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CHAPTER 1
AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF F. M. AND Z. L. OSBORNE.

Whereas, C. L. Stephens was employed by the high school committee to teach the public high school or state high school at Turkey Knob Academy in Alleghany County during the school term of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen—one thousand nine hundred and eighteen under a contract with said committee approved by the county superintendent of said county, and in pursuance of said employment, taught a seven-months high school in said district, and

Whereas, warrants were drawn in favor of said Stephens for the aggregate amount of three hundred thirty five and fifty one-hundredths dollars, and

Whereas, said warrants were negotiated by said Stephens to Messrs. F. M. and Z. L. Osborne and he was paid for the same aggregating said sum, and

Whereas, it was afterwards discovered that said Stephens did not hold a legal certificate authorizing him to teach in the high schools of the state, and

Whereas, the committee of said district recognized that a satisfactory school was taught by said Stephens, and that the district has received the benefit therefrom, and that the purchasers of the said warrants bought them for value and without notice of any irregularity and under the belief that he held a proper certificate authorizing him to teach such school;

Therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the treasurer of the high school fund of said county is authorized and directed to pay to the said F. M. and Z. L. Osborne the sum of three hundred thirty five and fifty one-hundredths dollars out of the funds in his hands to the credit of
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the said Turkey Knob high school district: Provided, that payment shall not be made till the same is approved by the board of education of said county.

Sec. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 24th day of January, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 2

AN ACT TO REPEAL CHAPTER 27 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1917, ESTABLISHING A SCHOOL DISTRICT IN ELLIJAY TOWNSHIP IN MACON COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter twenty-seven (27) of the Private Laws of the session of nineteen hundred and seventeen (1917) be and the same is hereby repealed.

Sec. 2. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 27th day of January, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 3

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CHERRYVILLE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That section five of chapter two hundred and ten, Private Laws one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, be stricken out and the following substituted in lieu thereof, to wit: "That the annual election herein provided, and any and all elections herein authorized, or as may be deemed necessary for town purposes, shall be called, held, conducted, and concluded under the direction of the mayor and board of commissioners of said town, by officers so designated and appointed by them, in manner and form in every respect, as near as may be and under the same provisions of law and practice as near as may be as elections for county officers are held and conducted, like county officials, under the general law relating to such elections in North Carolina in force at the time of such elections, including all the penalties and forfeitures prescribed for the violation of such law. That the board of commissioners and mayor are hereby authorized to call an election for any municipal purpose upon the presentation of a petition of one-fourth of the qualified voters of said town, such

Law repealed.

Law amended.

Manner of holding election prescribed.

Similar to county election.

Election authorized upon petition.
elections to be held in the same manner as is prescribed for
holding elections of town officers. All elections for all town officers and for all town purposes shall be held at one voting place, to be designated by the board of commissioners of said town.

Sec. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after the date of its ratification.

Ratified this the 29th day of January, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 4

AN ACT TO ALLOW THE STONEY MOUNTAIN COMPANY TO MOVE THE REMAINS OF WALTER SIGMON TO THE HILL GIRT CEMETERY IN HENDERSON COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the Stoney Mountain Company be and it is hereby authorized to move the remains of Walter Sigmon, a Federal soldier who was buried on the premises now belonging to the said company in Henderson County during the Civil War, to the cemetery of the Methodist Church at Hill Girt, North Carolina, or to some other cemetery in said county.

Sec. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 30th day of January, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 5

AN ACT TO REPEAL CHAPTER 276, LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, OF 1881, RELATIVE TO COTTON WEIGHER FOR SHELBY, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter two hundred and seventy-six, Laws of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-one, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Sec. 2. That this act shall be in effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 4th day of February, 1919.
CHAPTER 6
AN ACT TO REPEAL THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF BIG LICK, STANLY COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That chapter one hundred and seventy-three of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and three and all acts amendatory thereof or passed prior thereto, referring to the incorporation of the town of Big Lick in Stanly County, be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 6th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 7
AN ACT FOR THE REMOVAL OF THE GRAVES FROM THE EDGAR LONG MEMORIAL METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH SOUTH CEMETERY, OF ROXBORO.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, the membership of Edgar Long Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is preparing to tear down and remove its present church building on Main Street in the town of Roxboro, North Carolina, and erect a new church building on the site of the old building, and

WHEREAS, a portion of said church lot was many years ago used as a church cemetery, and

WHEREAS, said new church building will cover more ground than the old building, and for this reason may come in contact with some of the graves on said lot;

Therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the trustees of Edgar Long Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church, South, are hereby authorized and empowered to remove any and all graves, which they may deem necessary, for the purpose of erecting a new church building on the lot of said church on Main Street in the town of Roxboro, North Carolina.

SECTION 2. That graves shall be provided in the town cemetery for any and all bodies that may be removed from the graves on said church lot, and the costs and expenses of providing such graves and removing said bodies shall be paid by said trustees: Provided, however, in the event any grave can be identified, and claim is made by the relatives of...
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the person whose body is to be removed therefrom, the said trustees shall have the right to turn such body over to said relatives and be relieved from any further costs in connection therewith.

**Sec. 3.** That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

**Sec. 4.** That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 6th day of February, A. D. 1919.

**CHAPTER 8**

**AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AND EMPOWER THE TOWN OF MARION TO ISSUE BONDS TO FUND ITS DEBT.**

Whereas, the town of Marion has heretofore contracted indebtedness, and issued its bonds, for the purpose of improving the streets of the said town; and

Whereas, the said bonds are about to mature, and the said town is now unable to liquidate and discharge the same;

Therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

**Section 1.** That for the purpose of paying and discharging bonds, said indebtedness, the board of aldermen of the town of Marion are hereby authorized and empowered to issue bonds in an amount not to exceed five thousand dollars ($5,000); said bonds shall be in denomination of five hundred dollars ($500) each, bearing interest from the date thereof at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, with interest coupons attached, payable semiannually, at such time and place as may be deemed advisable by the said board, said bonds to be of such form and tenor and transferable in such manner and the principal thereof payable or redeemable at such time or times, not exceeding twenty years from the date thereof, and at such place or places as said board of aldermen may determine, each bond of said bonds to state on its face that said bond was issued to refund a bond of like amount issued by said town of Marion for the necessary improvement of its streets.

**Sec. 2.** That none of the bonds provided for in the above section shall be disposed of, either by sale, exchange, hypothecation, or otherwise, for a less price than par value.

**Sec. 3.** That for the purpose of providing for the payment of the interest accruing on and the principal at maturity of the bonds herein authorized, the board of aldermen of the said town shall, annually, and at the time of levying other town taxes,
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levy and lay a particular tax upon all persons and subjects of taxation on which said board of aldermen are now or may hereafter be authorized to lay and levy taxes for any purpose whatever, said particular tax not to exceed ten cents on one hundred dollars valuation of property. The tax provided for in this section shall be collected in the manner and at the time other town taxes are collected and shall be accounted for in the same manner and in like tenor of other town taxes.

Sec. 4. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict and inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 4th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 9

AN ACT TO REPEAL CHAPTER 143 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1909, INCORPORATING THE TOWN OF IRON STATION IN LINCOLN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter one hundred and forty-three of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and nine be and the same is hereby repealed.

Sec. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 6th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 10

AN ACT EMPOWERING THE ELIZABETH CITY WATER AND POWER COMPANY TO BUILD A DAM ACROSS KNOBBS CREEK.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That authority is hereby granted to the Elizabeth City Water and Power Company to erect and build a dam across Knobbs Creek at a point which is sixty-five feet west from the center of the main line track of the Norfolk-Southern Railroad Company where it crosses the creek with its bridge, which bridge is parallel to the bridge over the road leading from Foreman Blades Lumber Company to Road Street, together with the necessary powers for constructing and maintaining said dam. The said dam is to have a concrete wall and base, together with the
necessary automatic tide gates to permit the free outflow of water when the current is outward, but closing when the current is inward, and an especial sluice or gate to permit the passage of logs. The plans and specifications for the said dam shall be approved by the Pasquotank County Highway Commission and the dam shall be built in accordance with the plans and specifications so approved.

SEC. 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 6th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 11

AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF J. M. POOLE OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

WHEREAS, J. M. Poole, of Montgomery County, a teacher in Cheek's Creek Township, Montgomery County, has failed to receive the salary due him under contract to teach in the public schools of the said county by reason of the failure of the board of education to allot to that school a sufficient amount to pay his salary.

Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the treasurer of the county of Montgomery is authorized and directed to pay to the said J. M. Poole out of the school funds of the county, the sum of twenty dollars ($20) due him on salary under contract for teaching in the public schools of said county during the years one thousand nine hundred and twelve and one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

Ratified this the 6th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 12

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 403 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 1903, ESTABLISHING GRADED SCHOOLS IN THE TOWN OF SPRING HOPE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That chapter four hundred and three of the Public Law amended, Laws of one thousand nine hundred and three be amended by striking out the word and figures "thirty (30)" in line seven
of section six, and inserting in lieu thereof the word and figures “sixty (60),” and by striking out the word and figures “ninety (90)” in line nine of section six, and inserting in lieu thereof the words and figures “one dollar and eighty ($1.80).”

Sec. 2. That said taxes shall be collected by the sheriff or other tax collector of Nash County, as provided in chapter seventy-nine, section two, of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 13

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE LEVY OF AN ADDITIONAL SPECIAL TAX FOR LUMBERTON GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That it shall be the duty of the board of commissioners of the town of Lumberton to submit the question of increasing the levy of the special tax heretofore levied for the support and maintenance of the graded schools of Lumberton, at a special election to be held on the first Monday in April, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, under the provisions of this act.

Sec. 2. That thirty days notice of such election shall be posted at the courthouse door of Robeson County and at five public places within the town of Lumberton, containing a brief synopsis of the provisions of this act, and the time and place of holding such election. It shall be the duty of the board of commissioners of the town of Lumberton to appoint a registrar and two judges of election to conduct said election, who shall be qualified voters residing in said town. It shall be the duty of the registrar to make a new registration, and all persons entitled to vote for members of the General Assembly residing within the limits of the town of Lumberton shall be entitled to register for such election. The registrar shall, commencing on the fourth Saturday before said election, attend regularly at the office used by the board of commissioners of Robeson County in the courthouse at Lumberton for four successive Saturdays between the hours of 8 o'clock a. m. and 5 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of registering such persons as are entitled to register and vote in said election, and only such persons as shall duly register in accordance with the provisions of this act shall be deemed qualified voters at said elec-
tion. All challenges of voters may be entered on any registration Challenges. day and shall be passed upon by the registrar and judges of election on the day of election. The registrar and judges of election Compensation of shall each receive three dollars for each day's service, same to registrars and judges. be paid by the board of commissioners of the town of Lumberton out of the general treasury of said town. For the purposes of this act the polls shall be opened at the regular voting place at the courthouse at Lumberton at eight o'clock a. m., and shall remain open until sundown.

SEC. 3. At said election those who are in favor of the increased levy of special tax for graded school purposes shall vote a written or printed, or partly written or partly printed ballot with the words “For Special Tax for Graded Schools” thereon; and those opposed to the increased levy of special tax for graded school purposes shall vote a written or printed, or partly written or partly printed ballot with the words “Against Special Tax for Graded Schools” thereon. The number and names of persons Canvass of registered, the number of ballots cast for and against the levy of said special tax, shall be counted and the result certified and returned to the board of commissioners of the town of Lumberton, who shall on the day next following said election open and canvass the returns of said election, and declare the result thereof.

SEC. 4. If, at said election, a majority of the qualified registered voters shall vote “For special tax for graded schools,” then it shall be the duty of the board of commissioners of the town of Lumberton to annually levy a special tax for graded school purposes in such amount as the board of graded school trustees of the town of Lumberton may deem necessary to be levied for graded school purposes, and it shall be the duty of said board of graded school trustees, annually, and at least ten days prior to the time of levying town taxes in said town of Lumberton, file with the board of commissioners of said town of Lumberton a statement setting forth in writing what amount of special tax should be levied for graded school purposes for the current year, and thereupon it shall be the duty of the board of commissioners of said town of Lumberton to levy such special tax in the amount and in accordance with such written request, and this course shall be pursued each and every year after the holding of such election: Provided, however, that such special tax for graded school purposes shall never exceed seventy-five cents upon the one hundred dollars valuation of property in said town of Lumberton or two dollars and twenty-five cents on each taxable poll. Said special taxes shall be collected as other town taxes, and paid over to the treasurer of the graded school fund and shall be used for the support and maintenance of said graded schools in accordance with the provisions of this act.

SEC. 5. That the board of graded school trustees of said town of Lumberton shall have power and authority to use the proceeds of any special taxes to be levied and collected under the provi-
sions of this act, or any other taxes or funds coming into their hands for school purposes, for the support and maintenance of a system of graded schools and high schools in and for the town of Lumberton; for the erection of any needed new buildings, repairs and maintenance of existing buildings; for improved or additional equipment; for discharging any indebtedness heretofore lawfully contracted by said board for the benefit of said schools, or for payment of interest on any such indebtedness; and in such other and further ways as said board may, in its discretion, deem advisable for the best interest of the public graded and high schools of said town.

SEC. 6. The board of graded school trustees of said town of Lumberton shall have power and authority, in its discretion, in addition to the branches and courses of instruction now given in the graded and high schools of said town, establish other courses of instruction in other branches of learning or industry, including drawing, music, stenography, typewriting, and bookkeeping, domestic science, and such other departments as said board may, in its discretion, determine, together with any necessary supplies, apparatus or equipment needed in connection therewith. Said board shall also have power to prescribe what tuition, or rates of tuition, if any, shall be paid by pupils or students taking such additional courses or any of them; and any and all tuition collected, if any, shall be covered into the school funds of said town.

SEC. 7. That the last proviso, consisting of the last seven lines of section eighty-six of chapter three hundred and forty-three, Private Laws of North Carolina, session of one thousand nine hundred and seven, be and the same is hereby repealed.

SEC. 8. That if, at the election to be held under the provisions of this act, a majority of the qualified voters shall vote "Against special tax for graded schools," then after the expiration of a period of six months following such election, the board of commissioners of the town of Lumberton may order another special election to be held upon the question of increasing the levy of special taxes for graded school purposes under the provisions of this act, and shall have power to fix the time and date of holding such election, which may or may not be coincident with the time of holding regular elections for said town, and in case such election be ordered by said board, the same shall be held and conducted under all the rules and regulations provided by this act and with the same effect.

SEC. 9. That if, at any election to be held under the provisions of this act, a majority of the qualified voters shall vote "Against special tax for graded schools" the result thereof shall not be to affect any tax or special tax now or heretofore levied for graded school purposes under authority or law now or hereto-
fore existing, but any tax or special tax now or heretofore levied under existing law for graded school purposes in said town of Lumberton shall continue to be levied and collected in the same manner, to the same extent, and with the same effect, as if no election had been held under the provisions of this act.

Sec. 10. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

Sec. 11. That this act, subject to the foregoing provisions, shall take effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 11th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 14

AN ACT TO RELIEVE THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF CONCORD.

Whereas, the board of aldermen of the city of Concord paid in error, certain increase in salaries to the policemen of said city not authorized by the charter of said city and amendments thereto, and desire to correct and validate same;

Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the monthly salaries heretofore paid to the several policemen of the city of Concord by the board of aldermen of said city are hereby validated, confirmed, and approved in every respect.

Sec. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 11th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 15

AN ACT TO REPEAL CERTAIN SECTIONS OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF DURHAM, BEING CHAPTER 235 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1899 AND AMENDMENTS THERETO.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the following parts of chapter twenty of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, being entitled An act to amend the charter of the city of Durham, chapter two hundred and thirty-five of the Private Laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine as amended by chapter one hundred and seventy-eight of the Private Laws on one thousand
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nine hundred and one, ratified the ninth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, be, and the same are hereby repealed, to wit: The three provisors appearing in the second paragraph of said section one, beginning with the words "Provided, that they shall not borrow any sum of money, etc.," to and including the words "for any and all of said watermains, extensions, repairs, and improvements," being the end of said section one.

Sec. 2. That all laws or parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 14th day of February, 1919.

CHAPTER 16

AN ACT TO FIX THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF HAYESVILLE, CLAY COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the corporate limits of the town of Hayesville, Clay County, North Carolina, shall be one-half mile in each and every direction from the center of the county courthouse of Clay County as now built, said line to be run in a circle.

Sec. 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 11th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 17

AN ACT AMENDING THE TOWN CHARTER OF RUTHERFORDTON, CHAPTER 253 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1913.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That section sixteen of chapter two hundred and fifty-three of the Private Acts of one thousand nine hundred and thirteen be and the same is hereby amended by adding in line eighteen of said section, after the word "observed" and the word "provided" the following words: "That the said authority provided by this section of this act shall include the right to levy special taxes from year to year for graded school purposes, not
to exceed fifty cents on the one hundred dollars worth of property, and one dollar and fifty cents on the poll; and the said commissioners of said town are hereby authorized and empowered to levy said graded school taxes in conformity herewith to be used for the purpose of operating and maintaining said graded school without submitting the same to a vote of the people of said town; and any provisions of law in conflict herewith is hereby repealed."

Sec. 2. That the town of Rutherfordton shall have all rights, powers and privileges granted and conferred on cities and towns under the provisions of chapter fifty-six, Public Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and shall have the right to issue bonds in excess of ten per cent of the assessed tax valuation of the property of said town, if the mayor and commissioners of said town shall decide it wise and expedient to do so and no statutory restriction shall apply to the levying of taxes by said commissioners not embraced in the charter of said town, to wit, chapter two hundred and fifty-three of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

Sec. 3. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this 14 day of February, 1919.

CHAPTER 18

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 1, PRIVATE LAWS OF 1917, AND TO REPEAL CHAPTER 130, PRIVATE LAWS OF 1917, RELATING TO FARMINGTON SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, DAVIE COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That section one of chapter forty, Private Laws of North Carolina, session one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, be amended by striking out all of said section after the words "North Carolina" in line fourteen thereof.

Sec. 2. That chapter one hundred and thirty, Private Laws of North Carolina, session one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, be and same is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. That the county board of education of Davie County shall, at their first meeting after the ratification of this act, appoint three men, residents of said Farmington special school district, to be known as the building committee of said Farmington special school district whose duties it shall be to carry out
the provisions of chapter forty, Private Laws of North Carolina, session one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

SEC. 4. That the county board of education of Davie County shall have the right to allow said building committee reasonable compensation for their services as such building committee, to be paid out of the building fund of said Farmington special school district.

SEC. 5. That said building committee shall, within ten days after their appointment, meet and organize, electing one of their number as chairman, one secretary, and one treasurer, and that the treasurer thus elected shall give bond in the sum of five thousand dollars for the faithful discharge of his duties as such treasurer, said bond to be approved by the county board of education of Davie County.

SEC. 6. That it shall be the duty of the party or parties in whose hands the building funds of said district now are, to turn over all of said funds to said treasurer as soon as his bond shall be approved.

SEC. 7. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this 14 day of February, 1919.

CHAPTER 19

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 449, PRIVATE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, SESSION 1913, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 344, PRIVATE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, SESSION 1907, RELATIVE TO THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF CONCORD.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That section one of chapter four hundred and forty-nine, Private Laws of nineteen hundred and thirteen, same being an act to amend chapter three hundred and forty-four, Private Laws of nineteen hundred and seven, be and the same is hereby stricken out and the following inserted in lieu thereof:

"SECTION 1. That chapter three hundred and forty-four, Private Laws of nineteen hundred and seven, be amended as follows:"

(1) By striking out the words "four members of the police force" in line forty-three of section five of said chapter, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "five members of the police force, and such additional members as the board of aldermen may deem necessary, from time to time, to the proper policing of said city."
(2) By striking out the word "seventy-five" in line two of Salaries of police
section one hundred and nine, paragraph two (2) and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one hundred."

(3) By striking out the word "seventy" in line three of section one hundred and nine, paragraph three, (3), and inserting in lieu thereof the words "one hundred and twenty-five."

(4) By striking out the word "sixty" in line six of section one Salary of hundred and nine, paragraph six (6) and inserting in lieu thereof the word "ninety."

Sec. 2. That this act shall be in full force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this 14th day of February, 1919.

CHAPTER 20

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE TOWN OF IRON STATION IN LINCOLN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the town of Iron Station in Lincoln County be and the same is hereby incorporated by the name and style of Iron Station, and shall be subject to all the provisions contained in chapter seventy-three, volume one, of the Revisal of nineteen hundred and five of North Carolina, and other general laws for the organization and government of cities and towns in North Carolina.

Sec. 2. That the town limits shall extend one mile in each direction from the middle of the present site of the Seaboard Air Line Railway's depot.

Sec. 3. That the officers of said corporation shall consist of a mayor, five commissioners, regular and special policemen, clerk and treasurer, and such other officers as the town commissioners may elect; and the following-named persons shall fill the offices of mayor and commissioners from their qualification until the first Monday in May, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and until their successors are elected and qualified: For mayor, J. E. Cronland; for commissioners, S. M. Mundy, D. W. Dellinger, W. A. Goodson, R. F. Goodson, V. P. Friday.

Sec. 4. That the officers of said corporation shall succeed themselves in case of no election being held at the appointed time, to be specified hereafter.

Sec. 5. That the clerk, treasurer and regular policemen shall be appointed by the town commissioners, and the special policemen shall be appointed by the mayor.

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SEC. 6. That the commissioners shall have the right to levy a tax or taxes on all the real and personal property of the citizens or inhabitants of said town, and to have the right to levy a poll tax on the male inhabitants of the said town who are twenty-one years or more of age, up to the age of forty-five years. Said taxes shall not on the real and personal property exceed the sum of fifty cents on the hundred dollars, and said poll tax shall not exceed one dollar; and the said commissioners shall have the power to tax all shows of any kind, and to tax meat markets and to tax any other form of specialties, and the moneys collected from said taxes be applied to the payment of current expenses for laying out, widening and repairing streets, and to building; repairing and modeling the city hall.

SEC. 7. That an election shall be held in said town on the first Monday in May, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and annually thereafter, for a mayor and five commissioners, under the laws of North Carolina regulating elections in cities and towns or towns and cities.

SEC. 8. That the mayor and commissioners shall form a council and make, publish and enforce ordinances for the government of said town, not inconsistent with the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of North Carolina and the laws of said sovereignties.

SEC. 9. That the said commissioners shall have the right of eminent domain in said town for the purpose of laying off streets and for the erection of necessary buildings or other necessary improvements.

SEC. 10. That the officers provided for by this act shall qualify, within ten days after its ratification, before a justice of the peace or clerk of the Superior Court, and all officers hereafter elected shall qualify in like manner.

SEC. 11. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this 14th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 21

AN ACT TO EMPOWER THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF ROPER TO LEVY A SPECIAL TAX TO MATURE CERTAIN INDEBTEDNESS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. For the purpose of providing funds to pay the interest and for providing a sinking fund to retire the principal of a certain note amounting to ten thousand dollars, held by the
Bank of Roper, given by the town of Roper for the erection of a lighting plant, the commissioners of the said town of Roper are authorized to levy a tax in addition to the taxes now levied by the said town of Roper of not to exceed forty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of property and one dollar and twenty cents on the poll, this said tax to be kept by the commissioners of the said town of Roper in a separate fund to be known as the fund for retiring the indebtedness on the lighting plant, and the money from the said tax levied to be paid to the Bank of Roper, the holder of the note above referred to, the money to be paid as collected by the town commissioners.

Sec. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 17th day of February, 1919.

CHAPTER 22

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ROCKY MOUNT GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT TO ISSUE SCHOOL BONDS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the board of graded school trustees of Rocky Mount are hereby authorized to issue coupon bonds of the Rocky Mount graded school district (boundaries of said district being conterminous with those of the city of Rocky Mount), to an amount not exceeding thirty thousand dollars par value, for the purpose of erecting and equipping with necessary school furniture an additional school building acquiring such lands as may be necessary as a site therefor or for use in connection therewith, and otherwise enlarging the public school facilities of said district and city.

Sec. 2. That said bonds shall be in denominations of not less than one hundred dollars and be payable or redeemable at such place or places, and at such time or times, not exceeding fifty years from the date thereof, as said board of trustees shall prescribe with the privilege of making same become due serially, and shall bear interest from date at a rate not exceeding six per cent per annum, payable semiannually on the first days of July and January of each year, and at such place or places as said board of trustees shall determine. Said bonds shall be signed by the chairman of said board of trustees and attested by its secretary, and shall have affixed thereto the corporate seal of said board of trustees. The interest coupons attached to said bonds shall bear the lithographed facsimile of the signatures of said chairman and secretary; and said bonds shall,
in all other respects, be of such form and tenor as said board of trustees shall prescribe.

SEC. 3. That none of said bonds shall be disposed of by sale, exchange, hypothecation, or otherwise, for a less price than their par value; nor shall said bonds, nor their proceeds, be used for any other purpose than that declared in section one of this act.

SEC. 4. That for the purpose of raising revenue for the payment of said bonds, both principal and interest, at the time of laying and levying municipal taxes for the fiscal year commencing on the first day of May next succeeding the ratification of the provisions of this act in reference thereto at an election to be called and held as hereinafter provided, and annually thereafter so long as necessary, the board of aldermen of said city shall lay and levy the following particular taxes, to wit:

(1) on all real and personal property within the limits of said district and city, including money and solvent credits, and on every other subject of taxation upon which an ad valorem tax is or may be levied for municipal and school purposes, a tax not exceeding five cents on each and every one hundred dollars of the assessed value thereof; (2) a capitation tax not exceeding fifteen cents on each and every taxable poll in said district and city.

SEC. 5. That the provisions of this act in reference to issuing bonds and levying taxes for the payment of the same as hereinbefore provided shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the said district and city of Rocky Mount, at an election to be called at such time as may be designated by the board of aldermen of said city and at the time of ordering said election the said board of aldermen shall likewise order a new registration of the voters in the several wards and voting precincts of said city. Said election shall be held in like manner as elections for mayor and aldermen of said city are held; and all provisions of law governing the holding of such municipal elections shall apply thereto, unless herein otherwise provided.

Notice of said election shall appear by advertisement in one or more newspapers published in the city of Rocky Mount for at least thirty days preceding said election, and shall state the purpose of said election, when and at what places to be held, and the ordering of a new registration of voters in the several wards and voting precincts of said city, and shall likewise fully recite the provisions of the first, second, third, fourth, and fifth sections of this act.

SEC. 6. That at said election the matter of issuing bonds to an amount not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, as authorized in the first section of this act, and the levying of taxes for the payment of said bonds, as authorized in the fourth
section, shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said district and city of Rocky Mount, for ratification or rejection. Those electors favoring said proposition shall vote a printed or written ballot containing the words, "For School Bonds," and those electors opposing same shall vote a like ballot containing the words, "Against School Bonds."

SEC. 7. That the registrars and judges of election for the several wards and voting precincts of said city shall hold said election; in making return of the result thereof, shall incorporate therein, not only the number of votes cast for and against said proposition in their respective wards and voting precincts, but also the number of qualified voters therein. The board of canvassers of said city shall, in like manner as is provided by law for ascertaining the result of elections for mayor and aldermen of said city, canvass the vote cast in the several wards and voting precincts in said election and the number of qualified voters therein, and shall judicially determine and declare the result of said election; the vote of a majority of the qualified voters of said district and city to be necessary for the adoption of said proposition for issuing bonds and levying taxes for the payment of same as hereinbefore provided. The said board of canvassers shall likewise prepare an abstract, tabulating and showing the number of votes cast for and against said proposition in said election and the number of electors qualified to vote therein, and declaring the result of said election, and said abstract, after having been duly signed by the several members of said board of canvassers, or a majority of them, shall be delivered to the city clerk of Rocky Mount, who shall record said abstract in the city record book and file the original.

SEC. 8. That should said election result in the adoption of the aforesaid proposition for issuing the bonds authorized in the first section of this act, to an amount not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, said board of trustees shall, without unnecessary delay, proceed to issue the bonds thus authorized and approved to such an amount, not exceeding the limit prescribed, as shall be deemed necessary to effectuate the purpose for which the same are being issued, and to make sale of the same in such manner and upon such terms as shall be deemed most advantageous.

SEC. 9. That all moneys realized from the sale of said bonds shall be covered into the treasury of said graded school district, and the city treasurer, as treasurer ex officio of said board of trustees, shall keep the same separate and apart from all other moneys in his hands. Said treasurer shall disburse said moneys only upon the order of said board of trustees, and the same shall be expended only for the purposes hereinbefore authorized.
Sec. 10. That all taxes levied in pursuance of the provisions of this act shall be collected by the city tax collector of Rocky Mount as municipal taxes are collected; and said tax collector shall pay all moneys thus collected over to said treasurer, who shall disburse the same only upon the order of said board of trustees.

Sec. 11. That if said proposition for issuing bonds and levying taxes for the payment thereof shall fail to receive the votes of a majority of the qualified voters of said district and city in said election, to be called and held as hereinbefore provided, the board of aldermen of said city may thereafter, and as often as shall be deemed advisable, provided that it be not oftener than once in any one year, call another or other elections, as the case may be, at which said proposition, theretofore defeated and again submitted for ratification or rejection, shall be voted upon, and the adoption of the proposition thus submitted and voted upon shall be of like force and effect as if the same had been adopted at the election first called and held as hereinbefore provided. And all of the foregoing provisions of this act relating to elections shall apply with equal force and effect to all elections authorized to be held hereunder.

Sec. 12. That nothing contained in this act shall be construed to forbid or prevent the board of aldermen of said city from submitting to the qualified voters thereof, at any election which shall be called and held in pursuance of its provisions, any other question or proposition upon which such vote is, at the time, required or authorized to be taken under substantially similar conditions.

Sec. 13. That any amendment of the charter of the city of Rocky Mount, enlarging or reducing the territorial limits of said city, shall apply with like force and effect to the Rocky Mount graded school district, so that the boundaries of the one shall be and remain conterminous with those of the other.

Sec. 14. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 17th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 23

AN ACT TO ENABLE W. F. UTLEY, TRUSTEE, TO DISCHARGE HIS TRUST FOR BENEFIT OF WHITE SCHOOL CHILDREN OF APEX AND COMMUNITY.

Whereas, on the seventh day of July, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, the citizens of Apex and community purchased and by deed recorded in book two hundred and nineteen,
The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That W. F. Utley, sole and surviving trustee under a certain deed recorded in book two hundred and nineteen, page five hundred and eighty in the office of the register of deeds for Wake County, be and he is hereby authorized and fully empowered to sell for the best price obtainable that certain lot or parcel of land therein described lying and being in the town of Apex, and known as the "Academy Lot," and to convey the same to the purchaser or purchasees in fee simple, and to pay the moneys
AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 336 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1905, AS AMENDED BY CHAPTER 177 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1915, AND TO ENLARGE THE HERTFORD GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the boundaries of the Hertford graded school district, created under and by virtue of chapter three hundred and thirty-six of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and five, and amended by chapter one hundred and seventy-seven of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, shall be all of that territory in the town of Hertford and all of that territory adjacent to the town of Hertford included within the boundaries of a radius of two and one-half miles from the present white graded school building in the town of Hertford.

SECTION 2. That an election of all the qualified voters within the said district described in section one hereof shall be held at such time as the board of commissioners of the town of Hertford shall designate, which shall be within ninety days from the ratification of this act, to vote upon the question of the extension and levy of the tax as provided in chapter three hundred and thirty-six, Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and five, of the boundaries of the district as above outlined, notice of which election shall be given at the courthouse door in Hertford and at three other public places in the town of Hertford, and in three public places in the district included herein outside the limits of the town of Hertford for thirty days prior to said election. At said election all those qualified voters in favor of the extension and levy of the tax as provided by chapter three hun-
and thirty-six, Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and five, of the boundaries of the Hertford graded school district shall vote a ballot containing the words "For Extension and Tax," and all those qualified voters opposing the extension of the said boundaries of the said Hertford graded school district shall vote a ballot containing the words "Against Extension and Tax." The said election shall be held in accordance with law and in the same manner as all elections for the town of Hertford:

Provided, however, that in addition to the qualified voters of the town of Hertford, all qualified voters residing in the territory embraced in the district outside the limits of the town of Hertford shall be entitled to vote on this question.

Sec. 3. That if at said election a majority of the qualified voters of the said district shall cast a ballot for extension of the said boundaries of the Hertford graded school district and levy the tax as provided by chapter three hundred and thirty-six, Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and five, that said boundaries shall be those embraced in section one hereof. If the majority of the qualified voters of said district shall fail to cast their ballots for extension, then the boundaries of said district shall be those provided in chapter three hundred and thirty-six of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and five as amended by chapter one hundred and seventy-seven of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

Sec. 4. That if the boundaries of the said Hertford graded school district are extended so as to include the boundaries set out in section one hereof and levy the tax as provided in chapter three hundred and thirty-six, Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and five, as authorized, then the said district shall be for all purposes entitled to all the benefits and emoluments of the present Hertford graded school district, and shall be liable and jointly responsible for any and all obligations of said Hertford graded school district as now constituted.

Sec. 5. That if said district is enlarged as above outlined, the said district shall have all the rights and privileges and be subject to all of the restrictions and liabilities set out in chapter three hundred and thirty-six of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and five and chapter one hundred and fifty-four of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

Sec. 6. That if the said district is enlarged as above outlined the commissioners of the town of Hertford are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to levy and collect a graded school tax upon the outlying district outside of the corporation of the town of Hertford and included within the Hertford graded school district in the same manner as the taxes for the graded school district are collected within the corporate limits of said town, and the rights, duties and liabilities of the commissioners and tax
collector of the town of Hertford be and they are hereby extended to the boundaries of the Hertford graded school district as set out in section one hereof, for the purpose of levying and collecting the taxes for said district.

Sec. 7. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 8. That this act shall be in effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 17th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 25

AN ACT TO PERMIT OXFORD GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT IN GRANVILLE COUNTY TO VOTE BONDS FOR SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the board of graded school trustees of the town of Oxford as established by chapter three hundred and thirty-three of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and three (1903) and by subsequent laws shall be and remain a body corporate under that name and may adopt and use a common seal, and shall be vested with all the property, real and personal of the Oxford graded school, and the powers of said board to sell, mortgage, convey, and transfer same and in the manner set forth in section six of said chapter three hundred thirty-three of the Public Laws of one thousand nine hundred and three, are hereby confirmed and reënacted.

Sec. 2. That a majority of the trustees of the Oxford graded school district in Granville County, North Carolina, be and is hereby authorized and empowered to petition the board of county commissioners of Granville County, to call an election in said district, at a time and place to be specified by them, to determine the question, "Shall the Oxford Graded School District in Granville County issue the bonds of the said district in a sum or sums not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, with interest coupons attached, for the purpose of constructing school buildings in the said district?"

Sec. 3. That upon the request of a majority of the trustees, as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the said board of county commissioners of Granville County to order an election to be held in the said district, at such time and place as may be specified in said request to determine the question, "Shall the Oxford Graded School District, in Granville County, issue the bonds of the said district in a sum or sums not exceeding fifty thousand dollars with interest coupons attached, for the purpose of constructing..."
school buildings in the said district?" That the said board of county commissioners shall, at least thirty days preceding such election, give notice of said election and the purpose thereof, by publication in one or more newspapers published in said county and at such other places as may be determined upon by it.

Sec. 4. That the said election shall be held and conducted in the same manner and under the same requirements of law as are now in force, or may hereafter be prescribed by law for holding elections for members of the General Assembly: Provided, that there shall be a new registration of all qualified voters residing in said district, and for this purpose the said board of county commissioners is hereby empowered to prescribe such rules and regulations for the opening and closing of such registration books as it may deem fit and proper: Provided further, that the said board of county commissioners shall appoint a registrar and judges of election; and the registration of voters, except as herein provided, and challenges of voters shall be conducted in the same manner as is now provided, or may hereafter be provided, for the election of members of the General Assembly.

Sec. 5. That at said election the ballots tendered and cast shall have printed or written on the same "For Graded School Building Bonds" or "Against Graded School Building Bonds," and all qualified electors who may be in favor of the issue of bonds shall vote a ticket on which shall be written or printed the words, "For Graded School Building Bonds" and all qualified electors who may be opposed to the issue of bonds shall vote a ticket on which shall be written or printed the words "Against Graded School Building Bonds." That after said election said registrar and judges of election shall make a report to the board of county commissioners of the result of said election showing the number of votes registered, the number of votes cast "For Graded School Building Bonds" and the number of votes cast "Against Graded School Building Bonds," and the said board of county commissioners shall record said report and declare the result, and no other recording and declaration of the result of said election shall be necessary.

Sec. 6. That if a majority of the qualified voters of said district shall vote "For Graded School Building Bonds," and the result shall be declared and recorded as aforesaid, then it shall be the duty of the county commissioners of Granville County to prepare bonds in denominations not exceeding one thousand dollars and not less than one hundred dollars, the total amount not to exceed fifty thousand dollars, which said bonds shall bear a rate of interest not exceeding five and one-half per cent per annum, with interest coupons attached, payable semiannually on the first days of January and July; the principal and interest thereof shall be payable or redeemable at such time or times
not exceeding thirty years from the date of issue, as the board of county commissioners of Granville County may determine; that the said bonds and coupons attached thereto shall be signed by the chairman of the board of county commissioners and countersigned by the clerk of said board: Provided, that a facsimile of the said signatures on the said coupons shall constitute a sufficient signing thereof; that the said bonds shall have upon them the seal of the county and shall be styled bonds for the construction of graded school buildings in Oxford graded school district of Granville County.

Sec. 7. That upon the preparation, signing, and executing of said bonds, said board of county commissioners shall deliver the same to the treasurer of the board of graded school trustees of the town of Oxford, who shall sell said bonds at such times and in such manner as the said board of graded school trustees may direct; that none of said bonds or the proceeds thereof shall be used by the said board of graded school trustees for any other purpose than that provided for by this act; that the said bonds shall be numbered consecutively, and the coupons attached shall bear the numbers of the bonds to which they are attached. The bonds shall state the time and place they are due and payable and by what authority they were issued.

The board of graded school trustees of the town of Oxford shall record all the proceedings in respect to said bonds in the minutes of its meetings, and when sold, the numbers of the bond or bonds, the denominations, to whom sold and the number of coupons attached.

Sec. 8. That when said bonds are issued and sold the proceeds thereof shall be deposited with the treasurer of the board of graded school trustees of the town of Oxford, and the same shall be expended by the said board for the purchase of and payment for land for necessary school sites and for the erection of school buildings in the said Oxford graded school district, and especially for the erection of a high school building in said district and the purchase of a site for the same, and for the equipment of the said high school building and other school buildings in said district; that the said treasurer of the said board of graded school trustees shall keep said funds provided for in this act which may come into his hands separate from all other funds, and shall keep separate accounts of the same.

Sec. 9. When the bonds shall have been issued, the board of county commissioners of Granville County shall levy annually first Monday in June a tax on the property and polls in the said Oxford graded school district, in Granville County, sufficient to provide for the payment of the interest upon the same and to create a sinking fund sufficient to meet the payment of said bonds at their maturity. The tax so levied shall be collected as other
taxes by the sheriff of Granville County and shall be paid to the
treasurer of the board of graded school trustees of the town of
Oxford, and shall be kept by the said treasurer as a separate
fund, and shall be applied first, to the payment of the interest
upon said bonds; second, to the creation of a sinking fund as
aforesaid. The said treasurer of the board of graded school
trustees of the town of Oxford shall be commissioner of the
sinking fund for said bonds, and it shall be his duty to keep
said fund invested in some safe security or bonds; said com-
mmissioner of the sinking fund shall be required to execute such
bonds as the board of graded school trustees shall direct for the
safekeeping of said fund and the faithful performance of his
duties as commissioner, and he shall make such reports from
time to time as the board of graded school trustees herein
mentioned may direct.

Sec. 10. That this act shall not be construed to release or to
repeal or in any manner interfere with any annual tax hereto-
fore voted by said district for school purposes.

Sec. 11. That this act shall apply only to the Oxford graded
school district of Granville County.

Sec. 12. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this
act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 13. That this act shall be in force from and after its
ratification.

Ratified this the 17th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 26

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ELECTION OF TRUSTEES
OF ANDREWS SCHOOL DISTRICT IN CHEROKEE COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That on the last Saturday in March, one thousand
nine hundred and nineteen, and biennially thereafter, an election
shall be held at the usual polling place in the town of Andrews,
in Andrews school district, at which the duly qualified and
registered voters of said school district, shall name a trustee
or trustees; for a term of four years each, beginning on the
first Monday in April of the year election is held, to take the
place of the trustee or trustees whose term expires on the
first Monday in April of the year election is held.

Sec. 2. That the board of trustees of Andrews school district shall give notice of said election by notice published once a
week for the four weeks immediately preceding the date thereof, in some newspaper published in Cherokee County,
and posted at the post office in the town of Andrews.
Manner of holding election.

Expenses to be paid from special tax fund.

Certificate of election.

In event of failure of person or persons to qualify, vacancies or vacancies shall be filled by board of education.

Other vacancies, how filled.

Appointment of new board.

Law of 1913 repealed.

Sec. 3. That said election shall be held and conducted by a registrar and two judges appointed by the board of trustees of Andrews school district under the general election laws of the state, not in conflict herewith; the expense of holding and conducting said election shall be paid by the treasurer of Andrews school district out of the special tax fund of said district.

Sec. 4. That certificate of election shall be signed and delivered by the registrar and judges, to the person or persons receiving the greater number of votes cast, who shall present said certificate to the board of education of Cherokee County at its regular meeting in April of the year in which election is held, and said board of education shall thereupon proceed to declare such person or persons duly elected as such trustee or trustees of Andrews school district for the term or terms expiring at said regular meeting, and certify same to the board of trustees of Andrews school district; and the person or persons receiving the greater number of votes cast for any vacancy or vacancies, who fails to present said certificate of election and indicates a willingness and intention to accept and serve as such trustee or trustees at said regular meeting in April then the said county board of education shall forthwith proceed to elect some other person or persons as trustee or trustees for said term so expiring at said meeting.

Sec. 5. That whenever any vacancy occurs in said board of trustees, except by expiration of the term of office, the vacancy for the unexpired term of the member or members shall be filled by the remaining members of the said board of trustees, unless it be that all five members resign at one time; then, in that case the board of education of Cherokee County shall appoint a new board of trustees.

Sec. 6. That chapter one hundred and fourteen, Private Laws of extra session, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, is hereby repealed, and all other laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act shall not be operative as to Andrews school district.

Sec. 7. That this act shall be in force and effort from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 17th day of February, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 27

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE APPOINTMENT AND DUTIES OF COTTON WEIGHER FOR THE TOWN OF DUNN IN HARNETT COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That all cotton sold in bales in the town of Dunn, Harnett County, North Carolina, shall be weighed by a sworn cotton weigher, who shall give bond in the sum of one thousand dollars, payable to the State of North Carolina, to be approved by commissioners of the town of Dunn, for the faithful performance of his duties.

Sec. 2. That the cotton weigher provided for in this act, weigher's fees, shall receive as compensation fourteen cents for each bale of cotton weighed, to be paid one-half by the seller and one-half by the buyer.

Sec. 3. That the term of office of said cotton weigher shall be two years, beginning on the fifteenth day of August, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen: Provided, that the present cotton weigher, W. T. Royals, shall fill out the term of office to which he has already been elected and until his successor is elected and qualified: Provided further, that the board of commissioners of the town of Dunn may for cause remove any cotton weigher elected or appointed under this act, said board to be the sole judge of the sufficiency of such cause, and may appoint a successor, who shall temporarily discharge the duties of such office until a successor is elected by the joint action of the board of commissioners of the town of Dunn and the board of commissioners of Harnett County.

Sec. 4. That the board of commissioners of the town of Dunn shall at its first regular meeting in the month of July, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and biennially thereafter, elect a competent and discreet person as cotton weigher of and for the town of Dunn, which fact the mayor or clerk of the town of Dunn shall certify to the board of commissioners of Harnett County at its session to be held on the first Monday in August next thereafter, and ask its concurrence in said election; and upon such concurrence therein said person shall be duly elected cotton weigher of said town; and upon the failure of the board of commissioners of Harnett County to concur in the action of the board of commissioners of the town of Dunn, said board of commissioners of Harnett County shall certify said fact to the board of commissioners of the town of Dunn, and shall call a joint session of said two boards to be held at such time and place as the board of commissioners of said county shall designate, not later than the fifteenth day of August next thereafter, when
and where the said two boards shall jointly elect a discreet
and competent person to fill said office.

Duties of weigher.  Sec. 5. That it shall be the duty of said cotton weigher to
keep separated the cotton belonging to each purchaser or buyer,
so that the cotton owned by different purchasers or buyers will
not become mixed on the cotton yard or cotton platform or
platforms in said town; and it shall be his duty to keep a
record of all cotton weighed, showing the name of the seller,
the marks thereon, if any, by whom delivered on the yard if
not so delivered by seller, and name of purchaser; to mark
cotton as directed by buyers, to keep cotton in rows ready
for shipment; and it shall also be his duty to assess and
deduct just and proper weights on account of dampness,
damage, or other excessive weights, bagging and ties, etc.

Sec. 6. That the records of said officer when properly authen-
ticated shall be evidence in any court, and said records shall be
open to inspection to any person, upon requesting said officer
to be allowed to do so.

Sec. 7. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with
this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

Sec. 8. That this act shall be in force and effect from and
after its ratification.

Ratified this the 18th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 28

AN ACT TO PERMIT THE USE OF EXCESS OF SINKING
FUND IN THE PAYMENT OF EXISTING INDEBTEDNESS
INCURRED IN BUILDING AND MAINTAINING SCHOOL
IN LITTLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT, WARREN AND
HALIFAX COUNTIES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That for the purpose of paying off existing indeb-
tedness incurred in building and for maintaining a school in
Littleton school district of Warren and Halifax counties for
the white race, that the board of trustees of said school district
be, and they are hereby empowered to draw upon and pay out
any unexpended balance which has now or may hereafter accrue
from funds paid into the treasurer's office of Halifax County
and into the treasurer's office of Warren County for the purpose
of providing a fund to pay interest upon and to retire at maturity
certain schoolhouse bonds of said district: Provided, that before
using any part of said sinking fund of said Littleton school
district the board of trustees of said district shall exhibit a
sworn statement to the boards of county commissioners of the
said counties of Halifax and Warren that a sufficient amount
of said sinking fund has been set aside for the current year
to pay interest and provide for the annual portion due on said
bonds to retire the same at maturity.

