copy of such
21 printed report shall be delivered to the judge of the judicial
22 district, one to the clerk of the county court, one to the clerk
23 of the circuit court, one shall be kept as a part of the records of
24 the city or municipal corporation, and the remainder shall be
25 held for distribution as called for by the taxpayers. If a city
26 council fail or refuse to perform the duties hereinbefore named,
27 every member of such council and the recorder thereof concur-
28 ring in such failure or refusal shall be guilty of a misdemeanor,
29 and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not less than ten nor
30 more than one hundred dollars. If any of the provisions of this
31 section are violated, it shall be the duty of the prosecuting attor-
32 ney of the county in which such violations are made to imme-
33 diately present the evidence thereof to the grand jury if in
34 session, and if not in session, he shall cause such violation to be
35 investigated by the next succeeding grand jury.

Sec. 34. It shall be the duty of the city collector and treas-
2 urer to prepare the tax bills which shall be based upon the
3 county assessor's valuation of real and personal property within
4 the city; it shall be the duty of the police officers to make a list
5 of all dogs in the municipality and the names of the owners
6 thereof which list shall be returned to the council.
7 It shall be the duty of the city collector and treasurer to col-
8 lect all taxes, special assessments and other moneys other than
9 fines due the municipality and he is hereby vested with the same rights to distrain for the same as is vested in the sheriff for the collection of taxes. He shall give bond conditioned according to law in such penalty and with such security as the council may require and in a sum not less than ten thousand dollars.

Sec. 35. The city collector and treasurer shall begin the collection of taxes upon the first day of October of each year; when the taxes of any one person or corporation amount to a sum greater than ten dollars they may be collected, the one-half during the month of October and the remaining one-half during the month of April of the following year; all unpaid taxes shall bear interest at the same rate as state and county taxes, thirty days after the same are due.

Sec. 36. There shall be a lien on all real estate within the municipality for the taxes assessed thereon for municipal purposes. The lien for municipal taxes shall attach and the taxes shall become due at the same time, be subject to the same discount, and bear interest at the same rate and from thirty days after due, the same as state and county taxes; and such lien may be enforced by the council in the same manner provided by law for the enforcement of the lien for state and county taxes, or in such other manner as the council may by ordinance prescribe. If any real estate within such municipality be returned delinquent for the non-payment of the taxes thereon, copies of such delinquent list may be certified by the council to the auditor, and such real estate may be sold for the taxes, interest and costs of publication thereon, in the same manner, at the same time and by the same officer as real estate is sold for the non-payment of state and county taxes: Provided, That any such delinquent real estate list of any municipality that may be certified to the auditor as herein provided shall be so certified to them before the first day of September in the year next succeeding that for which such taxes were assessed: Provided further, That in all cases where a delinquent list of real estate is certified to the auditor as aforesaid, the council shall at the same time certify a like list to the clerk of the county court of the county wherein such real estate is situated and returned delinquent by such council; and it shall be the duty of such clerk forthwith to record the list so certified to him in the record of delinquent real estate kept in his office, and in which is recorded the delinquent.
The city collector and treasurer, after ascertaining which of the taxes in the city cannot be collected, shall, on or before the first Monday in June next succeeding the year for which such taxes are assessed, make out an alphabetical list of the taxes on personal property and real property which have not been paid and the collector and treasurer returning such list shall at the foot thereof subscribe the following oath: I, A. B., city collector and treasurer of the city of Wellsburg, do swear that the foregoing list is, I verily believe, correct and just; that I have received no part of the taxes for which the persons and property therein mentioned are returned delinquent; and that I have used due diligence to find property within the city liable to distress for such taxes, but have found none.

A copy of every such list shall be posted at the front door of the city hall at least two weeks before the session of the council at which they are presented for examination.

Sec. 37. To carry into effect the powers conferred upon such town or its council, by this chapter or by any future act of the legislature of the state, the council shall have power to make and pass all needful orders, by-laws, ordinances, resolutions, rules and regulations, not contrary to the constitution and laws of this state; and, for a violation thereof, to prescribe reasonable fines, penalties and imprisonments in the county jail or the place of imprisonment in such corporation, if there be one, for a term not exceeding thirty days. Such fines, penalties and imprisonments shall be recovered, imposed or enforced under the judgment of the mayor of such town or the person lawfully exercising his functions.

The fact that a municipal ordinance vests in the council or some other body or officer a discretion to do, or refuse to do, a given thing, shall not invalidate such ordinance when it would be impractical to lay down by ordinance for all cases a uniform guide for exercising such discretion. This section shall not be construed to mean that a delegation of discretion in any other case shall necessarily invalidate an ordinance. But, if in any case, a delegated discretion is exercised in an arbitrary or dis-
21 criminatory manner, such ordinance, as so applied, shall be un-
22 lawful and void.

Sec. 38. The council may appoint a water board consisting
2 of three members, each for the term of three years, and their
3 appointments shall be so made that the term of one member
4 shall expire each year. The board shall appoint from their own
5 number, a president, who shall, when present, act as chairman
6 at all meetings of the board. They may also appoint a clerk
7 to have charge of all records. The board shall have authority,
8 and it shall be their duty, to employ sufficient men; to properly
9 operate the water works and pay all proper running expenses
10 of the water works; to purchase and pay for all tools and working
11 equipment necessary for the use of their employees; to obtain
12 and pay for the advice and plans of expert hydraulic engineers whenever the board may consider the same necessary;
13 to make any and all necessary repairs and improvements and
14 to keep on hand such stocks of extra parts of machinery, pipes,
15 various and other extra material of the kind in common use
16 about the water works for repairs and for extensions of mains
17 and which may at any time be, in their judgment, prudent to
18 have: Provided, That in regard to the improvements and extensions of mains, the matter shall first be submitted to the city
19 council for their approval.

Sec. 39. The tax levy which was laid in August of the year
2 one thousand nine hundred thirty, having been laid to cover
3 a period of twelve months only, and, by the terms of this act the
4 beginning and ending of the fiscal year having been changed
5 from the first Monday in May to the first day of July, therefore
6 for the years one thousand nine hundred thirty and one
7 thousand nine hundred thirty-one, the fiscal year shall
8 terminate upon the first Monday in May one thousand nine
9 hundred thirty-one and the books and all accounts shall
10 close upon that day; the present officers of the city, however,
11 shall hold over and continue their term of office until July
12 first as set forth in section five of this act; when the levy is laid
13 in August one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, the same
14 will be to take care of the expense of the city from the first
15 Monday in May one thousand nine hundred thirty-one to
16 the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred thirty-two,
17 and may be fourteen-twelfth times the levy authorized to
18 general purposes by section seven of article eight of chapter
eleven of the new code, and there shall be a sufficient levy to take care of the sinking fund and interest on the bonded indebtedness of the city for a period of fourteen months.

Sec. 40. All ordinances now in effect shall still remain of full force and virtue, excepting when they are in conflict and inconsistent with this act, and when in conflict or inconsistent with this act, that portion of such ordinance or ordinances which are in such conflict or inconsistency are hereby repealed.

Sec. 41. All acts and parts of acts which are in conflict and inconsistent with this act, are hereby repealed and declared inoperative insofar only as they are in conflict or inconsistent with this act.

CHAPTER 83
(Com. Sub. for House Bill No. 48—By Mr. Carter)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact sections five, forty-six and seventy-seven of the greater Wheeling charter.

[Passed March 12, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec.
5. When elections for manager-mayor and councilmen held; how conducted; appointment and qualification of registrars; vacancy; oath; registration of voters; sittings for correction of registration; election of city executive committee; terms of members and filling of vacancies; definition of "political party"; one male and one female candidate to be elected from each ward.

6. For what business of vacation city license may be required.

77. When taxes become due.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That sections five, forty-six and seventy-seven of the greater Wheeling charter, be amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

Section 5. The first election for manager-mayor and councilmen under this amendment to the charter shall be held on the fourth Thursday in May, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine and every regular city election for manager-mayor and councilmen shall be held biennially thereafter on the fourth Thursday in May. All elections for manager-mayor and councilmen shall be conducted and the results ascertained and declared in accordance with the election laws of West Virginia in effect at the time of said election so far as the same may be applicable and not inconsistent with any of the provisions of this act, except that all other elections or votes on any question by the qualified voters of said city shall be held or taken at
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13 such places under the supervision of such persons and subject
14 to such regulations as are consistent with the said election laws
15 of West Virginia and ordained by council.
16 The city council at its regular meeting held on the first Tues-
17 day in April next before every election for the offices of man-
18 ager-mayor and councilmen shall appoint for each voting pre-
19 cinct in the city two competent persons as registrars one each
20 from the two political parties which at the last preceding state
21 and county election cast the highest number of votes in the
22 county of Ohio, but the city executive committee of such po-
23 litical parties shall present to the council a writing signed by
24 the chairman of the committee of each party requesting the
25 appointment of a qualified voter of his political party, as
26 registrar, with his city address, for each precinct in the city and
27 the council shall appoint the person named in such writing as
28 such registrar. No person shall be eligible to appointment as
29 a registrar, or in any way act as such, who has been convicted
30 of a felony, or who holds any elective or appointive office or
31 is an employee under the laws of the city of Wheeling, county
32 of Ohio, state of West Virginia, or of the United States, or who
33 is not a qualified voter in the precinct for which he is appoint-
34 ed, or who can not read and write the English language. If
35 such registrar shall fail or refuse to serve, the vacancy shall be
36 filled either by the city council, or the manager-mayor of the
37 city in vacation, in the manner hereinbefore provided for the
38 appointment of registrars, and the city clerk shall notify all
39 such persons of their appointment as registrars. Said regis-
40 trars shall before entering upon the discharge of their duties
41 take an oath to support the constitution of the United States,
42 the constitution of West Virginia, and to perform the duties
43 of their office to the best of their ability and that they are legal
44 members of the party for which they are respectively appoint-
45 ed. The said oath shall be filed in the office of the city clerk.
46 The city clerk shall cause to be prepared suitable books and
47 blanks for the registration of the voters and such books shall be
48 so arranged as required by law for the registration of voters
49 for general elections held in the state of West Virginia and all
50 the provisions, duties and obligations as set forth in the elec-
51 tion laws of West Virginia shall apply to the registration of
52 voters hereunder, except as herein otherwise set out and the
53 city clerk shall perform the duties required of the county clerk.
54 As soon as possible after their appointment the registrars
shall proceed to register the names of all the qualified voters in their respective precincts and shall complete said registration on or before the third Thursday in April preceding said election, and, for the purpose of amending, correcting and completing said registration, shall sit together at some convenient place within the voting precinct for two days, commencing the fourth Thursday in April preceding said election from nine o’clock a. m. to one o’clock p. m. and from two o’clock p. m. to nine o’clock p. m., and shall give notice of the time and place of their sitting for such registration and correction by posting written or printed notices of the time and place of such sitting for five days prior thereto at not less than three of the most conspicuous places in said voting precinct, one of which shall be at the place of voting in said precinct. At the time of said sitting the books of registration shall be open for public inspection, and the said registrars, in the manner hereinbefore provided shall register all qualified voters who have not theretofore been so registered by them and complete and finish their registration of the voters within their said precinct and make out two alphabetical lists of the registered voters within said precinct entitled to vote at the ensuing election as registered by them and shall sign and return the same to the city clerk on or before the first Thursday in May preceding said election; each of the said registrars shall receive the same compensation as may be provided by the laws of West Virginia for the performance of similar duties in state and county elections. The registration books shall be sent to the polling place along with the ballots and no person who is not duly registered thereon shall be allowed to vote at said election.

At the city primary to be held on the second Thursday in May, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, and at each regular city primary thereafter, the voters of each political party in each ward of the said city of Wheeling shall elect one male and one female member of the city executive committee. All members of the said city executive committee, respectively, elected for each of the wards of said city as herein provided, shall reside within the ward from which chosen, and shall be a known bona fide member of the party of which she or he is a candidate.

The term of the members of the said respective executive committees shall begin on the first day of June of the respective years in which they are elected and shall continue for the term of two years thereafter.
In the event of any vacancy occurring in any of said city executive committees, the city executive committee or the party in which such vacancy occurs shall fill such vacancy until the next election; and in the event of the death or resignation of any candidate for any political office in the said city of Wheeling subsequent to the said primary election and before the general election of said city of Wheeling, the city executive committee of the political party in which such vacancy occurs shall fill said vacancy.

The members of the present respective city executive committees as now constituted shall hold their several offices and discharge the duties thereof until their successors are chosen and installed in accordance with the provisions hereof.

"Political party," as herein mentioned, shall be, within the meaning of this section, any affiliation of voters representing any principle or organization which, at the last preceding general city election, polled for its candidate for manager-mayor, at least ten per centum of the total vote cast for all candidates for that office.

The female candidates receiving the highest number of votes in their respective wards shall be duly elected as the female members of said committees from their respective wards; and the male candidates receiving the highest number of votes in their respective wards shall be duly elected as the male members of said committees from their respective wards. In the event of a tie vote in the election for city executive committee, the city council, acting as a board of commissioners, shall decide such tie by lot.

Sec. 46. The council may, by ordinance, require city license for persons conducting and carrying on any business or vocation in the city, for which the state may now or hereafter require license, except that the council may by ordinance require license for persons, firms, or corporations conducting and carrying on the business of installing plumbing and plumbing fixtures, the installation of electrical wiring and electrical fixtures and the business of conducting a miniature golf course, whether the state requires a license for such vocations or businesses or not.

