dent population of not less than * * * two hundred persons thereon, or any part of any town or towns, not less than one square mile in area and not included in any village and lying in two or more adjoining counties and which shall contain a resident population of at least four hundred persons to every square mile thereof, may, upon compliance with the conditions of this chapter, become incorporated as a village by such name as may be designated in the order of the court for its incorporation with the ordinary powers of a municipal corporation and such as are conferred by these statutes. All villages incorporated under the provisions of section 854 of the revised statutes of Wisconsin for 1878, before the 29th day of April, 1877, are declared to be duly and legally incorporated and the official acts of the officers thereof legalized.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 506.

AN ACT to amend section 36, that part of subsection 1 of section 37 preceding paragraph (a), paragraph (h) of said subsection, and repealing section 58 of the statutes, relating to the publication of election notices and constitutional amendments by city and county clerks.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 36 of the statutes is amended to read: Section 36. 1. Before an election to fill any public office, the county or city clerk of each county or city shall cause to be published in at least two and in not more than four newspapers published within the county or city the nominations to office certified to or filed with him, which publication shall be a facsimile of the official ballot.

2. Said publication shall be preceded with a notice of the time and place of holding the election, together with information to the voter for marking his ballot, which notice and information shall be substantially in the form provided in section 37 of the statutes, to be varied and modified according to the nature of the election.

* * 3. One of such publications shall be made in a newspaper which advocates the principles of the political party that

- at the last preceding general election in such county or city
- * cast the largest number of votes, and at least one of the other publications shall be made in a newspaper which advocates the principles of the political party that then cast the next largest number of votes.
- * * 4. Such publication shall be made twice in daily newspapers in counties or cities having such, one of which publications shall be on the * * * day preceding the election * * * and the other publication one week previously; but if there be no daily newspaper published within the county or city, one publication in each weekly newspaper selected, representing the political parties as aforesaid, shall be sufficient. Where a publication cannot be made as hereinbefore required, it may be made in any daily or weekly newspaper having a general circulation in such county or city.
- 5. An additional publication may be translated and published in such newspapers printed in foreign languages as the county or city clerk shall deem necessary or proper.
- * * * 6. The publication required in this section shall not be made in more than two newspapers, unless authorized by a resolution adopted by the county board of supervisors of such county or city council of such city.
- 7. (a). Such publication, when published in a city using voting machines, shall include a sample ballot in the form of a diagram showing the face of the machine with the official ballot thereon, together with instructions to the voter for the proper operation of the machine.
- (b) The election notices of the city clerk and county clerk for officers to be voted for in such city shall be issued and published by them in one notice whenever the elections to be noticed therein are to be held on the same day.
- (c) The cost of such joint notice shall be paid by such city and county in proportion to the amount of space occupied.
- 8. The compensation to be paid for the publication of any notice under this section shall be the same as provided for the publication of notices under section 37 of the statutes, as amended.
- Section 2. That part of subsection 1 of section 37 of the statutes, preceding paragraph (a), is amended to read: Section 37. 1. In making publication of * * * a general election notice, the county * * clerk * * shall precede the same with * * * a statement * * substantially in the following form, * * * the caption * * *

of which shall be conspicuously displayed, but in no case shall the space occupied by said caption be more than one and one-fourth inches in depth:

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION.

Office of county clerk.
To the electors of county: * * *
Notice is hereby given that a general election * * is
to be held in the several towns, wards, villages, and election
precincts in the county * * of,
on the day of 19, at which the
officers named below are to be chosen. The names of the candi-
dates for each office to be voted for, whose nominations have
been certified to or filed in this office, are given * * under
the title of the office and under the appropriate party or other
designation, each in its proper column, * * * together with
the question submitted to a vote, * * in the sample bal-
lot below.

INFORMATION TO VOTERS.

The following instructions are given for the information and guidance of voters:

Section 3. Paragraph (h) of subsection 1 of section 37 of the statutes is amended to read: (h). The * * * following is a facsimile of the official ballot: (Insert * * facsimile of official ballot)

• • County Clerk.

Section 4. Section 58 of the statutes is hereby repealed.

Section 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 507.

AN ACT to create section 392em of the statutes, providing for the establishment and equipment of branch agricultural experiment stations, and making an appropriation therefor.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. There is added to the statutes a new section to read: Section 392em. 1. The regents are hereby authorized