SEC. 2. That all warrants upon the said excess sinking fund
shall be drawn by the chairman of the board of trustees, attested
by the secretary, and when approved by the county superintend-
ent of public instruction of the county upon whose treasurer
the warrant is drawn, shall be paid from any excess sinking fund
of said district in the hands of said treasurer.

SEC. 3. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict herewith
are hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.
Ratified this the 19th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 29

AN ACT TO ENABLE THE HERTFORD GRADED SCHOOL
DISTRICT TO ISSUE BONDS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the board of graded school trustees of Hert-
ford, constituted a corporate body by an act of the General
Assembly, chapter three hundred and thirty-six, Private Laws
of one thousand nine hundred and five, shall be and are hereby
authorized to issue bonds of the Hertford graded school district,
established by said act and enlarged by chapter one hundred and
seventy-seven of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred
and fifteen, to an amount not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars
($15,000) to be issued in denominations as may seem advisable to
said board of trustees, to be payable or redeemable in thirty years.
Maturity of bonds. Interest.

ing six per centum per annum. They shall have attached interest
coupons payable annually at such time or times and at such
place or places as may be deemed advisable by said board of
trustees. And said bonds shall be made payable at such place
or places as the board of trustees may determine. That said
board of trustees shall issue said bonds at such time or times as
shall be required to meet the expenditures herein provided for
in section two of this act. Such bonds shall be valid when
signed by the chairman and secretary of said board of trustees,
and the coupons shall bear the facsimile signature of the secre-
tary of said board of trustees.

Priv.—3
Proceeds to be applied to building and other permanent improvements.

No bonds to be sold at less than par.

Taxes for payment of interest and to retire bonds to be levied in accordance with chapter 336 Private Laws of 1905.

Bond issue to be submitted to vote of the people.

Sec. 2. That the proceeds arising from the sale of said bonds shall be expended by said board of trustees in providing by purchase or otherwise such additions to buildings and equipment, such school furniture and improvements to school property and grounds belonging to the graded school district as they, in their judgment, may deem needed from time to time.

Sec. 3. That none of these bonds shall be disposed of by sale, exchange, hypothecation or otherwise for a less price than their par value, nor shall they or the proceeds from them be used in other ways than that set out in section two of this act.

Sec. 4. That all provisions as to taxation of said bonds and tenders of their coupons, the payment of the same and interest thereon, the taxes to be levied for their payment, together with the manner and method of levying and laying and collecting such taxes and the remuneration therefor, shall be the same as set out in sections five (5), six (6), and seven (7) of the act entitled "An act to establish graded schools in the town of Hertford and to issue bonds," chapter three hundred and thirty-six, Private Laws of North Carolina, for the year one thousand nine hundred and five.

Sec. 5. That the provisions of section one of this act and so much of section four as is contained in section six of the act establishing graded schools in the town of Hertford, chapter three hundred and thirty-six, Private Laws of North Carolina for the year one thousand nine hundred and five, shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said graded school district in accordance with the provisions and in the manner designated in section eight of said act of nineteen hundred and five: Provided, that in lieu of the word "For schools" and "Against schools" wherever they appear in said section, the words "For bonds" and "Against bonds" shall be used, the former to designate a vote for and the latter a vote against the issuance of bonds. And for the words "one thousand nine hundred and six" appearing in the last line of said section shall be substituted the words "one thousand nine hundred and twenty."

Sec. 6. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 21st day of February, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 30

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SELMA, JOHNSTON COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That section three, chapter one hundred and eighty-six, Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and eleven, be stricken out and the following inserted in lieu thereof:

"Sec. 3. That on Tuesday after the first Monday in May, one thousand nine hundred and nine, and annually thereafter, there shall be elected by the duly qualified voters of the town of Selma, four town commissioners who shall duly qualify on the first Time of qualifying. There shall be only one voting place for said One voting place, election, and said voting place shall be designated and prepared by the commissioners of said town for the purpose of holding said election."

Sec. 2. That section five of said act be amended by striking out in line four the word "biennially" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "annually," and by striking out in line six the word "two" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "one."

Sec. 3. That section seven of said act be amended by striking out all of the first sentence in said section and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "All persons now holding registration books for wards one, two, three and four of said town shall at once deliver said registration books to a registrar, to be appointed by the commissioners of said town, and said new registrar shall register the names of all the qualified voters of said town in a new registration book to be known as the Consolidated Registration Book for the town of Selma.

Sec. 4. That this act shall be in force from and after the first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

Ratified this the 21st day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 31

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE MONOGRAM SPECIAL TAX SCHOOL DISTRICT, CATAWBA TOWNSHIP, CATAWBA COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That Monogram special tax school district, Catawba Township, Catawba County, North Carolina, which is described and bounded and includes the territory lying within the following boun-
dary lines: Beginning at the mouth of Terrapin creek at Catawba River, lands of Mrs. Flora Beal, thence up said creek taking in all land on the north side of said creek to the Walter Rowe Mill place, crossing said creek taking in lands of Walter Rowe, E. M. Byers, Rainey Rimmer, Burette Rimmer, R. S. Arndt, and N. C. Arndt to the Long Island-Smyrna public road, crossing public roads taking in lands of Mack Ballard, Galther Martin, Mrs. J. N. Rone, thence to Buffalo Shoals public road, taking in the lands of Claude Kale, A. E. Kale, thence following said road to L. M. Robins', taking in all property on the south side of said road, then taking in lands of L. M. Robins, I. A. Litten, thence with the Ervin Mill road taking in lands of M. O. Stiles, J. G. Williams, D. A. Pope, Martha Byers, and J. T. Ervin to the state central highway, thence with the said highway taking in all lands on the south side of said highway, to the Catawba River at Buffalo Shoals bridge, thence down said Catawba River over lands of Long Island Cotton Mills, J. E. Crawford, Osborne Brown, Turner Mills Company, to the beginning, mouth of Terrapin Creek, be and the same is hereby incorporated under the name and style of Monogram Special Tax School District, Catawba County, North Carolina, and is hereafter to be known and styled as such.

Sec. 2. That C. L. Plaster, Ray Clement and J. T. Ervin shall constitute its first board of trustees, and are hereby appointed for the period between the ratification of this act and the next general election, at which time their successors in office will be elected for a period of two years by the voters of the school district, on the same day that the members of the General Assembly of North Carolina are elected. The trustees are to have such power as is needed to manage the school, and the said trustees are hereby directed and authorized to collect such funds as may belong to said district or be due to said district.

Sec. 3. Any vacancy occurring in the board of trustees from any cause, the successors to the said trustee or trustees shall be appointed by the remaining trustees for a period of time until the next general election, at the time members of the General Assembly are elected, when trustees shall at all times be elected by the people for a period of two years.

Sec. 4. The term of office of trustees elected by the people of the district shall be two years.

Sec. 5. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 6. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 21st day of February, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 32

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A HIGH SCHOOL IN WARRENTON SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT, WARREN COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That on the tenth day of June, 1919, under the rules and regulations of the General Election Law of North Carolina, there shall be held in Warrenton special tax district, in Warren County, North Carolina, an election for the establishment of a high school in said Warrenton special tax district for the purpose of preparing students for college or for the business of their choice, and that the present public school of said Warrenton special tax district shall be a constituent part of said high school if established.

SEC. 2. That at said election, those favoring the establishment of said high school shall vote a ticket whereon shall be written or printed the words "For High School" and those opposing the establishment of said high school shall vote a ticket whereon shall be written or printed the words "Against High School." A majority of the votes cast shall decide the election.

SEC. 3. That for the support and maintenance of said high school, including the present public school in Warrenton special tax district, in addition to all taxes and appropriations now received by Warrenton special tax district from both state and county, and any addition to the appropriations on the part of either, there shall be annually levied by the board of county commissioners of Warren County, at the request of the board of trustees, as hereinafter constituted, a tax of not exceeding fifteen cents on each one hundred dollars worth of real and personal property in said Warrenton special tax district, and a tax of not exceeding forty-five cents on each poll in said district, and said taxes shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as other taxes in said Warren County.

SEC. 4. That in addition to the present public school building in said district, the present Warrenton academy building, located on the Academy Square in Warrenton, North Carolina, may be used for public school work.

SEC. 5. That there is hereby created a board of trustees of said high school, to be composed of the present board of trustees of Warrenton Academy, whose successors shall be elected or appointed in accordance with the charter of said Warrenton Academy of seventeen hundred and eighty-five and the deed of James Brehon, which deed is registered in the office of the register of deeds for said Warren County, and the three present school committee members of said special tax district, whose successors


Body corporate. shall be appointed according to the law under which they now hold. The said board of trustees, as thus constituted, and their successors in office shall constitute a body corporate under the name of "The Board of Trustees of Warrenton High School," and that the control of said high school, including the public school of Warrenton special tax district, shall be vested in said board of trustees of Warrenton high school.

Sec. 6. That pupils from any township in said Warren County shall be admitted to said high school without the payment of tuition, provided they are fitted to do eighth grade work in the opinion of the principal of said high school and are recommended for admission by the principal of the school which they last attended.

Sec. 7. That for the purpose of erecting suitable and commodious buildings upon the lot in the town of Warrenton, North Carolina, commonly known as the Academy Lot, and for the purpose of making other improvements, the board of county commissioners of said Warren County, upon presentation of a petition in writing signed by a majority of the members of the board of trustees of Warrenton high school, requesting said board of commissioners to submit to the qualified voters of Warrenton special tax district a proposition to issue bonds for the purposes named in this section for a definite amount, not to exceed twenty-five thousand dollars, at a maximum rate of interest, not to exceed six per cent, and to run for a period not to exceed twenty-five years, all to be named in said petition, shall, within thirty days after said petition has been presented, order an election to be held in said Warrenton special tax district, and submit to the qualified voters therein the question of issuing bonds to the amount, at the rate of interest, and to run for a period specified in said petition, at which election all those qualified to vote who are in favor of said proposition shall vote a ballot on which shall be written or printed the words "For Improvement Bonds" and those opposed to the proposition shall vote a ballot on which shall be written or printed the words "Against Improvement Bonds," and the election for this purpose shall be conducted in the same manner and subject to the same rules and regulations as are, or may be, provided for the election of township officers by the general election laws of this state. The board of county commissioners of said Warren County shall, at the time of ordering any election under this act, appoint one registrar and two judges of election in said special tax district to hold such election. The books shall be kept open for the registration of voters for twenty days preceding the day of election. The board of county commissioners of said county may, if they deem it advisable, order a new registration by giving thirty days notice of such registration. Such election shall be held after
thirty days notice thereof, specifying the amount of the proposed bond issue, rate of interest and period for which bonds shall run shall have been posted at the courthouse door of said Warren County and at three public places in said special tax district and published in four issues of some newspaper published in said county, and the returns thereof shall be made to the board of county commissioners, and returns recorded and the result declared by said board of commissioners as they may determine. If a majority of the qualified voters vote "For Improvement Bonds," then the said board of trustees of Warrenton high school shall issue coupon bonds to the amount, at the rate of interest, and to run for a period specified in the said petition and order of election. Said bonds shall be in denomination of not less than one hundred dollars and not exceeding one thousand dollars each. Said bonds shall be signed by the chairman of the said board of trustees and attested by the official seal of said board of trustees and the signature of the secretary of said board of trustees. And the chairman of the said board of trustees, under the direction of said board, shall sell the bonds so issued at not less than par value and for as much above par value as possible.

SEC. 8. That the board of county commissioners of said Warren County, or other county authorities who may be legally authorized and empowered to levy taxes, shall, in order to provide for payment of the bonds and interest thereon, to be issued under the preceding section, compute and levy each year, at the time of levying county taxes, a sufficient tax upon the property and poll, observing the constitutional equation, in said special tax district to pay the interest on the bonds issued, and shall also levy a sufficient tax to create a sinking fund to provide for the payment of said bonds at maturity. All such taxes shall be levied and collected annually under the same laws and regulations as shall be provided for levying and collecting other county taxes.

SEC. 9. That the said board of trustees shall provide a record which shall be kept by their secretary, in which shall be entered the name of every purchaser of a bond, the number of the bond purchased, the date of issue, when due, rate of interest, and the amount received for said bond. Said board of trustees shall also cause to be kept a record of all proceedings, as well as a record of the bonds redeemed annually, if any shall be so redeemed and the bonds when redeemed and recorded shall be destroyed by fire in the presence of the said board of trustees, and that fact shall be recorded.

SEC. 10. That the funds derived from the sale of any bonds hereinbefore provided for and all taxes levied and collected under this act shall be turned over to the fiscal agent of said Warren
County, and a separate account of each fund shall be kept by
said fiscal agent. But before any such funds shall be placed
in said agent's hands, said agent shall execute a good and
sufficient bond in the penal sum of fifty per cent more than
the amount of money in his hands at any time, and for the
faithful performance of such other duties as may devolve
upon him as the custodian of said funds the said bond shall
not be less than five thousand dollars and shall be approved by
the said board of trustees, and shall be recorded and kept as
bonds of county officers are required to be kept.

Sec. 11. The board of trustees of Warrenton High School may
 sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any court of com-
 petent jurisdiction in this state touching the bonds issued
 under the provisions of this act, or any matter connected
 therewith.

Sec. 12. All funds in the hands of the fiscal agent of said
Warren County, coming to him under the provisions of this act,
shall be paid out by said agent upon the order of the said board
of trustees.

Sec. 13. The funds derived from the sale of bonds under this
act shall be used for the purpose of erecting suitable and com-
modious buildings, and equipping the same with water, light and
sewerage as may by said board of trustees be deemed advisable:
Provided, the money so expended shall be as far as possible
used for permanent improvements only.

Sec. 14. That this act shall be in force from and after its
ratification.

Ratified this the 21st day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 33

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 267 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS
OF 1891, INCORPORATING THE TOWN OF WHITEVILLE,
COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That section thirty-one, chapter two hundred and
sixty-seven, Private Acts of one thousand eight hundred and
ninety-one, be and the same hereby is amended by striking out
all of said section after the words "Provided, however," and adding
in lieu thereof the following: "That the taxes levied by them
shall not exceed the amount provided for cities and towns
in chapter seventy-three of section two thousand nine hundred
and twenty-four of the Revisal of one thousand nine hundred
and five."
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SEC. 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. That this act shall take effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 22d day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 34

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 266, PRIVATE LAWS OF 1909, RELATING TO THE INDUSTRIAL TRAINING AND EDUCATIONAL SCHOOL, OF FAISON, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That section two of chapter two hundred and sixty-six, Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and nine, in its entirety be, and the same is hereby repealed.

SEC. 2. That upon the death, resignation, removal or disqualification of either of said trustees, his or her place shall be filled by a joint committee composed of twelve members, six of whom shall be selected by the Kenansville Eastern Missionary Baptist Association at their regular meeting annually, and six of whom shall be selected by the Kenansville Eastern Missionary Baptist Sunday School Convention annually. And these two committees, so selected, shall in joint session select such trustees to fill any vacancy or vacancies which may occur from time to time in said board of trustees, and each of said trustees so selected by said joint committee shall serve for a term of three years, or until his successor is elected and qualified.

SEC. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 24th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 35

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE "MOREHEAD CITY GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT" TO ISSUE BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ERECTING AND EQUIPPING A GRADED SCHOOL BUILDING, OR BUILDINGS, AT MOREHEAD CITY, NORTH CAROLINA.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly, at its session in one thousand nine hundred and five passed an act entitled "An act to establish graded schools in the town of Morehead City, Carteret County, North Carolina"; and
WHEREAS, section eleven of said act created and constituted a board of trustees, whose duty it is to establish, conduct and maintain said graded schools; and

WHEREAS, now the buildings and equipment, for the proper conduct of said schools, are inadequate and insufficient:

Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That, for the purpose of raising moneys to build and equip graded school buildings, or building, for the Morehead City graded school district, created by the General Assembly of North Carolina at its session of one thousand nine hundred and five, the board of graded school trustees of Morehead City are hereby authorized and empowered to issue bonds of said district to the amount of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000); said bonds to be made payable at such place within the United States as the said board of graded school trustees of Morehead City may designate, and at such time, not exceeding forty years, as said board may specify; said bonds shall bear interest not exceeding six per cent per annum, which interest shall be payable either annually or semiannually, as said trustees may determine and designate in said bonds. Said bonds shall be coupon bonds, and shall be in such denominations as shall be determined upon by said trustees, and the said trustees may provide therein for the registration of said bonds. Said bonds shall be signed in the name of the Morehead City Graded School District by the chairman of the graded school board of trustees, attested by the secretary of said board of trustees (the coupons bearing the lithographed signatures aforesaid), and shall have affixed thereto the corporate seal of said graded school district.

SEC. 2. That said bonds shall not be sold for less than their par value, with interest accrued; and the proceeds of same shall not be used for any purpose other than the purpose mentioned and specified in this act.

SEC. 3. That for the purpose of providing for the prompt payment of said bonds at their maturity, and the interest on the same as is matures and becomes due and payable, the board of commissioners of the town of Morehead City, North Carolina, shall annually, at the time of levying other taxes, levy and lay a special tax on all polls and property subject to taxation within the graded school district contained in the boundaries fixed by section one of chapter two hundred sixty-two of the acts (private) of the General Assembly of North Carolina, one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled "An Act to Establish Graded Schools in the Town of Morehead City, Carteret County, North Carolina," sufficient to meet the
annual, or semiannual, accruing interest on said bonds and to provide a sinking fund for the payment of the principal of said bonds at maturity. The taxes provided for in this section shall be collected by the tax collector of the town of Morehead City aforesaid, in usual course, as other taxes are collected, and shall be by him paid over to the treasurer of the board of graded school trustees of Morehead City, and shall be by said treasurer kept separate and apart from other funds applied exclusively to the purposes for which said taxes are collected.

That the board of trustees aforesaid may require the treasurer to aforesaid to give a good and sufficient bond in double the amount of any sum which he, or she, may, from time to time, have in hand—which bond may be increased or diminished, from time to time, as occasion may require.

Sec. 4. That for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the said Morehead City graded school district the question of issuing said bonds, and levying and collecting the taxes herein provided for, the board of commissioners of the town of Morehead City, North Carolina, upon petition of, at least, fifty qualified voters in said district, within thirty days after said petition shall be duly presented to said board of commissioners, shall order an election to be held in said district, and shall in such order appoint the time and place for holding the same; and said board of commissioners shall appoint a registrar and two judges of election thereat (which judges shall be of different political persuasion), and shall give thirty days notice of said election, in some newspaper published in said graded school district (if there be such; otherwise in some newspaper published in Carteret County, North Carolina); and a new registration shall thereat be ordered, such registration to begin on the third day after said election is ordered and to continue to twelve (noon) o'clock on the Saturday next preceding said election date. That in said election all persons residing within said district described in section one, chapter two hundred sixty-two, of the Acts of the General Assembly of North Carolina, session one thousand nine hundred and five, who shall at that time be entitled to vote for members of the General Assembly shall be entitled to vote in said election; Provided, such person, or persons, shall have duly registered as herein provided for said election; and only those persons residing within said district who shall register for said election as herein provided shall be deemed qualified voters within the purview of this act.

Sec. 5. That at said election those voting for said school building bonds and for the levying and collection of the taxes herein provided for, shall vote a written or printed ballot containing or bearing the words "For School Bonds," and
those voting against the issuance of said bonds and the levying and collecting of said taxes shall vote a written or printed ballot containing the words "Against School Bonds." That said election, except as herein especially provided, shall be held and conducted under the same rules and regulations as is now provided for the election of members of the General Assembly of North Carolina.

Sec. 6. That the registrar and judges of election, at the close of said election day, shall canvass the votes and declare the result thereof, and shall make two returns thereof, one to the board of commissioners of the town of Morehead City, North Carolina, and one to the board of graded school trustees of Morehead City; and the board of commissioners of said Morehead City shall order said returns recorded in the official minute book of said town, and the board of trustees shall cause a copy thereof to be spread upon its official minutes.

Sec. 7. That if at the election aforesaid a majority of the qualified votes cast, by the qualified voters (as herein prescribed) of the Morehead City graded school district, as fixed and defined herein by reference to section one, chapter two hundred sixty-two, acts one thousand nine hundred and five, shall be for school bonds, then the board of graded school trustees of Morehead City shall proceed to issue and sell said bonds, or so many thereof as may (from time to time, within six years from date of declaration of election's result) in the judgment and discretion of the said board of trustees, be necessary for the purpose hereinbefore recited and set forth.

Sec. 8. That if a majority of the votes cast at said election shall be against school bonds, then the board of commissioners of the town of Morehead City, North Carolina, shall upon another petition of at least fifty voters within the said Morehead City graded school district at any time after sixty days from the date of the former election and within five years from the date thereof, order another election, which election shall be held as herein provided; and, if at said election so held a majority of the qualified voters (as herein provided for said voters to be qualified) shall vote for school bonds, then the said election shall have the same force and effect as if no election had been previously held.

Sec. 9. That nothing in this act shall be so construed as to repeal or adversely affect any clause or clauses of the act of the General Assembly, chapter two hundred sixty-two, session of one thousand nine hundred and five, entitled "An Act to Establish Graded Schools in the Town of Morehead City, Carteret County, North Carolina," but same shall be so construed only as to enlarge the powers of said board of graded school
trustees of Morehead City aforesaid to the especial purposes herein provided for and particularly set forth.

Sec. 10. That this act shall be in force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 24th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 36
AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN, CHIEF OF POLICE AND POLICEMEN OF THE CITY OF NEW BERN.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. Whereas, by reason of the increased cost of living it became necessary in July, 1918, for the mayor and board of aldermen of the city of New Bern in order to retain competent police protection for the inhabitants of said city to agree to pay to the chief of police and policemen of said city each the sum of ten dollars per month from the first day of July, 1918, to the first day of July, 1919, in excess of the salaries specified by the charter of said city; now, therefore, it is enacted, that the mayor and board of aldermen, chief of police and policemen of said city be, and they hereby are, relieved of personal liability on account of the payment from said city's funds such excess.

Sec. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 24th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 37
AN ACT TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF COMPULSORY EDUCATION IN THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE, FOR THE FULL SESSION OF THE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS EACH YEAR.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That every parent, guardian or other person in the city of Charlotte having charge or control of a child between the ages of eight and fourteen years shall cause such child to attend regularly some day school (public, private or parochial), in which at least the six common school branches of reading, spelling, writing, arithmetic, English, and geography are taught in daily sessions of not less than four hours per school day, for nine school months in each calendar year, or for the full session of the public schools of the city of Charlotte; or shall provide such child at home or elsewhere with such regular daily instruc-
tion during the usual school hours as shall be in the judgment of the court substantially equivalent in kind and amount to the instruction given the children of like age in the public schools of said city; Provided, that occasional absence from such attendance by any child between the ages of eight and fourteen years not amounting to more than two unexcused absences in four consecutive weeks shall not be unlawful.

Sec. 2. That no parent, guardian or other person having control of any such child shall be deemed or held guilty of violating this act, if it shall appear satisfactorily to the court that said parent or guardian or person having control of said child is not able through extreme destitution to provide or obtain in any way proper clothing for said child, or the said child is incapacitated, mentally or physically, to attend school for the whole period required, or any part thereof, or that the labor of said child is absolutely necessary for the support of its family: Provided, that when said child shall be provided with proper clothing by charity or otherwise, said child shall be subject to the provisions of this act.

Sec. 3. That the board of school commissioners of the city of Charlotte, may in its discretion set apart each year a sum not to exceed one per cent of the entire school funds of said city, which it may use in purchasing books and school supplies for indigent children, found by said commissioners to be unable to supply themselves with such books and material.

Sec. 4. That the board of school commissioners of the city of Charlotte may appoint and remove at pleasure one or more attendance officers to enforce the provisions of this act, and shall fix the compensation and manner of performance of the duties of such attendance officer or officers, or assign to them such other duties as the commissioners may see fit to assign, and shall pay them from the public school funds of said city for their services.

Sec. 5. That it shall be the duty of said attendance officer or officers as aforesaid to serve written or printed notices upon the parents, guardians or persons having charge or control of children as aforesaid, who violate the provisions of this act that prompt compliance therewith is required; said officer shall, when reasonable doubt exists as to the age of any child in said city, require a properly attested birth certificate, or an affidavit stating such child's age, date of birth and physical characteristics from the parent, guardian or other person having charge of such child; he shall have the right to visit and enter any office or factory or business house employing children as aforesaid, for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this act; he shall have the right to require a properly attested certificate of the attendance of any child or children at any day school; he shall have power
to take all truants as aforesaid, and place them in some public school, unless the parents, guardians, or persons in charge and control of said children respectively, shall at once place them in some other day school, as aforesaid, and he may serve warrants for violation of this act and subpoenas for witnesses of the court and make all required arrests without further fee or compensation than that paid by the board of school commissioners as aforesaid, and shall carry into effect such other regulation as may lawfully be required by the said board of school commissioners.

Sec. 6. That it shall be the duty of the attendance officer or officers herein provided for, as soon as practicable after the beginning of the school term of each year of said city, or at any time thereafter when he shall discover any violation of this act to warn once with written or printed notice any parent, guardian, or person having charge or control of a child between the ages of eight and fourteen who shall violate any provision of this act, to place and keep said child in regular attendance at some day school within three days of the service of said written or printed notice of warning. Upon failure to comply with this act after a lapse of three days from the date of service of said notice of warning said parent, guardian, or person having charge or control of said child shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon a conviction thereof shall pay a fine of not more than fifty dollars or be imprisoned for not more than thirty days; provided, that the said sentence of fine or imprisonment may be suspended or remitted by the court, with or without payment of costs, at the discretion of the court, if the said child be immediately placed and kept in regular attendance in some day school, as aforesaid, and such fact of regular attendance shall be subsequently proven to the satisfaction of said court by a properly attested certificate of attendance from the superintendent or teacher of said school; provided further, that every day any parent or guardian or other person shall wilfully and unlawfully keep such child from school after the expiration of three days from the service of such notice on such parent, guardian, or other person having control of said child shall constitute a new and separate offense.

Sec. 7. That no child under fourteen years of age residing within the corporate limits of the city of Charlotte shall be employed in any factory, work house, mercantile establishment or in any other place or manner during the usual school hours in said city, unless the person employing him shall first procure a certificate from the superintendent or teacher of the school said child last attended stating that such child attended school for such current year for the period required by law, or has been excused from attendance, and it shall be the duty of said
superintendent or teacher to furnish such certificate upon application of the parent, guardian, or other person entitled to the same.

Sec. 8. That every owner, superintendent or officer of any factory, work house, or mercantile establishment and any other person, who shall employ any child under fourteen years of age contrary to the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined for each offense in a sum not more than fifty dollars, or be imprisoned for not more than thirty days.

Sec. 9. That an accurate record of the ages, residences and attendance of all children between eight and fourteen years of age, shall be kept by the teacher of every school, whether public, private, parochial or tutorial, within the city of Charlotte; such records shall at all times be open to the attendance officer or officers or other persons duly authorized by the board of school commissioners as aforesaid, and a willful neglect or refusal to submit such records to the examination of such officer or officers shall be a misdemeanor, and any person upon conviction thereof shall be fined not more than fifty dollars or imprisoned for not more than thirty days for each offense.

Sec. 10. That this act shall be in force from and after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

Sec. 11. That all laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Ratified this the 24th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 38

AN ACT TO REPEAL CHAPTER 562, LAWS 1892, AND TO CREATE THE TARBORO SCHOOL BOARD.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter five hundred and sixty-two, Laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, be and the same is hereby amended.

Sec. 2. That C. B. Keech, J. E. Morissette, Moses Heilbronner, Mrs. S. N. Clark, George Howard, and Mrs. Nina H. Powell are hereby created a body to be known and designated as “The Tarboro School Board” and by that name shall be a body corporate, and may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, adopt a common seal, contract and be contracted with, and pass all rules and regulations for its government, acquire by gift, purchase and devise, real and personal property, and have all the powers given other corporations by chapter twenty-one, Revisal of one thousand nine hundred and five. Said “The Tarboro School Board” shall
have the power to do all acts necessary for the maintenance of the graded schools in Tarboro for white children and the graded school in Princeville for colored children, and shall have supervision of all the schools in Township Number One, Edgecombe County, and the appointment, removal, compensation and control of all teachers in said schools.

Sec. 3. That C. B. Keech and J. E. Morrisette shall hold office until January first, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, or until their successors are duly elected and qualified, that Moses Heilbroner and Mrs. S. N. Clark shall hold office until January first, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, or until their successors are duly elected and qualified, and that George Howard and Mrs. Nina B. Powell shall hold office until January first, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, or until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

Sec. 4. At the next general election for members of the General Assembly in one thousand nine hundred and twenty, there shall be elected by the voters of Number One Township, Edgecombe County, two members of the said school board who shall qualify as members of the said school board, and take office on the first day of January, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one; and at each general election thereafter, there shall be elected two members of the said school board who shall qualify for said board and shall take office on the first day of January following their election. All members elected as provided hereinbefore shall hold office for a term of six years or until their successors are elected and qualified. In case any vacancy shall occur in the membership of said board, the same shall be filled at an election held by the remaining members, the member so elected to hold the unexpired term.

Sec. 5. That all funds now in hand, or that may hereafter be collected and apportioned for the public schools of said township, shall be paid over to said board, and all funds arising from taxation shall be expended as shall be just to both races, and all the schools of said township. Donations to the corporation shall be expended as directed by the donors.

Sec. 6. That the reports required by law shall be regularly made to the superintendent of public schools, and duplicate thereof filed with the corporation.

Sec. 7. That nothing in this act shall be construed to violate any contract made by or with "The Tarboro School Board" as heretofore existing under chapter five hundred and sixty-two, Laws of one thousand nine hundred and ninety-one.

Sec. 8. That this act shall be in force from and after the first Monday in March, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

Ratified this the 25th day of February, A. D. 1919.

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CHAPTER 39

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE TOWN OF SEVERN IN NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the town of Severn, in the county of Northampton, is hereby incorporated by the name and style of Severn.

SECTION 2. That the corporate limits of said town shall be a space of one thousand yards running north, south, east, and west from a point where the county road and the Roanoke and Tar River railroad intersect.

SECTION 3. That the officers of said corporation shall consist of a mayor, five commissioners and a constable.

SECTION 4. That the first election for mayor and commissioners shall be held the first Monday in May, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen; until the officers under said election qualify the following shall be the officers of said corporation upon qualifying by giving the proper bonds and taking the prescribed oath: Mayor, Charles Simons; constable, W. E. Glover; commissioners, A. M. Fleetwood, J. J. White, D. W. Watson, W. H. Howell, and J. R. Taylor.

SECTION 5. That the authority to tax real and personal estate and polls shall be governed by the law of the state applying to cities and towns.

SECTION 6. That the commissioners of said town shall have the power to make any by-laws or regulations for the government of said town not inconsistent with the laws of North Carolina.

SECTION 7. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 25th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 40

AN ACT TO PERMIT THE OFFICIAL PLAT OF THE TOWN OF MOREHEAD CITY TO BE RECORDED AND COMPETENT AS EVIDENCE IN THE SEVERAL COURTS OF THE STATE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the plat and all blue prints of the survey of the town of Morehead City, as prepared by Raymond R. Eagle, civil engineer, from an actual survey by said civil engineer of the boundaries and lines, streets and sidewalks, docks, wharves and water frontage and of the several blocks and lots of said town of Morehead City, shall be admissible and competent as evidence in any of the courts of the State of North
Carolina to establish the corporate limits and boundaries of the town and the location of the several blocks and lots and streets of the subdivision of the said town and shall be conclusive evidence of boundaries and lines and location of the town, of the several blocks, lots, streets, sidewalks, wharves, docks and water frontage.

Sec. 2. That the said plat and the certified blue prints thereof shall be admissible and competent as evidence as a true copy of the official plan of the said town of Morehead City under the acts of incorporation and amendments thereto and in lieu of said official plan and shall hereafter be known as “The Official Plan of the town of Morehead City.”

Sec. 3. That any survey or measurement made for the purpose of establishing lines, boundaries and location of any of the several concrete monuments erected by the said R. R. Eagle, civil engineer, in accordance with actual survey and measurement and shown on said plat. And such monuments shall be landmarks and true location and identity of the several corners and points thereby identified shall require no further proof.

Sec. 4. That the original plat or any blue print properly certified by R. R. Eagle, civil engineer, shall be admitted to registration and recorded without further probate thereof and from and after date of such registration said record or any certified copy thereof shall be received as evidence as hereinbefore provided.

Sec. 5. This act shall take effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 25th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 41

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 161, PRIVATE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, 1915, RELATIVE TO THE CLEMMONS FARM-LIFE AND HIGH SCHOOL.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter one hundred and sixty-one, Private Laws of the General Assembly of North Carolina, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, entitled, “An act to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a county farm-life school in connection with an additional preparatory and high school in the county of Forsyth, to be known as ‘The Clemmons Farm-Life and High School,’” be and the same is hereby amended as follows:
Establishment of school made discretionary.

In line one, section one, strike out the word "shall" and insert in lieu thereof the word "may"; in line one, section four, strike out the word "shall" and insert the word "may"; in section five, line two, strike out the word "shall" and insert in lieu thereof the word "may"; in section five, line ten, strike out the word "shall" and insert the word "may"; in section five, line fifteen, strike out the word "shall" and insert the word "may"; in section six, line thirteen, strike out the word "shall" and insert the word "may"; in section six, line eighteen, strike out the word "shall" and insert the word "may"; in section six, line twenty, strike out the word "shall" and insert the word "may"; in section seven, line two, strike out the word "shall" and insert the word "may."

Sec. 2. This act shall be in effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 25th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 42

AN ACT TO REGULATE MOTOR VEHICLES AND PUBLIC SERVICE CARS IN MARION, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, corporation or firm, to operate a motor vehicle of any description within the corporate limits of the town of Marion, or within a zone around the said town extending three miles in each direction from said corporate limits, without first having obtained a license as chauffeur to operate such vehicle from the mayor of the said town of Marion; no license shall be issued to any person who is not of good moral character; and no license shall be issued to any person until such person has satisfied the mayor of the said town that he, or she, understands the mechanism of such motor vehicle and shall demonstrate his or her ability to operate such vehicle in a safe and scientific manner; such mayor shall collect as a fee for the issuance of such license the sum of two dollars.

Sec. 2. That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, corporation or firm, within the corporate limits of the said town of Marion, or within a zone extending three miles in each direction from said corporate limits, to operate any motor vehicle, car, or truck, for hire, for the transportation of passengers or freight within the limits of the said town and the said zone of three miles around said town, without first obtaining from the board of aldermen of the said town, or its mayor, a license to so operate said motor vehicle, car, or truck
within said town and zone, and paying therefor an annual license charge of twenty-five dollars for each motor vehicle, car, or truck, so to be operated for hire, as aforesaid, together with a fee of one dollar to the said mayor for the issuance of the same.

Sec. 3. That whenever any person or persons, corporation or firm, shall apply to the said board of aldermen, or its mayor, for license to operate any motor vehicle, car or truck, under the provisions of the preceding section, such person shall file with said board of aldermen a schedule of fees which are proposed to be charged for the transportation of persons, or freight, within the said town and said zone, which schedule of fees shall be approved by the said board of aldermen, if found reasonable; and it shall be unlawful for any licensee, or agent of any licensee, to charge a greater amount, at any time, than is provided for in the schedule of fees so approved by the said board of aldermen.

Sec. 4. That every person or corporation violating the provisions of either of the foregoing sections shall, upon conviction, be fined, for the first offense, the sum of twenty dollars, and for the second offense, the sum of forty dollars, and shall forfeit and surrender his license to be cancelled by the mayor of said town; and the mayor of the said town of Marion is hereby given exclusive original jurisdiction to hear and determine all offenses arising under this act.

Sec. 5. That every person who shall be charged by law with the enforcement of the provisions of this act, and who shall fail or refuse to enforce the same, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined the sum of fifty dollars for each offense in which so failed to perform their duty in this respect.

Sec. 6. That the warrants of the mayor of the said town of Marion shall be valid within the three-mile zone around the said town, and the marshall of said town is hereby given the right to make arrests upon warrants issued by the mayor within the said zone.

Sec. 7. That this act shall be in force and effect twenty days after its ratification.

Ratified this the 25th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 43

AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF W. N. DAVIS, EX-SHERIFF OF GASTON COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the board of county commissioners of Gaston County be, and they are hereby empowered, in their discretion, to pay to W. N. Davis, ex-sheriff of Gaston County, such sum of compensation for unpaid services.
sums of money as they may deem just and reasonable compensation for his services in collecting any and all taxes, during his term of office, as sheriff of Gaston County, and for which he has not heretofore received compensation therefor.

Sec. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 26th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 44

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 151, PRIVATE LAWS OF 1911, BY EXTENDING THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF MAURY, GREENE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That section two of chapter one hundred and fifty-one, Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and eleven, be amended by striking out the same and the following be inserted in lieu thereof:

Sec. 2. That the corporate limits of the town of Maury shall be as follows: Beginning at a point where the Snow Hill road and the northern line of the town of Maury intersects the East Carolina Railroad; thence in an easterly direction with said Snow Hill road and the old line of said town two hundred yards to old corner; thence same direction one hundred yards to a stake; thence a southerly course parallel with old line one thousand, one hundred yards to a stake; thence a westerly course parallel with old line six hundred yards to a stake; thence a northerly course parallel with old line one thousand one hundred yards to a stake on Snow Hill road; thence with said road one hundred yards to a stake; corner in old line; thence with old line two hundred yards to beginning."

Sec. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 26th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 45

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TRUSTEES OF THE GRADED SCHOOLS OF GOLDSBORO TOWNSHIP TO ISSUE BONDS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the board of trustees of the graded schools of Goldsboro Township, Wayne County, is hereby authorized to issue coupon bonds from time to time not to exceed in the aggregate amount the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, and in
denominations of one thousand dollars ($1,000), or multiples thereof, bearing interest from the date of the issuance thereof at a rate not to exceed five per cent per annum, payable semiannually on the first day of January and the first day of July of each year, at such place as said board of trustees may designate, until said bonds are paid; that said bonds shall be made payable at a time and place to be fixed by said board of trustees and named therein, not to be more than forty years from the date of the issuance thereof. The said bonds and their coupons shall be numbered, and the bonds shall be signed by the chairman of said board and countersigned by its secretary, and have the corporate seal of said board affixed thereto, and the coupons thereto attached shall bear a facsimile of the signature of the chairman of said board. A record shall be kept of the said bonds, showing the numbers and denominations thereof, and to whom sold, the dates of issuing thereof, and when the same shall mature, and the interest-bearing rate thereof, the amount received from the sale thereof, and the date of the payment of the proceeds into the treasury, and such other data in reference to the same as the said board may direct to be kept.

Sec. 2. That the bonds hereby authorized to be issued shall not be sold for less than their par value, and the said board of trustees shall not deliver said bonds, or any of them, to the purchaser thereof until the purchase money shall be paid to the treasurer of said board and his receipt to the purchaser produced as evidence of such payment; and the treasurer of said board shall receive all such moneys paid in the purchase of said bonds in his official capacity as treasurer of said board, and he and the sureties on his official bond shall be liable to account for and pay over the same; and it shall be the duty of said board of trustees to see that the bond of said treasurer shall at all times be sufficient in amount and with satisfactory sureties to provide against any loss of money arising from the sale of such bonds, and to that end may at any time require said treasurer to renew his official bond in such sum and with satisfactory surety as they may require, and in default thereof to remove him from his office as treasurer.

Sec. 3. That the treasurer of said board of trustees shall keep separate from all other moneys coming into his hands the moneys arising as proceeds from the sale of said bonds, and the same shall be expended by said board of trustees in the erection of suitable new school buildings, in furnishing the same with necessary equipment and furnishings, and in repairing, furnishing and equipping old buildings for the accommodation of the public schools of Goldsboro Township, and for such other school purposes as the trustees may order the same disbursed.
Compensation of treasurer.

Sinking fund must be provided.

Interest must be paid semi-annually.

Trustees may be appointed for sinking fund.

Compensation of trustee and bond.

Duties of trustee.

Bond issue to be submitted to voters of township.

Election to be called within two years after ratification of act.

Advertisement.

Conduct of election.

Form of ballot.

Canvass of vote.

Sec. 4. That the board of trustees shall have power to fix the compensation of the treasurer for performing the duties conferred upon him by this act.

Sec. 5. That it shall be the duty of said board of trustees to provide a sinking fund for the payment of the principal of said bonds at maturity, and for that purpose set apart each year from the taxes collected in, or moneys apportioned to Goldsboro Township for public schools a sum equal to at least one per cent of the principal of said bonds.

Sec. 6. That it shall be the duty of said board of trustees to provide each year for the payment semiannually of the interest on said bonds, and for that purpose to set apart each year from the taxes collected in or the moneys apportioned to Goldsboro Township for public schools a sum sufficient to pay the same.

Sec. 7. The said board of trustees may, if in their opinion at any time it becomes necessary or advisable, appoint a trustee, whose duty it shall be to receive from the treasurer of said board of trustees the sum set apart for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds and to create a sinking fund to pay the principal of said bonds at maturity, and the said board may prescribe the duties of said trustee, fix the amount of his compensation and the bond for the faithful performance of duty on his part. It shall be the duty of said trustee to invest or loan the money coming into his hands for the purpose of creating a sinking fund in safe securities, but no such investment or loan shall be made without the consent and approval of the chairman of said board of trustees.

Sec. 8. That the question of issuing bonds shall be submitted to the qualified voters of Goldsboro Township from time to time for their ratification or rejection, at an election to be held in said township at such time as the board of commissioners of Wayne County shall appoint, said election to be called and a time therefor designated upon the written request of a majority of the board of trustees of said graded schools at any time within two years after the ratification of this act. The said election shall be advertised by the board of commissioners for thirty days prior to the day of election in one or more newspapers published in said township, and the said election shall be held, as near as may be, under the rules, regulations and directions existing for the election of members of the House of Representatives. At said election those who are in favor of issuing the said bonds shall vote "For School Bonds" and those who oppose shall vote "Against School Bonds" on a written or printed ballot. The number of ballots cast for and against said bonds shall be counted and the result of said election certified and returned to the register of deeds for Wayne County, who shall
furnish to the chairman of said board of trustees a certified copy of said return, under seal, and also send a like copy of said return to the Secretary of State, which said Secretary shall file in his office. If at said election a majority of the qualified voters of said township shall vote "For School Bonds" then the said board of trustees shall proceed at once to issue and sell said bonds, or so many thereof as may be necessary, in the judgment and discretion of said board for the purposes aforesaid; and the board of county commissioners of said Wayne County shall levy and collect annually, in addition to the maximum tax now authorized to be levied and collected on all taxable property and polls in said Goldsboro Township for maintenance and support of the Goldsboro graded schools, such additional special tax on all taxable property and polls in said township for the purposes herein designated as the board of trustees of the Goldsboro graded schools shall certify to the said board of county commissioners to be necessary to pay the interest and provide for the sinking fund on said bonds not to exceed fourteen cents on the one hundred dollars ($100) valuation of property and forty-two cents on the poll, and said special tax shall be levied and collected in the same manner and at the same time as other taxes of said county and township are levied and collected. The board of county commissioners for Wayne County shall order a new registration for said election.

SEC. 9. That it is the purpose of this act to authorize the issue of the aggregate amount of bonds and to hold an election thereon at one time or to issue bonds and hold election thereon from time to time not to exceed the aggregate.

SEC. 10. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 26th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 46

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF ENFIELD TO ISSUE BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING A SYSTEM OF WATER-WORKS AND SEWERAGE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the board of commissioners of the town of Enfield is hereby authorized and empowered to issue, to an amount not exceeding eighty-five thousand dollars, bonds in the name of the said town of Enfield, in such denomination and in such form as the said board of commissioners may
determine, with which to construct, build, erect, and maintain a system of waterworks and sewerage in said town of Enfield.

Sec. 2. That said bonds shall be made payable or redeemable at such place or places, and at such time or times, as may be determined by said board of commissioners, not exceeding thirty years from the date of said bonds.

Sec. 3. That said bonds shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding six per cent per annum from the date thereof, with interest coupons attached, payable semiannually at such place or places as may be deemed advisable by said board of commissioners.

Sec. 4. That none of the bonds authorized by this act shall be disposed of, either by sale, exchange, hypothecation, or otherwise for a less price than their par value, nor shall said bonds or their proceeds be used for any other purposes than that of establishing a system of waterworks and sewerage in said town of Enfield and of purchasing, building, erecting, constructing, and maintaining the necessary lands, plants, machinery, rights and privileges, conduits, and mains, and other property and machinery necessary to the establishment of a modern waterworks and sewerage system in said town of Enfield; and said commissioners whenever necessary may acquire rights of way, easements, and such lands as may be necessary for the location of said waterworks and sewerage systems either within or without the said town of Enfield by condemnation, as is now or may hereafter be provided by law for condemnation of lands and rights of way for railroad companies: Provided, that nothing herein shall prevent the condemnation of said lands by any other method provided by law or by the charter of said town of Enfield.

Sec. 5. That said bonds shall not be issued until authorized by a majority of the qualified voters of said town of Enfield at an election to be held on a date to be designated by the board of commissioners of the town of Enfield at any time after the ratification of this act, at which election those favoring the issuing of said bonds for said purposes shall vote a written or printed ballot containing the words "For Waterworks and Sewerage Bonds" and those opposing it a like ballot containing the words "Against Waterworks and Sewerage Bonds"; and it shall be the duty of said board of commissioners to give notice of the time, place, and purposes of such election for five consecutive weeks in some newspaper published in the said town of Enfield; that such election shall otherwise be held in like manner and under the same rules and regulations as far as the same are pertinent and applicable as the elections are held in the town of Enfield for the election of municipal officers; and the said board of commissioners may or may not, as they may determine,
order a new registration of the voters of said town of Enfield for said election.