Sec. 77. Taxes, real or personal, shall become due on such day or days as the council may determine, and the said council may, in its discretion, provide that said taxes shall be payable in installments.
CHAPTER 84  
(House Bill No. 53—By Mr. Faber)

AN ACT to empower the county court of Jackson county to transfer a sum, not exceeding fifteen cents on each hundred dollars of the assessed value of all property in the county for the year one thousand nine hundred thirty-one only, from the county road fund to the general county fund.

[Passed February 6, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

SEC. 1. County court may transfer money from county road fund to general county fund.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. The county court of Jackson county is hereby authorized and empowered to transfer a sum, not exceeding fifteen cents on each hundred dollars of the assessed value of all property in the county for the year one thousand nine hundred thirty-one only, from the county road fund to the general county fund.

CHAPTER 85  
(House Bill No. 269—By Mr. Smith, of Marion)

AN ACT to empower the county court of Marion county to transfer a sum, not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, for the year one thousand nine hundred thirty-one only, from the county road fund to the general county fund.

[Passed February 20, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

SEC. 1. County court to transfer not to exceed twenty thousand dollars from county road fund to general county fund.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. The county court of Marion county is hereby authorized and empowered to transfer a sum, not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, for the year one thousand nine hundred thirty-one only, from the county road fund to the general county fund.
CHAPTER 86
(Senate Bill No. 216—By Mr. Hutchinson)

AN ACT to authorize and empower the county court of Raleigh county, to transfer from funds realized from the county road levy of Raleigh county, a sum of money each year for four years, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one to one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four, inclusive, to the general county fund of Raleigh county, for the use of said county, in the payment of its existing indebtedness.

[Passed March 12, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

SEC. 1. County court authorized to transfer county road funds to general county fund, to be known as debt fund; amount, years and use of transferred funds.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. That the county court of Raleigh county be, and it is, authorized and empowered to make transfers from the county road fund of money realized from collections of taxes raised through and by the county road levy, to the general county fund of Raleigh county, to the extent of ten cents on the one hundred dollars' valuation of properties in Raleigh county, and for the fiscal years beginning July first, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, and including July first, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four. The said money so transferred, however, shall not be used for any other purpose than that of paying off and satisfying the indebtedness existing in Raleigh county and payable from the general county fund. In case the said county court shall make such transfer or transfers, the same shall be kept in a special fund denominated "debt fund," and no payment shall be made to any one from said fund except on existing indebtedness of Raleigh county, payable from the general county fund.
CHAPTER 87
(Senate Bill No. 191—By Mr. Woodyard)

AN ACT authorizing the county court of Roane county to transfer the sum of five thousand dollars from the general county fund to the county road fund of said county.

[Passed March 13, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. Transfer of funds by county court of Roane county, from general to county road fund.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. That the county court of Roane county be and it is authorized to transfer from the general county fund of that county, of the levy for the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty, to the county road fund of said county and use as part of that fund, the sum of five thousand dollars.

CHAPTER 88
(House Bill No. 403—By Mr. Randolph)

AN ACT to authorize the city of Clarksburg, West Virginia, to transfer funds now in its recreation and playground fund to the library fund of said city and providing for the use thereof.

[Passed March 13, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. City of Clarksburg authorized to transfer money from recreation fund to library fund; use of transferred funds.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. The city of Clarksburg, West Virginia, is hereby authorized to transfer the sum of six thousand dollars now in the recreation and playground fund of said city to the library fund of said city and to permit the board of directors of the Clarksburg public library to use such funds to remodel and equip for library purposes the Waldomore property devised to said city of Clarksburg by the late May Goff Lowndes.
CHAPTER 89

(House Bill No. 204—By Mr. Brown, of Hancock)

AN ACT to empower the board of education of Chester independent school district of the county of Hancock, to transfer the sum of one thousand eighty-nine dollars eighty cents, from the public recreation and playground fund to the new public building fund of the said school district.

[Passed March 3, 1931; In effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

SEC.

1. Transfer of funds from public recreation and playground fund to new building fund.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. That the board of education of the Chester independent school district of the Grant district in the county of Hancock is hereby authorized and empowered to transfer the sum of one thousand eighty-nine dollars eighty cents remaining in the public recreation fund and playground fund to the new building fund of the said school district.

CHAPTER 90

(Senate Bill No. 142—By Mr. Davis, of Ritchie)

AN ACT to authorize the county court of Pleasants county, West Virginia, to lay a special levy, not exceeding ten cents on each one hundred dollars, of the assessed valuation of the taxable property in said county for general county purposes; to lay a special levy not exceeding five cents on each one hundred dollars of the assessed valuation of the taxable property in said county for general road purposes, and to lay a special levy not exceeding five cents on each one hundred dollars of the assessed valuation of the taxable property in said county for district road purposes; said special levy for general county purposes not to be levied for more than ten years from the date of passage; and said special levies for county road purposes and district road purposes, respectively, not to be levied for more than five years from date of passage of this act; the purposes for which said special levies are laid,
and providing for the expenditure of the money derived from
said levies.

[Passed February 28, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the
Governor.]

Sec. 1. Special debt levy for general county
purposes by county court of
Pleasants county; number of
years may be laid; amount.

Sec. 2. Special debt levy for county road
purposes; number of years may
be laid; amount.

Sec. 3. Special debt levy for district road
purposes; number of years may
be laid; amount.

Sec. 4. How proceeds of levies expended;
interest on outstanding orders;
referendum.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. Beginning with the next levy period, until the
present indebtedness of the county of Pleasants is fully paid
off and discharged, or payment thereof provided for, not how-
ever to exceed a period of ten years, the county court of Pleas-
ants county shall have authority to lay, at the same time and
in the same manner in which other levies are laid, a special
levy for general county purposes not to exceed ten cents on
each one hundred dollars of the valuation of the taxable prop-
erty in the county of Pleasants as shown by the assessments
thereof.

Sec. 2. Beginning with the next levy period, until the pres-
ent indebtedness of the county of Pleasants is fully paid off
and discharged, or payment thereof provided for, not however
to exceed a period of five years, the county court of Pleasants
county shall have authority to lay, at the same time and in the
same manner in which other levies are laid, a special levy for
county road purposes not to exceed five cents on each one
hundred dollars of the valuation of the taxable property in
the county of Pleasants as shown by the assessment thereof.

Sec. 3. Beginning with the next levy period, until the pres-
ent indebtedness of the various magisterial districts of the
county of Pleasants is fully paid off and discharged, or pay-
ment thereof provided for, not however to exceed a period of
five years, the county court of Pleasants county shall have au-
thority to lay, at the same time and in the same manner in
which other levies are laid in each magisterial district in said
county, a special levy for district road purposes, not to exceed
five cents on each one hundred dollars of the valuation of the
taxable property in the county of Pleasants as shown by the
assessment thereof.

Sec. 4. The funds derived from the aforesaid special levies
2 for general county purposes, county road purposes, and dis-
3 trict road purposes, respectively, shall be applied only to the
4 payment of the present indebtedness including interest of
5 Pleasants county, West Virginia, and the magisterial districts
6 thereof, and for no other purposes, and shall be in addition to
7 all other levies now provided by general law: Provided, how-
8 ever, That the county court is hereby authorized to issue orders
9 against the funds derived from said special levies for the pay-
10 ment of interest on the orders now outstanding, and comprising
11 the present indebtedness of the county of Pleasants and dis-
12 trict of Pleasants county, respectively, which interest shall be
13 paid semi-annually, but in no event shall this levy be made
14 until the same has been authorized by a majority vote of the
15 voters of said county at the next general election.

Sec. 5. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the pro-
2 visions of this act are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 91
(Senate Bill No. 199—By Mr. Miller)

AN ACT to authorize the county court of Logan county, West Vir-
1 ginia, under certain restrictions, to lay a special levy of not
2 exceeding twenty cents on each one hundred dollars of the
3 assessed valuation of the taxable property in said county for
4 each of the years one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one,
5 one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two, one thousand nine
6 hundred and thirty-three, and one thousand nine hundred and
7 thirty-four, to supplement the fund for county purposes, other
8 than roads and bridges, authorized by section three, article
9 eight, of chapter eleven, code of West Virginia; to provide for
10 the disbursement of the funds so raised by said special levies,
11 and to create a committee of taxpayers to perform certain
duties respecting the laying and disbursement of said levies.

(Passed March 11, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.)

Sec. 1. Special levy by county court of Logan county; amount, years, purposes.
2. How collected; to be kept in separate funds; how disbursed; special levy for nineteen hundred and thirty-one, how laid and apportioned; levy for succeeding years on recommendation of taxpayers’ committee.

Sec. 3. Taxpayer’s committee, number, names, oaths of office and duration; vacancies, qualifications; duties and powers of committee.

Sec. 4. Certificate by committee to county court as to laying of special levy; contents; publication.

Sec. 5. Special levy upon approval of com-
LOGAN COUNTY SPECIAL LEVY

SEC. 1. That, in the manner hereinafter authorized, and subject to all the restrictions and limitations contained in this act, the county court of Logan county, West Virginia, at the same time fixed by general law for the laying of levies authorized by law for general purposes, for each of the years one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-two, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-three, and one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four, is hereby authorized to lay a special levy of not exceeding twenty cents on each one hundred dollars of the assessed valuation of the taxable property in said county, to supplement the fund for county purposes, other than roads and bridges, authorized by section three, article eight, of chapter eleven, code of West Virginia. And the funds derived from such special levies shall be disbursed and used in the manner and only for the purposes prescribed by the terms of this act.

Sec. 2. All moneys derived from the special levies authorized by this act shall be collected and paid into the county treasury in the same manner and at the same time as are the moneys derived from the general levy authorized by section three, article eight, of chapter eleven, code of West Virginia, but the moneys derived from said special levies shall be kept separate from moneys derived from the general levy, and shall be credited and apportioned to two separate funds which shall be called, respectively, “old debt fund” and “supplemental current fund.” Accurate accounts shall be kept of all moneys properly creditable to each of said funds, and no warrant or order shall be issued against either of said funds, nor any contract or obligation incurred in respect thereto, except for the purposes expressly authorized by this act.

Moneys required by this act to be credited to said old debt fund shall be used only for the purpose of paying unbonded indebtedness of said county, incurred for county purposes other than roads and bridges, and existing at the time this act takes effect. No order or draft shall be paid out of said old debt fund unless it shows on its face that it is payable out of said...
21 fund, or unless it be an order issued and signed prior to the 22 date this act takes effect in payment of a bona fide debt for 23 county purposes other than roads and bridges.

24 The moneys creditable under this act to said supplemental 25 current fund shall be used for the same purposes as the funds 26 derived from the general levy for county purposes other than 27 roads and bridges, but no orders shall be paid out of this fund 28 except such as on their face show that they are so payable.

29 For the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, but 30 not thereafter, said county court may lay said special levy with- 31 out the approval of the taxpayers' committee hereinafter cre- 32 ated; and to that end shall include said special levy in its 33 itemized statements required to be made and published under 34 the provisions of sections two and three of article eight of 35 chapter eleven, code of West Virginia, and in the orders of said 36 court showing said statements and the levies thereafter made 37 and based thereon pursuant to general law, it shall be specifi- 38 cally ordered and provided that one-half the moneys derived 39 from said special levy shall be apportioned and credited to said 40 old debt fund and the other one-half thereof shall be appor- 41 tioned and credited to said supplemental current fund, to be 42 used only for the purposes prescribed by this act.

43 As to that portion of said special levy for the year one thou- 44 sand nine hundred thirty-one authorized to be credited and 45 paid into said supplemental current fund, it shall be lawful for 46 the county court of said county, at any time after this act takes 47 effect, to anticipate said levy by issuing its orders payable on 48 the first day of December, one thousand nine hundred and 49 thirty-one, out of said fund, in an amount not exceeding thirty 50 thousand dollars in the aggregate, for any lawful county pur- 51 poses other than roads and bridges; but after the year one thou- 52 sand nine hundred and thirty-one no orders shall be drawn in 53 anticipation of said levies.

54 After the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, no 55 special levy shall be laid under the provisions hereof, except 56 upon recommendation of the taxpayers' committee hereinafter 57 provided for, and then only in the manner and to the extent 58 designated by said committee acting under the limitations pre- 59 scribed by this act.

Sec. 3. There is hereby created a committee to be known as 2 "the taxpayers' committee of Logan county," which shall be
3 composed of six members, three of whom shall belong to each 4 of the two leading political parties in said county, and which 5 committee as first constituted hereunder shall consist of J. Cary 6 Alderson, H. S. Gay, Bruce McDonald, A. D. Dickey, J. J. 7 Foster and C. W. Jones who shall, before proceeding to act as 8 such committee, each take, subscribe and file with the clerk of 9 the county court of said county, an oath that he will support 10 the constitution of the United States and of this state, and that 11 he will faithfully and diligently perform the duties of such 12 committeeman to the best of his skill and judgment. Such com- 13 mittee shall continue to exist and the members thereof hold 14 office so long as this act is in force, and thereafter so long as 15 any funds derived under the provisions hereof remain unex- 16 pended. Vacancies on said committee arising from failure of 17 any member to qualify, from death, from resignation, or from 18 any other cause, shall be filled by appointment made by the 19 judge of the circuit court of Logan county. But the person 20 so appointed to fill such vacancy shall be a taxpayer of said 21 county, belonging to the same political party as the member 22 whose place he is appointed to fill, and shall be a person of 23 good moral character and of recognized business judgment and 24 successful business standing in said county.

