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by striking out the word "appoint" in the fourth line of said section and inserting in place thereof the word 'elect' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 25. Municipal officers to elect instead of appoint. In every town and city of more than two thousand inhabitants, and in every town of two thousand inhabitants or less if such town shall so vote at an annual town meeting, the municipal officers shall annually in the month of April elect an inspector of buildings, who shall be a man skilled in the construction of buildings, and shall determine his compensation. The municipal officers shall define the limits within which the inspector of buildings shall have jurisdiction, which shall include the thickly settled portion of each such city, or of each village in each such city or town.'

Approved March 26, 1917.

Chapter 79.

An Act to Amend Section One Hundred Seventy-six of Chapter Sixteen of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the Appropriation for Teachers' Pensions.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., c. 16, § 176, relating to appropriation for teachers' pensions, amended. Section one hundred seventy-six of chapter sixteen of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "twenty-five" in the second line thereof and substituting therefor the word 'twenty-seven' so that said section when amended shall read as follows:

'Sec. 176. Increased to \$27,000. For the purposes of the seven preceding sections the sum of twenty-seven thousand dollars is annually appropriated, which sum the treasurer of state shall deduct for said purposes out of the school and mill funds and the sum so appropriated and deducted shall be denominated the school pension fund.'

Approved March 26, 1917.

Chapter 80.

An Act to Amend Chapter One Hundred Forty-seven of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the State Board of Charities and Corrections.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 147, § 2, relating to secretary of state board of charities and corrections, expenses of board, etc., amended. Section two of chapter one hundred forty-seven of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by striking out at the end of the section, the words, "The expenses of the board and the salary and expenses of the secretary or of any agent employed by the board not exceeding in all the sum of six thousand dollars shall be paid pro rata by all institutions coming within the scope of this chapter, which receives state aid in the following manner, viz: each of such institutions shall pay such proportion of said total ex-

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penses for any one year as its own appropriation for that year bears to the total amount appropriated for that year for the benefit of all such institutions," so that as amended the section shall read as follows:

'Sec. 2. Expenses and salary of secretary to be paid by special appropriation. The board shall appoint a secretary, not of their own number, who shall have been a resident of the state for at least five years, and shall be qualified by special knowledge and experience in charitable, correctional and institutional work; he shall receive for his services, in addition to his travelling and other necessary expenses, such salary as may be agreed upon by the board, with the approval of the governor and council. The accounts of such secretary for his travelling and other necessary expenses shall be approved by the board, audited by the state auditor and, together with the salary of such secretary not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars, shall be paid out of the state treasury upon certificate of the state auditor.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 147, § 9, relating to report of board, amended. Section nine of said chapter one hundred forty-seven is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 9. Reports to be made quarterly. Quarterly bulletin to be printed. The board shall in January, April, July and October of each year make a quarterly report to the governor, showing the actual condition of the various institutions under its supervision which have been inspected by the members of the board, its secretary or other agents during the preceding three months with suggestions and recommendations as it may deem necessary and advisable, and shall publish a quarterly bulletin, in which shall be included a summary of such reports and recommendations. The board shall biennially on or before the first day of January in each year in which the legislature convenes, prepare and print, for the use of the legislature, a full and complete financial and statistical report of the various institutions under its supervision, and a statement of all expenses incurred and all officers and agents employed, for the two year period ending on the thirtieth day of June preceding, with such suggestions and recommendations as it may deem necessary or advisable.

Sec. 3. Inconsistent statutes repealed. All acts and parts of acts inconsistent with the foregoing are hereby repealed.

Approved March 26, 1917.

Chapter 81.

An Act to Amend Section Twenty-seven of Chapter Fifty-two of the Revised Statutes, Relating to the Investment of Deposits of Savings Banks.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., c. 52 § 27, relating to investment of deposits. Section twenty-seven of chapter fifty-two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following sub-section:

'Eighth. May hold stocks, bonds and other securities, not authorized by law, acquired in settlements, etc. Savings banks and institutions for