
RESOLUTIONS

House Resolution No. G
(Dalzell and Seibel)

**APPRECIATION TO U. S. ARMY ENGINEERS AND FEDERAL
WORKS AGENCY FOR EMERGENCY AID**

A resolution of appreciation for the efforts of the Corps of Army Engineers and the Federal Works Agency during present emergency conditions in North Dakota and urging the continuation of emergency aid until assurance of the termination of emergency conditions in the more remote localities is received.

WHEREAS, emergency storm conditions in North Dakota have endangered life and property and caused widespread suffering, and

WHEREAS, the extent of the emergency has exceeded the scope and resources of local agencies, and

WHEREAS, the efforts and assistance of the Corps of Army Engineers and the Federal Works Agency have been of immense service in alleviating suffering and are vitally necessary, and

WHEREAS, the greatest need exists in the more remote sections where outside contact even by radio may have terminated,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the state of North Dakota that we hereby commend and express our appreciation of the valuable services rendered by the Corps of Army Engineers and the Federal Works Agency and urge that aid be continued in each county as may be necessary, that aid be not discontinued in any county until certain assurance has been received that emergency conditions no longer exist in any part of such county, and that other counties not presently recognized as in the emergency zone be added if found necessary,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be transmitted by the Clerk of the House of Representatives to General Pick, Army Engineers, Omaha, Nebraska; Colonel Seybold, Army Engineers, Fort Lincoln, North Dakota; Major General Fleming, Federal Works Administration, Washington 25, D. C.; and to Honorable Fred G. Aandahl, Governor of North Dakota.

Filed February 25, 1949.

Senate Resolution 3
(Olson of Mountrail and Bilden)

CORPS OF ARMY ENGINEERS AND FEDERAL WORKS AGENCY
AID DURING PRESENT EMERGENCY

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Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, by the Senate of the State of North Dakota:

That we hereby commend and express our appreciation of the valuable services rendered by the Corps of Army Engineers and the Federal Works Agency and urge that aid be continued in each county as may be necessary, that aid be not discontinued in any county until certain assurance has been received that emergency conditions no longer exist in any part of such county, and that other counties not presently recognized as in the emergency zone be added, if found necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to General Pick, Army Engineers, Omaha, Nebraska, Colonel Seybold, Army Engineers, Fort Lincoln, North Dakota, Major General Fleming, Federal Works Administration, Washington 25, D. C., and to Honorable Fred G. Aandahl, Governor of North Dakota.

Filed March 1, 1949.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. O
(Shure, Spiekermeier, Nordhaugen, Pyle, Flatt, and Bjorie)

THIRTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LITTLE COUNTRY
THEATER

A concurrent resolution relating to the Little Country Theater and congratulating Alfred G. Arvold, the founder, on the forthcoming thirty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Little Country Theater.

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

Some 42 years ago Alfred G. Arvold became a member of the faculty of the North Dakota Agricultural College and he has continued to serve in that capacity ever since. He has always been interested in the drama and as a student in the University of Wisconsin he took active part in dramatic societies and participated actively in a number of the productions that had been staged by them. While he was engaged in these activities he became impressed with the desirability of such activities not only as a part of a course of study, but as a course in human relations and in citizenship. He then conceived the idea that there ought to be established in the state an organization or institution which, although centered in and affiliated with, or part of, an educational institution would serve every community and neighborhood in the state that might be interested in staging home talent plays and pageants or ceremonies commemorating historic events whether of a national, state, or local character. As he worked with the young men and women with whom he came in contact as a teacher in the North Dakota Agricultural College and came to know the state and the people in the various communities he felt that his idea might and ought to be put into practical operation. So, on February 10, 1914, The Little Country Theater was established. It has been said that every great institution is the lengthening shadow of some individual who dreamed a dream and had the capacity and courage to make the dream come true. That is true of The Little Country Theater. The Little Country Theater has continued to grow in service and influence. It has brought pleasure and happiness to hundreds of thousands who have been touched by its invisible hands. It has been a constant demonstration of democracy in action. In The Little Country Theater tolerance is not a mere catch word, it is a reality. Young men and women of every race and creed from every walk of life, not only from different communities in this state but from distant states and foreign countries have worked and played together, and shared in the joy and satisfaction that comes from the performance of creative work. The Little Country Theater has become known

not only throughout this land, it has attracted the attention of persons throughout the world who are interested in and concerned with the building of community life.

