

Proposed Amendments to the Constitution of the State of Minnesota

Submitted by the Legislature at its General Session, 1921, to the People of Minnesota at the General 1922 Election Together with Statements of Purpose and Effect of each

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HONORABLE MIKE HOLM, Secretary of State, Capitol.

SIR: As required by section 46, General Statutes of the state of Minnesota for the year 1922, I have the honor to furnish you herewith, a statement of the purposes and effects of all amendments proposed to the constitution of the state of Minnesota by the legislature of 1921 and which are to be submitted to the electors of said state at the general election in 1922.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. ONE Chapter 528, Session Laws of Minnesota for the year 1921, proposes an amendment to section 10 of article 9 of the constitution of said state. Said section now reads as follows:

"The credit of the state shall never be given or loaned in aid of any individual, association or corporation. Nor shall there be any further issue of bonds denominated 'Minnesota state railroad bonds,' under what purports to be an amendment to section ten of article nine, of the constitution, adopted April 15, 1858, which is hereby expanded from the constitution, saving, excepting and reserving to the state, nevertheless, all rights, remedies and forfeitures accruing under said amendment."

If amended, said section will read as follows: "The credit of the state shall never be given or loaned in aid of any individual, association or corporation, except as hereinafter provided. Nor shall there be any further issue of bonds denominated 'Minnesota state railroad bonds,' under what purports to be an amendment to section 10 of article 9 of the constitution, adopted April 15, 1858, which is hereto expanded from the constitution, saving, excepting and reserving to the state, nevertheless, all rights, remedies and forfeitures accruing under said amendment. Provided, however, that for the purpose of developing the agricultural resources of the state, the state may establish and maintain a system of rural credits and thereby loan money and extend credit to the people of the state upon real estate security in such manner and upon such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by law, and to issue and negotiate bonds to provide money to be so loaned. The limit of indebtedness contained in section 5 of this article shall not apply to the provisions of this section, and the purposes for which the credit of the state or the aforesaid municipal subdivisions thereof may be given or loaned, as herein provided, are declared to be public purposes."

The PURPOSE of said amendment is to develop the agricultural resources of the state by authorizing the lending of money and credit to the people upon real estate security.

The EFFECT of said amendment, if adopted, will be to authorize the enactment of laws by the legislature for the establishment and maintenance of a system of rural credits, and to empower the legislature to provide money by the issuance and negotiation of bonds of the state to be loaned upon real estate security to the people of the state, and will be enabled to prescribe the terms and conditions upon which such money may be so loaned. The limit of indebtedness in this respect, and the state will be enabled to issue and negotiate as many bonds for this purpose as it deems advisable.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. TWO Chapter 529, Session Laws of Minnesota for the year 1921, proposes an amendment to the constitution of the state of Minnesota by adding a new section to article 9, to be known as section 1A, to read as follows:

"Every person, co-partnership, company, joint stock company, corporation, or association, however or for whatever purpose organized, engaged in the business of mining or producing iron ore or other ores in this state, shall pay to the state of Minnesota an occupation tax on the valuation of all ores mined or produced, which tax shall be in addition to all other taxes provided by law, said tax to be due and payable from such person, co-partnership, company, joint stock company, corporation or association, however or for whatever purpose organized, on May first of the calendar year next following the mining or producing thereof. The valuation of ore for the purpose of determining the amount of tax to be paid shall be ascertained in the manner and method provided by law. Funds derived from the tax herein provided for shall be apportioned: fifty per cent. to the state general revenue fund, forty per cent. to the permanent school fund and ten per cent. to the permanent university fund. The legislature shall by law make the necessary provisions for carrying out the provisions of this section."

The PURPOSE of said amendment is to direct the legislature of the state of Minnesota to impose and to keep in effect an occupation tax upon those engaged in the business of mining or producing iron ore or other ores in this state, in addition to other taxes imposed by law, at a rate, based upon the valuation of the ore produced, to be determined by the legislature and to provide for the proportionate distribution of such tax among the general revenue fund, the permanent school fund, and the permanent university fund.

The EFFECT of the amendment, if adopted, will be to direct the legislature to impose and keep in effect such a tax upon those engaged in said business; and to require that the proceeds of such taxes shall be distributed in the manner following, to-wit: fifty per cent. to the state general revenue fund, forty per cent. to the permanent school fund, and ten per cent. to the permanent university fund.

Yours respectfully, **CLIFFORD L. HILTON**, Attorney General.