Sec. 6. That, if the powers hereby conferred and hereinbefore provided for shall be exercised, and a majority of the qualified voters of said town of Enfield shall vote "For Waterworks and Sewerage Bonds," then said board of commissioners shall issue said bonds, not exceeding said amount of eighty-five thousand dollars, which said bonds shall be signed by the mayor and attested by the clerk of the board of commissioners and sealed with the corporate seal of said town of Enfield; and the signature of the said mayor and the said clerk of the board of commissioners of the town of Enfield may be printed or lithographed on the coupons attached to said bonds, and the said bonds and their coupons shall become exempt from taxation in the said town of Enfield until they shall become due and tender of payment shall have been made; but nothing herein shall exempt said bonds or their coupons from taxation by the Enfield graded school district; and the said coupons shall be receivable in payment of taxes levied by said town of Enfield or any other debt due said town of Enfield.

Sec. 7. That, for the purpose of providing for the payment of said bonds and the coupons as they shall become due and payable, the said board of commissioners of the said town of Enfield is hereby authorized and empowered to levy and cause to be collected, annually, as other municipal taxes are collected, a tax not exceeding sixty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of real and personal property, and not exceeding one dollar and eighty cents on all taxable polls in said town of Enfield; and said board of commissioners of said town of Enfield may provide a sinking fund by setting aside such portion of the foregoing levy each year as may be necessary to pay off said principal at its maturity; or said board of commissioners may take up one or more bonds annually as said board may elect; and under said levy the constitutional equation between property and poll shall be observed, and said taxes so collected shall not be used for any other purpose than those set out in section four hereof, but the said board of commissioners shall have the right to use any other funds which may come into their hands, by taxation or otherwise, for the purposes set out in section four hereof or for the purpose of paying the bonds and interest coupons herein provided for.

Sec. 8. That if, at the first election held under the provisions of this act, a majority of the qualified voters of the town of Enfield shall not vote "For Waterworks and Sewerage Bonds," then and in that event the board of commissioners of the said town of Enfield, at any time thereafter, not oftener than once in each twelve months, as they may deem fit, and by their own
Act effective when majority vote for bonds.

AN ACT TO PERMIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER ONE, IN TOWNSHIP NUMBER ONE, MADISON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, TO ISSUE BONDS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the board of education of Madison County be, and it is hereby authorized and empowered to issue bonds on the behalf of school district Number One, in Township Number One, in said county, the amount of said bonds not to exceed the sum of fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000), and to bear interest at not exceeding six per cent. Said bonds shall be serial bonds and shall mature in serial installments of five hundred dollars ($500) in each year. The said bonds to be in such form and such denominations, and payable at such place as the said board of education may determine. Said bonds to be signed by the chairman and by the clerk or secretary of said board of education.

SECTION 2. That the proceeds derived from the sale of said bonds shall be used for the purpose of paying the indebtedness incurred on account of the new school building recently erected in said school districts.

SECTION 3. That said bonds shall not be issued until authorized by a majority of the qualified voters of said school district at an election to be held therein as herein provided.

SECTION 4. That when the board of education shall in writing signed by a majority of said board, present to the board of county commissioners of Madison County, a written request to call an election to authorize the bonds herein mentioned, it shall then be the mandatory duty of said board of county commissioners to call an election at its first regular meeting after the filing of said written request. The said board of

motion, may, or upon the petition of one-fifth of the qualified voters of said town of Enfield, shall again submit the same question to the qualified voters of said town of Enfield on the same notice and terms as required for said first election; and if a majority of the qualified voters of said town of Enfield shall, at any of the said elections, vote "For Waterworks and Sewerage Bonds," then this act and all the provisions thereof shall be and remain in full force and effect and shall have the same force and effect as if no previous election had been held.

Sec. 9. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 26th day of February, A. D. 1919.

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Board of education authorized to issue bonds for school district No. 1.

Bonds not to exceed $15,000. Interest not over 6 per cent. Serial bonds; to mature $500 each year.

Proceeds to pay indebtedness on school building.

Bonds not to be issued until voted on.

Commissioners to call election upon petition of majority of board of education.

Election to be held under general laws.
county commissioners shall call said election to be held under the New registration and notice required. general election laws and they shall order a new registration for said school district, and shall give thirty days notice of said election at the courthouse door in Madison County and at three other public places in said school district and shall designate the polling place or places and shall appoint the necessary registrars and judges to conduct said election. At said election all those in said school district who are in favor of the issuance of said bonds shall vote a ballot upon which shall be written or printed the words "For School Bonds" and those who are opposed to the issuance of said bonds shall vote a ballot upon which shall be written or printed the words, "Against School Bonds."

Sec. 5. In the event a majority of the qualified voters of If bonds voted, said school district authorizes the bonds herein mentioned, it shall then be the duty of the board of county commissioners' of said county to levy and collect annually in said school district, a special tax upon all taxable property in said district of sufficient rate and amount to pay the interest on said bonds as it becomes due, and the principal thereof at maturity.

Sec. 6. That the board of education of Madison County shall Board of education sell said bonds at either public or private sale in such manner as they may in their discretion determine.

Sec. 7. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

Sec. 8 That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 28th day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 48

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF NEWTON, SO AS TO INCREASE THE TAX FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES IN NEWTON GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That section one hundred and twenty-four, of Chapter 39, Private Laws 1907, amended. chapter thirty-nine of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and seven, as amended by chapter two hundred and forty, Public-Local Laws, one thousand nine hundred and eleven, be amended so as to read as follows:

"Sec. 124. If a majority of the qualified voters shall vote If school bonds for school bonds, then the board of aldermen of Newton shall be voted to levy tax. at the time of levying municipal taxes next after such election, and annually thereafter, levy a tax on all persons and property subject to taxation, within the limits of said graded school
Tax rate not to exceed 50 cents on property and $1.50 on poll.

Application of tax collected.

Excess of tax over interest and sinking fund to be used for schools.

Section 1 of act to be submitted to voters.

Form of ballot.

Act effective when approved by majority of voters.

Manner of holding election prescribed.

district, of not exceeding fifty cents on the one hundred dollars ($100) assessed valuation of property and not exceeding one dollar and fifty cents on each taxable poll, and the said tax when levied and collected shall be applied by the board of school trustees as follows: (1) to pay the interest accruing semiannually on school bonds outstanding; (2) set apart and invest a sufficient sum annually to provide a sinking fund to pay the principal of said bonds at maturity; and (3) the balance to be used for the benefit of the schools of said district, at such times and in such manner as the board of trustees may deem best. Interest on said bonds shall be paid to the treasurer of the town of Newton."

Sec. 2. That section one of this act shall be submitted to the qualified voters of Newton graded school district, at the next annual election for school trustees in said district, to be held the first Monday in May, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, when those voters approving said section shall vote a ballot with the words "For School Tax" thereon, and those opposed shall vote a ballot with the words "Against School Tax" thereon. Said section may, in like manner, be submitted to the voters in said district at any regular annual election thereafter. Whenever a majority of the qualified voters of Newton graded school district shall have voted "For School Tax," then section one of this act shall be in full force and effect, and the board of aldermen of the town of Newton shall levy such tax thereunder for the current year, and annually thereafter, in such amount as the school trustees shall annually certify as being necessary for the purposes specified in said section. Until a majority of the qualified voters in said district shall vote "For School Tax" said section one shall be and remain inoperative and of no effect.

Sec. 3. That any election, at which section one is submitted for the approval of the qualified voters of said district, shall be held in the same manner and under the same regulations, and the votes counted and returns made and result declared under the same rules and regulations, as may be in force and governing municipal elections in the town of Newton and in Newton graded school district at the time such election shall be held.

Sec. 4. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 28th day of February, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 49

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 135 OF PRIVATE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA AT ITS REGULAR SESSION FOR THE YEAR 1905, IT BEING "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE TOWN OF ANDREWS IN CHEROKEE COUNTY."

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That chapter one hundred and thirty-five of Private Laws of North Carolina for the session of one thousand nine hundred and five be and the same is amended as follows: In line three of section three strike out the words "two years" and insert in lieu thereof the words "one year." In line three of section six of said chapter strike out the words "two years" and insert in lieu thereof the words "one year." In lines two and three of section nine of said chapter strike out the words "two years" and insert in lieu thereof the words "one year." Strike out the word "June" in line five of section thirty-two of said chapter and insert in lieu thereof the word "April" and Strike out the word "July" in line six of said section strike out the word "May." Notice for tax listing to be given in April. Returns to be made in May.

Sec. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 3d day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 50

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF LEXINGTON, AND EXTEND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE SAME.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That chapter fourteen, Private Laws of North Carolina, session one thousand nine hundred and seven, be amended, and that the corporate limits of the town of Lexington, shall be that territory embraced within the following boundaries, to wit: Beginning at the junction of the Raleigh Road with the Greensboro Road on the south side of the Raleigh Road; thence along the Raleigh Road on the south side of South thirty degrees, east nineteen chains, south forty-nine and one-half degrees, east nine and one-half chains; south sixty-nine degrees, east fourteen chains; south thirty degrees, east eight chains; south forty-nine and one-half degrees, east nine and one-half chains; south sixty-nine degrees, east fourteen chains; south thirty degrees, east eight chains; thence along the Raleigh Road to west side of the bridge over the North Carolina Railroad; thence following on west side of said railroad, north sixty-three degrees, east seventeen and seventeen one-hundredths chains to a stake; thence
crossing the said railroad south six degrees, west thirteen and one-half chains to Hackney Avenue; thence south fifty degrees, west fifty-four and one-tenth chains to a point in the middle of Center Street near an old stable on south side of said street; thence south eighty-eight degrees, west forty-six chains to a stake; thence south fifty-six degrees, west twenty-eight and one-half chains to a point in the center of Cotton Grove Road near railroad crossing; thence due south fifteen and seven-tenths chains to a stake; thence south nine and one-half degrees, west thirty-one and one-half chains on west side of Cotton Grove Road to a stake in the intersection of the old Linwood Road with the Cotton Grove Road; thence North twenty-eight degrees, west thirty-three chains to a stake located sixty feet south of the southeast corner of the Dakota Cotton Mill building; thence north five degrees, west fifty-two and one-half chains to a stake on the west side of the Winston-Salem Southbound Railway near a big curve; thence up the west side of said railway track, north twenty-one degrees, east nineteen and one-half chains to a stone located on west side of railway track, and on the north side of Mocksville Avenue; thence with said right of way north nineteen degrees east sixty chains to a stone at the right of way of said railroad on the west side; thence south eighty-five degrees east forty-three chains ninety links to a stone on the east side of the Salem Road near where the road goes to the negro graveyard; thence north fifteen degrees, east with southeast side of said Salem Road ten and twenty-five one-hundredths chains to the northeast side of Sixth Street, near Fowler place; thence north fifty-two and one-half degrees, east two and fifty one-hundredths chains to a stake; thence south thirty-eight degrees east thirty and fifty one-hundredths chains to the beginning.

Sec. 2. That the new territory annexed to the corporate limits of Lexington in the boundaries set out in section one shall become part of the wards to which same may be adjacent.

Sec. 3. That the school commissioners of Lexington, and the board of education of Davidson County are authorized and empowered to make such arrangements and agreements, and contracts as in their opinion may seem best for providing school facilities for those children of school age that live outside the present corporate limits of Lexington, and within the territory annexed to said town by this act, and such provisions may be continued from year to year as long as said boards deem necessary for the interest of the children of said territory, and the said provisions may authorize schools for said children to be provided outside of the corporate limits of the town.

Sec. 4. That the board of commissioners of Lexington shall have power and authority to make such arrangements, agreements, and provisions they may deem best for improving and
maintaining the streets, lights, water, and public order in the territory annexed to the town by this act, and to continue such provisions as long as they deem for the best interest of the said annexed territory.

Sec. 5. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 6. That this act shall be in force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 3d day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 51

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 20 OF THE PUBLIC-LOCAL LAWS, EXTRA SESSION OF 1913, IN REGARD TO PROSECUTING ATTORNEY FOR THE TOWN OF SPENCER, ROWAN COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter twenty of the Public-Local Laws of the State of North Carolina, Extra Session one thousand nine hundred and thirteen be amended as follows:

In line eight on page twenty-eight be changed as follows: after the word "be" in said line insert the following "appointed by the board of aldermen of the said town at their first regular meeting after their election and installation" instead of the words appearing as follows "elected by the qualified voters of said town in the same manner as is now provided by law for the election of the town officers."

Sec. 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 3d day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 52

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF STATESVILLE TO CALL AN ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING BONDS FOR THE GRADED SCHOOLS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the mayor and board of aldermen of the city of Statesville are hereby authorized and empowered to cause an election to be held at the time that the regular municipal election is held in the city of Statesville in May, one thousand Priv.—5
nine hundred and nineteen, or at such time as they shall appoint, within two years from the ratification of this act, at which election shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the city of Statesville the question of issuing bonds in such amount as said mayor and board of aldermen may determine in its call for said election, not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars, for the purpose of erecting an additional building or buildings, providing additional room for the graded schools of the city of Statesville, and paying for repairs and improvements already made. At said election the mayor and board of aldermen shall provide a box for the vote on said bonds. Those who favor the issue of said bonds shall vote a written or printed ticket with the words "For Graded School Bonds" thereon, and those opposed shall vote a written or printed ticket with the words "Against Graded School Bonds" thereon. The election herein provided for shall be held under the rules and regulations provided and prescribed in chapter seventy-three of the Revisal of one thousand nine hundred and five and the amendments thereto except that said election may be held at a time other than that prescribed for the holding of the regular municipal election as above provided. If a majority of the qualified voters of the city of Statesville shall vote "For Graded School Bonds," then the mayor and board of aldermen of the city of Statesville shall issue coupon bonds, not to exceed the amount specified in the call for said election. Said bonds shall be in denominations of not less than one hundred dollars each, bearing interest, payable semiannually at a rate not exceeding five and one-half per centum per annum. The principal of said bonds shall be payable at the expiration of thirty years from the date thereof. Said bonds and coupons shall be signed by the mayor of the city of Statesville and countersigned by the clerk and treasurer of said city, and the official seal of said city shall be attached to each bond: Provided, however, that if ordered by said board of aldermen the facsimile of said signatures may be placed on said coupons. The said bonds shall not be sold for less than par. The moneys arising from the sale of said bonds shall be placed to the credit of the Statesville graded schools, and shall be expended by the said school committee only for the following purposes to wit: To pay for the heating plant installed in the school building located in the third ward in the city of Statesville, to pay for the repairs and improvements made or to be made in or on the school buildings located in the first and third wards of the city of Statesville and to better equip same, to erect an additional school building or buildings for the white children of the city of Statesville, and to erect a school building for the negro children of the city of Statesville.
Sec. 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 3d day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 53

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE STREETS OF THE TOWN OF FARMVILLE, AND AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF SAID TOWN TO SELL BONDS FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That for the purpose of improving and paving the streets of the town of Farmville, as authorized by chapter fifty-six of Public Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, the board of commissioners of said town is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to issue bonds of the said town to an amount not exceeding one hundred and fifty thousand dollars ($150,000), in denominations not exceeding one thousand dollars ($1,000), bearing interest from the date thereof not exceeding the rate of six per cent per annum, with interest coupons attached, payable annually at such time and place as may be directed by said board of commissioners, such bonds to be of such form and tenor, and transferable in such a way, and the principal thereof shall be redeemable at such time, not exceeding thirty years from the date of their issue, as the board of commissioners of said town may determine; said bonds and coupons shall be signed by the mayor of said town and countersigned by the clerk of said board of commissioners, and said bonds shall have upon them the seal of the said town and shall be styled “Street Improvement Bonds.”

Sec. 2. That the commissioners of said town shall levy annually at the time the tax levy for general municipal purposes is made a special tax on all property subject to taxation in said town in addition to the levy already authorized a tax not to exceed twenty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of all property in said town and sixty cents on each poll to pay the annual interest on said one hundred and fifty thousand dollars worth of municipal bonds and to provide a sinking fund sufficient with the assessments to be collected from the abutting property owners as hereinafter provided, to pay off and discharge said bonds at maturity; said special tax to be collected and accounted for in the same manner as other city taxes are collected and accounted for.
Manner of improvement set out.

Bonds not to be sold for less than par.

Proceeds to be used for street purposes only.
Abutting property owners to pay two-thirds of cost.

Property owners' share to be paid in installments.

Treasurer to invest installments as sinking fund.
Property owners may anticipate installments.

Bonds to be valid obligations.

Bonds sold in accordance with the Municipal Finance Act.

Conflicting clauses of Municipal Finance Act not to apply.

SEC. 3. That the streets mentioned in section one of this act shall be paved with concrete, sheet asphalt or bitulithic, as said commissioners shall determine will be for the best interest of said town.

SEC. 4. That none of the bonds issued by authority of this act shall be disposed of by sale, exchange, or otherwise for a less price than their face value; when said bonds are sold the moneys arising from the sale thereof shall be turned over to the treasurer of said town, who shall disburse said moneys only for the purpose set out in this act.

SEC. 5. That two-thirds of the costs of paving said streets mentioned in this act shall be paid by abutting property owners and the same shall constitute a lien on abutting property, one-third the cost to be paid by the property owners on one side of the street and one-third by such property owners on the other side of the street as provided in chapter fifty-six of the Public Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, the same to be paid in ten equal annual installments with six per cent interest, the same to be paid to the tax collector of the town of Farmville and turned over to the treasurer of said town and kept by him and invested as a sinking fund to be applied on the payment of said bonds when they fall due. The abutting property owners on said streets may pay their assessments in full at any time before maturity, with accrued interest.

SEC. 6. That the bonds authorized by this act shall constitute the full, direct and valid obligations of the said town of Farmville, and the resolution for same by the said board of commissioners of the town of Farmville shall be made, published and advertised, and the bonds shall be sold in accordance with the provisions of the “Municipal Finance Act of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.”

SEC. 7. That all clauses of the “Municipal Finance Act of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen” in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby declared not to apply to this act.

SEC. 8. That this act shall be in effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 3d day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 54

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 158, PRIVATE LAWS OF 1903, RELATING TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF AHOSKIE IN HERTFORD COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That section two of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and three, chapter one hundred and fifty-eight be stricken out and the following be inserted in lieu thereof:

Chapter 158, Private Laws 1903, amended.
"Sec. 2. That the corporate limits of the town shall be as follows, to wit: Beginning at a stob on the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, eight hundred and seventy feet south of Church Street; thence north 50 degrees and 25 minutes west 2073.4 feet; thence north 8 degrees and 10 minutes west 1063 feet; thence north 39 degrees and 35 minutes east 2200 feet; thence south 71 degrees and 9 minutes east 1710 feet; thence south 50 degrees and 25 minutes east 2248 feet; thence south 1 degree and 40 minutes east 3670 feet; thence south 39 degrees and 35 minutes west 750 feet; thence north 50 degrees and 25 minutes west 3417.5 feet to the first station."

Sec. 2. That section twenty-four of said chapter one hundred and fifty-eight, Private Laws of nineteen hundred and three be stricken out and the following inserted in lieu thereof:

"Sec. 24. That the commissioners shall have the power not oftener than once a year to impose, levy and collect a tax upon all real and personal property within the corporate limits of the town and upon all polls and other subjects of taxation taxed by the General Assembly for public purposes, not exceeding fifty—cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of property and one dollar and fifty—cents on each poll, the constitutional equation between property and poll being always observed."

Sec. 3. That the board of town commissioners shall have the power to appoint a board of appraisers and assessors who shall have the power to fix a tax value on all taxable property in the town, real and personal, and to raise or lower the value so as to equalize the tax value on property, and for such purposes, said board shall meet at the mayor's office or some other place designated by them, from ten o'clock A. M. to and until four o'clock P. M., on the first Monday in June of each year, beginning the first Monday in June, nineteen hundred and nineteen, and revise said tax list and hear all complaints of taxpayers, or their agents, as to the overvalue or undervalue of property, the reduction or remission of taxes or any other complaint pertaining to the levy and collection of taxes, and to take such action as they may deem proper and just. The sittings of the said appraisers and assessors may be continued by them from day to day until the said tax list has been completed and revised, which when done the clerk of their boards shall have two copies thereof prepared and shall deliver same to the said board of commissioners at their regular meeting on the first Monday night in July of each year.

Sec. 4. That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to erect any structure which would be in the line of street extension of street extension of any street of said town if extended, and any person, firm or corporation violating or attempting to violate the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction be punished.
shall be fined within the discretion of the court, and further, the said board of town commissioners shall have the power to remove said obstruction at the expense of the owner, unless he consents to remove same within thirty days from the time notified by said board of commissioners.

Sec. 5. That all laws and clauses of laws heretofore constituting the charter of the town of Ahoskie and affecting the government thereof are continued in full force and effect, unless in direct conflict with the provisions of this act.

Sec. 6. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 3d day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 55

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF COATS TO CONVEY CERTAIN REAL ESTATE LOCATED WITHIN THAT TOWN AND DESIGNATED ON THE OFFICIAL MAP AS A CERTAIN PART OF DOOLEY STREET.

Whereas, in the early history of the town of Coats, an official map of said town was caused to be registered in the office of the register of deeds of Harnett County in which a certain part of Dooley Street of said town was indicated as dedicated to the public; and

Whereas, the said town of Coats, through its legally constituted officers, has never actually accepted said part of Dooley Street, it being that part of Dooley Street extending from the right of way of the Durham & Southern Railroad Company to McKinley Street, and

Whereas, with the knowledge and acquiescence of the officers and citizens of said town, numerous persons owning lands adjoining said right of way and street have for years occupied, used, and improved said part of Dooley Street to the great benefit and advantage of the town of Coats, and it is deemed wise that any question as to the title of said lands should be definitely settled:

Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the board of commissioners for the town of Coats be and they are hereby authorized and empowered, in their discretion, to cause the property or any part thereof designated on the official map of the town of Coats as that part of Dooley Street extending from the Durham & Southern Railroad
Company right of way to McKinley Street, to be conveyed to the bona fide occupants and claimants thereof by deed of said town executed in the name of the town of Coats by its mayor, attested by its clerk and sealed with its common or corporate seal and acknowledged as provided by law for acknowledgment of deeds of corporations.

SEC. 2. That the effect of any such deed shall be to vest in the grantee all the rights, title, interest, estate, and easement of the town of Coats and the public in the lands therein described.

SEC. 3. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. That this act shall be in force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 3d day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 56

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE WINTON GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT, HERTFORD COUNTY, AND PROVIDE FOR BOND ISSUE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the following described territory lying and being in Hertford County, Winton Township, bounded as follows, to wit: Beginning on Potecasi Creek at the mouth of Mill Creek or Elm Swamp, thence up said Elm Swamp its various courses to the public road leading from Union to Winton at a bridge near George Collins' home, thence down said road towards Winton to the original Oak Villa farm line, thence leave the road to the south and follow said Oak Villa farm line to the old Moore farm line, thence along the said Moore farm line to the public road from Winton to Cofield, thence along the line between the Moore farm now owned by H. C. Faison and the old Jesse Downs' farm to the head of the Jack Hare mill pond, thence down said mill pond to Hare's mill, thence the mill race to Chowan River, thence up the Chowan River to mouth of the Meherrin River, thence up Meherrin River to mouth of the Potecasi Creek, thence up Potecasi Creek to mouth of Mill Creek or Elm Swamp at the beginning, be incorporated into and established as a special tax school district and to be known as "Winton Graded School District."

SEC. 2. The following named persons and their successors in office shall constitute the board of trustees for said school district, to wit: H. C. Faison, W. D. Boone, J. A. Shaw, W. H. Lassiter, E. L. Banks, and J. D. Beale, who shall hold office from the date of the election hereinafter provided and until their
Term of office. Successors are elected and qualified. The term of office of the first two above-named shall expire in six years, the term of office of the next two above named in four years, and the last two above named in two years. Whenever the term of office of any class shall expire, as above provided, their successors shall be elected for a term of six years by the qualified voters of the Winton graded school district, at an election to be held in conjunction with and on the same date of and under the same rules and regulations governing elections for mayor and aldermen of the town of Winton in said district. All vacancies on said board shall be filled by the remaining members thereof until the next general election as herein provided.

Successors.

Vacancies.

Board a body corporate.

Sec. 3. That the said board of trustees hereby created and their successors in office shall be a body politic and incorporate by the name and style of "Board of Trustees of Winton Graded School District," and by that name shall be capable of receiving gifts and grants, purchasing and holding real estate and personal property, selling and mortgaging and transferring the same, and of prosecuting and defending suits for or against the corporation hereby created.

Powers.

Sec. 4. That said board of trustees shall have power to employ all teachers and select all officers necessary for the management of said school, and shall have the power, upon such terms as may seem just, to allow children outside of said territory to attend such school.

Treasurer to be elected.

Sec. 5. That said board of trustees shall annually elect a treasurer, who may or may not be a member of said board, who shall have charge of all public school funds and all public school money derived from the state and county for the benefit of said school district together with the money arising from any special tax; and said treasurer shall report to said board monthly, or as he may be required, all receipts and disbursements and vouchers. The money so received by said treasurer shall be held by him to be disbursed only upon the order of said board signed by its chairman and countersigned by its secretary. The said treasurer shall furnish annually to said board a statement in writing of his receipts and disbursements of said school money, properly endorsed and approved by the chairman and secretary of said board. The said treasurer shall receive such compensation, not to exceed fifty dollars annually, as may be agreed upon, and required to give such a bond as may be fixed by said board in an amount sufficient to secure all school money which may at any time come into his hands.

Duties.

Compensation.

Sec. 6. That the said board of trustees herein provided for shall be authorized and are hereby empowered to issue and sell bonds of said Winton graded school district to an amount

Trustees authorized to issue $25,000 six per cent 30-year bonds.
not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000), of such
denominations and such proportions as said board may deem
advisable, bearing interest from date thereof at a rate not
exceeding six per cent per annum, with interest coupons attached
and payable annually, said bonds to be of such form and tenor
and transferable in such way and the interest thereof payable or
redeemable at such time or times, not exceeding thirty years
from the date thereof, as the board may determine.

Sec. 7. That the proceeds arising from the sale of said bonds
or such part thereof as may be necessary shall be expended by
said board in providing, by purchase or otherwise, a suitable
site and erecting such a building or buildings thereon as may be
required and in furnishing the same with school furniture and
other necessary equipments for school purposes in said district.

Sec. 8. That none of said bonds shall be disposed of by sale,
exchange, hypothecation or otherwise, for less than their par
value, nor shall said bonds nor their proceeds be used for any
other purpose than that declared in section seven of this act.

Sec. 9. That no person serving as trustee for said Winton
graded school district shall receive any compensation for such
service.

Sec. 10. That the said board of trustees herein named shall,
within ninety days from the ratification of this act, submit
to the qualified voters of said district the question of issuing
bonds and levying additional school tax. The said trustees
shall give thirty days notice of said election by notices posted
in four public places in said district. Said board of trustees
shall select three of the qualified voters of said district, one of
whom they shall appoint registrar and the other two poll
holders, to hold said election, and these three shall hold said
election and shall be governed in their acts in all particulars
by the same rules and regulations as prevail in the election of
members of the General Assembly. The qualified voters of said
district shall vote at said election tickets on which shall be
printed or written the words “For Bond Issue and Additional
Special Tax” or “Against Bond Issue and Special Tax,” and the
result of the election shall be declared by the same rules that
govern the election of members of the General Assembly; that
said election shall be held at the courthouse in Winton in
said district; that, if a majority of the qualified voters of
said district shall vote at said election “For Bond Issue and
Additional Special Tax,” it shall be the duty of the board of
county commissioners of Hertford County, at their annual meeting
for levying state and county taxes next after the passage of this
act, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen and annually
thereafter, to levy, in addition to all appropriations made, general
and special taxes levied for any school funds in any manner
whatsoever now accruing to the territory described in section one hereof, a special tax not to exceed fifty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of all taxable property of said school district and not to exceed one dollar and fifty cents upon each taxable poll. The tax so levied shall be collected as other state and county taxes are collected, and at the time the county taxes are due and collected, and the said collector shall be subject to the same laws governing the collection and settlement of state and county taxes, and shall be subject to the same penalties prescribed by said laws, and shall give a good and sufficient bond to secure all taxes collected, said bond to be approved by the county commissioners, and shall receive as compensation for his services the same fees as are allowed by law for the collection of state and county taxes. Said tax shall be promptly paid over, as collected, to the treasurer herein provided for.

SEC. 11. That it shall be the duty of the board of trustees to provide a sinking fund for the payment of the principal of said bonds at maturity, and for that purpose to set apart each year from the taxes collected for said school district a sum to equal at least four per cent of the principal of said bonds, which shall be kept securely invested or loaned out on first mortgage on real estate worth not less than double the amount of the loan. And it shall be the further duty of said board of trustees to provide for the payment annually of the interest on said bonds, and for that purpose to set apart each year from the taxes collected for said district a sum sufficient therefor.

SEC. 12. That all public school funds derived from the state and county and heretofore accruing to the territory described in section one hereof, together with the amounts coming from the additional special tax above provided for, shall be paid by the proper officers to the board of trustees herein provided for, and shall by them be used for the benefit of the schools of said district.

SEC. 13. That chapter two hundred and thirty-seven of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and five be and the same is hereby repealed.

SEC. 14. That all acts and deeds of the corporation created under and by chapter two hundred and thirty-seven of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and five be and the same are hereby validated.

SEC. 15. That no taxes levied or other funds paid for the benefit of the public schools in the territory described in section one of this act are to be in anywise affected by the provisions of this act, and the special tax herein provided for is to be in addition thereto.
Sec. 16. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.
Sec. 17. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 3d day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 57

AN ACT TO AMEND AND CONSOLIDATE THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF WAXHAW, UNION COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the inhabitants of the town of Waxhaw, Union County, North Carolina, living within the limits herein- after described shall be and continue as they have heretofore been, a body politic and corporate, and hereafter the corporation shall bear the name of the town of Waxhaw, and under such Corporate powers, name and style is hereby invested with title to all property, real and personal, which now belongs to the town of Waxhaw under any other name or names heretofore used, and by this name may acquire and hold for the purpose of its government, welfare and improvement, all such estates as may be devised, bequeathed or conveyed to it; and it may sell, dispose of and invest the same as shall be deemed advisable by the proper authorities of the corporation when said sale or investment is made in accordance with the laws of the State of North Carolina. It may also adopt a common seal, sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with and generally to do any and all acts necessary for the welfare of its inhabitants and the preservation of the property of the citizens residing within its limits.

SEC. 2. That the corporate limits of the said town of Waxhaw, Limits defined. North Carolina, shall embrace the following territory, to wit:
Beginning at Ben Price's northwestern chimney and running thence S. 33½ W. 49 chains to a pile of stones; thence S. 21½ E. 21.50 chains to an iron pen by a white oak, 20 links distant from said white oak and 32 links from a chimney; thence N. 84½ E. 72 chains to an iron stake; thence N. 27½ E. 25 chains crossing the Seaboard Air Line Railway to a pile of stones; thence N. 21 E. 15.63 chains to a large stone and iron stake; thence N. 47 W. 26.58 chains to a stone on Sandy Ridge township line; thence N. 88½ W. 30.50 chains to the beginning point.

SEC. 3. That all of the powers and privileges conferred by General law govern- ing municipalities made appli- cable.
the administration of the government of said town shall be exercised and vested in a principal officer styled the mayor and five commissioners who shall be designated as the town council, the said mayor and commissioners to be elected biennially, and at the times provided for and in the same manner as is prescribed by the general laws of the state for electing officers for municipalities.

Sec. 4. The said commissioners shall have the power and it shall be their duty to elect a chief of police, a tax collector, a clerk to the board and treasurer and such additional officers as shall be deemed necessary for the proper protection of the citizens and the property of the town or the carrying on and looking after the interest and welfare of the town. One person may hold any number of said positions and the secretary, treasurer and clerk of the town may be chosen from the board of commissioners or from the citizens of the town.

Sec. 5. That the board of commissioners and mayor shall be elected from the citizens of the town of Waxhaw irrespective of what portion of the town they may reside in.

Sec. 6. That all the officers elected or appointed shall, before entering upon the discharge of his duties, take the oath prescribed by the general law and execute such bond as is prescribed by the board of commissioners.

Sec. 7. That the board of commissioners shall fix the salary of the mayor not to exceed fifty dollars per year to be paid out of the town treasury and shall also fix their own salaries not to exceed twenty-five dollars per year, and in case a vacancy shall occur in the office of mayor or the board of commissioners, the board of commissioners shall fill said vacancy until the next general election of officers for said town.

Sec. 8. The mayor shall preside at all meetings of the board of commissioners, and in case an equal division of the votes of the commissioners on any subject to be decided by them shall cast the deciding vote, but otherwise shall have no vote in passing on any matter before them. In the absence of the mayor it shall be the duty of the board of commissioners to select one of their number to preside over their meetings, who shall be designated mayor pro tem.

Sec. 9. The board shall meet at such time and place as they may see fit, and shall have power to make and provide for the execution thereof, such ordinances, by-laws, rules and regulations for the good government of the town, the health and security of its citizens, the protection of their property and rights as they may deem proper and necessary for such purposes, not inconsistent with the laws of the state.

Sec. 10. The board of commissioners may annually levy and cause to be collected for municipal purposes a tax not exceeding
one dollar on the one hundred dollars, and three dollars on each poll on all persons and property within the corporation, which may be liable to taxation for state and county purposes.

Sec. 11. That the board of commissioners shall have power to lay out, open and name any street or streets within the corporate limits of said town whenever by them deemed necessary, and shall have power to widen, enlarge, change the grade of, extend or discontinue any street or streets or any part thereof within the corporate limits and shall have full power and authority for the purposes herein expressed to condemn, appropriate or use any land or lands within said town upon making reasonable compensation to the owner or owners thereof, and in case the owner or owners of any land which shall be condemned, appropriated or used under the provisions of this act, and the board of commissioners shall fail to agree upon the compensation for such land, the matter shall be settled by arbitrators, who shall be freeholders and residents of said town, and shall be chosen by the parties, one by the commissioners and the other by the owner of said land, and in case the owner of such land shall fail or refuse, upon notice given, to choose such arbitrator, then the mayor of said town shall select one in his stead, and in case the two chosen as aforesaid cannot agree, they shall select an umpire whose duty it shall be to examine the land to be condemned and ascertain the damages sustained and the benefit accruing to the owner in consequence of the change, and the award of the arbitrators and umpire, or any two of them, shall be conclusive of the rights of the parties, and shall vest in the town of Waxhaw the right to use the land for the purpose herein specified; and all damages agreed upon by the parties or is awarded by the arbitrators in case of disagreement, shall be paid from the town treasury as other liabilities; Provided, that either party may appeal to the Superior Court, as now provided by law.

Sec. 12. That should it be decided that any of the other provisions of this act are unconstitutional and invalid, it is the intention of this General Assembly that section two of this act shall not thereby be affected, but shall remain in full force and effect.

Sec. 13. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 14. That this act shall be in full force and effect from Dec. 31, 1919, and after December thirty-first, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

Ratified this the 3d day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 58

AN ACT TO EXTEND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF BLACK CREEK, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That section four of chapter one hundred and four, of the Private Laws of one thousand eight hundred and seventy be, and the same is hereby amended by striking out the words “one-half” in the second line of the said section, and inserting in lieu thereof the words “three-fourths”; and by striking out the words “one-fourth” in line four of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the words “three-eighths.”

Sec. 2. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 3d day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 59

AN ACT TO VALIDATE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF BUILDING, REBUILDING AND REPAIRING SCHOOLHOUSES AND FURNISHING THE SAME WITH SUITABLE EQUIPMENT IN CALYPSO SPECIAL TAX DISTRICT IN DUPLIN COUNTY.

Preamble

Whereas, on the seventh day of January, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, a petition was filed by the board of education of Duplin County, with the board of County commissioners of said county, praying that an election be ordered in Calypso special tax district, Duplin County, to ascertain whether or not the voters in said district were in favor of issuing bonds in the sum of $16,000 for the purpose of building, rebuilding and repairing schoolhouses and furnishing the same with suitable equipment; and

Whereas, in consequence of said petition, the board of county commissioners ordered an election to be held on the twenty-sixth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, under the rules and regulations governing elections in special tax districts, as provided by section four thousand one hundred and fifteen of the Revisal of one thousand nine hundred and five and under chapter fifty-five of the Public Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen; and

Whereas, pursuant to the order of the board of county commissioners aforesaid, an election was held in said Calypso special
tax district, after notice of election published as required by law, and with a new registration of the voters of said district on the twenty-sixth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, when, under the new registration, there were ninety-two duly qualified electors and at which election seventy-seven ballots were cast for "Schoolhouse Bonds" and no ballots were cast "Against Schoolhouse Bonds," which said election was in all respects regularly held and conducted in compliance with the provisions of the statutes, under which it had been ordered; and

WHEREAS, upon a canvass and return of the result of said election, as required by law, it was ordered by the board of county commissioners of Duplin County, in regular session at Kenansville, on the first Monday in April, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, that a majority of the qualified voters of the said Calypso special tax district had declared in favor of the issuance of the bonds, as provided in the former order of the board; and

WHEREAS, the board of county commissioners ordered said bonds to be issued, bearing date May first, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, payable serially on the first day of May of each year, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen to one thousand nine hundred and thirty-eight inclusive, none of said bonds running for more than twenty years from their date, and ordered levied a tax of thirty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of real and personal property and ninety cents on each taxable poll, to be levied annually for the purpose of paying the interest and retiring the principal thereof at maturity, said order directing the signing of the bonds and their delivery to the board of education, of Duplin County, as provided by chapter fifty-five of the Public Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen aforesaid; and

WHEREAS, the said board of education of Duplin County advertised the said bonds to be sold on the fifth of August, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, at twelve o'clock noon, and which bonds were sold on said date at a price above par; and

WHEREAS, upon inspection of the Record, it was found that in reporting the results of said election, the registrar and poll holders had failed to report that a new registration was had, as required by the statute, though as a matter of fact, such registration was duly held; and

WHEREAS, it was found upon investigation, that the notice of sale to bond buyers was not published a full period of thirty days, as required by chapter one hundred and forty-seven and one hundred and seventy-four of the Public Laws of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, but was published regularly in each issue of the Duplin Record, a paper published in Duplin
County, beginning with the issue of July eighteenth, prior to the sale on August fifth, at which time the bid to the party declared to be purchaser, was, as hereinbefore cited, above par, and is in all respects satisfactory and was accepted by the board of education; and

Whereas, by a provision of chapter fifty-five of the Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, aforesaid, the bonds authorized to be issued thereunder by the county commissioners, were to be retired both as to principal and interest by the creation of a sinking fund, with the money collected from a tax as in said law provided, and does not explicitly provide for the periodical maturities of the bonds as ordered and authorized by the board of county commissioners of Duplin County, as aforesaid, and authorized the investment of the sinking fund in any solvent bank on interest at four per cent; and

Whereas, the board of county commissioners of Duplin County are uncertain as to their authority to issue bonds maturing periodically and to pay the same out of the sinking fund to be created, as they become due:

Therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the bonds of the Calypso special tax district of Duplin County heretofore authorized to be issued, be and the same are hereby in all respects ratified, approved and confirmed, and are hereby declared to constitute valid and binding obligations of the said county of Duplin on behalf of the said Calypso special tax district.

Sec. 2. That the sale of the said bonds by the board of education of Duplin County, as recited in the preamble to this act, is hereby in all respects ratified, approved and confirmed, and the board of county commissioners of Duplin County are hereby authorized, directed and required to issue the said bonds as originally provided by the board of commissioners and recited in the preamble of this act, and deliver the same to the board of education of Duplin County for delivery to the purchaser.

Sec. 3. That the proceedings and all actions heretofore had by the representatives of Duplin County and of Calypso special tax district, relating to the issuance, advertisement and sale of said bonds be and the same are hereby in all respects ratified, validated and approved.

Sec. 4. That this act shall become effective from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 3d day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 60

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 97 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, SESSION 1909, AND PROVIDE FOR THE ELECTION OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE ENFIELD GRADED SCHOOLS BY VOTE OF THE PEOPLE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That section two, chapter ninety-seven, of the Private Laws of North Carolina, session one thousand nine hundred and twenty, and at the general election to be held in one thousand nine hundred and twenty, and at the general election four years thereafter, there shall be elected by the voters of Enfield graded school district seven electors, residents of said graded school district, as trustees, who, when elected, shall constitute "The Board of School Trustees of Enfield," as provided in section two, chapter eighty-five, of the Private Laws of North Carolina, session one thousand nine hundred and one; and said electors shall hold their office as such trustees until their successors are elected and qualified, and shall be vested with all the powers conferred on said "The Board of School Trustees of Enfield" by chapter eighty-five of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and one, and the amendments thereto.

SEC. 2. That the present board of school trustees of Enfield shall hold their office as such trustees until their successors are elected, as provided in section one hereof, and qualified.

SEC. 3. That at said election of said trustees every voter residing within the boundaries of the Enfield graded school district and entitled to vote at the general election shall be entitled to vote for said trustees.

SEC. 4. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 5. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 3d day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 61

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR AN ELECTION TO REPEAL THE INCORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF MARBLE, CHEROKEE COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That upon written petition submitted to the board of county commissioners of Cherokee County within six

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months after the ratification of this act and signed by one-fifth of the qualified voters of the town of Marble, Cherokee County, requesting an election to determine whether or not the charter of said town shall be repealed, the said board of county commissioners shall order an election to be held in the town of Marble at some time not earlier than thirty days after the date of said order.

Sec. 2. That said election shall be held and conducted in the same manner and under the same requirements of law as are now in force or hereafter prescribed by law for holding elections for members of the General Assembly; Provided, that the said board of county commissioners shall appoint registrars of election and judges of election. The votes shall be counted at the close of the polls and the return of said election made to the said board of county commissioners at its first regular meeting next following the election, and the said board of county commissioners shall canvass, tabulate and declare the result of the election, which shall be recorded in the minutes of the board of county commissioners and no other recording and declaration of the result of said election shall be necessary.

Sec. 3. That if the majority of the votes cast shall be in favor of repealing the charter of the town of Marble then the same, being chapter seventeen of the Private Laws of one thousand, nine hundred and eleven, shall be repealed as of the date of the declaration by the board of county commissioners of the result of the vote.

Sec. 4. That all taxes and debts then due to the town of Marble, Cherokee County, shall be collected by the proper officials who may retain from such collections such fees as may be allowed by law, and said collections shall be deposited in the treasury of said town. All debts of said town shall be paid out of the public funds of said town and all funds remaining in the treasury after the payment of said debts shall be turned over to the Marble school district.

Sec. 5. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 3d day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 62

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF AHOSKIE, IN HERTFORD COUNTY, TO ISSUE BONDS AND TO LEVY A SPECIAL TAX FOR WATERWORKS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the board of commissioners of the town of Ahoskie is hereby authorized and empowered to issue bonds in
the name of the town of Ahoskie, in such denominations and forms as it may determine, to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, payable at such time or times and at such place or places as the said board of commissioners may prescribe; \textit{Provided}, that the time of payment of such bonds shall not be \textit{Maturity} more than forty years from that date.

\textbf{Sec. 2.} That the said bonds shall bear interest at no greater \textit{Rate of interest} rate than six per centum per annum and the interest shall be payable annually or semiannually as the board of commissioners may prescribe, and said bonds shall in no case be sold, hypothecated or otherwise disposed of for less than their par value.

\textbf{Sec. 3.} That the said bonds shall be signed by the mayor, \textit{Form of bonds} attested by the town clerk and sealed by the corporate seal of the town, and shall have interest coupons attached thereto, and the coupons shall be receivable in payment of town taxes. That for the purpose of paying said bonds at maturity and said coupons as they become due, it shall be the duty of the board of commissioners, and they are hereby empowered to do so, to levy and collect each year a sufficient special tax upon all subjects of taxation which are now or may hereafter be embraced in the subjects of taxation upon the charter of said town, and at the time and in the manner as other taxes are collected under said charter; \textit{Provided}, that the total rate of taxation allowed for \textit{Limit of tax rate} the special purposes set forth in this act shall not exceed seventy-five cents on each one hundred dollars valuation of property and two dollars and twenty-five cents on each poll; \textit{Provided further}, that the taxes collected under this act shall be used exclusively for the purpose of paying said bonds and interest coupons as they may become due, and it shall be the duty of the town treasurer as said coupons are taken up and paid off to cancel the same and to report not less than twice a year to the board of commissioners the number and amounts of the coupons cancelled.

\textbf{Sec. 4.} That the board of commissioners shall not issue said \textit{Bond issue to be submitted to} bonds, nor any of them, nor levy and collect said tax until they shall have been authorized and empowered to do so by a majority of the qualified voters of said town at an election to be held at such time as the board may appoint, of which election notice shall be given not less than twenty days in some newspaper published in said town; and at such election those favoring the issue of said bonds and the levy and collection of the tax for the payment of said bonds and coupons shall vote a ballot upon which is written or printed the words "For Bonds for \textit{Form of ballot} Waterworks," and those opposing same shall vote a written or printed ballot containing the words "Against Bonds for \textit{Waterworks}.” Said election shall be held under the same rules \textit{Conduct of} and regulations as elections for mayor and other town officials:
New registration. Provided, that the board of commissioners may in its discretion order a new registration of voters: Provided further, that a failure of the voters to ratify this act in any election held as aforesaid shall not prevent the board of town commissioners in its discretion to cause a subsequent election to be held for the same purpose: Provided further, that in any call for an election to be held under this act the board of commissioners shall specify the amount of bonds to be issued, and it shall be unlawful for said board to issue any bonds in excess of the amount so specified.