The establishment of The Little Country Theater did not involve an appropriation for the construction of a building. Rooms then in existence, some in disuse, were utilized. Thus, an unused attic was put to use first as a workshop and later, also, as a museum of the Theater. This is called the Lincoln Cabin. On its walls are over a hundred pictures depicting scenes in the life of Lincoln. Over the fireplace is inscribed the motto, "Let us have faith that right makes might." Many of the permanent improvements in the structure of The Little Country Theater and the Lincoln Cabin were made by the willing hands of those who participated in plays in the Theater. On the north wall of the auditorium are three beautiful stained glass windows, one of these was given to the Theater by five thousand 4-II boys and girls, another of the windows was a gift of the alumni who had participated in plays in the Theater. Most of the properties were paid for by contributions from student groups or with monies received for admissions to plays. A large library has been built up containing not only a large number of books but original manuscripts of plays and pageants, many of them written by North Dakotans. There are on file some 50,000 letters. Many of these relate to happenings and historical events in the different communities of the State.

Mystic chords of memory stretch from The Little Country Theater to the hearts of tens of thousands of the sons and daughters of this state, especially those who as students had a part in the building of the institution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we the members of the Thirty-First Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota do hereby extend to Alfred G. Arvold our sincere and heartfelt congratulations on the forthcoming Thirty-Fifth Anniversary of The Little Country Theater; and that we express to him our appreciation and gratitude for the great service he has rendered above and beyond the call of duty.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we the members of the Thirty-First Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota believe The Little Country Theater should be maintained throughout the years to come as an indispensable part of the North Dakota Agricultural College; and that the quarters in which the activities of the Little Country Theater have been carried on, and the properties that have been acquired for the carrying on of such activities should be considered as reserved for and dedicated to the use of The Little Country Theater; and that we recommend that the Board of Higher Education take such steps as may be necessary to safeguard the priceless material that has been

gathered by Alfred G. Arvold, to the end that the same may be available throughout the years to come as working tools of The Little Country Theater.

Filed February 5, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution Q
(Maher, Moerke, Zurcher, Schwartz, Mollet)

LOANS FROM BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA TO SOIL
CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

A concurrent resolution recommending that the industrial commission adopt rules and regulations for the loaning of money by the Bank of North Dakota to soil conservation districts.

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

WHEREAS, soil conservation districts organized under the laws of the state of North Dakota are governmental subdivisions of the state under and by virtue of section 4-2113 of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943, and

WHEREAS, the Bank of North Dakota is among other things authorized to make loans to political subdivisions of the state but has not in the past made loans to soil conservation districts, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that soil conservation districts have a source of credit for the purpose of purchasing heavy equipment and machinery to be used in installing soil conservation practices and enable the soil conservation districts of the state of North Dakota to take advantage of the federal legislation concerning soil building practices and appropriations in connection therewith,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the state of North Dakota, the Senate concurring therein that the industrial commission of the state of North Dakota make such necessary rules and regulations as they deem desirable so that credit may be obtained by the soil conservation districts and so that loans may be secured through the bank of North Dakota for the purpose of purchasing heavy equipment and machinery to be used in installing soil conservation practices.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the members of the North Dakota industrial commission and the manager of the bank of North Dakota by the secretary of state.

Filed March 5, 1949.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. D
(Rue, Bridston, Braun and Shure)

EXPANSION VETERANS' LOAN PROGRAM

A Concurrent Resolution directing the industrial commission and the bank of North Dakota to expand the veterans' loan program.

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

WHEREAS, the thirtieth legislative assembly of the state of North Dakota, 1947, enacted chapter 113 of the 1947 Supplement to the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943, and

WHEREAS, there are many communities and localities in the state of North Dakota that do not have banks, trust companies, savings and loan associations or other institutions from which veterans may procure loans and advances of credit, insured or guaranteed in part or in full by the United States or any instrumentality thereof, and

WHEREAS, there are veterans in these communities and localities who are desirous of procuring loans and advances of credit, insured or guaranteed in part or in full by the United States or any instrumentality thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the members of the thirty-first legislative assembly of the state of North Dakota, do hereby direct the industrial commission and the officers of the bank of North Dakota to expand the operations of the bank in the making of loans and advances of credit, insured or guaranteed in part or in full by the United States or any instrumentality thereof, within recognized credit practices and standard loan procedures to veterans desiring the same, it being the intent, sense and thought of this resolution to procure through the industrial commission and the bank of North Dakota further service thereof to veterans through the making of loans insured by or guaranteed in part or in full by the United States or any instrumentality thereof. It is further the thought of the members of the thirty-first legislative assembly of the state of North Dakota that it would be beneficial to all veterans of the state of North Dakota, if the bank of North Dakota could render further service contemplated by the law hereinbefore mentioned where such loans are not locally available.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the governor, the industrial commission, and the manager of the bank of North Dakota by the secretary of the Senate.

Filed February 7, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution No. A
(Haugland, Lillehaugen, Hofstrand, Gumeringer, Siverson, Allen,
Bubel, Bymers, Rudolf, Culver, Stormon of Ramsey and Brickner)

MAINTENANCE OF ONE HUNDRED PERCENT PARITY
ON BASIC FARM CROPS

A concurrent resolution petitioning congress to enact permanent legislation to maintain a floor of not less than one hundred percent of parity on all basic farm crops.