25 Any four members of said committee shall constitute a 26 quorum for the transaction of business, and may act for and in 27 the name of said committee, but no business shall be transacted 28 by said committee except in, or pursuant to, a regular meeting 29 of which all the members thereof shall have had due notice. It 30 shall be the duty of the members of said committee to keep 31 themselves posted concerning the fiscal affairs of the said county 32 of Logan, and to especially acquaint themselves with all ac- 33 counts, records and data necessary to enable them to at all times 34 know whether the funds derivable from the special levies pro- 35 vided by this act are necessary to be raised; whether the same 36 are being disbursed and accounted for in accordance with the 37 terms of this act, and generally to familiarize themselves with 38 such facts and conditions as will enable said committee to judge 39 whether or not the laying of the special levies herein provided 40 for will promote the best interests of the taxpayers of said 41 Logan county.

Sec. 4. After the year one thousand nine hundred and thirty- 2 one, said committee shall annually, during the time this act is
in force, and at the time the county court of said county meets pursuant to the provisions of sections two and three of article eight of chapter eleven, code of West Virginia, to make and publish the itemized statements provided by said sections, certify in writing to said court, whether the special levy authorized by this act shall be raised for the then fiscal year. And if said committee be of opinion that such special levy should be laid, it shall certify further whether the maximum, or a smaller, amount of such levy shall be laid, and shall specify in its certificate what proportion of the levy so laid shall be apportioned and credited to said "old debt fund" and what proportion shall be apportioned and credited to said "supplemental current fund." Provided, however, That in no case shall the proportion to be applied on existing indebtedness be less than one-half of the whole amount to be raised by such special levy.

If the committee be of opinion that no special levy should be laid for any particular fiscal year covered by this act, or that it should be laid only for the purpose of paying said existing indebtedness, it shall so state to the court in its said certificate, and in no event shall the said county court be authorized to lay the special levies provided for in this act until it receives from said committee the certificate herein provided for approving said special levy. Upon receipt of said certificate, whether the same approve or disapprove the laying of the special levies created by this act, such certificate shall be published with and at the same time and in the same manner as is provided for the publication of the statements made by said county court pursuant to the provisions of sections two and three, article eight, chapter eleven of the code of West Virginia. Such certificate shall further state whether the funds theretofore derived from such special levies have been properly disbursed and accounted for, and whether in the opinion of the committee there has been any waste, extravagance or illegal expenditures on the part of said county court from the general county fund. And if such committee finds that there have been any improper disbursements of said special levy, or any waste, extravagance or illegal expenditures of said general funds, then it shall withhold its assent and approval of the special levies authorized under this act.

Sec. 5. When the county court shall receive the approving certificate of the committee hereinbefore provided for, it shall
lay, in accordance with said certificate, the special levy au-
thorized by this act, but subject to the further limitation that
the special levies so laid, together with the levies authorized
by general law for county purposes other than roads and
bridges, and the levies for the county road fund authorized by
section two, article eleven, chapter seventeen, code of West
Virginia, do not in the aggregate exceed the sum of fifty-five
cents on each one hundred dollars' assessed valuation of the
taxable property in said county. If said county court be au-
thorized to lay any special levies hereunder after the year one
thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, it shall include said
special levy in its itemized statements required to be made and
published under the provisions of sections two and three of
article eight of chapter eleven, code of West Virginia, and in
the orders of said court showing said statements and the levies
thereafter made and based thereon pursuant to general law, it
shall be specifically ordered and provided, in accordance with
the certificate of said committee, what proportion of said special
levy shall be apportioned and credited to said "old debt fund"
and what proportion thereof shall be apportioned and credited
to said "supplemental current fund."

Sec. 6. Accurate records and accounts shall be kept of all
moneys raised and disbursed under the provisions of this act,
so as to show the amount thereof properly referable to each of
the two separate funds provided for herein; and the sheriff of
Logan county shall be liable on his official bond for the proper
collection and disbursement of all funds raised under the pro-
visions of this act, in the same manner as he is by general law
made liable for the proper collection and disbursement of levies
authorized by general law.

Sec. 7. All acts or parts of acts within the purview hereof
and inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.
CHAPTER 92
(House Bill No. 105—By Mr. Goode)

AN ACT to authorize the county court of Lincoln county to lay a special levy and appropriate other county funds for the purpose of discharging the present indebtedness on the general county fund of Lincoln county, and to fix the maximum levies for the general county, county road, and district road funds, during the time such special levy is laid.

[Passed February 4, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Section 1. Beginning with the next levy period, until the present indebtedness of the general county fund of Lincoln county is fully paid off and discharged, or payment thereof provided for, not however, to exceed a period of three years, the county court of Lincoln county shall have authority to lay, at the same time and in the same manner in which other levies are laid, a special levy not to exceed twenty cents on each one hundred dollars of valuation of the taxable property in the county of Lincoln as shown by the assessments thereof.

Sec. 2. The funds derived from the special levy laid pursuant to section one of this act shall be applied only to the payment of the present indebtedness of the general funds of Lincoln county, and for no other purpose.

Sec. 3. During the years the said special levy shall be laid the maximum of certain other levies which the county court is now authorized by law to lay, shall be, on each one hundred dollars of the taxable property of said county as follows:
5 For general county fund, thirty cents; for county road fund, ten cents; for district road fund, fifteen cents.

Sec. 4. The county court shall appropriate to the payment of the present indebtedness on the general county fund of Lincoln county, any and all moneys, other than tax money, collected from persons, firms or corporations now indebted to said county.

Sec. 5. All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.
CHAPTER 93
(Senate Bill No. 23—By Mr. Hatfield)

AN ACT to validate the discontinuance of the senior high schools at present maintained at Berwind, Coalwood and War in Big Creek district in the county of McDowell, state of West Virginia, thereby enabling the board of education of said district to consolidate said senior high schools as Big Creek district high school, as authorized at an election held on the fourth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and thirty.

[Passed January 27, 1931; In effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. Discontinuance of grades ten, eleven and twelve in high schools at Berwind, Coalwood and War validated.

Sec. 2. Proceedings for consolidation of said grades in said high schools validated and confirmed.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. At an election held on the fourth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and thirty, in Big Creek district, McDowell county, West Virginia, on the question of the consolidation of grades ten, eleven and twelve in each of the high schools now maintained in said district at Berwind, Coalwood and War, a total of two thousand six hundred sixty-two votes having been cast in favor of, and a total of two hundred thirty-five votes having been cast against said consolidation, the discontinuance of instruction in grades ten, eleven and twelve in the high schools at Berwind, Coalwood and War is hereby validated the same as if discontinued upon petition of taxpayers as prescribed in section eight of article six of chapter eighteen of the official code of West Virginia.

Sec. 2. All proceedings authorizing the consolidation of grades ten, eleven and twelve in each of the high schools now maintained at Berwind, Coalwood and War in Big Creek district in the county of McDowell, state of West Virginia, at an election held for that purpose on the fourth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and thirty, are hereby, in all respects, validated and confirmed.
CHAPTER 94

*(House Bill No. 238—By Mr. Hartigan)*

AN ACT to amend chapter eighty-five of the acts of the legislature of one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven, as amended by chapter ninety-eight of the acts of the legislature of one thousand nine hundred twenty-five, relating to the independent school district of Morgantown, by amending and re-enacting sections fifteen and sixteen thereof.

[Passed March 6, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

**Sec. 15.** Board of education to make, certify and publish statement of estimated receipts and proposed rates of levy; levy by board.

**Sec. 16.** Levies not to exceed levies authorized by law, except levy for elementary teachers' fund to be sufficient to maintain schools for a term of at least nine months.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That chapter eighty-five of the acts of the legislature of one thousand eight hundred ninety-seven, as amended by chapter ninety-eight of the acts of the legislature of one thousand nine hundred twenty-five, creating the independent school district of Morgantown, be amended by amending and re-enacting sections fifteen and sixteen thereof so as to read as follows:

**Section 15.** At its session on the second Tuesday in August in each year, the board of education shall make, certify and publish a statement of estimated receipts and expenditures and proposed rates of levy for said district, as required by the law relating to levies; and at its session on the fourth Tuesday in August in each year it shall, if necessary, correct such statement and proposed levies and shall thereupon levy as many cents on each one hundred dollars assessed valuation of the taxable property of said district, according to the last assessment thereof, as will produce the amounts necessary for school purposes, which levies shall be made, extended and collected in like manner and effect as other levies.

**Sec. 16.** The levies authorized by the preceding section shall not exceed the respective maximum rates of levies for the purposes now or hereafter authorized by the law relating to levies by boards of education for school purposes: Provided, That the levy for elementary teachers' fund purposes in said
CHAPTER 95

(Senate Bill No. 222—By Mr. Watkins, by request)

AN ACT to authorize the board of education of Grafton independent school district of Taylor county, to purchase fractional interests in a building for physical education or other educational purposes and to lease outstanding interests therein.

[Passed March 12, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Became a law without the approval of the Governor.]

Sec. 1. The board of education of Grafton independent school district of Taylor county is hereby authorized and empowered to acquire by purchase, or otherwise, a one-third or other fractional undivided interest in and to a building in said district constructed for physical education or other educational purposes out of the current authorized levies for any one year, and to lease the other fractional undivided interest or interests in such building for that and any future years. Said board may elect to occupy and use such building, and to acquire by purchase, or otherwise, in any future years, additional fractional undivided interest or interests therein out of then current authorized levies, and to acquire all of the remaining outstanding undivided fractional interest or interests in such building at any time out of current authorized levies for any year when it may have sufficient funds for such purpose, and to acquire and own options covering the rights to purchase the outstanding interest or interests heretofore mentioned in such building.
CHAPTER 96

(House Bill No. 44—By Mr. Smith, of Wirt)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section four of chapter eighty-three of the acts of one thousand eight hundred seventy-one, entitled: "An act to provide free schools for the district of Elizabeth, in the county of Wirt," passed February twenty-one, one thousand eight hundred seventy-one.

(Passed January 30, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.)

Sec. 4. Election of school commissioner; how conducted and expense.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section four of chapter eighty-three of the acts of one thousand eight hundred seventy-one be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 4. The qualified voters of said school district of Elizabeth, shall, on the second Monday in April of each year, elect one commissioner, and the elections shall be conducted by three voters of said district selected by the board of education thereof in conjunction with the council of the town of Elizabeth, and the expense of such election shall be borne equally by said board of education and the council of said town of Elizabeth.

All acts or parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.
CHAPTER 97
(House Bill No. 72—By Mr. Marcum)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact chapter one hundred and five of the acts of the legislature, regular session, one thousand nine hundred twenty-five, relating to the creation, establishment and maintenance of a county high school in the county of Wayne, West Virginia.

Passed February 10, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.

SEC. 1. Wayne county high school established.

SEC. 2. Board of directors, how elected; qualifications; president, how elected.

SEC. 3. Board to be nonpartisan; compensation.

SEC. 4. Vacancies; how filled.

SEC. 5. Secretary of board; salary and duties.

SEC. 6. Estimates and levies by board; regular and special meetings.

SEC. 7. Levy by board to develop and maintain high school.

SEC. 8. Board to employ janitor and other help; how paid.

SEC. 9. Board employ principal; qualifications; election and qualifications of teachers.

SEC. 10. Transfer of money from dormitory to teachers' fund.


SEC. 12. Corporate name of board.

SEC. 13. Conflicting acts repealed.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. The magisterial districts of Union, Lincoln, Grant and Stonewall, Wayne county, shall constitute the territory creating, establishing and maintaining the Wayne county high school.

Sec. 2. The Wayne county high school shall be under the management of a board of directors, consisting of one member from each of the magisterial districts, constituting the Wayne county high school district. One of the members of said board of directors shall act as president, and shall be chosen as president by a majority of the members for a period of two years. All the members of said board of directors shall be freeholders, and each shall be a bona fide citizen of the magisterial district from which he is elected, and shall be elected by the qualified voters of the Wayne county high school district for a term of six years. The members of the board of directors now in office shall serve for the remainder of the term for which they were elected, or until their successors are elected and qualified.

Sec. 3. The said board of directors shall be nonpartisan, that is to say that not more than two of the said board of directors shall belong to the same political party. The members of the said board shall receive compensation of five dollars for each meeting attended not to exceed twelve meetings in any one year.

Sec. 4. Vacancies by resignation, death or otherwise dur-
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2 ing any office term, before the regularly expired term shall be filled by appointment by the county superintendent of schools.

Sec. 5. Said board of directors shall appoint some competent person secretary who shall serve for a period of one year.

3 The said board of directors shall fix the salary of the secretary, which salary shall in no case exceed three hundred dollars per 5 annum. The duties of the said secretary shall be the same as prescribed by the general school law governing secretaries of 7 district boards of education.

Sec. 6. The board of directors shall meet on the first Tuesday in August to make up the estimate of expenditures as provided by law, and the third Tuesday in August for the purpose of laying the levies as provided by law, and shall meet the fourth Saturday in each calendar month for the transaction of business, and as often in special session as is required for the full performance of the duties of the office. The said special meetings shall be called in the same manner as meetings of district boards of education under the general school law.

Sec. 7. The board of directors of the Wayne county high school shall lay a levy to develop and maintain said high school in the same manner, and under the same limitations as are provided for high schools established under article eight of section five of chapter eleven, official code of West Virginia of nineteen hundred thirty-one.