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JUNIOR PIONEER ANNUAL MEETING (Concluded)

Disbursements.	
For Log Cabin:	
Herman Marks, Custodian	\$25.00
W. Rautenberg for care of flowers	2.00
C. E. Kaiser, screen doors etc.	19.95
A. G. Meile, Insurance	18.09
Ed. Baer, ridge roll	2.50
John Nun, sod	2.25
A. Baer flowers, planting	.50
L. Tistel, scrubbing	1.50
Bee Hive, Curtains	4.94
Refund Check A. Schramm	2.00
Wreaths for 11 Pioneers that passed away	33.00
J. A. Ochs for name plates	28.05
N. U. Green House, carnations for Miss June Fisher	3.00
Turnverein Hall rent, Banquet Oct. 7, 1921	10.00
Coshocton Specialty Co., Junior Pioneer buttons	25.19
A. Schlumpberger, minute book	1.00
O. Wiedenmann, postage for 1921	2.30
Balance cash in Treasury:	
Certificate of Deposit dated May 19-22	1,279.20
Cash in Bank	591.22
Total available cash on hand	1,870.42
	\$2,517.09

ST. MARY'S PLANS BIG BAZAAR FOR CHURCH

Preparations have begun under the direction of Rev. A. J. Losleben to give a grand bazaar in the basement of the new church and school of Minnesota street, now under construction. This bazaar will take place Nov. 23, 25th and 26th.

At a meeting of the Altar Society last Friday the following committees were appointed to supervise the various sewing departments: Mrs. J. M. Meyer and Mrs. Theresa Schaefer, infants' garments; Mrs. Frank Koel and Mrs. Joseph Epple, Children's garments of all sizes; Mrs. Wm. Siebert and Mrs. Zschunke, Ladies garments; Mrs. H. Walters and Mrs. Otto English, fancy work of all descriptions; Mrs. Jno. Schneider and Mrs. F. Schnobrich, Quilts and Mrs. Leitschuh, Fabric dolls. Great enthusiasm prevails among the ladies of the St. Mary's Altar Society.

Last Sunday the young ladies St. Rose of Lima Sodality in a meeting appointed the following committees to take charge of the various booths during the bazaar: Post office and Parcel Post Booth, the Misses Rose Epple, (chairman) Mildred Epple, Blanche Huelskamp, Lucy Schneider, Myra Seifert and Victoria Knotz, Ice Cream and home made candy booth, the Misses Margaret Esser (chairman), Irene Ochs, Adeline Ritschel, Jocelyn Zschunke, Marie Baier, and Gretchen Zschunke, Fish Pond, the Misses Molly Hollenbeck, Viola Scheman, Sophie Dorn, Elsie Schnobrich, Lucile Schnobrich, Lorene Leist, Clara Grunet and Helen Lempke, Novelty Booth, Aurelia Schneider (chairman) Angela Floetl, Loretta Schaefer, Bernice Ernesterhoff, Celestine Ernesterhoff, Freda Dauer and Viola Groebner.

Besides these committees there are six girls running for a prize contest for the benefit of St. Mary's church. The contestants are the Misses Mary Baier, Freda Dauer, Adeline Ritschel, Gretchen Zschunke, Olea Schuler and Florence Eichten. The young lady having the largest number of votes at the close of the contest, Nov. 16th will be entitled to a diamond ring, donated by Jeweler J. M. Meyer. The second highest number of votes wins a gold wrist watch, donated by Jeweler H. O. Schleuder and the 3rd, highest will get a pearl necklace from Jeweler C. G. Reim. A spirited enthusiasm prevails among the contestants; and many guesses are being made as to who will succeed.

M. & ST. L. CAR JUMPS THE TRACK.

The Minneapolis & St. Louis train on its way from Minneapolis to New Ulm, October 4, was delayed for two hours four miles out of Winthrop by the forward truck of the tank car jumping the tracks. The train arrived at New Ulm at 10:55 p. m. in place of 8:55 p. m.

When the accident happened the train was going at 25 miles an hour but Engineer Joe Arseth brought it to a quick stop. The fifteen passengers on the train amused themselves by walking back and forth from their coach to the tank car where the train crews were at work with their frogs trying to get the truck in place.

Conductor George Bigelow reported that it was the first accident on the M. & St. L. for several months and was caused by a soggy track bed.

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JUNIOR PIONEER BANQUET (Concluded)

versary Celebration with the assistance of the citizens in general. The speaker went into detail somewhat with regard to the celebration, telling the members how great a success it had been financially and in other respects. He showed that the financial returns after paying all expenses would leave a balance of almost \$1500 to go into the treasury of the organization, thus swelling their funds to \$3000. He then discussed the use to which this money should be put. He recalled to the minds of the members the aims of the Junior Pioneers, one of which is to beautify and help to build up the city. He suggested that a very good way to do this would be to secure some portion of the natural beauties surrounding the city and create a permanent park and said that a number of members had in mind the Marscher Mills property with its wonderful springs. Mr. Steinhauser then took occasion to announce his retirement from the presidency of the Junior Pioneers, saying that he felt ten years of service deserved a chance to pass on the work to some one else.