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

WHEREAS, it must be self-evident that if we are to avoid lower living standards and if this national debt is to serviced and paid, it must be through the production of new wealth from the natural resources of the United States, and

WE THEREFORE RECOMMEND, that the eighty-first congress enact legislation in 1949 which will first provide a new parity formula which is fair to farmers and to the consumers of the nation. We recommend that support prices be established pursuant to this fair parity formula under which farmers shall be assured not of fractional parity but of one hundred percent of the parity prices. These prices should be consistent with the objective of abundant production. We believe that in the new legislation, account should be taken where they have an opportunity for decent living standards, including adequate health protection, good housing and better educational opportunities for farm children,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the state of North Dakota, the senate concurring therein, that we hereby petition congress to pass permanent legislation to maintain a floor of not less than one hundred percent of parity on all basic farm crops, to protect such floor prices with commodity loans of like amount and to prescribe such import duties, excise taxes, or quotas on competitive imports as may be needed to maintain these price levels and our national income and to equalize the differential between the dollar value of our production and that of foreign countries,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution properly authenticated be forwarded by the secretary of state to the presiding officer of each house of the national congress and to each of the United States senators and representatives from North Dakota, and the department of agriculture and labor at Washington, D. C.

Filed February 3, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution Z
(Bentz, Fristad, Haugen of McLean, Skaar, Link, Hofstrand, Hafner)

SHARING OF BONDED INDEBTEDNESS BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WHEN ASSESSED VALUATION REDUCED BY U. S. LAND ACQUISITION

A concurrent resolution memorializing and petitioning the Congress of the United States to enact legislation providing for the assumption of a proportionate share of the bonded indebtedness of local units of government when the assessed taxable valuation in such units of government is reduced through acquisition of land by the United States.

WHEREAS, the removal of land from the tax rolls through acquisition by the United States of America dislocates the economy of local governmental units and imposes an increased burden on the remaining property, and

WHEREAS, the bonded indebtedness of local governmental units where land is so acquired in substantial quantities and removal from local tax rolls, frequently is excessive for the remaining taxable property to bear, and

WHEREAS, the existence of local units of government is jeopardized by the imposition of such excessive burdens of taxation and indebtedness,

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, by the House of Representatives of the States of North Dakota, the Senate concurring therein:

That we do hereby memorialize and petition the congress of the United States to enact legislation providing and requiring that when ten percent or more of the taxable property in any local taxing unit is removed from the tax rolls by acquisition by the United States of America or any agency thereof, a percentage of the bonded indebtedness of such taxing unit, equal to the percentage of the taxable valuation removed by such acquisition, will be assumed by the United States of America or the acquiring agency.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution, properly authenticated, be transmitted by the secretary of state to the presiding officers of each house of the congress of the United States and to the members of the North Dakota delegation in congress.

Filed March 5, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution M
(Langseth)

OPPOSITION TO CERTAIN COMIC BOOKS

A concurrent resolution in regard to the sale of certain comic books.

WHEREAS, it has come to our attention that certain comic books containing stories of bloodshed, lust, and crime and having pictures and illustrations therein of an obscene, salacious, and lustful character are being sold to children within the state of North Dakota, and

WHEREAS, such sales and displays for sale is detrimental to the morals of young people and may contribute to the delinquency of minors,

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota, the Senate concurring therein:

That the thirty-first legislative assembly go on record as opposed to such sale and display of obscene comic books and that section 12-2107 of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943 be enforced by the states attorneys, sheriffs, and peace officers of this state, and the attorney general of the state is hereby directed to lead a concerted drive for the enforcement of this law for the sake of our citizens of tomorrow.

Filed March 5, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution No. K
(Esterby, Leier, Rolfsrud, Moerke, Seibel, Monson, Schwartz)

ADEQUATE APPROPRIATIONS FOR FARMERS HOME
ADMINISTRATION

A concurrent resolution petitioning congress to continue adequate appropriations to the Farmers Home Administration.

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

WHEREAS, the members of the thirty-first legislative assembly of the state of North Dakota, mindful of the service performed by the Farmers Home Administration, in the rehabilitation of farmers upon the soil, and being cognizant that only through this agency has credit been available to many of the farmers of the state, and recognizing that the continuation of this agency is in the interests of all of the people,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the state of North Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that we memorialize, petition and urge congress to continue the Farmers Home Administration, and to make adequate appropriations therefor,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent by the Secretary of State to the Secretary of Agriculture and Labor, Farmers Home Administration, President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives and to North Dakota's delegation in Congress.

