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clerk of the district court, and forward a copy thereof to the state board. ('95 c. 170 s. 9)

1833. Report of proceedings—The state board shall report to each regular session of the legislature. Such report shall be printed, and shall contain an account of the doings of the board, a brief history of each controversy and the decision thereof, and suggestions relative to the relations between employer and employee. ('95 c. 170 ss. 3, 11)

1834. Compensation—Standing appropriation—Each member of the state board shall receive as compensation five dollars for each day actually employed in the work of the board, and three cents for each mile necessarily traveled, to be paid by the state. The sum of two thousand dollars is hereby annually appropriated for the purposes of this chapter. ('95 c. 170 ss. 10, 12)

CHAPTER 24

SOLDIERS' HOME, RELIEF, ETC.

1835. Who may be admitted—The Minnesota soldiers' home shall be maintained at Minneapolis, under the management of seven trustees, to be known as the "Soldiers' Home Board," as a home for honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, and marines of the United States who served in the Mexican War, the War of the Rebellion, or the Spanish-American War, and for persons who actually served in any campaign against the Indians in this state in the year 1862, whether as soldiers of the United States or not. But no person shall be admitted to the home who has not been a resident of the state for one year next preceding the date of his application, unless he served in a Minnesota regiment, or was credited to this state, or served in an Indian campaign as aforesaid. Nor shall any person be admitted unless he is without adequate means of support, and is unable, by reason of infirmity, to properly maintain himself. (3604, 3605; '99 c. 166)

See 1905 c. 222

1836. Trustees—Bonds, etc.—Said trustees shall be appointed by the governor, with the consent of the senate, each for the term of six years and until his successor qualifies. Those now in office shall serve out the terms for which they were respectively named. Vacancies shall be filled by like appointment for the unexpired terms. They shall receive no pay for their services, but the expenses necessarily incurred by them in the performance of their duties shall be paid by the state out of the moneys provided for the support of the home. Not more than four of the trustees shall be members of the same political party, and in the selection of trustees, officers of the home, and employees of the board, preference shall be given to honorably discharged soldiers, sailors, and marines. Each trustee shall give bond to the state in the penal sum of five thousand dollars, conditioned for the faithful discharge of his duties, and the economical expenditure of the funds provided for hereunder. (3606, 3608, 3624)

1837. Officers, rules, etc.—The board shall appoint a secretary, and elect from its members a president and an executive committee of three. The secretary shall record its transactions, and keep books, records, and accounts showing the administration of the soldiers' home and relief funds, and all facts of public interest relating to the home. He shall receive such reasonable compensation as the board may from time to time prescribe. The state treasurer shall be ex-officio the treasurer of the board. The board shall adopt and enforce rules for the government of the home, and proper by-laws for the conduct of its business. With the approval of the governor, it may also make rules, not inconsistent with this chapter, respecting the admission, maintenance, and discharge of inmates, and the disbursement of the funds under its control. (3620, 3621)

1838. Meetings—Executive committee—The annual meeting of the board shall be held on the second Tuesday of August, and a semi-annual meeting on the second Tuesday of February, at which times the trustees shall examine into the condition of the inmates of the home, and of all others under their care. A special meeting for a designated purpose may be called at any time by the president or by any two of the trustees. The executive committee shall meet at least once in each month, and, when assembled, may exercise such powers of the board as the by-laws shall permit. The principal office of the board, and the place of its meetings, shall be at the home. (3622, 3630)

1839. Officers and employees—The board shall appoint a commandant for such term as it may deem proper, who, under its direction, shall have immediate charge of the home. He shall nominate for approval by the board all necessary subordinate officials and employees, and may suspend any of them for inefficiency or misconduct. The grounds of such suspension shall be reported to the board, whose decision, after a hearing thereon, shall be final. The pay of the commandant and of each of his subordinates shall be prescribed by the board, not exceeding the reasonable amounts paid for similar services in other institutions of the state. (3620)

