

present method of fixing standards of grain is inequitable and unfair to the farmers of this state, and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ladd has proven that in order to constitute an adequate and a fair standard, the milling and baking tests of grain must be primarily considered,

*Therefore be it Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota, the Senate Concurring Therein:*

That we, the members of the 15th Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota hereby respectfully petition the Hon. David F. Huston, Secretary of Agriculture, and the honorable members of the Federal Commission to carefully consider the findings of Dr. E. F. Ladd and in their determination of the standards for the grading of grain to base the standards of quality thereof primarily on the milling and baking tests.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be instructed to send a copy of these resolutions to the President of the United States, to the Hon. David F. Huston, Secretary of Agriculture, to the Chairman of the Federal Commission authorized to fix grain standards, and to each of our senators and representatives in congress, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we urge our representatives and senators in congress to use their efforts and influence to bring about a more equitable method of grading grain along the lines suggested in these resolutions.

Approved February 14, 1917.

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## CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

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### CHAPTER 89.

[S. B. No. 13—Lindstrom.]

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#### A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

For an Amendment to the Constitution Providing for the Elective Franchise.

*Be it Resolved by the Senate of the State of North Dakota, the House of Representatives Concurring:*

That the following proposed amendment to Section 121 of Article 5 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota be referred to the Legislative Assembly to be chosen at the next general election in said State be published, and upon agreement by the Legislature so chosen next, as aforesaid, to be by said last mentioned Legislative Assembly submitted to the qualified electors of the State for approval or rejection at the general election in the year 1920 in accordance with the provisions of Section 202 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota.

AMENDMENT. That Section 121 of Article 5, of the Constitution of North Dakota, as amended by Article 2 of the Amendment to

the said constitution shall be and is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

§ 121.] Every person of the age of twenty-one years or upwards, belonging to either of the following classes, who shall have resided in the state one year and in the county 90 days and in the precinct 30 days next preceding any election shall be a qualified elector at such election. First, Citizens of the United States; Second, Civilized persons of Indian descent who shall have severed their tribal relations two years next preceding such election.

Approved January 23, 1917.

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## CHAPTER 90.

[S. B. No. 131—Cahill.]

### A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

For an Amendment to the Constitution of the State of North Dakota, Relating to the Voting Privileges of Members of Co-operative Corporations.

*Be it Resolved by the Senate of the State of North Dakota, the House of Representatives Concurring Therein:*

That the following proposed amendment to Article 7 of Section 135 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota, adopted by the 14th Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota, and by it referred to the 15th Legislative Assembly of said state, is hereby agreed to, and said amendment shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state at the next general election for approval or rejection in accordance with the provisions of section 202 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota.

AMENDMENT.] That Article VII, of Section 135, of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota, be amended to read as follows:

In all elections for directors or managers of a corporation, each member or shareholder may cast the whole number of his votes for one candidate, or distribute them upon two or more candidates, as he may prefer, provided, any co-operative corporation may adopt by-laws limiting the voting power of its stockholders.

Approved March 9, 1917.

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## CHAPTER 91.

[S. B. No. 2—Thoreson.]

### A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

Amending the State Constitution of the State of North Dakota.

*Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of North Dakota, the House of Representatives Concurring Therein:*

That the following amendment to the Constitution of the State of North Dakota, adopted by the 14th Legislative Assembly

and by it referred to the 15th Legislative Assembly for approval or rejection, is hereby agreed to, and such amendment shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the state at the next general election of the state for approval or rejection in accordance with the provisions of Section 202 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota.

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] That the Constitution of the State of North Dakota be amended by adding the following section:

The legislative assembly may by law provide for the levy of a tax upon such lands as may be provided by law of the state for the purpose of creating a fund to insure the owners of growing crops against losses by hail; provided, that such tax shall not affect the tax of four mills levied by the Constitution. The legislative assembly may classify such lands of the state as may be provided by law, and divide the state into districts on such basis as shall seem just and necessary, and may vary the tax rates in such districts in accordance with the risk, in order to secure an equitable distribution of the burden of such tax among the owners of such land as may be provided by law.