Filed February 25, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution S

(Halcrow, Dalzell, Anderson of Cass, Brickner, Luick, McInnes, Saumur, Callahan, Einarson, Collette and Allen)

FEDERAL GRANTS IN AID TO N. D. COUNTIES IN RED RIVER VALLEY FOR FLOOD CONTROL PROJECTS

A concurrent resolution memorializing and requesting Congress to appropriate, and to make available, funds in the form of grants in aid to the counties of the state of North Dakota situated in the Red River Valley for constructing works for the prevention of floods and for drains adequate for the drainage of farm lands periodically flooded by waters of melting snows in the spring, and by heavy rains in the summer, of each year.

WHEREAS, extensive areas of fertile farm lands in the counties of North Dakota located in the Red River Valley are flooded by the waters of melting snows in the spring and by heavy rains in the summer of each year, delaying, and often making impossible, the planting or harvesting of crops on these lands, and

WHEREAS, these flooded lands are very productive and produce a great amount of food when crops can be planted and harvested thereon, and

WHEREAS, the losses sustained are a serious depletion of the national economy, amounting in the aggregate to millions of dollars, and

WHEREAS, the cost of construction of works for the prevention of such floods and the construction of drains sufficient for the drainage of those lands is far beyond the financial ability of land owners to pay, and

WHEREAS, the counties affected, and the state of North Dakota, are unable to furnish the financial assistance required,

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, by the House of Representatives of the thirty-first legislative assembly of the state of North Dakota, the Senate concurring therein:

That the congress of the United States be and is hereby urgently requested to appropriate not less than two million dollars to provide grants in aid to the counties of North Dakota, situated in the Red River Valley to enable said counties to construct works for the prevention of floods and facilities for the adequate drainage of farm lands.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be mailed by the secretary of state to the president of the United States, to the vice president, as the presiding officer of the United States senate, to the speaker of the house of representatives, and to each of our senators and representatives in congress.

Filed March 5, 1949.

Senate Concurrent Resolution R
(Mehlhoff, by unanimous consent of Senate)

N. D. MATERIAL FOR GARRISON DAM AND OTHER PROJECTS

A concurrent resolution urging the use of North Dakota material in the construction of the Garrison Dam and other projects.

WHEREAS, the construction of the Garrison Dam and other projects in North Dakota by the Bureau of Reclamation and the Corps of Engineers of the United States Army, will involve the use of large quantities of gravel, sand and other materials available in North Dakota, and

WHEREAS, by tests performed in Logan County in July, 1948, it was found that the gravel and sand of this region are satisfactory for such use, and

WHEREAS, large quantities of such gravel, sand and other materials exist in this state, and the use of such local material will result in a monetary saving in the construction of the Garrison Dam and other projects,

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, by the Senate of the State of North Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein:

That the use of such native North Dakota material is urged and recommended,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State send copies of this resolution to the Chief of Army Engineers, Washington, D. C.; Division Office, Corps of Army Engineers, Omaha,

Nebraska; The District Engineer, Corps of Army Engineers, Fort Lincoln, North Dakota; the Commissioner of Reclamation, Department of the Interior, Washington, D. C.; Regional Director of the Bureau of Reclamation, Billings, Montana; District Manager, Bureau of Reclamation, Bismarck, North Dakota; and to the North Dakota delegation in the Congress of the United States.

Filed March 4, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution L

(Hafner, Bentz, Mollet, Thompson (McLean), Moerke, Haugen (McLean), Rolfsrud, Esterby, Link, Sailer)

INVESTIGATION OF U. S. ARMY ENGINEERS POLICY, PROCEDURE, ETC., IN ACQUISITION AND LEASING OF LANDS FOR GARRISON DAM RESERVOIR

A concurrent resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States to investigate the procedure, amount of compensation paid, and policies of the U. S. Army Engineers in acquiring and leasing lands for the Garrison Dam Reservoir.

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

WHEREAS, numerous and continued complaints have been made by land owners and organizations of land owners affected by the taking and renting of lands for the Garrison Dam Reservoir of certain procedures and policies of the United States Army Corps of Engineers in connection therewith, and particularly to the following:

1. That representatives of the government have persuaded some farmers to sell their land at less than fair and reasonable prices, when they were not fully aware of their rights, and in some cases where they thought it would be useless to resist the government, not knowing or realizing that land of equal or less value would be purchased for higher prices where the owner was better able to represent his own interests..
2. That the result of litigation has now proved that some land was purchased too cheaply, with the result that those who sold voluntarily and without causing the government any expense have been discriminated against.
3. That the government did not sufficiently take into account the hardship visited upon families required to relocate, where they had struggled for two or more generations to build a home which could not in any case be duplicated,

and which consisted in many cases of buildings and improvements invaluable to the owner but of no value to the government.