Subsequent elections. Sec. 5. That the said bonds and the proceeds arising from the sale of the same shall be used by the board of commissioners, first, for the constructing, completing and operating and equipping a system of waterworks and sewerage, and then if any surplus moneys remain the said board of commissioners may use same for such other improvements in said town as they may deem necessary and proper: Provided, that the purchasers of said bonds shall in no respect be held responsible for the application of said bonds.

Purpose to which proceeds may be applied. Sec. 6. That said commissioners are hereby invested with full power to put this act in effect when the same shall have been adopted by a vote of a majority of the qualified voters of said town as hereinbefore mentioned and provided for.

Act effective when ratified by voters. Sec. 7. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 3d day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 63

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF AHOSKIE, IN HERTFORD COUNTY, TO ISSUE BONDS AND TO LEVY A SPECIAL TAX FOR STREET PAVING.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Limit of bonds. Section 1. That the board of commissioners of the town of Ahoskie is hereby authorized and empowered to issue bonds in the name of the town of Ahoskie, in such denominations and forms as it may determine, to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, payable at such time or times and at such place or places as the said board of commissioners may prescribe: Provided, that the time of payment of such bonds shall not be more than forty years from that date.

Maturity. Rate of interest. Sec. 2. That the said bonds shall bear interest at no greater rate than six per centum per annum and the interest shall be payable annually or semiannually as the board of commissioners may prescribe, and said bonds shall in no case be sold, hypothecated or otherwise disposed of for less than their par value.
SEC. 3. That the said bonds shall be signed by the mayor, Form of bonds, attested by the town clerk and sealed by the corporate seal of the town, and shall have interest coupons attached thereto, and the coupons shall be receivable in payment of town taxes. That Commissioners for the purpose of paying said bonds at maturity and said coupons directed to levy as they become due, it shall be the duty of the board of com- tax for sinking missioners, and they are hereby empowered to do so, to levy fund. and collect each year a sufficient special tax upon all subjects of taxation which are now or may hereafter be embraced in the subjects of taxation upon the charter of said town, and at the time and in the manner as other taxes are collected under said charter: Provided, that the total rate of taxation allowed for the charter: special purposes set forth in this act shall not exceed seventy-five Provided further, that the cents on each one hundred dollars valuation of property and two dollars and twenty-five cents on each poll: Provided further, that the taxes collected under this act shall be used exclusively for the purpose of paying said bonds and interest coupons as they may be- become due, and it shall be the duty of the town treasurer as said come due, and it shall be the duty the number and amounts of the purpose of paying said bonds and interest coupons as they may be- coupons cancelled. come due, and it shall be the duty of the town treasurer as said

SEC. 4. That the board of commissioners shall not issue said Bond, issue to be bonds, nor any of them, nor levy and collect said tax until they submitted to shall have been authorized and empowered to do so by a majority of the qualified voters of said town at an election to be held at such time as the board may appoint, of which election notice shall be given not less than twenty days in some newspaper published in said town; and at such election those favoring the issue of said bonds and the levy and collection of the tax for the payment of said bonds and coupons shall vote a ballot upon which is written or printed the words “For Bonds for Paving,” Form of ballot, and those opposing same shall vote a written or printed ballot containing the words “Against Bonds for Paving.” Said election New registration. shall be held under the same rules and regulations as elections for mayor and other town officials: Provided, that the board of commissioners may in its discretion order a new registration of voters; Provided further, that a failure of the voters to ratify this act in any election held as aforesaid shall not prevent the board of town commissioners in its discretion to cause a sub-sequent election to be held for the same purpose: Provided Subsequent further, that in any call for an election to be held under this act elections. the board of commissioners shall specify the amount of bonds to be issued, and it shall be unlawful for said board to issue any bonds in excess of the amount so specified.

SEC. 5. That the said bonds and the proceeds arising from the Purposes to which sale of same shall be used by the board of commissioners, first, sale be applied, for street paving and then if any surplus moneys remain the
said board of commissioners may use same for such other improvements in said town as they may deem necessary and proper: Provided, that the purchasers of said bonds shall in no respect be held responsible for the application of said bonds.

SEC. 6. That said commissioners are hereby invested with full power to put this act in effect when the same shall have been adopted by a vote of a majority of the qualified voters of said town as hereinbefore mentioned and provided for.

SEC. 7. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 3d day of February, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 64

AN ACT TO EMPOWER THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF HERTFORD TO SELL THE WATER, SEWERAGE AND ELECTRIC LIGHT SYSTEM AND ICE PLANT BELONGING TO SAID TOWN.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the commissioners of the town of Hertford be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to sell the water, sewerage, and electric light system and the ice plant belonging to the town of Hertford under the plans hereinafter set out.

SEC. 2. That whenever an office to purchase the water, sewerage and electric light system, and the ice plant is made to the commissioners of the town of Hertford, and the said commissioners deem the sale for the best interest of the town, the said commissioners shall cause the said offer in detail, together with the terms of sale and the franchise to go with same, to be published in some newspaper published in the county for a period of thirty days of four successive weeks, and a copy of same to be posted at the courthouse door and three other public conspicuous places in said town, which said notice shall also contain a notice to the citizens of the town of the right to object to said sale or ask a vote of the people on same.

SEC. 3. If at the expiration of thirty days no protest or demand for a vote is made by twenty-five citizens of the town then the said commissioners of the town of Hertford may complete the sale upon the terms and conditions set out in the notice; if, however, as many as twenty-five of the citizens of the said town shall object or demand the vote of the people, which demand shall be in writing and filed with the mayor, then the said commissioners shall not have the right to make the sale without first submitting the question of sale to the
qualified voters of said town at an election to be held not later than sixty days after the first regular meeting of the commissioners of the said town, after the demand for an election is filed.

Sec. 4. Any election called hereunder shall be held under the same rules and laws governing any election for mayor and commissioners of said town, and due and full notice of the time, place, and the question to be voted on shall be given.

Sec. 5. At any election held hereunder all those voters in favor of the proposed sale shall cast a ballot containing the words “For sale of plants” and those opposed to said sale shall cast a ballot containing the words “Against sale of plants.” If the majority of qualified voters cast at any election held hereunder shall be in favor of the proposed sale then the said commissioners shall have the right to complete the sale on the terms and conditions voted on; if a majority of the votes cast at any election held hereunder be against the sale of the plants, then the said commissioners shall not have the right to complete the sale; if the proposal for sale is voted down at any election hereunder, then no other election shall be held within twelve calendar months thereafter, and no proposal for the sale of said plant shall be considered by the said commissioners sooner than ten calendar months thereafter.

Sec. 6. This act shall be in effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 3d day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 65

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF MARS HILL, NORTH CAROLINA, TO ESTABLISH A WATER AND SEWERAGE, LIGHT AND POWER SYSTEM AND LAY OUT, BUILD AND IMPROVE STREETS AND SIDEWALKS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the mayor and board of aldermen of the town of Mars Hill, North Carolina, are hereby authorized and empowered to lay out, construct and put in operation and maintain, a system of waterworks and sewerage in said town, and own and operate same as a municipal enterprise for the purpose of furnishing water for the residents of said town, and for the purpose of sewerage.

Sec. 2. That in order to facilitate the creating and establishing the waterworks and sewerage system mentioned in paragraph one, the said mayor and board of aldermen shall have the right to condemn any land that may be necessary for the use and operation of said system and to empty the sewerage into Gabriel's
Creek, at any place or places that may be necessary for the operation of said sewerage system.

SEC. 3. That said mayor and board of aldermen of the town of Mars Hill, North Carolina, are hereby authorized and empowered to fix the water rent at a reasonable price which shall be paid by the citizens and residents of said town to the corporation, and the said mayor and board of aldermen are hereby authorized and empowered, and it shall be their duty to force citizens and residents of the said town to connect their buildings with the sewerage system in such a way as to get the full benefit of the sewerage system whenever it shall have appeared to the said mayor and board, on account of sanitary conditions, to be for the best interest of the residents of said town and promote better sanitary conditions in the town.

SEC. 4. That the said mayor and board of aldermen are hereby authorized and empowered to lay out and construct and improve streets and sidewalks in the said town and condemn lands necessary for the construction of streets or sidewalks under the laws providing for such condemnation, and shall have authority and the power to assess and apportion the cost of the construction of any street or sidewalk constructed, repaired or improved between the town and the lot or lots abutting thereon, and may assess one-fourth of the cost against each abutting property holder and the remainder against the town, that is to say, may assess one-half the cost on the lots abutting and one-half upon the town. The amount of the assessments against the abutting lots of the streets or sidewalks so improved as herein provided being estimated and ascertained by the board of aldermen and mayor, shall be a lien on such lots and shall be entered upon the minutes of the records of said board and if the same is not paid within ninety days after notice to the owner, or his agent, the treasurer of the said board shall issue execution against said lot or lots directed to a policeman of the town who shall advertise the said lots under such rules and regulations as are now and may hereafter be provided by the ordinances of the said town for the sale of real estate for taxes, and shall sell the same and convey the property as other lands sold for taxes.

SEC. 5. That any person whose land has been assessed as provided above, who is dissatisfied with the assessment shall file his petition before the mayor of said town within thirty days after the notice to him of the said assessment, setting forth his grounds of objection, and the mayor shall hear the same and render his judgment thereon from which judgment either the petitioner or the board of aldermen may appeal to the Superior Court in the same way and manner as appeals are allowed from justice of the peace, and the trial in the Superior Court shall be de novo.
Sec. 6. That the said mayor and board of aldermen of the town of Mars Hill shall have full power and authority to build, buy, conduct and operate an electric light plant or system, and furnish lights for the streets, public buildings, and lights and power to its citizens and residents if the said board deemed it proper, and shall have power and right to do all and anything necessary to carry out and complete such system and may condemn property under the rules provided in this bill for the condemnation of property for other purposes, etc., and put a reasonable price for the use of said lights to its residents.

Sec. 7. That for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this bill the mayor and board of aldermen of the town of Mars Hill shall have the right to levy a special tax for that purpose on the property of said town and on the polls of the citizens which levy shall be in addition to the powers and authority already possessed by the said town.

Sec. 8. That the said mayor and board of aldermen of said town in order to create and establish either a water and sewerage system, or lay out, create and improve streets and sidewalks, or establish a light and power system, may issue bonds to run not longer than the period of ten years, and not to a greater amount than ten thousand dollars ($10,000), nor a higher rate of interest than six per cent interest, payable annually or semi-annually, and sell same at not less than par after advertising the sale in some reliable newspaper calculated to give public notice of not less than thirty days, and apply the proceeds to the construction of such enterprises.

Sec. 9. The said mayor and board of aldermen are hereby authorized and empowered to enter into a contract with any individual or individuals, or corporations to construct, establish and maintain a water and sewerage system or a light and power system, or both, as is provided in this bill for the construction of same, which person, company, or corporation shall have the same power to own and maintain the system when constructed for the period of years mentioned in the contract, and receive the benefits and emoluments of same with all powers of construction, maintenance and the enforcement of the use of the same as the said town of Mars Hill would have if it had constructed and owned the same, and it would be the duty of the said town to assist in the enforcement of the provisions relating to the use by the residents of the town, that is, to assist private owners in enforcing the regulations provided in this bill.

Sec. 10. That the said mayor and board of aldermen shall have right and power to contract or employ the construction of the said water and sewerage system, or the light and power system, or the laying out, establishing and improving the streets and sidewalks of said town, and pledge the faith of the said town for payment of same.
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SEC. 11. That the said mayor and board of aldermen shall have power and right to do all and anything necessary to empower and enable them to construct and operate any of the enterprises mentioned in this act.

SEC. 12. That the provisions and powers mentioned will not prevent or hinder the said mayor and board of aldermen or take away from them any general or special laws that would enable them to construct and maintain the enterprises mentioned herein.

SEC. 13. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 4th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 66

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 267, OF THE PRIVATE ACTS OF 1891, INCORPORATING THE TOWN OF WHITEVILLE, COLUMBUS COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That section three, chapter two hundred and sixty-seven, Private Acts of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, be and the same hereby is amended by striking out the word "annually" in line three of said section and inserting in lieu thereof the word "biennially."

SEC. 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. That this act shall take effect from and after the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

Ratified this the 4th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 67

AN ACT TO REPEAL CHAPTER 69 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, SESSION OF 1913.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That all of chapter sixty-nine, Private Laws of North Carolina, session of one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, is hereby repealed.

SEC. 2. This act shall be in full force and effect from and after the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

Ratified this the 4th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 68

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 219 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA OF THE SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 1907, RELATIVE TO TRUSTEES OF ABERDEEN GRADED SCHOOL

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That section two of chapter two hundred and nineteen of the Private Laws of the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred and seven, be and is hereby repealed and the following substituted in lieu thereof: "On the third Tuesday in March, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, six trustees shall be elected for the Aberdeen graded school district, by the qualified voters thereof; two for the term of three years; two for the term of two years, and two for the term of one year; and as these terms of office expire, their successors shall be elected for terms of three years each, at an election to be held in said graded school district annually on Tuesday after the first Monday in May. All such elections shall be held under the laws, rules and regulations governing state, county, and municipal elections."

SEC. 2. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 4th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 69

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF CLAYTON TO SELL A TRACT OF LAND BELONGING TO SAID TOWN.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the mayor and board of commissioners of the town of Clayton be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to sell to the highest bidder that tract of land containing six and four-tenths acres, conveyed by C. W. Horne and others to the town of Clayton, by deed dated August eleventh, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen; said tract of land is known as a part of the W. B. Penny land.

SEC. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 4th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 70

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 343, PUBLIC-LOCAL LAWS OF 1911, RELATING TO RECORDER'S COURT OF PLYMOUTH, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. Amend section eight of chapter three hundred and forty-three of the Public-Local Laws of one thousand nine hundred and eleven by striking out subsections (a) and (b) of said section.

Sec. 2. Amend said chapter by striking out section fourteen.

Sec. 3. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. That all the powers and duties of the mayor of the town of Plymouth in force and existing prior to the enactment of chapter three hundred and forty-three of the Public-Local Laws of one thousand nine hundred and eleven, are hereby restored.

Sec. 5. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 4th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 71

AN ACT TO ENFORCE THE BETTER OBSERVANCE OF SUNDAY IN THE TOWN OF GOLDSTON, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation, whether tradesmen, artificer, planter, laborer, merchant, storekeeper or druggist, including soft-drink stands, to sell, offer to sell, or keep his place of business open for the purpose of sale, or in any way engage in trade or traffic, or in the ordinary calling of business vocations on Sunday in the town of Goldston, North Carolina, works of necessity and charity alone excepted, which are to include the selling of medicine for the sick, administering to the necessities of those burying their dead, feeding the hungry where preparations on the previous day could not be made for reasons which are construed to mean providential hindrances.

Sec. 2. That any person so offending, individually, or as the agent of any firm or corporation, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not exceeding fifty dollars or imprisoned not exceeding thirty days.
Sec. 3. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. That this act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 4th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 72

AN ACT TO VALIDATE CERTAIN ACTS OF THE TRUSTEES AND OTHER OFFICERS OF GUILFORD COLLEGE.

Whereas, the General Assembly of North Carolina in the year Preamble, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine passed an act, being chapter eighteen of the laws of that session, entitled "An act to amend chapter forty-five of the laws of one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, entitled 'An act to incorporate the trustees of New Garden Boarding School in the county of Guilford'; and

Whereas, the said General Assembly in one thousand nine hundred and five passed "An act amendatory to the charter of Guilford College" being chapter one hundred and twenty-seven of the laws of that session; and

Whereas, said chapter forty-five of the acts of one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three and one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four hereinafter referred to had expired by limitation before the said acts of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine and of one thousand nine hundred and five amending the same were passed; and

Whereas, notwithstanding the premises, the trustees and other officials of said institution have, pursuant to the said act of one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three and one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four and the two acts above referred to amendatory thereof, continued to do and perform certain acts necessary and proper to be done by them in order to conduct the business of the said college:

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the official acts of the trustees and other officers of "The trustees of New Garden Boarding School in the county of Guilford," now Guilford College, done pursuant to chapter forty-five of the acts of one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three and one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four above referred to, and pursuant to chapter eighteen of the acts of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine above referred to, and done pursuant to chapter one hundred and twenty-seven of the acts of one thousand nine hundred and five above referred to,
be and the same are hereby ratified, confirmed and validated and declared to be valid, effectual and binding to the same extent as if the said chapter forty-five of the acts of one thousand eight hundred and thirty-three and one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four had not expired by limitation when the said amendatory acts were passed.

Sec. 2. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 4th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 73

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 9 OF CHAPTER 146 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, SESSION 1897, PROVIDING FOR THE ELECTION OF THE MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF ENFIELD BY A VOTE OF THE PEOPLE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That section nine of chapter one hundred and forty-six, Private Laws of North Carolina, session one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, be and the same is hereby amended by striking out all of said section down to and including the word "qualifies," and inserting in lieu thereof, the following, "that at the time provided for the election of the commissioners of said town, there shall be elected by the voters thereof a mayor, who shall hold this office for the term of two years, and until his successor is elected and qualifies."

Sec. 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this chapter be and the same are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 4th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 74

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE BURKEMONT TURNPIKE COMPANY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That A. M. Kistler, J. M. Mull, W. C. Ervin, I. T. Avery, and Joel Walker and such other persons as may hereafter be associated with them by the purchase of stock in the corporation hereby created, are hereby created a body politic and corporate under the name of "Burkemont Turnpike Company," and
by that name shall have succession for sixty (60) years, may sue and be sued, adopt and use a common seal and have and enjoy all and singular the rights and powers conferred upon corporations by chapter twenty-one of the Revisal of one thousand nine hundred and five and five and the acts amendatory thereof.

SEC. 2. That said corporation is authorized and empowered to build, construct, maintain, and operate a turnpike toll road from a point on the Morganton and Rutherford road in Burke County at or within one-fourth mile of the point where the present Burkemont road connects with said highway, and thence across Burkemont Mountain and through Michael's Gap and to or within one-half mile of Horse Mountain Gap, on the road leading up South Fork River through Horse Mountain Gap, and to charge, collect and receive tolls for use and travel thereon from all persons using such turnpike to an amount not exceeding the following rates: For two-horse team or two-mule team or two-ox team fifty cents, and for each additional horse, mule or ox in any team ten cents; for one horse, mule or ox team thirty cents; one horse and rider fifteen cents; loose horse or cattle five cents each; sheep and hogs three cents; traction engines ten cents per horse power; automobiles, two passenger, fifty cents; five passenger, sixty cents; seven passenger seventy-five cents: Provided, the said company shall not interfere with any public road now in existence or that may hereafter be created.

SEC. 3. The company is authorized to erect a toll gate at one or more convenient places along said road, and at such gates may demand and receive the toll authorized by this act.

SEC. 4. Any person who shall use any part of said road without paying the fare or toll due and payable for such use demanded by any agent or employee of the company at the established toll gate on said road, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall pay a fine of five dollars ($5.00) or may be imprisoned for not more than ten days.

SEC. 5. Any person who shall in any manner injure or obstruct the road of said company or any bridge, toll gate or toll house connected therewith, besides being liable for damages in a civil action, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be fined or imprisoned or both, in the discretion of the court.

SEC. 6. That whenever any lands may be required for said turnpike, either for a roadway or for toll houses or other appurtenances thereto, and an agreement cannot be made with the owner or owners of such land, the company or owners may, in writing, apply to the clerk of the Superior Court of Burke County to cause the damage of such owner, if any, to be assessed by three disinterested referees, one to be chosen by the owner, one by the corporation, and one by the clerk of the court for the
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county wherein the land lies if either party or both shall fail to appoint after five days notice of the application to the clerk, then the clerk shall appoint instead. The referee so appointed, being duly notified by the clerk, shall, being first duly sworn by some person authorized to administer oaths, to act impartially, lay off a right of way thirty (30) feet in width or less as the company may elect, and also if required by the company, shall lay off a suitable site or sites for a toll house, and assess the damages, if any, to the owners of the land, taking into consideration any benefits or advantages to accrue to such owner from the making of such road, and return their award in writing within ten days to said clerk, and such award of such referees or any two of them, when returned, shall become a judgment of the Superior Court of said county, on which execution may issue as other judgments of the Superior Court, if the amount is not paid by said company within ten days after notice of such return. If either party is dissatisfied with the award of the referees, they may appeal to the Superior Court as in other cases of appeal. So soon, however, as an award is returned by a majority of such referees as aforesaid, whether there is an appeal or not, the company may enter upon the lands referred to in such award and use them for erecting such turnpike road or erecting toll houses, as the case may be. Except as above the procedure and condemnation cases shall be as provided in the general laws of the state.

Sec. 7. The capital stock of said corporation shall be fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000), to be divided into six hundred (600) shares of twenty-five dollars ($25.00) each; but said corporation may organize and commence business when fifty (50) shares of like par value shall have been subscribed for.

Sec. 8. The board of directors may make the payments of subscriptions to the capital stock, payable in such manner and amounts, and at such time or times as may be agreed upon with the subscribers. They are authorized to receive such payment either in cash or labor, materials, services, stocks, bonds, real or personal property, or other thing of value, and the valuation thereof agreed upon by a majority of the board of directors, shall in the absence of fraud or collusion be conclusive as to the same, and stock delivered to the value so fixed shall be fully paid and nonassessable.

Sec. 9. The company is authorized and empowered to issue its bonds, notes or other evidences of debt, to any amount necessary to the construction and upkeep of its turnpike and appurtenances, and the purchase of property necessary to its business and the development thereof, as in the judgment of the board of directors may be requisite. For the purpose of securing the payment of any such bonds, notes or other obligations or evidences of debt and the interest thereon, the said
board of directors are authorized and empowered to make, execute, and deliver any deed of trust, mortgage or other instrument of security, upon all or any part of the property of the company, real or personal, or the income and revenues of the company, from whatever source derived. The bonds, notes or other evidences of debt may be issued in such denominations, for such a term of years at such a rate of interest as the board of directors may determine, and may sell and dispose of such securities at such prices as may be by said board of directors fixed and agreed upon.

Sec. 10. The principal office and place of business of the company shall be in the town of Morganton, Burke County; but the stockholders at any regular meeting may change the principal office to some other place in Burke County.

Sec. 11. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 5th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 75

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF HAMLET TO ISSUE BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ERECTING A BUILDING OR BUILDINGS FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the mayor and board of aldermen or board of commissioners of the town of Hamlet, Richmond County, to order an election to be held in the said town of Hamlet, which by section five, chapter two hundred and thirty-two, Public Laws of one thousand nine hundred and three was constituted a public school district, at such time, not later than six months after the ratification of this act, as the said board of aldermen or board of commissioners may designate, to determine the question: Shall the town of Hamlet, Richmond county, issue bonds of the said town in the amount of seventy-five thousand dollars to provide a fund for the erection and equipment of a building or buildings for the accommodation of the public schools of the town of Hamlet, and shall said town levy taxes sufficient to retire said bonds? The said board of aldermen or board of commissioners shall, at least thirty days preceding such election, give public notice of such election by publication in one or more newspapers having circulation in said town, and by posting in at least three public places in said town.

Sec. 2. That the said election shall be held and conducted in the same manner and under the same requirements of law.
as are now in force or may hereafter be prescribed by law for holding elections for municipal officers of the said town; Provided, that prior to said election there shall be a new registration of all qualified voters residing in said town, and for this purpose the board of aldermen or board of commissioners is hereby empowered to prescribe such rules and regulations for the opening and closing of said registration books as it may see fit and proper.

**Form of ballot.**

Sec. 3. That at said election the ballot tendered and cast shall have written or printed thereon “For school bonds and taxes” or “Against school bonds and taxes” and all qualified electors in favor of this issue of bonds and the levy of a special tax to retire same shall vote a ticket upon which shall be written or printed the words “For school bonds and taxes” and all qualified electors who may oppose the issue of bonds and levy of said tax shall vote a ticket on which shall be written or printed the words “Against school bonds and taxes.” The votes cast at this election shall be counted at the close of the polls and the return of the said election made to the said board of aldermen or board of commissioners at its first regular meeting next following the election, and the said board shall canvass, tabulate and declare the result of the election, which shall be recorded in the minutes of the board, and no other recording and declaration of the result of said election shall be necessary.

**Limit of bonds.**

Sec. 4. That if a majority of the qualified voters of the said town shall vote “For school bonds and taxes,” then the board of aldermen or board of commissioners of said town shall prepare bonds of the said town to the amount of seventy-five thousand dollars and in such denominations as the said board may determine, which bonds shall bear a rate of interest not to exceed six per cent per annum, and the principal of said bonds shall be payable or redeemable at such time not to exceed thirty years from the date of issue as the said board of aldermen or board of commissioners may determine. That the said bonds shall be signed by the mayor or by the chairman of the board of aldermen or board of commissioners, countersigned by the clerk of the said board, and shall have upon them the official seal of the said town.

**Sale.**

Sec. 5. That upon the preparation, signing and execution of said bonds the said board of aldermen or board of commissioners shall deliver same to the treasurer of said town, who shall sell said bonds at such time and in such manner as the said board may direct: Provided, that none of the said bonds may be sold for less than their par value and, Provided further, that none of the said bonds or of the proceeds from the said bonds shall be used for any purpose other than as herein specified. The proceeds arising from the sale of said bonds shall be deposited
with the treasurer of the said town of Hamlet, shall be kept separate from all other funds of said town and shall be paid out only upon the order of the public school committee of the said town.

SEC. 6. It shall be the duty of the board of aldermen or board of commissioners of the town of Hamlet to require the said treasurer to execute an official bond conditioned upon the faithful performance of his duties imposed herein and payable to the State of North Carolina for the use of the said board in the usual manner and in such amount as the said board shall direct.

SEC. 7. That the proceeds arising from the sale of the said bonds shall be expended by the public school committee of the town of Hamlet for the erection in said town and the equipment of a suitable building or buildings for the accommodation of the public schools of the town of Hamlet. The said public school committee is hereby authorized to determine the number and location of buildings to be erected with the proceeds of the said bonds.

SEC. 8. That if, in the election ordered in this act, the majority of the votes cast shall have been "For school bonds and taxes" and the said bonds shall have been issued and sold, the board of aldermen or board of commissioners of the town of Hamlet is hereby authorized and directed to levy annually upon the property and polls of the said town of Hamlet a special tax sufficient to provide for the payment of the interest on such bonds, and to create a sinking fund sufficient to retire such bonds at their maturity: Provided, that in all taxes levied under the authorization in this section the constitutional equation between taxes on property and taxes on polls shall be observed. The aforesaid tax shall be levied and collected as the other taxes of the town of Hamlet are levied and collected, and shall be turned over to the treasurer of the town of Hamlet, and kept by him as a separate fund to be applied to the purposes mentioned in this section, and to no other purposes.

SEC. 9. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 10. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 5th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 76

AN ACT TO ALLOW THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF GREENVILLE IN PITTS COUNTY TO REMOVE CERTAIN GRAVES IN SAID TOWN.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the board of aldermen of the town of Greenville shall have the power and the authority, and they are hereby authorized to remove any and all graves in the town of Greenville, Pitt County, North Carolina, and to remove the bodies, bones or dust, with the stones and monuments erected thereto, from said graves to some other graveyard or cemetery in Pitt County, the site and location to be designated and provided by the said board of aldermen.

SEC. 2. No officers of the town of Greenville, nor shall any member of the board of aldermen nor shall any one acting under the authority of the said board be indictable under section three thousand six hundred seventy-two, three thousand six hundred and eighty, or three thousand six hundred and eighty-one of the Revisal of North Carolina of one thousand nine hundred and five, because of any act done under this act.

SEC. 3. Whenever there shall be a monument or gravestone over any body and the body shall be removed the said board of aldermen shall cause such monument or gravestone to be replaced over the grave into which the body shall be reburied.

SEC. 4. That the provisions of this act shall not apply to what is known as Cherry Hill Cemetery.

SEC. 5. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 6. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 5th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 77

AN ACT TO ALLOW THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF HOOKERTON IN GREENE COUNTY TO REMOVE CERTAIN GRAVES FROM SAID TOWN.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the board of commissioners of the town of Hookertown in Greene County shall have the power and authority and they are hereby authorized to remove any and all graves from said town, and to remove the bones or dust from said graves wherever such graves are in the line or path of any street or
other contemplated improvement of the said town, to some other graveyard or yards in the county of Greene.

SEC. 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 5th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 78

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF AURORA TO ISSUE BONDS FOR STREET IMPROVEMENT AND THE ENLARGEMENT OF ITS ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the board of commissioners of the town of Aurora is hereby authorized and empowered to issue coupon bonds to an amount not to exceed fifty thousand ($50,000) dollars, for the paving, grading and improving of the streets and sidewalks of the town of Aurora, and for the enlargement, extension and improvement of the electric light plant and system of the town of Aurora; that the said bonds shall be negotiable coupon bonds, payable to bearer, in denominations of one thousand ($1,000) dollars each, to be numbered serially, and to mature become due and payable as to principal in thirty (30) years from the date of issue, and the interest to be payable in semiannual installments, at the rate of six per cent per annum, and said bonds shall be in such form as may be prescribed by the said board of commissioners, and shall be signed by the mayor and treasurer of the town of Aurora, with the seal of the town thereto affixed, and shall be payable at such place or places, and at such bank as the said board of commissioners may determine, and shall be dated on such date as said board of commissioners may determine; that the said bonds shall have attached thereto coupons for such interest, signed by the treasurer of the town of Aurora; Provided, however, that a facsimile of the signature of the treasurer of the said town may be printed, engraved or lithographed on said coupons.

SEC. 2. That the said bonds, hereby authorized to be issued, shall not be disposed of either by sale, hypothecation, or otherwise, for less than their face or par value, and the mayor of said town shall not deliver the said bonds or any of them to the purchaser thereof until the purchase money thereof shall be paid to the treasurer of the said town shall receive all such moneys paid in the purchase of the bonds, in his official capacity as treasurer of said town, and he and the sureties on his official bond shall not be disposed of either by sale, hypothecation, or otherwise, for less than their face or par value, and the mayor of said town shall not deliver the said bonds or any of them to the purchaser thereof until the purchase money thereof shall be paid to the treasurer of the said town shall receive all such moneys paid in the purchase of the bonds, in his official capacity as treasurer of said town, and he and the sureties on his official bond.
shall be liable to account for and pay over the same according to law, and the bond of the said treasurer shall at all times be sufficient in amount, and with satisfactory surety or sureties, to secure the faithful performance of his duties; that the proceeds from the sale of said bonds shall be kept by said treasurer separate and apart from all other moneys in his hands, and shall be used only for the purposes set forth in this act; Provided, however, that the purchaser or purchasers of said bonds shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money to such purposes.

Sec. 3. That for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds, and of providing a sinking fund for the ultimate payment of the said bonds, the board of commissioners shall annually, at the time of levying other taxes, levy and assess on all real and personal property subject to taxation within said town of Aurora, a special tax and a, poll tax sufficient to pay the interest maturating in the succeeding year, and to provide a sinking fund for the redemption or payment of said bonds at maturity, the special tax not to exceed one hundred cents on each one hundred dollars worth of property, and the constitutional equation between property and poll to be preserved.

Sec. 4. That the board of commissioners of the town of Aurora may, if in their opinion, at any time, it becomes necessary or advisable, appoint a trustee, whose duty shall be to receive such revenue as may be collected under this act for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds and for creating a sinking fund to pay the principal of said bonds at maturity, and the said board of commissioners may prescribe the duties of said trustee, fix the amount of his compensation and the bond for the faithful performance of duty on his part. It shall be the duty of said trustee, or of the treasurer, if no trustee be appointed, to invest or lend the money coming into his hands for the purpose of creating a sinking fund, in safe securities or upon real estate situated in the county of Beaufort, or in the bonds issued under this act; Provided, however, that no such investment or loan be made without the consent and approval of the said board of commissioners.

Sec. 5. That the special taxes thus levied and collected shall be held and appropriated for the payment of said coupons, as they shall severally become due, and for the creation of a sinking fund, and for no other purpose whatsoever.

Sec. 6. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed in so far as they conflict herewith and no further.

Sec. 7. That this act shall be in force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 5th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 79

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMITTEE MEN OF FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER ONE IN ASHE COUNTY TO CONTRACT WITH THE TRUSTEES FOR THE JEFFERSON SCHOOL AND TO PERMIT SAID FREE SCHOOL TO BE TAUGHT IN CONNECTION WITH THE JEFFERSON SCHOOL.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Sec. 1. That it shall be lawful for the free school committee men of free school district number one in Ashe County to contract with the trustees for the Jefferson school in Jefferson, North Carolina, and to make such arrangements with said trustees for the Jefferson school as the majority of said free school committee men may deem best for the said free school district and the general educational welfare of the children of said free school district.

Sec. 2. That it shall be lawful for said free school to be taught in the buildings of the Jefferson school and in connection therewith.

Sec. 3. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed in so far as they affect said free school district number one in Ashe County.

Sec. 4. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 5th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 80

AN ACT TO REPEAL THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF HIDDENITE, ALEXANDER COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Sec. 1. That chapter one hundred and sixty-eight of the Private Laws of North Carolina of one thousand nine hundred and thirteen be and the same is hereby repealed. That the money now on hand in the officials of said town shall be turned over to the treasurer of the county of Alexander for road purposes.

Sec. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 5th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 81

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LINCOLNTON GRADED SCHOOLS TO LEVY A TAX TO PAY INDEBTEDNESS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the board of trustees of the Lincolnton graded schools in the county of Lincoln be and the same are hereby authorized and empowered to levy annually so long as it may be necessary, a tax not to exceed twenty cents on the one hundred ($100) dollars property valuation and sixty cents (60c) on the poll for the purpose of paying certain indebtedness incurred in conducting the said Lincolnton graded schools.

SEC. 2. That the said tax shall be levied at the same time that other taxes of the town of Lincolnton are levied and shall be collected by the proper tax collecting authority and disbursed as other school funds by the said board of trustees.

SEC. 3. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 5th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 82

AN ACT TO ALLOW THE TOWN OF SELMA TO ISSUE BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF BUILDING AND REPAIRING STREETS AND INSTALLING SEWERAGE SYSTEM FOR SAID TOWN.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That for the purpose of raising money to build and improve the streets and install a general sewerage system for the said town, the board of aldermen of the town of Selma, be and the same are hereby authorized to issue coupon bonds, not to exceed in amount the sum of one hundred thousand dollars, and in denominations of not less than twenty-five dollars ($25), nor more than one thousand dollars ($1,000), bearing interest from date of bonds at a rate not to exceed six per centum per annum, and payable semiannually on the first day of January and the first day of July each year, until said bonds are paid; that said bonds shall be made payable at the time to be fixed by said aldermen and named therein, not to be less than five years nor more than thirty years from date thereof; Provided, however, that the said board of aldermen of the town of Selma may divide said bonds into classes, as they may determine best, and have them mature at different convenient dates between the limits aforesaid. It is further enacted that said bonds and their cou-
pons shall be numbered and the bonds shall be signed by the mayor of the town of Selma and countersigned by the clerk of the board of aldermen of said town, and the corporate seal of said town affixed thereto; and the coupons thereto attached shall bear the facsimile signature of the mayor of said town, engraved or lithographed thereon; that a record shall be kept of bonds, showing the numbers and the denominations thereof; to whom sold, the dates of the issuing thereof, when the same will mature, and the interest-bearing rate thereof, the amount received from sale of same, and the date of paying the proceeds into the treasury of said town, and such other data in relation to the same as the board of aldermen may direct to be kept. Both the principal and interest of said bonds may be made payable in gold coin of the United States of the present standard of weight and fineness.

Sec. 2. That the bonds hereby authorized to be issued shall not be sold for less than their face value and the mayor of the town shall not deliver said bonds, or any of them, to the purchaser thereof until the purchase money thereof shall be paid to the treasurer of said town and the receipt to the purchaser produced before the mayor as evidence of such payment; and the treasurer of the town shall receive all such moneys paid in the purchase of bonds in his official capacity as treasurer, and the sureties on his official bond shall be liable to account for and pay over the same as is provided in this act or as may be otherwise provided by the laws relating to the treasurer of said town of Selma; and it shall be the duty of the board of aldermen of the said town of Selma to see to it that the bond of said treasurer shall at all times be sufficient in amount and with satisfactory sureties to provide against any loss of money arising from the sale of said bonds, and to that end they may at any time require said treasurer to renew his official bond in such sum and with satisfactory sureties as they may require, and in default thereof remove him from his office as treasurer.

Sec. 3. That said bonds shall be sold at public or private sales as the board of aldermen of said town may determine, for not less than their par value and accrued interest and the proceeds from the sale of said bonds, including any premium received upon the sale thereof, shall be applied only to the payment of the improvements, either or both, authorized in this act, and the purchaser of said bonds shall not be bound to see to the application of the purchase money thereof to said purpose or purposes.

Sec. 4. That the treasurer of the town of Selma shall keep separate from all other public moneys coming into his hands the moneys arising as proceeds from the sale of said bonds, and the same shall be expended under the direction of the board of aldermen of the town of Selma for either or all of the following...
purposes, to wit: opening, building, improving, and repairing the streets and the sidewalks of the town of Selma, and installing a sewerage system for said town, and building sewer disposal plant: Provided, however, this act shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said town of Selma for their ratification or rejection, at an election to be held in said town at such time as the board of aldermen may appoint within four years from the ratification of this act. The said election shall be advertised by the said board of aldermen of the said town of Selma for thirty days prior to the day of election, in one or more newspapers published in said town, and the said election shall be held under the supervision of inspectors and pollholders or judges of election appointed by said board of aldermen, and the returns of the result of said election be made and certified in like manner as all other elections in said town, and in like manner the returns of said election and the result thereof be canvassed by the said board of aldermen and the result declared. At the said election those in favor of issuing said bonds shall vote “For Improvements,” and those who are opposed shall vote “Against Improvements” on written or printed ballots; that the number of ballots cast for and against said bonds and deposited in the ballot boxes provided for that purpose shall be counted and the result of said election certified and returned to the said board of aldermen of the town of Selma; and the same, when canvassed and declared as aforesaid, shall be certified under the hand of the mayor of said town and the clerk of the said board of aldermen and the corporate seal of the said town, to the Secretary of State, which said certificate of result of said election shall be filed by the secretary of state in his office. If at said election a majority of the qualified voters of the town of Selma shall not vote “For Improvement,” then this act shall thereafter be of no force and effect; but if at said election a majority of the qualified voters of the town of Selma shall vote “For Improvements,” then the said board of aldermen shall proceed at once to issue and sell said bonds, or as many thereof as shall be necessary, in the judgment and discretion of said body corporate, for either or all of the purposes aforesaid.

Sec. 5. That the resolution of the board of aldermen of said town determining the form and class of said bonds and such other resolutions as may be necessary relative to their issue may be introduced and passed at the same meeting of said board, which meeting may be either a regular or special meeting of the board of aldermen, by a majority vote of all the aldermen present at said meeting. No other or further proceedings except as herein provided shall be necessary for the issue of said bonds and all bonds issued in accordance with the provisions of this act shall be valid, legal and binding obligations of the said town.
Sec. 6. That the board of aldermen of said town is hereby required to levy and collect, in addition to all other taxes in said town, a tax upon all taxable property and polls of the said town of Selma sufficient to pay the interest on the bonds issued under the act as the same becomes due, and also on or before the time when the principal of the bonds becomes due to levy and collect a further special tax to pay the same or to provide for the payment thereof. The tax so levied upon the taxable property in said town shall be an ad valorem tax, and the tax upon the polls and property shall be in proportion required by the constitution of this State. Said special tax shall be levied and collected at the same time as other taxes upon the property and the polls of said town.

Sec. 7. That any and all proceedings of said board of aldermen in advertising for proposals of purchase said issue of bonds, and in accepting the highest bid therefor, be and the same are hereby duly authorized.

Sec. 8. The board of aldermen of the town of Selma may, in their opinion at any time it becomes necessary or advisable, appoint a trustee, whose duty it shall be to receive from the tax collector of the said town of Selma all taxes collected under this act, for the purpose of paying the interest on said bonds and for creating a sinking fund to pay the principal of said bonds at maturity, and the said board of aldermen may prescribe the duty of said trustee, fix the amount of his compensation and the bond for the faithful performance of duty on his part. It shall be the duty of the trustee to invest or lend the money coming into his hands for the purpose of creating a sinking fund in safe securities and upon real estate situated in the town of Selma: Provided, however, that no such investment or loan shall be made without the consent and approval of said body corporate hereinbefore referred to.

Sec. 9. That this act shall be in full force from and after its ratification; and all laws and parts of laws inconsistent with the same are hereby repealed so far as the same are inconsistent therewith.

Ratified this the 5th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 83
AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE TOWN OF BURNSVILLE IN YANCEY COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the town of Burnsville, in Yancey county, be and the same is hereby incorporated by the name and style of...
Burnsville, and shall be subject to all the provisions contained in chapter seventy-three, volume one, Revisal of North Carolina of one thousand, nine hundred and five and other general laws which are now or may hereafter be enacted for the organization and government of cities and towns in North Carolina.

**Sec. 2.** That the town limits shall be as follows: All that area included within lines starting at a stone at a point three-quarters of a mile due east from the center of the Burns statue now in the public square; thence due north three-quarters of a mile; thence due west one and one-half miles; thence due south one and one-half miles; thence due east one and one-half miles; thence due north three-quarters of a mile to the point of beginning.

**Sec. 3.** That the officers of the said incorporation shall consist of a mayor and five commissioners, regular and special policemen, clerk and treasurer and such other officers of the town as the commissioners may elect. The following named persons shall fill the offices of mayor and commissioners from their qualification until the first Monday in May, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen and until their successors are elected and qualified, to wit: J. A. Watson, mayor, and J. E. Evans, W. B. Wray, C. C. Carraway, J. L. Williams, and M. C. Honeycutt, commissioners.

**Sec. 4.** That the officers of the said incorporation shall succeed themselves in case no election shall be held at the appointed time to be specified hereafter.

**Sec. 5.** That the clerk, treasurer and regular policemen shall be appointed by the town commissioners and special policemen by the mayor.

**Sec. 6.** That the commissioners shall have the right to levy a tax or taxes on all the real and personal property of the citizens or inhabitants of said town and have the right to levy a poll tax on the male inhabitants of said town who are twenty-one years or more of age up to the age of fifty years. Said taxes on the real and personal property shall not exceed the sum of fifty cents on the one hundred dollars ($100) property valuation, and said poll tax shall not exceed one and one-half dollars ($1.50), and the said commissioners shall have the power to tax all shows and levy any special taxes provided by law, and the moneys collected from the said taxes shall be applied to the current expenses of the said town for street improvement, repairing and public buildings, and for other purposes as are deemed best in the discretion of the said commissioners.

**Sec. 7.** That an election shall be held in the said town on the first Saturday in May, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen and annually thereafter for the purpose of electing a mayor and five commissioners, the same to be held under the laws of North Carolina regulating the elections in cities and towns.
SEC. 8. That the mayor and commissioners shall form a coun-
cil and make public and enforce such ordinances for the govern-
ment of said town as in their judgment may be necessary.

SEC. 9. That the said commissioners shall have the right of Eminent domain.
eminent domain in the said town for the purpose of laying off
streets, erection of necessary buildings and for other necessary
improvements.

SEC. 10. That the officers provided for in this act shall qualify Qualifying of
within ten days from its ratification before a justice of peace or
clerk of the Superior Court and all officers hereafter elected shall
qualify in like manner.

SEC. 11. The mayor herein named shall call an election to be Mayor to call
held on the first Saturday of May, one thousand nine hundred and
nineteen, at which time the voters within the said town of Burnsv-
ille shall express their will whether they desire to retain this
charter for the said town of Burnsville. At the said election the Form of ballot.
qualified voters shall cast a ballot on which shall be written or
printed the words “For City Charter” or a ballot upon which shall
be written or printed the words “Against City Charter,” and if,
at the said election, a majority of the votes cast shall be in favor
of the said charter then this act shall remain in full force and
effect; and if a majority of the votes cast on said election shall be
against said charter then this act shall be null and void, and
the organization of the town herein provided for shall cease.

SEC. 12. That all laws and parts of laws, particularly any
charter of the town of Burnsville that may have been heretofore
enacted, are hereby repealed.

SEC. 13. That this act shall be in force from and after its
ratification.

Ratified this the 5th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 84

AN ACT AMENDING CHAPTER 195, PRIVATE LAWS 1917,
FOR THE RELIEF OF M. C. STANLEY FOR INJURIES SUS-
TAINED WHILE GRATUITOUSLY AIDING THE PASQUO-
TANK HIGHWAY COMMISSION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That chapter one hundred and ninety-five, Private
Laws session of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, be
amended by striking out the word “two” in line three of section
one, and inserting in lieu thereof the word “four.”

SEC. 2. That this act shall be in effect from its ratification.

Ratified this the 5th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 85

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF ROCKINGHAM TO ISSUE BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ERECTING A BUILDING OR BUILDINGS FOR THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the mayor and board of aldermen or board of commissioners of the town of Rockingham, Richmond County, to order an election to be held in the said town of Rockingham, which by section one, chapter one hundred and forty-one, Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and one is constituted a public school district, at such time, not later than six months after the ratification of this act, as the said board of aldermen or board of commissioners may designate, to determine the question: Shall the town of Rockingham, Richmond County, issue bonds of the said town in the amount of seventy-five thousand dollars ($75,000) to provide a fund for the erection and equipment of a building or buildings for the accommodation of the public schools of the town of Rockingham, and shall said town levy taxes sufficient to retire said bonds? The said board of aldermen or board of commissioners shall, at least thirty days preceding such election, give public notice of such election by publication in one or more newspapers having circulation in said town, and by posting in at least three public places in said town.

Sec. 2. That the said election shall be held and conducted in the same manner and under the same requirements of law as are now in force or may hereafter be prescribed by law for holding elections for municipal officers of the said town: Provided, that prior to said election there shall be a new registration of all qualified voters residing in said town, and for this purpose the board of aldermen or board of commissioners is hereby empowered to prescribe such rules and regulations for the opening and closing of said registration books as it may see fit and proper.

