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BY ADVERTISEMENT

9602. Limitation—Every mortgage of real estate heretofore or hereafter executed, containing a power of sale, upon default being made in any condition thereof, may be foreclosed by advertisement within fifteen years after the maturing of such mortgage or the debt secured thereby, in the cases and in the manner hereinafter specified. Said fifteen years shall not be extended by reason of any non-residence, or of any payment made or applied upon such debt after its maturity. (4457) [8107]

1. Foreclosure in general—The term foreclosure is sometimes used to denote the sale and attendant proceedings (28-6, 8+829; 32-460, 21+714; 63-517, 65+941); sometimes the entire process of barring the equity of redemption, including the expiration of the redemption period (27-175, 6+489). Foreclosure proceedings, in whatever manner conducted, have for their object the enforcement of the security; the application of the property to the satisfaction of the debt or obligation secured (29-226, 13+34). The right to foreclose is not affected by possession (23-328). See 97-31, 106+98.

161-404, 201+625, note under § 9603.

The agreement does not purport to effect a dismissal of the foreclosure procedure. The foreclosure appears to have been regularly had and the sale fairly conducted. 166-33, 206+944.

2. Two methods—There are only two methods by which a mortgage may be foreclosed, namely, by action and by advertisement (21-520). The common law method by entry and possession does not obtain in this state (See 29-226, 13+34). The two remedies are cumulative (39-378, 40+255). There is this difference between a foreclosure by advertisement and a foreclosure by action. In the former the title passes by virtue of the mortgage and the mortgage must be sufficient to operate as a conveyance as soon as the equity of redemption is barred by the sale; but in the latter the title passes by virtue of the decree and, sale under it. There is no going behind the decree to ascertain if the mortgage was sufficient to operate as a conveyance (39-378, 40+255). If the mortgage contains no power it can only be foreclosed by action (20-264, 237). A release by the mortgagor to the mortgagee of the equity of redemption after condition broken, is tantamount to foreclosure (29-226, 13+34).

3. General nature of foreclosure by advertisement—A foreclosure by advertisement is an ex parte proceeding (7-315, 243) in pais and in rem (18-232, 212; 24-315, 31-495, 18+450; 46-164, 47+970, 48+783; 53-346, 55+557; 72-49, 74+1018; 74-72, 76+958). While the power to foreclose is derived from the convention of the parties, yet the proceedings in the exercise of the power, so far as regulated by statute, are purely statutory (74-72, 76+958; 82-375, 85+172). For the purpose of accomplishing a foreclosure, a proceeding by advertisement takes the place of an action; and the service of notice by publication and upon the party in possession takes the place of service of process by which an action to foreclose is commenced (26-347, 4+231). The advantages of foreclosure by advertisement over foreclosure by action are that it avoids the necessity of bringing in as parties all persons in interest; that it avoids the danger of a failure to secure a perfect title by reason of a defect of parties defendant (72-49, 74+1018); that it is simple and inexpensive (62-195, 64+381); and that it is expeditious (18-232, 212). The proceeding is analogous to a judicial proceeding (45-285, 47+803). It is controlled by the statute irrespective of the terms of the mortgage (19-85, 58; 45-285, 47+803). It is in derogation of common law (62-195, 64+381). It is not a special proceeding within the meaning of G. S. 1878 c. 88 § 9 (53-346, 55+557). Mortgage without power cannot be foreclosed hereunder (128-258, 150+900).

4. The power—Powers of sale in mortgages are not the creatures of the statute, but of the convention of the parties. Statutes merely regulate the manner of their execution. A party may grant a valid power of this kind in the absence of any statute either authorizing its creation or regulating its exercise (45-285, 47+803). But the statute is superior to the power. Where a mortgagee, foreclosing under the power, complies with the requirements of the statute, it is sufficient, although there may be additional requirements contained in the mortgage (19-85, 58). And the statute may have requirements in addition to those in the mortgage (45-285, 47+803). The power of sale is a part of the mortgage and passes by an assignment of the latter without special mention (23-349; 54-1, 55+364). The transfer of a portion of the mortgage debt will not carry with it a corresponding portion of the power (33-224, 22+381). The authority conferred upon a mortgagee to foreclose a mortgage by advertisement is that found in the power of sale as that power appears in the instrument itself (48-260, 51+284). The power of sale cannot be severed from the legal ownership of the mortgage (54-1, 55+864; 73-240, 75+1047). Payment of the mortgage ex-

tinguishes the power (11-166, 105). If there is no power the only way that the mortgage can be foreclosed is by action (20-264, 237). The power is not exhausted by an abortive sale (31-125, 16+849; 40-479, 42+396).

**5. Death, insanity or disability of the mortgagor**—The right to foreclose is not affected by the death (15-512, 423; 85-152, 83+433), insanity or disability (68-328, 71+395, 72+71; 72-49, 74+1018) of the mortgagor.

**6. Strict compliance with statute necessary**—While the power to foreclose is derived from the convention of the parties the proceedings in the exercise of that power, so far as regulated by statute, are wholly statutory, and in order to constitute a valid foreclosure every statutory requirement must be strictly, or at least substantially, complied with (4-433, 335; 4-542, 426; 7-315, 243; 30-23, 13+924; 30-537, 16+449; 41-9, 42+482; 45-208, 47+788; 48-260, 51+284; 62-195, 64+381; 69-223, 72+106; 74-72, 76+958; 82-288, 84+1024; 82-375, 85+172). It is not necessary for the party seeking relief to show actual prejudice (7-315, 243; 82-288, 84+1024), but he cannot have relief for non-compliance with a requirement not designed for his protection (30-23, 13+924. See 31-125, 16+849; 74-72, 76+958). Mere irregularities are not fatal unless they operate to prejudice some party interested (31-125, 16+849).

**7. Compliance with statute sufficient**—If a foreclosure complies with the requirements of the statute it is sufficient although there may be additional requirements contained in the mortgage (19-85, 58).

**8. What law governs—Impairment of contract**—The remedial rights of the parties relating to the mode of exercising the power, except in so far as such mode may be essential to the beneficial character of the mortgage, are governed by the law in force at the time of the foreclosure. Their substantive rights arising from an exercise of the power are governed by the law in force at the time of the execution of the mortgage (41-325, 43+385; 45-285, 47+803). Thus the statute of limitations (21-520; 32-460, 21+714); the statute regulating the recording of the certificate of sale (44-353, 46+559); the statute regulating the publication of the notice of sale (16-45, 30); the statute defining who shall conduct the sale (45-285, 47+803); and the statute defining the force of the certificate as evidence (41-250, 42+1016), in force at the time of the foreclosure, govern. On the other hand, the right to foreclose (36-136, 30+458); the right to redeem (27-18, 6+373; 36-136, 30+458; 41-388, 43+78); the time within which to redeem (8-387, 344; 10-174, 141; 28-496, 11+84); and the amount required to redeem (28-496, 11+84); and the rights of the parties in the property arising from the sale (4-483, 375; 28-496, 11+84. The last case overrules in part 4-298, 215; 4-483, 375; 5-277, 219; 7-368, 290; 12-335, 221; 13-501, 462), are governed by the law in force at the time of the execution of the mortgage.

**9. Statute of limitations**—It is not enough to commence the proceedings within the time limited; they must be completed (32-460, 21+714). Entering into possession after a mortgage has become barred does not revive it (24-221; 45-431, 48+8). Under 1871 c. 52 the limitation was ten years (21-520; 24-221; 26-365, 44+611; 32-460, 21+714; 40-479, 42+396; 45-431, 48+8). Prior to 1903 c. 15 it was an open question whether a partial payment on the debt would extend the time in which to redeem (81-454, 84+323). 1870 c. 60 limiting the time to commence an action to foreclose held not applicable to a foreclosure by advertisement (20-453, 407).

**10. Effect of foreclosure on debt**—A foreclosure sale has the effect of extinguishing the mortgage debt to the amount for which the property is sold whether the sale is to the mortgagee or to a stranger (12-335, 221; 21-132; 23-13; 29-226, 13+34; 32-354, 23+535; 50-315, 52+897; 52-23, 53+867; 59-493, 61+554; 67-160, 69+715, 1069).

**11. Effect of foreclosure on lien**—Where a mortgage is given on a single tract to secure a debt due and payable as an entirety, and on default in payment a foreclosure is had under a power, a sale for less than the amount due exhausts the lien of the mortgage (69-469, 72+707). It is the general rule that a single valid sale exhausts the lien of the mortgage, or, in other words, that there can be but one valid sale of the same land under the same power (10-379, 304; 26-309, 4+39; 35-189, 28+221; 69-469, 72+707). The remedy on the mortgage as a security is exhausted by the foreclosure. The mortgage becomes as a security, *functus officio*, and its only future office is as a muniment of title in case the mortgagor fails to redeem. After the foreclosure the rights of the parties are to be measured, not by anything in the mortgage—except as a muniment of title—but by the statute (50-315, 52+897). A sale of the whole of mortgaged premises for an instalment of the mortgage debt exhausts the lien of the mortgage. There can be another sale to satisfy a subsequent instalment only where there remains land not sold at the first sale (26-338, 3+986, 6+486; 27-175, 6+489; 29-53, 11+143; 69-469, 72+707; 74-345, 77+214). Under G. S. 1866 c. 81 § 3 the rule was otherwise (20-106, 92; 26-547, 6+350). But if the owner or his assign annuls the sale for a first instalment by

redeeming, a second sale may be had for another instalment (4-172, 117; 27-175, 6+489; 30-395, 15+676). The foregoing rules are inapplicable to an invalid or incomplete sale (27-175, 6+489; 73-90, 75+1034. See 69-5, 71+694).

**12. Mortgage specific lien on separate tracts**—Where a mortgage is made a specific lien on separate tracts it is optional with the mortgagee to foreclose on each separate lien or to include all the liens in one foreclosure (37-179, 91+469).

**9603. Requisites for foreclosure**—To entitle any party to make such foreclosure, it is requisite:

1. That some default in a condition of such mortgage has occurred, by which the power to sell has become operative.

2. That no action or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt then remaining secured by such mortgage, or any part thereof, or, if the action or proceeding has been instituted, that the same has been discontinued, or that an execution upon the judgment rendered therein has been returned unsatisfied in whole or in part.

3. That the mortgage has been recorded, and, if it has been assigned, that all assignments thereof have been recorded: Provided that, if the mortgage is upon registered land, it shall be sufficient if the mortgage and all assignments thereof have been duly registered. (4458) [8108]

**Historical**—G. S. 1894 § 6029 subd. 3 was amended by 1905 c. 136 to read as follows: "Third, That the mortgage containing such power of sale had been duly recorded, and if assigned, that all assignments thereof have been recorded; provided, that, if the mortgage is upon registered land, it shall be sufficient if the mortgage, and all assignments thereof, have been duly registered."

#### ½. In general.

Before an assignee of a real estate mortgage can foreclose by advertisement, his title to the mortgage must appear of record to the extent that evidence outside the record is not needed to put it beyond reasonable question. 159-252, 198+807.

That rule applied to a case where the title to a mortgage depends on a final decree of distribution of the estate of a deceased person, and the language of the decree is so lacking in definition that extraneous evidence is necessary to show that in fact it vested title to the mortgage in a legatee. 159-252, 198+807.

The pendency of an action to recover the debt secured by a mortgage suspends the right to foreclose it by advertisement; and the pendency of such action during a part of the time the notice of foreclosure sale is being published, even though dismissed before the date of sale, vitiates the foreclosure. It is immaterial that such action is pending in another state. 161-404, 201+625.

When a mortgage is foreclosed by virtue of a power of sale, all the essential requirements of the statute in respect to the foreclosure proceedings must be complied with; a clear departure therefrom will vitiate the proceedings. 165-172, 206+44.

One of the mortgages in question while security for the entire debt provided for its release upon payment of one-half thereof in cash. Nothing having been paid, the mortgagee was entitled to foreclose and sell for the entire debt under the power of sale entitling him to retain enough of the proceeds to pay the whole debt with interest and costs. 165-184, 206+384.

**1. Default**—There is no right to foreclose under a power until it has become operative by reason of some default (22-157. As to what constitutes default, 21-142; 25-15; 35-499, 29+194; 45-59, 47+316; 45-335, 47+1072; 51-485, 53+767; 84-34, 86+757). Where a mortgage provides that on default in the payment of the interest the mortgagee may declare the whole sum due, the election may be exercised by advertising a sale without other notice of the election (26-347, 4+231).

**2. No action or proceeding**—11-438, 323; 18-66, 51; 22-157.

**3. Only record owner may foreclose**—Only the legal and record owner of the mortgage and power can give the notice and foreclose by advertisement (12-113, 62; 22-349, 25-15; 26-309, 4+39; 31-125, 16+849; 33-224, 22+381;

41-112, 42+787; 41-388, 43+78; 44-521, 47+150; 48-260, 51+284; 51-174, 53+458; 54-1, 55+864; 73-15, 75+743; 73-240, 75+1047; 81-438, 84+327; 83-37, 85+919; 90-24, 95+451; 95-392, 104+237). The statute authorizing this method of foreclosure designs that there shall be of record a legal mortgage and that the record shall be so complete as to show to all interested parties the right of the mortgagee or his assigns to invoke its aid (18-232, 212; 20-464, 419; 21-336; 41-112, 42+787; 48-260, 51+284). The debt and consequently the real ownership of the mortgage may be in one person, while what may be termed the "legal title" of the mortgage is in another. In such a case the power of sale must be exercised in the name of the party who has the legal title to the instrument (22-349; 31-125, 16+849; 33-224, 22+381; 51-174, 53+458; 83-37, 85+919). The power of sale cannot be severed from the legal ownership of the mortgage. It is indivisible and no matter how many owners of the mortgage there may be, there is but one power. If there are two or more legal owners, whether as original mortgagees or as assignees, or both, the power is in them jointly and all must join in the foreclosure proceedings (54-1, 55+864). If the record owner loses his interest in the mortgage during the course of the publication of the notice he cannot complete the foreclosure (54-1, 55+864; 73-240, 75+1047). Whether, the publication being regular, a change in the record ownership of the mortgage between the last publication and the day of sale will affect the regularity of the sale, is an open question (54-1, 55+864, See 4-25, 11). Where an assignee of a mortgage failed to record his assignment a foreclosure by the mortgagee was upheld as against innocent purchasers (95-392, 104+237).

**4. Stranger to mortgagee**—Only the mortgagee, his agent, attorney, executor, administrator or assignee, can exercise the power of sale (90-24, 95+451). The attempt of a stranger to the mortgagee to foreclose is a nullity (38-197, 36+333).

**5. Executor or administrator**—A domestic executor or administrator may foreclose a mortgage without recording his appointment (4-25, 11; 38-38, 35+714). It is provided by statute that a foreign executor or administrator may foreclose a mortgage in this state (§ 7463). This statute is a regulation and not a grant of power (38-38, 35+714; 78-249, 80+1056). An assignee of a foreign executor may foreclose without recording the appointment of his assignor (78-249, 80+1056). An administrator held authorized to foreclose a mortgage which he himself held against the mortgagor of whose estate he was administrator (85-152, 88+433).

**6. Equitable owner**—Foreclosure proceedings by advertisement are based wholly upon record ownership and mere equitable interests cannot be recognized or given effect therein (41-112, 42+787; 48-260, 51+284; 51-174, 53+458; 54-1, 55+864; 81-438, 84+327). There is no such thing as a foreclosure by advertisement of an equitable mortgage (41-112, 42+787). The fact that others have equitable interests in a mortgage does not affect the right of the legal owner thereof to foreclose by advertisement, but a court of equity will control the exercise of the right and the disposition of the proceeds of sale so as to protect equitable interests (22-349; 26-309, 4+39; 31-125, 16+849; 33-224, 22+381; 51-174, 178, 53+458; 81-438, 84+327; 83-37, 85+919. See 30-4, 13+907; 44-521, 47+150; 69-219, 72+68). While an equitable owner cannot foreclose in his own name he may foreclose in the name of the record owner, and if the record owner allows such use of his name he is bound by the foreclosure (45-412, 48+13. See 44-521, 47+150). Where the record owner holds a mortgage in trust for others they may compel him, through a court of equity, to foreclose and account for the proceeds (31-125, 16+849; 45-412, 48+13).

**7. Assignee of mortgage**—The power of sale cannot be severed from the legal ownership of the mortgage and passes to the assignee of the mortgage without special mention (22-349; 54-1, 55+864). An assignee, however, cannot exercise the power unless all assignments are recorded (12-113, 62; 18-232, 212; 41-388, 43+78; 51-174, 53+458; 54-1, 55+864; 73-15, 75+743; 73-240, 75+1047; 101-16, 111+654). But assignments by operation of law need not be recorded. Thus an executor or administrator may foreclose a mortgage without recording his appointment (4-25, 11; 38-38, 35+714). As to what constitutes an assignment by operation of law (51-174, 53+458). Where an assignment is made by an agent his authority need not be recorded (18-232, 212). If the assignment of a mortgage by the mortgagee has been executed and recorded, the only way in which he can recover authority to exercise the power of sale in his own name is to procure a written re-assignment of the mortgage and place it on record (51-174, 53+458). Where a mortgagee bid in the property at a void sale under the power and then conveyed the property to A, who conveyed portions of it to others, and afterwards the mortgagee assigned the mortgage to A, it was held that these conveyances furnished no reason for the mortgagor objecting to A foreclosing under the power (31-125, 16+849). Instrument purporting to be assignment, in which no assignee is named, but blank space left for his name, is, until blank legally filled, a nullity. If name of assignee is afterwards inserted by authority of mortgagee, express or

implied, and then recorded, it is a valid assignment (101-16, 111+654).

**8. Sufficiency of the record**—If an assignment has not been properly acknowledged so as to entitle it to record a foreclosure by the assignee is void (41-388, 43+78). A mortgage with only one witness will not authorize a foreclosure though recorded (30-197, 14+889). A mortgage with but one witness, which has been legalized by a curative act, but the registration of which has not been legalized, cannot be foreclosed by advertisement. Otherwise when the registration has been legalized (11-438, 323). A mortgage on lands in two counties but recorded in only one may be foreclosed as to the lands in the county where it is recorded (16-116, 106; 32-205, 20+142). A false and impossible particular added to the description of the premises by mistake of the register will not prevent a valid foreclosure (20-464, 419). But a false and misleading description is fatal (21-336). Where an assignment was indorsed on a mortgage, describing it as, "the within described mortgage," and was afterwards recorded on a subsequent page of the same book as the mortgage, it was held a sufficient record to authorize a foreclosure (15-171, 131. See 45-376, 48+3). A mortgage covered land situated in part in the county of M and in part in the county of R. The mortgage was duly recorded in full in R, but in recording it in M the description of the land situated in R was omitted from the record. Held, that while the record in M was good as to the land therein situated, yet it was not sufficient to draw to it the right to proceed under the power to advertise and sell in M the land situated in R. In order to foreclose in one county premises situated in two counties the mortgage must be recorded in both (32-205, 20+142). All assignments must be recorded (73-15, 75+743). 155-310, 193+589.

**9604. Notice of sale—Service on occupant**—Six weeks' published notice shall be given that such mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the mortgaged premises or some part thereof, and at least four weeks before the appointed time of sale a copy of such notice shall be served in like manner as a summons in a civil action in the district court upon the person in possession of the mortgaged premises, if the same are actually occupied. If there be a building on such premises used by a church or religious corporation, for its usual meetings, service upon any officer or trustee of such corporation shall be a sufficient service upon it. (4459) [8111]

**1. Publication**—Where a mortgage covers several separate tracts lying in different counties it is unnecessary to publish the notice in more than one of them (58-192, 59+999). A publication may be discontinued provided no one is misled (4-433, 335; 7-46, 31). The day set for sale in the notice may be a considerable time beyond the last day of publication (16-45, 30; 18-56, 51), or it may be on that day (6-192, 123). In computing the time of publication the statutory rule of excluding the first day and including the last applies (6-192, 123). It is no objection that the notice is published for more than six successive weeks (16-45, 30). Publication must not begin before a default. A newspaper is published when it issues from the hands of the publisher. A publication in only one sixth of the whole number of copies of an edition is insufficient. A notice not published for the prescribed time is not cured by a postponement of the sale (21-142). A religious newspaper publishing general as well as religious news is a newspaper within G. S. 1878 c. 81 § 5 (38-349, 37+792). A failure to publish in a newspaper in the proper county renders the sale void (4-32, 15). An affidavit of publication may properly be made by the publisher (20-448, 402; 46-535, 49+257).

**2. Service on occupant**—Service of notice upon the occupant is required not solely for his benefit but as a means of communicating notice through him to all who may be interested in the land. Consequently any person deriving title or interest through the mortgagor may attack a sale for want of such service and the occupant cannot waive the service so as to affect interested parties (45-526, 48+402; 74-72, 76+958). To require notice to be served upon a party his occupancy must be open and visible, but it is not necessary that he should be living on the land (82-375, 85+172. See 87-7, 91+25; 52 Fed. 616). Service may be made by leaving a copy of the notice at the house of usual abode of the occupant with some person of suitable age and discretion then resident therein (50-348, 52+934; 53-286, 55+133; 74-33, 76+952; 79-350, 82+663) and it is not necessary that such person should be a member of the family or household of the occupant (74-33, 76+952; 79-350, 82+663). It is immaterial that the person making the substituted service thought at the time that the person to whom he delivered it was the one in actual occupancy. It is not necessary that the notice should be addressed to anyone or that the person with whom it is left should be advised

as to the party for whom it is intended (50-348, 52+934). A girl fourteen years old is presumptively a person of suitable age and discretion. It is not necessary that the person should be familiar with business transactions and legal proceedings (53-286, 55+133). If the mortgagor is in the actual occupation of part of the land and a tenant of his of the rest, notice on the mortgagor alone is sufficient, at least so far as he is concerned (30-23, 13+924). Where husband and wife are residing upon land owned by him he is the proper person on whom to serve the notice (28-464, 10+775). The mortgagor himself may serve the notice (46-64, 47+970, 48+783). An occupant must be served though he is insane (72-49, 74+1018). Failure to make the required service renders the sale void (7-315, 243; 69-5, 71+694; 84-34, 86+757 and cases supra). Where premises consist of separate farms, each occupied by different person, notice must be served on each (101-16, 111+654).

Where the husband is the owner of premises mortgaged to secure his debt, and the husband and wife reside thereon in amicable relations, with no right or interest in the wife other than such as the law grants to her by reason of such relation, service of notice of foreclosure upon her is unnecessary. 156-317, 194+778.

The official certificate of such service is not lightly to be set aside. 156-317, 194+778.

The evidence supports the findings of the trial court to the effect that a notice of mortgage foreclosure was duly served. 156-317, 194+778.

Service was made upon the husband, but not upon his wife. It is held that, within the meaning of the statute, the possession was that of the husband, and the service of the notice was sufficient. 211+681.

**3. None on mortgagor.**—There is no provision for service of notice on the mortgagor as such (82-375, 85+172). Formerly the rule was otherwise (15-512, 423; 16-45, 30; 82-375, 85+172). There is no provision for service on subsequent incumbrancers (6-240, 158). Nature of occupancy requiring notice (130-521, 153+997; 139-132, 165+961). Building closed and locked but with usual household equipment, deemed one of actual occupancy (148-430, 182+514).

**9605. Requisites of notice.**—Each notice shall specify:

1. The name of the mortgagor and of the mortgagee, and of the assignee of the mortgage, if any;
2. The date of the mortgage, and when and where recorded, except where the mortgage is upon registered land, in which case the notice shall state that fact, and when and where registered;
3. The amount claimed to be due thereon, and taxes, if any, paid by the mortgagee at the date of the notice;
4. A description of the mortgaged premises, conforming substantially to that contained in the mortgage; and
5. The time and place of sale. (4460) [8112]

**Historical.**—G. S. 1894 § 6033 subd. 2 was amended by 1905 c. 136 to read as follows: "Second. The date of the mortgage, and when and where recorded, except where the mortgage is upon registered land, the notice shall state that fact, and when and where the mortgage is registered."

**1. By whom signed.**—Names of the parties.—The notice must be the act of the person in whom the power to foreclose is vested and it must show that it is. The name of each assignee must be given (73-15, 75+743). Even where mortgage is assigned by mortgagee and reassigned to him (112-433, 128+578). It must appear to be given by competent authority (38-197, 36+333; 48-260, 51+284; 54-1, 55+864; 73-15, 75+743). It must be signed by all the record owners of the mortgage (54-1, 55+864). It must disclose the true state of the record (48-260, 51+284). A notice which, upon its face, is declared to be the act of a designated person, and which, as such, would be void, cannot be made effectual by proof that it was really the act of another and undisclosed person, not even standing in a relation of privity with the person in whose name the notice was given. A notice by a mere stranger can effect nothing (38-197, 36+333). A notice signed by an attorney of the legal owner of the mortgage is sufficient (30-537, 16+449). A notice in the name of a deceased person is void (38-197, 36+333; 44-446, 46+908; 45-412, 48+13; 46-148, 48+769). A notice describing a mortgage as having been executed to "Isaac Crowe, agent of Abraham Becker" and signed "Isaac Crowe, agent for Abraham Becker, Abraham Becker, mortgagee in fact" is sufficient (20-448, 402). A mortgage was executed to a partnership consisting of Farnham & Lovejoy. The notice of sale describing the mortgage as given to Farnham &

Lovejoy, contained in parenthesis, the full names of such partners immediately after the firm name and was subscribed "Farnham & Lovejoy, mortgagees." Held sufficient (43-211, 45+155). A mistake in using "mortgagee" for "mortgagor" is fatal (see 62-195, 64+381). A notice signed "Silas H. Baldwin, administrator of the estate of Rachel A. Baldwin, the said mortgagee, deceased" is sufficient (4-25, 11).

**2. Date of the mortgage and notice.**—The notice must state the date of the mortgage (62-195, 64+381). The notice itself need not be dated. If it is dated the amount claimed must correspond with such date but when it is not dated the time of its first publication is its date (6-163, 104. See 28-464, 10+775).

**3. When and where mortgage recorded.**—The notice must state the date upon which the mortgage was recorded (30-537, 16+449) and the page of the record where it was recorded (82-288, 34+1024). It need not refer to the recording of assignments (15-171, 131).

**4. The amount claimed to be due.**—The object of requiring the amount claimed to be due to be stated in the notice is to inform interested parties how much is claimed against their property, so that they may act accordingly. It is not enough that the notice refers to the record from which such information might be ascertained. The notice itself must give the information (41-9, 42+482; 69-223, 72+106). It is the amount claimed to be due at the date of the notice, and not the total amount secured by the mortgage and not then due, which must be stated (62-327, 64+906; 62-442, 64+1148. See 45-238, 47+792). When the notice is dated, the amount claimed must correspond with such date; when it is not dated, the date of the first publication controls (6-168, 104). When a foreclosure is made for an instalment due it is not necessary to state that it is for an instalment (62-442, 64+1148). Where the mortgagee may elect to declare the whole amount due upon default in payment of an instalment it is not necessary to state that he so elects (26-347, 4+231; 62-442, 64+1148). If a mortgage covers several tracts and is made a specific and separate lien on each tract for a specified amount the notice must specify the amount claimed to be due on each separately (41-9, 42+482; 47-221, 49+691; 51-116, 52+1127. See 38-349, 37+792; 41-14, 42+483; 42-281, 44+69; 64-190, 64+268; 87-179, 91+469). Where the amount claimed to be due is within the literal terms of the contract the notice is sufficient although less is legally due, at least in the absence of a showing of fraud or prejudice (20-448, 420). Claiming more than is legally due or stipulated in the mortgage does not affect the validity of the sale in the absence of a showing of fraud or prejudice (4-542, 426; 6-168, 104; 6-240, 158; 19-85, 58; 20-448, 420; 29-307, 13+136; 45-238, 47+792; 55-379, 57+132). If the mortgage is given to secure several notes which pass into different hands the party owning the mortgage and foreclosing should claim the amount due on all the notes (26-309, 4+39. See 69-219, 72+68). Substantial overstatement of amount ground for temporarily enjoining sale (114-501, 131+787). 155-212, 193+163.

**5. Taxes paid.**—The notice should state the amount claimed for taxes paid prior to the notice (69-223, 72+106). As to taxes paid subsequent to the date of the notice and prior to the sale it is sufficient if the notice states that the premises will be sold to pay the debt "and the taxes, if any, on said premises" (46-164, 47+970, 48+783. See 62-327, 64+906; 65-537, 68+109). Where there is a blanket mortgage constituting a specific lien on several tracts the notice should specify taxes paid on each tract separately (47-221, 49+691). The notice need not specify the years for which the taxes were paid (8-334, 294).

**6. Description of premises.**—A description of the premises in the notice conforming substantially to the description in the mortgage is sufficient (37-530, 35+436; 48-441, 51+332; 66-227, 68+1074).

Mistake in description. 212+816.

**7. Time of sale.**—The notice must state the time of sale (45-208, 47+788) and good practice requires that it should state the hour of sale, but that is not imperative (20-448, 402; 20-464, 419).

**8. Place of sale.**—The following have been held a sufficient designation of the place of sale: "in front of the office of the register of deeds, in the county of Fillmore," the county being referred to in the notice as in the state of Minnesota (18-366, 335); "at the courthouse in the city of St. Paul" (20-453, 407); "at the front door of the court house in the city of St. Paul" (20-464, 419); "at the front door of the court house in the city of Minneapolis, corner of 2d Ave. S. and 3d St.," the sale being had in a building at such corner used temporarily as a courthouse (37-530, 35+436). A notice designating a place which does not exist is void. Calling a city a village is not fatal (31-125, 16+849).

**9. No action or proceeding.**—It is probably not necessary to state in the notice that no action or proceeding has been instituted to recover the mortgage debt (22-157).

**10. Manner of sale.**—It is sufficient to state that the mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises pursuant to the statute. It is not necessary to state in

what order the sale will be conducted or that it will be in particular parcels (35-499, 29+194).

11. **Alteration**—A material alteration of the notice during the course of publication is fatal (4-433, 335).

**9606. Attorney to foreclose—Record of power**—Whenever an attorney at law is employed to conduct such foreclosure, his authority shall appear by power of attorney executed and acknowledged by the mortgagee or assignee of the mortgage in the same manner as a conveyance, and recorded prior to the sale in the county where the foreclosure proceedings are had. If such attorney be employed on behalf of such mortgagee or assignee by an attorney in fact, his authority shall likewise be evidenced by recorded power. (4461) [8119]

A power of attorney which substantially complies with the statute and describes the mortgage with reasonable certainty is sufficient (82-288, 84+1024). 143-264, 173+432.

