- SEC. 7. Finding or summary seizure. Possession of such machine gun by finding or by summary seizure shall not be deemed an offense provided the finder or person seizing immediately delivers the same to some peace officer of the county in which the gun is found.
- SEC. 8. Duty of peace officers—order. A peace officer to whom such gun is delivered shall forthwith redeliver it to the sheriff. The sheriff shall forthwith report such possession to the district court or to a judge thereof who, in vacation or term time, may enter a summary order for the destruction of such gun or such order as may be necessary in order to preserve it as evidence.
- SEC. 9. Indictment. When the state relies on prior judgments of convictions of the accused in aggravation of the punishment, such judgments shall be referred to in the indictment or information by stating the court, date, and place of rendition.
- 1 SEC. 10. Evidence. A duly authenticated copy of a judgment of 2 prior conviction of felony shall be prima facie evidence of such 3 conviction and of the finality and conclusiveness thereof.
- SEC. 11. However, this law shall not apply to any person or persons, firm, or corporation engaged or interested in the improvement, the invention, or manufacture of fire arms.
- SEC. 12. Publication clause. This act is deemed of immediate importance and shall take effect from and after its publication in two (2) newspapers of this state as provided by law.

Approved April 19, A. D. 1927.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Grinnell Herald April 22, 1927, and the Belmond Herald Press April 27, 1927.

W. C. RIAMSAY, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 235

ARSON

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AN ACT to repeal sections twelve thousand nine hundred eighty-four (12984) to twelve thousand nine hundred ninety-one (12991), inclusive, and to enact substitutes therefor; also to repeal section thirteen thousand eighty-four (13084) of the code, all relating to arson.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Sections twelve thousand nine hundred eighty-four
- 2 (12984) to twelve thousand nine hundred ninety-one (12991), in-3 clusive, of the code, are repealed and the following is enacted in lieu
- 4 thereof.
- 1 SEC. 2. Any person who wilfully and maliciously sets fire to or
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- burning of any dwelling house, kitchen, shop, barn, stable or other outhouse that is parcel thereof, or belonging to or adjoining thereto, the property of himself or of another, shall be guilty of arson, and upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to the penitentiary for not more than twenty (20) years.
 - SEC. 3. Any person who wilfully and maliciously sets fire or burns or causes to be burned or who aids, counsels or procures the burning of any barn, stable or other building, the property of himself or of another, not a parcel of a dwelling house; or any shop, storehouse, warehouse, factory, mill or other building, the property of himself or of another; or any church, meeting house, courthouse, workhouse, school, jail or other public building or any public bridge; shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to the penitentiary for not more than ten (10) years.
 - SEC. 4. Any person who wilfully and maliciously sets fire to or burns or causes to be burned, or who aids, counsels or procures the burning of any barrack, cock, crib, rick or stack of hay, corn, wheat, oats, barley or other grain or vegetable product of any kind; or any field of standing hay or grain of any kind; or any pile of coal, wood or other fuel; or any street car, railway car, boat, automobile or other motor vehicle; or any other personal property not herein specifically named, such property being the property of another person; shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to the penitentiary for not more than three (3) years, or be fined not to exceed one thousand (\$1000.00) dollars.
- SEC. 5. Any person who wilfully and maliciously and with intent to injure or defraud the insurer, sets fire to or burns or causes to be burned, or who aids, counsels or procures the burning of any goods, wares, merchandise or other chattels or personal property of any kind, the property of himself or of another, which shall at the time be insured by any person or corporation against loss or damage by fire, shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to the penitentiary for not more than five (5) years.
- SEC. 6. Any person who wilfully and maliciously attempts to set fire to, or attempts to burn or to aid, counsel or procure the burning of any of the buildings or property mentioned in the foregoing sections, shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to the penitentiary for not more than two (2) years or fined not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00).
- SEC. 7. The preceding sections of this chapter extend to a married woman who commits either of the offenses therein described, though the property burnt or set fire to may belong partly or wholly to her husband.
- 1 SEC. 8. Section thirteen thousand eighty-four (13084) of the code 2 is hereby repealed.

Approved April 18, A. D. 1927.