Sec. 3. That at said election the ballot tendered and cast shall have written or printed thereon "For school bonds and taxes" or "Against school bonds and taxes," and all qualified electors in favor of this issue of bonds and the levy of a special tax to retire same shall vote a ticket upon which shall be written or printed the words "For school bonds and taxes," and all qualified electors who may oppose the issue of bonds and levy of said tax shall vote a ticket on which shall be written or printed the words "Against school bonds and taxes." The votes cast at this election shall be counted at the close of the polls and the return of the said election made to the said board of aldermen or board of commissioners at its first regular meeting next following the election, and the said board shall canvass, tabulate and declare the result of
the election, which shall be recorded in the minutes of the board, and no other recording and declaration of the result of said election shall be necessary.

Sec. 4. That if a majority of the qualified voters of the said town shall vote "For school bonds and taxes," then the board of aldermen or board of commissioners of said town shall prepare bonds of the said town to the amount of seventy-five thousand dollars ($75,000) and in such denominations as the said board may determine, which bonds shall bear a rate of interest not to exceed six per cent per annum and the principal of said bonds shall be payable or redeemable at such time not to exceed thirty years from the date of issue as the said board of aldermen or board of commissioners may determine. That the said bonds shall be signed by the mayor or by the chairman of the board of aldermen or board of commissioners; countersigned by the clerk of the said board and shall have upon them the official seal of the said town.

Sec. 5. That upon the preparation, signing and execution of said bonds the said board of aldermen or board of commissioners shall deliver same to the treasurer of said town, who shall sell bonds at such times and in such manner as the said board may direct: Provided, that none of the said bonds may be sold for less than their par value, and: Provided further, that none of the said bonds or of the proceeds from the said bonds shall be used for any purpose other than as herein specified. The proceeds arising from the sale of said bonds shall be deposited with the treasurer of the said town of Rockingham, shall be kept separate from all other funds of said town and shall be paid out only upon the order of the board of trustees of the public schools of the said town.

Sec. 6. It shall be the duty of the board of aldermen or board of commissioners of the town of Rockingham to require the said treasurer to execute an official bond conditioned upon the faithful performance of his duties imposed herein and payable to the State of North Carolina for the use of the said board in the usual manner and in such amount as the said board shall direct.

Sec. 7. That the proceeds arising from the sale of the said bonds shall be expended by the board of trustees of the public schools of the said town for the erection in said town and the equipment of a suitable building or buildings for the accommodation of the public schools of the town of Rockingham. The said board of trustees of the public schools of the town of Rockingham is hereby authorized to determine the number and location of buildings to be erected with the proceeds of the said bonds.

Sec. 8. That if, in the election ordered in this act, the majority of the votes cast shall have been "For school bonds and taxes" and the said bonds shall have been issued and sold, the board of
aldermen or board of commissioners of the town of Rockingham is hereby authorized and directed to levy annually upon the property and polls of the said town of Rockingham a special tax sufficient to provide for the payment of the interest on such bonds, and to create a sinking fund sufficient to retire such bonds at their maturity: Provided, that on all taxes levied under the authorization in this section the constitutional equation between taxes on property and taxes on polls shall be observed. The aforesaid tax shall be levied and collected as the other taxes of the town of Rockingham are levied and collected and shall be turned over to the treasurer of the town of Rockingham and kept by him as a separate fund to be applied to the purposes mentioned in this section and to no other purposes.

Sec. 9. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 10. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 5th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 86

AN ACT TO EXTEND THE BOUNDARY OF THE CITY OF NEW BERN AND ENLARGE THE FOURTH AND FIFTH WARDs IN SAID CITY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the boundary of the city of New Bern be and the same hereby is extended so as to include therein the territory bounded and described as follows, viz.: Beginning at a point in the channel of Neuse River, said point being the northeastern corner of the present boundary of said city, and running thence with the channel of said river to a point where the southern line of North Avenue, as shown on the map of the city of New Bern, its subdivisions and additions, compiled by Raymond Eagle, C.E., in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, extended, will intersect said channel; thence southwestwardly with the southern line of said North Avenue extended and with the southern line of said North Avenue to the eastern line of National Avenue; thence southeastwardly with the eastern line of National Avenue, to a point where the southern line of the property of Thomas Daniels extended will intersect the eastern boundary line of said National Avenue; thence with the southern line of said Thomas Daniels property extended and with the southern line of said Thomas Daniels property, as shown on said map, southwestwardly to the right of way of the Atlantic and North Carolina Railway Company; thence northwestwardly with the north-
ern boundary of said right of way to the east prong of Jack Smith's Creek; thence southwardly with said east prong of said creek to the northeast corner of lot number one hundred and ninety-six in the plan of Larksville as shown on said map; thence northwestwardly with the northern boundary of Larksville to the northwestern corner of Larksville; thence southwardly with the western boundary of Larksville to Garfield Street; thence eastwardly with Garfield Street and the line of Garfield Street extended to the old canal; thence southwardly with said canal to the western boundary of Elm View as shown on said map; thence southwestwardly with the western boundary of Elm View to Neuse Road; thence eastwardly with Neuse Road to the present boundary line of New Bern; thence southwardly with the present boundary line of New Bern to Rhem's Avenue; thence westwardly with Rhem's Avenue to Seventh Street in Ghent as shown on said map; thence southwardly with Seventh Street to the southern boundary line of Park Avenue; thence eastwardly with the southern boundary line of Park Avenue to the eastern boundary line of Rhem Street as shown on said map; thence southwardly with the eastern boundary line of Rhem Street and the eastern line of Rhem Street extended to Lawson's Creek; thence eastwardly with said Lawson's Creek to the present boundary of New Bern; thence with the present western and northern boundaries of New Bern to the place of beginning.

Sec. 2. That such portion of said territory hereby included in said city as may be north of the right of way of said Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad Company shall be a part of the fifth ward and the remainder shall be a part of the fourth ward in said city; and all the territory hereby included in said city shall be and the same hereby is in all respects made a part of said city.

Sec. 3. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 6th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 87

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF PITTSBORO TO ISSUE BONDS FOR WORKING THE STREETS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the board of commissioners of the town of Pittsboro, North Carolina, is hereby authorized to issue coupon bonds not to exceed in amount the sum of twenty thousand dollars ($20,000) and not to exceed fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) Priv.—8
in such denominations as the said board of commissioners of the
said town shall prescribe, the same to bear interest from date at
a rate not to exceed six per cent per annum, payable semiannually
on the first day of January and the first day of July of each year
at such place as said board of commissioners may designate, until
the said bonds are paid; that the said bonds shall be made payable
at a time and place to be fixed by the said board of commis-

Maturity.

sioners and named therein, not to run less than twenty nor more
than thirty years from the date of issue. The said bonds and
their coupons shall be numbered and the bonds shall be signed by
the mayor and attested by the treasurer of the said town of Pitts-

Bonds exempt
from city taxes
until due.

boro and the corporate seal of the said town affixed thereto, and
the said bonds and their coupons shall be exempt from city taxa-
tion until they have become due and the coupon shall be received
in the payment of said taxes. A record shall be kept by the said
board of said bonds showing the number and denominations
thereof, to whom sold, the date of issuing thereof and when
the same shall mature, and the interest-bearing rate thereof, the
amount received from the sale of the same, and the date of the
payment of the proceeds into the treasury, and such other data
in relation to the same as the board may direct to be kept.

Sec. 2. That the board of town commissioners of Pittsboro
shall proceed at once to issue and sell said bonds, the proceeds
thereof to be used in the laying out and making permanent streets
in the said town of Pittsboro, and for this purpose they are author-
ized and directed to employ a competent contractor for the pur-
pose of so laying out and making said streets, and also for his
aid and assistance, a competent civil engineer to aid and assist
him in so doing.

Sec. 3. For the purpose of paying the said bonds at maturity
and the interest thereon as it shall become due, it shall be law-

Record of bonds.

ful for and the duty for the said board of commissioners to levy
annually a sufficient special tax upon all subjects of taxation
under the general law in the manner and at the same time as
other taxes are levied under the charter of said town, and under
the general law, and to create a sinking fund for the prompt
payment of the interest due on said bonds and for their retire-

Sale of bonds
and disposition of
proceeds.

ment of the said bonds when they become due.

Commissioners
directed to levy
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sinking fund.

Sec. 4. This act shall be in force from and after its ratifica-

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Ratified this the 6th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 88

AN ACT TO FIX THE BOUNDARIES OF THE NEW BERN GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT, CRAVEN COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the boundaries of the graded school district of the city of New Bern, North Carolina, from and after April thirtieth, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, shall be the same and coincide with the present boundaries of the city of New Bern, as extended by the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and all territory lying outside of said city limits as extended, shall not be included in said graded school district.

Sec. 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed so far as this act is concerned.

Sec. 3. This act shall be in force on and after April thirtieth, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

Ratified this the 6th day of March A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 89

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 140 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1917, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF RALEIGH TOWNSHIP TO SUBMIT THE QUESTION TO THE VOTE OF THE SAID TOWNSHIP OF ISSUING $100,000 IN BONDS FOR SCHOOL BUILDINGS."

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter one hundred and forty, section one, of the Private Laws of North Carolina of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, entitled "An act to authorize the school committee of Raleigh Township to submit the question to the vote of the said township of issuing one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000), in bonds for school building" ratified on the twenty-third day of February, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, be amended by striking out in lines six and seven of said section all after the words "Wake County" in line six, and before the word "in" of line seven of said section, the words "issue one hundred thousand dollars" and insert in lieu thereof the words "issue two hundred and fifty thousand dollars," so that the said section of said act will read when amended, as follows:

"Section 1. That upon the written request of a majority of the New section, school committee of Raleigh Township, the board of county commissioners of Wake County shall order an election to be held
in said township, at such time and place as may be specified by said school committee, to determine the question 'Shall the school committee of Raleigh Township, Wake County, issue two hundred and fifty thousand dollars in bonds (par value) of the said township, with interest coupons attached, bearing five per cent interest per annum in aid of the construction and equipment of new public school buildings and in additions to existing public school buildings in the said township.'

That the said board of county commissioners shall, not less than thirty days preceding the said election, give notice of said election and the purpose thereof by publication in one or more newspapers published in said county, and at such other places and in such other manner as may be determined upon by it.'

SEC. 2. That section four of said chapter one hundred and forty of the said Private Laws of North Carolina of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, ratified on the twenty-third day of February, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, be amended by striking out in line seven of said section, all after the word "exceed" and before the word "which" in said section, the words "one hundred thousand dollars" and insert in lieu thereof the words "two hundred and fifty thousand dollars," so that the said section four of said act will read when amended, as follows:

"SEC. 4. That if a majority of the qualified voters in said election shall vote 'For School Bonds' and the result shall be declared and recorded as aforesaid, then it shall be the duty of the board of county commissioners of Wake County to prepare bonds in usual form, in denominations not exceeding one thousand dollars and not less than one hundred dollars, and the total amount not to exceed two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, which said bonds shall bear interest at the rate of five per cent per annum, interest coupons being attached thereto, payable semiannually on the first days of January and July in each year. The principal thereof shall be payable or redeemable at such time or times not exceeding thirty years from the date of issue, as said board of county commissioners of Wake County may determine upon. That said bonds shall be signed by the school committee of Raleigh Township, Wake County, in its name, by its chairman, and attested by the secretary of said committee, who shall attach the seal of said school committee to each of said bonds. Said bonds shall be styled 'Bonds to aid in the construction and equipment of new public school buildings and in additions to existing public school buildings in Raleigh Township, Wake County, North Carolina.'"

SEC. 3. That section eight of said chapter one hundred and forty of the said Private Laws of North Carolina of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, ratified on the twenty-third day of February, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, be
amended by striking out in lines four, five and six of said section all after the word "exceeding" in line four down to the words "Wake County" in line six, the words "four cents on the hundred dollars of property and twelve cents on the poll in Raleigh Township" and insert in lieu thereof the words "six cents on the hundred dollars of property and eighteen cents on the poll in Raleigh Township," so that the said section eight of said act will read when amended as follows:

"Sec. 8. That when said bonds shall have been issued the board of county commissioners of Wake County shall levy annually on the first day of June or whenever it shall make the annual levy of taxes in each year, a special tax not exceeding six cents on the hundred dollars of property and eighteen cents on the poll in Raleigh Township, Wake County, to provide for the payment of the interest upon said bonds and create a sinking fund sufficient to meet the payment of said bonds at their maturity. The taxes so levied shall be collected as other taxes and shall be kept by the chairman of the school committee as a separate fund and applied, first, to the payment of the interest upon said bonds, and next, to the creation of a sinking fund as aforesaid. That the chairman of the school committee of Raleigh Township, Wake County, shall be commissioner of the sinking fund for said bonds and it shall be his duty to keep the said funds invested in some safe securities or bonds approved by the school committee of Raleigh Township, Wake County, and said commissioner of the sinking fund shall be required to execute such bonds as the school committee of Raleigh Township, Wake County, shall direct for the safekeeping of said funds, and the faithful performance of his duties as commissioner, and shall make such reports from time to time as the school committee of Raleigh Township, Wake County, or a majority thereof shall direct."

Sec. 4. That this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 6th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 90

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 214 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1909 RELATING TO THE GRADED SCHOOLS OF BEAUFORT, CARTERET COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That section four of chapter two hundred and four, Limit of tax rate increased.
teen of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and nine, be, and the same is hereby amended by striking out the words
“thirty cents” in line ten and “ninety cents” in line eleven and inserting in lieu thereof the words “forty cents” and “one dollar and twenty cents” in lines ten and eleven respectively.

Sec. 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 6th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 91

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 317, PRIVATE LAWS OF 1913, AND TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF HAZLEWOOD IN HAYWOOD COUNTY, BY EXTENDING THE CORPORATE LIMITS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That section two of chapter three hundred and seventeen of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and thirteen establishing the corporate limits of the town of Hazelwood in Haywood County be and the same is hereby amended so as to include within the corporate limits of said town the property described as follows:

Beginning at a stake at the corner of W. H. Coles yard on the north side line of Main Street and one thousand five hundred sixty feet from the center of the Southern Railroad Company’s main line where it crosses the north side line of Main Street, which said stake stands in the present corporate line, and running thence south fifty-nine degrees west, sixty-six feet to the northwest corner of Main and Virginia Avenue; thence with the west side line of Virginia Avenue in a southerly direction one thousand eight hundred thirty-five feet to the corner of the public road and Virginia Avenue; thence down the east side line of the public road eighteen feet to the center of a branch; thence with the branch nine hundred ninety-two feet to the east side line of the public road, Prevost’s corner; thence with the north side line of the public road north eighty-five degrees thirty minutes west, one thousand one hundred ninety-three feet to a stake near James Long’s store; thence with the northeast side line of the public road north thirty degrees west, one hundred seven feet; thence north fifteen degrees west one hundred seventy-seven feet; thence north thirty-eight degrees west, two hundred forty feet to a stake in the present corporation line.

Sec. 2. That any person not heretofore a resident of the town of Hazlewood, but made a resident by this act, shall be eligible
to vote or be mayor or commissioner of said town from and after
the ratification of this act.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force and effect from and
after its ratification.

Ratified this the 6th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 92

AN ACT AMENDING CHAPTER 96 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS
OF 1899 AND AMENDMENTS THERETO, RELATING TO THE
KINSTON GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter ninety-six of the Public Laws of one
thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, creating and estab-
lishing the Kinston graded school district, and chapter two hundred
twenty-five of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred
and fifteen, enlarging the boundaries of the Kinston graded school
district, and all other amendments to the above mentioned chap-
ters, be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2. That the geographic boundaries of the said district
shall remain as constituted under the acts above referred to until
further amended by legislative enactment.

Sec. 3. That for the purpose of administering the schools of
the Kinston graded school district as now constituted and as
herein provided, there shall be a board of trustees composed of
seven members, who shall be elected by the board of aldermen
of the city of Kinston from any part of the Kinston graded school
district. That the present board of trustees shall hold office until
their successors are elected by board of aldermen of city of Kins-
ton, which election shall be held within ninety days from date
of ratification of this act, and the newly elected trustees shall
assume the duties of their office within fifteen days after their
election. That said new board shall be divided into seven classes.
The term of office of the first class shall expire on the thirty-first
day of December, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen; the
second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, and seventh classes to expire
one, two, three, four, five, and six years, respectively, thereafter.
That thereafter their successors shall hold office for a period of
seven years, and shall be elected by the board of aldermen of
the city of Kinston in any of their regular meetings held before
the month of November of each year immediately preceding the
date upon which newly elected trustee shall assume the duty of
his office, which duties he shall assume the first day of January
Assumption of
duties.
in said board shall be filled for the unexpired term by appointment by the board of trustees.

That four members of said board shall constitute a quorum, and at least a quorum shall be necessary for the purpose of transacting business of any nature whatsoever.

That the said board shall hold regular or called meetings as often as they may deem necessary, for the transaction of any business relating to the public schools of the said district and shall at the regular meeting held during the month of May of each year, reorganize and elect its necessary officers for the ensuing year.

That the said board shall in the name of the board of trustees of the Kinston graded school district, be possessed of corporate powers, may sue and be sued, acquire by purchase or otherwise, and hold property, both real and personal, for school purposes as provided in this act, may lease or sell real and personal property, may receive bequests and donations, may condemn property needed for educational purposes and may perform all necessary corporate acts required under this charter.

May employ superintendents, principals, teachers, supervisors, or other necessary employees for the schools of said district, for such length of time and at such compensation as said board of trustees shall deem advisable, and order paid their salaries, if possessed of certificates as required by rules of said board of trustees, or may discharge or dismiss any of said officers, teachers or employees, at any time they may deem proper.

 Shall have exclusive control and title to all schools and school property of the said Kinston graded school district, with power to care for, insure, repair, lease or rent any of said property, and said board is fully authorized and empowered to build and equip such buildings as may be necessary for carrying out the provisions of this act.

May provide and maintain a separate system of schools, with separate buildings for the white and colored races, respectively, within said district, so as to equalize school facilities between the two races upon just and equitable principles.

May provide and maintain school libraries, evening schools, playgrounds; may promote physical culture and athletics, vocational schools, special instructions or schools for delinquent or defective children, or for such forms of instruction in industrial education, agriculture or household economics as they may deem necessary. Said board of trustees may also unite with the Lenoir County board of education for the joint establishment and maintenance of any such instruction or school, and upon such terms as may be agreed upon between them, not inconsistent with the provisions of this act.
May prepare an annual budget of expenses each year as hereafter provided. They shall appoint a treasurer of the said board from among their number, or otherwise, in their discretion, and such treasurer may be either an individual or corporation, and prescribe his or its duties, fix his or its compensation and cause said treasurer to fix bond with good security at double the amount of such funds as said treasurer may reasonably have on hand at any time during his or its term of office as a result of such appointment.

It shall also be lawful for the said board of trustees, in its discretion, to receive into the public schools of the said district upon such terms as it may think reasonable, any children of the school age who may reside beyond the limits of the said district.

May make any and all such rules and regulations as it may deem necessary for the proper and efficient administration of the said schools, as herein provided.

Sec. 4. May cause to be prepared and printed in sufficient quantities to meet the reasonable demands for such, an annual report addressed to the people of the district and covering the condition, progress and needs of the schools; recent results accomplished; the work of special school maintained, and containing full and accurate statistical and financial statements, with such interpretations of the same as may deem desirable. When printed, in addition to such general distribution as may seem wise, two copies of such report shall be filed with the city clerk for his use and that of the board of aldermen; one copy shall be sent to each public library in said district, and to each newspaper in the county; one copy sent to each city board of education in the state; five copies sent to the State Department of Public Instruction, and three copies sent to the United States Commissioner of Education.

Sec. 5. That it shall be the duty of the board of aldermen of the city of Kinston to provide for the payment to the treasurer of Kinston graded school district all moneys collected by the city treasurer under the act of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, and amendments thereto, including this act, upon demand of the said board of trustees at any time after same is paid to the said city treasurer, and it shall be the duty of the county treasurer of Lenoir County, upon demand of the board of trustees, to pay to the treasurer of the said district all school moneys coming into his hands to which the Kinston graded school district may be entitled under this act, to be used for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act.

Sec. 6. That for the proper administration of the provisions of this act said board of trustees of the Kinston school district is hereby authorized and empowered to levy and cause to be col-
Limit of tax rate. 

Assessment and collection.

School census.

Apportionment of funds.

Trustees authorized to call election on additional tax for free text-books.

Redistribution of books.

Trustees authorized to call election on bond issue.

Amount discretionary.

lected annually by the city tax collector, not to exceed thirty-three and one-third cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of property, and one dollar on each poll on all property and polls of the said Kinston graded school district: Provided, that the valuation of property shall be the same as that assessed for county and state purposes, and collectible by city treasurer in like manner as are taxes for other municipal purposes and said taxes shall be collected and paid over to the treasurer of the Kinston graded school district, as hereinbefore provided.

Sec. 7. That the said board of trustees of the Kinston graded school district shall cause to be made annually on or before the first day of June of each year, an accurate school census of all children of school age within the limits of the said district, and upon the census so taken shall be based the apportionments to the said district its proper share of the school funds.

Sec. 8. That the county board of education of Lenoir County in apportioning the school funds of the said county shall ascertain and determine the amount of the funds to be used each year for the Kinston graded school district, as is provided by law.

Sec. 9. That said board of trustees is hereby further authorized under this act to call an election in the said district as herein provided, for the purpose of ascertaining the will of the people of the said Kinston graded school district, as to whether or not said trustees shall levy an additional tax, not to exceed thirty cents on the one hundred dollars property valuation and ninety cents on the poll, of said district; amount of such levy to be named at time of advertising said election; for the purpose of purchasing either privately or publicly—textbooks and other school supplies which shall be distributed to children of said district for use in said schools free of charge, upon such regulations as the board of trustees may prescribe, but that said books shall remain the property of said district, and upon completion of the studies contained in said books, same shall be surrendered to the school authorities who shall make full report to the said trustees relative to the condition and disposal of said books, which shall be properly sterilized, and redistributed to the other children needing same as their course of study indicates.

Sec. 10. That for the purpose of financing the public schools of the Kinston graded school district, as provided in this act, or for permanent building improvements, or modern equipment, or paying any current or outstanding indebtedness, the said board of trustees of Kinston graded school district are further authorized and empowered to call an election, not oftener than one time per year for any one purpose, by the people of the said district to determine whether or not bonds shall be issued or whether additional taxes shall be levied and collected from the taxable property and polls of said district, in an amount to be
designated by the board of trustees in the advertisement of said
election. That none of said bonds shall be sold, hypothecated
or disposed of in any way for less than par value.

Sec. 11. That any election called under this chapter shall be Notice of election,
advertised for thirty days prior to the day of election in some
newspaper published in Kinston, and also notice thereof posted
at the courthouse door in Lenoir County thirty days preceding
such election.

Sec. 12. That said board is hereby authorized and empowered New registration.
to cause a new registration for any of such elections and to
appoint registrars, pollholders and such other officers necessary
under the general law for the proper conduct of such election.

Sec. 13. That at such election those qualified voters favoring Form of ballot.
the issuing of said bonds or the levy of such tax in amounts as
shall then be designated by the board of trustees of the Kinston
graded school district for any purpose or purposes herein author-
ized, or for the purpose of retiring bonds issued under the pro-
visions of this act, and paying interest on such bonds, shall vote
a ballot with the following words written or printed thereon:
(If for bonds), “For School Bonds:” (If for tax as provided
herein), “For Special Tax.”

Sec. 14. Those qualified voters not approving the issue of
bonds as provided herein, or special tax as provided herein, shall
vote a ballot with the following words written or printed thereon:
(If against bond issue), “Against School Bonds;” (If against
special tax) “Against Special Tax.”

Sec. 15. Said election shall be held in all respects as near as Conduct of
practical in the manner prescribed for general elections under
the statute.

Sec. 16. The original returns of said election shall be made Canvas of returns.
by the election officers, or one of their number appointed by
said election officer for the purpose, to the board of trustees
of said district, and said board of trustees shall within three
days after said election canvass the returns and declare the
results of said election, and said results shall be inscribed upon
the records of said district, also of the city of Kinston.

Sec. 17. If at said election herein provided for a majority of the
qualified voters of said district shall vote “For School Funds”
or “For Special Tax,” as the case may be, then said bonds, if
election is for bond issue, shall be issued and sold as herein
provided; and if “For Special Tax” election, then said tax shall
be levied and collected as provided in this act.

Sec. 18. It is further provided that if any other election shall
be held in the city of Kinston on the same day of any election
herein provided for that the same election officer holding said
election may be appointed to hold and may hold and conduct
such election as provided by this act.
Sec. 19. That if at said election the majority of qualified voters shall fail to vote for said bond issue, or said special tax, as the case may be, then the said trustees may, in their discretion, at any time after one year order another election on said question therein provided for, to be held in the same manner as hereinafter provided, after advertising same as herein set out and at any of such elections the ballots shall be as hereinafter set out, and if at any of such elections a majority of the qualified voters of said district shall vote in favor of said bond issue or special tax, as the case may be, then said bonds shall be issued as is provided for under the terms of this act or the tax levied as hereinafter provided, as the case may be, and in either event the said funds so created shall be applied to the purpose shown in advertisement of said election as hereinafter provided and no other.

Sec. 20. That all provisions of chapter ninety-six of the laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine and amendments thereto not inconsistent or conflicting with the provisions of this act shall remain in full force and effect.

Sec. 21. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 22. This act shall be in effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 6th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 93

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF TAYLORSVILLE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. The commissioners of the town of Taylorsville may cause sidewalks and curbing of concrete or other approved material to be laid on the sides of any street of said town, in the manner hereinafter provided.

Sec. 2. Sidewalks and curbing constructed under this act on any street shall be continuous from one intersection of the street to another, and not less than one block shall be ordered constructed by the commissioners at one time.

Sec. 3. When it is deemed advisable by the commissioners to have sidewalks or curbing laid on the side of any street in Taylorsville, a motion or resolution to that effect, stating the location, shall be made at a regular meeting of the board of commissioners of said town and must be carried by a two-thirds vote
of said commissioners at two successive regular meetings. Notice Notice.
of passage of order, as provided for above, to be posted at town
hall door within five days of its first passage.

SEC. 4. The width, material, grades, and manner of construct-
ing of said sidewalks and curbing shall be within the discretion of
the said commissioners, and when any sidewalk shall have been
constructed otherwise than under the supervision of said town,
the said commissioners may, if they deem it necessary, cause
the same to be taken up and reconstructed in the manner required.

SEC. 5. As soon as the cost of constructing all sidewalks and
curbing under each order provided for in this act shall be deter-
mined, the board of commissioners shall assess not more than
one-half of said cost against the owners of property abutting
thereon, in proportion to the number of feet of frontage owned
by each, and the said assessment shall constitute a lien on said
property and shall be collected in the same manner as is pro-
vided by law for the collection of taxes.

SEC. 6. No sidewalk shall be constructed under the provisions Grade lines.
of this act until grade lines have been established by a compe-
tent engineer on the street on which same is to be constructed.

SEC. 7. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.
Ratified this the 6th day of March A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 94

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE TOWN OF POWELLSVILLE,
IN BERTIE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the town of Powellsville, in the county of Powells-
ville Bertie, be and the same is hereby incorporated and created a
body politic by the name and style of "The Town of Powells-
ville," and may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, pur-
chase, hold and receive by conveyance, gift or devise all such
real and personal property as may be desirable for town purposes
and for its proper government, and may from time to time sell
and dispose of the same and reinvest the proceeds as may be
deemed advisable by the proper authorities of the town.

SEC. 2. The corporate limits of the town shall be as follows, Limits defined
to wit: "Beginning on the public road that leads from Powells-
ville to Stoney Creek at the fork of the public road that leads
to Center Grove church; thence a northeasterly course a straight
line to the northeast corner of the M. L. Holley lot; thence
along the line of the M. L Holley lot to the public road that
leads from Powellsville to Pitch-landing; thence a straight line
a southeasterly course to the northeast corner of the Powells-
Powellsville colored school lot; thence along the line of the Powellsville colored school lot to the intersection of the Rayner public road and the public road that leads from Powellsville to Coleraine; thence along the Rayner public road one hundred yards; thence a westerly course a straight line to the new mill site on the Wellington and Powellsville railroad; thence a westerly course a straight line to the southwest corner of the J. W. Hollomon lot; thence along the line of the J. W. Hollomon lot to the public road that leads from Powellsville to Cabin Hill; thence a northerly course a straight line to the place of beginning."

Sec. 3. That the officers of said town shall consist of a mayor, three commissioners and a constable, and such other police officers as the commissioners of the town may deem advisable to elect or appoint; and said commissioners may elect or appoint a secretary and treasurer both of which offices may be combined in one and the same person.

Sec. 4. That on the first Monday in May, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and annually thereafter, there shall be an election held in said town for mayor, three commissioners and a constable, which elections shall be held under the same penalties, rules and regulations as are now, or may hereafter be prescribed by law for electing officers for cities and towns.

Sec. 5. That until their successors shall be elected and qualified as herein provided, the following persons shall be and are hereby constituted the officers of said town, to wit: Mayor, S. W. McKeel; commissioners, J. E. R. Perry, W. S. Tayloe, and C. R. Overton; constable, J. W. Hollomon; and said officers shall be and are hereby vested with and conferred upon all the duties, powers, rights, and privileges which are now, or may hereafter be granted, vested in and conferred upon such officers of towns and incorporated villages by the laws of North Carolina relating to incorporated towns and villages.

Sec. 6. That the said town of Powellsville shall have and is hereby granted all the benefits, rights, powers, and privileges of and be subject to all the provisions of the general laws of this state, now in force or which may hereafter be enacted, for the government of incorporated towns and villages, not inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Sec. 7. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 8. This act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 6th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 95

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH NEWPORT GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT IN CARTERET COUNTY

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That all the territory included within the following boundaries, to wit: Beginning at the mouth of Black Creek, running with said creek to Craven County line, west with said line to a point north of Little Deep Creek, thence south to Delane's south line, thence eastwardly with said line to the corner of Trinity Land Company's west line, thence southwardly with the various courses of Deep Creek northwardly to W. B. Garner's north line, with said line to Central Highway, with highway to T. F. Mann's Road, with said road and various courses of T. F. Mann's line to L. I. Moore's line, with the said line to Delane's line, thence to E. H. Hill's south line, eastwardly with said line to T. F. Mann's line, with said line to G. M. Mann's line, with various courses of said line to Delane's line, thence north to Craven County line, with said county line westwardly to Newport Township line, south with said line to J. A. Bryan's south line, eastwardly with said line to the head of Shoe Branch, with said Shoe Branch to T. F. Mann's south line, with said line to N. P. Garner's line, with said line to F. E. Mason's east line, with said line to W. H. Garner's line, with said line to A. E. Gray's east line, thence with said line to Newport River, thence with Newport River to P. H. Garner's east line, with said line to the public road, with the public road to P. H. Garner's west line, thence with said line to Newport River, thence with Newport River west to W. W. Robert's west line, with said line a southwardly course to the head of Cedar Swamp, thence southwardly to the head of Hull Swamp, down said swamp to Lee Murdock's north line, with said line to Central Highway, to A. B. Willis's line, eastwardly with said line to James line, with said line to H. G. Gray's west line, with said line to Snow Swamp, down said swamp to Newport River, thence down said river to the beginning, shall be and is hereby constituted a public school district, and shall be known as Newport graded school district.

SEC. 2. That A. L. Wilson, G. M. Mann, D. N. McCain, W. B. Garner, and P. P. Garner shall be and are hereby constituted trustees of the public schools of the Newport graded school district, and shall serve until their successors are appointed and qualified as herein provided. The successors of the first three Successors, named shall be elected or appointed by the board of commissioners for the town of Newport at the first regular meeting of said board of commissioners in the month of June, one thousand nine
Vacancies.

Trustees a body corporate.

Powers.

General duties.

Special duties.

Census.

Pupils from outside district.

Improvement of property.

hundred and nineteen, for a term of two years, and the successors of the last two named shall be elected or appointed at the same time, for a term of three years, and that the board of commissioners of the said town of Newport shall appoint or elect successors for the trustees herein provided for at the expiration of the term for which they are appointed or elected and that all vacancies in the board of trustees shall be filled by the said board of commissioners of the town of Newport.

Sec. 3. That the said trustees in section two, and their successors shall be and are hereby constituted a body corporate, by the name and style of "Trustees of Newport Graded School" and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, contract and be contracted with, acquire by gift, purchase, devise, or otherwise real and personal property and may hold, exchange, mortgage, or sell the same in any manner and to any extent the said trustees may deem advisable, and exercise such other rights and privileges as are incident to other corporations, and may have a corporate seal, which it may break and change at pleasure.

Sec. 4. That it shall be the duty of said board of school trustees to establish separate schools for the white and colored children of said school district, and they may grade the schools for either race, and shall appropriate and use the funds from special taxes and from state and county school funds in such manner as may be deemed just to both races, due regard being had to difference in cost of maintaining and the requirements, of said schools: Provided, donation and income for benefit of any special school shall be so applied.

Sec. 5. That said school trustees shall prescribe rules and regulations for the government of such schools, conduct of pupils, teachers, and officers, and for the preservation, control and use of school property; may provide for the suspension and expulsion of pupils, who may be denied the privilege of said schools until reinstated by authority of said trustees; shall employ and fix the compensation of all teachers and officers of such schools; may require examination of all teachers and may dismiss teachers; shall cause to be taken, in accordance with the general school law of the state, an accurate census of the school population of said district and transmit a copy thereof to the county superintendent, and shall exercise any and all other powers they may deem necessary or advantageous for the successful control and operation of said schools, and the management of the school property in the said district.

Sec. 6. That said trustees may admit pupils residing outside the limits of said district, or those under or over the public school age, upon such terms as the trustees may deem reasonable, and may erect, repair, alter, and improve the school build-
ings and grounds, and may purchase furniture, equipment and appliances, including fixtures for heating, lighting, water supply, sewerage, etc.

Sec. 7. That said trustees shall, as soon as convenient after the ratification of this act, meet and organize by electing a chairman and a secretary and treasurer. The treasurer shall give bond in such sum as the trustees may require. The school authorities of special-tax district number thirty-five, Newport Township, as at present constituted, shall carry on the schools in said district until the trustees shall organize under this act.

Sec. 8. That as soon as said trustees shall have organized and the treasurer elected by them shall have given an approved bond, the treasurer of the county school fund shall pay over to the treasurer of said board of trustees all school funds then in his hands belonging to said special-tax school district number thirty-five or the Newport public school district, and shall in like manner pay over all such funds as shall hereafter come into his hands for the use and benefit of said district. That any bank or trust company doing business in the town of Newport may be named as treasurer by the said board of trustees and need not be required to give bond: Provided, that the treasurer of said board of trustees of Newport graded school district shall not receive any commission or fees for handling any of the school funds of said district.

Sec. 9. That all taxes levied and collected in said district for the use and benefit of said schools under authority of this act shall be paid over to the treasurer of said district by the tax collector or sheriff for the benefit of the public schools in said district.

Sec. 10. That all the property, both real and personal, of the public school districts embraced within the limits of said graded school district shall become the property of Newport graded school district, and the title thereto shall vest in the trustees of Newport graded school, and all real estate belonging to the public schools in said limits shall be conveyed to said trustees by the proper county authorities holding title to the same, and said trustees may, in their discretion, sell any of said property and apply the proceeds as they may deem best for the schools and school property of said district.

Sec. 11. That the county board of education of Carteret County is authorized and directed to pay to the treasurer of said graded school district out of the county school funds, any balance therefore apportioned to the schools in special-tax school district number thirty-five, or appropriated to said district for building or other purposes, which has not been paid to or drawn from the county treasurer by said special-tax district, and such

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Section 1. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed so far as the same applies to the Newport graded school district.

Section 13. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 6th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 96

AN ACT ALLOWING THE MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF NORWOOD, STANLY COUNTY, TO REMOVE CERTAIN BODIES FROM PRIVATE CEMETERIES TO THE TOWN CEMETERY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the mayor and town commissioners of the town of Norwood be allowed to remove the bodies buried in the lots adjoining the Methodist parsonage lot, and also those buried on the Presbyterian church lot, in the town of Norwood, Stanly County, and rebury the same in the town cemetery, properly replacing such marks of identification as exist at the present time.

Section 2. Neither the mayor, commissioners of the town of Norwood, or any person acting under their orders, shall be indictable or convicted of an offense, by reason of the disturbing or the removal of any dead body, or by reason of the doing of any other act, authorized by this act.

Section 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 6th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 97

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 1, CHAPTER 33, PUBLIC-LOCAL LAWS, EXTRA SESSION 1913, RELATIVE TO IMPROVEMENT OF SIDEWALKS IN THE TOWN OF TRENTON.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. In the first and second lines of section one of said act, strike out the following: "Lying on Jones Street between Cherry and Market Street"; and in the third line of said section, add letter "s," making the word "street" plural; and in
the tenth line of same section, strike out the following: "on Jones Street"; and in lines fourteen and fifteen of same section, strike out "two-thirds" and add in lieu thereof the words "three-fourths," so that section one when amended shall read as follows:

"That the land in the town of Trenton, abutting on sidewalks and streets, shall be liable to a special assessment for the improvement and pavement of sidewalks upon which said lands may abut. The improvement to be by grading, curbing, paving or in such manner and of such character as the commissioners of said town may determine; and to that end the commissioners of the said town are hereby authorized and empowered from time to time to designate such sidewalks or parts of such sidewalks as they may elect to improve and pave such sidewalks or parts of such sidewalks so designated in such a manner as they may see fit and assess the lands abutting thereon for the payment of the cost of the improvement made by them: Provided, the assessment shall not be more than three-fourths of the cost of the improvement of paving the sidewalks."

Sec. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 6th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 98

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF GREENVILLE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That each member of the board of aldermen of the town of Greenville shall be paid for his services in attending the regular monthly meetings of the board of aldermen, as provided for in the charter of said town, the sum of five dollars for each regular meeting: Provided, that any alderman failing to be present at the time of calling the board to order at any regular meeting, or who shall fail to remain present until adjournment, shall have no pay for such meeting.

Sec. 2. That the mayor pro tem, in addition to the amount which he shall be paid for his services as alderman under the provisions of the foregoing section, shall be paid the sum of fifty dollars per year, to be paid quarterly.

Sec. 3. That all laws in conflict with the foregoing sections are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. That this act shall be in full force and effect from and after July the first, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

Ratified this the 6th day of March A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 99

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF ASHEVILLE BY AMENDING SECTION 38 OF CHAPTER 49 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1915.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That section thirty-eight of chapter forty-nine of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the words "three thousand" in line four thereof, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "four thousand," and by striking out the words "two thousand five" in line five thereof and inserting in lieu thereof the words "three thousand six."

Sec. 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force and effect from and after the third Monday in May, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

Ratified this the 6th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 100

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE WEDINGTON INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. This is to certify that the Board of Trustees of Wedington Academy, constituting a corporation, under and by virtue of the authority of deeds of trust from the trustees of the Western North Carolina Conference, dated May thirtieth, nineteen hundred and four, second deed, May thirtieth, nineteen hundred and four, third June twenty-eighth, nineteen hundred and four, trustees for the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, shall be and continue a body politic and corporate, and henceforth the corporation shall bear the name and title of "Wedington Industrial Institute," and under such name and title is hereby invested with all property and rights of property which now belong to said board of trustees or under any other name or names heretofore used, and by this name may acquire and hold all such property as may be devised, bequeathed, or conveyed to it, and further, may use all the authority, privileges and possessions that said corporation exercised under its former title and name, and shall be subject to all legal liabilities now outstanding against the said board of trustees.
SEC. 2. That from and after the granting of this certificate of incorporation the terms of office of the present trustees shall become immediately vacant, and H. H. Jordan, T. F. Marr, W. S. Blakney, J. A. Bell, E. C. Grigg, W. L. Hemby, J. M. Niven, W. D. Hawfield, L. C. Kimball, and R. B. Redwine, and their successors in office shall at once constitute the board of trustees of Wedington Industrial Institute, and the said corporation, under said name and style, shall hold all property and investments and assets of every character which now belong to said corporation or which may hereafter come into its possession, in trust for the Methodist Episcopal Church, South; and said trustees shall in the administration of their trust act as agents for said church, and it shall be subject to the control and direction of the Western North Carolina Conference, or its successors in authority in the territory in which Wedington Industrial Institute is located, and if upon investigation at any time it shall be deemed wise to remove any member or members of the board of trustees, the said North Carolina Conference (Western) shall have power, by a majority vote of its members to remove from office any such trustee or trustees and to elect their successors as hereinafter provided.

SEC. 3. That the term of office of each and every trustee who is named in section two of this charter shall expire at the time of the election of his successor by the session of the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, which shall be held in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and the said successors shall be not less than nine nor more than twelve in number, and that they shall be elected by the said Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in the following manner: The required number of suitable persons shall be nominated by the board of trustees of Wedington Industrial Institute, and these nominations shall be incorporated in the report of the Conference Board of Education, and shall be submitted to the conference with that report for final election or rejection by said conference of the persons whose election is proposed. The full term of office of a trustee shall be three years, and the order of election of trustees shall be so arranged that three shall be elected at each annual session of said Conference. In the first election of trustees under the provisions and by the authority of this charter three trustees shall be elected for a term of one year, three shall be elected for a term of two years, and three for a term of three years, and the term of each of these groups shall expire when their successors shall have been elected by said conference, and each succeeding year after the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen the said conference shall elect three trustees for a term of three years, as successors of those
whose terms have expired, and from time to time the said conference shall fill by election, as herein provided for, any vacancies which may occur on the board of trustees from death, resignation or from any other cause. If at any time said board of trustees shall recommend to said conference for election and confirmation any persons which are not approved by said conference, said conference shall recommend to the board of trustees persons deemed suitable to fill the places of those so rejected, and if at any time the said trustees shall fail to recommend persons that are deemed suitable and satisfactory to the said Western North Carolina Conference, the said conference shall have the power and authority to elect such persons as it shall deem fit to fill said vacancies, and if at any time the said board of trustees shall wilfully and contumaciously refuse to carry out the wishes of the said conference, the said conference shall have authority to appoint a commission to carry into effect its wishes in the management and control of said school, and the action of said commission shall be as if done by said board of trustees and shall be binding on said corporation.

Sec. 4. That the said corporation is authorized to acquire and receive by gift, purchase, devise, conveyance or otherwise, real and personal property, and to hold and administer the same by said trustees and their successors in office, for the use and benefit of the said Wedington Industrial Institute, in accordance with the terms of any such gift, devise, will or conveyance, to a value not exceeding the sum of five hundred thousand dollars.

Sec. 5. That the said corporation is authorized and empowered by this charter to conduct an educational institution of high grade, for men and women, at Wedington, North Carolina, to be known as "Wedington Industrial Institute," and in connection with said institution for literary instruction, may maintain and conduct courses in domestic art and science, agriculture, stock raising and any other industrial training the governing body may deem wise and expedient, said institution to be held and administered by said board of trustees, in trust for the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and under the control and direction of the Western North Carolina Conference of said church.

Sec. 6. That the said board of trustees shall be charged with the supervision and management of said institution, subject to the limitations herein imposed and subject to their relation to Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and subject to the direction and control of the Western North Carolina Conference and said church as representatives of said church.

Sec. 7. That the said board of trustees shall have power to make rules, regulations and by-laws not incompatible with the intent of the provisions of this trust, and not inconsistent with the laws and Constitution of the State of North Carolina and
of the United States. The said trustees shall fix, a time and place for holding their annual and other meetings and shall elect a faculty for said school, and shall elect annually from the members of the board of trustees an executive committee of five members, which committee shall have the same power and shall perform the same duties as the trustees, when the said trustees are not in session. The president of the school shall be ex-officio a member of the executive committee.

Sec. 8. That seven members shall constitute a quorum at any regular or called meeting for the transaction of any business that shall come before them, and it shall be the duty of said trustees to fix the salaries of all teachers and to make all contracts and agreements for the management of said corporation.

Sec. 9. That the faculty and trustees of Wedington Industrial Institute shall have all the rights and privileges enjoyed by colleges and other schools of this State.

Sec. 10. This act shall be in full force and effect after ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 101

AN ACT TO REGULATE SALES ON SUNDAY IN THE CITY OF WASHINGTON.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. No person, firm or corporation in Beaufort County shall expose for sale, sell or offer for sale on Sunday, any goods, wares, or merchandise within one mile of the corporate limits of the city of Washington; and no store, shop, or other place of business in which goods, wares, or merchandise of any kind are kept for sale shall keep open doors from twelve o'clock Saturday night until twelve o'clock Sunday night; Provided, that this act shall not be construed to apply to hotels or boarding houses, or to restaurants or cafes furnishing meals to actual guests, where the same are not otherwise prohibited by law from keeping open on Sunday: Provided further, that drug stores may be kept open for the sale of goods to be used for medical or surgical purposes: Provided further, that ice dealers and dairies may remain open for the sale and delivery of ice and dairy products. Nothing in this act shall be construed to prohibit livery stables or garages from operating on Sunday or to prohibit the publication and sale of newspapers, or the sale of gasoline.

Sec. 2. That for the purpose of enforcing this act, the police officers of the city of Washington, as well as the sheriff of Beaufort County are empowered and authorized to make arrests within one mile of the corporate limits for any violation of this act.
Aldermen may rescind present closing ordinance.

Violation a misdemeanor.

Act to be approved by aldermen.

Proviso: Aldermen may repeal it afterward.

SEC. 3. That this act shall not be construed to prohibit the board of aldermen of the city of Washington from rescinding and repealing the Sunday closing ordinance now in effect in said city, and in the event said ordinance is repealed this act shall not take effect within the corporate limits of said city.

SEC. 4. That any person, firm or corporation violating the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined or imprisoned in the discretion of the court.

SEC. 5. That this act shall not become effective until it has been duly approved by the board of aldermen of the city of Washington: Provided, that nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit said board of aldermen from repealing same after it has been put in effect by them.