Sec. 8. It shall be the duty of the board of directors to employ competent and efficient janitors and such other helpers as may be necessary to take proper care of the buildings and grounds belonging to the said high school, approaches to the high school building, improving the grounds by building necessary walks, clearing off, cleaning up and beautifying the grounds and putting grounds and buildings in a sanitary condition. The board of directors shall pay the expenses for the above described and necessary services and work out of the "maintenance building fund."

Sec. 9. The immediate administration and supervision of the Wayne county high school shall be under a principal employed by the board of directors. The said principal shall be a graduate from a standard college or university, and shall meet the requirements of the state department of education for a high school principal's certificate. The said board of directors shall consult with the said principal in the employment of all
8 teachers for the said high school. All teachers so employed shall 9 be graduates of standard colleges or universities and shall meet 10 the requirements of the state board of education for high school 11 certificates, but the said board shall be the final arbiters in the 12 employment of teachers.

Sec. 10. The said board of directors shall have authority 2 with the consent of the county financial secretary, to transfer 3 all money now in the hands of the sheriff of Wayne county from 4 the dormitory fund to the teachers' fund of the said Wayne 5 county high school district.

Sec. 11. The said board of directors shall fix the salaries of 2 the principal and teachers in the said high school and in pay- 3 ment for the services of the said principal and teachers they 4 shall issue drafts on the aforesaid teachers' fund. The said board 5 of directors may for proper cause and in the manner provided 6 by law remove any or all principals and teachers or other em- 7 ployees in their employ.

Sec. 12. The board of directors is hereby made a corporate 2 body and as such may sue and be sued in their corporate name, 3 "The board of directors of the Wayne county high school."

Sec. 13. All acts and parts of acts relating to the Wayne 2 county high school district so far, and so far only, as they con- 3 flict with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 98

(House Bill No. 189—By Mr. Rife)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section seven of chapter one hun- dred and eight of the acts of the legislature of West Virginia, for one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine, relating to the Butler district high school in the district of Butler, in the county of Wayne and state of West Virginia.

[Passed February 9, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

SEC. 7. Special district levy authorized for construction of high school; spe- cial levy for salaries and maintenance.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section seven of chapter one hundred eight of the acts of the legislature of West Virginia of one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine, relating to the Butler district high school in the dis-
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District of Butler, in the county of Wayne and state of West Virginia, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 7. For the purpose of erecting, building and establishing such high school, the board of directors of said district high school is hereby authorized and empowered to lay a levy for the fiscal year commencing July one, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, and ending June thirty, one thousand nine hundred thirty-two, and for the fiscal year commencing July one, one thousand nine hundred thirty-two, and ending June thirty-one thousand nine hundred thirty-two, and ending June thirty, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three, of not exceeding thirty cents on each one hundred dollars assessed valuation on all taxable property in said Butler district, and said levy shall be in addition to all other levies now provided by general law for new building and improvement fund purposes, and to be levied in like manner as other levies.

And the said board of directors of said district high school is also hereby empowered and authorized to lay such levies as are provided by general law for the purpose of paying the salaries of principals, teachers and other employees necessary for said high school, and for the maintenance, equipment and repairs of said high school.

CHAPTER 99

(House Bill No. 202—By Mr. Carter)

AN ACT to provide for extending the boundaries of the school district of Wheeling, by amending and re-enacting sections one, two, three, four, five and fourteen of “an act relating to the school district of Wheeling” as enacted by chapter eleven of the acts of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, and amended and re-enacted by chapter forty-six of the acts of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two and one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, chapter one hundred fifteen of the acts of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, chapter sixteen of the acts of one thousand eight hundred eighty-two, chapter one hundred thirty-nine of the acts of one thousand nine hundred and one, chapter thirty-two of the acts of one thousand nine hundred and five, chapter thirty-eight of the acts of one thousand nine hundred and twenty, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, and chapter one hundred
nine of the acts of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, designating chapter one hundred nine of the acts of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five as section thirty-three thereof and amending the same, adding thereto section thirty-four, repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act and submitting the question to a vote of the people.

[Passed February 10, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

**ARTICLE I.**

**Sec.**

1. Ohio county to constitute Wheeling Independent school district.

2. School commissioner, election, number, terms; precinct boundary lines; primary nomination of candidates; petition to become candidate, form of; acceptance of candidacy; requirements as to primary ballots; how ties decided; requirements as to regular election ballots; publication of results of primary and regular election by clerk of circuit court; removal from district vacates office.

3. Qualification of voters.

4. Notification of election and oath of office; how vacancies filled.

5. Organization of board; selection and bond of clerk.

14. Bond of collector; power of collector; lien for taxes.

**ARTICLE II.**

**Sec.**

1. Designation of section number of previous charters; amendments.

2. What estimates by board to show; submission to state tax commission; board, consideration of objections; levies by board, purposes and amounts; limitation on total levy.

**ARTICLE III.**

**Sec.**

34. Appointment of assistant superintendents and supervisors; appointment and compensation of collector.

**ARTICLE IV.**

Act not effective until boundaries of district extended; resolution by board for extension of boundaries; form of ballot; notice by board to boards of districts proposed to be annexed; duties of boards upon notice; when election may be held; what precinct lines to be used; conduct and report of election; proclamation and publication of result of election; qualification of voters; when election to be held; when publication in one newspaper sufficient; if boundaries extended, new district to assume debts of included districts; extension of boundaries not to affect municipal boundaries; terms of present county superintendent and members and officers of boards of education; property of included districts to be turned over to board of new district; provisions of act severable.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

(I) That sections one, two, three, four, five and fourteen of chapter eleven of the acts of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, as amended and re-enacted by chapter forty-six of the acts of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two and one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, chapter one hundred fifteen of the acts of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five, chapter sixteen of the acts of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-two, chapter one hundred thirty-nine of the acts of one thousand nine hundred and one, chapter thirty-two of the acts of one thousand nine hundred and five, and chapter thirty-eight of the acts of one thousand nine hundred and twenty and one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, be and the same are hereby repealed, and that new sections be and are hereby in lieu thereof.
enacted to be known as sections one, two, three, four, five and fourteen, to read as follows:

Section 1. The area within the limits of the county of Ohio as the said limits existed on the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, shall constitute an independent school district, to be known as the school district of Wheeling.

Sec. 2. At the next regular biennial election for members of congress to be held in the county of Ohio, on the first Tuesday in November, following the extension of the school district of Wheeling in the manner in this act provided, there shall be elected at large within the limits of said school district of Wheeling as extended seven competent persons to serve as school commissioners for said district. The terms of office of the school commissioners elected pursuant to this section shall commence on the first day of July next succeeding their election, and the terms of office of the three of such commissioners who shall have received the highest number of votes at said election, shall continue for a term of six years, and until their successors are elected and qualified, and the terms of office of the two of said commissioners who shall receive the next highest number of votes at said election shall continue for a term of four years, and until their successors are elected and qualified, and the terms of office of the two of said commissioners receiving the next highest number of votes at said election, shall continue for a term of two years, and until their successors are elected and qualified; and at each succeeding regular biennial election for members of congress to be held in said county of Ohio, there shall be elected within the limits of said school district of Wheeling as extended, in the manner hereinafter provided, the number of competent persons to serve as such school commissioners, required to take the place of the commissioners, whose terms shall expire on the thirtieth day of June, then next succeeding, and to fill any vacancy for the unexpired term thereof. The term of office of each such school commissioner, elected pursuant to this section, after the first election following the extension of said school district of Wheeling, shall commence on the first day of July next succeeding his election, and continue for the term of six years, and until his successor is elected and qualified. The persons elected for school commissioners for said school
district of Wheeling, in pursuance of this section as amended, and their successors in office, shall constitute a board of education to be denominated "the board of education of the school district of Wheeling."

For election purposes within the area of the said school district of Wheeling the precinct boundary lines shall be those adopted by the board of commissioners of the county of Ohio. Candidates for school commissioner to be voted on at any regular election to be held following the said extension of said school district of Wheeling shall be nominated at the primary election held in the county of Ohio for the nomination of candidates for member of congress to be elected at said regular election, and no other names shall be printed upon the ballots used at the election of school commissioners except those selected in the manner hereinafter prescribed. Any person desiring to become a candidate for school commissioner at a regular election shall, at least twenty days prior to the primary election to be held prior to said regular election for the nomination of member of congress, file with the clerk of the circuit court of Ohio county, a petition, signed by at least fifty qualified voters of said school district. Said petition shall be verified by the affidavit of one or more credible persons as to the qualifications and residence of each of the persons signing said petition, and said petition, shall be in form or effect as follows:

"The undersigned, duly qualified voters of the school district of Wheeling and residing at the places set opposite our respective names hereto, do hereby request the name of (name of candidate) be placed on the ballots as a candidate for nomination for school commissioner of the school district of Wheeling, at the primary election to be held in said district on the ...... day of ................................, 19......... We further state that we know such person to be a qualified voter and resident of the said school district of Wheeling, and a person of good moral character, and qualified in our judgment for the duties of such office.

Names of qualified voters: ..................................................
Number: .................................. Street: ....................................

Any person whose name has been submitted for candidacy shall file his acceptance of such candidacy with the clerk of the circuit court of Ohio county not later than fifteen days
before the day of the primary election, and in the absence of
such acceptance the name of the candidate shall not appear
on the ballots. Immediately upon the expiration of time for
filing the petition for and acceptance of the candidates, the
clerk of the circuit court of Ohio county shall cause to be
published in all the daily newspapers of the city of Wheeling
once, in proper form, the names of the persons as they will
appear upon the primary ballots; and the said clerk shall there-
upon cause the primary ballots to be printed and authenticated
with a facsimile of his signature. The ballots shall be printed
upon plain white paper without party mark or designation,
and shall contain the names of the candidates in alphabetical
order. The ballots shall be separate from those used for can-
didates for other offices, and the primary election shall be
conducted and the result ascertained by the election officials
designated by the board of commissioners of the county of
Ohio for conducting the primary election for nomination of
candidates for members of congress. The number of candi-
dates, which is double the number to be elected at the next
ensuing regular election, receiving the highest number of
votes in said school district shall be the candidates and the
only candidates whose names shall be placed upon the ballots
at the next regular election for school commissioners for the
school district of Wheeling.

In any case where candidates shall have received an equal
number of votes, so that as between such candidates there is
no choice at the primary, the clerk of the circuit court of Ohio
county shall determine by lot the names out of those voted on
at the primary and tied as aforesaid, to be placed on the
ballots for the next regular election. At such election ballots
shall be prepared by the clerk of the circuit court of Ohio
containing the names of the candidates nominated at the
primary election, such ballots being separate from those
containing the names of candidates for other offices, and the
election shall be conducted and the results ascertained by the
election officials designated by the board of commissioners of
the county of Ohio for conducting the election, and the number
of persons, which is the number to be elected, receiving the
highest number of votes within said school district shall be the
persons elected as school commissioners of the said school dis-
trict of Wheeling.
The clerk of the circuit court of Ohio county after ascertaining from the board of canvassers the result of a primary or regular election for the nomination or election of candidates for school commissioners of the school district of Wheeling, shall publish the result of such primary or regular election in the same manner and at the same time that he publishes the result of the primary or regular election for the nomination or election of candidates for other offices. The cost of and expense of printing and publishing incident to the primary and election for school commissioners shall be borne by the board of education of the school district of Wheeling.

Members of the board of education of the school district of Wheeling shall be residents and qualified voters of the school district of Wheeling, and removal from the district shall vacate the office of such commissioner.

Sec. 3. No person shall be allowed to vote for school commissioner who is not an actual resident of and qualified to vote for county officers of the county of Ohio.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the clerk of the board of education of the school district of Wheeling, at least ten days before the first day of July succeeding any regular election under this act, to notify the commissioners-elect throughout the school district of their election. And before assuming the duties of his office, each of said commissioners shall qualify by taking and subscribing to the following oath of office, viz: "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully discharge the duties of school commissioner of the school district of Wheeling, during the time of my office, to the best of my ability and according to law, so help me God." and such other oath or affirmation as may be required by law. Such oath of office may be administered by the clerk of the board of education at any time on or before the first day of July next after the election, and the same, or a copy thereof, shall be kept by him in the files of his office.

Any vacancy which may occur in the office of school commissioner, by death, resignation, refusal to serve, or otherwise, shall be filled by the board of education of the school district of Wheeling, at any regular meeting as soon as practicable thereafter, by the appointment of a suitable person, resident of the district, who shall hold the office until the first regular election which shall be held after such appointment. In case the board is unable to fill such vacancy by reason of a tie between nomi-
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Sec. 4. On the first Thursday in July after the first election under this act, and biennially thereafter, at seven-thirty o'clock P. M., at the office of the board of education of the school district of Wheeling, there shall be held a meeting of the board, at which meeting the board shall be organized, if a majority of the members be present, and if a majority of the members be not present, then as soon as practicable thereafter, by the election of one of their number as president, and also a suitable person for clerk, who shall not be a member of the board. The president shall be entitled to vote upon all questions submitted to the decision of the board. Before entering upon the duties of his office, the clerk shall, with at least two good securities, not members of the board, or a corporate surety authorized to do business in the state of West Virginia, to be approved by the board, enter into a bond, payable to the board of education of the school district of Wheeling, conditioned for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office, in such penal sum as the board may direct; and for good cause a new bond and other bonds-men, may from time to time be required by the board; and such bond or bonds shall be filed with the president of the board for safe keeping. Should corporate surety be given on said bond, the premium or premiums for same shall be paid by the board.