**9607. Sale, how and by whom made**—The sale shall be made by the sheriff or his deputy at public vendue to the highest bidder, in the county in which the premises to be sold, or some part thereof, are situated, between 9 o'clock a. m. and the setting of the sun. (4462) [8127]

1. **Not judicial**—The sale is in pairs and not judicial (18-366, 335; 42-476, 44+985).

2. **By whom conducted**—The sheriff of a county attached to another for "judicial purposes" is the proper officer to conduct a foreclosure in his county (12-335, 221). A deputy sheriff may conduct a sale either in his own name or in the name of his principal (41-250, 42+1016; 81-438, 84+327). The sheriff acts ministerially (10-379, 304). Prior to 1866 either the sheriff or the person named in the mortgage for that purpose might conduct the sale and the person so named was frequently the mortgagee (90-24, 95+451).

3. **Presumptively regular**—The sheriff is presumed to have discharged his duty in connection with the sale (18-366, 335).

4. **At whose instance**—A valid sale can only be had at the instance of the mortgagee, his agent, attorney, executor, administrator, or assignee. The sheriff is not authorized to sell on his own motion or at the instance of the mortgagor (90-24, 95+451). Omission in notice of "a. m." after hour set not fatal (109-492, 124+3).

5. **Must be at time advertised**—A sale cannot be legally made before the hour named in the notice and ordinarily it cannot be made after the expiration of the hour unless actually commenced within the hour. Whether a sale commenced within the hour and held open until after the hour is invalid depends on the facts of the particular case (90-24, 95+451). Where the notice stated that the sale would take place at 11 o'clock a sale at 15 minutes before 11 was held void (45-208, 47+788).

6. **Inverse order of alienation**—Purchasers of portions of mortgaged premises if they did not take cum onere, are entitled in equity to have them applied to the satisfaction of the mortgage in the inverse order of alienation. If the mortgagee respects this rule in foreclosure by advertisement the mortgagor and his vendees cannot complain (51-444, 53+706).

7. **Resale**—If the first sale is abortive a second sale may be had under the same power (31-125, 16+849).

8. **Inadequate price**—A sale for a grossly inadequate price, coupled with irregularity or fraud, may be set aside (24-417. See 68-328, 71+395, 72+71). But where there is no irregularity in the sale or fraud on the part of the mortgagee, and especially where there is a right of redemption from the sale, mere inadequacy of price is not of itself ground for setting aside a sale (37-530, 35+436).

9. **Formal defects disregarded**—Mere irregularities in the sale do not affect its validity unless the statute so prescribes or unless they may operate to prejudice some interested party (31-125, 16+849). 142-426, 172+316.

**10. In general.**

Sale held valid. 157-257, 195+927.

Who may purchase 164-466, 206+380.

The holder of a sheriff's certificate of sale when the year of redemption from a mortgage foreclosure expires, there being no redemption, becomes the owner of the growing crops upon the land. 167-295, 208+1001.

**9608. Postponement**—Such sale may be postponed from time to time by inserting a notice of such postponement, as soon as practicable, in the newspaper in

which the original advertisement was published, and continuing such publication until the time to which the sale is postponed, at the expense of the party requesting the same. (4463) [8128]

It is not necessary to wait until the day originally set for the sale to make the postponement (8-432, 385). A notice not published for the prescribed time is not cured by a postponement (21-142). The mortgagee cannot charge the expenses of a postponement made at his instance to the mortgagor (58-84, 59+831). The date of the sale cannot be changed during the course of publication by a mere alteration of the notice; the remedy is either a discontinuance or a postponement under this section (4-433, 335). A publication of a notice of postponement, which is not in itself a sufficient notice of sale, unaccompanied by the original notice of sale, is insufficient (35-449, 29+64).

**9609. Separate tracts**—If the mortgaged premises consist of separate and distinct farms or tracts, they shall be sold separately, and no more farms or tracts shall be sold than are necessary to satisfy the amount due on such mortgage at the date of notice of such sale, with interest, taxes paid, and costs of sale. (4464) [8129]

Separate tracts may be sold as a whole if they constitute one farm (18-366, 335). If the premises consist of one tract the whole may be sold, although less than the whole would satisfy the debt, but equity may restrict the sale when justice requires it (4-260, 183). A sale or division of the premises by the mortgagor subsequent to the mortgage does not defeat the legal right of the mortgagee to sell them as a whole, but a court of equity, upon timely application, may require a sale in parcels if justice requires it (4-260, 183; 10-379, 304; 35-499, 29+194; 42-476, 44+985; 51-444, 53+706; 62-265, 64+816). The mortgagee is not bound, at his peril, to ascertain whether any of the mortgaged lands have been aliened or subsequently incumbered. In order to impose upon him the duty to regard equities arising subsequent to the mortgage he must have knowledge of the facts or notice sufficient to put him upon inquiry (35-499, 29+194). A sale of separate tracts in one parcel is not void but merely voidable on a showing of fraud or prejudice (42-476, 44+985; 44-353, 46+559; 51-444, 53+706; 89-319, 94+1085, 1135. See 93-457, 101+966); and this rule is not affected by the fact that part of the tracts constitute a homestead (89-319, 94+1085, 1135). Where a single instrument constitutes in effect several separate mortgages on several separate lots to secure several separate sums of money, a sale of all the lots together as one tract for a gross sum is void (38-349, 37+792). Government subdivisions are not decisive in determining whether premises consist of one tract (6-192, 123. See 32-7, 19+83). The fact that tracts are described separately in the mortgage is not decisive as to whether they should be sold as a whole or separately (6-192, 123; 18-366, 335; 24-417). A sale of land as one tract and for a gross sum is not void simply because it includes a tract not covered by the mortgage (31-125, 16+849; 31-500, 18+452). If the certificate does not show that separate tracts were not one farm the sale will be presumed regular (18-366, 335).

Where a homestead is included with other lands in a mortgage, the homestead claimant may, upon seasonable demand, have the other lands first applied in satisfaction of the mortgage. 165-295, 206+461.

A foreclosure sale of several parcels of land in gross is not void but voidable, and will not be annulled except for cause. 165-295, 206+461.

**9610. Foreclosure for installments**—By advertisement or by action—Sales—Disposition of proceeds—Redemption—Where a mortgage is given to secure the payment of money by installments, each installment either for principal or interest, or both, as is due at any time, may be taken and deemed to be a separate and independent mortgage and such mortgage for each such installment may be foreclosed by advertisement or by action, in the same manner and with like effect as if a separate mortgage were given for each of such installments, and such foreclosure may be made and sale had subject to the installments yet to become due upon the mortgage; and a redemption from any such sale shall have the like effect as if the sale for such installment had been made upon an independent subsequent mortgage; provided in such cases, the attorney's fee on the foreclosure so made shall not exceed the amount permitted by law in case of a mortgage se-

curing the amount of the debt then due on such foreclosure. The proceeds of the sale shall be applied first in payment of the costs of the foreclosure sale, and of the installment due with interest thereon, taxes and insurance premiums paid, if any, and then towards the payment of the residue of the sum secured by such mortgage, and not due and payable at the time of such sale; and if such residue does not bear interest such application shall be made with rebate of the legal interest for the time during which the residue shall not be due and payable; and the surplus, if any, shall be paid to the subsequent lienors, if any, in the order of their priority, and then to the owner of the equity of redemption, his legal representatives or assigns. In case of redemption from any sale herein authorized, at the option of the redemptioner, the whole amount remaining unpaid on the mortgage, with interest and other items, if any, which have become part of the amount secured by the lien of the mortgage, may be included in the amount paid on redemption, and in such event the redemption so made shall have like effect as if the foreclosure sale had been made for the entire amount secured by the mortgage, including such additional items.

Before any sale herein authorized the holder of the mortgage shall file with the sheriff a verified itemized statement in writing, showing the entire amount remaining unpaid on the mortgage, including taxes and insurance premiums paid and other items which have become part of the amount secured, and the rate of interest to accrue on same, which statement shall be subject to public inspection and shall be read by the sheriff at the sale, immediately after reading the notice of sale. The certificate of sale shall set forth correctly, in addition to the amount of sale, the remaining amount still unpaid on and secured by the mortgage, subject to which the sale is made, and the rate of interest to accrue on same. And if, during the time to redeem from the sale, any additional or other item, other than interest at the rate so stated in the certificate, shall attach to said amount subject to which the sale was made, or any change shall occur in such amount or the rate of interest thereon, the facts with respect thereto shall be set forth by affidavit made and filed for record, and a copy furnished the sheriff, in accordance with the provisions of Section 9648, General Statutes 1923, and the provisions of said section shall apply thereto. (4465) [8130] Amended '25, c. 280, § 1)

Under Comp. Stat. c. 75 § 3 only instalments subsequent to the first could be foreclosed separately (8-67, 44). Under this section a sale of the entire tract mortgaged for a single instalment exhausts the lien of the mortgage. There can be a second sale to satisfy a subsequent instalment only when there remains land not sold at the first sale (26-309, 4+39; 26-338, 3+986, 6+486; 29-53, 11+143; 69-469, 72+707; 74-345, 77+214). Under G. S. 1866 c. 81 § 3 the rule was otherwise (20-106, 92; 26-547, 6+350). But if the owner or his assign annuls the sale for a first instalment by redeeming, a second sale may be had for another instalment (4-172, 117; 27-175, 6+489; 30-395, 15+676). Failure to apply proceeds as directed by statute does not invalidate foreclosure, nor by operation of law cancel first note; amount received not being sufficient to pay entire debt (101-417, 112+628). Pro rata rule does not apply (140-408, 168+177; 142-426, 172+316).

It is held, that the mortgagee in the second mortgage was authorized to declare the whole sum due and foreclose when payments became due upon the first mortgage, though 60 days after default had not elapsed. 211+31.

**9611. Surplus**—In all cases not provided for in § 9610, if after sale of any real estate, made as herein prescribed, there remains in the hands of the officer

making the sale any surplus money, after satisfying the mortgage, with interest, taxes paid, and costs of sale, the surplus shall be paid over by such officer, on demand, to the mortgagor, his legal representatives or assigns. (4466) [8131]

A junior mortgagee is entitled, in preference to the mortgagor, to receive the surplus, or at least sufficient to satisfy his mortgage (34-545, 26+907; 37-74, 33+122. See 14-97, 68; 49-469, 52+46; 74-344, 77+234), and this is so although his claim is not yet due (55-437, 57+142). The surplus belongs to the same persons and is subject to the same liens as the land at the time of the sale. A mortgagor held entitled to the surplus as against a judgment docketed against him subsequent to the sale (75-21, 77+434). Taxes paid subsequent to the sale cannot be deducted as against the mortgagor (65-537, 68+109; 69-223, 72+106). It is the duty of the sheriff, if he has no notice of the equities of third parties, to turn the proceeds of the sale over to the mortgagee to the extent of satisfying the whole mortgage (83-37, 85+919). The right to recover a surplus is a chose in action independent of the equity of redemption (75-21, 77+434). Surplus on foreclosure for instalment held applicable to instalments not yet due (26-338, 3+986, 6+486; 26-547, 6+350). If there are no subsequent liens the mortgagor is entitled to the surplus. It is the duty of the mortgagee to pay over any surplus to the persons entitled to the same and if he fails to do so he is chargeable with interest (26-547, 6+350; 75-21, 77+434).

Where land is sold under foreclosure of a mortgage, two or more parties being interested therein, the proceeds will be divided pro rata according to the interests of the parties as they appear, but one may be given priority by contract. 162-93, 202+277.

In such a case, an unpaid vendor has priority as against a defaulting vendee to the extent of the unpaid purchase price. 162-93, 202+277.

**9612. Mortgagee, etc., may purchase**—The mortgagee, his assignees, or his or their legal representatives, may fairly and in good faith purchase the premises so advertised, or any part thereof, at such sale. (4467) [8132]

**Who may purchase**—In the absence of statutory authority the mortgagee is regarded as a trustee for sale, who cannot, except by express authority of his cestui que trust, purchase the mortgaged property (4-25, 11; 4-32, 15; 17-61, 40). Under Comp. St. c. 75 § 9 it was held that the mortgagee could not purchase unless the sale was conducted by the sheriff or his deputy (6-168, 104; 8-435, 386). Executors may purchase (4-25, 11; 17-61, 40), but a sale cannot be made to the estate of a deceased person (81-454, 84+323). The mere fact that the mortgagee is the administrator of the estate of the mortgagor does not prevent him from purchasing (85-152, 88+433). The mortgagee must purchase "fairly and in good faith" (24-417). A mortgagee who purchases stands in the same position as any other purchaser (21-132). When a trustee purchases the trust property in his own name, the purchase is not void but voidable. The mortgagor cannot object (4-25, 11. See 74-208, 77+42; 74-538, 77+428; 85-152, 88+433). 142-426, 172+316.

Where a mortgage foreclosure has been regularly and fairly conducted and the proceeds thereof applied on the note, the fact that the property was bid in for less than its value is not a defense to an action to recover the unpaid part of the note. 162-469, 203+212.

**9613. Certificate of sale—Record—Effect**—Whenever any sale of real property is made under a power of sale contained in any mortgage, the officer shall make and deliver to the purchaser a certificate, executed in the same manner as a conveyance, containing:

1. A description of the mortgage.
2. A description of the property sold.
3. The price paid for each parcel sold.
4. The time and place of the sale, and the name of the purchaser.
5. The time allowed by law for redemption.

Such certificate shall be recorded within twenty days after such sale, and when so recorded, upon expiration of the time for redemption, shall operate as a conveyance to the purchaser or his assignee of all the right, title, and interest of the mortgagor in and to the premises named therein at the date of such mortgage,

without any other conveyance whatever. (4468) [8133]

### THE CERTIFICATE

**1. Necessity of**—The execution of the certificate is an essential part of the sale. While rights and liabilities may attach at the date of the sale, yet the sale is not consummated until the proper certificate is executed, acknowledged and recorded (37-530, 35+436; 63-517, 65+941; 73-90, 75+1034). Nothing but a certificate can pass the title. A sale in fact without a certificate does not pass it, though it may give the purchaser a right to one. To a recorded certificate a party entitled to redeem must look to ascertain when to redeem, and how much he must pay for the purpose (35-234, 28+220). An action may be maintained to compel the sheriff to execute a certificate (54-499, 56+172).

**2. When executed**—The provision that the certificate shall be executed and recorded within twenty days after the sale may be merely directory as to time, yet, as the provision for filing the affidavit of costs and disbursements is mandatory, a party cannot extend the time for filing such affidavit by failing to procure and record his certificate within twenty days after the sale (63-517, 65+941. See 44-353, 46+559; 47-581, 50+823). A delay of the sheriff in executing the certificate does not impair the rights of the purchaser (54-499, 56+172). 194+644.

**3. Recording**—Failure to record the certificate within twenty days does not render the sale void (47-581, 50+823. See 63-517, 65+941). Recording a certificate ten months after the sale held sufficient under 1876 c. 39 (44-353, 46+559). An unrecorded assignment of a certificate held subordinate to a judgment lien (59-285, 61+144). A certificate executed and delivered but not recorded does not pass the title (73-90, 75+1034).

Under the circumstances mentioned in the opinion, in order to bar the right of redemption of judgment creditors having liens on the land subordinate to the lien of the mortgage, the certificate of sale must be recorded within 20 days after the sale. 165-172, 206+44.

**4. Form and sufficiency**—It must describe the mortgage (20-453, 407; 47-417, 50+528) and the property sold (31-500, 18+452; 35-234, 28+220; 85-411, 89+320. See 48-441, 51+332). When a deputy sheriff conducts the sale he may execute the certificate either in his own name or in the name of his principal (41-250, 42+1016; 81-438, 84+327). It is not necessary that it should be stated in the body of the certificate that the sale was made by the sheriff as such (18-366, 335). A statement in a certificate that "the above described premises are subject to redemption within the time and according to the statute in such case made and provided" is sufficient (24-161. See 47-417, 50+528). An instrument in the form of a deed but containing all the essentials of a certificate held sufficient, although it did not state that the land was subject to redemption (47-581, 50+823). A certificate issued to the estate of a deceased person conveys no title (81-454, 84+323). An error as to the amount of the secured note and the date of its execution in a certificate under 1862 c. 19 § 3 held not fatal (47-417, 50+528).

#### 4½. Assignment.

Assignment of certificate. 158-209, 197+490.

### RIGHTS AND LIABILITIES OF PURCHASER

**5. Nature of interest during redemption period**—The fee does not pass from the mortgagor to the purchaser until the expiration of the redemption period (4-172, 117; 7-167, 110; 14-289, 216; 24-315, 27-175, 6+489; 31-232, 17+372; 43-172, 45+11; 57-465, 59+495; 67-436, 70+3; 73-90, 75+1034; 85-152, 88+433). There is no technical term to define the interest of the purchaser during the redemption period (43-172, 45+11. See 34-458, 26+631). It is anomalous (54-499, 56+172). It is a purely statutory interest (50-315, 52+897). It is not an estate (4-172, 117; 7-167, 110; 25-9). It is not an interest in real estate within the meaning of the statute authorizing actions to determine adverse claims (25-9) and yet it is an interest in real estate to the extent that it passes by deed (38-2, 35+469; 53-350, 55+555; 88-284, 92+1117. See 31-232, 17+372. It is personal property (4-172, 117; 7-167, 110; 24-315. See 38-2, 35+469)—a lien on real property (7-167, 110; 67-160, 69+715, 1069). In many respects the interest of the purchaser is the same as that of the mortgagee before sale (14-289, 216; 24-315), but not in all respects (43-172, 45+11; 67-160, 69+715, 1069; 67-436, 70+3). The purchaser has a lien on the premises to the amount of the purchase price (21-132; 28-75, 9+173; 43-172, 45+11; 48-223, 50+1038; 67-436, 70+3), but he has something more than a mere right to receive back his purchase money and interest. He has a right to acquire absolute title to the land unless it is redeemed within the time allowed by law by one who has a right under the statute to redeem; and he cannot be deprived of this right by one who is not a lawful redemptioner (43-172, 45+11; 74-287, 77+42; 96-234, 104+897). He is not an assignee of the

mortgage or a creditor of the mortgagor (21-132. But see note 9 infra). His interest is the same as that of the purchaser at an execution sale during the period of redemption (88-284, 92+1117). Where mortgagee was purchaser, and before expiration of redemption period agreed with mortgagor to extend time of payment beyond such period, held that the foreclosure was annulled (116-266, 133+797).

**6. Charged with notice of title**—A purchaser is bound to know the condition of the title which he purchases; and if the mortgage contains no covenants of title, and the title proves defective, he has no claim on the mortgagor to make it good. What he buys is the title which the mortgagor had at the time of the execution of the mortgage and the amount of his bid is presumed to be determined with reference to that fact. When the mortgage contains covenants of title which run with the land different considerations apply (52-23, 53+867). He is charged with notice of what property the mortgage covers and what property may be properly sold (31-125, 16+849). He is charged with notice of the rights of any person other than the mortgagor in possession (26-194, 2+688). If the mortgage was void the purchaser acquires no title (28-464, 10+775). The mortgagee cannot make that good and effectual by a sale which was unlawful and void in its inception (31-495, 18+450).

**7. Protected by the recording act**—The purchaser has a right to rely on the title as disclosed by the records (see 33-224, 22+381; 65-508, 68-107). A bona fide purchaser who has recorded his certificate is not affected by the fact that the mortgage was in fact paid at the time of the foreclosure, if there was no release or satisfaction on record (22-532; 27-396, 7+826; 46-148, 48+769). Possession of the mortgaged premises is not notice of an unrecorded release (22-532). The purchaser is charged with notice of equities appearing on the face of the record (30-4, 13+907).

**8. Title rests on mortgage**—The title of the purchaser relates back to and takes effect by virtue of the mortgage, which is, in fact, the efficient instrument by which the title is transferred from the mortgagor to the purchaser (41-250, 42+1016; 65-531, 68+113). The purchaser acquires just what the mortgagee has the right to sell under the power—no more and no less (28-496, 11+84). The mortgage must be sufficient to operate as a conveyance as soon as the equity of redemption is barred by the sale (39-378, 40+255). The mortgage ripens into a perfect title through the process of foreclosure (54-499, 56+172). The sale transfers all the interest of the mortgagor in the premises as described in the mortgage (31-500, 18+452).

**9. Succeeds to rights of mortgagee**—The purchaser succeeds to the equitable interest of the mortgagee, and when no redemption is made this interest draws to it the subordinate legal title of the mortgagor, and his title then stands precisely as if the mortgage had been an absolute conveyance at its date; or, in other words, the mortgage ripens into a perfect title through the process of foreclosure (54-499, 56+172). Even though the sale is void as against the mortgagor and his privies it passes to the purchaser the rights of the mortgagee as such. He is regarded as an equitable assignee of the mortgage (30-197, 14+889; 32-191, 19+784; 35-124, 27+497; 39-39, 38+765; 43-172, 45+11; 44-199, 46+332; 47-221, 49+691; 56-126, 57+454; 63-272, 65+459; 85-411, 89+320. See 88-392, 93+309). He does not succeed to other securities held by the mortgagee (56-353, 57+1061).

**10. Effect of mortgagee bidding in**—If the mortgagee is the purchaser his debt, as between him and the mortgagor, is paid; but it is not true that either his mortgage, as a muniment of title, or his interest in the mortgaged premises, is discharged or extinguished. He simply receives a conditional conveyance of the premises for the payment of his debt, and continues to have a lien on the premises for the amount of the purchase price, which was applied in payment of his debt. His interest in the premises is practically the same after the sale as before, except the purchase price must be repaid to him by the mortgagor, with interest, within the year, or his title under his mortgage becomes absolute (7-167, 110; 14-289, 216; 67-436, 70+3; 85-152, 88+433). He becomes a purchaser instead of a contract creditor, and holds the property by virtue of his bid and upon conditions fixed by law for its redemption (56-353, 57+1061; 67-160, 69+715, 1069). He stands in no different or better position than a stranger who purchases (56-353, 57+1061).

**11. Sale of separate tracts to different persons**—The rights of purchasers of different tracts are distinct (21-132).

**12. Right to crops, rents and profits**—If the purchaser is in possession with the rights of a "mortgagee in possession" he is entitled to the crops raised by himself, but is accountable for the rents and profits (32-191, 19+734). If he is out of possession he is not entitled, during the year of redemption, to crops or timber, but he may restrain waste (12-335, 221; 77-175, 79+676). When he obtains possession after the expiration of the redemption period he is entitled to all the crops then growing there-

on and thereafter he may maintain an action in the nature of replevin or trover therefor, if they are severed and carried away by another (71-136, 73-719). Crops sown by the mortgagor or his tenant during the year of redemption and harvested after the expiration of the year, but before the purchaser takes possession, belong to the mortgagor or tenant (73-58, 75-756), and an injunction will not issue to restrain him from removing them (71-136, 73-719). An agreement held to give the mortgagor the right to crops maturing after the expiration of the redemption period (71-133, 73-625). During the year of redemption the purchaser is not entitled to the rents and profits (50-315, 52-897; 50-319, 52-897), and if he is in possession he must account for them (32-191, 19-734).

**13. Right to chattels**—After the expiration of the redemption period chattels on the premises belong to the purchaser as against a stranger (55-91, 56-579).

**14. As a mortgagee in possession—Title by adverse possession**—The lien of the mortgage is not extinguished until it merges in the legal estate when that passes by lapse of time. It passes to the purchaser to the extent of the purchase price, so that if he goes into possession in good faith under the foreclosure, even though it is invalid, he is regarded as a mortgagee in possession whether he takes possession with or without the consent, either express or implied, of the mortgagor (30-197, 14-889; 39-39, 38-765, 12 Am. St. Rep. 613; 43-172, 45-11; 63-272, 65-459; 85-411, 89-320). A vendee of the purchaser has the same rights as the purchaser in this regard (30-197, 14-889; 32-191, 19-734). If he remains in possession until the right of redemption by the mortgagor is barred he becomes invested with a legal title (33-39, 38-765, 12 Am. St. Rep. 613; 44-199, 46-332; 45-376, 48-3; 85-411, 89-320), and may redeem from the foreclosure of a senior lien (85-411, 89-320).

**15. Right to sue on covenants in mortgage**—A covenant against incumbrances runs with the land and a purchaser may maintain an action thereon (65-531, 68-113; 68-538, 71-699). He buys the title as warranted and guarded by the covenants in the mortgage (52-23, 53-867; 56-353, 57-1061; 65-531, 68-113; 68-538, 71-699. See 53-212, 54-1115; 59-230, 61-25).

**16. Purchase money mortgage**—The purchaser takes free from all claims or liens arising through the mortgagor (36-93, 30-441).

**17. Easements**—The purchaser acquires all rights, privileges and easements appurtenant and necessary to the enjoyment of the premises although they were acquired by the mortgagor subsequent to the mortgage (83-377, 86-420. See 74-286, 77-1).

**18. Possession of mortgagor not adverse**—31-500, 18-452.

**19. Right to fixtures**—34-458, 26-631.

**20. Liability for purchase price**—54-499, 56-172.

**21. Nature of title after redemption period**—At the expiration of the redemption period if no redemption is made, the purchaser succeeds to the title of the mortgagor as it was at the date of the mortgage and as conveyed by the mortgage (20-106, 92; 23-13; 21-132; 57-465, 59-495). He acquires just the interest of the mortgagor—no more and no less (28-496, 11-84). He acquires every right or interest held by the mortgagor in and to the mortgaged property, together with all subsequently acquired rights, easements and privileges, which are essential to the full enjoyment of the property (83-377, 86-420). He is the owner and entitled to all the rights of ownership (See 52-409, 54-370).

**9614. Failure to record—Curative**—No certificate heretofore executed under and by virtue of Laws 1878 c. 53 s. 11 (G. S. 1894 s. 6038) shall be deemed invalid because not recorded within the twenty days mentioned in that section; and the record of every such certificate heretofore recorded after the expiration of said twenty days is hereby legalized, with the same effect as if such certificate had been executed, acknowledged, and recorded within such twenty days: Provided, that this section shall not apply in any case in litigation at the time of the taking effect of the Revised Laws. (4469) [8134]

**Explanatory note**—For G. S. '94, § 6038 see § 9613 herein.

**9615. Failure to record—Curative**—That no certificate heretofore executed under and by virtue of section eleven, chapter eighty-one, title one, Statutes of Minnesota, being section 6038 General Statutes of 1894 shall be deemed invalid by reason of the same not having been made, executed, proved or acknowledged

and recorded within the twenty days mentioned in said section; and the record of all such certificates heretofore executed, proved or acknowledged and recorded after the expiration of the said twenty days is hereby legalized and made valid, and said record shall have the same force and effect as if said certificates had been executed, proved or acknowledged and recorded within the said twenty days; provided, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to apply to cases now pending which involve the legality or validity of any such certificate of sale. ('05 c. 289 § 1) [8135]

**Explanatory note**—For G. S. '94, § 6038 see § 9613 herein.

**9616. Premises in more than one county—Record**—If any mortgage covering real estate in more than one county be foreclosed by proceedings had in one county, and the mortgage debt be thereby paid, in whole or in part, there may be recorded by the register of deeds of the other county a certified copy of the certificate of sale and other foreclosure proceedings of record in the county in which the foreclosure proceedings were had. (4470) [8136]

**9617. Execution after expiration of term**—Where the term of office of the sheriff or deputy who made the sale expires within twenty days thereafter, and before he has executed the certificate required by law, he may execute and acknowledge the same in like manner and with like effect as if his term had not expired. (4471) [8137]

See 47-581, 50-823.

**9618. Perpetuating evidence of sale**—Any party desiring to perpetuate the evidence of any sale made in pursuance of this chapter may procure:

1. An affidavit of the publication of the notice of sale and of any notice of postponement, to be made by the printer of the newspaper in which the same was inserted, or by some person in his employ knowing the facts.

2. An affidavit or return of service of such notice upon the occupant of the mortgaged premises, to be made by the officer or person making such service, or, in case the premises were vacant and unoccupied at the time when such service must be made, an affidavit or return showing that fact, to be made by the officer or person attempting to make such service.

Such affidavits and returns shall be recorded by the register of deeds, and they and the records thereof, and certified copies of such records, shall be prima facie evidence of the facts therein contained. (4472) [8138]

The affidavits are prima facie evidence of the facts stated therein—at least of facts authorized to be stated (8-342, 301; 20-453, 407; 35-449, 29-64). They are not evidence of the mortgage and power (see 37-76, 33-440). They are not essential to the validity of the sale (20-453, 407; 41-250, 42-1016). An affidavit of publication must state all the statutory requirements of publication (35-449, 29-64; 20-453, 407). The affidavit of a publisher is sufficient (20-448, 402; 46-535, 49-257). If defective affidavits are filed correct ones may be subsequently filed (20-453, 407). Comp. St. c. 84 § 61, requiring an affidavit of publication to state that the notice attached was "taken from the newspaper" in which it is alleged to have been published held not applicable (18-66, 51; 18-366, 335).

**9619. Entry in record**—A note referring to the page and book where the evidence of any such sale is recorded shall be made by the register in the margin of the record of the mortgage. (4473) [8139]

**9620. Affidavit of costs**—Within ten days after the filing for record of the certificate of sale, the party foreclosing or his attorney shall make and file for record with the register of deeds an affidavit containing a detailed bill of the costs and disbursements of the

foreclosure, including attorney's fees, and setting forth that the same have been absolutely and unconditionally paid or incurred. (4474) [8140]

The statute is constitutional (75-21, 77+434) and mandatory (60-393, 62+381; 61-527, 63+1040; 63-517, 65+941; 65-133, 67+793; 84-388, 87+1020). Failure to file the affidavit does not invalidate the sale (37-530, 35+436; 60-393, 62+381; 63-517, 65+941; 84-62, 86+877). The ten days begin to run, not from the day of sale, but from the time the sale is completed by the execution and recording of the certificate (63-517, 65+941). Hence a party may have thirty days from the sale in which to file the affidavit (84-62, 86+877). He cannot extend the time by failing to procure and record his certificate of sale within twenty days after the sale (63-517, 65+941). Whether the affidavit is evidence of the facts required to be stated therein is an open question. It is not evidence of the facts not required to be stated (65-537, 68+109). On failure to file the affidavit within the required time an action will lie for the recovery of all costs and disbursements of the sale (60-393, 62+381). It is not a defense to such an action that a subsequent mortgagee is entitled to the surplus (65-315, 67+1004; 84-388, 87+1020). The one year limitation of § 9621 is not applicable (65-133, 67+793). A complaint held sufficient (84-388, 87+1020). Mortgagor held not estopped by requesting the mortgagee to assign his certificate of sale to a third party (75-20, 77+435). No demand is necessary before bringing suit. Defendant held chargeable with interest (75-21, 77+434).