SEC. 6. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 7. That this act shall be in force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 102

AN ACT TO AMEND OR EXTEND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF HOOKERTON, GREENE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the corporate limits of the town of Hookerton, Greene County, North Carolina, be and the same is hereby amended or extended as follows:

Beginning at south corner of corporate limits of said town of Hookerton, at stake on Fifth Street or Kinston Public Road and running with and along said public road south to the intersection of said Kinston Road and proposed Patrick Street, thence along and with said proposed Patrick Street, south eighty-six degrees thirty-five minutes east nine hundred and ninety feet, to a stake on ditch, thence with said ditch north twenty-two degrees, ten minutes east six hundred and fifty-five feet to a stake with elm pointers, thence south eighty-six degrees thirty-five minutes east seven hundred and forty-four feet to a stake on ditch leading to Spring Branch, thence down the various courses of said ditch and branch as follows: North sixteen degrees, forty-five minutes east three hundred and fifty-four feet, to enter line of Hookerton and Grifton Public Road north six degrees, twenty minutes east six hundred and eighty feet.
to Cemetery Branch, the corporate limit of the town of Hookerton according to the old charter.

Sec. 2. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 103

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 435 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1913, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO REVISE, AMEND AND CONSOLIDATE THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF BEAUFORT, CARTERET COUNTY."

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter four hundred and thirty-five, Private Section dividing laws one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, be, and the same is, hereby amended, by striking out all of section three.

Sec. 2. That chapter four hundred and thirty-five, Private qualification for laws one thousand nine hundred and thirteen be, and the same is hereby amended by striking out in line three, section four, the word "six" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "five"; amend further by striking out in section four all of said section after the word "election" in line six thereof.

Sec. 3. That section five be, and the same is hereby amended, Elections to be held biennially. by striking out the word "year" in line two, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two years," and by striking out the word "six" in line three and inserting in lieu thereof the word "five." Amend further by inserting after the word "elected" in line three and before the word "mayor" the words "by the qualified voters of said town." Amend further by striking out all of said section five after the word "Beaufort" in line four and before the word "the" in line seven. Amend further by striking out the words "mayor and" in line eight, and by striking out the word "six" in line eight and inserting in lieu thereof the word "five."

Sec. 4. That section six be, and the same is hereby amended by striking out all of said section after the word "prescribed" in line nine.

Sec. 5. That section eight be, and the same is hereby amended by striking out the words "one from each ward" in line five, and the word "and" in line six.

Sec. 6. That section nine be and the same is hereby amended by striking out in line twenty the words "six months" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "ninety days."
Provisions for voting by wards repealed.

SEC. 7. That section ten be and the same is hereby amended by striking out in line five the words "boxes for each ward" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "box for commissioners."

SEC. 8. Amend section ten-a by striking out all the words in said section after the word "them" in line four.

SEC. 9. Amend section eleven by inserting after the word "person" and before the word "for" in line seven the words "or persons"; and further amend by striking out the word "commissioner" in line eight and inserting in lieu thereof the word "commissioners"; and further amend by striking out in said section all words after the word "device" in lines nine and ten.

SEC. 10. Amend by striking out in section twelve, line four, the words "for their respective wards."

SEC. 11. Amend section eighteen by inserting after the word "office" in line four and before the word "the" in line four the words "by reason of intoxication, voluntary absence, or other willful cause; or if he shall absent himself from, or fail to attend, any regular or special meeting of the board of commissioners, either because of any reason personal to himself or by agreement, express or implied, with any commissioner or commissioners, or if he shall procure or attempt to procure any commissioner not to attend such meeting, either for the purpose of preventing a quorum or for any other reason." Further amend by adding at the end of said section eighteen, after the word "duties" the words "Provided further, that said board of commissioners may, in their discretion, elect or choose as mayor pro tempore, or as mayor, upon the happenings of any of the conditions herein prescribed, any qualified elector of said town of Beaufort."

SEC. 12. Amend section nineteen by striking out in line four the words "twenty-five" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two hundred."

SEC. 13. Amend section twenty-seven by adding at the end of said section, after the word "same" the following: "And said commissioners shall have full power and authority to appoint, or select a town superintendent, or manager, to prescribe his duties, and fix his compensation: Provided, such compensation shall not exceed eighteen hundred dollars per year or one hundred fifty dollars per month, for a full time, experienced, trained man; such appointee to hold office as may be prescribed in time by said commissioners, and subject to removal by said commissioners at any time, in their discretion."

SEC. 14. Amend section eighty-eight by striking out of said section all words after the word "same" at the end of line seven.
Sec. 15. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 16. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 104

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A SPECIAL TAX LEVY FOR KINSTON GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Whereas, during the current school year, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, and one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, it has appeared that the income derived or to be derived to the Kinston graded schools as now authorized from all taxes and sources, is not sufficient to meet the necessary expenses of the said school for said current expenses, and further, that each total income to said Kinston graded school will not in the future be sufficient for the needs of the said schools in said Kinston school district in the State, and

Whereas, in order to continue the said schools for the current session certain individuals of the school district have become personally liable for such funds to complete the said current term in anticipation of a proposed additional special tax in said district to meet the present and future needs of said schools;

Now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the board of commissioners of Lenoir County is hereby directed upon request or petition by the trustees of the Kinston graded schools to order an election to be held to ascertain the will of the people of the said Kinston graded school district, whether there shall be levied an additional special tax, not to exceed thirty (30) cents on the one hundred dollar ($100) valuation of property and not to exceed ninety (90) cents on the polls, on all of the property and polls liable for taxation in said Kinston school district, for the purpose of supplementing the school funds and meeting all and every necessary expense and need of said district and especially including the purpose of paying any part or accumulated indebtedness of the said school district, and of refunding or saving harmless any individuals on account of funds paid, advanced or for which they may have become liable in order to meet the expenses of operating the said graded schools of Kinston graded school dis-
trict during the current year of one thousand nine hundred and eighteen and one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and otherwise, and further for the purpose of meeting all expenses properly incident upon the successful operation and running of the Kinston graded schools under the authority of the trustees thereof, as now, or as in the future may be provided for according to law.

SEC. 2. Said election shall be conducted, held, reported and recorded in said district under the laws governing general elections as near as may be. That at said election those who are in favor of the levy and collection of the said tax shall vote a ballot upon which shall be printed or written the words "For special tax," and those who are opposed shall vote a ballot on which shall be written or printed the words "Against special tax." In case a majority of the qualified voters at said election are in favor of said tax the same shall be annually levied and collected in the same manner as is now prescribed by law for the levy and collection of other taxes of said Kinston graded school district and shall be paid over to the treasurer of the said Kinston graded school district or other officer now or in the future authorized to hold said funds for the benefit of the said graded schools as herein set forth.

SEC. 3. That in case a majority of the qualified voters at said election cast ballots against special tax, then and in that event the board of county commissioners of Lenoir County are hereby authorized upon petition of the trustees of the Kinston graded school to order another election for the same purpose as herein set forth at any time thereafter, said election to be held in the same manner and under the same provisions as the election provided for in this act: Provided, however, that a second election shall not be called in less than one year from the first election herein authorized.

SEC. 4. The board of county commissioners of Lenoir County may, in its discretion, order a new registration of the voters of said Kinston graded school district for any election authorized under this act.

SEC. 5. That said special tax provided for by this act shall be applied in all manner and respect as set forth in section one of this act, and if there should be any surplus, the same shall be used for the purpose of supplementing the fund now derived from all other sources for the general operation, maintaining an upkeep of the said schools of said district.

SEC. 6. That this act shall in no wise affect or interfere with the present authorized levies and collections made for school purposes in said district, but shall be in addition thereto.
SEC. 7. That all laws and clauses of laws, general or special, in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 8. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 105

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CHAPEL HILL AS CONTAINED IN PRIVATE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, SESSION 1899, CHAPTER 283.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That section fifty-four of Private Laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, chapter two hundred and eighty-three, be, and the same is hereby amended by adding at the end of section fifty-four the words: "That all taxes paid before the first day of December shall be subject to a discount of one per cent. That to all taxes remaining unpaid the first day of January and paid before the first day of February shall be added a penalty of one per cent. That to all taxes remaining unpaid the first of February and paid before the first day of March shall be added a penalty of two per cent. That to all taxes remaining unpaid the first of March and paid before the first day of April shall be added a penalty of three per cent. That to all taxes remaining unpaid the first of April paid before the first day of May shall be added a penalty of four per cent."

SEC. 2. That section fifty-five of the Private Laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, chapter two hundred and eighty-three, be, and the same is hereby amended by adding at the end of section fifty-five the words: "Taxes and fees for sewer connections and for sanitary services are hereby declared a lien against the property served, and the tax collector shall have power to collect the same by distress and sale, as provided herein for the collection of property tax."

SEC. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 106

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 718 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 1903, RELATING TO THE GRADED SCHOOL IN THE TOWN OF COLUMBIA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That section five, chapter seven hundred and eighteen of the Public Laws of one thousand nine hundred and three be and the same is hereby repealed and the following is enacted in lieu thereof:

"Sec. 5. That the board of trustees shall consist of three members to be elected by a popular vote of the qualified voters of the town of Columbia at their regular biennial election held in May. That the term of office of the said trustees shall be for two years and no longer. That in case of resignation, death or vacancy by other cause upon the said board, the same shall be filled by the county board of education, who shall appoint a successor."

Sec. 2. That section six of chapter seven hundred and eighteen of the Public Laws of one thousand nine hundred and three be and the same is hereby repealed and the following enacted in lieu thereof:

"Sec. 6. The trustees provided for in section five shall be guided by the course of study provided by the state for said school, and it shall be amenable to the said school law as regards the employment of teachers and administering finances."

Sec. 3. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 107

AN ACT FOR THE RELIEF OF J. SARA COLLIS, A PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHER OF MITCHELL COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the county superintendent of Mitchell County be and he is hereby authorized to countersign the voucher and the treasurer is required to pay J. Sara Collis, a public school teacher in Mitchell County any balance shown to be due her, as evidenced by her voucher signed by at least a majority of the committee of the district in which she taught during the year one thousand nine hundred and eighteen. Such payment
to be made out of any funds now due or which may hereafter become due said district.

SEC. 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. That this act shall be in force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 108

AN ACT TO ALLOW THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF SPRING HOPE TO ISSUE BONDS FOR WATERWORKS, SEWERAGE AND STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the board of aldermen of the town of Spring Hope is hereby authorized and empowered to issue to an amount not to exceed twenty-five thousand dollars bonds to establish and operate a system of sewerage; to an amount not to exceed fifty thousand dollars bonds to establish and operate a system of waterworks, and bonds not to exceed twenty thousand dollars to grade, pave and otherwise improve the streets in, of and for the said town. That all of the said bonds are to be in the name of said town and to be of such denominations and in such form as the board of aldermen of said town may determine.

SEC. 2. That said bonds shall be payable and redeemable at maturity, such place or places and at such time or times as may be determined by the said board of aldermen, the maturity, however, not to exceed forty (40) years from the issue thereof.

SEC. 3. That said bonds shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed six per cent per annum from their date, with interest coupons attached, payable semiannually, at such place or places as may be deemed advisable by the said board of aldermen.

SEC. 4. That none of the bonds authorized by this act shall be disposed of either by sale, exchange, hypothecation or otherwise for a less price than their par value, nor shall said bonds or their proceeds be used for any other purpose than those declared in section one of this act.

SEC. 5. That for the purpose of providing for the payment of said principal and coupons as the same shall become due, the said board of aldermen of said town is hereby authorized and empowered to levy and cause to be collected, annually, as other municipal taxes are collected, a tax not to exceed thirty cents on the one hundred dollars assessed valuation of all the property, real, personal, and mixed, choses in action and solvent credits, and not to exceed ninety cents on all taxable polls in said town;
and, also, before the maturity of the principal of said bonds and for a sufficient length of time prior thereto, it shall be the duty of the board of aldermen of said town to set apart such a proportion of the foregoing levy each year as may be necessary to pay off said principal at its maturity; and under such levy the constitutional equation between polls and property shall be preserved, and the taxes so collected and levied shall be kept separate from all other taxes and shall be used for no other purpose than for the establishment, construction, purchase, and maintenance of a system of waterworks and sewerage plant for said town, and improvement of the streets.

SEC. 6. That the board of aldermen of said town shall have authority to establish, construct, and purchase and equip, operate and at all times to maintain such system of waterworks and sewerage in or near the said town, including all machinery and appliances necessary and pertinent to the same, and it shall have full power to purchase and condemn real estate for the said purposes, and hold such real estate and personal property and to acquire all such rights and privileges as may be deemed right to enable them to build, erect, equip, establish, and operate and maintain such system of waterworks and sewerage in such manner as to secure the full benefit thereof to said town and to its customers within or near said town.

SEC. 7. That the authority herein granted to the board of aldermen of the town of Spring Hope to issue the bonds herein described may be exercised in pursuance of a resolution duly passed by the said board within eighteen months of the ratification of this act, but nothing herein contained shall render issuance of said bonds mandatory upon the said board.

SEC. 8. That nothing in this act shall be construed to require the purchasers of said bonds to see that the purchase money paid therefor is applied for the purposes prescribed in this act.

SEC. 9. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 109

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF KINSTON.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That for the purpose of the enforcement of law and police control, the jurisdiction of the mayor of the city of Kinston, or the recorder, if a recorder's court shall be established embracing the city of Kinston within its jurisdiction,
shall extend to and embrace all adjacent territory outside the
city limits lying within a mile and a half in every direction
from the city boundaries; and the governing body of the city
having authority to enact ordinances for the municipality shall
have and is hereby given the authority to enact and pass such
and all ordinances as in the judgment and discretion of the
governing body may be necessary for policing said territory
and for the suppression of nuisances and preserving law and
order therein, as fully and completely and to the same extent
as if the said territory within a mile and a half of the city
boundaries in every direction were within the city limits.

Sec. 2. That there shall be five (5) wards in the city of Kinston, the boundaries thereof to be as follows:

First ward—All territory within the city limits which lies west of Mitchell Street.

Second ward—All territory lying east of Mitchell Street and west of Queen Street.

Third ward—All territory lying east of Queen Street and west of Independent Street.

Fourth ward—All territory lying east of Independent Street and west of Tiffany Street running northwardly as far as Tower Hill Road and west and north of Tower Hill Road.

Fifth ward—All territory lying east and south of Tiffany Street and Tower Hill Road.

Sec. 3. That there shall be a voting or polling place in each Voting places,
ward for the voters thereof, the voting place to be designated
by the board of aldermen of the city, and that the registration
of voters shall be conducted under such rules and regulations
as shall be prescribed by the board of aldermen, and the return Returns,
of elections and the declaration of the result of elections shall
be under such rules and regulations as shall be established by
the board of aldermen: Provided, such rules and regulations Proviso: Rules
in respect to the registration of voters and the return of not to be
election and declaration of the result of elections shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of the general laws of the
state.

Sec. 4. That the governing body of the city shall consist of Governing body,
a mayor and a board of aldermen consisting of ten (10) mem-
ers, two (2) from each ward.

Sec. 5. That no member of the board of aldermen shall be Alderman to hold eligable to hold any commisionership, superintendancy or other
position under the city during his term of office.

Sec. 6. That the utilities and properties of the city shall be Properties of city
operated, conducted and managed by an appointee or such
appointees as the board of aldermen shall from time to time determine, such appointee or appointees to be subject to such
rules and regulations as the board of aldermen may from time
to time prescribe.

Priv.—10
Election of mayor. Sec. 7. That the mayor shall be elected by the voters of the city at large, and that the votes cast for mayor shall be at the same time and places in the respective wards as may be prescribed for the election of aldermen and that the board of aldermen shall have the right to enact such appropriate ordinances as may be necessary to make effective this provision.

Duties of mayor. Sec. 8. That it shall be the duty of the mayor to preside over the meetings of the board of aldermen; and he shall have the right to cast the deciding vote in the event of a tie in the vote of the aldermen, and not otherwise.

To report monthly to aldermen on city's business. Sec. 9. That the mayor shall have general supervision over, together with the exercise of the power and authority reposed in him by the board of aldermen in respect to all the employees of the board of aldermen and the performance of their duties. The mayor shall keep himself informed as to the city's business and monthly make a report to the board of aldermen in respect to the business of the city and its several employees, for such action from time to time as the board of aldermen shall deem proper, accompanying his report with such recommendations, if any, as he may deem advisable.

Police, election and control of. Sec. 10. That the police of the city shall be elected by the board of aldermen, and they shall be, under such rules and regulations as the board of aldermen may prescribe, subject to the direction and control of the mayor: Provided, however, that in the event of the establishment of a recorder's court embracing the city of Kinston within its jurisdiction, the control of the police shall be under the recorder to the extent prescribed by the general law of the state, and where not prescribed by the general law of the state, then the police shall be under the direction and control of the mayor or the recorder in accordance with such rules, regulations and ordinances as shall be established and enacted by the board of aldermen.

Salary of mayor. Sec. 11. That the salary of the mayor shall be fixed by the board of aldermen, the amount not to exceed one thousand dollars per annum, and that the members of the board of aldermen shall receive no salary or compensation for their services: Provided, however, that if a recorder's court shall not be established embracing the city of Kinston, thereby leaving to the mayor the trial of violations of ordinances of the city and other violations of law, then in that event the mayor, in lieu of fees allowed by law, shall receive an additional salary to that hereinafter specified in this section in an amount to be fixed by the board of aldermen, not in excess of one thousand dollars per annum; and that such fees as would otherwise be taxed in favor of the mayor as a trial court shall be collected and turned over and paid to the city treasurer, to be disbursed under the direction of the board of aldermen.
Sec. 12. That the board of aldermen shall have power and authority to enact ordinances prohibiting the renting of property for unlawful or immoral purposes, and by appropriate ordinances to prohibit the owner of property from allowing or permitting his property to be occupied for unlawful or immoral purposes; that the board of aldermen shall have the right to enact appropriate ordinances for the prevention of the use of property within the city limits or within a mile and a half of the boundaries thereof for unlawful or immoral purposes; and by appropriate ordinances to prohibit any person from conducting, inhabiting, frequenting or maintaining a house or property of any nature wherein unlawful, immoral or lewd acts are committed, the said board of aldermen being hereby clothed with authority to enact such ordinances, not inconsistent with the general law of the state, as may be necessary for the inhibition and suppression of the use of houses or places conducted or maintained for unlawful or immoral purposes.

Sec. 13. That the board of aldermen shall have the right to acquire, by purchase, gift, donation, or condemnation, for the use of the city, such property, or such interest therein, within the corporate limits of the city or within one and one-half miles of the corporate limits of the city, as the said board may by appropriate resolution declare to be necessary to the public use for public administrative buildings, public hospitals, public parks and civic adornment, public monuments, public libraries, cemeteries, public playgrounds, and public wharfs and docks, and to lay out, establish, manage, control, conduct, and maintain the same, the control and management of such public hospitals, public parks, public libraries, and public wharfs and docks as may be acquired to be either under the control and management of the city through such agents and employees as the board of aldermen may appoint, or by such lessee or lessees as the board of aldermen may determine; the power of condemnation to be exercised as prescribed in the charter of the city of Kinston and amendments thereto in respect to condemnation proceedings to acquire property for the purposes specified in said charter.

Sec. 14. That the charter of the city of Kinston and all amendments thereto not inconsistent with the provisions of this act shall be and continue in full force and effect, and that all laws and clauses of laws inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 15. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 110

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 197, PRIVATE LAWS OF 1895, INCORPORATING THE TOWN OF PEACHLAND IN ANSON COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter one hundred and ninety-seven of the Private Laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five be, and the same is hereby amended by striking out the words "one-half mile" in line three of section two of said act, and substituting in lieu thereof the words "one-fourth mile."

Section 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 111

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A GRADED SCHOOL AT WAKE FOREST AND TO PROVIDE SPECIAL TAX AND BONDS THEREFOR.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter three hundred and seventy-six of the Private Laws of nineteen hundred and thirteen, entitled "An act to incorporate Wake Forest Graded School District, Wake Forest Township, Wake County, North Carolina" be and the same is hereby amended by striking out sections three, four and five thereof and inserting in lieu of same the following:

"Sec. 3. The management and control of the public schools in said district shall be vested in a board of trustees consisting of five residents of said district who shall be chosen by the voters of said district at elections to be held as hereinafter provided for a term of six years and until their successors shall have been elected and qualified.

"Sec. 4. That the said board of trustees and their successors shall be and are hereby constituted a body corporate by the name and style of "The Board of Trustees of Wake Forest Graded School" and by that name may sue and be sued, make contracts, acquire real and personal property by gift, purchase, or devise; hold, exchange, sell, and convey the same, and exercise such rights and privileges as are incident to other corporations of like nature.

"Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the said board of trustees to establish and maintain a system of public schools for the children of school age resident in said district. It shall have exclusive
control of such schools, prescribe rules and regulations for their conduct, employ, fix the compensation, and dismiss the officers and teachers therein, and exercise all powers that may be need-
Admission of special pupils.
ful for the proper and successful operation thereof; it may pro-
Superintendent.
vide for admitting pupils over twenty-one years of age and from
outside districts upon such terms as it may deem proper; may elect a superintendent and delegate to him such powers as may be needed for a proper supervision of the schools; shall make annual reports of the operation of the schools to the county board of education of Wake County and as may be required by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Sec. 6. The board of trustees shall prescribe such rules as may be deemed necessary for the despatch of business and shall elect annually a chairman and a secretary and prescribe the duties of each. It may elect a treasurer or it may designate one or more banks in the district who shall act as such, and such treasurer or treasurers shall handle all funds belonging to the district, shall pay them out only on warrants signed by the chairman and secretary, and shall make such reports and give such bond as may be required by the board of trustees.

Sec. 7. The said board of trustees shall be and are hereby authorized and empowered to borrow money for and to issue bonds of said graded school district to an amount not exceed-
Organization of board.
ing twenty-five thousand dollars, the bonds to be of such denomi-
Handling of funds.
nation as may be deemed advisable, bearing interest from date thereof at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, with interest coupons attached, payable semiannually, at such time or times and such place or places as may be deemed advisable by said board of trustees; said bonds to be of such form and tenor and transferable in such way, and the principal thereof payable Interest.
Maturity.
or redeemable at such time or times not exceeding thirty years from date thereof, and at such place or places as said board of trustees may determine.

The proceeds arising from the sale thereof shall be expended by Application of proceeds.
said board of trustees in providing such school buildings as may be required and in furnishing and equipping the same, and for no other purpose: Provided, that the bonds may be issued at such time or times, and in such amount or amounts, within the limit prescribed, as may be required to meet the expenditures above provided for.

Sec. 8. That for the purpose of providing for the payment of said bonds and the interest thereon and of providing funds for defraying the expenses of the public schools provided for in this act supplementary to the amounts that may be apportioned to said district by the state and county, the board of county commissioners of Wake County shall annually and at the time of levying the county taxes levy and lay a special tax on all per-
Limit of tax rate.

Collection.

Trustees to provide sinking fund.

Election to be called.

Notice of election.

Registration.

Form of ballot.

Canvas of returns.

sons and property subject to taxation within the limits of said district of not to exceed fifty cents on the one hundred dollars assessed valuation of property and not more than one dollar and fifty cents on the poll, the rate of tax so levied within the limits prescribed to be determined by the recommendation made by the board of trustees of said graded school. Said taxes shall be collected by the sheriff of Wake County at the time and in the manner and with the same power and authority that the county taxes are collected and said taxes shall be paid over to the treasurer of said board of trustees as the same are collected and within thirty days of such collection.

SEC. 9. Out of the taxes so collected it shall be the duty of the said board of trustees, first, to pay any interest accrued on bonds outstanding; next, to provide and set aside as a sinking fund such amount as may be necessary to be able to pay said bonds at their maturity, and to use the remainder for the maintenance of the public schools in said district.

SEC. 10. The provisions of this act shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said district at an election to be held on Monday, the fifth day of May, nineteen hundred and nineteen, in the town of Wake Forest. For said election the board of county commissioners of Wake County shall appoint a registrar and two pollholders and a new registration shall be required. At least twenty days prior to such election the registrar shall post at the post office in the town of Wake Forest a notice in which shall be stated the date of the election, the days on which the registration book will be open, the polling place, which shall have been fixed by him, and that the purpose of said election is for the establishment of a graded school in said district, the issuance of bonds and the levy of a special tax. No other notice or advertisement shall be necessary. The registration book shall be kept open as provided in section twenty-nine hundred and fifty-two of the Revisal of nineteen hundred and five. At said election voters favoring the approval of this act, the issuance of bonds and levy of special tax shall cast ballots on which is written or printed "For Graded School"; those opposed shall cast ballots on which is written or printed "Against Graded School." The registrar and pollholders shall canvass and count the votes cast and shall declare the result of the election and shall make a report thereof to the board of county commissioners of Wake County. No other canvass or report shall be required. Such report shall be entered on the record of the said county commissioners and after thirty days from such enrollment the facts stated in such report shall not be open to attack but shall be deemed and held conclusive.

In all respects other than matters herein specified, said election shall be conducted as is provided for elections in towns by chapter seventy-three of Revisal of nineteen hundred and five.
SEC. 11. If at said election a majority of the qualified shall cast ballots "For Graded Schools," then all the provisions of this act shall be in full force and effect, the special tax of fifteen cents heretofore levied in said district for school purposes shall no longer be levied or collected, and chapter four hundred and fifteen of the Private Laws of nineteen hundred and thirteen authorizing a special tax in said district and the issuance of bonds shall be deemed and held repealed from and after the date of said election.

But if a majority of the qualified voters of said district do not vote "For Graded School," then none of the provisions of this act shall go into effect and the special tax for schools heretofore levied shall continue to be levied and said chapter four hundred and fifteen of Private Laws of nineteen hundred and thirteen shall be and remain in full force and effect.

SEC. 12. At the election provided for in section ten of this act, each voter shall vote for five persons as members of the board of trustees, and the five persons receiving the greatest number of votes shall be declared elected and shall constitute the said board of trustees. Two of these shall hold for six years, two for four years, and one for two years, all terms to expire on the thirtieth day of May. The length of the term for which each is to serve shall be determined by lot. The registrar and pollholders for election of trustees.

Determined by lot.

The result thereof shall be entered on the minutes of said board.

SEC. 13. On the first Monday in May of alternate years thereafter, successors shall be elected for a term of six years to those whose term is about to expire. The registrar and pollholders for election under direction of trustees.

same shall be appointed by the said board of trustees, the result thereof shall be reported to said board, and in all other respects the elections shall be conducted as provided in chapter seventy-three of the Revisal of nineteen hundred and five. Vacancies occurring in the membership of the board shall be filled for the unexpired term by the remaining members.

SEC. 14. The said graded school district shall be entitled to receive from the state and county for the public schools in said district the same amounts for maintenance and buildings as such public schools would be entitled to receive if they were being operated under the general laws of the state and all such funds shall be paid over to the treasurer of the said board of trustees. And all balances and funds of whatever kind belonging to or held to the credit of the district as heretofore constituted, including taxes collected under the provisions of chapter four hundred and fifteen, Private Laws of nineteen hundred and thirteen, shall upon demand from said board of trustees be paid to the treasurer of said board: Provided, that nothing herein contained shall release said district from any liability heretofore contracted, and for

Treasurer custodian all funds.

Provided: District liable for all obligations heretofore made.
such, if any exist, the district as incorporated by this act shall continue and remain liable.

Sec. 15. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 16. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 112

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 424, LAWS OF 1887, RELATIVE TO REIDSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT, ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That section three of chapter four hundred and twenty-four, laws of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven be and the same is hereby repealed, and the following is substituted in lieu thereof the same to be known as "section three," as follows:

That the school committee of said district shall consist of six members to be appointed by the board of commissioners of the town of Reidsville. That said school committee is hereby divided into three classes of two each. The term of office of the first class shall begin on the first Tuesday in June, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and shall continue for two years, and the term of office of the second class shall begin on said date and continue for a term of four years, and the term of office of the third class shall begin on said date and continue for a term of six years: Provided, that at the expiration of the term of each class the board of commissioners of the town of Reidsville shall elect their successors for a term of six years and shall thereafter elect the successors of all three classes as herein provided for a term of six years each. Said election to be made by the board of commissioners of the town of Reidsville at their meeting in June of each year when any of said terms shall expire.

Whenever any vacancy occurs in said committee during the term of office of any member of said board the board of commissioners of the town of Reidsville shall immediately thereafter elect a successor.

That the office of each of the members of said committee of said school district at present holding office as such committee is hereby declared vacant and the following persons are designated as the school committee of the Reidsville school district, Rockingham County, North Carolina: W. S. Somers and J. B. Pipkin, who shall hold office until the meeting of the board of
commissioners of the town of Reidsville in June one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, when said board shall elect their successors for a term of six years. Scott Fillman and Manton Oliver are hereby designated as members of said board to hold office until the regular meeting of the board of commissioners of the town of Reidsville held in June one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, when said board shall elect their successors in office for a term of six years. Mrs. Agnes Jones Williams and Mrs. Dora B. Mills are hereby designated as members of said school committee to hold office until the regular meeting of the board of commissioners of the town of Reidsville held in June one thousand nine hundred and twenty-three, at which time said board shall elect their successors in office for a term of six years. That the persons named herein as the school committee of Reidsville school district shall constitute the said school committee of said district immediately upon ratification of this act and they shall at once enter upon the duties of their said office.

Sec. 2. That all laws or clauses of law in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 113

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF TREN- TON, NORTH CAROLINA, BEING CHAPTER 174, PRIVATE LAWS OF 1911.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That section seven of chapter one hundred and seventy-four, Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and eleven, be amended as follows: Strike out all the words in said section after the word "than" in line seven of said section and insert in lieu thereof the following: Sixty cents on the one hundred dollars worth of property and one dollar and eight cents on each taxable poll"; so that section seven will read when amended as follows:

"That in order to raise funds to defray the necessary expenses incident to the government of said town, the board of commis- sioners may annually levy and collect the following taxes: On all real and personal property within the corporate limits of said town, including money on hand, solvent credits and all subjects of taxation upon which an ad valorem tax is or may be imposed by the General Assembly, not more than sixty cents on the one
hundred dollars worth of property, and one dollar and eight cents on each taxable poll."

Sec. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 114

AN ACT TO FIX THE COMPENSATION OF THE MAYOR OF WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the mayor of the city of Wilmington, North Carolina, shall receive as compensation for his services the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars per annum, payable monthly.

Sec. 2. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 115

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF GASTONIA, NORTH CAROLINA, AND PRESCRIBING THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS THEREOF.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That all the territory embraced within the corporate limits of the city of Gastonia, Gaston County, North Carolina, shall be and the same is hereby created and continued as a school district for white and colored children, to be known as Gastonia graded school district.

Sec. 2. That a board of seven school commissioners shall be elected biennially, at the regular municipal election when the mayor and the board of aldermen of said city shall be elected, under the same rules and regulations as may be provided for the election of the aldermen of said city, and said school commissioners shall hold office until the next regular election and until their successors are elected and qualified.

Sec. 3. That said board of school commissioners and its successors shall be and they are hereby constituted a body corporate by the name and style of "The Board of School Commissioners of
Gastonia Graded School District," and by that name may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, contract and be contracted with, acquire by gift, purchase or devise, real and personal property, hold and exchange, mortgage or sell the same, and exercise such other rights and privileges as are incident to other corporations, and may have a corporate seal.

Sec. 4. That said board of school commissioners shall establish graded public schools for the white and colored children for said graded school district, and shall appropriate and use the funds derived from special taxes or other sources, in such manner as it may deem best for both races.

Sec. 5. That said board of school commissioners shall have exclusive control of all public schools in said city, free from the supervision and control of the mayor and board of aldermen of the city of Gastonia, or other constituted city authorities as may hereafter have charge of the city affairs, under and by virtue of any laws which may be hereafter adopted, and all property, both real and personal, and funds, now or hereafter belonging to the public schools of said city, or used for school purposes, while said graded schools shall be operated, shall be vested in, and controlled by the said board of school commissioners and its successors, and the same shall be held by them in trust for the said graded school; they shall prescribe the qualifications, employ and fix the compensation of all officers and teachers of such schools, and other employees necessary to the proper operation of said schools, and shall cause to be taken, in accordance with the general laws of the state, an accurate census of the school population of said city, and shall exercise such other power as may be necessary for the successful control and operation of said schools: Provided, that in the event that said graded schools shall at any time be discontinued, or said graded school district abolished, all of said property held by the said board of school commissioners, shall revert to and belong to the said city of Gastonia.

Sec. 6. That within ten days after each biennial election of said board of school commissioners, said board shall hold a meeting and elect from among their number a chairman, a treasurer, and a secretary: Provided, that one person may act as both secretary and treasurer. It shall be the duty of the chairman to preside at all meetings and generally to see that all orders of the said board are carried out. The secretary shall keep an accurate record of all meetings, and the acts and orders of said board, and the treasurer shall receive and hold all school funds coming into his hands and disburse the same, from time to time, as may be directed by the said board, and shall make monthly reports to said board of all receipts and disbursements by him during the preceding month. The said board shall have a corporate seal.
require the said treasurer to give such bond as they may deem necessary for the sufficient protection of said school funds or other property entrusted to his care.

SEC. 7. That it shall be the duty of the board of aldermen of the city of Gastonia, to levy annually, a tax of not more than fifty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of all real estate and personal property, actually or in contemplation of law, situated within the corporate limits of the said city of Gastonia for the support and maintenance of the public graded schools in said district; the amount to be levied each year by said board of aldermen, to be determined by the said board of school commissioners, and reported or certified to said board of aldermen, before the first day of June of each year; and the amount so determined and certified by said board of school commissioners shall be levied by the said board of aldermen, and the taxes so levied shall be collected by the city tax collector and accounted for as other taxes, but shall be paid over to the treasurer of said board of commissioners as collected. Said board of aldermen is hereby given full power and authority to levy said tax upon said property and all power and authority heretofore given them to collect such tax is hereby continued in said board of aldermen.

SEC. 8. That all funds apportioned to said district by the county board of education from the state and county, or other school funds, and all funds derived from the levy of the said special tax collected under the provisions of this act, or previous acts or laws, shall be turned over to the treasurer of said board of school commissioners and shall be apportioned and used under the direction of said board of school commissioners for the support and maintenance of all the public schools in said graded school district, and all moneys paid out by said treasurer shall be upon order of school commissioners, signed by the chairman and secretary thereof.

SEC. 9. That this act shall not have the effect of repealing or in any wise interfering with any statute, or statutes, now in force, authorizing the levy and collection of any special tax for the benefit of the public schools of said graded school district, but the same shall remain in full force and effect, and the taxes arising therefrom shall be paid over to the treasurer of said board of school commissioners for the support and maintenance of said graded schools, as herein provided for.

SEC. 10. The said board of school commissioners shall have the power to fill all vacancies occurring on said board, by appointment.

SEC. 11. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with any of the provisions of this act are hereby repealed, and sections sixty-two and sixty-four of chapter one hundred and ninety-nine
of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, in so far as they may conflict with any of the provisions of this act are hereby repealed, but it is herein expressly provided that the power conferred, by said act, upon the board of aldermen of the city of Gastonia to levy a tax of not exceeding thirty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of real and personal property, and also that portion of said act constituting the territory within the corporate limits of the city of Gastonia a graded school district with the right, as such, to receive its proportion of the general school fund, from the county board of education, are hereby continued in full force and effect.

Sec. 12. That this act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 116

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF GREENSBORO.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That, whenever in the judgment of the governing board of the city of Greensboro, it appears desirable and for the best interest of said city to enlarge or extend the corporate limits thereof, and it also appears to said board that such extension is for the best interest of the citizens of the territory proposed to be annexed, then the said governing board may call an election to determine whether or not such territory shall be annexed to said city.

Sec. 2. That such election shall be called by ordinance, which ordinance shall be introduced at least one week before its final passage, and when called up one week after its introduction, may then be amended and adopted, or it may be amended and adopted at any subsequent meeting. Said ordinance shall (a) describe with reasonable certainty the territory proposed to be annexed to the city; (b) provide that the matter of annexation of such territory shall be submitted to the vote of the qualified voters of said city and the territory proposed to be annexed voting together; (c) provide for a new or special registration of voters for said election; (d) designate the precincts and voting places for such election; (e) name the registrars and the judges of election; (f) and make all other necessary provision for the holding and conducting of such election, the canvassing of the returns, and the declaration of the result. Said ordinance shall be published in one or more newspapers of said city once a week.
Proviso: Only one election under act.

for four weeks prior to said election: Provided, that only one election shall be held under this act.

Sec. 3. That at any such election those voters who favor extending the city limits as provided by the ordinance calling such election shall vote ballots on which shall be written or printed the words, "For Extension"; and those opposed shall vote ballots on which shall be written or printed, "Against Extension." If at any such election a majority of the qualified votes shall be "For Extension," then from and after the date of such election the territory described in the ordinance calling such election shall be a part of the corporate territory of said city; and such territory and its citizens and property shall be subject to all the laws, ordinances, and regulations in force in said city, and shall also be entitled to the same privileges and benefits as other parts of said city.

Sec. 4. That when twenty-five per cent (25%) of the qualified voters of any territory adjacent to the said city of Greensboro shall petition the governing board of said city to call an election to determine whether or not the territory in which the petitioners live, which territory shall be described in the petition, shall be annexed to said city, it shall be the duty of the governing board to call an election as provided in this act: Provided, however, that such governing board may, in its discretion, refuse to call an election if the territory described in such petition is less than one-fourth of a square mile in area.

Sec. 5. That in the event that the extension of the corporate limits of the city of Greensboro, as hereinbefore provided, receives a majority of the votes cast, then the board of education of the city of Greensboro, and the board of education of Guilford County, are authorized and empowered to make such arrangements, agreements and contracts, as in their opinion may seem best, for providing school facilities for those children of school age that live in school districts outside the present limits of said city, and within districts that are included, wholly or partially, in the new limits of said city, and such arrangements and provisions may be continued from year to year as long as it shall, in the opinion of said boards, seem necessary or for the best interest of the children in such territory. Said boards of education are also authorized and empowered to consider and adjust the bonded indebtedness and transfer of property to the city of school districts wholly or partially included within the new limits of said city (and wholly outside the old city limits); and to this end they may by agreement determine what portion of the bonded indebtedness of any district shall be assumed by the city of Greensboro, and what portion shall be assumed by the part of any such district not embraced in the new limits of said
city; and any agreement entered into in relation to said bonded indebtedness or transfer of property shall be in writing and shall be submitted by said boards to the board of county commissioners of Guilford County and the governing board of the city of Greensboro, and when ratified by the two boards last named shall become binding upon said city and upon the portion of any district outside the new limits of said city; and thereafter any part of the principal or interest of said bonds so assumed by the city of Greensboro shall be paid by said city as the same falls due; while the portions of said bond issues and interest as are assumed by parts of districts outside of the new city limits shall be paid from school funds of said parts of districts, respectively: Provided, however, that if said school boards cannot agree upon an adjustment and division of liability as to any of said bonded indebtedness or the amount to be paid on account of the transfer of any school property to said city, or if any agreement as to such matters shall not be approved by the county commissioners or city governing board, then, in any such event, the questions and matter in controversy shall be submitted to arbitration, the county school board choosing one arbitrator, the city board of education another arbitrator, and a third arbitrator being chosen by the two arbitrators first named, all of said arbitrators to be disinterested citizens of North Carolina, residing outside of the county of Guilford and owning no property in said county. Said arbitrators as soon as possible after being chosen, shall meet in the city of Greensboro, after notice to said boards of education, and hear the evidence with regard to the controversy submitted to them, and render to each of said boards their decision in writing, which shall be a final adjudication of such controversy.

Sec. 6. That if said city limits are extended as in this act provided, there shall be levied and collected in the territory annexed to said city, the same school tax (and the same tax for other purposes) that is collected in the old limits of said city; but no local tax for schools shall be levied in such territory except such as are levied in the whole of said city: Provided, that nothing herein shall be construed to prevent the levy and collection by the county of Guilford of any special tax or local school tax theretofore authorized in such portions of any school districts as are not embraced in the new limits of said city.

Sec. 7. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 8. This act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 117

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 701, PUBLIC-LOCAL AND PRIVATE LAWS, SESSION 1917, RELATIVE TO THE ADJUSTMENT OF CASES BY THE MAYOR OF FAYETTEVILLE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That chapter seven hundred and one, Public-Local and Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, be amended by striking out all of sections one, two and three and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 1. That it shall be lawful for the mayor of the city of Fayetteville to hear, try, adjust, and dispose of any case against any defendant charged with a violation of any health, traffic, or other city ordinance of the city of Fayetteville, Cumberland County, or statute.

"Sec. 2. That the respective officers of the municipal court of Fayetteville shall be entitled to the same amount of fees as are now allowed by law in the recorder's court of Cumberland County.

"Sec. 3. That the city attorney of the city of Fayetteville shall be required to appear and prosecute criminal cases in the municipal court at a salary to be fixed by the board of aldermen."

Sec. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 118

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE SALE OF COCA COLA, PEPSI COLA, CHERRO COLA AND OTHER SOFT DRINKS WITHIN HALF A MILE OF MOUNT GOULD LANDING AND PICNIC GROUNDS ON CHOWAN RIVER IN BERTIE COUNTY ON THE DAY OF THE ANNUAL FARMERS UNION OR FARMERS ALLIANCE PICNIC HELD THERE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That it shall be unlawful to sell, barter or otherwise dispose of for gain any coca cola, pepsi cola, cherro cola, cider, ginger ale, lemon soda, sarsaparilla soda or any kind of soft drink, bottled or unbottled, lemonade, or ice cream, whether from fountains or otherwise, within half a mile of the Mount Gould picnic grounds now owned by Bertie County Farmers Alliance, or Bertie County Farmers Union, on the Chowan River.
in Bertie County, North Carolina, between the hours of sunrise and sunset of any day on which the Farmers Alliance annual picnic, or the Farmers Union annual picnic, is held thereat: Provided, that this act shall not apply to those persons who may sell such articles and drinks under the authority and direction of those persons having in charge said annual picnic and appointed by said Bertie County Farmers Alliance, or Bertie County Farmers Union, and who sell such drinks and articles for the support of said annual picnic, the grounds and buildings when erected thereon.

Sec. 2. That it shall be unlawful for any person to be drunk or disorderly, or to give away or otherwise dispose of intoxicating liquors, or to drink intoxicating liquors, within half a mile of said picnic grounds on the day of said annual picnic.

Sec. 3. That any person or persons violating either or any of the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined or imprisoned in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 4. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 119

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 13 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA, EXTRA SESSION 1908.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That section one of chapter thirteen of the private acts of one thousand nine hundred and eight, extra session, be and the same is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"That the mayor and councilmen of the city of Wilmington are hereby authorized and empowered to sell at auction to the highest bidder for cash any and all real estate owned by it outside the city of Wilmington, including the old encampment ground on Wrightsville Sound or any part thereof after advertisement according to the law governing the sale of land under a judgment, which advertisement shall contain a complete description of the property together with the names of all adjoining landowners."

Sec. 2. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.

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CHAPTER 120

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE GRADED SCHOOLS OF THE TOWN OF ROANOKE RAPIDS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That chapter one hundred and sixty-eight of Private Laws of North Carolina, session nineteen hundred and seventeen, as amended by the several laws amendatory thereof, be and the same is hereby repealed and the following enacted as a substitute therefor:

"SECTION 1. That all territory lying within the corporate limits of the town of Roanoke Rapids, and all of the portion of Halifax County not embraced within said corporate limits, but lying contiguous thereto within the following boundaries, to wit: Beginning at a point on Roanoke River, being the dividing line between the farms of the estate of M. A. Hamilton, deceased, and the late B. W. Bass tract; thence south to the canal of the Roanoke Navigation and Water Power Company; thence down the canal to Medlin and Fulghum's line; thence a straight line to the Weldon and Gaston County road; thence west along said county road to Tilgham's Cross Roads; thence along the southern fork of the county road to Chocoyote Creek; thence up Chocoyote Creek as it meanders to the dividing line between J. G. Simmon's tract and John D. Shaw's line; thence along the western line of J. G. Simmon's tract to the northwestern corner of said tract on the canal bank of the Roanoke Navigation and Water Power Company; thence from this last named point due north to the banks of the Roanoke River; thence down said river as it meanders to the point beginning; shall be and is hereby constituted a public school district for white and colored children, to be known as the "Roanoke Rapids Graded School District."

"SEC. 2. That for the purpose and benefits of this act, the provisions of all laws governing the assessment of real estate and personal property, the levy and collection of municipal taxes, and the holding of municipal elections in the town of Roanoke Rapids, shall be and are hereby extended to that portion of school district lying without the corporate limits of said town, as fully as if the same lay within said corporate limits, and that in all elections held under this act, the portion of said school district lying without the said limits, shall be deemed a ward of said town.

"SEC. 3. That the board of school trustees, hereinafter provided for, shall be and is hereby authorized and empowered to issue bonds of said school district to an amount not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, of such denoma-
tion and of such proportion as said board of trustees may deem advisable, bearing interest thereof at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, with interest coupons attached, payable semiannually, at such time and at such place or places as may be deemed advisable by said board of trustees, said bonds to be of such form and tenor and transferable in such way and the principal thereof payable or redeemable at such place or places and at such time or times as said board of trustees may deem advisable and determine: Provided, that said board of trustees shall issue said bonds at such time or times, in such amount or amounts as may be required to meet the expenditures hereinafter provided for in section four of this act.

"Sec. 4. That the proceeds arising from the sale of said bonds, or such part thereof as may be necessary, shall be expended by said board of trustees in providing, by purchase or otherwise, such graded school buildings as may be required, and in furnishing the same with school furniture and other necessary equipment.

"Sec. 5. That none of said bonds shall be disposed of by sale, exchange, hypothecation, or otherwise, for less price than their par value; nor shall said bonds, nor their proceeds, be used for any other purpose than that declared in section four of this act.