Sec. 14. The collecting officer named in the preceding sections, shall, for the purpose of this act, be known as the "collector of the school district of Wheeling," and before collecting or receiving any of the monies of said district, shall give bond, with sureties, not members of the board, approved by the board of education, in such amount as shall be named by said board, which bond shall be filed with the clerk of the board, whose duty it shall be, upon the forfeiture of said bond, to prosecute and collect from said collector and his sureties, the amount named in the bond for the use of said district, and new bond and sureties may be required by the board in proper cases. In case any person shall neglect or refuse to pay in whole or in part any tax lawfully levied upon him or her by the board of education, it shall be lawful for the officer appointed to collect
such tax, to take reasonable distress of any personal property in said district, belonging to the said delinquent, or in which he or she shall have any right or interest, and to sell the said property, right or interest, at public sale in said district (having given ten days' notice of the time and place of sale by advertisement posted at some public place in the district), and out of the proceeds of such sale, after defraying all proper expenses, to pay to the said board of education the amount which shall be due on account of said tax, returning the balance, if any, to the owner of the property, right or interest so sold. In case any such tax levied upon real estate shall not be paid in full within thirty days from the first day of December, after said levy, it shall be lawful for the officer appointed to collect such tax, to take reasonable distress of any personal property belonging to the owner of said real estate, or in which such owner shall have any right or interest, or of any personal property on the premises taxed belonging to any person in the possession or occupancy thereof, or in which such person shall have any right or interest, and to sell such property, right or interest and apply the proceeds thereof in the manner prescribed in this section. And such officer shall have power to distrain any personal estate which may be on the premises taxed, and the same to sell and apply as aforesaid, notwithstanding such personal estate may be included in any deed, deed of trust, mortgage, bill of sale, or other writing. All such taxes levied upon real estate, shall remain a lien thereon, bearing interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum from the date when due until the same be fully paid, and the personal property of every person to whom the said real estate shall come by descent, or purchase, and of the person or persons in possession or occupancy thereof, shall be subject to distress and sale in the same manner and to the same effect as if he, she or they were originally chargeable with the said taxes. In all cases in which any such tax levied upon real estate shall be paid in whole or in part by the tenant, or out of his or her property, he or she shall be entitled to deduct the same out of the accruing rent, or to recover the amount so paid from the owner of said real estate, unless it shall have been otherwise specially agreed. All taxes levied as aforesaid shall be due and payable on the first day of October of the year in which the levy is made.

And be it further enacted:
(II) That chapter one hundred and nine, of the acts of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, be designated and hereafter known as section thirty-three, to and as a part of said chapter eleven of the acts of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, and that the eight sections of said chapter one hundred and nine of the acts of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, be designated and hereafter known as subsections one to eight, inclusive, of said section thirty-three, and that subsection two thereof be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2. At its session held on the second Tuesday in August as aforesaid, the said board shall ascertain the condition of the fiscal affairs of its said district and make up an itemized statement thereof distinguishing between the elementary and high schools and the various funds hereinafter provided for each, which statement shall set forth in detail:

First: The separate amounts due the various funds of said district, and the amounts that will become due and collectible during the current fiscal year except from the levy of taxes to be made for the year;

Second: The debts and demands owed by the said district and the debts and demands that will become due and payable during the current fiscal year, including interest on any indebtedness, funded, bonded or otherwise;

Third: All other expenditures under the several heads of expenditures, to be made and payable out of the levy of the said district for the current fiscal year, with proper allowances for delinquent taxes, exonerations and contingencies. Said statement shall also set forth the separate amount necessary to be raised for each fund by the levy of taxes for the current fiscal year, the proposed rate of such levy on each one hundred dollars assessed valuation of the taxable property in the said district for each of such funds, and the separate and aggregate amounts of the assessed valuation of real estate, personal property, and public utility property assessed by the board of public works. A copy of such statement duly certified by the clerk of the said board shall immediately be forwarded to the state tax commissioner, and said statement shall, before the next meeting of said board, be published once in two newspapers of opposite politics in said school district, if there be two such newspapers therein. If there be but one newspaper published in said district, the publication shall be made therein. The session shall
then stand adjourned until the fourth Tuesday in August, at which time it shall reconvene. And the said board of education shall then hear and consider any objections made orally or in writing by the prosecuting attorney of Ohio county, by the state tax commissioner or his representatives, or by any taxpayer of the said school district, to the said estimate and proposed levy, or any item thereof. It shall be the duty of the said board of education to enter an order showing the objections so made, setting forth the reasons and grounds for such objections. But the failure of any officer or taxpayer to offer objections as herein provided shall not preclude him from pursuing any legal remedy necessary to correct any levy made by said board of education. After said objections have been made and heard, the said board of education shall thereupon reconsider the proposed original estimate and proposed rate of levy, and if the objections thereto or any part thereof appear to be well taken, the said board of education shall correct the same accordingly, and it shall thereupon be approved, and when approved shall, with the order approving it, be entered by the clerk of said board of education in the proper record book. After having entered the statement as finally approved in its book of record or proceedings, the said board shall thereupon levy as many cents on each one hundred dollars assessed valuation of the taxable property in said school district, according to the last assessment thereof, as will produce the amounts shown by the statement to be necessary, as follows:

(a) For maintenance fund purposes, including kindergartens and medical inspection, for defraying the maintenance expenses for a fiscal year;

(b) For teachers' fund purposes, including kindergartens and medical inspection, for the purpose of maintaining the schools of the said district for a term of not less than nine months, or for a longer term where the same has been extended by the said board of education.

For high school purposes, including junior high schools, vocational schools and physical educational schools, the said board of education shall levy a rate sufficiently high to defray the expenses for such high school purposes for the current fiscal year, and shall divide the levy so made into a levy for maintenance fund purposes and a levy for teachers' fund purposes.

For new building and improvement fund purposes, for the
purchase of land and for the purpose of erecting and equipping buildings for elementary and high school purposes, for the purchase of furniture and apparatus, for rent and permanent improvement of old buildings.

For maintenance of the public library under the control and management of said board of education, including salaries for librarian and assistants and all other expenses of managing and operating said library, a levy of not to exceed five cents.

Provided, however, That the total levy, laid by the board of education of the school district of Wheeling as extended, for any one year for all purposes, exclusive of levies for library purposes and for bonded indebtedness, shall not exceed one dollar and twenty cents on the hundred dollars' valuation of taxable property.

And be it further enacted:

(III) That the following section be added to said chapter eleven of the acts of one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two, as a part thereof, namely:

Sec. 34. For the government of the schools within the school district of Wheeling, as extended, pursuant to the provisions of this act, the board of education of the school district of Wheeling may appoint, at such salary as said board shall deem proper, not to exceed two assistant superintendents, and such supervisors of educational subjects as it may deem necessary, who shall be subject to the orders and direction of said board and of the superintendent of the said school district.

For purpose of collecting taxes and levies due the school district of Wheeling, as extended, the board of education of said district shall, not later than the fourth Thursday of August in each year, designate as collector of the school district of Wheeling, either the officer by whom the city of Wheeling levies are collected or the officer by whom the county of Ohio levies are collected, as it may deem more expedient and economical. Any and all compensation or commission charged by such officer for making said collection shall be the property of and be credited by said officer to the city of Wheeling or the county of Ohio, as the case may be.

And be it further enacted:

(IV) That all acts relating to the independent school district of Wheeling so far, and so far only, as they conflict with the provisions of this act, are hereby repealed.
Provided, however, That this act shall not be effective unless and until the boundaries of the school district of Wheeling shall be extended by a vote of the electorate of Ohio county in the manner hereinafter provided:

Such extension of boundaries shall be proposed by resolution of the board of education of the school district of Wheeling, which resolution shall:

(a) Fix the time for holding an election at which the proposed change of boundaries shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the school district of Wheeling and of the territory proposed to be annexed for approval or rejection;

(b) Direct that notice of such election be published in each of the daily newspapers in the city of Wheeling once a week for four successive weeks, the last publication to be not more than ten days before the day of election.

The following form of ballot shall be used at such election:

Shall the school district of Wheeling be extended to include all of the territory of Ohio county, and the bonded indebtedness of all present school districts within Ohio county be assumed by and become the obligations of the school district of Wheeling as extended, and the board of education of the school district of Wheeling as extended levy and collect a direct annual tax on all property within the said district as extended sufficient to provide for the payment of sinking fund, principal and interest obligations of and on said indebtedness as they arise under the original terms thereof?

The board of education of the school district of Wheeling shall, through its clerk, notify the president of the board of education of each district within the territory which is proposed to be annexed, of the proposed extension of boundaries, at least six weeks before the time for the election herein provided for; whereupon it shall be the duty of the board of education of each of said districts, except as hereinafter otherwise provided, to provide for such election by designating precincts, boundaries thereof, and voting places, and by appointing judges and clerks for each precinct within the ter-
The territory proposed to be annexed, and certify the precincts, boundaries thereof, voting places and the names of such appointees to the board of education of the school district of Wheeling within three weeks of the service of notice upon said president. If such certification is not filed, the board of education of the school district of Wheeling shall, except as hereinafter otherwise provided, designate such precincts, boundaries thereof and voting places, and shall appoint such judges and clerks of election. So far as they are applicable and except as specific provision is made herein or in the charter of the school district of Wheeling, such election shall be governed by the general election laws of the state of West Virginia. Said election may be a special election or may be held at the same time that any primary or regular election is held by the city of Wheeling or the county of Ohio. If held at the same time as a county election the same precinct lines shall be used and the election shall be conducted and the results ascertained by the same election officials, as designated by the board of commissioners of the county of Ohio for conducting the election. If held at the same time as a city of Wheeling election the same precinct lines shall be used and the election within the limits of the city of Wheeling shall be conducted and the result ascertained by the same election officials, as designated by the council of the city of Wheeling for conducting said election, and in each precinct outside the city of Wheeling a single election board may be used to conduct the election, and said election boards outside the city of Wheeling shall report to the same officials to whom the boards within the city of Wheeling are required by the charter of the city of Wheeling to report. The officials required by law to canvass and certify the results of the city or county election as the case may be, shall likewise canvass and certify to the board of education of the school district of Wheeling the result of the election hereby authorized.

When the result of such election is ascertained and certified, the president of the board of education of the school district of Wheeling shall issue his proclamation of such result and cause the same to be published in each daily newspaper published in the city of Wheeling within five days of such certification, and if three-fifths of the votes cast at such election shall be in favor of such extension, then all the territory
within the county of Ohio shall be and become a part of the
school district of Wheeling, on the first day of July following
the next succeeding general election for member of congress,
and beginning on that date, the school district of Wheeling
shall include all the territory within the county of Ohio, and
the corporate existence of any other school district included
within the county of Ohio shall thereupon cease and determine;
and if three-fifths of the votes cast at such election shall not
be in favor of such extension, then the boundaries of the
school district of Wheeling shall remain as they now are, and
the territory within the county of Ohio and outside the present
school district of Wheeling shall be in no way affected by such
election. If the extension be rejected by failure to obtain a
three-fifths majority vote this shall not prevent the calling
of a subsequent election or elections to submit to vote the same
matter in any manner herein provided. All expenses of hold-
ing such elections, the payment whereof is not now provided
by law, shall be paid by the school district of Wheeling, and
the board of education may appropriate therefor from such
fund as it may see fit.

At any such election, all persons may vote who would be
then legally qualified to vote at a general city or county elec-
tion and are properly registered on books of the city of Wheel-
ing or the county of Ohio.

The board of education of the school district of Wheeling
shall call an election hereunder, submitting to the voters of
Ohio county, the proposed change of boundaries, in the man-
er herein provided, at the first regular general city election
held by the city of Wheeling after the passage of this act.

The failure, neglect or refusal of the publisher of any news-
paper in Wheeling to publish either the notice or proclamation
herein provided for, shall not affect the validity of the pro-
ceedings to extend the boundaries of the school district of
Wheeling, if such publication shall appear in one of such
papers.

In the event of the extension of the school district of
Wheeling in the manner herein provided, then, from and after
the time such extension becomes effective, all the debts and
obligations, including bonded indebtedness, of any district
included within Ohio county shall become and be the debts
and obligations of the school district of Wheeling as extended,
and shall be enforceable against said school district of Wheeling and all property therein to the same extent as they might have been enforced against the district creating them, and taxes thereafter levied to provide for such indebtedness, principal and interest, shall be levied, by the board of education of the school district of Wheeling as extended, on the entire taxable property within the said district, and at a rate sufficient to provide for the payment annually of the sinking fund, principal and interest obligations thereof and thereon as they arise under the original terms thereof.

The extension of the boundaries of the school district of Wheeling shall not affect the boundaries or the organization of any municipality theretofore existing.

The terms of office of the county superintendent of schools of Ohio county, the members and officers of the board of education of the school district of Wheeling, and of the boards of education of each school district within the area annexed to the school district of Wheeling by virtue of this act, as they exist at the time at which the extension of the school district of Wheeling becomes effective in the manner provided in this act, shall expire on the thirtieth day of June next succeeding the election of the first board of education of the school district of Wheeling as extended; and the terms of all district superintendents and supervisors and other officers and employees appointed or employed by any of the aforesaid boards or officers, shall terminate at the same time.