4. That the difficulty and expense of relocation was not in all cases given fair consideration.
5. That persons were forced to sell their property and in many cases thus exposed to income tax liability which they should not under the circumstances be required to suffer.
6. That an unreasonable policy with respect to renting land to former owners during a delayed period before the land is flooded has worked an unnecessary hardship.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the House of Representatives of the state of North Dakota, the senate concurring therein, that the congress of the United States be urged to investigate the procedure and policies of the United States Army Engineers by means of a suitable committee or otherwise, as it may deem best, to determine whether such criticisms are just, and if so, to take the necessary steps to compensate persons equitably entitled even though there may no longer be legal liability so to do; to pay additional sums to those who voluntarily accepted less than fair prices; to reconsider the equities of those injured through force of circumstances in the difficulties of relocation; and to establish fair and equitable rules for dealing with tenants.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be sent to the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives of the congress of the United States, and to each of the United States senators and representatives in congress of the state of North Dakota.

Filed March 5, 1949.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. I
(Stucke and Albers)

MAINTENANCE OF GOVERNMENT BY U. S. IN GARRISON
DAM AREA

A concurrent resolution memorializing Congress to enact legislation providing for the maintenance of the government of the Garrison Dam area.

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

WHEREAS, by reason of the Missouri River improvement program now being carried on in North Dakota, unusual situations

have developed in counties where a large influx of itinerant people are gathered during the construction period; and

WHEREAS, the United States has acquired title to lands to be used in this development and approximately 100,000 acres of land are being taken off the tax lists and are now being rented back to individuals for agricultural purposes, thus maintaining social and governmental responsibilities, such situation creates an unusual hardship on local government;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, that the Congress of the United States be asked to direct by proper legislation the United States officers in charge that, wherever they operate for profit lands taken off the tax lists, they assume full responsibility for maintaining government in such area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State of North Dakota send copies of this resolution to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives in Congress for incorporation in the Congressional Record and to the Senators and Representatives of this state.

Filed March 3, 1949.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. P
(Albers, Bjorlie)

GUADALCANAL DAY

A concurrent resolution declaring October 13th Guadalcanal Day in recognition of the 164th Infantry, North Dakota National Guard Unit.

WHEREAS, the battle for the island of Guadalcanal in World War II marked the turning point of the land war in the Pacific area, and

WHEREAS, the 164th Infantry, North Dakota national guard unit, landed on such island on October 13, 1942 and played a major role in the battle for the island, and

WHEREAS, many of the finest young men from North Dakota were lost in the battle for that island,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the senate of the state of North Dakota, the house of representatives concurring therein that in recognition of the heroic efforts made by the living and the sacrifices made by the dead, the anniversary of the 164th infantry's landing on that island, October 13th, be declared "Guadalcanal Day" and that the governor proclaim the same each year, for such fitting observance as the people of each community shall deem appropriate.

Filed February 7, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution No. C

(Haugland, Link, Rolfsrud, Moerke, Graham, Bentz, Snow, Weldon
Haugen, McInnes, Langley, Klefstad, Holand, Bymers, Homelvig,
Schade, R. Thompson, Lillehaugen, Hofstrand and Fuglestad)

INCREASE IN FEDERAL PARTICIPATION IN HOSPITAL
CONSTRUCTION

A concurrent resolution memorializing the congress of the United States to increase the share of federal participation and increase the annual appropriation under Public Law 725.

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

WHEREAS, hospital construction costs have continued to rise to a point where it has become increasingly difficult for communities in North Dakota to finance hospital construction, and

WHEREAS, many of the communities in the areas of greatest need for hospital facilities find it impossible to meet the financial burden even with the present thirty-three and one-third percent of federal participation for approved projects under Public Law 725, and

WHEREAS, this condition tends to defeat one of the primary purposes of Public Law 725, which is to give special consideration to hospitals serving rural communities and areas with relatively small financial resources, and

WHEREAS, the federal government in several grant-in-aid programs pays fifty percent and in some cases one hundred percent of the cost, and

WHEREAS, the increased share of federal participation is necessary if hospital construction is to go forward in the areas of greatest relative need in North Dakota,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the house of representatives of the state of North Dakota, the senate concurring therein, that the congress of the United States be and hereby is memorialized and petitioned to amend Public Law 725 by increasing the federal share of participation in the construction of approved hospital projects from thirty-three and one-third percent to fifty percent and to increase the annual appropriation under said law to meet the added cost of the revised share of federal participation, and that the provisions be made retroactive so that hospital projects approved on the federal construction schedules prior to the enactments of these amendments may benefit from the increased share of federal participation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the president of the senate and to the speaker of the house of representatives of the congress of the United States, to the federal security administrator, to the surgeon general of the

United States public health service, and to North Dakota's delegation in congress.

Filed February 7, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution No. N
(Graham, Bymers, Williams, and Esterby)

TIME EXTENSION FOR FILING FEDERAL INCOME TAX
OF FARMERS

A concurrent resolution requesting the commissioner of internal revenue to extend time of filing tax returns by farmers.