**9621. Excessive costs or interest**—At any time within one year after the sale, the mortgagor, his heirs or assigns, may recover from the owner of the mortgage at the time of foreclosure three times the amount of any sums charged as costs or disbursements on such foreclosure, but not absolutely paid, unless such amounts have been paid to the mortgagor or his assigns. (4475) [8141]

The action may be brought immediately after the sale without waiting for the expiration of the redemption period (28-6, 8+829). Good faith is no defense. The burden of proof is on the plaintiff (53-84, 59+831). The remedy is not exclusive (61-285, 63+730) and the one year limitation is not applicable to an ordinary action for the surplus (65-133, 67+793). One of the objects of requiring an affidavit of costs and disbursements is to enable the mortgagor to determine whether he has a cause of action under this section (60-393, 62+381). Whether a cause of action under this section is assignable is an open question (65-471, 67+1143). A mortgagee is liable for treble the costs of postponement of sale charged to the mortgagor (65-471, 67+1143). This section is not applicable to excessive charges actually paid or incurred (58-84, 59+831; 60-393, 62+381).

**9622. Certificate as evidence**—Every sheriff's certificate of sale made under a power to sell contained in a mortgage shall be prima facie evidence that all the requirements of law in that behalf have been complied with, and prima facie evidence of title in fee thereunder in the purchaser at such sale, his heirs or assigns, after the time for redemption therefrom has expired. (4476) [8142]

The statute is constitutional (41-250, 42+1016). A certificate has no force as evidence unless it conforms substantially to the statute (35-408, 29+121). It is only prima facie and not conclusive evidence (35-449, 29+64; 41-250, 42+1016; 45-208, 47+788; 45-526, 48+402). It is not even prima facie evidence of the mortgage or power and before it is admissible in proof of title preliminary proof is necessary that the sale was made under a power to sell "contained in a mortgage" (37-76, 33+440). It is prima facie evidence that the notice of sale was properly published (41-250, 42+1016); that the sale was regular as regards selling in parcels (18-366, 335); and that a postponement was duly made (73-283, 76+34). Whatever facts are necessary to make the certificate intelligible with respect to the matters which it is required to set forth are necessarily contained in it and evidence (18-66, 51). A certificate executed by a deputy sheriff in his own name has the same force as a certificate in the name of the sheriff (41-250, 42+1016). It seems that a certificate has no force as evidence even of regularity until after the period of redemption has expired (84-34, 86+757). G. S. 1894 § 6054 cited (98-261, 108+11).

In an action of unlawful detainer, brought against the mortgagors after the year of redemption had expired on the foreclosure of the mortgage, the sheriff's certificate of sale was prima facie evidence of title in the purchaser. 167-430, 209+320.

**9623. Action to set aside for certain defects, etc.**—No such sale shall be held invalid or be set aside by reason of any defect in the notice thereof, or in the publication or service of such notice, or in the proceedings of the officer making the sale, unless the action in which the validity of such sale is called in question be commenced, or the defence alleging its invalidity be interposed, with reasonable diligence, and not later than five years after the date of such sale: Provided, that persons under disability to sue when such sale was made, by reason of being minors, insane persons, idiots, or persons in captivity or in any country with which the United States is at war, may commence such action or interpose such defence at any time within five years after the removal of such disability. (4477) [8143]

The statute is inapplicable to an action of ejectment against a mortgagor who has remained in actual possession (35-449, 29+64). It is valid, as a statute of limitations if the purchaser goes into possession (45-376, 48+3). It is only applicable to certain specified "defects." It is not applicable where there is an entire want of authority to exercise the power of sale, as where a stranger assumes to foreclose (38-197, 36+333), or an assignment is not recorded (51-174, 53+458; 51-181, 53+460). It presupposes the existence of the conditions authorizing the exercise of the power and deals only with certain specified irregularities in its exercise (51-174, 53+458). If construed liberally it includes all defects in the notice (47-221, 49+691). See 64-190, 66+268). It has been held applicable where the notice of sale did not state the amount due on each lot where the mortgage constituted a specific lien on each of several lots (47-221, 49+691); where the notice of sale was not published the requisite time (45-376, 48+3; 54-141, 55+1117), where the notice contained an inaccuracy as to the date when the mortgage was recorded (45-376, 48+3). The statute operates to validate defective sales (90-503, 97+384). If the defect in the sale is one of those specified in the statute the mortgagor must move with great promptness. Knowledge of the foreclosure puts him on inquiry as to the regularity of the proceedings (35-499, 29+194; 46-202, 48+767; 51-444, 53+706; 64-190, 66+268). If the defect is one of substance the same promptitude is not required (38-349, 37+792; 51-174, 53+458), but even in such cases the mortgagor may lose his title by laches as against bona fide purchasers of the record title. The adverse possession of such purchasers charges him with notice and imposes on him the duty to act promptly (38-197, 36+333). See 38-211, 36+338; 61-178, 63+495). The mortgagor may enforce his legal remedies until barred by the statute of limitations (44-446, 46+908). Cited (122-237, 142+199). Statute not unconstitutional as to one in possession prior to enactment (130-521, 153+997). Statute bar to attack on foreclosure for want of notice to occupant (155-20, 191+1010).

In an action to set aside a mortgage foreclosure on the ground of fraud, plaintiff must set forth the facts constituting the alleged fraud. 212+202.

**9624. Action to set aside, etc.**—Limitation—No such sale shall be held invalid or set aside unless the action in which its validity is called in question be commenced, or the defence alleging its invalidity be interposed, within fifteen years after the date of such sale: Provided, that persons under disability as provided in § 9623 may commence such action or interpose such defence within the time therein provided. This section shall not affect or prejudice the rights of any bona fide purchaser. (4478) [8144]

See 90-503, 97+384. 122-237, 142+198.  
212+816.

**9625. Interest of purchaser**—Attachment or judgment—The interest acquired upon such sale is subject to the lien of any attachment or judgment duly made or docketed against the person holding the same, as in case of real property, and may be attached and sold on execution in the same manner. (4479) [8145]

7-167, 110; 31-232, 17+372.

**9626. Redemption by mortgagor**—When lands have been sold in conformity with the preceding sections of this chapter, the mortgagor, his personal representa-

tives or assigns, within twelve months after such sale, may redeem such lands, as hereinafter provided, by paying the sum of money for which the same were sold, with interest from the time of sale at the rate provided to be paid on the mortgage debt, not to exceed ten per cent. per annum, and, if no rate be provided in the mortgage, at the rate of six per cent., together with any further sums which may be payable pursuant to § 9648. (4480) [8146]

#### RIGHT OF REDEMPTION GENERALLY

**1. An incident of what mortgages.**—A right or equity of redemption is an inseparable incident of every mortgage (11-22, 5). But see 116-4, 133+91. It is not affected by a default (11-22, 5). It exists in spite of express terms in the mortgage to the contrary (15-69, 50. See 7-49, 34). It is not dependent upon possession (23-323). A mortgage must be deemed to have been made with reference to the statutory right of redemption by creditors (29-53, 11+143). Foreclosure sale of franchises and real and personal property of a public service corporation without right of redemption (116-4, 133+91. Accruing rents and profits do not inure to mortgagee (135-443, 161+165).

**2. Right favored.**—85-411, 89+320; 98-203, 108+846.

**3. General object of statute.**—The statute providing for redemption is calculated to save the property of debtors from being sacrificed and to enable debtors to retain their property, or, if they shall fail to do so, then to secure its application, so far as may be, to the payment of the demands of the creditors (29-53, 11+143).

**4. How lost.**—It is not lost by a surrender of the note and an advancement of an additional sum by the lender equal, with the previous loan, to the agreed value of the land mortgaged (33-362, 23+538). Mortgagor estopped from redeeming when with knowledge of invalidity, he permits mortgagee to take possession (128-255, 150+899).

**5. Statute must be followed.**—After a foreclosure by advertisement the only right of redemption, by mere act of parties, is that given by statute and can be exercised only as prescribed in the statute (26-100, 1+834; 37-71, 33+123).

**6. Release.**—The mortgagor may sell or release his equity of redemption to the mortgagee (34-118, 24+369; 39-137, 39+309; 86-255, 90+387; 89-432, 95+216, 769). Such a release after condition broken is tantamount to a foreclosure and operates as payment of the mortgage debt to the extent of the value of the property (29-226, 13+34).

**7. A proceeding in pais.**—51-417, 53+719.

**8. Sheriff acts as officer of law.**—14-289, 216; 16-210, 184; 20-268, 239; 21-132; 28-75, 9+173; 65-391, 67+1024; 82-251, 84+786.

**9. Right to redeem and right to foreclose how far reciprocal.**—15-69, 50; 20-264, 237; 23-323; 26-365, 4+611; 39-39, 38+765; 63-156, 65+357.

**10. Assignment of certificate as a redemption.**—28-345, 9+868; 29-53, 11+143; 29-226, 13+34; 36-42, 29+675; 74-208, 77+42; 75-20, 77+435.

**11. Amount required to redeem from mortgage.**—A mortgagor has a right to redeem from a mortgagee by paying the mortgage debt and interest and he cannot be required, as a condition of such redemption, to pay any other debt due from him to the mortgagee (13-194, 183; 82-307, 84+1022).

#### REDEMPTION BY MORTGAGOR OR ASSIGN

**12. Who is an assign.**—A junior mortgagee is not an assign within the meaning of the statute (37-71, 33+123; 74-345, 77+214. See 90-114, 95+762), nor is the purchaser at the foreclosure of a junior mortgage (43-172, 45+11). The term "assigns" has been defined to include "grantees of the mortgagor, and those acquiring his title otherwise than by descent" (37-71, 33+123); "those to whom the property, or the interest of the mortgagor therein is transferred" (18-497, 444). A purchaser at an abortive foreclosure sale who has gone into possession and remained until after the redemption period has expired may redeem as an "assign" from the foreclosure of a senior lien (85-411, 89+320). Any person having either the mortgagor's title or a subsisting interest under it, as, for example, a tenant for years, a person beneficially interested, a tenant by curtesy or one who has the statutory interest superseding dower and curtesy, may redeem as an "assign" (85-411, 89+320). A wife has such interest in her husband's real estate that she may redeem (25-516; 29-53, 11+143; 56-523, 58+156; 74-273, 77+139).

**13. Who is mortgagor.**—18-497, 444.

**14. By part owner.**—An owner of an undivided half of a tract sold as a whole can only redeem the whole and the effect of his redemption is to annul the sale as to the whole (46-481, 49+250). See 115-290, 132+210. A redemption by one of two joint owners will inure to the benefit of both (36-42, 29+675. See 32-455, 21+478).

**15. By wife.**—Where plaintiff wife redeemed land of her husband, and they were afterwards divorced, and he conveyed his interest to defendant, the redemption annulled the sale, and defendant owned land; but she was entitled to subrogation to equitable lien for amount paid (104-267, 116+472).

**16. Time in which to redeem—Extension.**—The right to redeem expires absolutely at the expiration of the twelve months and cannot be revived (57-465, 59+495). The time to redeem stated in the certificate of sale does not control in case of conflict with the statute (10-174, 141). If the last day falls on Sunday redemption may be made on Monday (48-223, 50+1038). A court cannot extend the period of redemption (51-417, 53+719), but the parties may by agreement (see 25-516; 28-267, 9+772; 32-14, 18+830; 46-84, 48+458). A payment to the sheriff through a third party held sufficient although the sheriff did not receive the money until after the redemption period (82-251, 84+786).

**17. Amount required to redeem.**—26-100, 1+834; 67-160, 69+715, 1069.

**18. Effect of non-redemption.**—Non-redemption within the statutory time extinguishes all the estate and interest of the mortgagor and consequently of all persons claiming under him (29-53, 11+143; 36-93, 30+441).

**9627. Redemption by creditor.**—If no such redemption be made by the mortgagor, his personal representatives or assigns, the senior creditor having a lien, legal or equitable, upon the mortgaged premises, or some part thereof subsequent to the mortgage, may redeem within five days after the expiration of said twelve months; and each subsequent creditor having a lien in succession, according to priority of liens, within five days after the time allowed the prior lienholder, respectively, may redeem by paying the amount aforesaid and all liens prior to his own held by the person from whom redemption is made; provided, that no creditor shall be entitled to redeem unless within said twelve months he file for record notice of his intention to redeem with the register of deeds of the county or counties where the mortgage is recorded. (R. L. § 4481, amended '09 c. 243 § 1) [8147]

**1. General plan.**—The general object of the statute providing for redemption by creditors is to make the land bring its utmost value, by means of what might be termed an auction sale among creditors, preserving to each his right according to the seniority of his lien. The aim is to conduct this sale for the benefit of both creditors and debtor, the creditors being interested in realizing out of the property as much as possible towards payment of their claims, and the debtor being interested in having as much of his debts as possible paid out of it (28-345, 9+868. See 29-53, 11+143; 29-226, 13+34; 56-60, 57+320).

Redemption, if the property which he gets is less in value than the amount of the judgment upon which he bases his redemption and the amount which he pays to effect it, may recover the difference. 159-198, 198+462.

Where a mortgagor fails to redeem from the foreclosure sale and the holder of a second mortgage redeems therefrom as a creditor and the purchaser at the sale acquiesces therein, the mortgagor cannot dispute the validity of such redemption, even if the second mortgage be invalid, as he has no interest in the property. 163-315, 203+983.

A tenant in common is at liberty to purchase a mortgage on the common property, without incurring a duty to his cotenants to redeem under it from a sale on the foreclosure of a prior mortgage. 164-160, 204+958.

By giving notice of its intention to redeem and failing to do so, appellant did not waive its right to question the validity of the foreclosure. 165-172, 206+44.

Where a lienor redeems from a mortgage foreclosure sale, the court will not, at the instance of the mortgagor or a junior lienholder, inquire into the amount or validity of such prior lien. 211+223.

The priority of liens for purposes of redemption is determined by the time of record, without reference to the nature of the estate in the land or any part thereof owned by the mortgagor. 211+323.

A junior creditor, in order to redeem, must pay the amount shown by the record to be due, and, if the prior lien is fraudulent, he must resort to other appropriate proceedings for his damage. 211+323.

If the attempt of a judgment creditor to redeem land sold on the foreclosure of a mortgage is ineffectual for any reason, another judgment creditor, whose lien is

subsequent in point of time, may redeem, provided he does so within five days after the expiration of the time within which the mortgagor might have redeemed. 156-20, 194+93.

**2. Who may redeem as creditors.**—The following may redeem as a creditor: a junior mortgagee (20-268, 239; 21-132; 37-71, 33+123; 47-434, 50+475; 48-223, 50+1038; 90-114, 95+762); an assignee of a junior mortgagee (48-223, 50+1038; 74-345, 77+214); a purchaser at a foreclosure sale of a junior mortgage (21-132; 43-172, 45+11); a creditor of the grantee of the mortgagor (28-48, 8+905; an attaching creditor on a contract express or implied (45-341, 49+187. See 30-366, 15+673); a judgment creditor (27-18, 6+373; 28-345, 9+868; 29-53, 11+143; 29-226, 13+34; 30-161, 14+795; 36-136, 30+458; 42-476, 44+985; 45-341, 48+187; 50-508, 52+922; 53-1, 55+113; 56-60, 57+320; 70-380, 73+165; 74-237, 77+42; 78-373, 81+11); an assignee of a judgment against the mortgagor although the assignment is not filed under G. S. 1894 § 5431 (70-380, 73+165); a creditor acquiring a lien pending the time of redemption (20-106, 92); a creditor having a lien on a part of the land sold (21-132; 27-18, 6+373; 29-53, 11+143; 36-136, 30+458). To entitle a creditor to redeem he must have something more than the general right common to all creditors to have the general property of the debtor applied to the payment of his debts; he must have a right, either in law or equity, to have the specific property appropriated to the satisfaction of his claim in exclusion of other claims subsequent in date to his (29-203, 12+530; 65-246, 68+18). It is not necessary that he should have a personal claim against the debtor; it is sufficient if he has a special claim on the specific land sold. The statute has in view the party's relation and interest in respect to the land, and not in respect to any particular person (28-48, 8+905; 43-172, 45+11). A general creditor of a deceased person, although his claim has been allowed against the estate by the probate court has no lien within the statute and cannot redeem. A redemption for the estate must be made by the executor or administrator (29-203, 12+530; 65-246, 68+18). A party having an equitable mortgage in the form of an absolute deed may redeem without first having obtained a judicial determination that the deed is a mortgage (77-54, 79+594). A junior mortgagee in a mortgage on which the registry tax has not been paid cannot redeem (119-193, 137+973).

**3. Notice of intention.**—If a notice is recorded it is immaterial that it is not filed (27-18, 6+373). An assignee of a lien may redeem under a notice filed by his assignor (48-223, 50+1038). Defects in a notice are waived if the purchaser accepts the redemption money (50-310, 52+864; 73-361, 76+199). A notice filed before the creditor actually acquires his lien is ineffectual although he subsequently and during the year acquires the lien described (71-308, 74+139; 96-234, 104+897). Where foreclosure is by action the notice must be filed with the clerk of court (48-223, 50+1038). The notice is not a part of the redemptioner's muniments of title (50-310, 52+864). Fraudulent notices may constitute a cloud on title removable by action (63-120, 65+258). A notice of intention to redeem as "a judgment debtor" does not authorize a redemption by an owner (95-286, 104+7).

**4. Tacking subsequent liens.**—The purchaser at a foreclosure sale cannot tack subsequent liens held by him so as to compel the holder of a lien subsequent to his to pay them in redeeming from the foreclosure sale unless such purchaser puts himself in the line of redemptioners, by filing notice of redemption to redeem from his own sale under his subsequent liens and files at the proper time affidavits of the amount due on his subsequent liens (28-345, 9+868; 29-434, 13+668; 43-172, 45+11; 58-291, 59+1020; 95-286, 104+7). But it is not necessary for him to pay to himself the amount necessary to redeem from himself, or to issue to himself any certificate of redemption, and he need not redeem from himself through the sheriff (58-291, 59+1020). 141-456, 170+600.

**5. Right statutory.**—The right of a creditor to redeem is purely statutory (21-132; 28-345, 9+868; 37-71, 33+123; 51-417, 53+719), but the statute is to be construed with reference to equity practice (28-345, 9+868; 65-246, 68+18).

**6. Construction of statute.**—The statute is remedial and to be construed liberally in favor of the mortgagor and redeeming creditors (20-132; 29-53, 11+143). It is to be construed with reference to its general purpose (28-345, 9+868); and former equity practice (28-345, 9+868; 65-246, 68+18).

**7. Statute must be substantially followed.**—There must be a substantial compliance with the requirements of the statute (21-132; 37-71, 33+123; 47-434, 50+475; 51-417, 53+719. See as requiring a strict compliance 28-345, 348, 9+868; 70-380, 73+165). Merely formal defects may be overlooked (21-132). Second mortgagee, without right to redeem (124-176, 144+761).

**8. What law governs.**—The law of the date of the execution of the mortgage governs (4-483, 375; 8-387, 344; 10-174, 141; 27-18, 6+373; 28-496, 11+84; 36-136, 30+458).

**9. Five day period.**—72-287, 75+376; 80-76, 82+1103.

**10. Order among successive creditors.**—Creditors redeem according to the priority of their liens. There is no provision in the statute to determine the rights of respective creditors in regard to redemption, except by the priority of their respective liens (29-203, 12+530). The purchaser at the sale cannot object that a creditor redeems out of the statutory order or prematurely (72-287, 75+376; 80-76, 82+1103). The "senior creditor" means the senior creditor who redeems (28-345, 9+868). Priority of liens is determined by time of record, without reference to nature of estates in land, or any part thereof, owned by mortgagors (105-348, 117+512).

**11. From what redemption made.**—The redemption is a redemption of the land sold from the sale and not a redemption of the land mortgaged from the mortgage. The redemption is made from the purchaser as purchaser, not as assignee of the mortgage (21-132).

**12. Nature of right.**—The creditor's right of redemption is the right to buy the purchaser's interest, at the price paid by him, with interest from the date of the sale (21-132).

**13. Extension of time to redeem.**—A court has no discretionary power to extend the period of redemption (51-417, 53+719). The time cannot be extended to await the determination of a suit in equity for an accounting (47-434, 50+475). It may be extended by agreement of the parties (see 25-516, 43-66, 44+886; 47-434, 50+475; 89-319, 94+1085, 1135), but a creditor's right to redeem cannot be prejudiced by an agreement between the mortgagor and the purchaser at the sale (70-380, 73+165).

**14. When right accrues.**—The right of a creditor to redeem does not accrue until the mortgagor's right of redemption has terminated and the title of the holder of the certificate of sale has become, as against the mortgagor, perfect and absolute (28-345, 9+868; 29-226, 13+34; 57-465, 59+495). But the purchaser may waive a premature redemption by a creditor (54-308, 56+34; 90-114, 95+762. See 72-287, 75+376).

**15. Upon sale of separate tracts.**—21-132.

**16. A vested right.**—27-18, 6+373; 36-136, 30+458; 41-388, 43+78.

**17. Attacking creditor's lien.**—29-53, 11+143; 42-476, 44+985; 45-341, 48-187; 48-223, 50+1038; 53-1, 55+113; 56-60, 57+320; 63-120, 65+258; 70-380, 73+165; 74-237, 77+42; 74-273, 77+139.

**18. Waiver of irregularities.**—Though the purchaser cannot, so far as concerns the passing of the legal title by redemption, waive by parol the existence of a lien giving a right to redeem, nor a proper certificate of redemption, he may waive any irregularity in the intermediate steps to effect redemption. He may waive any defect in the filed notice of intention to redeem or the failure of the creditor to file an affidavit of the amount due on his lien and he does so by accepting the redemption money (21-132; 50-310, 52+864; 73-361, 76+199). The objection that a redemption was prematurely made may be waived (54-308, 56+34; 90-114, 95+762. See 72-287, 75+376; 80-76, 82+1103). The sheriff cannot waive defects as against the purchaser (21-132). 129-312, 152+728.

**19. A purchaser for value.**—A creditor redeeming is a purchaser for a valuable consideration (30-537, 16+449; 46-156, 48+677; 72-352, 75+761, 595), and as such is protected from a resulting trust of which he has no notice (30-537, 16+449). Rule that possession is notice applies to one redeeming from foreclosure sale of land which in actual possession of person other than mortgagor (98-39, 107+744).

**20. Effect of non-redemption.**—Failure to redeem from a sale made on a second lien by the holder of a subsequent and subordinate lien cuts off his right to redeem from a sale made on the first lien. The sale on a second lien, whether made before or after that on a first lien, has the effect, unless it is itself cut off by the first sale, or unless it is redeemed from, to cut off all liens and interests subject to it (30-161, 14+795; 31-264, 17+476; 50-508, 52+922; 54-308, 56+34; 72-287, 75+376; 73-236, 75+1046; 95-286, 104+7). Where defendant foreclosed his mortgage and purchased for an amount which left a surplus, and afterwards plaintiff issued execution on his judgment, which was a second lien, and purchased the premises at the execution sale for the amount of his judgment and costs, and execution was returned satisfied, and he never redeemed from the foreclosure sale, he was not entitled to recover the surplus from defendant (104-340, 116+645).

**21. Cited.** (104-267, 116+472).

**9623. Redemption, how made.**—Redemption shall be made as follows: The person desiring to redeem shall pay to the person holding the right acquired under such sale, or for him to the sheriff who made the sale, or his successor in office, the amount required by law

for such redemption, and shall produce to such person or officer:

1. A copy of the docket of the judgment, or of the deed or mortgage, or of the record or files evidencing any other lien under which he claims a right to redeem, certified by the officer in whose custody such docket, record, or files shall be, or the original deed or mortgage, with the certificate of record indorsed thereon.

2. Any assignment necessary to establish his claim, verified by the affidavit of himself or a subscribing witness thereto, or some person acquainted with the signature of the assignor. If the redemption is under an assignment of a judgment, the assignment shall be filed in the court rendering the judgment as provided by law, and the person so redeeming shall produce a certified copy thereof and of the record of its filing, and the copy of the docket shall show that the proper entry was made upon the docket.

3. An affidavit of himself or his agent, showing the amount then actually due on his lien.

Within twenty-four hours after such redemption is made, the person redeeming shall cause the documents so required to be produced to be filed with the register of deeds, who shall indorse thereon the date and hour of filing, and shall preserve the same in his office for one year thereafter, for which service he shall be entitled to receive one dollar: Provided, that if such redemption shall be made at any place other than the county seat, it shall be sufficient forthwith to deposit such documents in the nearest postoffice, addressed to such register, with the postage prepaid. (4482) [8148]

#### ½. In general.

If the documents to which section 8148 refers are on file when a junior creditor redeems, he cannot question the validity of a prior redemption solely because the filing was not made within the time prescribed by the statute. 156-310, 194-643.

As against the owner of a third mortgage on land, the failure of the owner of a second mortgage to produce and file the affidavit required by this section, invalidates an attempted redemption from the foreclosure sale of the mortgaged premises under a first mortgage. 210-95.

The right of lien creditors to redeem is statutory, and must be exercised in accordance with the statute. 211-323.

Each redeeming creditor must pay the amount which the creditor from whom he redeems paid, plus the amount of such redeeming creditor's lien. 211-323.

1. **Proof of right to redeem**—The object of the statute is to furnish evidence to the officer or purchaser that the party proposing to redeem has the right to do so under the statute and to provide the evidence whereby a second or other redemptioner may know the amount to be paid to a previous one. The statute is to be liberally construed in favor of the redemptioner (8-496, 441; 21-132; 28-345, 9-868). The production of the original instrument evidencing the lien, with the certificate of record indorsed thereon, is a sufficient compliance with the statute which requires the production of a certified copy of such instrument (21-132; 41-314, 43-66; 91-124, 97-651). The holder of a subsequent judgment lien may redeem from an execution sale by paying the proper amount into the hands of the proper court and it is not necessary for him to produce to the clerk certified copies of the judgment docket, files and records upon which redemption is based, but it is sufficient if the clerk has the knowledge thereof, and the original records, files and papers are called to his attention (91-124, 97-651). The redemptioner need not produce all the deeds constituting his chain of title from the mortgagor (20-268, 239). When the redemption is made by the mortgagor or owner it is not necessary to produce and file certified copies of the documents showing his title and right to redeem. The production of the original records to the officer is sufficient (41-314, 43-66). An affidavit of the amount due is indispensable (21-132). Where a mortgagee sells the note but executes no assignment of the mortgage securing the same, and subsequently repurchases the note, the equitable transfers of the beneficial interest in the mortgage effected by the sale and repurchase of the debt, are not assignments which need be produced (40-531, 42-467). Failure to produce the papers required by the statute is waived by accepting the redemption money (73-361, 76-199). The redemption

papers are not a part of the redemptioner's muniments of title (50-310, 52-864). The failure to file the affidavit of the amount due is waived by accepting the redemption money (73-361, 76-199). No provision is made for a formal notice of redemption (7-432, 347). The refusal of the clerk to recognize a party's right to redeem will not be allowed to prejudice him (41-156, 42-867). The sheriff is not required to notify the mortgagor of a redemption (65-391, 67-1024). Proof of heirship of one entitled to redeem is sufficient without production of any document or record, where it does not appear that probate proceedings have been completed (98-203, 103-846).

2. **Amount necessary to redeem**—The sheriff, in receiving money paid on redemption, acts as the officer of the law, not as the agent of the party. If he receives too much or too little, or from one not entitled to redeem, that cannot prejudice the party holding the certificate of sale. It is the business of the party redeeming to see that he deposits with the sheriff the proper amount and if the amount is not correct he must bear the consequences (14-289, 216; 16-210, 184; 18-497, 444; 21-132; 28-75, 9-173; 53-346, 55-557; 65-391, 67-1024). Where the redemptioner pays to the sheriff a gross sum for the redemption and sheriff's fees, and it is accepted by the sheriff as sufficient and the sum is sufficient to satisfy the purchaser's claim, it is a good redemption; the shortage, if any, must be deducted from the sheriff's fees (48-223, 50-1038). The senior creditor redeeming is required to pay only the amount for which the property was sold, with interest. But subsequent redemptioners must pay in addition prior liens held by prior redemptioners (28-345, 9-868). Where a mortgagee foreclosed for more than the amount due and a second mortgagee was required to pay such amount in order to redeem it was held that the latter might recover from the former the excess (6-240, 158). Junior creditor must pay amount shown by record to be due. Statute provides no method by which he may determine validity of prior liens or proper amount. He must pay according to record, and if lien fraudulent, or amount padded, he must resort to other proceedings to recover damages (105-348, 117-512).

3. **Tender of amount necessary to redeem**—8-496, 441; 21-319; 28-100, 1-834; 27-18, 6-373; 28-75, 9-173; 41-156, 42-867; 63-484, 65-948; 76-196, 78-1110.

4. **Filing the redemption papers**—Prior to 1881 Ex. S. c. 3 there was no provision for recording or filing the redemption papers (21-132, 141; 50-310, 52-864). The statute is intended for the protection of junior redemptioners and they alone, if any one, can take advantage of a non-compliance with its provisions (40-531, 42-467; 50-310, 52-864). Failure to file redemption papers within 24 hours, does not invalidate redemption, unless impairing rights of subsequent redemptioners (194-643).

5. **Payment in what**—If the sheriff accepts without objection treasury or national bank notes (20-268, 239) or a check on a bank (41-314, 43-66) the payment is good.

9629. **Certificate of redemption—Record**—The person or officer from whom such redemption is made shall make and deliver to the person redeeming a certificate executed and acknowledged in the same manner as a conveyance, containing:

1. The name of the person redeeming, and the amount paid by him on such redemption.

2. A description of the sale for which such redemption is made, and of the property redeemed.

3. A statement of the claim upon which such redemption is made, and, if upon a lien, the amount claimed to be due thereon at the date of redemption.

If redemption is made by the owner of the property sold, his heirs, personal representatives, or assigns, such certificate shall be recorded within four days after the expiration of the year allowed him for redemption, and, if made by a creditor holding a lien, such certificate shall be recorded within four days after such redemption. Unless so recorded, such certificate shall be void as against any person in good faith redeeming from the same person or lien. (4483) [8149]

A certificate of redemption, in substance such as the statute directs, is essential to the passing of the legal title, although the redemptioner may, perhaps, acquire equitable rights without it. That a certificate of redemption upon a lien does not state the amount claimed to be due on the lien will not, as between the purchaser and a subsequent redemptioner, affect a redemption on a subsequent lien made on the assumption that the prior redemption was regular (50-310, 52-864). The sheriff may execute the certificate although the payment is made to the party from whom redemption is made (54-308, 56-34). A certificate is prima facie evidence of the fact of a redemption and of the truth of

its recitals so far as they relate to matters required to be stated (27-18, 6+373). In an action to set aside a certificate executed by a sheriff its recitals may be impeached by parol evidence showing that no redemption was in fact made and no money paid to the sheriff (33-2, 35+469). A certificate issued to one not entitled to redeem is a nullity (18-497, 444). In proving a title under a redemption it is sufficient to show such a foreclosure sale as is effectual under the statute to pass the legal title to the purchaser, the lien on which the redemption was made, and a certificate of redemption regular on its face (50-310, 52+864). Certificate of redemption, issued by holder of sheriff's certificate to owner, not filed for record within four days, is void as to second redemption duly made through sheriff, in good faith by junior lienholder, though second redemption be made and certificate thereof filed for record within time limited for recording first certificate (102-460, 113+1064). 194+643.