All property in the hands, or under the control, of the boards and officers whose terms shall expire as aforesaid, shall be turned over to the incoming board of the independent school district of Wheeling as extended, and the title to all real and personal property owned by any and all of the school districts annexed to the independent school district of Wheeling, pursuant to this act, shall become the property of the independent school district of Wheeling on the said first day of July following the election aforesaid. And the board of education of the school district of Wheeling as extended shall thereupon and thereafter exercise full and complete control thereover, and all of said property and every educational facility hereafter located within the school district of Wheeling as extended shall be available for school uses throughout
CHAPTEF 100
(Senate Bill No. 34—By Mr. Beneke)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section ninety-eight, of chapter seventy-three, of the acts of the legislature of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, charter of the city of Wheeling, relating to civil service commission and trial board.

(Passed January 26, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.)

Sec. 98. Civil service commission for police and fire department, number and terms; vacancies filled by counsel; examinations by commission; future examinations of appointees; commission as trial board; how appointees removed

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section ninety-eight, of chapter seventy-three of the acts of the legislature of one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, charter of the city of Wheeling, relating to civil service commission and trial board, be amended and re-enacted as follows:

Section 98. The city council shall elect a civil service commission for the purpose of examining applicants for positions and promotions in the police and fire departments. The civil service commission shall consist of three citizens, not all of whom shall be of one political party. At the first election of members of the civil service commission after the passage of this act one member shall be elected for a term of six years, one member for a term of four years, and one member for a term of two years. Thereafter the term of office of each member shall be six years. Any vacancies occurring in the commission shall be filled by the council. For the purpose of conducting tests in the departments specified, the civil service commission shall conduct practical examinations annually or oftener, fixing grades and classifications as they may determine, and a list of those successfully passing the examinations prescribed shall be furnished the city manager, such list to be
known as the eligible list and selections must be made from among the three applicants rated highest for the appointments necessary to be made. Said list and all examination papers shall be kept on file in the office of the city clerk and available to the public at all times: Provided, That any appointees in the departments under civil service shall be subjected to examinations from time to time in the interest of efficiency, and that the passing of the required examinations prior to entering the city’s employ shall not constitute a life tenure in office. No member of the civil service during his incumbency shall be the holder of any state, county or municipal office.

(a) The civil service commission is hereby constituted a trial board to hear and determine any charges that may be filed with it against any policeman or fireman of said city.

No officer or employe in the city of Wheeling who shall have been appointed under said rules and after said examination, shall be removed or discharged except for cause, upon written charges and after an opportunity to be heard in his own defense. Such charges shall be investigated by or before said civil service commission, or by or before some officer or board appointed by said commission to conduct such investigation. The finding and decision of such commission or investigating officer or board, when approved by said commission, shall be forthwith enforced by the head of the department to which the officer or employe tried belongs. Nothing in this act shall limit the power of any officer to suspend a subordinate for a reasonable period, not exceeding thirty days. In the course of an investigation of charges, each member of the commission, and of any board so appointed by it, and any officer so appointed, shall have power to secure by its subpoena both the attendance and testimony of witnesses, and the production of books and papers relevant to such investigation.

(b) Charges shall be filed with the commission and shall state specifically the facts alleged to constitute the cause for discharge. Investigations of charges may be broad in their character and evidence may be heard upon any facts or circumstances pertinent or applicable to such charges.

(c) The commission shall cause copies of written charges filed with it against any officer or employe in the classified service, to be served personally upon the officer or employe against whom such charges are filed, or shall have the same
mailed to his address as shown by the records of the commission, notifying him of the time and place of the investigation, which shall be held not less than five days after the serving or mailing of said notice.

(d) The commission may, in its discretion, grant continuances of investigations of charges at the request of the officers or employe so charged, but in case any continuance causes the postponement of a hearing beyond the thirty day suspension period specified in the civil service act, a waiver of salary during such continuance beyond the thirty day period shall be required. The commission may continue the hearing of charges of its own accord, but not beyond the thirty day suspension period.

e) The finding and decision of the commission, or any officer or board appointed by it, following an investigation of charges, shall be entered in the minutes of the commission's proceedings and a copy of same certified to the department head or employing officer for enforcement. If the finding or decision is that an officer or employe is guilty of charges investigated, and removal or discharge is ordered, such order of removal or discharge shall become effective forthwith, in the event no appeal is taken to the circuit court of the county wherein the hearing was held. If the party is found innocent he shall be paid for the time of suspension, and reinstated to former position.

(f) Any person who shall be served with a subpoena to appear and testify or to produce books or papers, issued by the commission or by any commissioner or by any board or person acting under the orders of the commission in the course of an investigation conducted either under the provisions of section I of this act, and who shall refuse or neglect to appear or to testify or to produce books and papers relevant to said investigations, as commanded in such subpoena, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, on conviction, be punished as provided in section seven of this act. The circuit court of Ohio county, or the judge thereof in vacation, upon application of any such commissioner, or officer or board, may in his discretion compel the attendance of witnesses, the production of books and papers, and giving of testimony before the commission, or before any such commissioner, investigating board or officer, by attachment, contempt or otherwise, in
96 the same manner as the production of evidence may be com-
97 pelled before said court. Every person, who, having taken
98 an oath or made affirmation before the commission, officer, or
99 board appointed by the commission, authorized to administer
100 oaths, shall swear or affirm falsely shall be guilty of perjury.
101 (g) Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of
102 this section, or any rule promulgated in accordance with the
103 provisions thereof, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and
104 shall, upon conviction be punished by a fine of not less than
105 twenty-five dollars nor more than one hundred dollars, or by
106 imprisonment in the county jail for a term not exceeding six
107 months, or both by fine and imprisonment.
108 (h) Petitions for rehearing of persons removed or dis-
109 charged from the classified service after investigation as pro-
110 vided in section I of the civil service act, may be filed with the
111 commission within thirty days after its finding and decision
112 has been recorded. Petitions shall state fully the grounds
113 upon which applications for rehearings are based. In case
114 said petitions are allowed, rehearings of original charges with
115 any new evidence bearing thereon shall be conducted and
116 findings and decisions as a result of such rehearings entered,
117 but in case said petitions are not allowed, the original order
118 shall remain in effect.
119 (i) Appeals from the findings and decisions of the com-
120 missioners, its investigating officers, or boards may be taken
121 to the circuit court within ten days after the entry of the
122 order, in like manner as appeals in all other cases, but the
123 decision of the circuit court on such appeal shall be final.

CHAPTER 101

(House Bill No. 67—By Mr. Norton)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section twenty-four of chapter one
hundred sixty-seven of the acts of the legislature of one thou-
sand nine hundred twenty-one, relating to the common pleas
court of Cabell county.

[Passed March 3, 1931; in effect from passage. Became a law without the approval
of the Governor.]

SEC. 24. Jurisdiction of court; salary of
judge, how paid.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section twenty-four of chapter one hundred sixty-seven of
the acts of the legislature of one thousand nine hundred twenty-one, relating to the common pleas court of Cabell county, be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

Section 24. The said court shall also have jurisdiction, common and concurrent with the circuit court of said Cabell county, to try and determine all civil cases appealed from justices of the peace, general equity jurisdiction to try, hear and determine, grant temporary injunctions, abate and perpetually enjoin all such nuisances as are defined in section eleven, article two, chapter sixty, official code of nineteen hundred thirty-one, and as such power and authority so to do is specifically granted by section twelve of said article and chapter, and to grant, try, hear and determine causes arising in said Cabell county upon petitions for and writs of prohibition, mandamus, quo warranto and habeas corpus as said writs are authorized by general law and by articles one, two and four of chapter fifty-three official code of West Virginia of nineteen hundred thirty-one, and all the powers and duties conferred by law on the circuit court of Cabell county, or of the judge thereof in vacation, insofar as the same relate to civil actions before such justices of the peace and appeals therefrom, proceedings brought pursuant to the provisions of sections eleven and twelve, article two, chapter sixty, as aforesaid, and in prohibition, mandamus, quo warranto and habeas corpus, are hereby vested in said common pleas court or its judge in vacation.

The judge of the common pleas court shall receive for his services six thousand dollars annually, payable in monthly installments, beginning on the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, which amount shall be provided for and paid by the county court out of the treasury of said Cabell county.

All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.
CHAPTER 102
(House Bill No. 250—By Mr. Rife)

AN ACT authorizing the county court of Wayne county, to pay to the judge of the twenty-fourth judicial circuit, additional compensation and repeal all acts in conflict therewith.

[Passed March 6, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. Additional compensation judge twenty-fourth judicial circuit.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. That in addition to all other compensations now provided by law, the judge of the twenty-fourth judicial circuit of this state shall be paid by the county court of Wayne county the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars per annum, which allowance shall be paid by said county court to the said judge out of the general funds of Wayne county in monthly installments as salaries are paid, and which allowance shall commence with the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one.

All acts and parts of acts in conflict herewith, or inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

CHAPTER 103
(House Bill No. 268—By Mr. Scott, of Randolph)

AN ACT to authorize the county court of Randolph county, for a period of three years, to increase the county levy for general county purposes from thirty cents to thirty-five cents upon the one hundred dollars, and to reduce the county levy for road purposes from twenty-five cents to twenty cents upon the one hundred dollars.

[Passed March 6, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. County court authorized to increase general county levy and decrease county road levy.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. That the county court of Randolph county be, and it is hereby authorized and empowered, for the period of three years, as an emergency, to levy and collect for general county
4 purposes, the sum of thirty-five cents upon the one hundred
5 dollars' valuation of the property therein instead of thirty cents
6 as now provided by law, and at the same time reduce the rate
7 of levy for road purposes from twenty-five cents to twenty cents
8 upon the one hundred dollars' valuation.

CHAPTER 104
(House Bill No. 406—By Mr. Hyre)

AN ACT to authorize the county court of Upshur county, for a
period of three years, to increase the county levy for general
county purposes from thirty cents to forty cents upon the
hundred dollars property valuation, and to reduce the county
levy for road purposes from twenty-five cents to fifteen cents
per hundred dollars.

[Passed March 14, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. County court authorized to increase county levy and reduce county
road levy.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. That the county court of Upshur county be, and it
2 is hereby, authorized and empowered, for the period of three
3 years, as an emergency, to levy and collect for general county
4 purposes the sum of forty cents per one hundred dollars valua-
5 tion of the property therein instead of thirty cents as now pro-
6 vided by law, and at the same time to reduce the rate of levy for
7 road purposes from twenty-five cents to fifteen cents per one
8 hundred dollars valuation; and this act shall be so construed as
9 to require the said county court to reduce the said county road
10 levy to the same extent that it increases the levy for general
11 county purposes under the provision of this act.
CHAPTER 105
(House Bill No. 321—By Mr. Cusack)

AN ACT authorizing and empowering the county court of Wetzel county to lay a special levy for the purpose of purchasing rights-of-way along designated state routes within said county of Wetzel.

[Passed March 4, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. Additional levy for purchasing rights-of-way along designated state routes.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

Section 1. The county court of Wetzel county is hereby authorized and empowered and directed to lay a levy, in addition to all other levies, on all the taxable property in said Wetzel county, for a period of five years beginning with the year one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, of ten cents on each one hundred dollars of the assessed valuation of said Wetzel county, for the purpose of purchasing rights-of-way along designated state routes within said county of Wetzel, and for no other purpose.

CHAPTER 106
(House Bill No. 327—By Mr. Norton)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact chapter one hundred forty-seven, of the acts of the legislature of one thousand nine hundred twenty-five, by adding thereto section three, empowering the prosecuting attorney of Cabell county to appoint a second assistant prosecuting attorney in lieu of and in conjunction with the office of county detective in said Cabell county.

[Passed March 13, 1931; in effect from passage. Approved by the Governor.]

Sec. 1. Office county detective created; qualifications; by whom appointed or removed; compensation.

Sec. 2. Power and duties; oath of office; bond; appointment of second assistant prosecuting attorney or county detective.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That chapter one hundred forty-seven, of the acts of the legislature of one thousand nine hundred twenty-five be amended and re-enacted so as to read as follows:
Section 1. There is hereby created in Cabell county, the office of county detective, to operate under the supervision of and in connection with the office of prosecuting attorney, and said county detective shall be of good moral character, qualified by education and experience to investigate crimes and misdemeanors, and shall be appointed by the prosecuting attorney, with the approval of the county court, to hold office during the time for which the prosecuting attorney is elected or appointed, or shall be removed by the prosecuting attorney and county court, and he shall receive for his services two thousand dollars per annum to be paid out of the county treasury of the county of Cabell in the same manner and at the same time as the salaries of other county officers are paid, and shall be allowed such necessary expenses as are incurred by him in performing his duties out of the county, but he shall file with the county court a sworn statement of the expenses incurred by him.

Sec. 2. Said county detective shall have the same general powers as the sheriff to serve processes and make arrests, and he shall faithfully investigate all cases assigned to him by the prosecuting attorney and make report thereof in writing for the use of the prosecuting attorney, but before entering upon his duties as such county detective he shall take the several oaths prescribed by law for county officers, and shall give bond with approved sureties in the penalty of three thousand five hundred dollars, conditioned according to law for the faithful performance of his duties as such county detective, and he shall in all respects be subject to the provisions and penalties of section nineteen, of chapter one hundred forty-seven of Barnes' code of one thousand nine hundred twenty-three.