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

WHEREAS, under the federal income tax laws a farmer who makes a declaration of his estimated tax for the taxable year must file such estimate on or before January fifteenth of the succeeding taxable year, and

WHEREAS, under the federal income tax laws a farmer who does not file an estimate of his tax must file his income tax return for the preceding year on or before January fifteenth, and

WHEREAS, due to weather conditions in the north central states it is frequently impossible for a farmer to procure adequate records at such season of the year and to file his estimate and return, and

WHEREAS, the commissioner of internal revenue has the power and authority to extend the time for filing such returns.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the state of North Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that the commissioner of internal revenue is petitioned and urged to extend the time for filing such returns by a farmer in the north central states up and until February 15, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State is hereby directed to send copies of this resolution to the North Dakota delegation in Congress and to the commissioner of internal revenue.

Filed February 25, 1949.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. Q
(Duffy, Nordhaugen and Streibel)

INVESTIGATION INDIAN BUREAU

A concurrent resolution memorializing the congress to investigate the Indian Bureau.

WHEREAS, for many years there has existed on many of the Indian reservations in the United States a deplorable condition under which the red man is a stranger in his own motherland, a condition which has resulted not from the choice of the Indian, not through lack of substance on the part of this nation nor through a parsimonious attitude upon the part of its citizens generally, but a condition which has resulted from the greed of a few white men and the inept and irresponsible attitude of the representatives of the Indian bureau either in the several states or in Washington, D. C., or in both places; and

WHEREAS, there has been a total lack of any consistent policy upon the part of the federal government in dealing with the Indians of the country but rather a vacillating policy which on the one hand makes them citizens with the rights and duties of free men and on the other hand makes them wards of the government who have been herded upon reservations which are over crowded and wholly unsuitable for self maintenance, a policy which has made the Indian dependent without any effective action toward his rehabilitation; and

WHEREAS, these conditions have resulted in great suffering among the Indian people, malnutrition among the children, disease, lack of decent housing or shelter, and all the ills to which abject poverty is heir; and

WHEREAS, the severity of the present winter has aggravated these conditions, making it difficult or impossible for the Indians to procure fuel, feed for their livestock, or supplies for their families; and

WHEREAS, the policy of the Indian bureau in consolidating agencies and operating some reservations by remote control has further involved the Indian agencies in additional red tape, inefficiency, and confusion; and

WHEREAS, these conditions are well known to every agent and employee of the several reservation agencies and knowledge of these conditions has been brought directly to the Indian bureau at Washington, D. C., by the welfare and other agencies of the state, but nevertheless the Indian bureau now professes a total lack of knowledge of the conditions prevailing on the Indian

reservations, and now propose to wait until the snow melts and the weather becomes mild so that their employees may visit about the reservations to observe conditions; and

WHEREAS, this attitude of indifference and procrastination is likely to result in a total failure of the federal government to meet its obligations to its Indian wards;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that the congress of the United States be memorialized to investigate the dilatory attitude of the Indian bureau and to take such further action as may be necessary to make such bureau an efficient agent of rehabilitation or to abolish the same entirely.

Filed February 9, 1949.

Senate Concurrent Resolution E
(Coghlan)

CHIPPEWA AND OTHER NORTH DAKOTA INDIAN CLAIMS

A concurrent resolution petitioning the secretary of the Interior and the acting commissioner of Indian Affairs to take action with reference to claims awaiting presentation to the Indian Claims Commission.

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

WHEREAS, by the McCumber Treaty entered into between the United States of America and the Chippewa Indians of the Turtle Mountains in North Dakota, the United States agreed to pay said Indians for lands ceded to the United States and further agreed to provide allotments for the individual Indians on the Indian reservation or upon the public domain adjacent thereto, and

WHEREAS, said treaty was negotiated in 1894 but was not ratified by the United States until 1904 and in the meantime all of the public domain adjacent to the Indian reservation was otherwise appropriated and it became necessary to make allotments for many of the Indians to distant parts of North Dakota and Montana, and

WHEREAS, the said Indians appear to have legitimate claims against the United States which ought to be presented to the Indian Claims Commission, and

WHEREAS, in order for the said Indians to present such claims it is necessary that they be represented by counsel and such coun-

sel cannot be employed except with the approval of the Department of the Interior, and

WHEREAS, for one year the said Indians have been endeavoring to obtain the necessary approval so that such claims may be presented and the Department of the Interior has wholly failed to take action in the matter, and has thus frustrated the efforts of the Indians to present their claim, and

WHEREAS, the time for presenting such claims is limited by law and continued delay may prevent such Indians from properly preparing and presenting their claims,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the State of North Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that we request the Secretary of the Interior and the acting commissioner of Indian Affairs promptly to take such action as may be necessary or expedient to enable the Indians of the Turtle Mountains to present their claims against the United States,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we likewise request said officers to take like action with reference to the claims of any other tribes of North Dakota Indians who may have claims awaiting presentation to the Indian Claims Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent by the Secretary of State to the Secretary of the Interior, acting commissioner of Indian Affairs, and to North Dakota's delegation in congress.