After the President's talk, Toastmaster Graff called upon Mrs. Michaels a daughter of A. C. Ochs of Springfield, for a musical number. Mrs. Michaels sang: "On The Adrian Sea," accompanied by Miss Irene Forster on the violin and Miss Florence Baer on the piano.

The next speaker was Jacob Klossner, Jr., who recalled in humorous vein, events of the early days when he came here with his parents as a mere boy. He was followed by a mandolin and piano duet by Mrs. Clifton Smith and Miss Florence Baer.

Miss Marguerite Vogel gave two readings, "Convalescent" and "Black and White" next before the toastmaster called on A. C. Ochs of Springfield. Mr. Ochs declared he was totally unprepared to make a speech but he nevertheless made a few remarks on life in general and the necessity of doing something kindly to lighten the burden for others before it is forever too late.

Messages were received from Chas. and Hugo Roos, bearing congratulations and good wishes for the Junior Pioneers. The latter sent an extract from the books of the "New Ulm Pioneer", first newspaper published here which was an interesting commentary on the times. Mr. Graff read Mr. Roos' contribution which was as follows:

The New Ulm Pioneer, the first number of which appeared on January 1, 1858, and which was published weekly thereafter until in August 1862, was an active factor in the early development of Minnesota. Besides keeping the pioneers informed as to the happenings in the outside world and in the local field, it served as a means of carrying information as to the opportunities of the new territory to the residents of many other states and also to the foreign element, especially German, which was coming to America.

This publication had a wide distribution due to the plan under which the town of New Ulm was founded and also to the activity of the publishers in the solicitation of subscriptions and in their liberal exchange with other publications.

The subscription record of the Pioneer for the first three years of its existence, shows that the paper circulated in 25 of the territories. The publication had a number of agents to whom copies were sent each week for sale. The distribution of the paper was as follows:

Subscription in United States outside of Minnesota	448
Subscriptions in Germany	6
Subscriptions in Minnesota, outside of New Ulm	129
Subscriptions in New Ulm	240
Agents' sales (203 to 340 weekly) average at	270
Paid distribution	1093
Newspaper exchanges outside of Minnesota	109
Newspaper exchanges in Minnesota	21
Estimated weekly circulation	1220

The cash book kept by the publishers shows that the first receipts were as follows:

Jan. 1, 1858.	
Peter Mack, 1-2 year subscription	\$1.00
Louis Schilling, 1-2 year sub.	1.00
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Sommer, 1-2 year sub.	1.00
Ph. Lattner, 1-2 year sub.	1.00
A. Kopitz, 1-2 year sub.	1.00
Anton Zieher, 1-2 year sub.	1.00
John Wiedenmann, 1-2 year sub.	1.00
Albrecht, 1-2 year sub.	1.00
Chas. Lattner, Pittsburgh, 1-2 year sub.	1.00
Christian Schaefer, 1-2 year sub.	1.00
Ernst Brandt, 1-2 year sub.	1.00

having received \$1 for a load of wood, evidently another subscription exchange.

The New Ulm Pioneer was published by L. Naegele and E. Gerstenhauer, who had been assured a certain financial guarantee by a committee consisting of Wm. Pfander, Aug. K. Wagner, H. Kattmann and Chas. Koehne, representing the Anstiedlungs Verein des Sozialen Turnerbund. The first editor of the paper was "Kompe".

The program was concluded with another musical number by Miss Frances Krook, who sang "Ye Birds Without Number," in Italian, with Victor accompaniment. The members of the organization then sang "Home, Sweet, Home," under the direction of A. J. Alwin and accompanied by Gould's Orchestra which had furnished the music during the service of the banquet.

The Tenth Annual banquet will go down in the history of the society as one of the most enjoyable ever held, altho touched with sadness because of the absence of those who had been familiar figures at former events.

POULTRY RAISERS ATTENTION! Willie Lawson, county agent, announces that there will be a poultry demonstration at the P. P. Manderfeld farm Saturday morning. All who are interested in selecting the laying hens from non-laying variety are invited to attend.

Miss Emma Kamrath returned on Saturday from a week's visit in the Twin Cities and also at Hampton, Iowa, where she visited several days with her sister Miss Edith, who is a trained nurse at a hospital there.

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