

CHAPTER 262

COUNTY SYSTEM.

262.01 COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISORS OF THE POOR; OVERSEER OF POOR MAY GRANT RELIEF; COUNTY POOR RELIEF AGENT; POORHOUSES.

Cash, in lieu of care, may be paid to poor person by the board of poor and hospital commissioners: OAG April 3, 1943 (125-A-37).

When old age recipient has allowance increased in order to take care of doctor's bills and does not pay them, there is no liability on the part of the county unless a member of the county board has given written direction to the doctor to attend the patient. 1944 OAG 324, July 14, 1943 (521-V).

Expense of treatment and care of a prisoner at liberty on commuted sentence who was shot while attempting to commit a crime should be handled as a case of any other pauper in the county. OAG Oct. 15, 1946 (91-H).

262.07 TEMPORARY RELIEF.

A county which furnishes relief to a poor person in discharge of the liability imposed upon it by statute, there being no mistake or deception, cannot recover of the estate of the deceased poor person. Co. of Brown v Penkert, 164 M 55, 204 NW 469.

A county which furnishes necessary support to a woman deserted by her husband may recover of the husband. Co. of Brown v Siebert, 175 M 39, 220 NW 156.

262.11 SETTLEMENT IN ANOTHER COUNTY.

Where there is no "dispute" as to the settlement of a pauper and the right to remove him, proceedings for determination of the pauper's settlement and removal should be dismissed. Co. of Aitkin v City of Mpls. 211 M 223, 300 NW 798.

In poor settlement proceeding the question whether a pauper may be removed from his freehold to the place of his settlement for poor relief purposes can be raised only by the pauper. Town of Ripley v City of Mpls. 212 M 75, 2 NW(2d) 433.

The family during a ten year period resided in Ramsey county, but when the husband enlisted in the army the wife and children moved into Anoka county. At present they are being supported through war agencies but the authorities of Anoka fear the family will be a charge on the county after the husband's return. Under the law as affected by the soldiers and sailors relief act the family cannot be moved. 1944 OAG 331, June 6, 1943 (339-0-3).

262.12 COUNTY BOARD TO APPOINT PHYSICIAN.

If a member of the county board has given direction in writing authorizing a physician to attend a patient, the county is liable; but if no such directions have been given and if the board has increased the pauper's allowance to enable him to obtain medical attendance, the county is not liable if the patient neglects to pay the physician. OAG July 14, 1943 (125-A-29).