

thereof shall be unlimited, subject, however, to said laws, but each of the persons holding the office of court officer and constable in the penal institutions department of the city of Boston immediately prior to said effective date shall be subjected by the division of civil service to a non-competitive qualifying examination for the office of commitment and transfer officer established by this act, and if he passes said examination he shall be certified for said office and shall be deemed to be permanently appointed thereto without being required to serve any probationary period.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved March 15, 1945.

Chap. 119 AN ACT RELATING TO THE CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE WARD FIRE DISTRICT NUMBER ONE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The chief engineer of the Ward Fire District Number One in office at the time of the acceptance of chapter forty-five of the acts of nineteen hundred and thirty-eight by said district shall be deemed to be the chief of the fire department referred to in said act and the acceptance of said act by the district shall be considered to have extended tenure of office, so called, to the said chief engineer in his said capacity as chief of the fire department.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved March 15, 1945.

Chap. 120 AN ACT RELATIVE TO RECORDING NOTICES ISSUED BY THE COURT ON PETITIONS TO AUTHORIZE FORECLOSURE OF MORTGAGES IN WHICH SOLDIERS AND SAILORS MAY BE INTERESTED, AND SEIZURES OF PROPERTY THEREUNDER.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section one of chapter fifty-seven of the acts of nineteen hundred and forty-three is hereby amended by striking out the last paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:—

The publication of a copy of said notice once not less than twenty-one days before the return day in a newspaper designated by the court, and the mailing of a copy thereof by registered mail not less than fourteen days before the return day to each defendant named in the bill, shall be sufficient service of said notice, unless the court otherwise orders, provided however that prior to the return day fixed in said notice, or within such further time before decree as the court may allow, a copy thereof shall be recorded in each registry of deeds and city or town clerk's office in which such mortgage is recorded.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.
Approved March 15, 1945.

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF NORFOLK TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FACILITIES AT THE NORFOLK COUNTY HOSPITAL IN BRANTREE.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. To provide additional facilities at the Norfolk County Hospital at Brantree, the county commissioners of Norfolk county are hereby authorized to construct additions, make alterations to any of the existing buildings of said hospital, furnish and equip the same, and may expend therefor a sum not exceeding three hundred and ninety thousand dollars.

SECTION 2. For the purposes aforesaid, the treasurer of said county, with the approval of the county commissioners, may borrow from time to time upon the credit of the county such sums as may be necessary, not exceeding, in the aggregate, three hundred and ninety thousand dollars, and may issue notes or bonds of the county therefor, which shall bear on their face the words, Norfolk County Hospital Loan, Act of 1945; and such notes or bonds shall be payable in not more than twenty years from their dates. Each authorized issue shall constitute a separate loan. Such notes or bonds shall be signed by the treasurer of the county and countersigned by a majority of the county commissioners. Such securities may be sold at public or private sale upon such terms and conditions as the said treasurer and county commissioners may deem proper, but not for less than their par value. Indebtedness under this act shall, except as herein provided, be subject to chapter thirty-five of the General Laws. All sums necessary to meet interest payments on notes or bonds issued under this act and payments on account of principal as the same mature shall be assessed upon the twenty-six towns and one city of said county constituting the Norfolk county hospital district, with other assessments made under section eighty-five of chapter one hundred and eleven of the General Laws, as amended.

Approved March 15, 1945.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE MAINTENANCE OF A BRIDGE BY SYLVANIA ELECTRIC PRODUCTS INC. OVER BARTON SQUARE IN THE CITY OF SALEM.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. Upon petition, and after seven days' notice inserted in at least one newspaper published in the city of Salem, and a public hearing thereon, the city council of said city, by a two thirds vote, with the approval of the mayor, may grant and issue a permit to Sylvania Electric Products Inc., a corporation duly established and existing under the laws of the commonwealth, its successors and assigns, to maintain a bridge over Barton square, a public highway in said city, at a point where said corporation