Filed March 3, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution W
(Solberg and Stormon of Rolette)

COMPLETION OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE GARDEN

A concurrent resolution memorializing the Congress of the United States to enact H. R. 2369 authorizing an appropriation for the completion of the International Peace Garden.

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

WHEREAS, there has been established and is being maintained on the international boundary line between the United States of America and the Dominion of Canada, a park situated partly in North Dakota and partly in the province of Manitoba and known as the International Peace Garden, which park has been established and is being maintained as a constant memorial to the peaceful

relations between the United States of America and the Dominion of Canada and for the purpose of furthering international peace among the nations of the world; and

WHEREAS, H. R. 2369 introduced in the 81st congress of the United States and referred to the committee on public lands would authorize an appropriation for the purpose of completing the International Peace Garden in accordance with plans previously approved,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the house of representatives of the state of North Dakota, the senate concurring therein, that the congress of the United States be memorialized to give immediate and favorable consideration to H. R. 2369, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent by the secretary of state to the chairman of the committee on public lands, and to the North Dakota delegation in congress.

Filed March 5, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution No. U
(Bubel and Johnson)

AUTHORIZATION OF CHAPLAIN SERVICE

A concurrent resolution relating to chaplain service.

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

The schedule for chaplain service proposed by the Bismarek-Mandan Ministerial Association is agreed to and the employment of chaplains in accordance with such schedule at five dollars per diem, is hereby authorized.

Filed February 12, 1949.

Senate Resolution No. 1
(Morgan)

COMMITTEE ROOM RENTAL

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of North Dakota:

That there is hereby authorized the expenditure of four hundred dollars for rental of a committee room downtown in the city of Bismarek in which the appropriation committee of the senate of the 1949 legislative assembly may meet, the same to be charged to legislative expense.

Filed January 18, 1949.

House Resolution No. F
(Haugland and Hofstrand)

INVESTIGATION OF CONDITIONS SURROUNDING OLD PEOPLE
NOT INSANE AT STATE HOSPITAL

WHEREAS, from time to time, in various counties of the state, the insanity boards are required to deal with cases of old people who, while not actually insane, have become feeble and unable to care for themselves; and

WHEREAS, such aged people require care, and the only state institution at which they can be given such care is the State Hospital for the Insane, at Jamestown; and

WHEREAS, approximately one hundred and fifty such old people have already been sent by county insanity boards to the State Hospital for the Insane; and

WHEREAS, it has been reported to numerous members of this legislative body that such old people are compelled to come into actual contact with insane persons in the state hospital, which condition is by this House deplored;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the House of Representatives now in session that the Honorable Speaker of the House do forthwith name and constitute a committee consisting of three members to investigate the conditions surrounding these people at the state hospital and report their findings to this House as soon as possible; and that the expenses of such committee be paid as legislative expenses are paid.

Filed February 22, 1949.

House Resolution No. B
(Bubel, Johnson of Cass)

SESSION LAWS FOR HOUSE COMMITTEES

A resolution providing Session Laws for the use of various committees of the House of Representatives.

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota:

WHEREAS, the members of the various committees of the house of representatives constantly refer to the laws enacted in other sessions of the legislature,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the secretary of state be authorized and directed to furnish to the house, five copies of the session laws of 1945, five copies of the session laws of 1947

and six copies of the 1947 Supplement to the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943, each volume to be plainly marked or labeled "property of the state of North Dakota," and under the custody of the chief clerk of the house, whose duty it shall be, at the close of the session to deliver them to the secretary of state to be kept by him for the use of succeeding sessions of the legislature and that a copy of this resolution, duly certified by the chief clerk of the house be delivered to the secretary of state as his authority for furnishing the books described.

Filed February 18, 1949.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. C
(Committee on Employment)

MEMORIAL HALL FOR LEGISLATIVE EMPLOYEES' DANCES ..

A Concurrent Resolution allowing use of the memorial hall for legislative employees' dances.

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

WHEREAS, the employees of the senate and the house of representatives of the 31st legislative session wish to hold dances in the memorial hall located in the state capitol building, and

WHEREAS, under the ruling of the board of administration, a concurrent resolution must be passed in order to obtain the use of said memorial hall.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the senate of North Dakota, the house of representatives concurring therein, that the board of administration be hereby requested to give permission to the employees of the senate and house of representatives for the use of said state owned property, furnishing proper police to maintain proper order and decorum; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the secretary of the senate be requested to send one copy of this resolution to the secretary of the board of administration of the state of North Dakota.

