

2. Any city, town or village in this state, whether organized under general or special charter, is hereby authorized and empowered by its common council, or town or village board, to grant the use, however, to the extent that it shall not interfere with its regular use, of any public hall or assembly room in any public building under its control, for patriotic affairs within the meaning of subsection 1 of section 959—81s, gratuitously, and whenever any city of the first class shall have erected an institution under the provisions of chapter 426 of the laws of 1905 and acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, the common council of any such city is hereby empowered and authorized to provide a fund, as other city funds are provided, in such amount as shall be determined by the common council, as other budget appropriations are determined, to be used by such city to pay such rentals as are determined by the auditorium board for patriotic affairs as mentioned in subsection 1 of section 959—81s for such institution or any part thereof, which rentals for such purpose, as well as all other rentals, shall however, be used for the maintenance and operation of such institution as provided in section 9 of chapter 426, laws of 1905, and section 3 of chapter 354 of the laws of 1909 and acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto, and for the sake of encouraging patriotic affairs within the provisions of subsection 1 of section 959—81s in such city, the city shall have the right to state the amount of such free rental of the auditorium that shall be afforded during any one year for such purposes, and the auditorium board shall have the right to draw for such purposes on the fund herein provided for the maintenance and operation of such institution. The common council shall by resolution, however, determine the particular patriotic affairs which shall be so entitled to the auditorium.

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

Approved March 27, 1919.

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## CHAPTER 52.

AN ACT relating to the purchase of land for the state school for the blind and making an appropriation therefor.

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

SECTION 1. The state board of control is hereby authorized to purchase a tract of land approximately forty acres adjoining

the present grounds of the state school for the blind at Janesville, said purchase to be in conformity with the option now on file in the office of the board of control which describes the land and terms as follows:

“DESCRIPTION—The west 8.19 chains of lot 6 north of State street and that part of lot 7 and west  $\frac{1}{4}$  southwest  $\frac{1}{4}$  north of State street which lies east of a line running northerly from a point at the southeast corner of the yard surrounding the buildings, and thence northerly in a straight line along the fence which forms the east boundary line of said yard to Rock river, intending to convey a tract of land of about forty acres of land, all located in the city of Janesville, Rock county, Wisconsin.

“TERMS—Purchase price to be two hundred and fifty dollars per acre. The number of acres to be determined by an actual survey of the land. The cost of surveying same to be paid one-half by the undersigned and the other half by the State of Wisconsin. The purchase price to be paid on or before the 1st day of April, 1919.”

SECTION 2. There is hereby appropriated to the state board of control an amount not to exceed ten thousand dollars for carrying out the purposes of this act.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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## CHAPTER 53.

AN ACT to amend subsection (19) of section 20.17 of the statutes, relating to the binder twine plant, and making an appropriation.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (19) of section 20.17 of the statutes is amended to read: (20.17) (19) For the binder twine plant at the state prison, from time to time, sums equal in amount to the moneys derived from the sale of the manufactured products of said plant and paid into the general fund, to be used as a revolving appropriation for operation, purchase of raw materials, carrying, handling and marketing the products of said plant; but whenever said revolving appropriation exceeds \* \* \* six hundred thousand dollars such excess shall revert to the general fund. *The sum of two hundred eight thousand seven hundred sixteen dollars seventy-eight cents,*