Sec. 3. Provided, however, That the prosecuting attorney of said Cabell county, may at his election, appoint a second assistant prosecuting attorney, of said Cabell county, at the salary above provided for, who shall perform the duties and have all the rights, powers and privileges of such county detective, as provided for in sections one and two of this chapter, and in addition thereto, shall be empowered to perform the duties of assistant prosecuting attorney, as provided for in section seven of chapter one hundred twenty, of the acts of one thousand nine hundred twenty-one, and shall be known and designated as an assistant prosecuting attorney, of said Cabell county. But nothing in this act shall be construed so as to permit the appoint-
CHAPTER 107

(House Bill No. 416—By Mr. Lubliner)

AN ACT to amend and re-enact section five, article seven, chapter seven, of the code of West Virginia, relating to the salaries of prosecuting attorneys.

(Passed March 14, 1931; in effect ninety days from passage. Approved by the Governor.)

Sec. 3. Compensation prosecuting attorneys.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section five, article seven, chapter seven, of the code of West Virginia, be amended and re-enacted, so as to read as follows:

Section 5. The annual compensation of the prosecuting attorney in each county, including the compensation provided by law for his services as attorney for boards of education and other administrative boards and officers in the county, shall be as follows: Barbour county, two thousand dollars; Berkeley county, one thousand two hundred dollars; Boone county, two thousand four hundred dollars; Braxton county, one thousand eight hundred dollars; Brooke county, one thousand eight hundred dollars; Cabell county, four thousand eight hundred dollars; Calhoun county, eight hundred dollars; Clay county, one thousand five hundred dollars; Doddridge county, one thousand two hundred dollars; Fayette county, three thousand dollars; Gilmer county, one thousand five hundred dollars; Grant county, six hundred dollars; Greenbrier county, one thousand eight hundred dollars; Hampshire county, one thousand dollars; Hancock county, one thousand eight hundred dollars; Hardy county, not less than six hundred nor more than twelve hundred dollars, at the option of the county court; Harrison county, three thousand five hundred dollars; Jackson county, one thousand dollars; Jefferson county, one thousand two hundred dollars; Kanawha county, six thousand dollars; Lewis county, one thousand two hundred dollars; Lincoln county, one thousand five hundred dollars; Logan county, one thousand eight hundred dollars; Marion county, four thousand four hundred dollars; Marshall...
county, one thousand eight hundred dollars; Mason county, two.
26 thousand dollars; McDowell county, four thousand eight hun-
dred dollars; Mercer county, two thousand five hundred dollars,
28 but beginning with the first day of January, one thousand nine
hundred thirty-three it shall be not less than two thousand four
30 hundred dollars nor more than four thousand five hundred dol-
lars; Mineral county, two thousand dollars; Mingo county, four
32 thousand eight hundred dollars; Monongalia county, four thou-
sand dollars; Monroe county, six hundred dollars; Morgan
34 county, eight hundred dollars; Nicholas county, two thousand
dollars; Ohio county, not to exceed four thousand seven hun-
dred dollars; Pendleton county, six hundred dollars; Pleasants
37 county, six hundred dollars, but beginning with the first day
38 of January, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three, it shall
39 be one thousand two hundred dollars; Pocahontas county, one
40 thousand two hundred dollars; Preston county, two thousand
41 five hundred dollars; Putnam county, one thousand dollars, but
42 beginning with the first day of January, one thousand nine hun-
dred thirty-three, it shall be one thousand five hundred dollars;
44 Raleigh county, two thousand five hundred dollars, but begin-
ingar with the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred
46 thirty-three, it shall be not less than two thousand four hundred
47 dollars nor more than four thousand dollars; Randolph county,
48 one thousand eight hundred dollars; Ritchie county, one thou-
sand two hundred dollars; Roane county, one thousand two
50 hundred dollars; Summers county, one thousand four hundred
51 dollars; Taylor county, one thousand eight hundred dollars;
52 Tucker county, one thousand two hundred dollars; Tyler
53 county, one thousand two hundred dollars; Upshur county, one
54 thousand five hundred dollars; Wayne county, one thousand
55 five hundred dollars; Webster county, one thousand two hun-
dred dollars; Wetzel county, two thousand dollars; Wirt
57 county, six hundred dollars; Wood county, three thousand dol-
lars; Wyoming county, not less than three thousand dollars nor
59 more than four thousand dollars.
RESOLUTIONS

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1

(By Mr. Helmick)

[Adopted January 14, 1931.]

Raising a Joint Committee to wait upon the Governor.

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring therein:

That a joint committee be appointed, three by the President of the Senate and three by the Speaker of the House of Delegates, to wait upon the Governor and inform him that the Legislature is organized with a quorum present and is ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to present.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2

(By Mr. Smith)

[Adopted January 14, 1931.]

Providing for a recess of the two houses of the Legislature.

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring therein:

That the Senate and House of Delegates, when they adjourn today adjourn until Monday, January 18th at 2 o’clock P. M.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3

(By Mr. Johnson)

[Adopted January 21, 1931.]

Providing for a State Commission for the celebration of the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the birth of George Washington.
WHEREAS, The Congress has established the United States Commission for the celebration of the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the birth of George Washington, composed of the President and Vice-President of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, four senators, four representatives and eight other commissioners; and

WHEREAS, Said National Commission desires the hearty cooperation of the several states; and

WHEREAS, This state was a part of the colonial province in which Washington was born and the state of which he was so distinguished a citizen, within the bounds of which he frequently traveled and in which he owned numerous tracts of land; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring therein:

That there hereby is established a commission to be known as the West Virginia Commission for the celebration of the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the birth of George Washington, and to be composed of nineteen commissioners, as follows:

The Governor of West Virginia; the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Delegates, ex officio; eight persons to be appointed by the Governor; four Senators by the President of the Senate and four Delegates by the Speaker of the House of Delegates. The commission shall serve without compensation, and shall select a chairman and vice-chairman from among their number, and a secretary from their own number or from the outside.

It shall be the duty of the State Commission to cooperate with the National Commission in the purposes and plans of said celebration, and to give due and proper consideration of plans and suggestions which may be submitted to them; to advise with and encourage local and general celebrations by schools, churches, patriotic societies, historical associations, business organizations, women's and civic clubs, local dramatic societies, and by newspapers and other publications within the state, and to do any and all things proper and practical to make such celebrations a pronounced success in the state of West Virginia.
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4

(By Mr. Beneke)

[Adopted January 23, 1931.]

Authorizing the Governor to proclaim October 11th of each year "General Pulaski's Memorial Day" for the observance and commemoration of the death of Brigadier General Casimir Pulaski.

Whereas, The 11th day of October, 1779, is the date in American history of the heroic death of Brigadier General Casimir Pulaski, who died from wounds received on October 9, 1779, at the siege of Savannah, Georgia; and

Whereas, The states of Indiana, Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio, South Carolina, Pennsylvania, New York, Minnesota, Maryland, New Jersey, Illinois, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Nebraska, Georgia, and other states of the Union through legislative enactment designated October 11, 1929, to be "General Pulaski's Memorial Day"; and

Whereas, It is fitting that the recurring anniversary of this day be commemorated with suitable patriotic and public exercises in observing and commemorating the death of this great American hero of the Revolutionary War; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring therein:

That the Governor of the state of West Virginia is authorized to issue a proclamation calling upon officials of the government to display the flag of the United States on all governmental buildings on October 11th of each year and inviting the people of the state of West Virginia to observe the day in schools and churches, or other suitable places, with appropriate ceremonies in commemoration of the death of General Casimir Pulaski.
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5

(By Mr. Watkins)

[Adopted February 6, 1931.]

Commending the organization of the American Legislators' Association and the Interstate Legislative Reference Bureau.

WHEREAS, All experienced persons know that in each state, legislative problems continually increase, both in number and in complexity; and

WHEREAS, It is obvious that in order to solve such problems most effectively, each legislature must give systematic, scientific and business-like consideration to the actual facts which have a bearing upon each question—to the extent that such facts have been determined by reliable research; and

WHEREAS, Each legislature must give similar consideration to the methods and experience of other jurisdictions in dealing with problems similar to its own; and

WHEREAS, No such problems can be dealt with adequately until facilities are established to assist every inquiring legislator to secure the most accurate information and the most expert advice which are available; and

WHEREAS, Experience indicates the necessity for an interstate legislative reference bureau to serve as a clearing house of information between all of the legislative reference services which are now being conducted by numerous states, and also to serve as a clearing house of information between the legislatures and all other agencies which are engaged in the study and analysis of legislative problems, such as governmental departments, political science departments of universities, competent reputable associations, and all other sources of information; and

WHEREAS, Experience also indicates that in certain states which do not maintain substantial legislative reference services, there is an imperative need for such an interstate legislative reference bureau, which will assist the legislature of those states to secure whatever information they desire in analyzing the legislative problems which they must determine, and to make more readily accessible for them, without cost, the valuable material which is at all times available from the legislative reference libraries and bureaux.
of various other states, and from many other reliable sources; and

Whereas, Every individual legislator in the United States shares the responsibility for improving the present inadequate and unsatisfactory condition of the legislative processes, but neither any individual legislator, nor any group of legislators from one state, can bring about such improvement without the cooperation of legislators of other states; and

Whereas, Such an interstate legislative reference bureau cannot be maintained by any one state alone, without the cooperation of the legislatures of other states; and

Whereas, In order to set the machinery in motion to secure the necessary cooperation of the forty-eight legislatures, members of each legislature are working together in the development of the project of the American Legislators’ Association; and

Whereas, The said American Legislators’ Association has now established in the vicinity of the University of Chicago, the Interstate Legislative Reference Bureau, which by explicit pledge is without color of politics, partisanship or propaganda, is conducted without profit, and is engaged upon three principal purposes:

First: To procure promptly for all inquiring state legislators, and their agents, whatever information or advice they desire in connection with any legislative problem, primarily by assisting them to secure, without cost, the benefit of all researches conducted by governmental departments, universities, associations, legislative reference bureaus, and other agencies throughout the United States;

Second: To conduct a systematic study of the legislative processes of each of the states, in order to ascertain the practices which contribute most to efficient and economical organization and procedure; and to render all possible assistance to each legislature—and to each legislative reference bureau—which is endeavoring to improve its organization;

Third: To publish for the benefit of all state legislators the monthly magazine, State Government, as well as special bulletins, and thus to disseminate information which will be helpful to all conscientious students of legislation; and

Whereas, The American Legislators’ Association is promoting acquaintance and mutual understanding among all individuals
and organizations officially concerned with the impartial and scientific functioning of the legislatures of the various states, by the organization of Standing Committees and Advisory Boards, and otherwise; and

WHEREAS, The character and project of the American Legislators' Association have the endorsement, and its organization has the active cooperation, not only of its membership, which consists entirely of members and ex-members of state legislatures, but also of members of other responsible citizens, many of whom, having specialized knowledge, are serving on the Association's Advisory Boards; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring therein:

That the organization of the American Legislators' Association and of the Interstate Legislative Reference Bureau are hereby commended as legitimate and constructive efforts to assist the legislatures of the various states in the efficient performance of their work.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6

(BY MR. BENEKE)

[Adopted February 4, 1931.]

Raising a joint committee to investigate the penitentiary.

WHEREAS, It is evident that a serious condition exists at the state penitentiary at Moundsville as the result of overcrowding of the institution; and

WHEREAS, A situation of grave, serious concern confronts the state of West Virginia in the problems arising from the overcrowded condition in the state penitentiary and also the matter of relieving same; and

WHEREAS, These matters are of such grave importance that the legislature should have first-hand information in dealing with the same; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring therein:

That a joint committee of nine members, five to be appointed by
the Speaker of the House and four to be appointed by the President of the Senate, be created with full authority to make an investigation of present conditions at the state penitentiary on all phases of the question of administration and the employment of labor and any other matters dealing therewith, and that this committee shall proceed to make a full investigation and report to the legislature at the earliest possible time with its recommendations for the guidance of the legislature in dealing with these problems.

Said committee shall have power to employ such clerical assistance as it shall deem necessary, in the proper and efficient discharge of its duties, and is hereby vested with power and authority to administer oaths compel the attendance and testimony of witnesses, and the production of such books, papers and accounts as the committee may deem necessary to make a thorough examination into the condition of said institution.

Resolved further, That the sergeant-at-arms of the House and the Clerk of the Senate be directed to draw their warrants upon the auditor for sufficient funds to pay the expenses of the respective members of the two Houses and that the sergeant-at-arms of the House and Clerk of the Senate be directed to accompany said committee, pay their expenses and see that their wants are properly supplied.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9

(BY MR. MILLER)

[Adopted March 14, 1931.]

Concerning a state memorial for Booker T. Washington.