Approved March 8, 1917.

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## CHAPTER 92.

[S. B. No. 42—Hamilton.]

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### A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION.

Amending the Constitution of the State of North Dakota, Relating to the Taxes of Improvements on Land.

*Be it Resolved by the Senate of the State of North Dakota, the House of Representatives Concurring:*

That the following proposed amendment to Section 177 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota be referred to the Legislative Assembly to be chosen at the next general election in said state, to be by the said last mentioned Legislative Assembly submitted to the qualified electors for approval or rejection in accordance with the provisions of Section 202 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota.

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] Article 11 of Section 177 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

§ 177. All improvements on land shall be assessed in accordance with Section 179 and the amendments thereto, but the Legislative Assembly shall have the power to exempt from taxation any and all improvements on farm property.

Approved February 14, 1917.

## CHAPTER 93.

[H. B. No. 366—Hendrickson.]

## SUPREME COURT

## A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Amending the State Constitution of the State of North Dakota.

*Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota, the Senate Concurring:*

That the following amendment to the Constitution of the State of North Dakota be agreed to and referred to the Fifteenth Legislative Assembly of the state for approval, to be by the last named Legislative Assembly submitted to the qualified electors of the state for approval or rejection in accordance with the provisions of Section 202 of the Constitution of said state.

AMENDMENT.] That Section 89 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota as amended be now amended so as to read as follows:

§ 89.] The Supreme Court shall consist of five judges, a majority of whom shall be necessary to form a quorum or pronounce a decision, but one or more of said judges may adjourn the court from day to day or to a day certain, provided, however, that in no case shall any legislative enactment or law of the state of North Dakota be declared unconstitutional unless at least four of the judges shall so decide.

Approved March 12, 1917.

## CHAPTER 94.

[H. B. No. 165—Lathrop.]

## INVESTMENT OF SCHOOL FUNDS

## A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Amending the Constitution of the State of North Dakota, Relating to the Investment of School Funds.

*Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota, the Senate Concurring:*

That the following amendment to the Constitution of the State of North Dakota be agreed to and referred to the Legislative Assembly to be chosen at the next general election, and, if approved, to be by them submitted to the qualified electors of the State for approval or rejection in accordance with Section 202 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota.

AMENDMENT.] That Section 162 of the Constitution of the State of North Dakota, (as amended by Article VIII of amendments to said Constitution), be now amended so as to read as follows:

§ 162. The moneys of the permanent school fund and other educational funds shall be invested only in bonds of school corporations or of counties, or of townships, or of municipalities within the state, bonds issued for the construction of drains under authority of law within the state, bonds of the United States, bonds of the state of North Dakota, or on first mortgages on farm lands in this state, not exceeding in amount one half of the actual value of any subdivision on which the same may be loaned such value to be determined by the board of appraisal of school lands.

Approved March 12, 1917.

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## CO-OPERATIVE COMPANIES

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### CHAPTER 95.

[S. B. No. 63—Cahill.]

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#### CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATIONS.

An Act to Amend and Re-enact Section 4606 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for the year 1913, Relating to the Capital Stock of Co-operative Associations.

*Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:*

§ 1. That Section 4606 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for the year 1913 be amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

§ 4606. CAPITAL. LIMIT OF INTEREST. SHARES.] The amount of capital stock shall be fixed by the articles of incorporation, which amount and the number of shares may be increased or diminished at a stockholders' meeting specially called for that purpose. Within thirty days after the adoption of an amendment increasing or diminishing its capital, it shall cause the vote so adopting it, together with a record of the minutes of said meeting, to be filed for record in the office of the secretary of state with its original certificate. No share will be issued for less than its par value, and no member shall own shares of greater par value than one thousand dollars, or be entitled to more than one vote. It may commence business whenever thirty per cent of the stock has been subscribed for and paid in, but no certificate of shares shall be issued to any person until the full amount thereof has been paid in cash, and no person shall become a shareholder therein except by consent of the managers.

§ 2. REPEAL.] All acts and parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

Approved March 9, 1917.