210+35.

The omission from the sheriff's certificate of redemption of a statement of the amount claimed to be due on a redemptioner's lien, does not invalidate the redemption as to a junior creditor if the affidavit required is on file in the office of the register of deeds when the junior creditor redeems. 156-310, 194+543.

**9630. Effect of redemption**—If redemption is made by the owner of the property sold, his heirs, personal representatives, or assigns, such redemption annuls the sale; if by a creditor holding a lien on the property or some part thereof, the certificate of redemption, executed, acknowledged and recorded as provided in § 9629, operates as an assignment to him of the right acquired under such sale, subject to such right of any other person to redeem as provided by law. (4484) [8150]

**½. In general.**

165-172, 206+44, note under § 9627.

Rights of guarantor holding second mortgage as security on redemption from first mortgage. 159-466, 199+227.

The plaintiff and the defendant owned a tract of land as tenants in common. They gave a mortgage. Afterwards, defendant gave a mortgage upon his undivided one half to the same bank. The plaintiff paid one half of the mortgage first mentioned. Afterwards it was foreclosed. Within the year of redemption the plaintiff redeemed as part owner. By his redemption he obtained an equitable mortgage upon the undivided one half interest of defendant for the amount which he paid in redemption and such mortgage is prior to the mortgage by defendant of his undivided one half. It is held that in this action for partition he is entitled to contribution for taxes and interest and money paid for necessary improvements, but must apply profits made, and for the balance he may have contribution of an undivided half. 160-269, 199+881.

The effect of redemption from the foreclosure sale by a judgment creditor was to give him all the rights of a good-faith purchaser of the land. 212+905.

**1. Redemption by owner**—A redemption by the owner, his heirs, executors, administrators or assigns, annuls the sale, leaving the property in the same condition as if the mortgage had never been made (18-497, 444; 23-74; 25-516; 29-53, 11+143; 37-71, 33+123). A redemption by a part owner annuls the sale as to the whole tract (46-481, 49+250). Redemption by wife (104-267, 116+472). A sale from which a redemption is made does not affect the lien of the mortgage for other instalments of the mortgage debt (4-172, 117; 27-175, 6+489; 30-395, 15+676). Where the owner assumes to redeem as a creditor under a judgment against a former owner, in law the redemption will be one by an owner and not by a creditor, and its legal effect will be to annul the sale (78-373, 81+11).

**2. Redemption by creditor**—Redemption by a creditor does not annul the sale but appropriates the benefit of it to the redemptioner, so far as there may be any excess of value in the property beyond what it costs him to make redemption (37-71, 33+123; 57-465, 59+495; 74-345, 77+214). It operates as an assignment of the rights of the purchaser (20-106, 92; 28-345, 9+868; 41-156, 42+867; 42-366, 44+256). In other words, the redemptioner is subrogated to the rights of the purchaser (23-74; 27-18, 6+373; 29-53, 11+143; 36-136, 30+458; 70-380, 73+165). It does not extinguish the lien on which it is made, but the first redemptioner is subrogated to the right of the purchaser with the lien of the first redemptioner added, and so on, as each successive redemption is made. The last redemptioner acquires all intervening redemption liens and may enforce them against the land for his protection and reimbursement. The lien on which a redemption is made is not extinguished

by the fact that the value of the property is equal to the amount of the lien with the amount paid for redemption added (21-132; 50-508, 52+922). But a redemption by a creditor satisfies his debt to the extent of the value of the property, less the amount paid to effect redemption. Thus a redemption by a judgment creditor of property exceeding in value the amount of the judgment and the amount paid to effect redemption satisfies the judgment and extinguishes the right to make further redemptions by virtue thereof (29-226, 13+34; 72-352, 75+595, 761). Creditor's judgment being irregular same operates as an assignment (129-314, 152+729).

**9631. Foreclosure pending action to set aside mortgage—Redemption**—Whenever an action is brought wherein it is claimed that any mortgage as to the plaintiff or person for whose benefit the action is brought is fraudulent or void, or has been paid or discharged, in whole or in part, if such mortgage has been foreclosed by advertisement, and the time for redemption from the foreclosure sale will expire before final judgment in such action, the plaintiff or beneficiary having the right to redeem, for the purpose of saving such right in case the action fails, may deposit with the sheriff before the time of redemption expires the amount for which the mortgaged premises were sold, with interest thereon to the time of deposit, together with a bond to the holder of the sheriff's certificate of sale, in an amount and with sureties to be approved by such sheriff, conditioned to pay all interest that may accrue or be allowed on such deposit if the action fail. He shall, in writing, notify such sheriff that he claims such mortgage to be fraudulent or void, or to have been paid or discharged, in whole or in part, as the case may be, and that such action is pending, and direct him to retain such money and bond until final judgment. In case such action fails, such deposit shall operate as a redemption of the premises from such foreclosure sale, and entitle the plaintiff to a certificate thereof. Such foreclosure, deposit, bond, and notice shall be brought to the attention of the court by supplemental complaint in the action, and the judgment shall determine the validity of the foreclosure sale, and the rights of the parties to the moneys and bond so deposited, which shall be paid and delivered by the sheriff as directed by such judgment, upon delivery to him of a certified copy thereof. The remedy herein provided shall be in addition to other remedies now existing. (4485) [8151]

**9632. Holder of junior mortgage may pay default in prior mortgage**—Any person who has a mortgage lien upon any land against which there exists a prior mortgage may pay any taxes or assessments on which any penalty would otherwise accrue, and may pay the premium upon any policies of insurance procured in renewal of any expiring policy upon mortgaged premises, and may, in case any interest upon any prior or superior mortgage is in default, or any part of the principal shall become due, or amortized installment which may be in default upon any such prior mortgage, pay the same, and all such sums so paid shall become due upon such payment and be a part of the debt secured by such junior mortgage, shall bear interest from date of payment at the same rate as the indebtedness secured by such prior mortgage, and shall be collectible with, as a part of, and in the same manner as the amount secured by such junior mortgage. Such payments shall be proved by the affidavit of the junior mortgagee, his agent or attorney, stating the items and describing the premises, and a copy must be filed for record with the Register of Deeds. ('23, c. 355, § 1; amended '27, c. 413)

**9633. Mortgages to be re-instated in certain cases**—That in any proceeding for the foreclosure of a real

estate mortgage, whether by action or by advertisement, if at any time before the sale of the premises under such foreclosure, the mortgagor, the owner or any holder of any subsequent encumbrance or lien, or anyone for them, shall pay or cause to be paid to the holder of the mortgage so being foreclosed, or to the attorney foreclosing the same, or to the sheriff of the county, the amount actually due thereon and constituting the default actually existing in the conditions of said mortgage at the time of the commencement of such foreclosure proceedings, including insurance, delinquent taxes if any upon said premises, interest to date of payment, cost of publication and services of process or notices, Attorney's fees not exceeding fifty (\$50.00) dollars, together with other lawful disbursements necessarily incurred, in connection with the proceedings by the party foreclosing, then and in that event said mortgage shall be fully reinstated and further proceedings in such foreclosure shall be thereupon abandoned. ('23 c. 327 § 1)

Chapter 394, Laws 1923, a curative act, applicable to the defective cancellation of land contracts to which it refers, does not confirm and make effectual an attempted cancellation which has been wholly disregarded by both vendor and vendee in the manner stated in the preceding paragraph. 156-419, 195-139.

#### CURATIVE ACTS.

- '05 c. 67, Cur. Failure to give or record power.
- '05 c. 209, Cur. Defective notice and service.
- '05 c. 317, Cur. Power acknowledged before attorney.
- '07 c. 86, Cur. Defective assignments.
- '07 c. 437, Cur. Failure to give or record power.
- '09 c. 273, Cur. Failure to give or record power.
- '09 c. 274, Cur. Failure to record assignments. 155-211, 193-162.
- '09 c. 293 § 1, Cur. Where notice claims amount not due, etc.
- '09 c. 293 § 2, Cur. Same—Action to set aside—when.
- '09 c. 318, § 1, Cur. Defective power.
- '09 c. 352, Cur. Defective notice and service.
- '11 c. 210, Cur. Insufficient publication.
- '13 c. 132, Cur. Failure to record power.
- '13 c. 182, Cur. Defective notice.
- '13 c. 360, Cur. Defective power satisfied.
- '15 c. 109 § 1, Cur. Defective power.
- '15 c. 123, Cur. Defective notice.
- '15 c. 306, Cur. Certain foreclosure sales legalized.
- '17 c. 186, Cur. Certain foreclosure sales legalized.
- '17 c. 250, Cur. Defective assignments.
- '19 Ex. Sess. c. 42, Cur. Certain mortgage foreclosure sales legalized.
- '19 c. 194, Cur. Certain mortgage foreclosures legalized.
- '21 c. 28, Cur. Certain mortgage foreclosures legalized.
- '21 c. 101, Cur. Mortgage foreclosure sales legalized in certain cases.
- '21 c. 283, Cur. Certain mortgage foreclosures legalized.
- '23 c. 44, Cur. Defective power of attorney.
- '23 c. 98, Cur. Certain mortgage foreclosures legalized.
- '23 c. 162, Cur. Certain mortgage foreclosures legalized.
- '23 c. 192, Cur. Certain mortgage foreclosures legalized.
- '23 c. 207, Cur. Mortgage foreclosures legalized in certain cases.
- '23 c. 218, Cur. Defective notice of assignments and re-assignment.
- '23 c. 394, Cur. Certain cancellations of contracts legalized.

The following curative and validating acts have been enacted by the legislature at the sessions of 1925 and 1927—

Laws 1925, c. 24, which reads as follows: "Section 1. Every mortgage foreclosure sale by advertisement heretofore made in this State, under power of sale in the usual form, contained in any mortgage duly executed and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of the property county of this State, together with the record of such foreclosure sale, is hereby legalized and made valid and effective to all intents and purposes, as against either or all of the following objections, viz.:

1. That the power of attorney to foreclose the mortgage, provided for by Section 9606, General Statutes, 1923, was executed by the mortgagee or assignee, before there was a default and the power of sale therein contained had become operative.

2. That the power of attorney to foreclose the mortgage, provided for by Section 9616, General Statutes, 1923, does not refer to the book and page of record thereof in the office of the Register of Deeds where the

same is of record, or otherwise definitely describe and identify the mortgage authorized to be foreclosed.

3. That the power of attorney to foreclose the mortgage, provided for by Section 9606, General Statutes 1923, is general in its terms and does not describe any mortgage in particular but authorizes the foreclosure of any and all mortgages then due or thereafter to become due and also all mortgages thereafter to be taken and acquired either as mortgagee or assignee, by the grantor in said power of attorney, on real property in the county therein designated. '25, c. 24, § 1.

"Sec. 2. Provided that the provisions of this act shall not apply to or affect any action or proceeding now pending in any of the courts of this State."

Laws 1925, c. 166, which reads as follows: "Section 1. Every mortgage foreclosure sale by advertisement heretofore made in this state, under power of sale in the usual form contained in any mortgage duly executed and recorded in the office of the register of deeds or register with the registrar of titles of the proper county of this state, together with the record of such foreclosure sale, is hereby legalized and made valid and effective to all intents and purposes, as against either or all of the following objections, viz:

1. That the notice of sale was signed by the representative of the estate of the mortgagee as administrator, where the said representative was in fact the executor of the estate of said mortgagee.

2. That the notice of sale was signed by the attorney foreclosing said mortgage as attorney for said mortgagee, where said attorney was in fact attorney for the representative of the estate of said mortgagee, or that the place of sale was stated as "village court house" instead of "court house," or that one of the regular publication days for a notice of a mortgage foreclosure sale fell upon Thanksgiving Day or any legal holiday and such notice was published either the day before or the day after such legal holiday or Thanksgiving Day, or that the notice of sale was served upon the occupant of the mortgaged premises by leaving a copy thereof with a member of the family of said occupant, of suitable age and discretion, then residing upon said premises, but who, at the time of such service, was not upon said premises, or that the notice of sale and the sheriff's certificates incorrectly stated that the mort- notice, but did state all other facts necessary for computing the amount due; that the foreclosure sale notice stated a date of sale falling on a legal holiday, and said foreclosure sale was held by the sheriff of the proper county on a legal holiday; or that the notice of sale and the sheriff's certificate incorrectly stated that the mortgage was foreclosed as of the year 1920, whereas it should have stated the year 1921; or that the notice of sale incorrectly named a different county than the county in which the mortgaged land was located and that the notice of sale was signed by the assignee as mortgagee instead of as assignee, said mortgage having been duly assigned and the assignment placed of record; or that the notice of foreclosure sale was not served upon some of the persons in possession of the mortgaged premises, or on the person or persons in possession but who were not actually residing thereon; where the notice was published for six full weeks, and the mortgage sale was postponed for one week and the original notice, together with notice of postponement, was regularly published in one issue of the same newspaper immediately preceding the postponed date of sale, but no notice was published for one week intervening between the last publication of the original notice and publication of said notice of sale with a notice of postponement in the issue of the newspaper immediately preceding the postponed date of sale; or that the notice incorrectly stated the amount due.

3. That the date of the mortgage or of any assignment thereof, or the date, the month, day, hour, book or page of the record of the mortgage, or of any assignment thereof, in the office of the register of deeds, is incorrectly stated in the notice of sale, or in any of the foreclosure papers, affidavits or instruments.

4. That the sale thereunder was held before one week had elapsed after the last and sixth publication had been made.

5. That the notice of mortgage foreclosure sale correctly stated the day of the week, the date of the month and the hour and place of sale, but omitted the year when the sale was held, or omitted to state the volume and page where such mortgage was registered in the office of the registrar of titles of the proper county in the case of land registered under the Torrens system; or that the amount claimed to be due on account of such foreclosure was incorrectly stated in said notice of foreclosure sale.

6. That the affidavit of publication, of notice, affidavit or return of service of such notice, return of officer as to vacancy, sheriff's affidavit of sale, sheriff's certificate of sale, or either of them, or any other of the papers or

documents constituting a part of said foreclosure proceedings were not executed or recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the proper county or registered in the office of the registrar of titles of the proper county in time case of land registered under the Torrens system, within the time required by law, but have since been recorded or executed and recorded in the office of such register of deeds, or registered or executed and registered in the office of such register of titles before the passage of this act.

7. That the power of attorney to foreclose said mortgage provided for by Section 9606, General Statutes 1923, had not been executed and recorded prior to such foreclosure sale as provided by law, or had been executed prior to such foreclosure sale but not recorded until after such sale, but has since been recorded or executed and recorded before the passage of this act; or that the power of attorney to foreclose the mortgage was not properly witnessed and that the acknowledgment of the execution of the same by the mortgagee or assignee of the mortgagee was taken and certified by the person or one of the persons to whom such power was granted, or that the corporate seal of the corporation mortgagee was not affixed to the power of attorney authorizing the foreclosure of the mortgage.

8. Where the mortgage was assigned and such assignment is set forth in the body of the notice of foreclosure sale and such notice is signed by the said assignee but said notice of foreclosure sale does not specify the name of such assignee of the mortgage in the body of said notice.

9. That the notice of mortgage foreclosure sale was not signed with the full name of the mortgagee but the name of the mortgagee as stated in such mortgage was correctly stated in such notice.

10. Where the publication of the notice of foreclosure sale was in all respects regular except that the notice was published only five times; or where the affidavit of publication of notice of foreclosure sale did not in all respects comply with the provisions of Chapter 484, General Laws 1921, but did comply in all respects with the provisions of Section 9413, General Statutes 1913.

11. That the sheriff's certificate of sale is signed by only one witness and the acknowledgment to said certificate bears no date, or that the certificate of sale did not state the correct amount for which the property described therein was sold.

12. That the mortgagor signed his full given first name and the initial of his middle name in the execution of a mortgage, but thereafter in the power of attorney to foreclose said mortgage in the notice of sale, and in the sheriff's certificate of sale said mortgagor was referred to by initials only, or that the notice of the pendency of any suit or proceeding to enforce or foreclose a mortgage had not been filed according to law with the registrar of titles and a memorial thereof entered upon the register at the time of or prior to the commencement of such action or proceeding, or that the mortgage foreclosed had been assigned and such assignment duly placed of record, and said mortgage reassigned to the mortgagee and such reassignment duly placed of record, and the mortgage again assigned and such assignment duly placed of record, but the notice of foreclosure sale omits the description of the first assignment and of the reassignment thereof, or that the mortgage foreclosed, or the record thereof, is defective, by reason of having no witnesses, or only one witness, or has no scroll for a seal, or has a defective certificate of acknowledgment, or has no certificate of acknowledgment, or that the date of the expiration of the notary's commission or date of acknowledgment, was incorrectly stated.

"Sec. 2. Any sheriff's certificate of mortgage foreclosure sale by advertisement which has been heretofore correctly spread upon the records of the proper county, together with all indexing records thereof, is hereby legalized and made valid as against any irregularity or defect in the entering or noting thereof in the numerical register book, reception book and all other indexing books of said county.

"Sec. 5. Where a real estate mortgage covered both land that was registered and land that was not registered, and said land is contiguous and was occupied as one farm, and said mortgage was duly executed, acknowledged and recorded and the same was thereafter duly foreclosed by advertisement after default and the land sold thereunder pursuant to the power of sale therein contained, and all requirements of law relating to such foreclosure and sale were duly had and taken except that the notice did not set forth that the title to a portion of said land had been registered, or when or where the mortgage was registered, as to said registered land; and where the time to redeem from said foreclosure sale had expired and the mortgagor had voluntarily abandoned possession of said property and the purchaser

at the sale had taken possession thereof prior to the year 1924 under said foreclosure proceedings and so continues; in all such cases said mortgage foreclosure sale and the record thereof in the office of the register of deeds in the county where the foreclosure was had, and each of the same shall be and the same hereby is validated and declared to be valid for all purposes, the same as if said notice had been in all respects as required by statute.

"Sec. 6. The provisions of this act shall not affect any action or proceeding now pending in any of the courts of this state."

Laws 1925, c. 292, which reads as follows: "Section 1. When any real estate mortgage has heretofore been foreclosed by advertisement and all the requirements of law relating to such foreclosure have been had and taken pursuant to law except that an assignment which was not entitled to be filed but was actually filed with the Registrar of Titles before the commencement of the foreclosure proceedings, each of the same be and the same hereby are validated and declared to be valid and sufficient for all purposes; provided, however, that this act shall not affect any action at law or equity now pending in any of the courts in this state.

Laws 1925, c. 293, which reads as follows: "Section 1. Every mortgage foreclosure sale by advertisement heretofore made in this state, under power of sale in the usual form contained in any mortgage duly executed and recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the proper county of this state, in which the notice of sale was published for six weeks and in which the service of the notice of sale was made upon the mortgagor and in which notice the date of the mortgage and the record book and page in which it is recorded was correctly and clearly stated, together with the record of such foreclosure sale, is hereby legalized and made valid and effective to all intents and purposes notwithstanding the fact that in any such notice of sale which was so published and served a portion of the real estate described in said mortgage is incorrectly described or is not described, provided that in the sheriff's certificate on said foreclosure sale said real estate is properly and correctly described and every such mortgage foreclosure sale by advertisement and the sheriff's certificate issued on such sale and the record of such foreclosure sale is hereby legalized and made valid and effective to all intents and purposes notwithstanding the fact that in the notice of foreclosure sale certain of the real estate described in said mortgage and described in the sheriff's certificate on said foreclosure sale was not described or was incorrectly described in said notice of sale, and every such mortgage foreclosure sale by advertisement is hereby legalized and made valid and effective as to the real estate not described in said notice of sale, and such sheriff's certificate shall pass title to said real estate.

"Sec. 2. The provisions of this act shall not affect any section or proceeding now pending in any of the courts of this state."

Laws 1927, c. 6, which reads as follows: "Section 1. Every mortgage foreclosure sale by advertisement heretofore made in this state, under power of sale in the usual form, contained in any mortgage duly executed and recorded in the office of the Registrar of Deeds or Registrar of Titles of the proper county of this state, together with the record of such foreclosure sale, is hereby legalized and made valid and effective to all intents and purposes, as against either or all of the following objections, viz:

(1) That the date of the mortgage is omitted in the notice of mortgage foreclosure sale.

(2) That the notice of mortgage foreclosure sale was not signed by the full name of the assignee or mortgagee; but the name of such assignee or mortgagee was correctly stated in such foreclosure notice.

(3) That the notice of mortgage foreclosure sale omitted to state that the land described was registered land, or that the mortgage was registered in the office of the Registrar of Titles, but that such notice did state that the same was filed or recorded in the office of the Registrar of Titles and did give correctly the date of such record, volume and page,

"Sec. 2. Provided that the provisions of this act shall not apply to or affect any action now pending, involving the validity of such sale."

Laws 1927, c. 13, which reads as follows: "Section 1. Every mortgage foreclosure sale by advertisement heretofore made in this state under a power of attorney in the usual form contained in any mortgage duly executed and recorded in the office of the Registrar of Deeds or registered in the office of the Registrar of Titles of the proper county of the state, together with the record of any such foreclosure sale, is hereby legalized and made valid and made effective to all intents and purposes as against either or all of the following objections:

(a) That the notice of mortgage foreclosure sale stated that said sale will be made by the sheriff in his main office in the county court house and said sale was so made in said sheriff's main office, and said sheriff's affidavit of mortgage foreclosure sale stated that said mortgage foreclosure sale had been made in pursuance of the notice of foreclosure at the front door of the court house, instead of his main office as said notice specified, and said sheriff more than twenty days after said foreclosure sale filed for record in the office of the Register of Deeds or of the Registrar of Titles of said county, a corrected sheriff's certificate of mortgage foreclosure sale under said mortgage and a corrected sheriff's affidavit of said mortgage foreclosure sale, stating that said mortgage foreclosure sale had been made in pursuance of the notice of foreclosure sale in the sheriff's main office in the county court house.

(b) That the notice of mortgage foreclosure sale correctly stated the day of the month and year when said mortgage was registered on the memorial of the certificate of title of the mortgaged land and correctly stated the document number of said mortgage on said memorial and the number of said certificate of title, in the office of said Registrar of Titles, but omitted to state the volume and page where such mortgage was registered in said office of the Registrar of Titles of the proper county, in the case of land registered under the Torrence title system of this state.

"Sec. 2. The provisions of this act shall not affect any action or proceeding heretofore commenced and now pending in any court of this state to determine the validity of any such foreclosure sale."

Laws 1927, c. 178, which reads as follows: "Section 1. Every mortgage foreclosure sale by advertisement heretofore made in this state, under power of sale in the usual form contained in any mortgage duly executed and recorded in the office of the register of deeds or registered with the registrar of titles of the proper county of this state, together with a record of such foreclosure sale, is hereby legalized and made valid and effective to all intents and purposes, as against either or all of the following objections, viz.:

1. That in the notice of foreclosure sale as published and recorded, the hour of the day when such mortgage was recorded, in the office of the register of deeds was not written in.

2. That the notice of mortgage foreclosure sale correctly stated the day of the month and hour and place of sale but named a day of the week which did not fall on the date given for such sale.

3. That the notice of sale correctly describes the real estate but omits to name the county, or omits to name the county and state in which such real estate is located.

4. That the notice of sale does not state the amount due or fails to state the full and correct amount due or claimed to be due.

5. That the notice of sale states the place of sale to be a city in place of a village.

6. That the notice of sale did not give the date of such notice.

7. That the power of attorney to foreclose the mortgage provided for by Section 9606, General Statutes 1923, was executed by the mortgagee or assignee before there was a default and the power of sale therein contained had become operative.

8. That the power of attorney to foreclose the mortgage provided for by Section 9606, General Statutes 1923, did not refer to the book and page of record thereof in the office of the register of deeds where the same is of record, or otherwise definitely describe and identify the mortgage authorized to be foreclosed.

9. That the power of attorney to foreclose such mortgage had not been filed or recorded prior to such foreclosure sale, provided such power of attorney had in fact been executed and recorded in the proper office prior to the passage of this act.

10. That the power of attorney to foreclose the mortgage provided for by Section 9606, General Statutes 1923, is general in its terms and does not describe any mortgage in particular but authorizes the foreclosure of any and all mortgages then due or thereafter to become due and also all mortgages thereafter to be taken and acquired as mortgagee or assignee by the grantor in said power of attorney on real property in the county therein designated.

11. That the power of attorney to foreclose the mortgage was witnessed, and the acknowledgment of the execution of the same by the mortgagee or by the officers of the mortgagee, if a corporation, was taken by the person, to whom such power was granted.

12. That the power of attorney to foreclose said mortgage provided for by Section 9606, General Statutes 1923, had not been executed and recorded prior to such fore-

closure sale as provided by law, or had been executed prior to such foreclosure sale but not recorded until after such sale.

13. That the notice of sale was published for six times but not for six full weeks prior to the date of sale or that the sale thereunder was held before one week had elapsed after the last and sixth publication had been made.

14. That the newspaper in which the notice of such sale was published, being a qualified weekly paper, changed its day of publication during the running of such publication, so that although published in full in the regular issues of a qualified newspaper once in each week for a full six weeks, said notice was not published on the same day of the week in each of said weeks.

15. That the notice was published for six full weeks, and the mortgage sale was postponed for one week and the original notice, together with notice of postponement, was regularly published in one issue of the same newspaper immediately preceding the postponed date of sale, but no notice was published for one week intervening between the last publication of the original notice and publication of said notice of sale with a notice of postponement in the issue of the newspaper immediately preceding the postponed date of sale.

16. That one of the regular publication days for a notice of mortgage foreclosure sale fell upon Thanksgiving day or any legal holiday.

17. That several distinct and separate and not continuous parcels of land were sold together as one parcel and to one bidder for one bid for the whole as one parcel.

18. That the mortgaged premises were sold by the sheriff at foreclosure sale and bid in by the mortgagee at such sale at a price which did not include the attorney's fees stipulated in the mortgage, and immediately thereafter were resold by the sheriff and bid in by the mortgagee for a price which included such attorney's fees.

19. That the mortgaged premises consisted of separate and distinct tracts of land, one of which tracts was occupied by the mortgagor and owner and the other tract was occupied by a tenant of the owner and where the notice of the mortgage foreclosure sale was actually served upon the mortgagor and the occupant of part of the mortgaged premises, but not served upon the tenant who occupied a part of the premises or parcels covered by the mortgage which premises were distinct and separate tracts from the tract occupied by such owner and mortgagor.

20. That the mortgaged premises were not occupied by any person living on said premises but such notice was served upon the persons who were using part of said premises for hay purposes or for field land or for pasturage but not served upon other persons who were not living upon the land but who were using some small portion of said land for pasturage, haying or other purposes.

21. That the notice of foreclosure sale was not served upon the occupant or occupants of the premises affected by said sale at least four weeks previous to the date of such sale where such notice was actually served upon such occupant or occupants at least two weeks before such foreclosure sale.

22. That a copy of the published notice of sale was not served on the person in possession of the mortgaged premises, where such mortgaged premises were used for business purposes, and where the copy of the published notice of sale was served on the person in possession of the mortgaged premises by handing to and leaving with a person of suitable age and discretion, upon said premises who was employed by the person in possession or was in charge of the business located on said premises for the person in possession, a copy of said notice of sale.

23. That no certified copy or the final decree of distribution entered by the probate court in the estate of the mortgagee or his assigns was filed and recorded in the office of the register of deeds where the mortgage is of record, provided such decree has in fact been recorded in the proper office prior to the passage of this act.

24. That no certified copy of the order appointing and letters issued by the probate court to a representative or guardian of the estate of the mortgagee or his assignee was filed and recorded in the office of the register of deeds where the mortgage is of record, provided such orders and letters have in fact been recorded in the proper office prior to the passage of this act.

25. That the date of the filing and recording of the mortgage was stated as of 1920 when the correct date should have been 1921.

26. That said mortgage was twice assigned and said assignment duly recorded in the office of said register of deeds before the commencement of said foreclosure and which said mortgage was foreclosed by the as-

signee of record and the actual owner of said mortgage, but that the notice of said foreclosure sale and the foreclosure sale record omitted to describe the first assignment of said mortgage and described the second assignment as having been made direct from the mortgagee instead of by the assignee of the mortgagee.

27. That the affidavit of publication of notice of such sale, affidavit or return of service of such notice, affidavit or return of officer as to vacancy, affidavit of costs, sheriff's certificate of sale and sheriff's affidavit of sale, or either of them or any of the papers or documents constituting a part of the record of said foreclosure proceedings, were not recorded in the office of the register of deeds in the proper county but have since been recorded in the office of such register of deeds.

Any sheriff's certificate of mortgage foreclosure sale executed under and by virtue of Section 9313, General Statutes 1923, and any certificate executed to supplement or correct a defective certificate executed under said section, not having been executed, proved or acknowledged and recorded within 20 days mentioned in said execution, but has been executed, proved or acknowledged and recorded after the expiration of said 20 days, is hereby legalized and made valid, and said record shall have the same force and effect as if said certificates or supplementary certificates had been executed, proved or acknowledged and recorded within said 20 days.

All mortgage foreclosure sales by action, wherein heretofore the record of sale has been confirmed by order filed in the action, and the certificate of sale was thereafter executed in proper form and recorded more than 20 days after such confirmation, such certificate, and the record thereof, are hereby legalized with the same effect as if such certificate had been executed, acknowledged and recorded within 20 days.

Any mortgage foreclosure against registered land is hereby made valid and effective to all intents and purposes as against the objection that the notice of the pendency of the suit or proceeding to enforce or foreclose the mortgage as provided by Sections 8301, 8302 and 8303, General Statutes 1923, has not been filed with the Registrar of Titles and a memorial thereof entered on the Register at the time or prior to the commencement of such action or proceeding.

28. That said mortgage or any assignment thereof shall not have been registered and a memorial thereof duly entered upon the certificate of title.

The provisions of this act shall not affect any action or proceeding now pending in any of the Courts in this state.

