with the commissioners of the public lands prior to the passage of this section, may be made at the then lawful rate of interest.

(See c. 236.)

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 564.

AN ACT to amend section 925—255 of the statutes, relating to city improvements or contracts.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 925—255 of the statutes is amended to read: Section 925—255. 1. No city officer shall be interested, directly or indirectly, in any improvement or contract to which the city is a party, or have any direct or indirect interest in or be an agent, employee, or representative of any individual, firm, or corporation that is a party to any such contract or furnishes any materials or labor for such improvement or contract, and whenever it shall appear that such is the case such contract shall be absolutely null and void and the city shall incur no liability whatever thereon. No city officer shall be accepted as surety on any bond, contract or other obligation made to the city.

2. A city officer violating any provision of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and be punished by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars nor more than one thousand dollars, besides the costs, or by imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment, and shall forfeit his office and be permanently disqualified from holding any office that exists under the laws of this state.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

(See c. 676.)

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CHAPTER 565.

AN ACT to amend section 931a of the statutes, relating to taxes for libraries.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 931a of the statutes is amended to read: Section 931a. If a gift be offered to any city, village or town 41—L.

for a public library or a library building, in consideration thereof such city, village or town may obligate itself, by an ordinance adopted by a two-thirds vote, to levy and collect an annual tax for the support and maintenance of such library or building of not to exceed fifteen per cent of such gift, and if such gift be accepted such obligation shall not be repealed. Such ordinance shall be subject to the referendum provided for in section 39j. In the case of any such gift for a library building, the library board of directors of such city, village or town shall have the exclusive right to select and contract for the purchase of a site therefor, at a cost of not to exceed one-third of such gift. Such board of directors shall report forthwith to such city council, village or town board the amount required to pay for such site, and the council, village or town board shall thereupon, by resolution, include such sum in the next succeeding annual tax levy, or provide for an issue of bonds in the required amount. (See c. 379.)

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 566.

AN ACT to amend section 425 of the statutes, as amended by chapter 448, laws of 1913, relating to the date of holding the annual school district meeting.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 425 of the statutes, as amended by chapter 448, laws of 1913, is amended to read: Section 425. nual district meeting in all school districts not containing in whole or in part an incorporated city or village shall be held on the first Monday in June, but in all school districts containing in whole or in part an incorporated city or village it shall be held on the first Monday of July, unless that be a legal holiday, in which case it shall be held on the next day at seven o'clock in the afternoon unless another hour be fixed by a vote recorded at the last annual meeting, and any annual meeting heretofore or hereafter held shall be valid notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in any special or local law; provided, that that part of this section fixing the date of the annual school district meeting shall not become effective until the third day of January, 1914. It shall be the duty of the district board to meet on the Saturday immediately preceding the annual meeting, carefully