1840. Soldiers' home fund—Standing appropriation—The sum of twenty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated annually for the support of the home and its inmates, which sum, together with all other moneys provided for the same purposes from time to time, shall be kept separate from the relief fund established by § 1841, and be known as the "Soldiers' Home Fund." (3626; '99 c. 164)

1841. Relief fund—Transfers—The state auditor shall add to the state tax levy, annually, one-tenth of a mill on each dollar of the assessed value of taxable property, the proceeds whereof shall constitute a soldiers' relief fund, to be administered by the board as hereinafter provided. Whenever all of the members of such board shall unite in a written request so to do, the auditor and treasurer shall transfer from the soldiers' home fund to the soldiers' relief fund, or from the latter to the former, any sum specified in such request. (3627, 3632)

1842. Relief fund, how used—Such relief fund shall be expended, under the direction of the board, for the relief outside of the home of persons entitled to be admitted; the deserted wives of such persons, if worthy; the widows and dependent parents of such as have died; and the deserted or orphaned children of such wives or widows, under the age of sixteen years. The granting of such relief, and the extent and character thereof, shall in all cases be in the discretion of the board, and subject to such terms as it may prescribe. (3628; '01 c. 326)

1843. County agents—The board may designate one person in each county, or part of a county, to whom applications for relief shall be made, and through whom the applicant shall communicate with the board concerning the same; and each auditor, when necessary, shall assist in obtaining and applying such relief within his county. No compensation shall be paid to any person for the services mentioned in this section. (3629)

1844. Transportation—Whenever it is made to appear that any person entitled to admission to the home is without means to pay the expenses of travel thereto, the president of the board shall furnish transportation to such person without unnecessary delay, and the cost thereof shall be paid out of the soldiers' home fund. A joint request for such transportation from a county agent of the board and commander or adjutant of a post of the Grand Army of the Republic situated in the county shall be sufficient, in the absence of reasons to the contrary, to warrant such expenditure. (3628; '01 c. 326)

1845. Moneys, how disbursed—All disbursements from the funds herein provided for shall be made by the state treasurer upon auditor's warrants, payable to the persons entitled thereto. Such warrants shall be issued only upon itemized vouchers furnished by the board, signed by its president and secre-

tary, and designating the purpose of the expenditure, and the fund from which each is payable. (3621)

1846. Donations—Reports—The board is hereby authorized to accept in behalf of the state any gift, grant, bequest, or devise made for the purposes of this chapter, and administer the same as directed by the donor; but all moneys derived from such donations shall be deposited in the state treasury, and be credited to one of the funds herein provided for. At each annual meeting the board shall report to the governor all its proceedings during the year, which report, with such information and recommendations concerning its work as the board may deem proper, shall be submitted to the legislature, in print, at its next regular session. (3622, 3623, 3625)

1847. Disposal of pensions—The board, in its discretion, may require as a condition of admittance to the home that every applicant who receives a United States pension exceeding four dollars per month shall pay such excess to its president. If such applicant have a wife or children dependent upon him for support, the president shall pay such excess to them, taking duplicate receipts therefor, one of which shall be delivered to the state treasurer, and the other kept on file at the home; or, in lieu of such payment, the board in any case may grant to such dependents a monthly allowance from the relief fund. If such allowance be as much or more than the excess pension, the latter shall be paid into the treasury and credited to the relief fund. If a surplus remain, it shall be added to the pension money received from other inmates, and placed in the treasury to the credit of the soldiers' home fund. (3630)

1848. Personalty of inmates—Will—As a condition of his admission to the home, every person shall execute his will, and deposit the same with the secretary, disposing of any personal property of which he may die possessed. Upon the decease of any such testator, the board shall cause such of his personal estate as may be left in his possession to be disposed of pursuant to said will, without probate thereof or other proceedings thereon. All property of a deceased inmate not so bequeathed by will, and remaining at the home, unclaimed, for one year after his death, shall be inventoried, appraised, and sold, and the proceeds thereof paid into the state treasury to the credit of the soldiers' home fund. ('01 c. 325)