Laws 1927, c. 398, which reads as follows: "Section 1. Every real estate and chattel mortgage foreclosure sale by advertisement or by action heretofore made in this state, whether under power of sale in the usual form contained in any mortgage duly executed and recorded in the office of the register of deeds or registered with the registrar of titles of the proper county of this state, or otherwise, and every execution sale and every other sale made pursuant to a decree or judgment of any court of this state by a deputy sheriff whose appointment and oath has never been recorded is hereby legalized and made valid and effective to all intents and purposes by filing, with the register of deeds and the registrar of titles of the proper county within ten days after the passage and approval of this act an affidavit of such deputy sheriff, attached to a copy of this act, stating by whom he was appointed and the date thereof and the period of time he served as such deputy sheriff and that such appointment has never been recorded together with an affidavit of the county attorney who was in office at the time of such appointment and during the period such deputy sheriff served as such deputy stating his knowledge of the appointment of such deputy and the period of time he so served as such deputy.

"Sec. 2. The provisions of this Act shall not affect any action or proceeding now pending in any of the courts of this state."

### BY ACTION

9634. By what rules governed—Actions for the foreclosure of mortgages shall be governed by the same rules and provisions of statute as civil actions, except as in this chapter otherwise provided. (4486) [8152]

1. Object of action—21-308; 29-226, 13+34.
2. A proceeding in personam—24-358; 44-97, 46+315; 52-67, 53+1130.
3. A judicial proceeding—4-298, 215; 44-97, 46+315.
4. Default necessary—49-13, 51+621.
5. For instalment—Coupon interest note—43-16, 44+670.
6. Subsequent action against omitted parties—14-220, 158; 44-290, 46+350; 69-5, 71+694; 78-88, 80+864.

7. Parties plaintiff—58-381, 59+971; 74-538, 77+428; 80-165, 83+54; 81-263, 83+991.

8. Parties defendant—3-67, 30; 5-304, 240; 21-308, 24-358; 31-129, 16+694; 33-357, 23+527; 35-179, 28+217; 36-59, 29+887; 44-290, 46+350; 45-167, 47+653; 47-74, 49+398, 645; 52-148, 53+1134; 56-523, 58+156; 63-263, 65+451; 69-5, 71+694.

9. Pleading—3-67, 30; 3-202, 133; 4-141, 93; 4-197, 139; 22-157; 25-234; 35-470, 29+170; 39-378, 40+255; 58-39, 59+822; 62-298, 64+896; 73-6, 75+759; 73-332, 76+57. Plea of tender (103-510, 115+642, 116+112).

10. Counterclaim—7-356, 282; 17-403, 381; 72-108, 75+19.

11. Joinder of causes of action—5-304, 240; 73-6, 75+759; 75-49, 77+414.

12. Defences—6-186, 119; 17-403, 381; 30-395, 15+676; 31-213, 17+341; 39-39, 38+765; 39-378, 40+255; 49-13, 51+621; 52-67, 53+1130; 62-265, 64+816; 73-90, 75+1034; 73-397, 76+24; 80-165, 83+54.

13. Issues which may be litigated—21-308; 31-129, 16+694; 36-59, 29+887; 44-97, 46+315; 44-290, 46+350; 46-481, 49+250; 61-226, 63+493; 63-263, 65+451; 74-484, 77+298, 539. Adverse title paramount to mortgage cannot over objection be litigated in foreclosure action (135-254, 160+776).

The general rule is that a mortgagee cannot litigate in his foreclosure action a title paramount to the title of the mortgagor. 156-193, 194+759.

Mortgagee may resort to both or either of his concurrent remedies. 158-231, 197+277.

14. Jury trial—30-395, 15+676; 63-269, 65+454.

15. Burden of proof—74-344, 77+234.

16. Notice of election—Treating whole amount due—23-337; 26-347, 4+231.

17. Findings—40-489, 42+395; 74-484, 77+298, 539.

18. Accounting—31-129, 16+694.

19. Statute of limitations—

9635. Application of former sections—The provisions of §§ 9609, 9610, 9619, 9625, 9628, 9630, and of 9613 so far as they relate to the form of the certificate of sale, shall apply to and govern the foreclosure of mortgages by action. (4487) [8153]

9636. Judgment—Transcript to sheriff—Judgment shall be entered, under the direction of the court, adjudging the amount due, with costs and disbursements, and the sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part thereof, to satisfy said amount, and directing the sheriff to proceed to sell the same according to the provisions of law relating to the sale of real estate on execution, and to make report to the court. A certified transcript of the judgment shall be delivered to the sheriff, and shall be his authority for making the sale. (4488) [8154]

1. The judgment generally—The judgment prescribed by this section is not a personal judgment which may be docketed and become a lien before sale of the mortgaged premises and the application of the proceeds upon the debt as prescribed by § 9642 (58-365, 59+1086. See 19-17, 1). If the plaintiff fails to establish his lien and right to foreclose but establishes a cause of action for the recovery of money he may have an ordinary personal judgment with all its incidents (58-365, 59+1086; 70-252, 73+155). In all cases of foreclosure it is necessary to have a judgment adjudging the amount due on the mortgage in order to determine the sum to be realized out of the security; and, in cases where the plaintiff is not entitled to a personal judgment for the debt, this is its only purpose and effect (46-422, 49+237). The judgment prescribed by this section determines all the issues in the action, and provides just the relief to which the plaintiff is entitled. When it is entered all controversy as to the respective rights between the plaintiff and the several defendants with respect to the mortgage and the right to enforce it is determined. All that follows it—the sale, report of sale, confirmation, etc.—are merely to carry into effect and enforce the determination of the rights of the parties which the judgment makes (27-376, 7+732). The judgment should not bar interests prior to the mortgage (70-71, 72+827, 73+1; 87-1, 91+14. See 21-308; 58-39, 59+822; 71-147, 73+716). The judgment is protected by the same presumptions of regularity and jurisdiction as an ordinary judgment. It is not subject to collateral attack for irregularity. It is a final judgment (14-537, 408; 19-452, 393). It binds the parties and their privies by estoppel as an ordinary judgment and is conclusive as to the right to foreclose including the validity of the mortgage (67-131, 69+708). It should direct the sale of only so much of the land as may be necessary to satisfy the judgment (4-260, 183). The title sold rests on the judgment.

There is no going behind the judgment to ascertain if the mortgage was sufficient to operate as a conveyance (39-378, 40+255). Entry of judgment in a "Decree Book" held not fatal (19-17, 1). A homestead may be set off by the judgment (31-213, 17+341). A second mortgagee cannot have a decree of foreclosure conditional on a mortgagor redeeming from a sale under the first mortgage (4-525, 410). Not assailable collaterally (135-257, 160+776); 153-280, 190+260, 155-311, 193+589.

167-208, 208+654.

Deficiency judgment. 211+1.

**2. Who not bound by judgment**—Persons not made parties and not in privity with parties are unaffected by the judgment, the action being in personam (14-220, 158; 23-13; 24-358; 37-197, 33+561; 40-381, 42+86; 44-97, 46+315; 56-523, 58+156; 75-231, 77+786; 78-88, 80+864. See 37-208, 34+23; 41-477, 43+329). Parties as to whom the action is dismissed are not bound (41-477, 43+329; 45-431, 48+8). A mortgagee pendente lite held bound by the judgment (51-129, 53+1).

**3. Modification of judgment**—67-12, 69+474; 70-243, 73+161; 70-252, 73+155; 153-280, 190+260.

**4. Opening default judgment**—40-463, 42+391; 67-131, 69+708.

**5. The sale**—Where a mortgage covers an exempt homestead and additional lands, the mortgagor is entitled to have the non-exempt property first sold and applied to the satisfaction of the mortgage debt (40-193, 41+1031). It is a judicial sale (4-298, 215). It should be for no more than necessary to satisfy the mortgage (4-260, 183). Where a judgment directs a sale to be made by the sheriff it may be made by his deputy (14-537, 408).

**6. Distribution of proceeds of sale**—If a mortgage secures several notes held by different parties the proceeds, if insufficient to pay all the notes in full, should, in the absence of an agreement to the contrary, be applied pro rata towards the payment of all the notes without regard to the time of their transfer or maturity (30-4, 13+907; 31-280, 17+620. See 33-224, 22+381). If the sheriff distributes the proceeds as directed by the judgment he is not liable (34-270, 25+604). A prior mortgagee held not entitled to have his lien and taxes paid out of the proceeds (71-147, 73+716). Where a mortgage given to secure two notes is foreclosed the proceeds should be applied ratably on both debts (5-523, 417).

**9637. Separate tracts**—When it appears that the sale of the whole of the mortgaged premises in one parcel will be most beneficial to the interests of the parties, the court may adjudge that the same be so sold, notwithstanding that they consist of distinct farms or tracts. (4489) [8155]

An order for the sale of premises as one tract sustained on appeal, it not appearing by the record that the premises consisted of several tracts (76-386, 79+319).

**9638. Purchase by mortgagee, etc.**—The mortgagee, or any one claiming under him, may fairly and in good faith bid off the premises at such sale; and in such case the statement of such fact in the report of sale shall have the same effect as a receipt for money paid upon a sale for cash. (4490) [8156]

74-538, 77+428.

Where an attorney, who foreclosed a mortgage, had authority to bid in the property at the sale, the fact that his client had failed to notify him of the amount to be bid, and that he bid it in for the full amount due, furnishes no ground for setting aside the sale. 160-180, 199+904.

**9639. Surplus**—When the sale is for cash, if, after satisfying the mortgage debt, with costs and expenses, there is a surplus, it shall be brought into court for the benefit of the mortgagor or the person entitled thereto, subject to the order of the court. If such surplus remains in court for three months without being applied for, the judge may direct it to be put out at interest, subject to the order of the court, for the benefit of the persons entitled thereto, to be paid to them upon order of the court. (4491) [8157]

Where land is sold under foreclosure of a mortgage two or more parties being interested therein, the proceeds will be divided pro rata according to the interests of the parties as they appear, but one may be given priority by contract. 162-93, 202+277.

In such a case, an unpaid vendor has priority as against a defaulting vendee to the extent of the unpaid purchase price. 162-93, 202+277.

**9640. Foreclosure for instalment—Dismissal—Stay**—When an action is brought for the foreclosure of a mortgage on which there is due any interest, or any portion of the principal, and there are other portions to become due subsequently, the action shall be dismissed, upon the defendant bringing into court, at any time before the judgment of sale, the principal and interest due, with costs. If, after such judgment of sale, the defendant brings into court the principal and interest due, with costs, the action shall be stayed; but the court shall enter judgment of foreclosure and sale, to be enforced by a further order upon a subsequent default in the payment of any portion of the principal or of interest thereafter to become due. (4492) [8158]

**9641. Report—Confirmation—Resale**—Upon the coming in of the report of sale, the court shall grant an order confirming the sale, or, if it appears upon due examination that justice has not been done, may order a resale on such terms as are just. If the sale is confirmed, the sheriff shall forthwith execute the proper certificate of sale, which shall be recorded within twenty days after such confirmation. (4493) [8159]

**1. Confirmation of sale**—14-138, 104; 14-220, 158.

**2. Resale**—14-138, 104; 14-220, 158; 36-388, 31+353.

**9642. Satisfaction of judgment—Execution for deficiency**—Upon confirmation of the report of sale, the clerk shall enter satisfaction of the judgment to the extent of the sum bid for the premises, less expenses and costs, and for any balance of such judgment, execution may issue as in other cases; but no such execution shall issue on such judgment until after a sale of the mortgaged premises, and the application of the amount realized as aforesaid. (4494) [8160]

155-311, 193+589.

**9643. Redemption by mortgagor, creditor, etc.**—The mortgagor, or those claiming under him, within one year after the date of the order of confirmation, may redeem the premises sold, or any separate portion thereof, by paying the amount bid therefor, with interest thereon from the time of sale at the rate provided to be paid on the mortgage debt, not to exceed ten per cent. per annum, and, if no rate be provided in the mortgage, at the rate of six per cent., together with any further sum which may be payable pursuant to § 9648. Creditors having a lien may redeem in the order and manner in this chapter hereinbefore specified, but no creditor shall be entitled to redeem unless within said year he files with the clerk notice of his intention to redeem. (4496) [8167]

The period of redemption cannot be shortened or extended by the court (5-508, 401; 28-18, 8+873). A junior mortgagee not a party to the action cannot redeem from the sale, but must, if he redeems at all, redeem from the entire mortgage by paying the whole of it (23-13. See 45-431, 48+8). Redemption by wife of fee owner (115-143, 132+202). Title relates back and takes effect as of date of mortgage (126-15, 147+670; 127-37, 148+1066, 196+468).

The time to redeem from a foreclosure sale under a mechanic's lien dates from the confirmation of the sale and not from the day of sale. 157-369, 196+468.

**9644. Delivery of possession**—When possession of lands is wrongfully withheld after expiration of the time of redemption, the court may compel delivery of possession to the party entitled thereto by order directing the sheriff to effect such delivery. (4497) [8168]

36-388, 31+353; 60-6, 61+818; 75-241, 77+831; 76-268, 79+103.

9645. Strict foreclosure—Judgment for the strict foreclosure of a mortgage may be given when such remedy is just or appropriate, but in such case no final decree of foreclosure shall be rendered until the lapse of one year after the judgment adjudging the amount due on such mortgage. (4498) [8169]

Strict foreclosure is rarely justifiable (21-101; 28-18, 8+873; 69-5, 71+694). By a strict foreclosure the conditional title acquired by the mortgage is made absolute in the mortgagee, the property being thus applied directly to the satisfaction of the debt (29-226, 13+34). Prior to 1870 c. 58 the power to award strict foreclosure was less restricted than at present (4-298, 215; 4-483, 375; 4-499, 390; 7-301, 231; 13-194, 183). Strict foreclosure (154-531, 192+354).

#### CURATIVE ACTS.

R. L. '05 § 4495, Cur. Failure to record within 20 days. '07 c. 125, Cur. No report, order of confirmation or final decree prior to 1886.

'11 c. 219, Cur. No report, order of confirmation or final decree prior to 1890.

'13 c. 29, Cur. No order of confirmation—Certain mortgage foreclosure proceedings legalized.

'13 c. 468, Cur. No affidavit of non-residence prior to 1910.

'13 c. 512, Cur. No order of confirmation or final decree prior to 1898.

'15 c. 156, Cur. Certificate dated prior to order confirming sale.

'17 c. 33, Cur. Failure to record within 20 days.

'19 c. 374, Cur. Certain mortgage foreclosure sales legalized.

'23 c. 368, Cur. Certain certificates of sale legalized.

The following curative and validating acts have been enacted by the legislature at the 1925 and 1927 sessions—

Laws 1925, c. 65, which reads as follows: "Section 1. That in all mortgage foreclosure sales by action, wherein heretofore the report of sale has been confirmed by order filed in the action, and the certificate of sale was thereafter executed in proper form and recorded more than twenty days after such confirmation, such certificate, and the record thereof, are hereby legalized with the same effect as if such certificate had been executed, acknowledged and recorded within such twenty days, provided that the provisions of this act shall not apply to or affect any action now pending involving the validity of such sale."

Laws 1925, c. 93, which reads as follows: "No action in which the validity of the proceedings in the foreclosure of a real estate mortgage by action, heretofore conducted, is questioned on account of the summons in said action having been served on the mortgagor outside of the State of Minnesota, by leaving a copy of said summons at the house of the usual abode of said mortgagor with some person of suitable age and discretion then resident therein, shall be maintained unless such action is commenced on or before October 1st, 1925."

Laws 1925, c. 166, which reads as follows: "Sec. 3. Every mortgage foreclosure sale by action heretofore made in this state of any mortgage duly executed and recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the proper county of this state covering land not registered under the Torrens system, wherein heretofore the report of sale has been confirmed by order filed in the action, and the certificate of sale was thereafter executed in proper form and recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the proper county more than twenty days after such confirmation, is, together with such certificate and the record thereof, hereby legalized with the same effect as if such certificate had been executed, acknowledged and recorded in the office of such register of deeds within such twenty days.

"Sec. 4. That in all cases of the foreclosure by action of an installment or installments due on a real estate mortgage due in installments, whether the same was conducted by the record owner of the mortgage or by party claiming to be equitably entitled to the rights in such mortgage to the extent of installment or installments foreclosed, when such foreclosure has been had pursuant to a duly rendered judgment, order or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction, reserving the mortgage as a lien for the principal and interest to become due on said mortgage, and an official certificate of sale has been made, executed, acknowledged and delivered by the proper officer to the proper party and such certificate has been filed for record and actually recorded in the office of the register of deeds of the county in which the real estate foreclosed is situate and no appeal has been taken from such judgment, order or decree, such foreclosure is hereby declared to be in all respects legal, valid and effective as a foreclosure of the mort-

gage to the extent of the installment or installments described in such proceedings, provided that nothing herein contained shall be construed to apply to actions now pending, which involve the validity of any such sale, nor to prevent the holder of the mortgage to foreclose such mortgage for the balance due thereon, in case of further default in the terms of such mortgage. The provisions of this section shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 1925."

See, also notes following § 9633, herein.

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS

9646. Attorney's fees—The mortgagor may, in the mortgage, covenant to pay or authorize the mortgagee to retain an attorney's fee in case of foreclosure; but such fees shall not exceed the following amounts, and any provision for fees in excess thereof shall be void to the extent of the excess:

1. When the debt secured by the mortgage does not exceed five hundred dollars, the fee shall not exceed twenty-five dollars.

2. When the debt exceeds five hundred dollars, but does not exceed one thousand dollars, the fee shall not exceed fifty dollars.

3. When the debt exceeds one thousand dollars, but does not exceed five thousand dollars, the fee shall not exceed seventy-five dollars.

4. When the debt exceeds five thousand dollars, but does not exceed ten thousand dollars, the fee shall not exceed one hundred dollars.

5. When the debt exceeds ten thousand dollars, the fee shall not exceed two hundred dollars. (4499) [8170]

A stipulation in a mortgage for an attorney's fee on foreclosure is valid if inserted in good faith to indemnify the mortgagee for the expense of foreclosure and not as a cover for illegal interest (8-342, 301). The legislature may regulate the amount of the fees as to subsequent mortgages (75-21, 77+434). The fees are not part of the debt secured and the mortgagee has no right to any part of them, except to indemnify himself for such reasonable sum, not exceeding the amount limited by statute, and named in the mortgage, as he actually pays or absolutely and unconditionally incurs (60-316, 62+112). The statute makes the mortgage and the lien created by it security for such fees as well as for the mortgage debt (28-464, 10+775). No fees can be retained if no affidavit of costs and disbursements is filed (60-393, 62+381). The county is entitled to fees where the county attorney forecloses a mortgage held by the county (76-194, 78+1107). A corporation employing a salaried attorney to foreclose held entitled to fees (60-316, 62+112). An attorney employed by an assignee for the benefit of creditors in connection with foreclosure of a mortgage owned by the assignor held entitled to prove his claim against the estate as a general creditor but not entitled to be paid in full out of the trust estate (73-240, 75+1047). Where an attorney employed to foreclose drew the notice of sale and had it set up in type by the printer it was held that the claim for fees had accrued so that a tender not including them was ineffectual (45-335, 47+1072). The burden of proving fees excessive and unreasonable is on the party claiming them to be so (58-84, 59+831; 60-316, 62+112). When unauthorized fees are included an action as for money had and received will lie (61-285, 63+730; 65-315, 67+1004). When a single mortgage is made a specific lien on several separate tracts the mortgagee may foreclose on each tract separately or on all together in one proceeding. If he adopts the former course he is entitled to fees for each foreclosure (87-179, 91+469); if the latter, but one set of fees (61-285, 63+730; 65-315, 67+1004). The fraudulent insertion of a covenant to pay fees held to invalidate the mortgage (28-464, 10+775). A judgment including fees held not invalidated by the absence of a finding that they were reasonable (64-201, 66+1). An application for a modification of a judgment including fees held properly denied on the ground that the form of judgment had been consented to (67-12, 69+474). The statute is not applicable to the foreclosure of railroad mortgages (58-65, 59+826). Not necessary to prove value of services of counsel, where allowance made at conclusion of trial (103-510, 115+642, 116+112).

9647. May be collected, when—When the mortgage provides for an attorney's fee in case of foreclosure, and an attorney at law of the state is employed to conduct the same, the mortgagee, his heirs, personal representatives or assigns, may, upon foreclosure, col-

lect or retain such fee, but not in excess of the sum provided by § 9646. When no such attorney is employed, if any sum as or for such fee be included in the amount for which the premises are sold, such sum shall be paid in money by the purchaser to the sheriff before the execution of the certificate of sale, and shall be paid by the sheriff to the mortgagor, or those having his estate in the mortgaged premises. (4500) [8171]

**9648. Purchaser at foreclosure, execution or judicial sale may pay taxes, assessments, insurance premiums, or interest**—The purchaser at any sale, upon foreclosure of mortgage or execution or at any judicial sale during the year of redemption, may pay any taxes or assessments on which any penalty would otherwise accrue, and may pay the premium upon any policy of insurance procured in renewal of any expiring policy upon mortgaged premises, and may in case any interest or installment of principal upon any prior or superior mortgage is in default or shall become due during such year of redemption, pay the same, and in all such cases, the sum so paid, with interest, shall be a part of the sum required to be paid to redeem from such sale. Such payments shall be proved by the affidavit of the purchaser, his agent or attorney, stating the items and describing the premises, which must be filed for record with the register of deeds, and a copy thereof shall be furnished to the sheriff at least ten days before the expiration of the year of redemption. (R. L. '05, § 4501; amended '09, c. 421; '13, c. 110, § 1; '27, c. 347) [8172]

See 90-169, 95+1114; 91-517, 98+650. Failure to file affidavit (127-124, 149+16).  
210+617.

**9649. Homestead included in mortgage—Separate sale**—In all proceedings to foreclose any mortgage upon real property in this state, if the whole or any part of the homestead of the mortgagor or of any one claiming under him, as such homestead is defined by the laws of this state, shall be included in the real estate described in such mortgage, the person claiming such homestead may, at any time prior to the foreclosure sale, serve or cause to be served upon the sheriff making such sale a notice of such claim which shall designate and describe with reasonable certainty the real estate so claimed and selected as such homestead, which selection shall include the site of the dwelling and its appurtenances, shall be compact in form and shall be so made as not unreasonably to affect the value of the remaining part, which notice together with the proof of service thereof shall be filed for record and recorded in the office of the register of deeds. Upon the service and filing of such notice it shall be the duty of the sheriff, at the time of the sale, to first offer for sale and sell that part of the mortgaged real estate, or so much thereof as is necessary, which is not included in such selected homestead, and thereupon, if the proper purposes of such foreclosure require, he shall offer for sale and shall sell separately that part of the mortgaged real estate included in such selected homestead, provided that if such homestead claimant shall have prior to such foreclosure made a property homestead selection from his real estate he shall be bound thereby, and cannot change the same for the purposes of such foreclosure. ('07 c. 389) [8173]

In an action to set aside a mortgage foreclosure sale upon the ground that the sheriff sold the mortgaged land, which included the homestead of the plaintiff, ignoring his claim that the land other than the homestead be first sold, the complaint is held not to state a cause of action against the sheriff 162-311, 202+723.

Section does not curtail the rights or remedies of a homestead claimant, but provides an additional method for the protection of such rights. 165-295, 206+461.

#### CURATIVE ACTS

'17 c. 288 § 1, Cur. Certain foreclosure, etc., of contracts legalized, etc.

'17 c. 288 § 2, Cur. Rights, when barred.

'19 c. 330, Cur. Certain foreclosure or cancellation of contracts, etc., legalized.

**9650. Court to appoint receiver of rents with possession**—On the commencement of proceedings to foreclose, either by action or advertisement, any mortgage on a leasehold estate of more than three years covering urban property, or at any time after such commencement until the expiration of the period of redemption, the owner of any such mortgage or the purchaser at the foreclosure sale (as the case may be) may apply to the district court for the appointment of a receiver to take immediate possession of the mortgaged premises and to hold, maintain and operate the same and collect the rents and income therefrom, and apply the same in the manner hereinafter specified. The application for such receiver may be included in an action to foreclose the mortgage or may be by separate action, and if by separate action the only necessary party defendant shall be the owner of the mortgaged leasehold at the time of the commencement of the action. ('15 c. 305 § 1)

**9651. Default to be shown**—The court shall appoint the receiver on a showing that default has been made in any of the conditions of said mortgage, without any further evidence and without regard to the solvency or insolvency of the person liable for the debt secured by said mortgage. The appointment shall be made without notice on a showing to the court that the danger of termination or forfeiture of the leasehold estate covered by said mortgage is imminent or that waste of the same is being committed, or that the owner of said leasehold cannot be found within the state. The mortgagee may be appointed receiver in the discretion of the court. ('15 c. 305 § 2)

**9652. Receiver to furnish bond**—Before entering upon his duties the receiver so appointed shall file in court a bond for the faithful performance of such duties on his part. Said bond shall run to the owner of the mortgaged leasehold and shall be in such sum as the court shall determine and with such surety or sureties as shall be approved by the court. ('15 c. 305 § 3)

**9653. To enter into possession after filing of bond**—After filing the bond above mentioned the receiver shall enter into possession of the mortgaged premises and collect all the rents and income therefrom, and shall apply the same to the payment of the expenses of the receivership and to the payment of all sums of money necessary or proper to preserve and protect said leasehold estate, and to maintain and operate the mortgaged premises, and shall pay the surplus (if any) to the owner of the mortgaged leasehold at the termination of the receivership. The receiver may make any or all such payments on his own motion or may make the same in pursuance of an order of the court. Said expenses shall include reasonable attorneys' fees and receiver's fees to be fixed by the court. ('15 c. 305 § 4)

In an action to foreclose a mortgage, where the mortgagor had died leaving a widow and children as his heirs at law, a receiver was appointed to take possession of the land mortgaged. The widow as administratrix of her husband's estate and in her own right, was a party to the action, but the children were not. Prior to the appointment of the receiver, one of the children took possession of the land. Held, that the

receiver could not recover possession by resorting to unlawful detainer proceedings. 157-485, 196+661.

**9654. Receiver to file account for approval**—At the termination of the receivership for any cause the receiver shall file his account in said court. On the approval and confirmation of such account the receiver shall dispose of the funds in his hands in accordance with the order of court, and shall thereupon be entitled

to a discharge by order of court, freeing and releasing him from all further liability on account of such receivership. ('15 c. 305 § 5)

**9655. Not to limit certain rights and remedies**—The provisions of this act shall in no manner detract from or limit the rights and remedies of the mortgagor or mortgagee respectively now or hereafter provided by law. ('15 c. 305 § 6).

CHAPTER 84

ACTIONS BY OR AGAINST PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES AND HEIRS

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**9656. What causes of action survive**—A cause of action arising out of an injury to the person dies with the person of either party, except as provided in § 9657. All other causes of action by one against another, whether arising on contract or not, survive to the personal representatives of the former and against those of the latter. (4502) [8174]

**1. Held to survive**—Mechanic's lien (14-145, 113); right of ward to an estate (33-220, 22+383); liability for nuisance (38-179, 36+451); liability for personal injury after verdict (55-134, 56+588); cause of action for fraud in exchange of property (66-66, 68+771); liability of stockholder in corporation (80-432, 83+377); liability on bond for maintenance of parents (85-73, 88+418). Liability of liquor licensee on his bond is for breach of contract and survives against his estate (121-450, 141+793). 131-368, 155+396; 133-128, 156+8. For fraud or deceit (139-227, 166+177). 150-479, 185+658. Workmen's Compensation Act (152-198, 188+265). Injunction restraining injury to property (155-225, 193+177).

Cause of action for injury to property survived. 161-406, 201+614.

**2. Held not to survive**—Cause of action for death by wrongful act (28-5, 5+875; 32-125, 19+656; 97 Fed. 140, 38 C. C. A. 79); for libel, slander, malicious prosecution and the like (69-30, 71+826); for injury to person (79-377, 82+669); for negligence (92-42, 99+357). A cause of action for malicious attachment held an injury to property, and not to person, so as to pass to trustee in bankruptcy (105-491, 117+926). Claim for damages for destruction of personalty by fire is assignable (117-434, 136+275).

**9657. Action for death by wrongful act**—When death is caused by the wrongful act or omission of any person or corporation, the personal representative of the decedent may maintain an action therefor if he might have maintained an action, had he lived, for an injury caused by the same act or omission. The action may be commenced within two years after the act or omission. The damages therein cannot exceed seven thousand five hundred dollars, and shall be for the exclusive benefit of the surviving spouse and next of kin,

to be distributed to them in the same proportion as personal property of persons dying intestate; but funeral expenses, and any demand for the support of the decedent, duly allowed by the probate court, shall first be deducted and paid. Provided, that if an action for such injury shall have been commenced by such decedent, and not finally determined during his life, it may be continued by his personal representative for the benefit of the same persons and for recovery of the same damages as herein provided, and the court on motion may make an order, allowing such continuance, and directing pleadings to be made and issues framed conformably to the practice in action begun under this section. (R. L. § 4503, amended '11 c. 281 § 1) [8175]

**1. Right statutory**—32-125, 19+656; 92-184, 99+620.

**2. Construction and application of statute**—The word "wrongful" is not used in the sense of wilful or malicious. An action will lie under the statute for the same kind of act or omission causing death for which the deceased might have maintained an action if the resulting injury had fallen short of death (12-530, 435). Where, after verdict, in action for personal injuries, plaintiff dies, this section does not apply (104-1, 115+949). Administrator of one whose death was due to wrongful act of a municipality may maintain action against it for damages consequent thereon (113-55, 129+158, 775). 124-196, 144+942. Joinder of actions, concurrent negligence (124-531, 144+474).

Sec. 4291 Gen. St. 1923 does not destroy the right of action enforceable, under the death statute (section 9657, Gen. St. 1923), by the personal representative of a deceased employee whose employer has paid compensation pursuant to the Workmen's Compensation Act. 165-390, 206+714.

**3. Who may sue**—No one is authorized to sue under the statute except the administrator or executor of the deceased (8-97, 72, 28-5, 8+875; 32-125, 19+656; 81-493, 84+342). Special administrator may (108-129, 121+606. See 120-122, 139+300). 125-358, 147+278.

**4. Non-residents**—A non-resident alien who is next of kin may have the benefit of the statute (89-41, 93+1057; 163 Fed. 827, 91 C. C. A. 390).

**5. Who is next of kin**—A husband held not next of kin of his wife within former statute. Next of kin means the nearest blood relation (70-514, 73+400).

**5a. Railroad employees.**

Death of railroad employee. 159-417, 199+101.

Section 8175, G. S. 1913, limiting the amount recoverable in actions for injuries causing death, does not apply to actions under the state Railway Employers' Liability Act. 160-1, 199+887.