"Sec. 6. That said bonds and their coupons shall not be subject to taxation by the town of Roanoke Rapids until they become due, and tender payment shall have been made, and such coupons shall be receivable in payment of all taxes, and other dues of said town for any fiscal year in which said coupons become due or thereafter; and if the holder of said coupons shall fail to present the same for payment of the time or times and at the place or places therein named, he shall not be entitled to interest thereon for the time they shall have been outstanding after maturity.

"Sec. 7. That for a purpose of providing for the payment of said bonds and the interest thereon, and of defraying the expenses of the public graded schools provided for in this act, the board of school trustees shall annually and at the time of levy therefor as practicable, commencing with the fiscal year beginning the first day of May, nineteen hundred and seventeen, levy and lay a particular tax on all persons and property subject to taxation within the said limits of said school district, said particular tax to be not more than seventy-five cents on the limit of tax rate one hundred dollars assessed valuation of property, and not more than two dollars and twenty-five cents on each taxable poll.

"Sec. 8. That said tax shall be collected by a tax collector to be appointed annually on the first day of May of each and every year, or as soon thereafter as practicable, by said board of
school trustees, and shall be collected by said tax collector at the time and in the manner that the municipal taxes of the town of Roanoke Rapids are collected, and said tax collector shall pay over said taxes so collected to the treasurer of said board of school trustees, who shall be appointed by said board of school trustees at the same time that said tax collector is appointed. Said treasurer shall keep said taxes so paid over to him safely in his hands in such bank or banks as said board of school trustees may designate, and shall, for the safe performance of his duties, furnish such bond as may in the discretion of said board of school trustees be sufficient. The said treasurer shall pay out said taxes and other funds which may come into his hands for the use of said graded school, only upon the warrant of the chairman and secretary of said board of school trustees, or upon the warrant of either of said officers and two other members of said board. The compensation of said tax collector and said treasurer shall be fixed by said board of school trustees.

"Sec. 9. That the provisions of sections three and seven of this act shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified voters of said school district, at an election on a day to be designated by the board of school trustees at any time after the ratification of this act. That thirty days notice of such election, containing a copy of the provisions of sections three and seven of this act, or a synopsis of the same, shall be published in one or more weekly papers published in the county of Halifax and posted at three public places in said school district, as described in section one, and in all other respects said election shall be held and conducted under the provisions of the law governing the holding of municipal elections in said town. Those qualified voters approving the issue of bonds provided for in section three, and the levy and collection of the particular taxes provided for in section seven of this act, shall deposit a ballot containing the written or printed words 'For schools,' and those disapproving the same shall deposit a ballot containing the written or printed words 'Against schools.' If a majority of such voters shall vote 'For schools,' it shall be deemed and held that a majority of the qualified voters of said school district are in favor of granting the aforesaid board of school trustees authority to issue such bonds and levy such particular tax, and said board of trustees shall have such authority. But if a majority of such qualified voters shall vote 'Against schools,' then the said board of trustees shall not have such authority: Provided, that the result of such election duly ascertained in accordance with law shall be enrolled among the public records of the town of Roanoke Rapids; and after thirty days from the date of such enrollment, such record shall not be open to attack, but shall be held and deemed conclusive evidence of the trust of the facts therein recited: Provided further, that if
a majority of the said qualified voters shall fail to vote in favor of issuing such bonds and of levying such special tax, the board of school trustees shall order another election, at any time after the expiration of six months from the date of the former election, and if, at such election, a majority of the qualified voters shall vote 'For schools,' it shall have the same force as if no election had been previously held.

"Sec. 10. S. F. Patterson, C. A. Wyche, W. D. Tillery, J. A. Trustees Moore, H. L. Bell, L. S. Cannon, John L. Patterson, R. W. Brown, and Louis Grimmer are hereby appointed and constituted a board of trustees for the graded schools of said district, who shall serve without compensation. The first three named shall hold their Terms of office for the term of two years, the second three named for a term of four years, and last three named for the term of six years. Vacancies occurring by reason of the expiration of the terms of office, shall be filled by the said board of trustees at a meeting called for that purpose, and shall be for the unexpired term of trusteeship so filled, except Successors. when the vacancy occurs by reason of the expiration of the terms of office, when the term shall be for six years; a majority of the board shall constitute a quorum: Provided, that the acceptance of said office of school trustees shall not disqualify any person accepting from holding any other office of trust or profit whatsoever under the laws of the State of North Carolina.

"Sec. 11. That said board of trustees and their successors be and are hereby constituted a body corporate by the name and style of the 'Board of School Trustees of Roanoke Rapids' and by that name sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, contract and be contracted with, acquire by gift, purchase, or devise real and personal estate, hold, exchange, mortgage or sell same, and exercise such rights and privileges as are incident to other corporations. And said corporation shall have a corporate seal, which it may break and change at pleasure.

"Sec. 12. That it shall be the duty of said board of trustees to establish graded public schools for the white and colored children of said district. And said board of trustees shall appropriate and use the funds derived from said particular taxes and from other sources in such manner as shall be deemed just to both races, providing equal school facilities for each, due regard being paid, however, to the difference in the cost of maintaining such schools: Provided, that all donations to said schools be applied as directed by the donors.

"Sec. 13. That said board of trustees shall have exclusive control of all public schools in said school district; shall prescribe rules and regulations not inconsistent with this act for their own government, and for the government of such schools; shall employ, prescribe and qualifications and fix the compensation of..."
School census. all officers and teachers of such schools; shall cause to be taken from time to time, in accordance with the general school law of the state, an accurate census of the school population of the said school district, and shall exercise such other powers as may be necessary for the successful control and operation of said graded schools: Provided, that nothing in this act shall be held to authorize the county board of school directors, nor the county superintendent of schools of Halifax County to exercise any authority or control whatever over the graded public schools of said school district, or the officers and teachers thereof: Provided, that the schools established under this act shall be subject in all respects to the public school law regulating other public schools of Halifax County and of the state.

"Sec. 14. That all public school funds derived from the state and from the county of Halifax for the use and benefit of the public schools in said school district, shall be paid over to the treasurer of the board of school trustees by the treasurer of said county for the use and benefit of the graded schools in this school district; and the property, both real and personal, of the various school districts embraced within the limits of said school district, shall become the property of said graded schools, and the title thereto shall be vested in said board of trustees in trust therefor, and said board of trustees may, in their discretion, sell the same or any part thereof and apply the proceeds to the use of the said graded schools.

"Sec. 15. That said board of trustees may, if in their judgment necessary for the maintenance of said graded schools, require from each pupil entered therein an incidental fee of not more than two dollars per annum, payable as said board of trustees may direct: Provided, that such fee shall be applied exclusively to the maintenance of such grade in such schools as the paying pupil shall attend.

"Sec. 16. That said board of trustees shall elect annually at least thirty days before the opening of the fall term of said graded school, a superintendent, who shall supervise the graded public schools of said school district, and exercise such other powers and discharge such other duties as said board of trustees may prescribe.

"Sec. 17. That said board of school trustees, together with the superintendent, are hereby authorized, in their discretion, to fix a curriculum of studies, and to adopt textbooks for said graded schools and to admit pupils residing without the limits of said district, upon such terms as said board of trustees may deem just and reasonable.

"Sec. 18. That the county board of education of Halifax County shall apportion the school funds coming to said school district direct thereto upon a per capita basis, in accordance with the provisions of the laws of North Carolina.
"Sec. 19. That all fines and penalties imposed and collected in the court of the mayor or recorder of the town of Roanoke Rapids shall be paid to the treasurer of the board of school trustees and by him credited to the fund for defraying the expenses of the graded schools provided in this act.

"Sec. 20. Said board of school trustees, may, in their discretion, upon two weeks published notice in some newspaper published in Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina, or if there be none then in some paper published in Halifax County, prescribe a nine months compulsory attendance for all children embraced within the limits of the general compulsory attendance law, and may employ a truant officer to enable them to enforce attendance. The provisions of the general compulsory attendance statute as to penalties imposed on both parent and child shall apply to any additional attendance term prescribed hereunder.

"Sec. 21. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

"Sec. 22. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification."

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 121

AN ACT TO IMPROVE THE TOWN OF BAKERSVILLE, MITCHELL COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the public road commissioners of Mitchell County be, and they are hereby authorized, empowered and required to construct such concrete sidewalks in the town of Bakersville as are actually necessary for the convenience of the citizens of the town: Provided, that in the event the said commissioners shall fail to comply with the provisions of this act prior to the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, the county commissioners shall immediately thereafter proceed to build the said sidewalks as required by this act: "Provided, that the cost of construction of such sidewalks in the town built during the year one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, as well as those hereafter built, shall be borne as herein set out, and that the owner of any such abutting property falling or refusing to pay one-half of such cost the same shall become a lien upon each and every such property, each cost of construction shall be ascertained by the commissioners upon an itemized verified report filed before the commissioners by the constituted road authorities of the county."
Sec. 2. That the commissioners shall, for the construction of the said sidewalks herein provided, use so much of the public road fund of Bakersville Township as may be necessary to complete the work.

Sec. 3. That to enable them to carry out the provisions of this act, the commissioners are hereby authorized to condemn as provided by law, if it shall become necessary to do so, any abutting property, paying therefor one-half of the damages they may deem just and reasonable, the owners of such abutting property paying the other half.

Sec. 4. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 5. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 7th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 122

AN ACT TO INDUCE THE PROMPT PAYMENT OF TAXES IN THE TOWN OF REIDSVILLE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That each and every person, firm or corporation liable for municipal tax either general or special and failing to pay said taxes or any part thereof prior to the first day of March next after the same shall have become due, shall be liable to a penalty of three per cent of the amount of such delinquent taxes for each month or fraction of a month that such delinquent taxes or any part thereof remains unpaid thereafter. The amount of said penalty shall be added to the amount of unpaid taxes and shall be collected by the tax collector under the same authority and in the same manner as if said penalty was a part of the original tax. The tax collector shall keep an accurate account of all penalties collected under this act and they shall be paid into the general town fund: Provided, that this act shall apply only to the town of Reidsville.

Sec. 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 8th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 123
AN ACT TO GRANT THE RIGHT AND PRIVILEGE TO VOTE TO CERTAIN RESIDENTS OF THE TOWNS OF SNOW HILL AND HOOKERTON, IN GREENE COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That, in all municipal or town elections for the Right granted, present year one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, there shall be extended and granted to all electors and qualified voters residing in the areas of territories incorporated into the towns of Snow Hill and Hookerton, in Greene County, by acts of the present General Assembly of North Carolina, the right and privilege to vote in their respective towns: Provided, their residence in said areas or territories shall have been of such duration as legally would have entitled them to such right and privilege had they been residents of their said respective towns for such duration of time.

SEC. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 8th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 124
AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 10 OF PRIVATE LAWS OF 1917 RELATIVE TO THE COLLECTION OF TAXES IN THE TOWN OF THOMASVILLE, N. C.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That section seven of chapter ten of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred seventeen be and the same is hereby amended by striking out all of said section after the word Penalty for failure to pay taxes when due. January in line twelve of said section, and by adding the following: Par on or before the first of February; add one-half per cent. Interest as a penalty on those remaining unpaid on or before the first of March; add one per cent interest on those remaining unpaid on or before the first of April; add one and one-half per cent interest on those remaining unpaid on the first of May next ensuing the laying of same, which said interest shall be a lien upon real and personal property and collected as other taxes.

SEC. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 8th day of March, A. D. 1919.
AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF RUTHERFORDTON TO ISSUE BONDS IN EXCESS OF 10 PER CENT OF THE ASSESSED TAX VALUATION OF ITS PROPERTY, FOR WATERWORKS AND STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the town of Rutherfordton, through its town council, is hereby authorized and empowered to issue bonds to an amount not exceeding thirty thousand dollars ($30,000), for the purpose of adding to the water supply of said town, waterworks, and for general street improvement and street paving and is hereby authorized to levy and collect annually, a special tax for the payment of interest thereon and to create a sinking fund for the purpose of liquidating and paying off said bonds at maturity thereof.

SECTION 2. That the proceeds arising from the sale of said bonds shall be turned over to the treasurer of said town of Rutherfordton to be paid out and disposed of by order of the town council of said town for the purposes specified in section one of this act.

SECTION 3. That said bonds shall be coupon bonds in denominations of not less than five hundred dollars ($500) each, bearing interest from date of bonds at a rate not exceeding 6 per cent per annum, payable semiannually at such place as may be specified and provided for by the town council of the town of Rutherfordton, North Carolina, and that said bonds shall be made payable and become due at the expiration of such period as may be fixed by the town council of said town not to exceed thirty (30) years from date thereof. The said bonds and their coupons shall be numbered and the said bonds shall be signed by the mayor and countersigned by the clerk of the board of town council of said town and sealed with the corporate seal of said town and a record shall be kept of the same. The said bonds and their coupons shall be exempt from taxation by the said town and the purchaser of said bonds shall not be required to see that the purchase money of the same is applied to the purpose prescribed in this act.

SECTION 4. In order to pay the interest on said bonds and for the purpose of creating a sinking fund for the liquidation of the same the town of Rutherfordton, through its board of town council, is hereby authorized and it shall be its duty, through said board, to annually compute and levy, at the time of levying other taxes of said town, a sufficient special tax upon all property, real and personal, and other objects of taxation which shall be returned or listed for general taxation in said town with which to regularly and promptly pay the interest on said bonds and
such sinking fund as the said town council may provide, and the
taxes shall be collected in the same manner and at the same
time the other taxes of said town are collected and shall be paid
over by the tax collector to the treasurer of said town. The said
town council are authorized to provide a sinking fund sufficient to
liquidate and pay off said bonds at maturity thereof which shall
be and remain at all times a separate fund and be kept separate
from all other moneys belonging to the said town.

Sec. 5. That the taxes levied and collected for the purposes
specified herein shall not be used for any other purpose than that
for which they were so levied and collected but the said town
council shall have the right, in the event that they should create
a sinking fund under the provisions of this act for the liquidation
of said bonds at maturity, and annually invest the same or
to loan the same in such way and manner that the said fund may
earn a reasonable income to be added thereto for the purpose of
paying off and discharging said bonds at maturity. The rate of
interest and the manner of loaning and investing of said fund
shall be left to the sound discretion of the said town council.

Sec. 6. That the said town shall have the authority hereinbe-
fore specified notwithstanding that said bonds when so issued may
increase the indebtedness of said town to more than 10 per cent
and notwithstanding that the indebtedness of the town already
exceeds 10 per cent of the assessed valuation of the property of
said town and the said authority hereinbefore granted may be
exercised by said officers of said town without submitting said
proposition to the voters of said town.

Sec. 7. That this act shall be in force from and after its rati-
fication.

Ratified this the 8th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 126

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE ANNUAL TAXES LEVIED IN
AID OF THE GRADED SCHOOLS OF MOUNT AIRY

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the board of commissioners of the town of
Mount Airy shall and they are hereby authorized to submit to
the qualified voters of the said town on or after June fifteenth,
one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, the question whether
there shall be an increase in the taxes annually levied for the
support and maintenance of the schools in the said town as here-
inafter provided.

Sec. 2. That at the time of the ordering of the election, the
board of commissioners of the town of Mount Airy shall appoint
the
Notice.

New registration may be required.

Canvass of returns.

Record of result.

Form of ballot.

a resident of each of the wards or precincts in said town as registrar for said election and two residents of each ward or precinct as judges for said election and should the persons so named as registrars or judges refuse or decline to act, that the mayor of the town of Mount Airy is hereby authorized to appoint a successor in said wards to fill such positions; that notice of such election shall be made twenty days before the election and shall be published in one or more newspapers in the town of Mount Airy; said notice shall state the amount of the annual increase in the tax levy and the purposes for which the said increase shall be used. Upon request of the board of school commissioners of the town, the said board of town commissioners may in their discretion at the time of the ordering of the said election, require that there may be a new registration of the qualified voters for said election in said town; that the registrars named shall open the registration books for the purpose of registering the voters for twenty days preceding the last Saturday before the election, excluding Sundays and shall keep the books open on said days from nine o'clock a. m. until sunset; that the registration books shall be kept open at some convenient place in each ward every day and on Saturday they shall be kept open at the voting precinct; that on the Saturday preceding the election there shall be no registration of voters, but the registrar and the voters in each ward shall meet at the polling precinct for the purpose of hearing and ordering any challenge that may be made by any voter than has registered; that challenges will be allowed to be made on the day of the election; that on the morning of the election the polls shall be opened at sunup and shall be closed at sundown; that immediately upon the closing of the polls the registrars and judges of the election shall publicly count the ballots cast and shall place the returns in a sealed envelope and deliver the same to the clerk of the Superior Court of Surry County, who shall declare the result to the mayor of the town of Mount Airy and the mayor shall immediately call together the board of commissioners of the town and submit to the board the returns so delivered to him and they shall announce the result of the said election and shall spread the same upon the record book of the town and any other record of said election shall not be necessary to be kept. That those favoring the increase of the annual tax rate shall vote on written or printed ballots with the words "For School Tax," those opposed to the annual increase tax shall vote on written or printed ballots with the words "Against School Tax," and if at such election the majority of the qualified voters of the said town shall vote ballots "For School Tax" written or printed thereon, then the said board of commissioners shall annually levy and have collected by the town authorities the increased tax levy under the same rules and regulations under
which other town taxes are levied and collected; that the annual Limit of tax rate increase.
increased taxes so levied shall not exceed fifteen cents on the one hundred dollars ($100) valuation of property of all kinds upon which town taxes are levied, and forty-five cents (45c) on the poll. This increase to be considered as additional to the annual levy already provided for in acts of the General Assembly.

Sec. 3. That the increased annual taxes provided for in this act shall be applied exclusively to the supporting and maintaining of the schools of the town of Mount Airy.

Sec. 4. That this registration and election shall not operate One election only.
or be applied to any other election in the town except the one herein provided for.

Sec. 5. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified, this 8th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 127

AN ACT TO VOTE A SPECIAL TAX AND FOR THE ELECTION OF TRUSTEES IN THE NASHVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT IN NASH COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the Nashville school district shall remain and continue to remain as now, and the boundaries of said district will be the same as provided in the petition and election held by said district by authority of section four thousand one hundred and fifteen of the Revisal of North Carolina Amendments thereto, and shall levy and collect the same rate of tax as has been heretofore levied and is now being collected, and continue to receive all funds collected from the said special tax heretofore voted and as allotted to said district by the board of education of Nash County, and the said funds and all taxes levied and collected for said district, shall be collected and paid to the school board as heretofore.

Sec. 2. That B. G. Alford, George N. Bissette, Dr. J. T. Strickland, S. C. Griffin, F. S Cooper, Mrs S. F. Austin and Mrs. T. O. Copppedge are hereby appointed the board of trustees of said district and they shall hold office until January first, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one, or until their successors are duly elected and qualified.

Sec. 3. That on and after the first day of January, one thou- Half of board to be women.
sand nine hundred and twenty-one, the board of trustees of Nash-ville school district shall consist of six members, three of whom shall be male and three female. And the next general election Election. for members of the General Assembly held in one thousand nine
hundred and twenty there shall be elected by the qualified voters of the Nashville school district six members of said school board, three of whom shall be male and three female, who shall qualify as members of said board and take office. Two of the said members, one male and one female, shall be elected for a term of two years: two of the said members, one male and one female, shall be elected for a term of four years; and two of said members, one male and one female, shall be elected for a term of six years, all of whom shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified. At each biennial election thereafter for members of the General Assembly two members of said school board, one male and one female, shall be elected for a term of six years. In case any vacancy shall occur in the membership of said board, the same shall be filled at an election held by the remaining members, the member so elected to hold the unexpired term.

SEC. 4. That all funds now in hand or that may hereafter be collected and apportioned for the said public school for said Nashville school district shall be paid over to said board as herefore, and all funds arising from taxation for said district shall be expended for the benefit of said school.

SEC. 5. That the report of said board required by law shall be regularly made to the superintendent of public instruction.

SEC. 6. That in the said Nashville school district, the board of county commissioners of Nash County shall call an election to be held in said district not later than the tenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, for the purpose of taking the sense of the voters of said district, upon the question of levying a special annual tax in addition to the special tax now levied, as provided in section four thousand one hundred and fifteen of chapter eighty-nine of the school law. Said additional annual tax to be provided for in a sum not less than ten cents (10c) nor more than thirty cents (30c) on the one hundred dollars ($100) valuation on all property in said district, and not less than thirty cents (30c) and not more than ninety cents (90c) on the polls in said district. Said additional special annual tax fund to be used by said board of trustees for the purpose of employing necessary teachers, repairing, enlarging or equipping the said school building in Nashville school district, and also for necessary expenditures in the running of said school.

SEC. 7. The board of county commissioners shall appoint a registrar and two polholders, and shall designate a polling place and order a new registration for such district, and the election shall be held in the district under the law governing general elections as near as may be, and the registrar and polholders shall canvass the vote case and declare the result, and shall duly certify the returns of same to the board of county commissioners, and the same shall be recorded in the records kept by the clerk.
to the said board of county commissioners; the expense of holding said election shall be paid out of the general school fund of the said county.

Sec. 8. At such election those who are in favor of the levy and collection of the tax shall vote a ticket on which shall be printed or written the words "For special school tax," and those who oppose shall vote a ticket on which shall be printed or written the words "Against special school tax." In case the majority of the qualified voters at the said election are in favor of the tax, the same shall be annually levied and collected in the manner prescribed for the levy and collection of other taxes.

Sec. 9. All money arising from the taxes levied under the provisions of this section shall upon collection be placed to the credit of the board of trustees of the Nashville school district for the use and benefit of the said Nashville school.

Sec. 10. That if at the first election held under the provisions of this act a majority of the qualified voters of said school district shall not vote for a special school tax, then and in that event, the board of county commissioners of the county of Nash, at any time thereafter, not oftener than once in each twelve months, as they may deem fit, and by their own motion, may, or upon petition of one-fifth of the qualified voters of said school district, shall again submit the same question to the qualified voters of said school district as hereinbefore provided for by the first election, and if a majority of the qualified voters of said school district shall at any of said elections so called vote for special school tax, then this act and all provisions herein provided for shall be and remain in full force and effect, and shall have the same force and effect as if no previous election had been held.

Sec. 11. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 12. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 8th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 128

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE PLYMOUTH GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON COUNTY TO ISSUE BONDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ERECTING A BUILDING FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That upon written petition signed by the majority of the trustees of the Plymouth graded school district, Washington County, requesting an election in said district on the sub-
Limit of bonds.

Notice of election.

Conduct of election.

New registration.

Form of ballot.

Canvass of returns.

ject of the bond issue described herein, it shall be the duty of the board of county commissioners of Washington County to order an election to be held in the Plymouth graded school district to determine the question: shall the Plymouth graded school district issue bonds of the said district in an amount not to exceed sixty thousand dollars ($60,000) to provide a fund for the erection of a building for the accommodation of the public schools of the said district, and shall said district levy taxes sufficient to retire said bonds. The said board of county commissioners shall, at least thirty days preceding such election give public notice of such election by publication in one or more newspapers having circulation in said district, and by posting in at least three public places in said district.

Sec. 2. That the said election shall be held and conducted in the same manner and under the same requirements of law as are now in force or may hereafter be prescribed by law for holding elections for members of the General Assembly: Provided, that prior to said election there shall be a new registration of all qualified voters residing in said district and for this purpose the board of county commissioners is hereby empowered and directed to prescribe such rules and regulations for the opening and closing of said registration books as it may seem fit and proper.

Sec. 3. That at said election the ballot tendered and cast shall have written or printed thereon “For school bonds and taxes,” or “Against school bonds and taxes,” and all qualified electors in favor of this issue of bonds and the levy of a special tax to retire same shall vote a ticket upon which shall be written or printed the words “For school bonds and taxes,” and all qualified electors who may oppose the issue of bonds and levy of said tax shall vote a ticket on which shall be written or printed the words “Against school bonds and taxes.” The votes cast at this election shall be counted at the close of the polls and the return of the said election made to the said board of commissioners at its first regular meeting next following the election, and the said board shall canvass, tabulate and declare the result of the election, which shall be recorded in the minutes of the board, and no other recording and declaration of the result of said election shall be necessary.

Sec. 4. That if a majority of the qualified voters of the said school district shall vote “For school bonds and taxes,” then the board of trustees of said district shall prepare bonds of the said district to an amount not to exceed sixty thousand dollars ($60,000.00) and in such denominations as the said board may determine, which bonds shall bear a rate of interest not to exceed six per cent per annum and the principal of said bonds shall be payable or redeemable at such time not to exceed thirty (30) years from the date of issue as said board of trustees may determine.
The said bonds shall be signed by the chairman of the said board, countersigned by the clerk of the said board and shall have upon them the seal of the said district.

Sec. 5. That upon the preparation, signing and execution of said bonds the said board of school trustees shall deliver the same to the treasurer of Washington County who shall sell said bonds at such times and in such manner as the said board of trustees may direct; Provided, that none of the said bonds may be sold for less than their par value and, Provided further, that none of said bonds or of the proceeds of said bonds shall be used for any purpose other than is herein specified. The proceeds arising from the sale of said bonds shall be deposited with the treasurer of Washington County, shall be kept separate from all other funds of said county, and shall be paid out only upon the order of the trustees of the Plymouth graded school district.

Sec. 6. It shall be the duty of the treasurer of Washington County to execute an official bond conditioned upon the faithful performance of his duties imposed herein and payable to the State of North Carolina for the use of said school trustees in the usual manner and in such amount as the said school trustees shall require.

Sec. 7. That the proceeds arising from the sale of said bonds shall be expended by the trustees of the Plymouth graded school district for the erection in said district of a suitable building for the accommodation of the public schools of the said district; Provided further, that the said trustees are hereby authorized to determine the site and location of such building, and Provided further, that the said trustees are hereby authorized to expend a part of said proceeds for the purchase of a site for said building should such expenditure be necessary.

Sec. 8. That if, in the election provided for in this act, the majority of the qualified voters of said district shall have voted "For school bonds and taxes," and the said bonds shall have been issued and sold, the board of county commissioners of Washington County is hereby authorized and directed to levy annually upon the property and polls of the said Plymouth graded school district a special tax sufficient to provide for the payment of the interest on such bonds and to create a sinking fund sufficient to retire such bonds at their maturity: Provided, that in all taxes levied under the authorization of this section the constitutional equation between taxes on property and taxes on polls shall be observed. The aforesaid tax shall be levied and collected as the Collection. other taxes of the county of Washington are levied and collected and shall be turned over to the treasurer of said county and kept by him as a separate fund to be applied to the purposes mentioned in this section and to no other purposes.
Sec. 9. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 10. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 8th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 129

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 165 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1901, AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF PARKTON, INCREASING ITS CORPORATE LIMITS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That section six of chapter one hundred and sixty-five, of the Private Laws of North Carolina of the General Assembly of one thousand nine hundred and one, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows: That the corporation limits of the town of Parkton, in Robeson County, shall be as follows:

Beginning at a point twenty-one hundred feet at right angles from the center of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad opposite the depot at Parkton, on the east side of said railroad, and running thence twenty-four hundred feet parallel with said railroad; thence at right angles across said railroad forty-two hundred feet, thence parallel with said railroad and first call reversed forty-eight hundred feet, thence across said railroad at right angles forty-two hundred feet, thence twenty-four hundred feet to the beginning, so as to make the corporation limits of said town forty-two hundred feet by forty-eight hundred feet.

SECTION 2. Before, however, the limits of said town of Parkton shall be extended, the question of such extension shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said town and to those in the territory proposed to be incorporated in it at the next regular municipal election. Except as herein modified, said election shall be held as that for the election of officers of the town. The board of commissioners, after advertising said election and its time and place for thirty days at three public places in the town of Parkton, shall provide a separate box in which may be voted, written or printed ballots (for extension or against extension). If, at said election, a majority of votes cast of those in the town, as at present constituted, and of those in the territory proposed to be annexed, voting as a unit, shall be for extension, the judges of election shall declare the result and certify the same to the board of commissioners of the town, who shall enter it upon the records of the town. Thereupon this act shall become effective and the corporate limits of said town of Parkton shall be extended.
as herein provided and described. If, however, a majority of the votes cast at such election shall not be for extension, then this act shall not take effect so as to extend the limits of said town.

The voters resident in the territory proposed to be annexed may register in the registration books of the town, but only that they may vote upon the question of extension in the box provided for such ballots. If, however, a majority of the votes cast shall be for extension, then such registration shall be as valid for all municipal elections thereafter held as that of voters in the original corporate limits.

Sec. 3. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 130

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 12, OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1917, RELATING TO ASSESSMENT FOR WATER LINE

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter twelve of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen be amended as follows: By striking out in line four of section six between the word "any" in line four and the word "sewer" in line five of said section the words "water of" and in line ten of said section between the words "sewer" and "line" the words "or water."

Sec. 2. That section five of said chapter twelve, Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen be amended by striking out between the word "sewer" in line seven of said section and the word "line" in line eight of said section the words "or water"; and that said section be further amended by striking out in line seventeen of said section between the words "sewer" and "line" the words "or water"; that said section be further amended by striking out in line twenty between the words "sewer" and "line" the words "or water"; that said section be further amended by striking out in line twenty-eight the words "or water" between the word "sewer" and "line."

Sec. 3. That section seven of chapter twelve of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen be amended by striking out in line eight of said section seven between the word "sewer" and "line" the words "or water."

Sec. 4. That said chapter twelve of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen be further amended by adding at the end of section seven of said act the following, which
shall be numbered section seven-a: That any and all assessments charged against the abutting property owners on any of the streets in the said town of Canton for the cost of laying down any water line or water mains under the provisions of said chapter twelve of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and which said assessment has not been paid by said abutting property owner are hereby declared to be null and void and that the said property abutting on any such streets or alleys is hereby declared to be discharged from the lien or liens created under the provisions of said chapter twelve of Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and any and all assessments or liens against any of the property of any abutting owner on any such street or streets are hereby declared null and void and entirely discharged any of the said abutting property owners.

Sec. 5. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 6. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 131

AN ACT TO EXCLUDE CERTAIN TERRITORY FROM THE GRIMESLAND SPECIAL SCHOOL TAX DISTRICT IN PITT COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That all of the territory included in the following boundary lines, to wit: Beginning at Chicod Creek at Mrs. J. D. Buck's and R. M. Elks' corner, running south with their line to the Grimes mill road; thence east with said road to J. W. Elks' and R. M. Elks' line; thence with their line north to Chicod Creek; thence with said creek to the beginning, be and the same is hereby excluded from the Grimesland special school tax district, being district number eight, Chicod Township, Pitt County.

SEC. 2. That the board of education of Pitt County be and it is hereby authorized to add the territory described in section one of this act to school district number eleven of Chicod Township, Pitt County.

SEC. 3. This act shall be in force and effect upon its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 132

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE SALE OF WINES WITHIN TWO MILES OF THE TOWN OF OLD FORT

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation, to sell any kinds of wines or intoxicating drinks of any kind whatsoever within two miles of the corporate limits of the town of Old Fort, in McDowell County: Provided, that this act shall not prevent the sale of wine for sacramental purposes to an officer of any church or religious organization.

Sec. 2. That any person who shall violate the provision of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined or imprisoned in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 133

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MONROE GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT TO ISSUE BONDS FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. The board of trustees of the Monroe graded school district (which board was incorporated by chapter one hundred and forty-seven of the Public Laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven) is hereby authorized, upon the conditions and subject to the limitations and restrictions set forth in this act, to issue bonds in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, for the purpose of erecting, enlarging, altering and equipping school buildings, and acquiring land for school buildings, of the Monroe graded school district, or for any one or more of said purposes; and the board of county commissioners of Union County is hereby authorized, directed and required to levy annually a special tax ad valorem upon all taxable property in said graded school district for the purpose of paying the principal and interest of all bonds under this act, as such principal and interest become due, which special tax shall be in an amount sufficient for said purpose and in addition to all other taxes authorized to be levied by said board.

Sec. 2. The bonds hereby authorized shall not be issued, nor shall said special tax be levied, unless and until the question of
issuing such bonds and levying such tax shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said graded school district at a special election to be held for that purpose, and a majority of said qualified voters shall have voted in favor of issuing said bonds and levying said special tax, as required by section seven of article seven of the Constitution of North Carolina.

SEC. 3. Upon the request of said board of trustees, the board of county commissioners of Union County shall order a special election to be held in said graded school district at such time as said board of trustees may designate, for the purpose of voting upon the question of issuing bonds and levying a tax under this act. Said election shall be held under the supervision of said board of county commissioners, and, in all particulars other than those specifically provided for in this act shall be held and conducted, and the qualifications of voters at the election determined, as nearly as may be practicable in accordance with the general law relating to elections for members of the General Assembly.

For said election there shall be a new registration of the qualified voters of said graded school district. Notice of the election shall be given by publication at least twice in some newspaper published in the city of Monroe, the first publication to be at least thirty days before the election. The question to be voted upon shall be stated in said notice as follows: "The question of issuing not exceeding $50,000 of serial bonds of the Monroe graded school district and levying a sufficient annual tax to pay the same." The board of county commissioners of Union County shall appoint the registrars and judges of election for said election, and shall cause to be printed and distributed a sufficient number of ballots for use at the election. At said election the voters who are in favor of the issuance of said bonds and the levying of said special annual tax shall vote a ballot on which shall be written or printed the words "For bond issue"; and the voters who are opposed to the issuance of said bonds and the levying of said tax shall vote a ballot on which shall be written or printed the words "Against bond issue." At the close of the polls the election officers shall count the votes and make returns thereof to the board of county commissioners of Union County, which board shall, as soon as practicable after the election, judicially pass upon the returns and judicially determine and declare the result of said election, which determination shall be spread upon the minutes of said board. The returns shall be made in duplicate, one copy of which shall be delivered to the board of county commissioners of Union County as aforesaid, and the other filed with the clerk of the Superior Court of Union County. If said board of county commissioners shall cause a notice containing a brief statement of the result of said election as determined by said board to be published at least once in a news-
paper published in the city of Monroe, no right of action or defense founded upon any invalidity in said election shall be asserted, nor shall the validity of said election be open to question in any court upon any ground whatever, except in an action or proceeding commenced within thirty days after the first publication of said notice: Provided, however, that a copy of this sentence shall be incorporated in said notice.

SEC. 4. The bonds authorized by this act may be issued as one issue or divided into two or more separate issues, and in either case may be issued all at one time or from time to time. Each issue shall so mature that the aggregate principal amount of the issue shall be payable in annual installments, beginning not more than three years after the date of the bonds of such issue and ending not more than thirty years after such date. No such installment shall be more than two and one-half times as great in amount as the smallest prior installment of the same bond issue. If all bonds of any one issue are not delivered simultaneously, the bonds of such issue outstanding at any one time shall mature as aforesaid.

SEC. 5. Said bonds shall be issued in the corporate name of said board of trustees or, at the option of the board of trustees, in the corporate name of said graded school district (if said graded school district, as well as said board, is a body corporate). The bonds shall be issued in such form and denominations, and with such provisions as to time, place and medium of payment of principal and interest, as the said board of trustees of said graded school district may determine, subject to the limitations and restrictions of this act. The bonds shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, payable semi-annually. They may be either coupon bonds or registered bonds, and if issued in coupon form may be made registerable as to principal or as to both principal and interest. They shall be signed by the chairman of said board of trustees and either the seal of said board of trustees or the seal of said graded school district shall be affixed to the bonds and attested by the secretary of said board of trustees; and the coupons of such bonds shall bear the printed or lithographed or engraved facsimile signature of said chairman who is in office at the date of the bonds. The delivery of bonds signed as aforesaid by officers in office at the time of such signing shall be valid notwithstanding any changes in officers occurring after such signing.

SEC. 6. Said bonds shall be sold by said board of trustees in the manner provided in the Municipal Finance Act (Chapter 138 of the Public Laws of 1917, as amended) for the sale of bonds of cities and towns. They shall not be sold for less than par and accrued Interest.
SEC. 7. The proceeds of the sale of said bonds shall be placed in a separate fund and used only for the purposes for which the bonds were issued. The purchasers of the bonds shall not be bound to see to the application of the proceeds.

SEC. 8. The taxes provided for in section one of this act shall be collected by the sheriff of Union and paid over by him to the treasurer of said graded school district, to be applied solely to the payment of the principal and interest of said bonds.

SEC. 9. The powers granted by this act are granted in addition to and not in substitution for existing powers of the board of trustees of said graded school district, and are not subject to any limitation or restriction contained in any other law.

SEC. 10. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 11. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 134

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF GREENVILLE TO ISSUE BONDS TO COMPLETE AND EQUIP THE WATER AND LIGHT PLANT OF SAID TOWN.

That whereas, the board of aldermen of the town of Greenville, pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, has heretofore issued bonds in the sum of one hundred thousand dollars ($100,000.00), for the purpose of reconstructing, rebuilding, and enlarging the municipal water plant and extending and building water mains and sewerage systems in said town, and whereas, the water and light commission of said town, under the powers vested in them by law, have employed engineers and have caused plans to be prepared for the reconstruction and rebuilding of said water plant, and the same is now in process of reconstruction, and whereas, on account of the high cost of material and labor the said amount of one hundred thousand dollars is not sufficient to complete said water plant, and whereas, the light plant of said town is in need of new equipment for its proper and economic operation, and whereas, there is needed the further sum of fifty thousand dollars ($50,000) to properly complete and equip the said water and light plant, and whereas, the completion and equipment thereof is necessary to the welfare of said town, and whereas, the expenditure of fifty thousand dollars is a necessary
expense, without which the lives and property of the citizens of the town of Greenville will be endangered.

Now, therefore

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That whenever a majority of the water and light commission of the town of Greenville shall file their request in writing with the board of aldermen of the town of Greenville requesting the said board to issue bonds in an amount not to exceed the sum of fifty thousand dollars, for the purpose of completing and equipping the water and light plant of said town, it shall be the duty of the board of aldermen of said town, and they are hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to issue bonds of the town of Greenville to be known as "Water bonds" in an amount not to exceed the sum of fifty thousand dollars, for the purpose of completing and equipping said water and light plant.

SEC. 2. That said bonds shall be serial bonds, of the denomination of one thousand dollars ($1,000) each and shall be due and payable two each year until said issue shall have been paid in full, the first two of said bonds to be due and payable on the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and twenty, and two on the first day of July in each year thereafter until the amount of said issue has been fully paid.

SEC. 3. That the said bonds shall be signed in the name of the town of Greenville by the mayor and treasurer of said town and attested by the clerk, and shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, payable semiannually at such place and time as said board of aldermen may fix, authority being conferred upon said board to determine the rate of interest within the limit aforesaid: Provided, however, said bonds shall not be sold for less than their par value.

SEC. 4. That the board of aldermen of the town of Greenville shall annually levy and collect at the same time and in the same manner that other taxes of said town are levied and collected, a tax ad valorem upon all the taxable property in the municipality, sufficient to pay the principal and interest of all bonds issued under this act, when such principal and interest shall become due, maintaining in the levying and collecting of said taxes the constitutional equation between property and poll.

SEC. 5. That said bonds shall be sold by the board of aldermen of the town of Greenville at public auction, or upon sealed proposals at the mayor's office in said town, after due advertisement of said sale once a week for three weeks in some newspaper published in the town of Greenville, and in such other manner as the board may deem necessary to promote the sale of said bonds. And the board of aldermen shall have the power to require bidders for said bonds to deposit with the board at the
time of their bid, two per centum of the amount of said issue, said deposit to be in cash or by certified check payable to the treasurer of the town of Greenville, which said check shall be acceptable to the board. And the board shall have the right and is vested with the power to reject any and all bids that may be made for said bonds. Provided, that said bonds shall in no event be sold for less than their par value: Provided further, that the board of aldermen shall be vested with power to offer said bonds for sale at public auction or by sealed proposals more than once and until they have secured a satisfactory price therefor.

SEC. 6. Upon a sale of said bonds, the board of aldermen shall cause the proceeds thereof to be paid to the treasurer of the town of Greenville, who shall place the same to the credit of the water and light commission of the town of Greenville, and said money shall be used by said commission for the sole purpose of finishing, completing and equipping the said water and light plant of the town of Greenville. And the said commission shall render to the board of aldermen a full and detailed statement of all expenditures made by it of said fund.

SEC. 7. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 8. That this act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 135

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 301 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 1907 RELATIVE TO SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER 7 IN CASWELL COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That chapter three hundred and one of the Public Laws of one thousand nine hundred and seven be and the same is hereby amended as follows: Strike out all after the word “to” in line six thereof down to the word “to” in line nine thereof, and insert in lieu thereof the following: “Its intersection with the Danville and Yanceyville public road, and thence with the Danville and Yanceyville public road.”

SEC. 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act be and the same is hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 136

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 204, PRIVATE LAWS 1905, RELATING TO THE GRADED SCHOOL AT ROBERSONVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That section six (6), chapter two hundred and four, Private Laws of North Carolina, one thousand nine hundred and five, be and the same is hereby amended by striking out in lines six and seven thereof the words, “thirty-three and a third cents” and inserting in lieu thereof the words “fifty cents”; and by further adding in line eight (8), between the words “dollar” and “on” the words, “and fifty cents.”

Sec. 2. That section eight (8) of said chapter be and the same is hereby amended by striking out in line three thereof the word “three,” and inserting in lieu thereof the words, “twenty-five” and by further striking out in said line three, the figures “($3,000)” and inserting in lieu thereof the figures “($25,000).”

Sec. 3. That an election shall be called by the board of trustees of Robersonville graded school district within two years after the first day of March, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and such election shall be advertised, conducted and held under the rules and regulations set out in said chapter two hundred and four of the private laws, session one thousand nine hundred and five, and at such election all electors of said district who wish to vote for this amendment shall cast a ballot with the words “For New School Buildings” written thereon, and all electors wishing to vote against this amendment shall cast a ballot with the words “Against New School Buildings,” written thereon and if a majority of all ballots cast at such election shall be “For New School Buildings” the said chapter two hundred and four of private laws of one thousand nine hundred and five shall be amended as in this act provided, and in case a majority of all ballots cast at such election shall be “Against New School Buildings” this act shall be null and void and of no effect.

Sec. 4. That this act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 137

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AHOSKIE SCHOOL DISTRICT, HERTFORD COUNTY, TO ISSUE $15,000 IN BONDS FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the board of county commissioners of Hertford County upon receipt of a petition signed by one-fourth of the resident freeholders in the Ahoskie school district, to order an election to be held in the Ahoskie school district, Hertford County, at such time, not later than six months after the presentation of said petition as the said board may designate, to determine the question: shall the Ahoskie school district, Hertford County, issue fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000) in bonds of said district to provide a fund for the erection and repair of dormitories for the teachers in the schools of said Ahoskie district.

The said board of county commissioners shall, at least thirty days preceding such election, give public notice of such election by publication in one or more newspapers having circulation in said district and by posting in at least three public places in said district.

SEC. 2. That the said election shall be held and conducted in the same manner and under the same requirements of law as are now in force or may hereafter be prescribed by law for holding elections for members of the General Assembly: Provided, that there shall be a new registration of all of the qualified voters residing in said district, and for this purpose the said board of county commissioners is hereby empowered to prescribe such rules and regulations for the opening and closing of said registration books as it may see fit and proper: Provided further, that said board of county commissioners shall appoint registrars of election and judges of election, and the registration of voters, except as herein provided, and challenges of voters shall be conducted in the same manner as is now provided for the election of members of the General Assembly, or may hereafter be provided. That the votes shall be counted at the close of the polls and the return of said elections made to the said board of county commissioners at its first regular meeting next following the election, and said board of county commissioners shall canvass, tabulate, and declare the result of the election, which shall be recorded in the minutes of the board of county commissioners, and no other recording and declaration of the result of said election shall be necessary: Provided further, that the expenses of said election shall be borne by the said Ahoskie school district.

SEC. 3. That at said election the ballot tendered and cast shall have written or printed upon same "For bonds for dormitories;"
or “Against bonds for dormitories.” and all qualified electors who favor this issue of bonds shall vote a ticket on which shall be written or printed the words “For bonds for dormitories,” and all qualified electors who may be opposed to the issue of bonds shall vote a ticket on which shall be written or printed the words “Against bonds for dormitories.”

Sec. 4. If a majority of the votes cast at said election shall be “For bonds for dormitories” the result shall be declared and recorded as provided hereinbefore and the board of county commissioners shall certify the said result to the board of trustees of the said school district; whereupon, it shall be the duty of the said board of trustees to prepare bonds to the amount of fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000) in denominations of five hundred dollars ($500) each, which bonds shall bear a rate of interest not to exceed six per cent per annum and the principal thereof shall be payable or redeemable at such time, not to exceed thirty years from the date of issue, as the said board of trustees may determine. That the said bonds shall be signed by the chairman of the board of trustees, countersigned by the clerk of said board and shall have upon them the seal of the said Ahoskie school district.

Sec. 5. That upon the preparation, signing and execution of said bonds the said board of trustees shall deliver same to the treasurer of the said board who shall sell such bonds at such times and in such manner as said board of trustees may direct. Provided, that none of said bonds may be sold for less than their face value; and Provided further, that none of said bonds shall be used for purposes other than those set forth by this act.

Sec. 6. That the proceeds arising from the sale of said bonds shall be deposited with the treasurer of the board of trustees of Ahoskie school district and shall be kept separate from all other funds of said school district, and the said treasurer shall keep a separate account of same and shall execute an official bond conditioned upon the faithful performance of his duties and payable to the State of North Carolina, for the use of said board of trustees in the usual manner and in such amount as the said board of trustees shall direct.

Sec. 7. That the proceeds arising from the sale of said bonds shall be expended by the board of trustees of the Ahoskie school district in the purchase or erection of a dormitory or dormitories for the teachers in the public schools of the said school district; and the said board of trustees shall be responsible for the proper expenditure of the same. The said board of trustees is hereby authorized to advertise for bids for the erection of dormitories and to contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the erection of said dormitories, requiring from him a satisfactory bond conditioned upon the faithful performance of his duties, and said
board is further authorized to make such other contracts and expenditures as may be necessary to erect and equip said dormitories.

