the record thereof, on which any mortgage registry tax provided by law has not been paid.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 11, 1923.

## CHAPTER 207-S. F. No. 73.

An act entitled A Act to Legalize certain mortgage foreclosures heretofore made:

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Mortgage foreclosures legalized in certain cases.—That every mortgage foreclosure by advertisement and every sale in such foreclosure heretofore had or made in this State, under power of sale in the usual form, contained in any mortgage duly executed and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds or of the Registrar of Titles of the proper county of this State, together with the record of such foreclosure sale, is hereby legalized, and made valid and effective to all intents and purposes as against the objection that the notice of the pendency of any suit or proceeding to enforce or foreclose the mortgage, as provided in Section 6924 of the General Statutes of Minnesota, 1913, has not been filed with the Registrar of Titles and a memorial thereof entered on the register at the time or prior to the commencement of such action or proceeding.

Sec. 2. Application.—The provisions of this act shall not affect any action or proceeding now pending in any of the courts

in this State.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 11, 1923.

## CHAPTER 208-S. F. No. 94.

An act making the continuance on record of instruments conveying real estate or an interest therein, where such conveyance does not affirmatively show that the grantors were married, for 15 years prima facie evidence that such grantors were unmarried unless persons claiming by virtue of such marriage commence action to determine their rights prior to January 1st, 1924, and file lis pendens in office of register of deeds in county where such land lies.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Certain conveyances validated—Exceptions.—
That whenever a deed, assignment, or other instrument affecting the

title to real estate shall have been filed or recorded in the office of the register of deeds of any county, or in any public office authorized to receive such instrument for filing or recording, and shall have continued on record for fifteen years and such instrument does not affirmatively show whether the grantor or assignor or person who executed the instrument was married, such filing or recording and continuance thereof for such fifteen year period shall be prima facie evidence that such grantor or assignor or person who executed the instrument was an unmarried person at the time of the making and delivery of such instrument, unless prior to January 1, 1924, any person claiming any estate in the land affected by such instrument, by, through or under such person or his or her spouse, heirs or devisees, shall commence an action to recover such estate and shall file a notice of lis pendens at the time of the commencement of the action in the office of the register of deeds in the county where such land is situated.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and

after its passage.

Approved April 11, 1923.

## CHAPTER 209-S. F. No. 228.

An act to amend Section I of Chapter 411, Laws 1909, as amended by Chapter 155, Laws 1915, relating to the organization of township mutual fire insurance companies.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Township mutual fire insurance companies.— That section 1 of chapter 411, Laws 1909, as amended by chapter 155, Laws 1915, the same being section 3383, General Statutes 1913, as so amended, be and the same hereby is amended so as to read as follows:

3383. Township Mutual Fire Insurance Companies.—It shall be lawful for any number of persons, not less than twenty-five (25), residing in adjoining towns in this state, who shall collectively own property worth at least fifty thousand (\$50,000.00) dollars, to form themselves into a company or corporation for mutual insurance against loss or damage by fire or lightning. No such company shall operate in more than sixty (60) towns in the aggregate at the same time. Provided, that when any such company confines its operations to one county it may transact business in the whole thereof by so providing in its certificate of incorporation.

Approved April 11, 1923.

## CHAPTER 210— S. F. No. 280.

An act to amend Section 620, Revised Laws 1905 relating to