**6. Jurisdiction—Actions under foreign statute**—Action for death of non-resident resulting from injury received in this state (44-5, 46+79). Action for injury received on river constituting boundary between Wisconsin and Minnesota (30-126, 14+575). Action for injury received in another state when statute of such state gives cause of action (69-476, 72+694). Not necessary that statute in this state should be the same as that of the state in which the accident occurred (31-11, 16+413; 69-476, 72+694; 78-43, 80+776; 92-184, 99+620). Right of action, given by statute of North Dakota enforced (102-448, 113+1017; 103-525, 114+1133. See 103-156, 114+953). 124-196, 144+942; 140-494, 168+590.

**7. Notice to municipality unnecessary**—87-237, 91+843.

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vate said land during said year upon such terms as the Court shall find to be just and equitable. (Apr. 24, 1937, c. 408, §1.)

**9584-2. Service of notice of petition—hearing.**—Such petition and notice of motion for hearing thereon shall be served as now provided for the service of a summons in a civil action upon the mortgagee or execution creditor if he is the owner of the Sheriff Certificate of Sale of record and upon each creditor of the mortgagor holding a lien of record upon the mortgaged premises; if said Certificate has been transferred of record, then upon the owner of the Sheriff Certificate of Redemption or execution sale appearing of record. If the owner of record is the original mortgagee or the execution creditor, then service may be made by registered mail upon such mortgagee or execution creditor or upon his attorney foreclosing said mortgage or the attorney whose name appears on the execution as attorney for the execution creditor in the case of an execution sale.

The hearing upon said motion shall be not less than 10 days nor more than 20 days after the service of such notice of motion. (Apr. 24, 1937, c. 408, §2.)

**9584-3. District Court to have jurisdiction.**—When service has been made as provided in the previous section of such notice and petition before the time for redemption has expired, the District Court of the County in which said lands are situated shall have jurisdiction and equitable power to provide for the cultivation of said lands during said year as herein provided upon such terms as the Court shall find to be just and equitable, and prevent irreparable loss to the parties interested. (Apr. 24, 1937, c. 408, §3.)

**9584-4. Court to determine fair rental value.**—Upon such hearing, if the Court shall find that the allegations of the petition are true and that said lands may not be farmed or cultivated during the year in which the period of redemption expires, the Court shall determine the fair rental value of said premises from the time the period of redemption expires until the 1st day of October in said year assuming that said land is farmed in a good and husbandlike manner and shall determine what rent or share shall be paid to the holder of the Sheriff Certificate of foreclosure sale or execution sale during said extended period and shall provide for the giving of security by the applicant or tenant for the payment of such rents or share of the crops or income from said lands, and the Court may require the parties to execute a lease or leases to carry out the order of the court, the lease by its terms to expire on October 1, of the year in which made; but the tenant shall have a reasonable time thereafter to remove from the land his crops grown thereon and other articles of personal property owned by him. (Apr. 24, 1937, c. 408, §4.)

**9584-5. Court may grant certain rights—Plowing.**—The Court may further grant to the owner of the Sheriff Certificate of Redemption or Certificate of Execution Sale, the right to plow upon said premises after the crops have been removed or should have been removed from said premises. (Apr. 24, 1937, c. 408, §5.)

**9584-6. Application of act.**—This act shall not be construed as extending the period of redemption but as granting relief in equity to the interested parties and to prevent irreparable loss and to fully compensate the owner of the Sheriff Certificate for the use and occupation of the lands granted pursuant to this act. (Apr. 24, 1937, c. 408, §6.)

**9585. Trespass—Treble damages.**

Verdict for \$350 held not excessive for cutting of trees. *Hansen v. M.*, 182M321, 234NW462. See Dun. Dig. 2597, 9696(33).

**9590. Action to determine boundary lines.**

Establishment of center of section of land. 172M338, 215NW426.

In action to determine boundary line between city lots, evidence held to show that plaintiffs were estopped to deny ownership of land upon which building existed. *Lobnitz v. F.*, 186M292, 243NW62. See Dun. Dig. 1083.

Testimony of county highway engineer and surveyor acquainted with locality and reputed corners and quarter corners of section involved, held sufficient to admit his survey in evidence, and upon which court could find true boundary line between farms of plaintiff and defendants. *Lenzmeier v. E.*, 199M10, 270NW677. See Dun. Dig. 1081.

Evidence held not such as to warrant a finding that owners of two farms had ever established a boundary line by practical location, nor that defendants by adverse occupation had acquired title to any of plaintiff's land. *Id.* See Dun. Dig. 1083.

Words "about," "approximately," and "more or less," in connection with courses and distances, may be disregarded if not controlled or explained by monuments, boundaries, and other expressions of intention, and may be given meaning and effect when so controlled and explained. *Ingelson v. O.*, 199M422, 272NW270. See Dun. Dig. 1060.

Action to determine boundaries, is not merely to establish boundary lines according to government survey, but also to determine boundary line according to respective existing rights of property of parties. *Hacklander v. P.*, 204M260, 283NW406. See Dun. Dig. 1084.

In division of dried-up bed of meandered lake, if parties cannot agree, action in district court to determine boundary lines is only remedy. *Op. Atty. Gen.*, May 16, 1932.

**9591. Pleadings—Additional parties.**

Title by adverse possession may be proved under a general allegation of ownership. 171M488, 214NW288.

**9592. Judgment—Landmarks.**

Action contemplates the settlement of title and a judgment is res adjudicata in a subsequent action in ejectment. 171M488, 214NW288.

In a suit to establish a boundary line, evidence conclusively shows an estoppel in pais in favor of defendants. *Liedberach v. P.*, 199M554, 273NW77. See Dun. Dig. 1083.

## CHAPTER 83

### Foreclosure of Mortgages

#### BY ADVERTISEMENT

**9602. Limitation.**

**½. In general.**

After foreclosure sale remedy on mortgage as a security is exhausted and assignment in mortgage of rents to pay taxes was terminated. *Gardner v. W.*, 185M147, 240NW351. See Dun. Dig. 6465.

After foreclosure sale rights of parties are determined exclusively by statute. *Gardner v. W.*, 185M147, 240NW351. See Dun. Dig. 6371.

Purchaser at mortgage sale is not entitled to rents accruing during the period allowed for redemption to pay taxes subject to which he bid in the property, though the mortgage expressly assigned rents to pay taxes. *Gardner v. W.*, 185M147, 240NW351. See Dun. Dig. 6371.

**1. Foreclosure in general.**

The measure of a mortgagor's damage for a premature foreclosure is not the value of the property in excess of the debt but only the value of the use to the extent that the mortgagor has been deprived thereof by the wrong done. *Bowen v. B.*, 185M35, 239NW774. See Dun. Dig. 6476.

Mortgagor of real estate has an equity of redemption which may not be terminated except by foreclosure or by lawful surrender of equity of redemption. *Stipe v. J.*, 192M504, 257NW99. See Dun. Dig. 6215.

Court of equity could order mortgage foreclosure set aside, provided mortgagor executed renewal notes and renewal mortgage in accordance with previous agreement entered into with mortgagee but unperformed by mortgagee. *Young v. P.*, 193M578, 259NW405. See Dun. Dig. 6487.

Certified copies of record of mortgage foreclosure by advertisement in office of register of deeds are admissible in Iowa without complying with Mason's U. S. C. A., Title 28, §388. *Bristow v. L.*, 221 Iowa 304, 266NW808.

A mortgage of land is no longer a conveyance, but creates only a mere lien or security. *Hatlestad v. M.*, 197 M640, 268NW665. See Dun. Dig. 6145.

Whether proceedings to foreclose mortgage be had by action or by advertisement, objects and ends sought are to enforce security, to have property applied to satisfaction of debt or other obligation secured thereby. *Fredin v. C.*, 285NW615. See Dun. Dig. 6303(60).

**4. The power.**

While attorney was acting as a collector for mortgagor, his failure to collect and pay mortgagee was not chargeable to mortgagee, though such attorney subsequently represented mortgagee in foreclosure of mortgage, as affecting wrongfulness of foreclosure. *Hayward Farms Co. v. U.*, 194M473, 260NW868. See Dun. Dig. 6318.

**11. Effect of foreclosure on lien.**

Where plaintiff held a mortgage, and an assignment of rents given it in consideration of an extension of time on past-due interest and that to become due during extension, price bid upon foreclosure sale is to be applied by equity, first upon indebtedness for which creditor held but a single security, leaving interest secured by assignment as a still existing debt protected by such assignment. *Prudential Ins. Co. v. A.*, 196M154, 264NW576. See Dun. Dig. 6314.

Mortgagee with deficiency judgment was entitled to bring an action at law upon assignment of lease and rents subject only to right of mortgagor, in an appropriate proceeding, to collect any surplus over and above debt owed by defendant to plaintiff. *Id.* See Dun. Dig. 6484.

**13. Regulation by executive order.**

Federal land bank of St. Paul is not excepted from governor's order as to mortgage foreclosures. *Op. Atty. Gen.*, Mar. 24, 1933.

Governor's executive order did not affect time of redemption from foreclosure sales held prior to its issuance. *Op. Atty. Gen.*, Mar. 27, 1933.

Governor's executive order does not protect mortgagor who has parted with title to land, though he continues to reside thereon. *Op. Atty. Gen.*, Mar. 27, 1933.

Under governor's executive order, mortgagor could not consent to a foreclosure of mortgage. *Op. Atty. Gen.*, Mar. 27, 1933.

**9603. Requisites for foreclosure.**

**1/2. In general.**

Finding that interest had been paid and that no default had occurred held sustained by the evidence. 171 M469, 214NW472.

An agent to collect interest is within his authority in receiving the interest one day before it is due to be applied as of the date it is due. 171M469, 214NW472.

Mortgage foreclosure was not abandoned by reason of an agreement between mortgagee and mortgagor that latter might purchase on contract for a certain sum if there was no redemption. *Investors' Syndicate v. H.*, 186M599, 244NW665. See Dun. Dig. 6150 to 6156.

In action to enjoin foreclosure of \$2,300 mortgage on ground that \$1,500 thereof has been paid, it is held that mortgagor is entitled to relief asked. *Granberg v. P.*, 195M137, 262NW166. See Dun. Dig. 6437.

Where a foreign corporation took a real estate mortgage while duly licensed to do business in this state, it could foreclose mortgage by advertisement after license expired. *Young v. P.*, 196M403, 265NW278. See Dun. Dig. 6320.

**3. Only record owner may foreclose.**

Necessity for recording assignment of mortgage given under "Federal Farm Loan Act" (Mason's Code, Title 12, §641 to 1021), see Laws 1929, c. 325.

Suit for accounting against mortgagee and third party was not an action pending which precluded foreclosing mortgage by advertisement. *Young v. P.*, 196M403, 265 NW278. See Dun. Dig. 6319.

**7. Assignee of mortgage.**

Where a mortgagee and a trustee under a \$75,000 mortgage is owner of \$42,000 worth of bonds and pledges them as collateral security to a loan with reconstruction finance corporation and executes an assignment of his interest in the mortgage, as security only, and such assignment is not recorded, mortgagee and trustee may foreclose by advertisement without making assignee a party. *Feldman v. E.*, 278Mich619, 270NW809.

**9604. Notice of sale—Service on occupant.**

**1. Publication.**

The statement of the holding in 6 Minn. 192 (123) to the effect that a sale may be held on the last day of publication may be somewhat misleading. It should be qualified by the further statement that the full period of notice must have run at the date of the last publication. Thus the requirement in this section is six weeks' notice or 42 days, and if the first publication occurs August 3 and the last on September 14, seven publications have occurred involving 42 days' notice after excluding the first day and including the last.—Editor.

Where mortgage sale by advertisements has been had on insufficient publication of notice, mortgagor may remain in possession and proceed with an action to set

aside the sale, or remain in possession and assert right against any one claiming under foreclosure. *White v. M.*, 192M522, 257NW281. See Dun. Dig. 6356.

First publication on August 6th and last publication on September 10th did not constitute six weeks' published notice necessary for foreclosure of mortgage on September 16. *Id.* See Dun. Dig. 6337.

Where action was started under moratorium statute to permanently postpone mortgage foreclosure by advertisement, and, on order being granted ex parte, mortgagee made publication of no more notices of sale, and mortgagors did not appear at hearing and court dismissed their complaint and ordered the property to be sold on the date originally noticed, and no appeal was taken and property was sold, order dismissing complaint and authorizing sale was a barrier to a subsequent action by mortgagors to set aside the sale because notice of sale had been published only four times. *Tankel v. U.*, 196M 165, 264NW693. See Dun. Dig. 6337.

**2. Service on occupant.**

Foreclosure was invalid where notice was not served on occupant. 172M183, 214NW925.

Where notice of foreclosure and sale was served upon the tenant holding the entire farm under lease from the owner, failure to serve also those who owned and occasionally used a hunter's cabin on the premises did not invalidate the foreclosure. 174M47, 218NW446.

That a return of service described a lessee in possession of a garage as "H. A. Salisbury" when in fact his name was Hector A. Salvall does not invalidate service. *Rhode Island Hospital Trust Co. v. C.*, 191M354, 254NW 466. See Dun. Dig. 6326, 6921, 7318.

Service of notice upon company which admittedly had possession of grounds, hallways, stairways, and untenanted apartments of an apartment building was service upon the "person in possession" of premises upon which houses were located. *Id.*

Governor's executive order relating to foreclosure sales does not prohibit serving notice on occupant in foreclosure proceedings. *Op. Atty. Gen.*, Mar. 22, 1933.

**9605. Requisites of notice.**

Curative act: Act Apr. 5, 1939, c. 147, §6. See Appendix 5, ¶21, post.

**4. The amount claimed to be due.**

That notice of foreclosure stated amount due to be more than actually due did not vitiate foreclosure, nor did fact that mortgagee bid more than was due on debt and expenses of foreclosure, excess being applied on counterclaim. *Young v. P.*, 196M403, 265NW278. See Dun. Dig. 6329.

**9606. Attorney to foreclose—Record of power.**

See Act Jan. 24, 1936, Sp. Sess. 1935-36, c. 92, set forth in Appendix 5, ¶21 herein, post.

Curative act: Act Apr. 5, 1939, c. 147, §8. See Appendix 5, ¶21, post.

So long as no attorney's fees are included as a charge against the mortgagor, it is not necessary to make and file a power of attorney. 176M609, 224NW264.

Foreclosure sale by advertisement made before power of attorney is recorded, held void; and action to set aside commenced within seven months is not barred by laches, and doctrines of estoppel and unjust enrichment were not applicable. 181M79, 231NW395.

Attorney's fees cannot be charged as costs unless an attorney at law is employed. 181M254, 232NW318. See Dun. Dig. 6425.

Signing power of attorney to foreclose mortgage in individual name, without adding "as administratrix of estate" was cured by Laws 1931, c. 237, §1, and Laws 1933, c. 437, §1. *Baker v. R.*, 199M148, 271NW241. See Dun. Dig. 6307.

Section 9283 authorizes district court to set aside order extending time to redeem under §9633-5 and a subsequent order declaring a default by mortgagor of terms of extension order, where proceedings are had under a mistake of fact that mortgage foreclosure was valid, when foreclosure was void because of failure to file power of attorney to foreclose prior to mortgage foreclosure sale. *Orfield v. M.*, 199M466, 272NW260. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

**9607. Sale, how and by whom made.**

**6. Inverse order of alienation.**

Where owner gives mortgage and thereafter conveys away part of land, one who obtains judgment lien upon part retained has no right to require that tract conveyed, away be first sold on foreclosure of mortgage. 175 M541, 222NW71.

**10. In general.**

Foreclosure by advertisement of a real estate mortgage is not void because neither mortgagee nor his attorney, with power to conduct foreclosure, is personally present at sale, nor because attorney delegated to another ministerial function of submitting to sheriff a bid on behalf of mortgagee who purchased at sale. *Klotz v. J.*, 201M355, 276NW244. See Dun. Dig. 6339.

Mortgagor in possession of real estate cannot consent to foreclosure sale in violation of governor's executive order. *Op. Atty. Gen.*, Mar. 22, 1933.

Sheriff is not authorized to hold mortgage foreclosure sale after filing of petition under Mason's U. S. Code, Tit. 11, §203, prior to disposition of petition by court without specific authority from court of bankruptcy. *Op. Atty. Gen.* (544k), Oct. 12, 1934.

**9608. Postponement.**

Executive order issued by Governor directing sheriffs to refrain from conducting mortgage foreclosure sales was an attempt to exercise legislative power and not within his power. *State v. Moeller*, 189M412, 249NW330. Adjudgment of mortgage foreclosure sale by sheriff on February 27, 1933, was validated by curative provision of act of Mar. 2, 1933. *Id.*

**9610. Foreclosure for installments, etc.**

The amendment of 1925, permitted foreclosure for default in one installment due under a mortgage, gave validity to a provision for such foreclosure in a pre-existing mortgage, and such construction of the statute does not deny the mortgagor due process of law or impair the obligation of his contract. *Prideaux v. D.*, (US DC-Minn), 34F(2d)308. Appeal dismissed, 51SCR40.

One having taken an assignment of a mortgage under a foreclosure under the 1925 act amending this section cannot claim that the subsequent installments are not prior to his title, on the ground that the 1925 act was unconstitutional as to mortgages executed prior to its passage. 174M520, 219NW914.

Where junior mortgagee redeemed from foreclosure by advertisement because of default in payment of installment, notice being given of amount thereof, principal debt had priority over redemptioner. *Des Moines Joint Stock Land Bank v. D.*, 185M435, 241NW393. See Dun. Dig. 6423.

After foreclosure of mortgage on installment, mortgage and all its covenants, including that to pay taxes, remain in full force, and mortgagee is entitled under assignment of rents as part of security to collect rents to apply upon delinquent taxes, even those accrued at time of foreclosure for installment. *Peterson v. M.*, 189M98, 248NW667. See Dun. Dig. 9610.

Last paragraph applies only to mortgage foreclosures on installments and not where there is a foreclosure for entire debt. *Young v. P.*, 196M403, 265NW278. See Dun. Dig. 6315.

**9611. Surplus.**

That notice of foreclosure stated amount due to be more than actually due did not vitiate foreclosure, nor did fact that mortgagee bid more than was due on debt and expenses of foreclosure, excess being applied on counterclaim. *Young v. P.*, 196M403, 265NW278. See Dun. Dig. 6329.

**9612. Mortgagee, etc., may purchase.**

Fraudulent grantee can purchase and acquire good title against all creditors at foreclosure of a prior and paramount mortgage. 171M197, 213NW892.

Where mortgagee foreclosed and purchased for the amount due on note, there was no "collection" within the meaning of assignment of half interest in the debt secured, and assignee was only entitled to half interest in the land and not a money judgment. 178M360, 227NW 182.

**9613. Certificate of sale—Record—Effect.****THE CERTIFICATE****4 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Assignment.**

180M552, 231NW234. It is the duty of the sheriff to sign the certificate of sale regardless of what is stated in the affidavit of cost with which he had no concern. *Op. Atty. Gen.*, Jan. 2, 1932.

**RIGHTS AND LIABILITIES OF PURCHASER****5. Nature of interest during redemption period.**

Where the mortgagee purchases for amount of mortgage at foreclosure sale he becomes a purchaser of premises with vested right to become absolute owner in absence of redemption. *Klein (USDC-Minn)*, 9FSupp 67, 61. See Dun. Dig. 6369.

Bankruptcy Act prohibition against foreclosure proceedings subsequent to a farmer's petition for an extension, held not to extend period of redemption where a mortgagor did not file his petition until four months after foreclosure sale and purchase by mortgagee. *Id.* See Dun. Dig. 6400.

Right of purchaser to crops growing on mortgaged land at time of foreclosure and sale. 15MinnLawRev 717.

**9. Succeeds to rights of mortgagee.**

Rights acquired by purchaser at a foreclosure sale are those possessed and owned by mortgagor at time of making of mortgage, together with all subsequently acquired rights, easements, and privileges which are essential to full enjoyment of property. *Tomasko v. C.*, 200M69, 273NW628. See Dun. Dig. 6381.

**10. Effect of mortgagee bidding in.**

Where holder of first and second mortgages, executed by same mortgagor and covering same real estate, forecloses his second mortgage, and thereby, in default of redemption, gets title in fee, lien of first mortgage is merged in fee; and debt thereby secured is discharged where it does not appear that there was intention to prevent such merger. *Mulligan v. F.*, 194M451, 260NW 630. See Dun. Dig. 6117, 6272.

**12. Right to crops, rents and profits.**

Where premises are falling into disrepair, but are used in usual course of husbandry as in previous years, purchaser at a mortgage sale is not entitled to a re-

ceiver to apply rents to repairs during year of redemption. *Greene v. T.*, 188M381, 246NW921. See Dun. Dig. 6457(40).

Where plaintiff foreclosed a mortgage upon premises leased to defendants after mortgage was given, and there was no redemption and title went to plaintiff February 24, 1931, and defendants notified plaintiff that premises would be vacated on March 31, 1931, and that they would remain no longer, plaintiff could not, without defendants' consent, convert tenancy at will or at sufferance to a tenancy under lease, and no rent could be recovered for April, May, and June, 1931. *Geo. Benz & Sons v. W.*, 198M311, 269NW840. See Dun. Dig. 6219.

**12 $\frac{1}{2}$ . Taxes.**

Purchaser at mortgage foreclosure sale is not entitled to reimbursement during year of redemption for taxes paid by him which were a lien at time of sale. *Id.*

**9620. Affidavit of costs.**

Attorney's fees cannot be charged as costs unless an attorney at law is employed. 181M254, 232NW318. See Dun. Dig. 6425.

**9621. Excessive costs or interest.**

If mortgagee charges as a disbursement a sum which is not actually paid, the mortgagor or his heirs or assigns may recover from the owner of the mortgage at the time of foreclosure three times the amount of any such sum, but the foreclosure would be valid. *Op. Atty. Gen.*, Jan. 2, 1932.

**9623. Action to set aside for certain defects.**

Where administrator forecloses mortgage and buys in his own name as administrator, an action to set aside the foreclosure and sale on ground that no default had occurred is properly brought in the district court and against the administrator as sole defendant. 171M469, 214NW472.

A second proceeding to foreclose a real estate mortgage by advertisement will not be set aside simply because of the pendency of an action to determine the validity of a prior attempted foreclosure which was found void. *Sheasgreen Holding Co. v. D.*, 182M142, 233 NW853. See Dun. Dig. 6487.

Section is unconstitutional insofar as it attempts to limit time within which person rightfully and continuously in possession of the mortgaged land can question foreclosure proceedings ineffective because proper statutory notice of foreclosure was not served upon the occupant. *Hammon v. H.*, 192M259, 256NW94. See Dun. Dig. 1620.

In action by mortgagor to set aside foreclosure, where-in defendant counterclaimed for damages for wrongful detention of possession by mortgagor after expiration of period of redemption, and asked for recovery of possession, objection at trial to litigation of counterclaim was without merit, where there was no demurrer nor reply challenging legal standing of counterclaim. *Young v. P.*, 196M403, 265NW278. See Dun. Dig. 6487.

Knowledge that mortgage was being foreclosed was sufficient to put mortgagor on prompt inquiry as to regularity of foreclosure proceedings, and he is chargeable with knowledge he would have acquired had he made that inquiry. *Bjornstad v. P.*, 202M145, 277NW521. See Dun. Dig. 6487(68).

When an action to set aside a foreclosure sale is not commenced within time required, statute operates to cure defect and validate defective sale. *Id.*

It is not enough that mortgagor commences action within five-year limitation period unless requirement of reasonable diligence has also been complied with. *Id.*

**9626. Redemption by mortgagor.****2. Right favored.**

Right of redemption, whether by owner or by subsequent lien creditor, is a right favored by law, and statutes are to be construed liberally in favor of redemptioner. *Tomasko v. C.*, 200M69, 273NW628. See Dun. Dig. 6384, 6386, 6387.

Transactions involving bargaining away equity of redemption are carefully scrutinized by court to end that mortgagee may not take any undue advantage of mortgagor's necessities. *Twenty Associates v. F.*, 200M211, 273NW696. See Dun. Dig. 6384.

**4. How lost.**

Strict legal rights in respect to the time for redemption from foreclosure sale may be waived. *Ellingson v. S.*, 182M510, 234NW867. See Dun. Dig. 6400.

The detriment which results to mortgagor from his omission to make redemption in reliance on the mortgagee's promise that redemption may be made at a later date, is sufficient consideration for that promise. *Ellingson v. S.*, 182M510, 234NW867. See Dun. Dig. 1750(81), 6400.

Strict foreclosure. 23MinnLawRev388.

**6. Release.**

Though a mortgagor may not, at time of making a mortgage, bargain away or sell to mortgagee his equity of redemption, he may do so subsequently under certain circumstances. *O'Connor v. S.*, 190M177, 251NW180. See Dun. Dig. 6146, 6385, n. 74.

A mortgagor may not, at time of, nor as a part of mortgage transaction, bargain away his equity of redemption; and any attempt so to do will not be enforced by a court of equity, but may do so subsequent to execution of mort-

gage, provided conveyance is not made pursuant to a collateral agreement contemporaneous with execution of mortgage. *Twenty Associates v. F.*, 200M211, 273NW 696. See Dun. Dig. 6228.

**12. Who is an assign.**

During year allowed by statute either a life tenant or remainderman could have redeemed, and the rights of both were extinguished by failure to redeem. *Thielen v. S.*, 184M333, 238NW678. See Dun. Dig. 6399.

**13. By wife.**

Where wife, on divorce, was given possession of apartment building and permitted mortgage to be foreclosed and had attorney take judgment against her and redeem property for purpose of defrauding divorced husband, such attorney held property as trustee for divorced couple, subject to prior lien for amount paid in redemption. *Slagle v. S.*, 187M1, 244NW79. See Dun. Dig. 9598, 9607.

**14. Time in which to redeem—Extension.**

In action to enforce agreement to extend time for redemption, evidence held to support finding for defendants. 172M422, 215NW839.

A mortgagor is not deprived of his right of redemption by foreclosure sale alone as it continues for a year after sale. *Browen v. B.*, 185M35, 239NW774. See Dun. Dig. 6381a(65).

There was no implied contract to further extend period of redemption from a mortgage foreclosure sale from acceptance of payment after expiration of redemption period. *Van Dyke v. K.*, 198M578, 270NW608. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Within a year after a sale upon foreclosure, mortgagor or his successor in title may redeem from foreclosure by proceeding as outlined in §9626. If owner fails to redeem within that period then a creditor having a lien upon premises, provided he has filed statutory notice of intention, may redeem by complying with §9627. *Tomasko v. C.*, 200M69, 273NW628. See Dun. Dig. 6381.

**18. Effect of non-redemption.**

Crop not harvested until a short time after expiration of year for redemption held, nevertheless, the property of the tenant and the mortgagor. 176M37, 222NW292.

Where an award of damages is made to the owner of a tract of land on establishment of a county road, upon which land a mortgage was in process of foreclosure, the mortgagee who purchased the property was entitled to the award in the absence of a redemption. *Op. Atty. Gen.*, Apr. 2, 1931.

**9627. Redemption by creditor.**

**1. General plan.**

Evidence held to sustain a finding of agreement that third mortgagee would redeem from first and lease land to mortgagor. 174M180, 218NW889.

Holder of second mortgage could sue for breach of condition of bond and recover damages for impairment or loss of his security without redeeming from foreclosure of first mortgage. 176M26, 222NW512.

The purchaser at the sale, having failed to file an affidavit of taxes paid, they did not become a part of the sum to be paid in making redemption. 176M393, 223NW 609.

Where second mortgagee redeems from sale under first mortgage, third mortgagee cannot make redemption without making tender of amount sufficient to cover lien of second mortgagee. *Op. Atty. Gen.* (390c-14), June 20, 1935.

**2. Who may redeem.**

*Slagle v. S.*, 187M1, 244NW79; note under §9626.

Divorced wife having right to redeem as creditor of husband in her individual capacity, the fact that she made redemption for herself and also for her child did not render the redemption invalid. 176M393, 223NW609.

Judgment in divorce action making allowance for support of children, a lien upon real estate gave the divorced wife the right to redeem from a sale of the land under a mortgage. 176M393, 223NW609.

A life tenant whose right to redeem from mortgage foreclosure has been extinguished cannot question the right of redemption of one creditor from another. *Thielen v. S.*, 184M333, 238NW678. See Dun. Dig. 6411.

Where mortgage was foreclosed and neither life tenant nor remaindermen redeemed, and creditor of life tenant redeemed, a junior mortgage creditor of one of the remaindermen could redeem from the judgment creditor. *Thielen v. S.*, 184M333, 238NW678. See Dun. Dig. 6410(48).

As to a subsequent lien claimant who has duly placed himself in line of redemption, failure on part of mortgage debtor, in a moratorium proceeding instituted by him against certificate holder alone, to notify holder of such claim leaves such claimant free to act pursuant to statute which gives him right of redemption. *Tomasko v. C.*, 200M69, 273NW628. See Dun. Dig. 6410, 6411.

**4. Tacking subsequent liens.**

Purchaser at a foreclosure sale may pay taxes against foreclosed premises and have an additional lien thereon to be tacked to amount of his sheriff's certificate and included in amount required to make a redemption on part of a subsequent lienholder, but it is mandatory that he file statutory affidavit required by §9648, and failure so to do precludes certificate holder from claiming payment of such additional amount as against a subsequent lien claimant redeemer. *Tomasko v. C.*, 200M69, 273NW 628. See Dun. Dig. 6416, 9255, 9257.

**10. Order among successive creditors.**

Rule that priority of lien for purposes of redemption is determined by time of record, without reference to nature of estates in land owned by mortgagor or judgment debtor, was applied in determining priority of lien as between docketing of successive judgment. *Lowe v. R.*, 201M280, 276NW224. See Dun. Dig. 3540, 3541c, 6415, 6416.

**12. Nature of right.**

Right of redemption, whether by owner or by subsequent lien creditor, is a right favored by law, and statutes are to be construed liberally in favor of redemptioner. *Tomasko v. C.*, 200M69, 273NW628. See Dun. Dig. 6384, 6386, 6387.

**14. When right accrues.**

Within a year after a sale upon foreclosure, mortgagor or his successor in title may redeem from foreclosure by proceeding as outlined in §9626. If owner fails to redeem within that period then a creditor having a lien upon premises, provided he has filed statutory notice of intention, may redeem by complying with §9627. *Tomasko v. C.*, 200M69, 273NW628. See Dun. Dig. 6381.

**9628. Redemption, how made.**

Affidavit of amount due properly stated entire amount covered by affiant's lien. 176M393, 223NW609.

**½. In general.**

A redemption by a junior mortgagee operates as an assignment of the rights of a purchaser at a real estate foreclosure sale by advertisement, and the redemptioner is subrogated to such rights. *Des Moines Joint Stock Land Bank v. D.*, 185M435, 241NW393. See Dun. Dig. 6423(54).