Sec. 8. That when said bonds are issued and sold, the board of county commissioners of Hertford County is hereby authorized and directed to levy annually upon the property and polls of the Ahoskie school district a special tax of not to exceed twenty cents on the one hundred dollars ($100) valuation of property and sixty cents on the poll, to provide for the payment of the interest on such bonds and to create a sinking fund sufficient to retire such bonds at their maturity. The tax so levied shall be collected as other taxes and shall be turned over to the treasurer of the board of trustees of the Ahoskie school district and kept by him as a separate fund to be applied to the purposes mentioned in this section and to none other.

Sec. 9. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 138

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF MONROE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter three hundred and fifty-two, Private Laws of North Carolina, session 1899, be amended as follows:

Amend section two of said chapter in line six by striking out the word "five" and insert in lieu thereof the word "six."

Strike out all of section three and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Section three. The said city of Monroe shall be divided into five wards and all of that portion of the city of Monroe lying north of the Seaboard Air Line Railway's tracks shall be known and designated as the first ward, and all of that portion of the city of Monroe lying south of the Seaboard Air Line Railway's tracks and east of Hayne street and north of Windsor street to its intersection with the Wadesboro road; thence north of the Wadesboro road shall be known and designated as the second ward; and all that portion of the city of Monroe lying north of Windsor street and west of Hayne street shall be designated as the third ward and all that portion of the city of Monroe lying south of Windsor street and west of Hayne street shall be designated as the fourth ward, and all that portion of the city of Monroe lying south of Windsor street to its intersection with the Wadesboro
road; thence south of the Wadesboro road and east of Hayne street shall be designated as the fifth ward.

Sec. 2. That there shall be elected from the qualified voters of the city of Monroe one alderman from each of the foregoing wards and one alderman at large, and the said alderman at large shall also be mayor pro tem, and said alderman as mayor pro tem shall exercise all the duties of the mayor in his absence from the city or when he is physically unable to attend to the duties of mayor.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919

CHAPTER 139

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE OLD TRAP GRADED AND HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT TO ISSUE BONDS IN THE SUM OF $10,000 FOR THE ERECTION OF A SCHOOL BUILDING AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PAYMENT OF SAID BONDS BY TAXATION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That for the purpose of erecting a public building Limit of bonds. in the Old Trap graded and high school district the board of trustees of said district are hereby authorized and empowered to issue bonds of said district, not to exceed the sum of ten thousand dollars ($10,000), to draw a rate of interest not to exceed Interest. six per centum per annum, and to mature at such time or times Maturity. and to be payable at such place or places and to be in such denominations as the said board of trustees may determine.

Sec. 2. That the proceeds of said bonds shall be used by the Application of proceeds. said board of trustees for the erection of a public school building in the aforesaid district.

Sec. 3. That the board of county commissioners of the county Special tax for of Camden are hereby authorized and empowered to levy annually sinking fund. on property and polls taxable in said district a special tax of sufficient sum to pay the interest on said bonds as it becomes due and the principal at maturity.

Sec. 4. That the said board of trustees shall sell said bonds in Sale of bonds. such manner as they shall deem best, at either public or private sale, such sale, however, not to be in derogation of the general laws of the State.

Sec. 5. That for the purpose of ascertaining the wishes of the Bonds to be sub- voters in the said district upon the questions of issuing said voted to voters. bonds and levying a special tax as provided for in this act, the board of county commissioners of the said county of Camden,
upon request of the board of trustees of said district shall order an election to be held in said district on a day certain and shall duly advertise the same for at least thirty days immediately preceding said day certain, and if said board of commissioners deem it advisable, a new registration shall be had of the voters in said district for the purposes of said election. Those who favor the purpose of this act shall vote a ticket with the words "For School Bonds" printed thereon, and those who oppose the purpose of this act shall vote a ticket with the words "Against School Bonds" printed thereon; and if a majority of the voters of said district who are qualified to vote in said election shall vote "For School Bonds" then, said bonds shall be issued and sold and said special tax shall be levied as hereinbefore provided; otherwise said bonds shall not be issued and said special tax shall not be levied.

Sec. 6. That the board of county commissioners of the said county of Camden, in case the bond issue is approved by the voters as aforesaid, shall levy annually the special tax provided for in section three of this act, the levy to be made at the time of the levy of the county tax, commencing with the fiscal year beginning next after the approval of the bond issue by the voters at the aforementioned election.

Sec. 7. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 140

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 42 OF THE PUBLIC-LOCAL LAWS OF 1917, RELATING TO PHILADELPHUS GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That section one of chapter forty-two, of the Public-Local Laws of 1917, be amended by striking out the words "twenty-three cents" in line twenty of said section one, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "thirty-five cents"; and by striking out the words "sixty-nine cents" in line twenty-two of said section one, and inserting in lieu thereof one dollar and five cents.

Sec. 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 141

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON, N. C., RELATING TO THE BOUNDARIES OF SAID CITY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the charter of the city of Wilmington be amended so as to eliminate from the corporate limits of the city the following described property:

Beginning on the northern edge of the Greenfield Lake at the southwest corner of the Greenfield Park tract, formerly the property of the Wilmington Suburban Corporation, and running thence in a northwesterly direction and with the southern line of said tract to a corner of said tract, thence with another line of said tract northwardly to the eastern edge of the Federal Point macadamized road and thence with the eastern line of said road to the bridge over the Greenfield mill race, thence eastwardly along the present boundary lines of the city of Wilmington to the beginning.

Sec. 2. That before this act shall become operative, it shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the city of Wilmington, North Carolina, at the next municipal election to be held in and for the city of Wilmington and those who favor said amendment shall cast their ballots upon white paper upon which shall be printed or written on their ballots "For the Amendment" and those against the amendment shall cast their ballot which shall be printed or written on white paper "Against the Amendment." The board of elections shall provide separate boxes and ballots necessary to carry out the provisions of this act. This election shall be held under the general rules and regulations prescribed in municipal elections.

Sec. 3. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall be in force from and after its passage.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 142

AN ACT RELATING TO THE SCHOOLS OF GOLDSBORO TOWNSHIP.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That for the purpose of investigating an amended or new form of government for the graded schools of Goldsboro created.

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towship, Wayne County, there is hereby created a committee to be known as "The School Committee for Goldsboro Township." The following are hereby appointed and shall constitute said committee, to wit: the chairman of the board of education of Wayne County; the chairman of the board of trustees of the graded schools of Goldsboro township; G. C. Kornegay, Lionel Weil, George S. Dewey, Joe A. Parker, Paul Yelverton, A. H. Edgerton, W. D. Creech, Graves J. Smith, John R. Crawford and Thomas O'Berry.

SEC. 2. That said committee shall organize on or before July first, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and it shall be the duty of said committee to investigate the several forms of government of schools, and from time to time to hold public meetings in the city of Goldsboro for the purpose of discussing and determining whether or not to recommend the adoption of an amended or new form of government for the graded schools of Goldsboro Township. After such investigation and public discussion, and prior to the next session of the General Assembly of North Carolina, said committee shall draft or cause to be drafted, an amended or new form of government for said schools, if the said committee decides that an amended or new form of government for said schools would be desirable; any such form of government decided upon by said committee shall be submitted to the next General Assembly for enactment. Such new form of government for said schools, when passed by the General Assembly, shall be submitted to the qualified voters of Goldsboro Township at an election to be held in said township, within four months after the passage of such amended or new form of government of said schools by the General Assembly. The county board of education of Wayne County shall bear any reasonable expense incidental to the promulgation and institution of any such government for said schools.

SEC. 3. All laws, clauses or parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. This act shall be in force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 143

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE BIG BRANCH SCHOOL DISTRICT IN BARBEQUE TOWNSHIP, HARNETT COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the boundaries of Big Branch school district shall remain as established by act of Legislature, chapter two

Sec. 2. That a board of trustees for said school are hereby appointed whose terms of office and of their successors shall be as follows: D. A. Graham, who shall serve six years; R. A. Cameron, who shall serve four years; and John Darroch, who shall serve two years.

Sec. 3. That their successors shall be appointed by the county board of education upon the recommendation of a majority of the qualified voters of said school district: Provided, that the trustees herein appointed and their successors in office shall be subject to removal by the county board of education when in the opinion of said board it will be to the best interest of the schools.

Sec. 4. That the board of trustees herein appointed shall, within sixty days after the ratification of this act, meet and elect one of their number chairman and one as secretary and shall have charge of the school building and ground and to act in all matters concerning the best interest and advancement of the school.

Sec. 5. That the board of trustees shall be a body corporate and are empowered to receive any moneys by gift, appropriation, donation and grant for said school and may sell and transfer any property of the school so received when necessary: Provided, that nothing in this act shall convey to the trustees of said school any authority to dispose of or offer for sale the present school building and site, which title shall continue to vest in the county board of education.

Sec. 6. It shall be the duty of the school trustees to so provide the schools in their district and to this end shall have control of the special tax district fund and any other fund that may be available. But the apportionment and distribution to the Big Branch school of its pro rata share of the county and state public school fund, the employment and dismissal of teachers, the time when said school shall open and close, the fixing of teachers' salaries shall remain under control of the county board of education.

Sec. 7. The board of trustees shall keep all funds coming into their hands mentioned in section five of this act including the special school tax of thirty cents on the one hundred dollars worth of property and ninety cents on the poll which the county commissioners shall continue to levy and said board of trustees are required to render an annual statement of receipts and disbursements and post said statement at Big Branch School House.

Sec. 8. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.
Sec. 9. That this act shall be in force and effect from and after its ratification.
Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 144

AN ACT TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 101 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1903, RELATING TO TRYON GRADED SCHOOL DISTRICT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter one hundred and one of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and three be, and the same is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:
That instead of five members, as provided in said chapter, the board of commissioners of Tryon graded school district shall be composed of three members, who shall be elected at the regular election to be held in and for said district the first Tuesday in May one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and biennially thereafter, and shall hold office for the term of two years, or until their successors shall be chosen and qualify, said election to be held as provided by said chapter and amendments thereto.

Sec. 2. That at said election on the first Tuesday in May, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, the board of commissioners of said Tryon graded school district shall submit to the qualified voters of said district the question of levying a special tax, in addition to the tax heretofore authorized, not to exceed fifty cents on every one hundred dollars worth of taxable property and one dollar and fifty cents on each taxable poll, the equality between property and poll to be observed, for the purpose of supplementing the school funds of said district and to create a sinking fund to pay the interest on and retire the bonds of said school district, now outstanding, at maturity. At said election those voting for said tax shall vote a ballot on which shall be written or printed the words “For Special Tax” and those voting against said tax shall vote a ballot on which shall be written or printed the words “Against Special Tax,” and if a majority of the votes cast at said election shall be for said special tax the board of commissioners of said district shall annually thereafter, at the same time other taxes are levied in and for said district, levy a sufficient tax for school purposes, which tax shall not exceed fifty cents on every one hundred dollars worth of taxable property and one dollar and fifty cents on each taxable poll in addition to the tax heretofore authorized, and out of said tax they shall pay the interest on said bonds, as it falls due, and shall set aside annually a sufficient fund, as a sinking fund, to retire all of the outstanding bonds of
said district, as they mature, and they shall use the remainder of said tax for the maintenance of the schools of said district. Said board of school commissioners shall for at least thirty days preceeding said election give notice by posting notice of said election, setting forth therein the purpose of same and the amount of special tax to be authorized, at the voting place and postoffice in said district and by publishing said notice for at least four weeks immediately preceeding said election in a newspaper published in Polk County. The registrar and judges of election shall be those appointed to hold the election for school commissioners for said district and for the municipal officers for the town of Tryon, and said election shall be held and the return and canvass made as is provided for the election of school commissioners for said district. The board of school commissioners may require a new registration for said election if they shall so order.

Sec. 3. That the board of commissioners of said graded school district shall annually appoint a tax collector to collect the taxes for said school district and shall require of him a sufficient bond for the faithful discharge of his duties, and may pay said tax collector a commission not to exceed five per cent of the tax collected.

Sec. 4. All vacancies on the board of school commissioners shall be filled by appointment of the remaining members of said board and such appointees shall hold office until the next regular election or until their successors shall be chosen and qualify.

Sec. 5. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act be and the same are hereby repealed. But this act shall not have the effect of creating a vacancy in the present board of commissioners for said district, but they shall hold office until their successors are chosen and qualify.

Sec. 6. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 145

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 351, PRIVATE LAWS OF 1905, RELATING TO THE TRUSTEES OF LAKE LANDING GRADED SCHOOL, HYDE COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That chapter three hundred and fifty-one of the Law amended. Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and five as amended by chapter three hundred and twenty-four of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred eleven be, and the same is hereby
amended by striking out the whole of section two of said chapter as amended and inserting in lieu thereof the following.

"Sec. 2. That the trustees for the school in the said district shall hereafter be selected from among the qualified voters of the said school district by a vote of the qualified voters of said school district at the general election to be held in Hyde County in one thousand nine hundred and twenty, and biennially thereafter. Said board shall consist of three members, who shall be elected for a term of two years each: Provided, in the event of a vacancy by death, resignation or otherwise before the expiration of the entire term of office said vacancy shall be filled by the county board of education: Provided further, that the present board of trustees shall continue in office until the next general election to be held for Hyde County in one thousand nine hundred and twenty: Provided further, that it shall be the duty of the board of county commissioners of Hyde County to provide for said election at the same time and under the same rules and regulations as is provided for county and township officers."

Sec. 3. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 146

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF STATESVILLE TO CALL AN ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A GAS PLANT.

Whereas, the board of aldermen of the city of Statesville, as individuals, bought and took over the gas plant in the city of Statesville, owned and operated by the Statesville Gas Light and Fuel Company, paying therefor the sum of twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars; and whereas said purchase was made for the purpose of saving the franchise for the city of Statesville if the voters of said city should determine by ballot that said gas plant should be owned and operated by said city; and whereas it will be necessary to hold an election for the purpose of determining the wishes of said city. Therefore—

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the mayor and board of aldermen of the city of Statesville are hereby authorized and empowered to cause an election to be held at the time for holding the regular municipal election in May, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, or
at such other time as they shall appoint, within two years from the ratification of this act, at which election shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the city of Statesville the question of issuing bonds in such amounts as said mayor and board of aldermen may determine in its call for said election, not to exceed twenty-five thousand dollars, for the purpose of purchasing the property formerly belonging to the Statesville Gas Light and Fuel Company. At said election the mayor and board of aldermen shall provide a box for the vote on said bonds. Those who favor the issue of said bonds shall vote a written or printed ticket with the words “For Purchase of Gas Plant” thereon, and those opposed shall vote a written or printed ticket with the words “Against Purchase of Gas Plant” thereon. The election herein provided for shall be held under the rules and regulations provided and presented in chapter seventy-three of the Revisal of nineteen hundred and five and the amendments thereto except that said election may be held at the time of the municipal election or at such other time as the mayor and board of aldermen may determine as hereinbefore provided. If a majority of the qualified voters of the city of Statesville shall vote “For Purchase of Gas Plant” then the mayor and board of aldermen of the city of Statesville shall issue serial coupon bonds, not to exceed the amount specified in the call for said election. Said bonds shall be in denominations of not less than one hundred dollars each, bearing interest, payable semiannually, at a rate of not exceeding five and one-half per cent per annum. The principal of said bonds shall be payable as follows:

Two thousand five hundred dollars one year after date,
Two thousand five hundred dollars two years after date,
Two thousand five hundred dollars three years after date,
Two thousand five hundred dollars four years after date,
Two thousand five hundred dollars five years after date,
Two thousand five hundred dollars six years after date,
Two thousand five hundred dollars seven years after date,
Two thousand five hundred dollars eight years after date,
Two thousand five hundred dollars nine years after date,
Two thousand five hundred dollars ten years after date.

Said bonds and coupons shall be signed by the mayor of the city of Statesville and countersigned by the clerk and treasurer of said city and the official seal of said city shall be attached to each bond: Provided, however, that if ordered by the board of aldermen the facsimile of said signatures may be placed on said coupons instead of the actual signatures. The said bonds shall not be sold for less than par.

Sec. 2. The money arising from the sale of said bonds shall be placed to the credit of the city of Statesville and shall be expended by said city for the purchasing of said gas plant.
formerly belonging to the Statesville Gas Light and Fuel Company, the sum to be paid therefor being the sum of twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars. The remainder of the money arising from said sale shall be used to pay for necessary improvements made on said gas plant.

Sec. 3. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 147

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF REIDSVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT, REIDSVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA, TO ISSUE BONDS FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. The "School Committee of Reidsville School District, Reidsville, North Carolina" (which committee was incorporated by chapter four hundred and twenty-four of the Laws of eighteen hundred and eighty-seven) is hereby authorized, upon the conditions and subject to the limitations and restrictions set forth in this act, to issue bonds in an aggregate principal amount not exceeding seventy-five thousand dollars, for the purpose of erecting, enlarging, altering and equipping school buildings, and acquiring land for school buildings for the Reidsville school district, or for any one or more of said purposes; and the board of county commissioners of Rockingham County is hereby authorized, directed and required to levy annually a special tax ad valorem upon all taxable property in said school district for the purpose of paying the principal and interest of all bonds issued under this act, as such principal and interest becomes due, which special tax shall be in an amount sufficient for said purpose and in addition to all other taxes authorized to be levied by said board.

Sec. 2. The bonds hereby authorized shall not be issued, nor shall said special tax be levied, unless and until the question of issuing such bonds and levying such tax shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said school district at a special election to be held for that purpose, and a majority of said qualified voters shall have voted in favor of issuing said bonds and levying said special tax, as required by section seven of article seven of the constitution of North Carolina.

Sec. 3. Upon the request of said school committee, the board of commissioners of the town of Reidsville shall order a special
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election to be held in said school district at such time as said school committee may designate, for the purpose of voting upon the question of issuing bonds and levying a tax under this act. Said election shall be held under the supervision of the board of commissioners of said town, and, in all particulars other than those specifically provided for in this act, shall be held and conducted, and the qualifications of voters at the election determined, as nearly as may be practicable in accordance with the law relating to elections for municipal officers in the town of Reidsville. For said election there shall be a new registration of the qualified voters of said school district. Notice of the election shall be given by publication at least twice in some newspaper published in the town of Reidsville, the first publication to be at least thirty days before the election. The question to be voted upon shall be stated in said notice as follows: “The question of issuing not exceeding seventy-five thousand dollars of serial bonds of the Reidsville school district and levying a sufficient annual tax to pay the same.” The board of commissioners of the town of Reidsville shall appoint the registrars and judges of election for said election, and shall cause to be printed and distributed a sufficient number of ballots for use at the election. At said election the voters who are in favor of the issuance of said bonds and the levying of said special annual tax shall vote a ballot on which shall be written or printed the words “For Bond Issue”; and the voters who are opposed to the issuance of said bonds and the levying of said tax shall vote a ballot on which shall be written or printed the words “Against Bond Issue.” At the close of the polls the election officers shall count the votes and make returns thereof to the board of commissioners of said town, which board shall, as soon as practicable after the election, judicially pass upon the returns and judicially determine and declare the result of said election, which determination shall be spread upon the minutes of said board. The returns shall be made in duplicate, one copy of which shall be delivered to the board of commissioners of the town of Reidsville as aforesaid, and the other filed with the register of deeds of Rockingham County. If the board of commissioners of the town of Reidsville shall cause a notice containing a brief statement of the result of said election as determined by said board to be published at least once in a newspaper published in said town, no right of action or defense founded upon any invalidity in said election shall be asserted, nor shall the validity of said election be open to question in any court upon any ground whatever, except in an action or proceeding commenced within thirty days after the first publication of said notice: Provided, however, that a copy of this sentence shall be incorporated in said notice.

SEC. 4. The bonds authorized by this act may be issued as one issue or divided into two or more separate issues, and in either
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Case may be issued all at one time or from time to time. Each issue shall so mature that the aggregate principal amount of the issue shall be payable in annual installments, beginning not more than three years after the date of the bonds of such issue and ending not more than thirty years after such date. No such installment shall be more than two and one-half times as great in amount as the smallest prior installment of the same bond issue. If all bonds of any one issue are not delivered simultaneously, the bonds of such issue outstanding at any one time shall mature as aforesaid.

Sec. 5. Said bonds shall be issued in the corporate name of said school committee or, at the option of the school committee, in the corporate name of said school district (if said school district, as well as said board, is a body corporate). The bonds shall be issued in such form and denominations, and with such provisions as to time, place and medium of payment of principal and interest, as the said school committee may determine, subject to the limitations and restrictions of this act. The bonds shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum, payable semiannually. They may be either coupon bonds or registered bonds, and if issued in coupon form may be made registerable as to principal or as to both principal and interest. They shall be signed by the chairman of the school committee of the Reidsville school district, Reidsville, North Carolina, and either the seal of the said school committee or the seal of said school district shall be affixed to the bonds and attested by the secretary of said school committee; and the coupons of such bonds shall bear the printed or lithographed or engraved facsimile signature of said chairman who is in office at the date of the bonds. The delivery of bonds signed as aforesaid by officers in office at the time of such signing shall be valid notwithstanding any changes in officers occurring after such signing.

Sec. 6. Said bonds shall be sold in the manner provided in the Municipal Finance act (chapter one hundred and thirty-eight of the Public Laws of one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, as amended) for the sale of bonds of cities and towns. They shall not be sold for less than par and accrued interest.

Sec. 7. The proceeds of the sale of said bonds shall be placed in a separate fund and used only for the purposes for which the bonds were issued. At least twenty-five thousand dollars of such proceeds shall be expended upon schools for the colored race. The purchasers of the bonds shall not be bound to see to the application of the proceeds.

Sec. 8. The taxes provided for in section one of this act shall be collected by the sheriff of Rockingham County and paid over by him to the treasurer of said Reidsville school district, to be
applied solely to the payment of the principal and interest of said bonds.

SEC. 9. The powers granted by this act are granted in addition to and not in substitution for existing powers of the school committee of Reidsville School District, Reidsville, North Carolina, and are not subject to any limitation or restriction contained in any other law.

SEC. 10. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 11. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 148

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE TOWN OF TEACHEYS IN DUPLIN COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the town of Teacheys, in Duplin County, be incorporated under the name and style of the town of Teacheys, and shall be subject to all the provisions contained in chapter seventy-three of the Revisal of one thousand nine hundred and five, of North Carolina, not inconsistent with this act.

SEC. 2. That the corporate limits of said town shall be one thousand six hundred yards square, with the Masonic Lodge lot in the center.

SEC. 3. That the officers of said corporation shall consist of a mayor, five commissioners and a marshal, and the following named persons shall fill said offices until the first Monday in May, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, or until their successors are elected and qualified, viz.: Mayor, J. D. Teachey; commissioners, H. P. Ennis, J. D. Mallard, W. B. Dail, J. C. McMillan, Jr., and T. V. Rivenbark.

SEC. 4. There shall be an election held for officers mentioned in this act on the first Monday in May, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, and each succeeding year thereafter, under the same restrictions that county and state elections are held, and all citizens within said corporation who have resided twelve months in the state and ninety days within the corporate limits previous to the day of election shall be entitled to vote at said election.

SEC. 5. That it shall be the duty of the persons elected officers of said corporation to go before some justice of the peace of said county within five days after their election and take the oath prescribed by law for such officers.
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Sec. 6. That all fines collected for the violation of any of the town ordinances shall be paid into the town treasury for the benefit of said town.

Sec. 7. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 8. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 149

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 343 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1907, RELATING TO THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF LUMBERTON AND MAKING THE SAME APPLICABLE TO THE TOWN OF FAIRMONT, N. C.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter three hundred and forty-three of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and seven be amended by adding at the end of section thirty-one of said chapter the following: "That all the provisions of section thirty-one shall apply to the town of Fairmont, North Carolina, and all primary elections in said town of Fairmont shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of said section thirty-one; and wherever in said section thirty-one there occurs the words 'The Town of Lumberton,' there shall be added immediately following the words 'and the Town of Fairmont.'"

Sec. 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act be and the same are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 150

AN ACT RELATING TO THE COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS FOR PAVING LEVIED AGAINST LAND BY THE CITY OF KINSTON.

Whereas, the city of Kinston under and by virtue of chapter two hundred and two of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, paved certain of its streets and, as provided in the said act, did levy assessments against the property abutting upon the streets so paved, which assessments are all as specifically set forth in a certain resolution adopted finally by the city council of the city of Kinston at the regular meeting in
March, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, being March fourth, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, and the said assessments so levied matured in three equal installments, the first three months from the date of the levy, the second six months from the date of the levy, and the third nine months from the date of the levy, all as provided in the said act; and

WHEREAS, the city of Kinston found it more advantageous to sell the said bonds representing the amounts so assessed against the land maturing in ten installments, one each year, and the bonds representing the said amounts assessed as aforesaid have been heretofore so sold and delivered by the city of Kinston, and the city desires now that the owners of the said property may have the privilege of availing themselves of paying the amounts assessed as aforesaid in ten annual installments substantially as the said bonds representing the said assessments to be collected by the city were sold, and now, therefore,

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the city of Kinston is hereby authorized and empowered to extend time of payment to the owners of the lands for the paving assessments referred to in the preamble of this act, and to divide the total amount of assessments into ten equal payments, one of which payments shall be due on the fourth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and on the fourth day of March of each year until the full amount of principal and interest is paid, and the owners of the lands assessed for paving under chapter two hundred and two, Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and thirteen and acts amendatory thereof recited in the preamble of this act, shall have the right to either pay the assessments in full as now due under the provisions of said act, or to avail themselves of the privileges of this act by executing their several notes for one-tenth of the amount of said assessments with interest thereon as prescribed in chapter two hundred and two of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, and the said notes, if so executed, shall have the lien of the said assessments as prescribed in said act and the said city of Kinston, in case of default of payment of said notes, shall have all the powers, rights and authority to collect the same as the said city of Kinston has to enforce the payments of said assessments under the provisions of said act of chapter two hundred and two of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and thirteen and acts amendatory thereof, and the said assessments upon the property assessed under said act for paving purposes shall continue to be a lien upon said property as prescribed in said act until all the said notes with interest thereon are fully paid, and the proceeds received from the collection or payment of said notes for said assessments, shall be used exclusively for the purpose of paying the bonds of
the city of Kinston issued and sold under the provision of said acts for paving purposes.

Sec. 2. That this act shall in no way repeal the rights, powers and authority now existing under which the city of Kinston is authorized to collect any part of the assessment so levied, but shall be deemed an additional privilege extended to the abutting property owners, whose property has been assessed, if the said property owners avail themselves of the provisions of this act.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 151
AN ACT TO REPEAL CHAPTER 330 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1899, INCORPORATING THE TOWN OF MINT HILL IN MECKLENBURG COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter three hundred and thirty of the Private Laws of one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine and all acts amendatory thereof be and the same are hereby repealed.

Section 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 152
AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the charter of the city of Wilmington be amended so as to eliminate from the corporate limits of the city the following described property:

Beginning at a point on the southern bank of Smith's Creek, where the Atlantic Coast Line Railway Company's right of way intersects the Southern bank of the said Smith's Creek, and running thence southwardly along the eastern line of said right of way to where it intersects the northern line of the right of way of the Wilmington, New Bern and Norfolk Branch of the Atlantic Coast Line Railway Company, and running thence eastwardly and along the north line of said right of way of the Wilmington, New Bern and Norfolk Railway Company Branch of the Atlantic
Coast Line Railway Company, to the center of the run of Greene’s Mill Creek, where said right of way crosses said creek, and thence with the meanders of the run of said creek northwardly, to Smith’s Creek, thence in northwestwardly direction to the eastern line of the right of way of the Atlantic Coast Line Railway Company, the point of the beginning.

Sec. 2. That before this act shall become operative, it shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the city of Wilmington, North Carolina, at the next municipal election to be held in and for the city of Wilmington and those who favor said amendment shall cast their ballots upon white paper upon which shall be printed or written on their ballots “For the Amendment” and those against the amendment shall cast their ballot which shall be printed or written on white paper “Against the Amendment.” The board of elections shall provide separate boxes, and ballots necessary to carry out the provisions of this act.

This election shall be held under the general rules and regulations prescribed in municipal elections.

Sec. 3. All laws and clauses of laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall be in force from and after its passage. Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 153

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ELECTION OF THE CITY ATTORNEY OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON AND FIX THE SALARY FOR SAID OFFICE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That at the next election for city officials of the city of Wilmington to be held in May, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, and biennially thereafter the qualified voters of the said city of Wilmington shall by ballot select the city attorney, and nominations for the said office shall be held in the same manner as nominations for the city officers, under the same rules, regulations and requirements as apply to the nomination and election of other officers of the said city of Wilmington.

Sec. 2. The salary of the said city attorney of the city of Wilmington shall be fixed by the city council of the said city at not less than two thousand dollars nor more than three thousand dollars per annum, payable in monthly installments.

Sec. 3. The said attorney so elected is hereby authorized and empowered to appoint an assistant city attorney to perform the same duties and receive the same compensation as the present assistant city attorney.
SEC. 4. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.
Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 154

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 75 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1911, RELATING TO THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That J. H. Holton, superintendent of streets in and for the city of Wilmington, is hereby placed under the civil service established for said city by chapter seventy-five of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and eleven and acts amendatory thereof: Provided, that the said J. H. Holton shall retain the office of superintendent of streets in and for the city of Wilmington unless removed for cause as defined in chapter seventy-five of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and eleven.

SEC. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.
Ratified this the 10th day of March A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 155

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 342 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1907 RELATING TO THE ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That section one hundred and ninety-four of chapter three hundred and forty-two of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and seven be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the words and figures “seventeen (17)” in lines two and three and inserting the words and figures “seven (7)” in lieu thereof, and after the word “elected” in line three inserting the words “by the city-at-large” so that the said section one hundred and ninety-four shall now read as follows:

“SEC. 194. That said system of public schools shall be under the control of a board of school commissioners composed of seven members, who shall be elected by the city-at-large biennially at the general election held for mayor and other city officers and shall hold office for two years and until their successors are duly elected and qualified, and shall serve without compensation. Any
vacancy in said board of school commissioners shall be filled by an election held by said board, and the person so elected shall hold office for the unexpired term."

SEC. 2. That a special election be and the same is hereby authorized and directed to be called on the twenty-first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen by the proper governing body of the city of Charlotte in the county of Mecklenburg for the purpose of voting upon the question of reducing the number of members of the school board of the said city and electing the said members-at-large. That the said election shall be held under the same rules and regulations and with the same machinery as is now provided by law for the holding of elections in the said city.

SEC. 3. At the said election two ballot boxes shall be provided on one of which shall be placed a label containing the words "For Reduction of Membership of school board," and on the other shall be placed a label "Against Reduction of Membership of school board." All persons shall be qualified to vote in the said election whose names appear on the regular registration books of the preceding city election, or who have become legally qualified to vote since the said election.

SEC. 4. At the said election those persons favoring the reduction of the number of members of the school board shall cast a ballot on which shall be written or printed the words "For reduction of number of members of school board from seventeen to seven, and for election at large of the said members." Those persons opposed to the reduction of the number of members of the said board shall cast a ballot on which shall be written or printed the words "Against reduction in number of members of school board from seventeen to seven, and election at large." If a majority of the votes cast shall be in favor of the proposed reduction then section one of this act shall be in full force and effect; if a majority of the votes cast at said election shall be against the reduction of members of the said school board then section one of this act shall not become effective.

SEC. 5. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 6. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th of March, A. D. 1919.

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CHAPTER 156
AN ACT TO EXTEND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF HOOKERTON.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the present boundaries of the corporate limits of the town of Hookerton shall be extended so as to embrace and include within the corporate limits of said town the following additional territory, to wit:

Beginning at the southwest corner of Church and Sixth streets in the town of Hookerton; thence it runs with said Sixth street produced in a southwest course to Green street; thence with Green street in a northwest course to the back line of the Atlantic Coast Realty property, Seventh street produced; thence with the line of said Atlantic Coast Realty property Seventh street produced in the southwest course of Patrick street, produced; thence with the south edge of said Patrick street south eighty-six degrees and thirty-five minutes east six hundred and seventy-six feet to the center line of said Fifth street; thence south eighty-six degrees and thirty-five minutes east nine hundred and ninety-nine feet to a stake on a ditch and one foot to the south of a small pine; thence with said ditch north twenty-two degrees and ten minutes east six hundred and fifty-five feet to a stake with elm pointers; thence south eighty-six degrees and thirty-five minutes east seven hundred and forty-four feet to a ditch leading into Spring Branch; thence down the various courses of said ditch and branch as follows, viz.: north sixteen degrees and forty-five minutes east three hundred and fifty-four feet to center line of Hookerton and Grifton public road; north six degrees and twenty minutes east six hundred and eighty feet to Cemetery Branch the line of the town of Hookerton according to the old charter.

Sec. 2. Provided, that the citizens residing in said territory above described, the real property embraced in said description and the personal property being thereon which are or lies to the west of said Fifth street shall not be liable for any municipal or town tax to the said town of Hookerton, either on polls or property of whatsoever kind until after the first day of January nineteen hundred and twenty-one.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 157

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 349 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1915 RELATING TO THE FIREMEN'S PENSION FUND FOR THE CITY OF WILMINGTON, N. C.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter three hundred and forty-nine of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen be and the same are amended as follows: By adding after the word "roll" and before the word "any" in line ten of subsection two of section seven the following: "Provided, that any member of the said fire department who has served with the said department for a period of not less than twenty consecutive years may have the privilege, upon his own application without such medical examination, of retiring and shall receive from the pension fund during his life a pension of not less than one-half of the compensation allowed to such member as his salary in the department at the date of such retirement."

By striking out subsection four of section seven and inserting the following in lieu thereof: "In case any member of the said fire department dies the board of trustees shall pay to the beneficiary the sum of two hundred dollars ($200.00) from any funds in this act provided toward the funeral expenses of such deceased member."

By adding after subsection five in section seven the following subsections: "(6.) In case of the death of any member of the said fire department whose widow shall be entitled to a pension the said pension shall be paid to her only so long as she remains the widow of the said deceased member of the said fire department." "(7.) If any member of the said fire department shall become disabled as a fireman at any time, regardless of service, and is retired by the board of trustees because of such disability, he shall receive not less than one-half of the compensation received at the time of such retirement."

Sec. 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 158

AN ACT TO CORRECT AN ERROR IN HOUSE BILL 722, SENATE BILL 781, RATIFIED ON MARCH 3, 1919, RELATING TO CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF AHOSKIE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That section four of House Bill seven hundred twenty-two, Senate Bill seven hundred eighty-one, ratified March third, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, entitled, "An act to amend chapter one hundred fifty-eight, Private Laws of nineteen hundred and three, relating to the corporate limits of the town of Ahoskie, in Hertford County," be and the same is hereby amended by inserting in line one of said section after the word "that" and before the word "it" the following: "without the written permission of the board of commissioners of said town."

Sec. 2. That all laws or clauses of laws in so far as they are inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 159

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 184 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1915, RELATING TO ELECTIONS IN THE CITY OF WILMINGTON.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter one hundred and eighty-four of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen be and the same is amended by striking out the word "on" in line three of section nine and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "not earlier than sixty days nor later than" so that the first sentence of the said section nine shall read as follows: "Candidates for the office of mayor or councilmen at the first election hereunder, and biennially thereafter, shall be nominated at the primary election, which shall be held not earlier than sixty days nor later than the second Tuesday preceding such general election in May."

Sec. 2. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 10th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 160

AN ACT TO EXTEND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SNOW HILL.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the present boundaries of the corporate limits of the town of Snow Hill shall be extended so as to embrace and include within the corporate limits of said town the following additional territory, to wit:

Beginning at Long Branch at the Red Hill road crossing runs north forty-nine and three-fourths west with the said road one hundred and ninety-six feet; thence north thirty-nine and three-fourths west the said road three hundred and four feet; thence north fifty-six west one thousand four hundred and fifty feet, to Jordan and Marshburn upper corner; thence south thirty-four and one-half west eight hundred and eighty feet to a small branch; thence down said small branch to Long Branch; thence down Long Branch to M. W. Warren's and J. G. Anderson corner; thence south thirty-four and three-fourths east one thousand six hundred and ninety-nine feet to the southeast corner the Oettinger land; thence north sixty-seven and one-half east six hundred and thirty feet with the Oettinger and Sugg line to a stake on the Snow Hill and Kinston road the Clayton Sugg corner; thence south eighty-one and three-fourths east four hundred and twenty-seven feet to the southeast corner of the railroad company's property; thence with their line north seventy-two and one-fourth east four hundred and twenty-nine feet to an iron stake in line of said railroad company's property; thence north thirteen and one-fourth west four hundred and twenty-nine feet to an iron stake in line of said railroad company's property; thence north twenty-two west one thousand four hundred and twenty-nine feet to a stake in field; thence north twenty-eight east one thousand one hundred and eighty-six feet to Contentnea Creek; thence up the various courses of said branch of said branch to the beginning.

Sec. 2. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 11th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 161

AN ACT TO EXTEND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF SNOW HILL.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That the present boundaries of the corporate limits of the town of Snow Hill shall be extended so as to embrace and include within the corporate limits of said town the following additional territory, to wit:

Beginning at Long Branch at the Red Hill crossing runs north forty-nine and three-fourths west with said road one hundred and ninety-six feet; thence north thirty-nine and three-fourths west with road three hundred and four feet; thence north fifty-six west one thousand four hundred and fifty feet to Jordan and Marshburn upper corner; thence south thirty-four and one-half west six hundred feet to a stake; thence in a southeasterly course and parallel with the first three callings back to said Long Branch; thence down the run of same to the M. W. Warren and J. G. Anderson corner on said branch; thence south thirty-four and three-fourths east to the end of a street plotted on the Oettinger land, about one hundred and fifty feet to the east of the G. A. Jones residence lot, thence along said street, as plotted, in a northeasterly direction to the Snow Hill-Kinston Road, Kinston street, thence in a northerly course with said road or street to the northern edge of Dobbs street, the street between the late S. C. Sugg home and the late R. D. Britt home, thence with the northern edge of same in a northeasterly course to the Carolina Railway right of way, thence continuing said course to the eastern side of said right of way; thence in a southerly course with said eastern side of said right of way to the southeast corner of the plat of land on which is situated the Snow Hill Electric Light Plant, thence with line of same to the northeast corner of same; thence with the eastern line of same to the northeast corner of the Herring gin lot; thence with the eastern line of same to the northwest corner of same; thence in a southeast course with line of same back to said right of way; thence with the eastern side of said right of way to Contentnea Creek, thence up said creek to the mouth of Long Branch; thence up the various courses of said Long Branch to the beginning.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 11th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 162
AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 148 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1915, RELATING TO THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That section three of chapter one hundred and forty-eight of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen be and the same is hereby amended by adding at the end of section three and before section three and a half the following subdivisions:

"Seventh Ward.

"The seventh ward shall include all of the territory of said city lying south of Greenfield mill race or creek."

Sec. 2. That the said seventh ward shall be entitled to one member on the council of the city of Wilmington, who shall be nominated and elected as is provided by law for other councilmen, and the said city councilman shall be elected for a term of four years and have all the rights, powers and privileges as other councilmen.

Sec. 3. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 11th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 163
AN ACT TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF COMPULSORY EDUCATION IN THE CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM, FOR THE FULL SESSION OF CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS EACH YEAR.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That every parent, guardian or other person in the city of Winston-Salem having charge or control of a child between the ages of eight and fourteen years shall cause such child to attend regularly some day school (public, private or parochial), in which at least the six common school branches of reading, spelling, writing, arithmetic, English and geography are taught in daily session of not less than four hours per school day, for nine school months in each calendar year, or for the full session of the public schools of the city of Winston-Salem; or shall provide such child at home or elsewhere with such regular daily instruction during the usual school hours as shall be in the judgment of the court substantially equivalent in kind and amount to
the instruction given the children of like age in the public schools of said city: Provided, that occasional absence from such attendance by any child between the ages of eight and fourteen years not amounting to more than two unexcused absences in four consecutive weeks shall not be unlawful.

Sec. 2. That no parent, guardian or other person having control of any such child shall be deemed or held guilty of violating this act, if it shall appear satisfactorily to the court that said parent or guardian or person having control of said child is not able through extreme destitution to provide or obtain in any way proper clothing for said child, or the said child is incapacitated, mentally or physically, to attend school for the whole period required, or any part thereof, or that the labor of said child is absolutely necessary for the support of its family: Provided, that when said child shall be provided with proper clothing by charity or otherwise said child shall be subject to the provisions of this act.

Sec. 3. That the board of school commissioners of the city of Winston-Salem, may in its discretion set apart each year a sum not to exceed one per cent of the entire school funds of said city, which it may use in purchasing books and school supplies for indigent children, found by said commissioners to be unable to supply themselves with such books and material.

Sec. 4. That the board of school commissioners of the city of Winston Salem may appoint and remove at pleasure one or more attendance officers to enforce the provisions of this act, and shall fix the compensation and manner of performance of the duties of such attendance officer or officers, or assign to them such other duties as the commissioners may see fit to assign, and shall pay them from the public school funds of said city for their services.

Sec. 5. That it shall be the duty of said attendance officer or officers as aforesaid to serve written or printed notices upon the parents, guardians or persons having charge or control of children as aforesaid, who violate the provisions of this act that prompt compliance therewith is required; said officer shall, when reasonable doubt exists as to the age of any child in said city, require a properly attested birth certificate, or an affidavit stating such child's age, date of birth and physical characteristics from the parent, guardian or other person having charge of such child; he shall have the right to visit and enter any office or factory or business house employing children as aforesaid, for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this act; he shall have the right to require a properly attested certificate of the attendance of any child or children at any day school; he shall have power to take all truants as aforesaid, and place them in some public school, unless the parents, guardians, or persons in charge and control of said children respectively, shall at once place them in some other day school as aforesaid, and he may serve warrants for violations of this act and subpoenas for witnesses of the court and
make all required arrests without further fee or compensation than that paid by the board of school commissioners as aforesaid, and shall carry into effect such other regulation as may lawfully be required by the said board of school commissioners.

SEC. 6. That it shall be the duty of the attendance office or officers herein provided for, as soon as practicable after the beginning of the school term of each year of said city, or at any time thereafter when he shall discover any violation of this act to warn once with written or printed notice any parent, guardian or person having charge or control of a child between the ages of eight and fourteen who shall violate any provision of this act, to place and keep said child in regular attendance at some day school within three days of the service of said written or printed notice of warning. Upon failure to comply with this act after a lapse of three days from the date of service of said notice of warning said parent, guardian, or person having charge or control of said child shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon a conviction thereof shall pay a fine of not more than fifty dollars or be imprisoned for not more than thirty days: Provided, that the said sentence of fine or imprisonment may be suspended or remitted by the court, with or without payment of costs, at the discretion of the court, if the said child be immediately placed and kept in regular attendance in some day school, as aforesaid, and such fact of regular attendance shall be subsequently proved to the satisfaction of said court by a properly attested certificate of attendance from the superintendent or teacher of said school: Provided further, that every day any parent or guardian or other person shall willfully and unlawfully keep such child from school after the expiration of three days from the service of such notice on such parent, guardian or other person having control of said child shall constitute a new and separate offense.

SEC. 7. That an accurate record of the ages, residences and attendance of all children between eight and fourteen years of age, shall be kept by the teacher of every school whether public, private, parochial or tutorial, within the city of Winston-Salem; such records shall at all times be open to the attendance officer or officers or other persons duly authorized by the board of school commissioners as aforesaid, and a willful neglect or refusal to submit such records to the examination of such officer or officers shall be a misdemeanor, and any person upon conviction thereof shall be fined not more than fifty dollars or imprisoned for not more than thirty days for each offense.

SEC. 8. That this act shall be in force from and after the first day of July, one thousand nine hundred and nineten.

SEC. 9. That all laws in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Ratified this the 11th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 164

AN ACT TO APPOINT TRUSTEES OF THE POLICE PENSION FUND OF WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That C. P. Bolles is hereby appointed a trustee of the police pension fund of Wilmington, North Carolina, as created by chapter fifty-five of the Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and fifteen and shall serve for a term of six years.

Sec. 2. That W. F. Jones is hereby appointed a trustee of the police pension fund of Wilmington, North Carolina, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of C. C. Cashwell, which term is hereby declared to have terminated and is at an end; and the said W. F. Jones shall serve for a term of two years.

Sec. 3. That all laws and clauses of laws in conflict with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 11th day of March, A. D. 1919.

CHAPTER 165

AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF STATESVILLE, SAME BEING CHAPTER 243 OF THE PRIVATE LAWS OF 1911, REGARDING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES IN SAID CITY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter two hundred and forty-three of the Private Laws passed by the General Assembly of North Carolina at its session in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven be and the same is hereby amended as follows: Add at the end of section twenty-one of said chapter two hundred and forty-three the following: "If said taxes are not paid by the first day of February after same becomes due, then there shall be added to said taxes one-half of one per cent, and an additional one-half of one per cent shall be added to the taxes due and unpaid upon the first day of each month following said first day of February."

Sec. 2. That this amendment shall not apply to the taxes due said city for the year one thousand nine hundred and eighteen.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 11th day of March, A. D. 1919.
CHAPTER 166

AN ACT TO CORRECT AN ERROR IN HOUSE BILL 722, SENATE BILL 781, RATIFIED ON MARCH 3, 1919, RELATING TO CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF AHOSKIE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That section four of House bill seven hundred and twenty-two, Senate bill seven hundred and eighty-one, ratified March third, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, entitled, "An act to amend chapter one hundred and fifty-eight, Private Laws of nineteen hundred and three, relating to the corporate limits of the town of Ahoskie in Hertford County," be and the same is hereby stricken out and repealed.

Sec. 2. That all laws or clauses of laws in so far as they are inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 11th day of March, A. D. 1919.
STATE NORTH CAROLINA,
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE.

RALEIGH, MAY 1, 1919.

I, J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, hereby certify that the foregoing (manuscript) are true copies of the original acts on file in this office.

[Official Seal]

J. BRYAN GRIMES,
Secretary of State.
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