Section 2 amended.

Contract not to be let to disqualified architect or engineer.

Section 3 amended.

Architect or engineer not to be interested in contract on which disqualified.

When effective.

That section two of the said act be and Section 2. it is hereby amended to read as follows:

It shall also be unlawful for the officers Section 2. of the Commonwealth, or of any county, municipality, borough, township, or other subdivision of the Commonwealth, charged with the duty of letting any public work, to award a contract to any [such] architect or engineer [in the employ of the Commonwealth. or of any county, municipality, borough, township, or other subdivision of the Commonwealth.] who shall be disqualified from bidding on such contract by section one of this act.

That section three of the said act be and Section 3.

it is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 3. It shall not be lawful for any architect or engineer [in the employ of the Commonwealth. or of any county, municipality, borough, township, or other subdivision of the Commonwealth. I to be in any wise interested in any contract for public work on which he shall be disqualified from bidding by section one of this act. nor receive any remuneration or gratuity from any person interested in such contract.

Section 4. This act shall become effective upon its

approval by the Governor.

Approved—The 22d day of June, A. D. 1931.

GIFFORD PINCHOT

No. 274

AN ACT

Authorizing the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or any department or division thereof, and counties, cities, boroughs, incorporated towns, townships, school districts and poor districts to make contracts of life, health, and accident policies for the benefit of employes thereof, and contracts for pensions for such employes; and providing for the payment of the cost thereof.

State and municipal employes. Group insurance

enthorized.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or any department or division thereof. and any county, city, borough, incorporated town, township, school district or poor district, now or hereafter authorized by law to make appropriations or contributions for any such purpose, may make contracts of insurance with any insurance company authorized to transact business within the Commonwealth insuring its employes or any class or classes thereof under a policy or policies of group insurance covering life, health, or accident insurance, and may contract with any such company granting annuities or pensions for the pensioning of such employes; and, for such purposes, may agree to

Pensions.

pay part or all of the premiums or charges for carrying Payment of such contracts, and may appropriate out of its treasury any money necessary to pay such premiums or charges or portions thereof.

Section 2. All contracts procured hereunder shall contracts to conform and be subject to all the provisions of any exist-conform to existing laws. ing or future laws concerning group insurance and

group annuity contracts.

Section 3. The provisions of this act shall be sever- constitutionality. able, and if any provision shall be held to be unconstitutional, the decision of the court shall not be deemed to affect the validity of the remaining provisions. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this act would have been adopted by the General Assembly had such unconstitutional provisions not been included therein.

Section 4. Nothing contained in the foregoing sec- Construction. tion shall be construed to repeal any act of Assembly now providing for the granting of pensions or retirement remuneration to any of the employes of the Commonwealth or any such county, city, borough, incorporated town, township, school district or poor district.

Approved—The 22d day of June, A. D. 1931.

GIFFORD PINCHOT

No. 275

AN ACT

Authorizing the publication of advertisements for bids for public works, supplies or equipment in certain publications and journals devoted to information about construction

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That any officer of the State and Commonwealth, and any officer, board or legislative body municipal officers. of any county, city, borough, town, township, school district or poor district, whose duty it is by law to advertise for bids for public works, contracts, supplies Advertisements or equipment, may, at his or its discretion, legally authorize the publication of such advertising, in addition to the newspapers specified by law, also in any publication or journal devoted to the dissemination of in- Trade formation about construction work published in this publications. Commonwealth at least once a week and circulating among contractors, manufacturers and dealers doing business in the community in which such public works are to be constructed or supplies or equipment purchased: Provided, That no advertisement for bids for Qualifications of public works, contracts, supplies or equipment shall be publication. inserted in any publication or journal devoted to the dissemination of information about construction work,