Where defendant was owner of a mortgage covering three tracts of land, one constituting mortgagor's homestead, and plaintiff was owner of one of tracts and had an interest in another as a purchaser upon execution sale, and had no interest in tract constituting homestead, upon request by plaintiff for a statement of amount due and tender of full amount, plaintiff became subrogated to all of rights of defendant in prior encumbrance and trial court was justified in ordering an assignment of mortgage to plaintiff upon payment of amount so tendered. *First Nat. Bank v. S.*, 201M359, 276NW290. See Dun. Dig. 9048.

**2. Amount necessary to redeem.**

Where second mortgagee redeems from sale under first mortgage, third mortgagee cannot make redemption without making tender of amount sufficient to cover lien of second mortgagee. *Op. Atty. Gen.* (390c-14), June 20, 1935.

**9629. Certificate of redemption—Record.**

Failure to record redemption certificate within four days, rendered it void as to subsequent good-faith redemption from sheriff. 177M563, 225NW815.

An action for money had and received did not lie to recover money paid to purchaser at foreclosure, but owner could recover from such purchaser, money received by the latter from the sheriff on a subsequent redemption by a creditor who was entitled to the land because the owner failed to file his certificate. 177M 563, 225NW815.

**9630. Effect of redemption.**

**½. In general.**

Redeeming life tenant holds for joint benefit of himself and remainderman. 171M182, 213NW736.

Amount which remainderman must contribute. 171M 182, 213NW736.

Evidence held to sustain a finding of agreement that third mortgagee would redeem from first and lease land to mortgagor. 174M180, 218NW889.

**1. Redemption by owner.**

*Slagle v. S.*, 187M1, 244NW79; note under §9626.  
A life tenant who redeems an outstanding mortgage lien is entitled to contribution from remaindermen in an amount equal to mortgage lien less present worth of life tenant's liability to pay interest during his expectancy. *Engel v. S.*, 191M324, 254NW2. See Dun. Dig. 1922a.

**9632. Holder of junior mortgage may pay.**

Plaintiff, mortgagee, by releasing the mortgagors from their personal obligation to pay the mortgage, did not subordinate its mortgage to another mortgage obtained from a subsequent purchaser of the premises. 178M50, 226NW189.

The equities of mortgagees, as to each other, in respect to taxes paid or purchased by them, are not affected by the statute. *Des Moines Sav. Bk. & Trust Co. v. E.*, 183M46, 235NW390. See Dun. Dig. 6236.

**9633. Mortgages to be reinstated in certain cases.**

178M50, 226NW189.  
After foreclosure sale remedy on mortgage as a security is exhausted and assignment in mortgage of rents to pay taxes was terminated. *Gardner v. W.*, 185M147, 240NW351. See Dun. Dig. 6465.

After foreclosure sale rights of parties are determined exclusively by statute. *Gardner v. W.*, 185M147, 240NW 351. See Dun. Dig. 6371.

Purchaser at mortgage sale is not entitled to rents accruing during the period allowed for redemption to pay taxes subject to which he bid in the property, though the mortgage expressly assigned rents to pay taxes. *Gardner v. W.*, 185M147, 240NW351. See Dun. Dig. 6371.

Where defendant was owner of a mortgage covering three tracts of land, one constituting mortgagor's homestead, and plaintiff was owner of one of tracts and had an interest in another as a purchaser upon execution sale, and had no interest in tract constituting homestead, upon request by plaintiff for a statement of amount due and tender of full amount, plaintiff became subrogated to all of rights of defendant in prior encumbrance and trial court was justified in ordering an assignment of mortgage to plaintiff upon payment of amount so tendered. *First Nat. Bank v. S.*, 201M359, 276NW290. See Dun. Dig. 9048.

Upon a showing that a subsequent encumbrancer has tendered to a prior encumbrancer entire amount due on a mortgage, together with costs, disbursements, and attorney's fees required by statute, court may enjoin foreclosure of mortgage until disputed issues in case are determined. *Id.*

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Laws 1933, c. 437. See Appendix 5, par. 21, post.  
Laws 1937, Sp. Ses., c. 35.  
Laws 1937, c. 432. See Appendix 5, par. 21, post.  
Act. Ex. Ses., Dec. 27, 1933, c. 26, legalizes foreclosure by advertisement of mortgage or assignment thereof to banking corporation where defect consisted in omitting word "The" from corporate name.  
Laws 1933, c. 26, §1. Amended Apr. 17, 1937, c. 248.  
Act Jan. 5, 1934, Ex. Ses., c. 42, validates foreclosures by advertisement theretofore made in which power of attorney was not executed and/or recorded prior to sale. Omitted as temporary.  
Laws 1935, c. 287. Certain defective foreclosures legalized.  
Laws 1935-36, Sp. Ses., cc. 33, 51, 92. See Appendix 5, 121, post.  
Laws 1939, c. 147. See Appendix 5, par. 21, post.

#### EMERGENCY RELIEF ACT

##### Preamble to following act.

Whereas, the severe financial and economic depression existing for several years past has resulted in extremely low prices for the products of the farms and the factories, a great amount of unemployment, an almost complete lack of credit for farmers, business men and property owners and a general and extreme stagnation of business, agriculture and industry; and

Whereas, a condition of subnormal rainfall has existed in the State of Minnesota for several years, and this condition has greatly reduced the total products of the farms in Minnesota during the past two years; and

Whereas, many owners of real property, by reason of said conditions, are unable, and it is believed will for some time be unable to meet all payments as they come due of taxes, interest and principal of mortgages on their properties and are, therefore, threatened with loss of such properties through mortgage foreclosure and judicial sales thereof; and

Whereas, many such properties have been and are being bid in at mortgage foreclosure and execution sales for prices much below what is believed to be their real values and often for much less than the mortgage or judgment indebtedness, thus entailing deficiency judgments against the mortgage and judgment debtors; and

Whereas, it is believed, and the Legislature of Minnesota hereby declares its belief, that the conditions existing as hereinbefore set forth have created an emergency of such nature that justifies and validates legislation for the extension of the time of redemption from mortgage foreclosure and execution sales and other relief of a like character; and

Whereas, the State of Minnesota possesses the right under its police power to declare a state of emergency to exist; and

Whereas, the inherent and fundamental purposes of our government is to safeguard the public and promote the general welfare of the people; and

Whereas, under existing conditions the foreclosure of many real estate mortgages by advertisement would prevent fair, open and competitive bidding at the time of sale in the manner now contemplated by law; and

Whereas, it is believed, and the Legislature of Minnesota hereby declares its belief, that the conditions existing as hereinbefore set forth have created an emergency of such a nature that justifies and validates changes in legislation providing for the temporary manner, method, terms and conditions upon which mortgage foreclosure sales may be had or postponed and jurisdiction to administer equitable relief in connection therewith may be conferred upon the District Court; and

Whereas, Mason's Minnesota Statutes of 1927, Section 9608, which provides for the postponement of mortgage foreclosure sales, has remained for more than thirty years, a provision of the statutes in contemplation of which provisions for foreclosure by advertisement have been agreed upon: NOW THEREFORE, Be it enacted, etc.:

**9633-1. Application of Act.**—The provisions of this act shall not apply to any mortgage while such mortgage is held by the United States or by any agency, department, bureau, board or commission thereof, as security or pledge of the maker, its successors or assigns, nor shall the provisions of this act apply to any mortgage held as security or pledge to secure payment of a public debt or to secure payment of the deposit of public funds.

The following sections of this Act preceding Part Two shall constitute Part One. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7.)

Laws 1939, c. 7, extends relief to March 1, 1941.

This act is constitutional. *Blaisdell v. H.*, 189M422, 249 NW334. *Aff'd* 290US398, 54SCR231.

While statute is in derogation of common law, it is remedial in nature and to be fairly construed to accomplish its purpose. *Anderson v. H.*, 191M414, 254NW585. See Dun. Dig. 6400.

There can be no declaratory judgment as to constitutionality of bonds where both parties seek the same decree. *County Board v. B.*, 192M512, 257NW92.

Motion of appellants as defendants in mortgage foreclosure to remand cause to district court was denied for reason that mortgage foreclosure sale made after entry of judgment appealed from could not affect validity of judgment, and because appellants have a remedy under the moratorium act when any attempt is made to enforce the judgment against real estate. *First Nat. Bank v. C.*, 195M144, 262NW222. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Mortgages held by a federal joint stock land bank are excepted from operation of mortgage moratorium act. *Leuthold v. D.*, 197M132, 266NW450. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Act is not applicable to mortgages held by reconstruction finance corporation and regional agricultural credit corporation, either as mortgages or as collateral security for loans. *Op. Atty. Gen.*, June 10, 1933.

Provision accepting mortgages held by government or agency thereof does not apply to a mortgage assigned by a private party or bank to a federal agency as collateral security for loan to mortgagee. *Op. Atty. Gen.* (415c), June 19, 1935.

Laws 1939, c. 7, is applicable to rural credit mortgages. *Op. Atty. Gen.* (415M), Feb. 9, 1939.

Constitutionality of this act depends upon whether an emergency exists. *Op. Atty. Gen.* (415f), April 4, 1939.

Effect of termination of emergency upon validity of moratorium legislation. 22MinnLawRev1047.

#### PART ONE

**9633-2. Emergency declared to exist.**—In view of the situation hereinbefore set forth, the Legislature of the State of Minnesota hereby declares that a public economic emergency does exist in the State of Minnesota. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 1, §1; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 1, §1; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 1, §1; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 1, §1.)

Laws 1935, c. 47, cannot be so construed as to toll the running of the prior mortgage moratorium statute where title has vested in purchaser at foreclosure sale. *Hjeltness v. J.*, 195M175, 262NW153. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Act is constitutional. *National Bank of Aitkin v. S.*, 195M273, 262NW689. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Laws 1935, c. 47, §1, which continues in effect the provisions of this act is constitutional. *Op. Atty. Gen.* (415f), Mar. 5, 1936.

**9633-3. Mortgagee may apply to District Court for relief.**—In any proceedings heretofore commenced for the foreclosure of a mortgage on real estate by advertisement, in which a sale of the property has not been had, or in any such proceedings hereafter commenced, when the mortgagor, or the owner in possession of the mortgaged premises, or anyone claiming under said mortgagor, or anyone liable for the mortgage debt, at any time after the issuance of the notice of such foreclosure proceedings, shall apply to the District Court of the county wherein such foreclosure proceedings are being had, or are pending, by filing and serving a summons and verified complaint with prayer that the sale in foreclosure by advertisement shall be postponed and that the foreclosure, if any, shall proceed by action. If it appears to the court that granting of the relief as prayed would be equitable and just, then, and in that event, the foreclosure proceedings by advertisement may be postponed by the court by an ex parte order which shall be served with the summons and complaint upon the party foreclosing or his attorney, and at the time of the hearing upon said order the court may then further postpone such sale, and the

parties seeking to foreclose such mortgage shall proceed, if at all, to foreclose said mortgage by interposing a cross complaint in such action. Such service may be made as now provided for the service of a summons in a civil action, or by registered mail, on the person foreclosing or his authorized agent or attorney, at the last known address of such person, agent or attorney respectively. As a condition precedent to such postponement of such foreclosure sale by advertisement the party filing such verified complaint shall pay to the clerk for the person foreclosing the mortgage the expenses incurred, not including attorney's fees which may accrue prior to any postponement. The filing of such verified complaint shall be deemed a waiver of publication of notice of postponement of the foreclosure sale, and the sale at the time which may be fixed by the court shall be deemed to be a sale postponed in lieu of the time of sale specified in the published notice of mortgage foreclosure sale. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 1, §2; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 1, §2; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 1, §2; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 1, §2.)

Statute held valid as extending period of redemption from foreclosure of mortgages on land not homestead. *Grace v. L.*, 189M450, 249NW672.

Where action was started under moratorium statute to permanently postpone mortgage foreclosure by advertisement, and on order being granted *ex parte*, mortgagee made publication of no more notices of sale, and mortgagors did not appear at hearing and court dismissed their complaint and ordered property to be sold on date originally noticed, and no appeal was taken and property was sold, order dismissing complaint and authorizing sale was a barrier to a subsequent action by mortgagors to set aside sale because notice of sale had been published only four times. *Tankel v. U.*, 196M165, 264NW693. See Dun. Dig. 6337, 6392.

Where suit is brought against a foreign corporation, whether licensed to do business or not, it has right to defend and interpose a counterclaim, or to meet and defend by cross-complaint and facts shown thereunder. *Flakne v. M.*, 193M465, 270NW566. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

There was no implied contract to further extend period of redemption from a mortgage foreclosure sale from acceptance of payment after expiration of redemption period. *Van Dyke v. K.*, 193M578, 270NW608. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Court had no further jurisdiction of case after expiration of period of redemption. *Id.*

In a proceeding to obtain a second extension of time within which to redeem from a real estate mortgage foreclosure sale, finding of lower court that relators had no remaining equity in property and that amount deposited with escrowee was inadequate to reimburse mortgagee in full for relators' indebtedness to him after payment of all liens and obligations necessary to be discharged by means of such proceeds held supported by record. *Sjodin v. O.*, 199M37, 271NW591. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

A petitioner must come into court with clean hands and be willing to do equity so far as reasonably within his power. *Santee v. T.*, 201M66, 275NW366. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

It is not determinative against owner that instead of being himself a "dirt farmer" he seems to be a speculator in real estate, particularly farm lands, but it is conclusive against him where after buying mortgagor's equity he neither paid nor offered to pay anything on account of current taxes and is a man of means. *Id.*

This act is constitutional. *Op. Atty. Gen.* (4151), Mar. 5, 1935.

**9633-4. Court may order resale.**—When any mortgage has been foreclosed by action, the court shall, on the coming in of the report of sale, cause notice of a hearing thereon to be served on the parties to the action who have appeared, and fix the time and place for the hearing on said report. Before granting an order confirming said sale, the court shall, if it appears upon due examination that the sale price is unreasonably and unfairly inadequate, or that justice has otherwise not been done, order a resale. If the sale is confirmed, the sheriff, or his deputy, shall forthwith execute and deliver the proper certificate of sale which shall be recorded within twenty days after such confirmation. Upon the hearing of the motion for an order, confirming the sale of the premises involved in the foreclosure of mortgages by action, in case the evidence is insufficient to establish a fair and reasonable market or rental value of such property, the court shall receive any competent evidence, including evidence tending to establish the actual value of the

property involved in said mortgage foreclosure proceedings, for the purpose, or purposes, for which said property is or can be used. The court shall also receive any evidence tending to show to what extent, if any, the property has decreased in actual or market value by reason of the economic conditions existing at the time of or prior to such sale.

1. **Compromises.**—In case the parties to any such foreclosure action shall agree in writing upon terms of compromise settlement thereof, or of composition of the mortgage indebtedness, or both, the court shall have jurisdiction and may by its order confirm and approve such settlement or composition, or both, as the case may be.

2. **Jurisdiction of court.**—The court shall have the same jurisdiction to postpone the enforcement of judgment by execution sale or to order resale or give other relief where such judgment is rendered in an action to collect a debt or obligation secured by a real estate mortgage, the foreclosure of which might be affected under the terms of this Act, as is conferred by this Act with regard to the mortgage. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 1, §§3, 3.1, 3.2; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 1, §§3, 3.1, 3.2; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 1, §§3, 3.1, 3.2; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 1, §3.)

Where parties concerned with application for an order extending period for redemption from mortgage foreclosure made a settlement in regard to extension by agreeing that period of redemption should be extended to a certain date and that petitioner should have right to receive and retain rents from that date and receive a certain sum for a mechanical stoker, the agreement was a binding settlement of the litigation, notwithstanding terms had not been incorporated in a written stipulation or memorial of the completed settlement, and the agreement was not vitiated under the statute of frauds or otherwise by reason of inclusion of transfer of personal property or fixtures. *State v. District Court*, 194 M32, 259NW542. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

(1). Compromises and compositions between mortgagor and mortgagee are specifically authorized, and court has jurisdiction thereof and may by its order confirm and approve settlement or composition, or both, and legislature cannot subsequently change rights. *Twenty Associates v. F.*, 200M211, 273NW696. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

(2). Action to recover on note, secured by mortgage, held not premature because brought before foreclosure of the mortgage. Such an action may be within this provision, but the effect of this provision is not to postpone the bringing of an action or securing judgment, but to suspend realization upon the judgment. *Phillips v. U.* (USCCA8), 83F(2d)188.

**9633-5. Period of redemption may be extended.**—Where any mortgage upon real property has been foreclosed and the period of redemption has not yet expired, or where a sale is hereafter had, in the case of real estate mortgage foreclosure proceedings, now pending, or which may hereafter be instituted prior to the expiration of two years from and after the passage of this act, or upon the sale of any real property under any judgment or execution where the period of redemption has not yet expired, or where such sale is made hereafter within two years from and after the passage of this Act, the period of redemption may be extended for such additional time as the court may deem just and equitable but in no event beyond March 1, 1941; provided that the mortgagor, or the owner in possession of said property, in the case of mortgage foreclosure proceedings, or the judgment debtor, in case of sale under judgment, or execution, shall prior to the expiration of the period of redemption apply to the District Court having jurisdiction of the matter, on not less than 10 days' written notice to the mortgagee or judgment creditor, or the attorney of either, as the case may be, for an order determining the reasonable value of the income on said property, or, if the property has no income, then the reasonable rental value of the property involved in such sale, and directing and requiring such mortgagor or judgment debtor to pay all or a reasonable part of such income or rental value in or toward the payment of taxes, insurance, interest, mortgage or judgment indebtedness at such times and in such manner as shall be fixed and determined and ordered by the court; and the

court shall thereupon hear said application and after such hearing shall make and file its order directing the payment by such mortgagor, or judgment debtor, of such an amount at such times and in such manner as to the court shall, under all the circumstances, appear just and equitable. Provided, further, that upon the service of the notice or demand aforesaid that the running of the period of redemption shall be tolled until the court shall make its order upon such application. Provided, further, however, that if such mortgagor or judgment debtor, or personal representative, shall default in the payments, or any of them, in such order required, on his part to be done, or commits waste, his right to redeem from sale shall terminate 30 days after there shall have been filed in the office of the clerk of court an order by the court finding such default or waste to exist, and thereupon his right to possession shall cease and the party acquiring title to any such real estate shall then be entitled to the immediate possession of said premises. Such order may be made by the court after hearing held upon not less than five days' notice in writing to the defaulting party or his attorney. Provided, further, that holders of subsequent liens may redeem in the order and manner now provided by law beginning 30 days after the service upon such mortgagor, or judgment debtor, or their personal representatives or assigns and holders of subsequent liens, of notice of default and the filing of such notice of default with proof of service thereof with the clerk of such District Court, and his right to possession shall cease and the party acquiring title to any such real estate shall then be entitled to the immediate possession of said premises. Such 30 day period shall not begin to run until the filing of an order by the court finding such default or waste to exist. Provided, further, that the time of redemption from any real estate mortgage foreclosure or judgment or execution sale heretofore made, which otherwise would expire less than 30 days after the passage and approval of this act, shall be and the same hereby is extended to a date 30 days after the passage and approval of this act, and in such case, the mortgagor, or judgment debtor, or the assigns or personal representative of either, as the case may be, or the owner in possession of the property, may, prior to said date, apply to said court for and the court may thereupon grant the relief as hereinbefore and in this section provided. Provided, further, that prior to March 1, 1941, no action shall be maintained in this state for a deficiency judgment until the period of redemption as allowed by existing law or as extended under the provisions of this act has expired. (Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 1, §4; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 1, §4; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 1, §4; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 1, §4.)

Action to recover on note, secured by mortgage, held not an action for a "deficiency judgment" within this provision, and not premature because brought before foreclosure of the mortgage. *Phillips v. U.* (USCCA8), 88 F(2d)188.

This provision is confined solely to deficiency judgments as understood in legal parlance, that is a balance of personal indebtedness above the amount realized on sale of mortgaged property securing such indebtedness. *Id.*

Petition and not notice, was application required by statute to be made before expiration of period of redemption, and it is sufficient that it was served and filed within that time. *Anderson v. H.*, 191M414, 254NW 535. See Dun. Dig. 6400.

Service of motion for extension of time for redemption from mortgage foreclosure sale upon attorneys who made such foreclosure by advertisement is good and effective service upon mortgagee who bid in premises at sale. Service on mortgagee by mail is not authorized. *Swanson v. C.*, 192M81, 255NW812. See Dun. Dig. 6392, 6400.

Record of affidavits filed pursuant to §9648 was competent proof of taxes and insurance paid subsequent to foreclosure sale by holder of sheriff's certificate. *Young v. P.*, 192M446, 256NW906. See Dun. Dig. 3355.

Granting of extension to redeem is not mandatory, but it is for trial court to determine according to equities of parties concerned. *Id.* See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Where court extended time within which redemption from a foreclosure sale might be made to Feb. 1, 1935, with a provision in order that a payment should be made

by mortgagor to mortgagee on Oct. 1, 1934, court had no power to revise and alter terms of extension order after default had existed for more than 30 days in payment due on Oct. 1, 1934. *Mosse v. M.*, 193M496, 259NW 19. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Act does not forbid a suit in this state to recover balance due on a promissory note executed and delivered in Iowa and secured by real estate mortgage upon land situate in that state, which mortgage has been foreclosed and proceeds applied on note, leaving due and unpaid balance sued for. *Connecticut Mut. Life Ins. Co. v. H.*, 194M41, 259NW390. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Notice on mortgagee that mortgagor will apply for an extension of time to redeem is not application for extension of time to redeem. *Rebold v. C.*, 194M73, 259NW 684. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Where property under foreclosure produces no income from which holder of sheriff's certificate could receive any benefit, and there is no showing of any reasonable probability that property will produce income which could be allocated to holder of such certificate, and rental value of property is less than sufficient to pay taxes thereon and interest on incumbrances prior to foreclosed mortgage, court was fully justified in denying petition for extension of time for redemption. *Rodine v. D.*, 194M121, 259NW699. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Where mortgagor failed to make payments to mortgagee over a period of more than 30 days beyond time fixed by court in order extending time for redemption from mortgage foreclosure sale, court cannot thereafter revise or alter terms of extension under moratorium act, title having passed to mortgagee, who was purchaser at foreclosure sale. *Butts v. T.*, 194M243, 260NW308. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Mortgagor's bankruptcy did not suspend court's order extending time for redemption from mortgage sale, order having fixed terms and conditions, compliance with which was wholly lacking. *Id.* See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Granting of an extension of time for redemption from a mortgage foreclosure sale is not mandatory, and time of extension is for court to decide. *Nordmarken v. E.*, 194M389, 260NW628. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Service of notice upon attorney for mortgages (purchaser at the sale) was insufficient where no petition, notice or other papers relative to matter were filed with court prior to expiration of period of redemption already extended. *Koerber v. T.*, 194M654, 260NW353. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Laws 1935, c. 47, cannot be so construed as to toll running of prior mortgage moratorium statute where title has vested in purchaser at foreclosure sale. *Hjeltness v. J.*, 195M175, 262NW158. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Granting of extension to redeem real property from an execution sale is not mandatory, but it is for trial court to determine according to equities of parties. *First Nat. Bank v. H.*, 195M185, 262NW160. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Thirty-day period under 1935 act applies to a petition for modification and amendment of original order granting extension under 1933 act. *Irwin v. W.*, 195M362, 263NW153. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Where an application to extend time for redemption from a mortgage foreclosure sale is entertained by the court, an order to show cause is granted for a hearing thereon, and application and order are served upon attorney for mortgagee, all before redemption period expires, it is a sufficient application and gives court jurisdiction to hear and determine matter. *Peters & Co. v. J.*, 195M497, 263NW453. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Fact that application and order to show cause were not filed in office of clerk of court until after period of redemption had expired and that court rules as to filing of order were not strictly complied with did not deprive court of jurisdiction. *Id.*

Act does not require that trial court specifically fix a certain figure as value of property, and finding that mortgagor has a substantial equity is sufficient to sustain an extension, and order was not objectionable in failing to make finding as to reasonable rental value of apartment building, where mortgagor was required to apply all rental income upon maintenance and mortgage indebtedness. *Edeby v. P.*, 195M583, 264NW210. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Where property is bid in by mortgagee, notice of an application to extend period of redemption may be served upon attorney who conducted mortgage foreclosure. *Rivkin v. N.*, 195M635, 263NW920. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Notice of application for extension of period of redemption from mortgage foreclosure is not original process, and may be served as other notices are served in pending action or proceedings, and may be served by mail on attorney, where both attorney and mortgagee are non-residents and attorney's residence is known. *Id.*

Where attorney for mortgagee appoints a resident attorney upon whom mortgagor is directed to serve papers in proceedings, nothing to contrary being shown, presumption is that he had authority to make such appointment. *Id.*

Fact that application for extension of time to redeem, presented to court, and court's order thereon, fixing time for hearing and directing service of order as notice to mortgagee, were not filed with clerk of court until 3 days after order was made, did not deprive court of jurisdiction. *Id.*

The terms upon which an extension of time to redeem was to be granted were for the court to determine and fix; and it was not necessary to state in the prayer for relief in the application what such terms should be. *Id.*

Application for extension of period of redemption made within 30 days after March 15, 1935, gave court jurisdiction to hear and determine matter after time for redemption from mortgage sale had expired. *Bukowski v. T., 196M31, 264NW217. See Dun. Dig. 6392.*

Court erred in granting extension of period of redemption where equity of mortgagor, if any, was very small and he had committed waste and had made no attempt to refinance and there was no showing that there was any prospect or hope that refinancing could be had. *Id.*

Court is required to render decision promptly in moratorium cases but a purchasing mortgagee should not have a favorable decision reversed because of court's delay. *Shepard v. M., 196M78, 264NW126. See Dun. Dig. 6392.*

Second mortgagee making purchase at foreclosure sale could not object to order extending redemption requiring payment to be applied on first mortgage, there being a substantial equity in property and such payment tending to preserve rights of both parties. *Id.*

Net rental value of an apartment building for purpose of applying it as a condition to extending time of redemption cannot be placed at highest possible figure, in view of probability of more or less vacancies, and change in current rentals. *Id.*

Findings of value of property, sold on foreclosure of a second mortgage, and of its net rental value, in a proceeding for extension of time of redemption held sustained by evidence. *Id.*

Where a petition for extension of time within which to redeem is neither filed nor presented to court until after time for redemption has expired, court is without jurisdiction. *Steenland v. W., 196M106, 264NW440. See Dun. Dig. 6392.*

Service of notice on holder of certificate of sale that application will be made to extend period of redemption will not toll period unless application or petition is filed or presented to court before expiration of year of redemption. *Id.*

Granting of extension of time to redeem is to some extent a matter of discretion for trial court. *Falk v. M., 196M341, 265NW60. See Dun. Dig. 6392.*

If mortgagor gets an extension of time to redeem he is subject to rules of equity and required to substantially protect mortgagee from loss by reason thereof. *Id.*

Where mortgagor has no equity of any material value, no extension of time to redeem should ordinarily be granted, but where there is evidence that mortgagor has a substantial equity, that property has no present market value, so that mortgagee-purchaser could not, so far as appears, dispose of property so as to get its indebtedness presently paid therefrom, that payments required to be made by mortgagor are in excess of what mortgagee could realize as income from property if granted immediate possession, and extension of time granted is for a period of only 10 months, we cannot say that court exceeded its reasonable discretion in granting extension. *Id.*

In foreclosing a mortgage and in granting an extension under moratorium statute, federal court will follow state law as to substantive rights, but not statutes dealing with procedure. *Weisman v. M., 196M574, 265NW431. See Dun. Dig. 2350.*

State courts cannot grant extension in foreclosure had in federal courts, but there is no reason why federal courts cannot grant relief, statute being in essence an enlargement of equity of redemption. *Id. See Dun. Dig. 6392.*

Section 9283 authorizes district court to set aside order extending time to redeem under §9633-5 and a subsequent order declaring a default by mortgagor of terms of extension order, where proceedings are had under a mistake of fact that mortgage foreclosure was valid, when foreclosure was void because of failure to file power of attorney to foreclose prior to mortgage foreclosure sale. *Orfield v. M., 199M466, 272NW260. See Dun. Dig. 6392.*

Moratorium act is remedial in its purpose and is to be construed liberally to make its objectives realizable in its application to existing legal rights and remedies. It is duty of court, within limits of act, so to construe it as to avoid forfeitures. *Tomasko v. C., 200M69, 273NW628. See Dun. Dig. 6392.*

As to a subsequent lien claimant who has duly placed himself in line of redemption, failure on part of mortgage debtor, in a moratorium proceeding instituted by him against certificate holder alone, to notify holder of such claim leaves such claimant free to act pursuant to statute which gives him right of redemption. *Id.*

It was proper to deny extension on ground that petitioner had no equity in mortgaged premises and that respondent would suffer irreparable loss if extension were granted. *Hoey v. F., 200M366, 274NW239. See Dun. Dig. 6392.*

A petition for further extension comes in time if presented to court before expiration of period fixed, although hearing and decision thereon do not come until later. *Frissell Co. v. O., 204M398, 283NW756. See Dun. Dig. 6392.*

Petition for a third extension of time wherein to redeem from a mortgage foreclosure properly denied for lack of showing that petitioners were without means, extraneous to the mortgaged property, wherewith to accomplish redemption. *Id. See Dun. Dig. 6392.*

**9633-6. Court may revise and alter terms.**—Under the application of either party prior to the expiration of the extended period of redemption, as provided in this act, and upon the presentation of evidence that the terms fixed by the court are no longer just and reasonable, the court may revise and alter such terms in such manner as the changed circumstances and conditions may require. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 1, §5; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 1, §5; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 1, §5; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 1, §5.)

*Mosse v. M., 193M496, 259NW19; note under §9633-5.*  
Second extension was properly allowed where mortgagor had substantial equity in property and mortgagor was required to make payment in excess of income from property. *National Bank of Aitkin v. S., 195M273, 262NW689. See Dun. Dig. 6392.*

Pending certiorari by mortgagors from order denying second extension of time to redeem from mortgage foreclosure, supreme court remanded case on motion by mortgagee on showing that condition had changed since hearing in district court and that mortgagors were in position to take care of the mortgage and redemption. *Sjodin v. O., 195M507, 263NW543. See Dun. Dig. 6392.*

Court properly denied relief where mortgagor had no money with which to meet any payments on mortgage and no prospect of getting money therefor. *Aithoff v. B., 195M541, 263NW797. See Dun. Dig. 6392.*

Court may vacate extension order and also order of default where foreclosure proceedings were invalid for failure to file power of attorney to foreclose. *Orfield v. M., 199M466, 272NW260. See Dun. Dig. 6392.*

**9633-7. Trial to be held within 30 days.**—The trial of any action, hearing or proceeding mentioned in this act, shall be held within thirty days after the filing by either party of notice of hearing or trial, as the case may be, and such hearing or trial may be held at any general or special term, or in chambers, or during vacation of the court, and the order of the court shall be filed within 5 days after trial or hearing, no more than 5 days stay shall be granted, and review by the Supreme Court may be had by certiorari, if application for the writ shall be made within fifteen days after notice of such order, and such writ shall be returnable within thirty days after the filing of such order. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 1, §6; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 1, §6; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 1, §6; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 1, §6.)

