LAWS OF PENNSYLVANIA,

No. 14.

AN ACT

Fixing the salaries of court criers and tipstaves in counties of the third class.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the salaries of the court criers of the several courts in counties of the third class is hereby fixed at sixteen hundred and fifty dollars per annum, and the salaries of the tipstaves in said counties is fixed at fifteen hundred dollars per annum. Such salaries shall be paid out of the county treasury in the usual manner.

Section 2. That the act, approved the thirtieth day of March, nineteen hundred and eleven (Pamphlet Laws, thirty), entitled "An act to fix the salary of court criers and tipstaves, in judicial districts containing more than two hundred and fifty thousand inhabitants, and less than one million inhabitants," is hereby repealed absolutely; and the act, approved the sixth day of May, nineteen hundred and fifteen (Pamphlet Laws, two hundred and seventy-one), is hereby repealed in so far as it related to court criers and tipstaves. All other acts and parts of acts inconsistent with this act are repealed.

APPROVED-The 17th day of March, A. D. 1921.

WM. C. SPROUL.

No. 15.

AN ACT

Authorizing the erection and construction by counties of memorial halls in memory of the soldiers, sailors, and marines of such counties; providing for an election to determine whether such hall shall be erected; providing for the purchase and condemnation of property for such purposes; regulating the use of such halls; and providing for the maintenance and care of the same, by a board of control, at the expense of the county.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That in any county of the Commonwealth, where the petition of at least fifty citizens thereof to the county commissioners of any county for the erection or completion and maintenance of a memorial or monument in honor of the soldiers, sailors, and marines for such county, who served in the Army and Navy of the United States in the War of the Rebellion, the Spanish-American War, the Philippine Insurrection, the War with Germany

Counties of the third class.

Court criers' salaries.

Tipstaves' salaries.

Act of March 30, 1911 (P. L. 30), repealed.

Act of May 6, 1915 (P. L. 271), partially repealed.

Repeal.

Counties.

Memorial halls.

For soldiers, sailors, and marines.

and Austria, and all other wars in which the United States has been or may hereafter be engaged, has been or may be laid before two successive grand juries and approved by them, it shall be the duty of the county commissioners to submit the question of the erection of a memorial hall to the electors of the county at the next general or municipal election; and, if a majority of the persons voting at such election shall vote in favor of the same, it shall be the duty of the county commissioners to erect, at the county-seat, a memorial hall as such memorial or monument, and for such purpose to acquire by purchase, donation, or by condemnation under the right of eminent domain. the necessary site, and to erect and maintain thereon a suitable and proper memorial hall or buildings in memory of the soldiers, sailors, and marines of such All proceedings for the condemnation of any wars. property under the provisions of this act shall be in the same manner as now provided by law for the condemnation of property for other county purposes.

If the site so secured has a hall or building already erected thereon which can be altered and improved so as to be made suitable for such memorial hall, it shall be lawful for such county commissioners to acquire such site in manner aforesaid for the purpose of a memorial hall.

For the purpose of aiding in paying the Receipt of donations. Section 2. purchase money and price for the site and erection and construction of such memorial hall, voluntary donations and contributions may be accepted by the county commissioners from individuals, associations and organizations.

Section 3. The county commissioners of said county may, and are authorized hereby to, levy a special tax, to an amount sufficient to pay for the ground purchased or condemned and the erection thereon of said memorial hall, within the period of ten years from the erection thereof. Such tax shall be levied and collected from all taxable persons and property of the county, and the rate of such tax shall liste. not exceed two mills on the property taxable for county purposes in any one year. Such memorial hall shall be and remain the property of, and shall be main- Maintenance. tained at the expense of, the county. The county commissioners may borrow moneys or issue bonds for the purchase and construction above mentioned; the said loans or bonds to be paid within or at the expiration of the tax period above prescribed.

Section 4. Such memorial hall shall be in honor of the soldiers, sailors, and marines from said county, who served in the Army and Navy of the United States in the War of the Rebellion, the Spanish-American War, the Thilippine Insurrection, the War with

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Acquisition of site. Erection.

Eminent domain.

Purchase of buildings.

Special taxes

Title.

Loans and bonds. Plan of halls.

Germany and Austria, and all other wars in which the United States has been or may hereafter be en-Such memorial halls shall each contain one gaged. large assembly room or auditorium for public meetings of the soldiers, sailors, and marines of such county, which may be used also for other public meetings and patriotic gatherings by the consent of the board of control herein provided for. Such memorial hall shall also contain rooms for meetings of posts of the Grand Army of the Republic, encampments of the Union Veteran Legion, commanderies of the Loyal Legion, camps of Sons of Veterans, Women's Relief Corps. Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, chapters of the Daughters of the Revolution, organizations of the Spanish-American War and Philippine Insurrection, the American Legion and organizations of veterans of all other wars in which the United States has been or may be engaged, and also rooms for the county historical society and for such committees of public defense and welfare as may be created by the State or as may be approved by the board of control hereinafter provided for. Such memorial halls shall also provide room for the display and preservation of relics and trophies of all wars in which the United States has been or may be engaged, photographs, paintings, and portraits, busts, and statues of the soldiers, sailors, and marines of the said counties, and mural tablets, upon which shall be inscribed the names of such soldiers, sailors, and marines. Such memorial halls shall also contain waiting and rest rooms with lavatories attached.

Section 5. The room for the county historical society shall be made as nearly fireproof as possible, and be provided with the proper files and furnishing for preservation and storing of all historical data of the said county with reference to any and all subjects.

Section 6. A board of control is hereby created, which shall have charge of all matters relating to such memorial hall, and shall have the care thereof. The board shall be composed of three members chosen by members of the Grand Army of the Republic, three members chosen by members of camps of Spanish-American War Veterans, and three members to be chosen by members of the American Legion. The judges of the court of common pleas and the county commissioners shall be ex officio members of the board of control. The selected members of the board shall serve one year, when their successors shall be selected. Vacancies occurring shall be filled by the board for the unexpired term.

Historical society

Board of control.

Section 7. A suitable flagstaff shall be erected upon Flagstaff. said memorial hall, from which shall be displayed the flag of the United States from sunrise to sunset on each and every day of the year.

APPROVED—The 17th day of March, A. D. 1921.

WM. C. SPROUL.

No. 16.

AN ACT

To amend section one of the act, approved the seventeenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen (Pamphlet Laws, one thousand and one), entitled "An act fixing the fees of the prothonotary for attendance in court, in counties having a population of less than seventy thousand, and providing for the payment thereof by the several counties." by making the provisions of said act apply to counties of the sixth, seventh, and eighth desces and eighth classes.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That section one of the act, approved the seventeenth day of July, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen (Pamphlet Laws, one thousand and one), entitled "An act fixing the fees of the prothonotary for attendance in court, in counties having a population of less than seventy thousand, and providing for the payment thereof by the several counties," which reads as follows:-

"Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That from and after the passage of this act, in all counties having a population of less than seventy thousand inhabitants, the prothonotary of the court of common pleas shall receive a fee of five dollars for each day of his attendance in court; which fee shall be paid by the county," is hereby amended to read as follows:-

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That from and after the passage of this act, in all counties of the sixth, seventh, and eighth classes, the prothonotary of the Fees for court of common pleas shall receive a fee of five dollars for each day of his attendance in court; which fee shall be paid by the county.

APPROVED-The 17th day of March, A. D. 1921.

WM. C. SPROUL.

Prothonotaries.

Counties of sixth, seventh, and eighth classes.

Section 1. act of July 17, 1919 (P. L. 1001), cited for amendment

attending court.