thirty-first day of December, unless sooner revoked.

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

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## CHAPTER 309.

AN ACT relating to municipalities and amendatory of section 942 of the statutes of Wisconsin for the year 1898.

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

SECTION 1. Section 942 of the statutes of the Municipal state of Wisconsin for the year 1898, is hereby poses for amended by inserting after the word "purpose" which may issue. in the seventh line thereof, the words "and for the purchase, construction, maintenance and operation of telephone lines and exchanges," and by adding a new section to be known as section 942a, so that said section 942, when amended, and 942a, shall read said section as follows: Section 942. Any county, town, village or city may, in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, issue its negotiable bonds for the purpose of paying for any authorized subscription to the stock or mortgage bonds, or both, issued by any corporation or company organized for building any railroad, whether of broad, ordinary or narrow gauge, or made of iron, steel or wooden rails, or in exchange for or compromise of any such bonds previously issued for such purpose, and for the purchase, construction, maintenance and op-

eration of telephone lines and exchanges. city or village may also borrow money and issue its negotiable bonds for any of the following purposes, viz.: the purchase or erection of public buildings; the purchase of fire engines or any apparatus for the extinguishment of fires; the purchase or erection of pumps, water mains, reservoirs or any other water works; the purchase or erection of electric or gas lighting works, main sewers, sewage disposal works or grounds; the grading, macadamizing or paving streets; the laying out, altering or widening thereof or of public grounds or parks; the purchase or improvement of cemeteries, the construction of school buildings or in exchange for or compromise of any bonds previously issued and outstanding; provided, that the principal of such new bonds shall not exceed the principal of the old bonds; or to accomplish any other purpose in the lawful power of such corporation. Section 942a. county bonds shall be issued for the purchase or erection of telephone lines and exchanges nor shall any bonds be issued therefor unless a proposition setting forth the length, equipment and connections of the proposed lines; denominations of the bonds to be issued, and at what rate of interest, how, when and where said bonds and interest shall be payable; when said bonds shall be delivered with reference to the construction of the line from point to point or its final completion; when said line, if not then completed, shall be finished, and providing for escrow of the bonds if the parties so elect, pursuant to the terms of such proposition, shall first be filed with the county, town, village or city clerk and the same shall thereafter be duly adopted or accepted in either of the ways provided for the acceptance and adoptions of a proposition to issue municipal bonds to aid in the construction of a railroad as particularly required by the provisions of sections 945, 946, 947, and 948 of the statutes of Wisconsin for the year 1898; provided that in no case shall town, city or village aid bonds be issued

When county bonds may be issued for telephone purposes. for more than fifty per cent. of the entire cost of the telephone lines and exchanges described in any aid proposition and provided further, that before any person, firm, company or corporation shall be authorized to submit any proposition, such person, firm, company or corporation shall file with the secretary of state a notice of intention to operate under the provisions of this act, together with a bond in such form and amount as in the secretary's judgment shall properly protect the interests of the community concerned. Provided that none but tax payers shall be entitled to vote at any election held for the purpose aforesaid.

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

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## CHAPTER 310.

AN ACT to authorize the building of viaducts across gullies, running streams or railroad tracks, by the counties in this state, and for the issuing of county bonds therefor.

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

SECTION 1. The county board of supervisors when county of any county within this state, is hereby authorize consultations. rized and empowered to alter, erect, construct struction of viaduct. and maintain any viaduct not less than one thousand feet in length, the cost of construction of which, together with the right of way therefor, shall be not less than the sum of eighty thousand