*Butts v. T., 194M243, 260NW308; note under §9633-5.*  
Entry of judgment instead of order extending time for redemption from mortgage foreclosure sale under the moratorium statute did not prevent a review by certiorari. *Swanson v. C., 192M81, 255NW812. See Dun. Dig. 1400.*

Extension of time to redeem from a mortgage foreclosure sale is granted by an order and not by judgment, and review of such order is by certiorari. *Id. See Dun. Dig. 6392, 6400.*

Proceedings are summary and do not contemplate motions for a new trial, nor may an order denying a new trial be reviewed on certiorari issued prior thereto to review original decision. *Young v. P., 192M446, 256NW 906. See Dun. Dig. 7071.*

Proceedings for extension of time within which to make redemption of property sold under mortgage foreclosure are summary and do not contemplate a motion for new trial. *Hjeltness v. J., 195M175, 262NW158. See Dun. Dig. 6392.*

Certiorari to review an order granting or refusing a petition for an extension of time within which to redeem mortgaged premises sold at foreclosure sale must be had within 15 days after notice of such order. *Id.*

After year of redemption has expired in a foreclosure of a mortgage by advertisement, Moratorium Act cannot be invoked to extend time of redemption. *Campbell v. J., 195M376, 263NW94. See Dun. Dig. 6392.*

During pendency of certiorari proceedings to review proceedings to extend time for redemption under mortgage foreclosure, plaintiff was required to either file a supersedeas bond or pay to clerk of district court monthly sums required by order as condition for extension. *Aylmer v. N., 195M661, 262NW257. See Dun. Dig. 6392.*

**9633-8. Inconsistent laws suspended till March 1, 1941.**—Every law and all the provisions thereof now in force insofar as inconsistent with the provisions of this act, are hereby suspended until March 1, 1941. No extension of the period for redemption, nor any postponement of sale, shall be ordered or allowed un-

der this act which would have the effect of extending the period for redemption beyond March 1, 1941. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 1, §7; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 1, §7; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 1, §7; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 1, §7.)

**9633-9. Application of act.**—This act as to mortgage foreclosures shall apply only to mortgages made prior to April 18, 1933, but shall not apply to mortgages made prior to April 18, 1933, which shall hereafter be renewed or extended for a period ending more than one year after the passage of this act; neither shall this act apply in any way which would allow a resale, stay, postponement or extension to such time that any right might be adversely affected by a statute of limitation. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 1, §8; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 1, §8 (1); Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 1, §8(1); Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 1, §8(1).)

**9633-9a. Application of act.**—The provisions of this act shall also apply to mortgage foreclosures wherein the District Court has previously postponed the sale or granted one or more extensions of the time for redemption, all pursuant to the provisions of Laws 1933, Chapter 339, Laws 1935, Chapter 47, and Laws 1937, Chapter 21; provided, that the period of redemption has not expired; and also shall apply to actions and proceedings now pending or hereafter commenced under said acts. (Act Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 1, §8(2); Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 1, §8(2); Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 1, §8(2).)

**9633-10. Provisions severable.**—The provisions of this act are hereby declared to be severable. If one provision hereof shall be found by the decision of a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the other provisions of this act. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 1, §9; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 1, §9; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 1, §9; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 1, §9.)

**9633-11. Definitions.**—The words "mortgagor," "mortgagee," "judgment creditor," "judgment debtor," and "purchaser," whenever used in this act, shall be construed to include the plural as well as the singular, and also to include their personal representatives, successors and assigns; provided, however, the words "successors or assigns," when used in this act, shall be construed to include only persons who stand in privity of estate to the mortgagor. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 1, §11; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 1, §10; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 1, §10; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 1, §10.)

**9633-12. Application.**—Whenever the term "this Act" is referred to in that part of the bill amended so as to constitute Part One hereof, the same shall be construed as having reference only to Part One of this act. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 1, §11; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 1, §11; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 1, §11; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 1, §11.)

## PART TWO

**9633-13. To apply to homesteads only.**—The following, Part Two, of this Act shall apply only to real estate occupied as a home exclusively by the person seeking relief or persons dependent upon him and to farm lands used by the person seeking relief as his principal means of furnishing necessary support to such person, his family and dependents, and shall apply only to cases not entitled to relief under some valid provision of Part One of this Act. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 2, §1; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 2, §1; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 2, §1; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 2, §1.)

The Governor's executive order prohibits foreclosure of mortgages on "real estate upon which the mortgagor has his residence," and does not prohibit foreclosure of a mortgage upon an adjacent piece of real estate though the two properties together do not exceed one-third of an acre in area and constitute the "homestead" of the mortgagor. Op. Atty. Gen., Apr. 7, 1933.

**9633-14. Mortgagor may apply to District Court for relief.**—In any proceedings heretofore commenced for the foreclosure of a mortgage on real estate by advertisement, in which a sale of the property has not been had, or in any such proceedings hereafter commenced, when the mortgagor, or the owner in possession of the mortgaged premises, or anyone claiming under said mortgagor, or anyone liable for the mortgage debt, at any time after the issuance of the notice of such foreclosure proceedings, shall apply to the District Court of the County wherein such foreclosure proceedings are being had, or are pending, by filing and serving a summons and verified complaint with prayer that the sale in foreclosure by advertisement shall be postponed and that the foreclosure, if any, shall proceed by action. If it appears to the court that granting of the relief as prayed would be equitable and just, then, and in that event, the foreclosure proceedings by advertisement may be postponed by the court by an exparte order which shall be served with the summons and complaint upon the party foreclosing or his attorney and at the time of the hearing upon such order, the court may then further postpone such sale, and the parties seeking to foreclose such mortgage shall proceed, if at all, to foreclose said mortgage by interposing a cross complaint in such action. Such service may be made as now provided for the service of a summons in a civil action, or by registered mail on the person foreclosing or his authorized agent or attorney at the last known address of such person, agent or attorney, respectively. As a condition precedent to such postponement of such foreclosure sale by advertisement the party filing such verified complaint shall pay to the clerk for the person foreclosing the mortgage the expenses incurred not including attorney's fees which may accrue prior to any postponement. The filing of such verified complaint shall be deemed a waiver of publication of notice of postponement of the foreclosure sale and the sale at the time which may be fixed by the court shall be deemed to be a sale postponed in lieu of the time of sale specified in the published notice of mortgage foreclosure sale. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 2, §2; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 2, §2; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 2, §2; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 2, §2.)

State courts cannot grant extension in foreclosure had in federal courts, but there is no reason why federal courts cannot grant relief, statute being in essence an enlargement of equity of redemption. Weisman v. M., 196M574, 265NW431. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

**9633-15. Jurisdiction of court.**—The court shall have the same jurisdiction to postpone the enforcement of judgment by execution sale or to order resale or give other relief where such judgment is rendered in an action to collect a debt or obligation secured by a real estate mortgage, the foreclosure of which might be affected under the terms of this Act, as is conferred by this Act with regard to the mortgage. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 2, §3; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 2, §3; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 2, §3; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 2, §3.)

**9633-16. Application of act.**—The provisions hereof shall not apply to mortgages made after April 18, 1933, nor to mortgages made prior to April 18, 1933, which shall hereafter be renewed; or extended to become due more than a year after such passage; neither shall this Act apply in any way which would allow a resale, stay, postponement or extension to such time that any right might be adversely affected by a statute of limitation. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 2, §4; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 2, §4; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 2, §4; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 2, §4.)

**9633-17. Limitations of act.**—No postponement or extension shall be ordered under conditions which, under the temporary emergency, would substantially diminish or impair the value of the contract or obligation of the person against whom the relief is sought, without reasonable allowance to justify the exercise

of the police power hereby authorized. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 2, §5; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 2, §5; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 2, §5; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 2, §5.)

**9633-18. Trial to be held within 20 days.**—The trial of any action, hearing or proceeding provided for in this Act shall be held within 20 days after the filing by either party of notice of hearing or trial, as the case may be, and such hearing or trial may be held at any general or special term, or in chambers, or during vacation of the court, and the order of the court shall be filed within five days after trial or hearing, no more than five days' stay shall be granted within which to apply for amended findings, and order or for review and review by the Supreme Court may be had by certiorari, if application for the writ shall be made within 10 days after notice of such order and such writ shall be returnable within 30 days after the filing of such order. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 2, §6; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 2, §6; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 2, §6; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 2, §6.)

**9633-19. Provisions severable.**—The provisions of this Act shall be severable. The invalidity of any one provision, section or part shall not affect the validity of the remainder. Wherever the term "this Act" or "hereof" are used in Part Two, the same shall be construed as having no reference to Part One. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 2, §7; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 2, §7; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 2, §7; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 2, §7.)

**9633-20. Duration of act.**—This Act shall remain in effect only during the continuance of the emergency and in no event beyond March 1, 1941. No extension of the period for redemption nor any postponement of sale shall be ordered or allowed under this Act which would have the effect of extending the period for redemption beyond March 1, 1941. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 2, §8; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 2, §8; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 2, §8; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 2, §8.)

**9633-21. Application of act.**—Nothing in Part Two of this Act shall limit or restrict any provision of Part One. (Act Apr. 18, 1933, c. 339, Pt. 2, §9; Mar. 15, 1935, c. 47, Pt. 2, §9; Feb. 13, 1937, c. 21, Pt. 2, §9; Feb. 4, 1939, c. 7, Pt. 2, §9.)

**BY ACTION**

**9634. By what rules governed.**

**1. Object of action.**

Whether proceedings to foreclose mortgage be had by action or by advertisement, objects and ends sought are to enforce security, to have property applied to satisfaction of debt or other obligation secured thereby. *Fredin v. C.*, 285NW615. See Dun. Dig. 6303(60).

Is the mortgage only a power of sale under the lien theory of mortgages? 15MinnLawRev147.

**3. A judicial proceeding.**

A federal court, jurisdictional prerequisite present, has jurisdiction of an action to foreclose a mortgage on Minnesota land. *Weisman v. M.*, 196M574, 265NW431. See Dun. Dig. 6425a.

**12. Defenses.**

In an action to have a deed declared a mortgage and have it foreclosed, it was immaterial that plaintiff had demanded more cash than was due, where defendant did not refuse to perform for that reason, but defended on other grounds. *Spielman v. A.*, 183M282, 236NW319. See Dun. Dig. 6435.

In action to enjoin foreclosure of a real estate mortgage of \$1,500 on ground that plaintiff had received no more than \$400 from mortgagee, wherein defendant pleaded that he was a holder in due course of note and mortgage, and that plaintiff, because of payment of one installment of interest to such holder, was estopped from claiming that no more than \$400 was received, evidence held not to require a finding of estoppel. *Chamberlain v. T.*, 195M58, 261NW577. See Dun. Dig. 6236.

Mortgagor in mortgage for \$1,500 was entitled to enjoin foreclosure for more than \$400 she obtained from mortgagee, and assignee of mortgage took it subject to equities between original parties, even though a holder in due course of note. *Id.* See Dun. Dig. 6284.

**16. Notice of election.—Treating whole amount due.**

Acceleration clause, held operative after extension agreement with mortgagor's grantee. 181M249, 232NW33. See Dun. Dig. 6318.

**9636. Judgment—Transcript to sheriff.**

Personal judgment against grantee on mortgagor held properly denied. 172M366, 215NW516.

**1. The judgment generally.**

Judgment in foreclosure of mortgage is discharged as to any personal liability of mortgagor by his subsequent discharge in bankruptcy. *Fiman v. H.*, 185M582, 242NW292. See Dun. Dig. 749.

Our statutes provide for only one judgment in suit to foreclose real estate mortgage. It is final judgment determining all issues in case, and determining personal liability of mortgagor. *Fiman v. H.*, 185M582, 242NW292. See Dun. Dig. 6442.

Deficiency judgment entered by clerk without order of court and without notice to defendant, is but clerical computation of amount of deficiency for which execution may issue. *Fiman v. H.*, 185M582, 242NW292.

Judgment in action for the foreclosure of a mortgage held res judicata and not open to collateral attack in action to enjoin trespass. *Brown v. G.*, 188M22, 246NW473. See Dun. Dig. 5137, 5163.

On foreclosure of mortgage judgment is final judgment against mortgagor, but is not docketed as an unqualified personal judgment so that execution may issue thereon until after sale and determination of deficiency. *People's State Bank of Jordan v. R.*, 189M348, 249NW325.

Because certain tax certificates had been included, as to amount, in a judgment for mortgage debt and had thereby become merged, as to debt, they were discharged by settlement and satisfaction of judgment, and it was error to hold that such certificates held by third party for mortgagee evidenced a lien superior to plaintiff's mortgage. *Walton v. I.*, 200M337, 274NW239. See Dun. Dig. 6442.

**3. Modification of judgment.**

Where decree of mortgage foreclosure was granted, appointing a receiver of rents and profits, and mortgagee purchased land for full amount of mortgage indebtedness, a motion by defendant for an order requiring receiver to file his account and surrender the property during period of redemption was not objectionable as an attack upon the judgment, only directing court's attention to facts subsequently occurring. *Fredin v. C.*, 285NW615. See Dun. Dig. 6463.

**9638. Purchase by mortgagee, etc.**

When mortgagee purchased property at foreclosure sale, he took it not only subject to taxes and interest then past due, but subject to installments thereof which would become due thereafter, and a receiver appointed on foreclosure could not collect and apply rents and income upon mortgage or taxes. *Fredin v. C.*, 285NW615. See Dun. Dig. 6350.

**9641. Report—Confirmation—Resale.**

**2. Resale.**

180M173, 230NW780.

**Curative acts**

Apr. 5, 1939, c. 147, §2.

**9642. Satisfaction of judgment—Execution for deficiency.**

*People's State Bank of Jordan v. R.*, 189M348, 249NW325; note under §9636.

Mortgagor conveying property to third person, who assumed the mortgage debt, held liable for deficiency after foreclosure where it requested and consented to extension of mortgage. 181M249, 232NW33. See Dun. Dig. 6294.

Deficiency judgment entered by clerk without order of court and without notice to defendant, is but clerical computation of amount of deficiency for which execution may issue. *Fiman v. H.*, 185M582, 242NW292. See Dun. Dig. 5036.

Bankrupt did not lose or waive his right to have deficiency judgment vacated, and foreclosure judgment set aside so far as it imposed personal liability upon him, by failing to apply to court to have foreclosure judgment reopened so as to set up his discharge as bar. *Fiman v. M.*, 185M582, 242NW292. See Dun. Dig. 5121.

Offer to waive right to judgment for deficiency could be withdrawn by mortgagee any time before acceptance. *New England Mut. Life Ins. Co. v. M.*, 188M511, 247NW803. See Dun. Dig. 6484.

Mortgagee with deficiency judgment was entitled to bring an action at law upon assignment of lease and rents subject only to right of mortgagor, in an appropriate proceeding to collect any surplus over and above debt owned by defendant to plaintiff. *Prudential Ins. Co. v. A.*, 196M154, 264NW576. See Dun. Dig. 6484.

**9643. Redemption by mortgagor, creditor, etc.**

For rights of a creditor of a decedent debtor, see *Laws 1929, c. 195.*

Mortgagor is entitled to rents and profits during redemption period even though the foreclosure is of a second mortgage. 179M571, 229NW874.

Title to real estate acquired through a creditor's redemption from a foreclosure sale, held absolute. *Rochester Loan & Trust Co. v. M.*, 188M346, 247NW241. See Dun. Dig. 6423.

Where parties concerned with application for an order extending period for redemption from mortgage foreclosure made a settlement in regard to extension by

agreeing that period of redemption should be extended to a certain date and that petitioner should have right to receive and retain rents from that date and receive a certain sum for a mechanical stoker, the agreement was a binding settlement of the litigation, notwithstanding terms had not been incorporated in a written stipulation or memorial of the completed settlement, and the agreement was not vitiated under the statute of frauds or otherwise by reason of inclusion of transfer of personal property or fixtures. State v. District Court, 194M 32, 259NW542. See Dun. Dig. 6392.

As the fee does not pass from mortgagor to purchaser at foreclosure sale until expiration of year for redemption, a mortgagee, like any other purchaser, became entitled only to rights and subject to such conditions as are fixed by law for redemption of property, and having bid in property for full amount of mortgage debt was not entitled to have rents and profits apply on subsequent installments of taxes or interest. *Fredin v. C.*, 285NW615. See Dun. Dig. 6369.

County which has obtained judgment against surety of county depository may redeem land of such surety sold under mortgage foreclosure. Op. Atty. Gen. (412a-10), July 5, 1934.

County redeeming from mortgage foreclosure as judgment creditor of the mortgagor does not thereby extinguish the debt, except to the extent of the value of the property so redeemed less the amount he pays in redemption. *Id.*

#### 9645. Strict foreclosure.

Strict foreclosure. 23MinnLawRev388.

### GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### 9646. Attorney's fees.

Attorney's fees cannot be charged as costs unless an attorney at law is employed. 181M254, 232NW318. See Dun. Dig. 6425.

#### 9647. May be collected, when.

Attorney's fees cannot be charged as costs unless an attorney at law is employed. 181M254, 232NW318. See Dun. Dig. 6425.

Bidding at a foreclosure sale is not practice of law, and so function may properly be delegated to one not an attorney at law. *Klotz v. J.*, 201M355, 276NW244. See Dun. Dig. 664.

#### 9648. Purchaser at foreclosure, execution or judicial sale may pay taxes, etc.

The purchaser at the sale, having failed to file an affidavit of taxes paid, they did not become a part of the sum to be paid in making redemption. 176M393, 223NW609.

Evidence supported finding that defendant requested plaintiff to withhold foreclosure of its first mortgage until defendant's second mortgage could be foreclosed so that defendant could pay interest due on first mortgage, and, by filing proper affidavit, tack it to amount bid at its foreclosure sale. *Bankers' Life Co. v. F.*, 183M349, 247NW239. See Dun. Dig. 6260.

Record of affidavits filed was competent proof of taxes and insurance paid subsequent to foreclosure sale by holder of sheriff's certificate. *Young v. F.*, 192M446, 256NW306. See Dun. Dig. 6485.

Evidence held conclusive that mortgagee bank had no contract under which money deposited by mortgagor in bank could be appropriated to payment of unpaid delinquent taxes after defendant bid in mortgaged premises for full amount of debt. *Business Women's Holding Co. v. F.*, 194M171, 259NW812. See Dun. Dig. 6368.

A covenant in a real estate mortgage to pay taxes levied during life of mortgage does not survive foreclosure of mortgage where mortgaged premises are bid in for full amount of debt and expenses and there is no redemption, and purchaser takes subject to unpaid taxes, and remedy, if he pays same during year of redemption, is to file an affidavit, whereby amount paid is added to amount required to redeem. *Id.* See Dun. Dig. 6368.

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Purchaser at a foreclosure sale may pay taxes against foreclosed premises and have an additional lien thereon to be tacked to amount of his sheriff's certificate and include in amount required to make a redemption on part of a subsequent lienholder, but it is mandatory that he file statutory affidavit and failure so to do precludes certificate holder from claiming payment of such additional amount as against a subsequent lien claimant redemptioner. *Tomasko v. C.*, 200M69, 273NW628. See Dun. Dig. 6202, 6416, 9255, 9257.

As to a subsequent lien claimant who has duly placed himself in line of redemption, failure on part of mortgage debtor, in a moratorium proceeding instituted by him against certificate holder alone, to notify holder of such claim leaves such claimant free to act pursuant to

statute which gives him right of redemption. *Id.* See Dun. Dig. 6392.

Provision requiring filing of affidavit as to insurance and taxes 10 days before expiration of period of redemption is mandatory. Op. Atty. Gen., Sept. 21, 1929.

#### 9649. Homestead included in mortgage—Separate sale.

Upon a mortgage foreclosure sale of the West Hotel in Minneapolis, the owner claimed a portion of the building at a homestead and demanded that the remainder of the mortgaged premises be first sold to satisfy the mortgage debt. Held, that the owner having the burden of proof failed to show that the property selected was compact in form and so chosen as not unreasonably to affect the value of the remaining part or that he was prejudiced. 181M392, 232NW740. See Dun. Dig. 4213.

Compliance by the mortgagor requires a separate sale of the homestead upon foreclosure, even though the non-exempt property included in the mortgage brings no bid when first separately offered. *Madson v. N.*, 182M 450, 234NW636. See Dun. Dig. 6344a.

Application of doctrine of marshaling assets. 23Minn LawRev692.

#### 9650. Court to appoint receiver of rents.

Mortgagee who purchased at foreclosure sale was not entitled to appointment of receiver to collect and apply rent on unpaid taxes which were taken into consideration in bidding in the property. 171M350, 214NW52.

Appointment of receiver and his powers respecting payment of taxes and interest on prior incumbrances before and after foreclosure sale. 172M193, 214NW886.

A receiver should not be appointed to collect rents and profits and apply them on delinquent taxes or interest, if the mortgagor is entitled to such rents, unless there is waste. 173M18, 216NW329.

Complaint against trustee foreclosing mortgage alleging that mortgage had been superseded by trust agreement and asking for receivership, held not to state cause of action. *Monnens v. H.*, 187M100, 244NW410. See Dun. Dig. 6459.

Evidence held to show such conduct on part of an insolvent mortgagor and its general receiver as to warrant an order requiring such receiver to segregate and hold separate all rents collected from mortgaged premises during foreclosure and period of redemption and to apply same to making of necessary repairs and to payment of taxes and insurance in order to save waste to mortgaged premises. Failure to pay taxes is a species of waste. *Brodala v. S.*, 191M97, 253NW113. See Dun. Dig. 6459.

Proof of inadequacy of security caused by nonpayment of taxes accruing after execution of mortgage and insolvency of mortgagors, justified appointment of a receiver to collect rents for application upon unpaid taxes. *Minneapolis Sav. & Loan Ass'n v. Y.*, 193M632, 259NW382. See Dun. Dig. 6459.

In refusing to continue to later date hearing on order to show cause why a receiver should not be appointed to collect rents on mortgaged property, and in allowing an amendment to complaint, court did not abuse its discretion. *Id.* See Dun. Dig. 6459.

Where findings of fact, based on affidavits made on behalf of plaintiff, amply justify appointment of a receiver pending foreclosure proceedings, appellate court cannot disturb action of trial court, in absence of a showing that it acted arbitrarily or without reasonable cause. *Lincoln Nat. Life Ins. Co. v. B.*, 196M433, 266NW 290. See Dun. Dig. 410, 6460.

Mortgagee purchasing at foreclosure sale for less than debt plus interest and costs of foreclosure, subject to unpaid taxes which were a paramount lien, was not entitled to appointment of a receiver to collect and apply rents either upon unpaid taxes or mortgage debt remaining unpaid. *House v. A.*, 197M283, 266NW739. See Dun. Dig. 6460.

#### 9651. Default to be shown.

Without proof of insolvency or inadequacy of security, nonpayment of taxes, not shown to jeopardize title or security during year of redemption, does not warrant appointment of receiver in action to foreclose mortgage. 176M71, 222NW516.

**9655-1. Postponement of mortgage foreclosure sales.**—Any sale upon the foreclosure of a mortgage upon real estate, either by action or by advertisement, which has heretofore been advertised or which may hereafter be advertised to be held at any date subsequent to the passage and approval of this act and prior to May 1, 1933, may be postponed for a period of not to exceed ninety days to a date subsequent to April 30, 1933, by the sheriff of the county in which such sale is advertised to be held, without the publication of a notice of such postponement in any newspaper; provided, however, such sheriff shall post a notice of such postponement at one of the entrance doors of the court house or county jail of the county where the sale was originally advertised to be held, at least three

weeks prior to the date to which said sale shall be postponed. (Act Mar. 2, 1933, c. 44, §1; Mar. 16, 1933, c. 90, §1.)

Laws 1933, c. 44, is constitutional. *State v. Moeller*, 189M412, 249NW330. See Dun. Dig. 207 to 209, 1628.

Duties of register of deeds as prescribed by Mason's Minn. St., sec. 2217, are in no way affected by this law. Op. Atty. Gen., Apr. 3, 1933.

Governor's executive order to officers to desist from foreclosing mortgages expired by limitation on Apr. 30, 1933. Op. Atty. Gen., May 2, 1933.

**9655-2. Posting of notices.**—In all cases where any sheriff has heretofore and subsequent to February 23, 1923, postponed any such mortgage foreclosure sale, the said sheriff may again postpone the sale, provided, however, that the date to which said sale is finally postponed shall be subsequent to April 30, 1933, and shall not be more than ninety days from the date upon which said sale was originally advertised to be held, and provided further, that the said sheriff shall post a notice of such final postponement at one of the entrance doors of the court house or county jail of the county where the sale was originally advertised to be held, at least three weeks prior to the date to which the said sale shall be finally postponed. (Act Mar. 2, 1933, c. 44, §2; Mar. 16, 1933, c. 90, §2.)

**9655-3. Acts legalized.**—Any postponement heretofore made by any sheriff of any such mortgage foreclosure sale, without the publication of a notice of postponement in a newspaper, is hereby validated and is hereby declared to be legal and binding in all respects. (Act Mar. 2, 1933, c. 44, §3; Mar. 16, 1933, c. 90, §3.)

Adjournment of mortgage foreclosure sale by sheriff on Feb. 27, 1933, was validated by curative provision of act of Mar. 2, 1933. Laws 1933, c. 44. *State v. Moeller*, 189M412, 249NW330.

**9655-4. Provisions separable.**—If any section or part of this act shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, the remainder of this act shall not be affected thereby. (Act Mar. 2, 1933, c. 44, §4; Mar. 16, 1933, c. 90, §4.)

**9655-5. Powers and duties of trustees in certain cases.**—Whenever a mortgage made or assigned to a trustee or trust deed on any real property or any real and personal property located in this State has been heretofore or shall hereafter be foreclosed and bid in on such foreclosure by a trustee for the holders of the bonds or notes secured by such mortgage or trust deed, or for the holders of certificates or other evidences of equitable interest, in such mortgage or trust deed, or whenever a mortgagor after the mortgage has been executed and delivered, but not before nor as a part of the mortgage transaction, conveys directly to the mortgage trustee, thereby eliminating his title, the said trustee may at any time petition the district court of the county in which such property or any portion thereof is situated for instructions in the administration of the trust. Upon the filing of such petition the court shall make an order fixing

a time and place for hearing thereof, unless hearing has been waived in writing by the beneficiaries of such trust. Notice of such hearing shall be given by publishing a copy of such order one time in a legal newspaper of such county at least twenty days before the date of such hearing, and by mailing a copy thereof to each known party in interest then in being whose address is known, at his last known address, at least ten days before the date of such hearing or in such other manner as the court shall order, and if such court shall deem further notice necessary it shall be given in such manner as may be specified in such order. Upon such hearing the court shall make such order as it deems appropriate, including an order to sell, mortgage, or lease such property or any part thereof in such manner and upon such terms as the court may prescribe. In the case of a sale, the court in its discretion may authorize the trustee to sell at private sale or may direct the sheriff of said county to offer such property for sale at public auction and sell the same to the highest bidder therefor for cash. Any sale of such property made at public auction shall be reported to the court for confirmation and confirmed by the court before the same shall become effective and valid. Notice of hearing on such confirmation shall be given to all parties in interest who have appeared in said proceedings. Upon such confirmation, the sheriff shall make, execute and deliver, subject to such terms and conditions as the court in its order of confirmation may impose, a good and sufficient instrument or instruments of conveyance, assignment and transfer. No confirmation of a private sale, mortgage or lease shall be required. The order of confirmation in the case of a sale at public auction, and the order authorizing a private sale, mortgage or lease, shall be final and conclusive as to all matters thereby determined, and shall be binding in rem upon the trust estate and upon the interests of all beneficiaries, vested or contingent, except that appeal to the Supreme Court may be taken from such order by any party in interest within thirty days from the entry thereof, by filing notice of appeal with the clerk of district court, who shall mail a copy of such notice to each adverse party who has appeared of record. (Mar. 25, 1937, c. 108, §1.)

**9655-6. Limitation of Act.**—Nothing in this act contained shall be deemed to limit or abridge the power or jurisdiction of the district court over trusts and trustees, or to limit the authority conferred upon any trustee by any mortgage, trust deed, or other instrument. (Mar. 25, 1937, c. 108, §2.)

**9655-7. Proceedings legalized.**—All actions and proceedings heretofore brought or commenced in which the procedure prescribed by this act has been followed are hereby legalized and validated and any orders made therein shall have the same force and effect as if made hereunder. (Mar. 25, 1937, c. 108, §3.)

## CHAPTER 84

### Actions by or against Personal Representatives and Heirs

#### 9656. What causes of action survive.

##### 1. Held to survive.

Rights under Wisconsin Statutes 1927, §287.01 may be enforced in Minnesota. *Chubbuck v. H.*, 182M225, 234NW314. See Dun. Dig. 14, 1530.

A right of action accruing to a party under a foreign statute will, as a matter of comity, be enforced in the courts of this state when jurisdiction can be had and justice done between the parties, if such statute be not contrary to the public policy of this state. *Chubbuck v. H.*, 182M225, 234NW314. See Dun. Dig. 14, 1530.

Action under Wisconsin Survival Statute, *Chubbuck v. M.*, 182M225, 234NW868.

A husband's cause of action for medical expenses and nursing incurred in attempting to cure his wife of the injuries negligently inflicted survives the death of the

wife and the death of the wrongdoer. *Fowle v. F.*, 184M82, 237NW846. See Dun. Dig. 14.

##### 2. Held not to survive.

Rights of parent to support under deed to child are personal and do not survive. *Gamble v. M.*, 187M640, 246NW368; *Mallick v. M.*, 189M121, 248NW723. See Dun. Dig. 2677.

Action and cause of action for malicious prosecution and false arrest ended as to a certain defendant with his death. *Hoffer v. F.*, 204M612, 244NW873. See Dun. Dig. 14.

##### 3. Cause of action arising in another state.

Jurisdiction of estate of deceased tort-feasor may be acquired by service on personal representative as in case of surviving liability for torts committed here. *Kertson v. J.*, 185M591, 242NW329. See Dun. Dig. 3669.