WHEREAS, Booker T. Washington, reared in Malden, Kanawha county, West Virginia, a child of slavery was without even a name, having taken to himself the name of the father of this great country, born in obscurity, handicapped by dire poverty, through great difficulties and at a great sacrifice and amidst unsurmountable obstacles secured an education when educational opportunities were meager for the white race and practically none at all for the race to which he belonged. In order to uplift and enlighten his people that he might help break the chains of ignorance and superstition, planting in their places industry and thrift; and
WHEREAS, He established one of the first and greatest institutions for industrial education in the world, having been justly called the father of industrial education, having popularized manual training to the extent that it has been put in the public school systems of the United States and adopted by leading universities and through this the great contribution he made in bringing about better relationship between the races in America, he arose to be acclaimed by two continents as one of the greatest men America has produced; and

WHEREAS, As a son of West Virginia, he never forgot the land of his childhood, having returned at intervals, taught here, and toured the state in the interest of locating the Capitol in Charleston. He referred to Malden repeatedly in his autobiography as the place where he received his inspiration, and having by his life and works brought honor to this great state of West Virginia; and

WHEREAS, There has been a consistent demand for many years on the part of his admirers throughout the state and nation that a monument be erected to him in Malden, his old home town, the Negro Club Women, through the West Virginia Federation of Colored Women's Clubs, have accepted this challenge and have formed a corporation to establish and maintain a fitting memorial in Malden, and having been consistently working on it for the past three years, and through the president, Mrs. A. L. Spaulding, have secured the endorsements and recommendation of leading statesmen, financiers and philanthropists, including ex-President Coolidge, President Hoover and Hon. John W. Davis, former ambassador to the Court of St. James; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring therein:

That the board of public works be, and they are, hereby requested to include in a supplemental budget an appropriation in the sum of $10,000.00 for a suitable monument or memorial for the illustrious Booker T. Washington to be erected at or near Malden, West Virginia, $5,000.00 to be appropriated for each year for which said appropriations are made, which money when appropriated shall be paid to Booker T. Washington Memorial Association to be used by said association for said purpose.
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 13

(BY MR. HEROLD)

[Adopted March 13, 1931.]

Creating the Yorktown sesqui-centennial commission of the state of West Virginia.

WHEREAS, The surrender of the British forces to General Washington at Yorktown, Virginia, on October nineteenth, on thousand seven hundred and eighty-one, marked the end of the colonial period and the beginning of the American Republic; and

WHEREAS, The one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of this event will occur October nineteenth, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one; and

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States has created a commission charged with the duty of arranging a fitting and suitable celebration of the independence of the American colonies achieved with the victory of Yorktown, and has solicited the cooperation and support of the several states of the Union in aid of such celebration; and

WHEREAS, The state of West Virginia was represented in the American colonial army at Yorktown, and was a part of the Virginia territory, and as such a part of the original colonies gaining their independence from the mother country with the victory at Yorktown, and are now desirous of participating in such celebration in a manner not only appropriate in commemoration of the event but fitting with the dignity of the state of West Virginia; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring therein:

That a commission be, and the same is, hereby created to be known as the "Yorktown Sesqui-Centennial Commission of the State of West Virginia", to be composed of twelve members to be selected as follows:

The Governor of West Virginia, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Delegates, by virtue of their offices, together with three members of the Senate, to be chosen by the President thereof, three members of the House of Delegates, to be
chosen by the Speaker thereof, and three citizens of the state of West Virginia, to be chosen by the Governor of the state.

That the said commission be, and the same hereby is, authorized and directed to organize by electing one of its members chairman and another secretary and to employ such clerical and other help or assistance as it may deem necessary, and that such commission be further authorized and directed to arrange for the fitting and appropriate participation of the state of West Virginia in the celebration of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown, and in this connection to cooperate with the commission appointed by the United States Congress and with any other commission, patriotic society or organization, state or national, created for a similar purpose;

Be it further resolved, That there be and is hereby appropriated out of any funds not otherwise appropriated the sum of ten thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, to cover the expenses of said commission in connection with the said celebration; and

Be it further resolved, That no part of the fund hereby appropriated shall be paid to any member of the said commission as compensation for his services.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 24

(By Mr. Taylor)

[Adopted March 11, 1931.]

Fermitting the state road commission to carry on certain work to aid the needy of the state.

WHEREAS, By the visitation of a great drought, and other acts of Providence over which they have no control, a large number of the people of the state are in dire need and are unable to secure means, by work or otherwise, to support themselves and those dependent upon them; and

WHEREAS, It is provided by section fifteen of article four of chapter seventeen of the code, that before the state road commission may expend funds for the improvement of state roads in excess of three thousand dollars, other than by letting a contract therefor, it must first advertise for proposals for the performance
of such work and do the things necessary to lawfully contract same, and because much time is required to carry out procedure of this character; and

WHEREAS, It is highly essential that work and the right to engage therein be made available to as many of the citizens of the state dependent on labor for their support immediately; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the state road commission in cooperation in meeting drought and employment situation, or at the order and direction of the governor, may, from the date of adoption of this resolution until July first, nineteen hundred thirty-two, without having first advertised for, received and rejected proposals for the construction, reconstruction, improvement or repair of any state road, or section thereof, carry on and perform such work by labor employed by it, and make payment for such labor in the amount necessary for the completion of the project or undertaking without being deemed to have violated the provisions of said section fifteen of article four of chapter seventeen of the code: Provided, That in the carrying on of such work, preference in the employment of labor therefor shall be given to citizens of the state in needy, necessitous or destitute circumstances, and men with families; but there shall be no discrimination because of race, color, or political affiliations: Provided, further, That in the performance of such work and the making of expenditures therefor, the apportionment or allocation of funds to counties as heretofore or hereafter provided by legislative enactment shall be observed, and no county's proportion of the road funds shall be changed or diminished thereby.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2

(By Mr. Baker)

[Adopted January 14, 1931.]

Raising a joint assembly.

Resolved by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring therein:
That the Senate and House meet in joint assembly at 2:30 P. M., today in the chamber of the House of Delegates, to receive any communication His Excellency the Governor, may care to present.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3**

*(By Mr. Matthews)*

*[Adopted January 20, 1931.]*

Authorizing the Auditor to draw his warrants for the mileage of members and for the per diem of officers and attaches of the House and Senate.

Resolved by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring therein:

That the Auditor is authorized to draw his warrants upon the Treasurer, in advance of the appropriation for the purpose, for the mileage of the members of the House and Senate, and for the per diem of the officers and attaches of the House and Senate.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4**

*(By Mr. Dunn)*

*[Adopted January 21, 1931.]*

Raising a Joint Committee on Rules.

Resolved by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring therein:

That a committee of three members of the House of Delegates, to be appointed by the Speaker, and a like number from the Senate, to be appointed by the President, constitute a joint committee on joint rules of the House and Senate.

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5**

*(By Mr. Talbott)*

*[Adopted January 22, 1931.]*

Authorizing the Auditor to draw his warrants for legislative printing.
Resolved by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring therein:

That the Auditor is authorized to draw his warrants upon the Treasurer, in advance of the appropriation for the purpose, for the legislative printing for this session as the accounts for same may become payable.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6
(By Mr. Matthews)
[Adopted January 22, 1931.]

Providing for the appointment of a joint supervisor of printing for the two houses.

Resolved by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring therein:

That the Clerks of the House of Delegates and of the Senate appoint a supervisor of printing who shall have general oversight and direction of the printing of the two houses, under the direction and supervision of the Clerks, one-half of his compensation to be paid by the Senate and one-half by the House of Delegates, at a per diem of fifteen dollars per day.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7
(By Mr. Norton)
[Adopted February 17, 1931.]

Providing for the appointment of a joint committee for the legislature to study conditions relating to blind persons in West Virginia and to make recommendations thereon.

Resolved by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring therein:

That a joint committee of the legislature consisting of two members of the Senate to be appointed by the President, and three members of the House of Delegates, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House, be appointed and authorized to make a study of the laws and of educational, economic and social conditions relating
to blind persons in the state of West Virginia, and to report to this session of the legislature with recommendations as to legislation and policies necessary to make the treatment, care, protection and welfare of blind persons in this state comparable with the most approved methods and practices.

Said committee shall have power to call before it such experts in work for the blind as it shall deem necessary in the proper and efficient discharge of its duties, and is hereby vested with power and authority to summons and compel the attendance and testimony of witnesses necessary in its study of the conditions relating to blind persons in this state.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9

(BY MR. HAINES)

[Adopted January 29, 1931.]

Authorizing the Budget Commission to investigate the facts as to the location of the original home of Richard Morgan.

WHEREAS, It is claimed that Shepherdstown is the oldest town in West Virginia, having been settled in 1723, when the land was part of northern Virginia, and some historians claim that it was the first settlement in the Shenandoah Valley; and

WHEREAS, In Shepherdstown, on High street, between Princess and Mill streets, stands a little brown house of four rooms, the first home of Richard Morgan 'Ap Morgan, the pioneer settler of Mecklenburg, afterwards called Shepherdstown, it being supposed to have been built in 1727,' and it being claimed by tradition that it was the first house built in West Virginia, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring therein:

That the State Historian and Archivist is hereby directed to investigate the alleged facts in regard to this old house in Shepherdstown, in Jefferson county, and report his findings to the West Virginia Budget Commission, who shall report the findings of the said State Historian and Archivist to the next regular session of this legislature, together with any recommendations in regard thereto that they may see fit to make.
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10

(By Mr. Cummins)

[Adopted January 30, 1931.]

Concerning the death of Hon. John W. Smith, Commissioner of Agriculture.

Whereas, Hon. John W. Smith, of Lewis county, State Commissioner of Agriculture, died on this the thirtieth day of January, nineteen hundred thirty-one, following a sudden attack of illness; and

Whereas, Commissioner Smith was a trusted public servant, twice elected as commissioner of agriculture by the people of West Virginia, and served the people of Lewis county in the legislature of nineteen hundred twenty-three with distinction and fidelity; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring therein:

That the legislature deplores the sudden removal of this faithful and just man from public activities; that this message of condolence be forwarded to Mrs. Smith; that the Speaker of the House of Delegates appoint five members of the House and the President of the Senate appoint five members of the Senate to officially represent the legislature at the funeral services to be held in Weston on Sunday, February one, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, and the adjournment of the legislature be taken until Monday, February two, out of respect to his memory; and that the Sergeants-at-Arms of the two Houses be directed to make the necessary arrangements for the conveyance of the committee to and from Weston, the necessary expenses incurred to be payable equally from the contingent funds of the two Houses, including a floral emblem.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12

(By Mr. Matthews)

[Adopted February 16, 1931.]

Memorializing Congress for the enactment of legislation to aid in the treatment of crippled children.
WHEREAS, One of the greatest humanitarian and economic problems confronting our nation today is that of our four hundred thousand crippled and deformed children; and

WHEREAS, The treatment, hospitalization, education, vocational guidance and placement and physical rehabilitation of all the cripples in each state represents an amount far in excess of available funds, or that the legislatures of the various states can provide; and

WHEREAS, It has been ascertained that approximately seventy-five per cent of all cripples can be either permanently cured or benefited to the extent of becoming self-supporting if treated while young; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 5961 and H. R. 16837, recently introduced in the United States Senate and House of Representatives by Senator H. D. Hatfield and Representative Hugh Ike Shott of West Virginia, respectively, provide federal aid for the states in the treatment, care and education of crippled children; therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring therein:

That we approve the movement to secure enactment of legislation by the Congress of the United States, providing funds to aid the states in the solution of their crippled child problems and that we earnestly request our members of the Senate and House of Representatives to use all honorable means to secure the prompt enactment of such legislation at this session, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the West Virginia members of the Senate and House of Representatives, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 16

(By Mr. Lubliner)

[Adopted March 14, 1931.]

Providing for the introduction of a bill, relating to salaries of prosecuting attorneys.

Resolved by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring therein:
That permission is given to introduce a bill with the following title:

A BILL to amend and re-enact section five, of article seven, of chapter seven, of the code of West Virginia, relating to the salaries of prosecuting attorneys.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19

(By Mr. Cummins)

[Adopted April 14, 1931.]

Providing for the printing and distribution of advance copies of the acts of the regular session of one thousand nine hundred thirty-one.

Resolved by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring therein:

That the Clerks of the two Houses are hereby directed to have printed by the public printer two thousand five hundred advance copies of the acts of this session exclusive of municipal charters, properly head noted, and with a full table of contents, and in paper binding, for the distribution among the members of the legislature, judges of the supreme court of appeals, and of the circuit, criminal and intermediate courts, circuit, and county clerks, sheriffs and prosecuting attorneys.

Said public printer shall print and deliver said advanced copies to the clerks of the two Houses as soon as possible after the adjournment of this session. Upon receipt of the same, the clerks shall, without delay, forward by mail or express to each member of the Senate and House of Delegates at least ten of said advance copies, and one copy to each of the officials hereinbefore enumerated, and ten copies to each of the state officials, and the remainder, if any they shall deliver to the superintendent of public printing for distribution. The said clerks are also authorized and directed to have printed in signature form or advance sheets, any general law which they may deem of sufficient importance to be issued and distributed in that form. The sum of two hundred dollars out of the contingent fund of the House and one hundred dollars out of the contingent fund of the Senate is hereby directed to be paid by the Auditor
upon proper warrants, respectively, to pay the postage or expressage on said advance copies.

For the extra work provided for in this resolution, the time of said clerks, the secretaries to the clerks, the joint supervisor of printing, the supervisors of printing of the two houses and four assistant clerks from each house, all such persons to be designated by the Clerk, is extended for sixty days, the compensation to be paid out of the contingent fund of the Senate and House, respectively, upon proper warrants being drawn therefor by the Clerk of the Senate and Sergeant-at-Arms of the House, and the Auditor is hereby authorized and directed to pay the same.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 20

(By Mr. Wilkinson)

[Adopted April 15, 1931.]

Raising a joint committee to wait upon the Governor.

Resolved by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring therein:

That a joint committee of five, consisting of three on the part of the House of Delegates, to be appointed by the Speaker thereof, and two on the part of the Senate, to be appointed by the President thereof, be appointed for the purpose of notifying the Governor that the legislature is ready, under the constitution, to adjourn sine die, and ask him if he has any further communication to make.
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