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

07 1849 - 393 **1849. Peddler's license free—**No license fee or other charge shall be required of any honorably discharged soldier, sailor, or marine who served the United States in the Civil War, for the privilege of hawking or peddling goods and merchandise, not prohibited by law or ordinance, solely on his own account. Upon application therefor, accompanied by proof of such discharge, to any clerk or other officer authorized to issue such license, the same shall forthwith be granted. Every violation hereof shall be deemed a misdemeanor, the minimum punishment whereof shall be a fine of ten dollars. ('03 c. 241)

07 1850 - 129 **1850. Soldiers, when buried by the state—**Each county board shall cause to be decently buried, at a cost to the state of not more than thirty-five dollars, the body of any soldier, sailor, or marine who served the United States as such in the Civil or Spanish-American War, and of any person not a soldier who actually served in this state in the Indian War of 1862, and who dies within the county and is brought thereto for interment, and has not left sufficient means to defray the expenses of suitable burial. Such interment shall not be made in any place used exclusively for the burial of the pauper dead, and the relatives or comrades of the deceased, if they so desire, shall be permitted to conduct the burial service. (8042, 8044; '95 c. 88; '99 c. 178 s. 1)

09 1851 - 290 **1851. Same—Headstones—**A headstone shall be placed at the grave of every such person, bearing his name, and, if ascertainable, the date of his birth and death, and the designation of the organization to which he belonged or in which he served. The cost of such headstone shall not exceed fifteen dollars,

finished and in place. It shall not be furnished by the state until the county board shall have applied unsuccessfully to the general government therefor. When the government furnishes such stone, without a base, the board, at a cost to the state of not more than seven dollars and fifty cents, shall cause the same to be properly placed. (8043; '99 c. 178 s. 2)

1852. Payments, how made—Standing appropriation—The expense of such interments, of headstones not furnished by the government, and of base stones shall be borne by the state. The person in charge of the interment shall report all expenditures, with vouchers approved by the county auditor, and the state auditor shall issue his warrant for the amount. The sum of twenty-five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated annually for defraying such expenses. (8044, 8045; '95 c. 88; '01 c. 306)

1853. Burial lot for insane ex-soldiers—Standing appropriation—Whenever a cemetery lot, situated near a state hospital for the insane, shall be conveyed to a responsible person in trust for the burial therein of indigent soldiers, sailors, and marines dying in said hospital who served the United States in the Civil or Spanish-American War, and the wives or widows of persons so dying, the duly recorded deed, or a certified copy thereof, may be filed with the state auditor. Upon being satisfied that such lot is suitable and adequate for the purpose, the auditor shall issue his warrant for five hundred dollars, payable to the nearest post of the Grand Army of the Republic, and the treasurer shall pay the same on the indorsement of its commander. Said fund shall be used for the ornamentation and care of the lot so conveyed and the erection of a suitable monument thereon. The post shall render to the auditor annual accounts of the expenditures therefrom and of the balances on hand. When it ceases to exist as a post, any balance remaining shall be paid to the superintendent of said hospital, to be used for the same purposes and accounted for in the same way. The sum of twenty-five hundred dollars is hereby appropriated for the purpose aforesaid. ('01 c. 271 ss. 1, 2)

See 1905 c. 266

1854. Same—Duty of superintendent, etc.—After notice of such conveyance, the superintendent shall cause to be interred in said lot all persons of the classes aforesaid, dying in said hospital, whose burial is not otherwise provided for by relatives or friends. He shall also, so far as practicable, cause the bodies of those previously buried in the hospital grounds to be removed thereto, and shall furnish to the proper persons all facts within his knowledge essential to the placing of a suitable inscription upon the monument or headstones. If the deed shall so provide, the bodies of indigent persons of the classes mentioned in § 1853 who may die in the vicinity, not inmates of the hospital, may be buried in said lot. ('01 c. 271 ss. 2, 3)

See 1905 c. 266

1855. Grand Army headquarters—Annual report—A suitably furnished room in the capitol shall be set apart as headquarters for the Minnesota Department of the Grand Army of the Republic. The room shall be under control of the department commander, and used as a depository for the property of the department and for the conduct of its business. The records kept therein shall be open to members of the organization and to persons collecting information. The commander shall report annually to the governor such transactions of the department as he may deem of interest, six hundred copies of which report shall be printed. The printing commission shall distribute two hundred and fifty copies among legislators, officers of the state, and public libraries, and deliver three hundred and fifty copies to said commander. ('01 c. 128 ss. 1, 2)

See 1905 c. 37

1856. Civil War flags—Preservation and display—The flags and colors carried by Minnesota troops in the Civil War shall be preserved in the capitol, under the especial care of the governor. They shall be suitably encased and marked, and, so far as the governor may deem it consistent with their safety, shall at all times be publicly displayed. (8035, 8036)

1857. State flag—Photograph and description of design—There shall be kept and used at the capitol a state flag, conforming substantially to the design

adopted by the commission created by Laws 1893 c. 16. A photograph of said design, together with the resolutions of the commission adopting and describing the same, shall be preserved in the office of the secretary of state. (8037-8039)

CHAPTER 25

BOARD OF CONTROL AND CHARITIES UNDER ITS EXCLUSIVE MANAGEMENT

THE BOARD

1858. Organization—The state board of control shall consist of three members, appointed by the governor with the consent of the senate, each for the term of six years, and until their successors qualify. Vacancies shall be filled by like appointment for the unexpired terms. The member whose term first expires shall be chairman. The governor may remove any member for malfeasance or nonfeasance in office, or for any cause which renders him incapable or unfit to discharge his official duties. ('01 c. 122 s. 1)

Title of 1901 c. 122, establishing board, held sufficient (85-165, 88+533).

1859. Bond—Duties—Examination—Before entering upon such office, each member shall give bond to the state in the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, to be approved by the governor, conditioned for the faithful discharge of his official duties. Each shall devote his entire time to such duties, and shall hold no other lucrative office. The books and affairs of the board shall be subject to examination by the public examiner. ('01 c. 122 s. 2)

1860. Office, seal, supplies, etc.—Said board shall be provided with suitably furnished offices at the seat of government, and may procure all books, blanks, stationery, postage, and other office supplies required in the transaction of its business. It shall employ an architect, a secretary, and other needed office help. It shall have an official seal, and authenticate therewith all commissions, discharges, paroles, and other like documents. All contracts made by the board shall be in writing, signed by its chairman. ('01 c. 122 ss. 4, 5; '03 c. 335)

1861. Institutions under exclusive control—The board shall have the exclusive management of the state prison, state reformatory, state training school for boys and girls, the school for the feeble-minded, the state hospitals and asylums for the insane, and, except as otherwise provided by law, the state sanatorium for consumptives. All expenditures for or on account of said institutions shall be made out of the funds appropriated or provided for each, respectively. ('01 c. 122 s. 18)

1862. Institutions under financial control—Except as otherwise provided by law, the board shall have the financial management of the state university, the state normal schools, the state public school, and the state schools for the deaf and the blind, and all expenditures of public money provided for their administration and support shall be under its control; but, in the planning of buildings and other improvements for their use, it shall co-operate with the respective boards in charge thereof. It shall not have control of private donations made to such institutions unless the donor shall so direct, but they shall be used and expended by the institution board as directed by the donors. ('01 c. 122 s. 18)

See 1905 c. 119

1863. Powers of institution boards—The official boards in charge of the respective institutions named in § 1862 shall control their general educational policy, have charge of the grounds, buildings, and apparatus, and employ all necessary officers, teachers, janitors, and other help, and fix their compensation; but the total expenditure for such purposes shall not exceed in any year

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