Filed January 14, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution No. G
(Introduced by Employment Committee)
(Moerke)

APPOINTMENT AND SALARIES HOUSE AND SENATE
EMPLOYEES

A concurrent resolution providing and designating house and senate employees and naming and fixing their salaries:

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Thirty-First Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota, the Senate Concurring Therein:

That for and during this thirty-first legislative assembly the following named persons be employed and appointed as officers and employees of the house and of the senate and shall be paid the compensation per day set opposite their respective names:

HOUSE

George Olson, Chief Clerk	\$ 12.00
Arthur G. Moerke, Ass't Chief Clerk	10.00
Ruth Smith, Desk Reporter	15.00
Anton J. Schmidt, Sergeant-at-Arms	8.00
Oswald Kruisk, Ass't Sergeant-at-Arms	7.00
Paul E. Halldorson, Proofreader	8.00
Gerald Saxerud, Proofreader	8.00
Albert Haugerud, Calendar Clerk	10.00
Miles Nelson, Mailing Clerk	9.00
J. F. Fitzgerald, Mailing Clerk	7.00
Fred Krueger, Mailing Clerk	7.00
John H. Miller, Mailing Clerk	7.00
Fritz Mitskog, Mailing Clerk	7.00
Rochus Streifel, Mailing Clerk	7.00
John Mork, Mailing Clerk	7.00
Arend Hoffman, Main Doorkeeper	7.00
John Omland, Doorkeeper	7.00
George Sinclair, Doorkeeper	7.00
Simon Werlinger, Doorkeeper	7.00
Rita Linnertz, Postmistress	8.00
Tollef A. Moe, Bill Clerk	10.00
James A. Maher, Messenger to Senate	7.00
James Klesalek, Page	8.00
Robert Madland, Page	8.00
Kitty Page, Page	8.00
Ellen Schulte, Page	8.00
Ruth Staley, Engrossing Clerk	9.00
Florence Graham, Engrossing Clerk	9.00
Leonard A. Schneider, Messenger to Governor	7.00
Gilbert Berg, Bill Room Clerk	7.00

E. O. Hougen, Bill Room Clerk	7.00
Jeanette Johnson, Committee Clerk	8.00
Alda Moe, Committee Clerk	8.00
Arlyne Ruder, Committee Clerk	8.00
Geraldine Applequist, Committee Clerk	8.00
Ann Hepper, Committee Clerk	8.00
Marie Tunell, Stenographer	10.00
Ann T. Allen, Stenographer	10.00
Helen Gallagher, Stenographer	10.00
Eva Heath, Stenographer	10.00
Evelyn Olson, Stenographer	10.00
Eleanor E. Vendt, Stenographer	10.00
Edna Walsh, Stenographer	10.00
Nellie Olson, Telephone Clerk	7.00
Philip Himmerich, Coat Room Attendant	7.00
Steve Morris, Night Watchman	7.00

SENATE

Walter J. Trout, Secretary of the Senate	\$ 12.00
Kenneth L. Morgan, Ass't Sec'y of Senate	10.00
Dagny Olson, Desk Reporter	15.00
Arthur A. Herk, Bill Clerk	10.00
J. C. Goll, Sergeant-at-Arms	8.00
C. E. Thomas, Ass't Sergeant-at-Arms	7.00
Catherine Green, Stenographer	10.00
Mildred Lange, Stenographer	10.00
Ethel Taylor, Stenographer	10.00
Cora Mae Danielson, Stenographer	10.00
Myrtle Steen, Appr. Committee Clerk	10.00
Mrs. P. J. Curtis, Engrossing & Enr.	9.00
Lucile Moses, Engrossing & Enr.	9.00
Una M. Nierling, Telephone Messenger	7.00
John W. Benson, Proofreader	8.00
Oscar A. Olson, Proofreader	8.00
John S. Hove, Bill Room Clerk	7.00
H. H. Dahl, Bill Room Clerk	7.00
Christ E. Dyste, Bill Room Clerk	7.00
Joe Marion, Bill Room Clerk	7.00
Nels Johnson, Postmaster	8.00
Jacob Hegland, Mail Clerk	7.00
Mrs. Catherine Smith, Mail Clerk	7.00
G. T. Wolseth, Mail Clerk	7.00
John Sailer, Mail Clerk	7.00
Lynn Heaps, Mail Clerk	7.00
Geo. Hegland, Mail Clerk	7.00
John Koehn, Calendar Clerk	10.00
E. L. Christensen, Chart Room	8.00
Nels Noben, Chart Room	7.00
Esther Hangerud, Chart Room	7.00

Charlton Danielson, Chart Room	7.00
Mrs. Frank Barnes, Chart Room	7.00
Minnie J. Kurfirst, Chart Room	7.00
Roger J. Metz, Committee Clerk	8.00
Ingwal Lunde, Committee Clerk	8.00
Paul Lane, Committee Clerk	8.00
Mrs. Paul E. Halldorsen, Committee Clerk	8.00
Mrs. Selma H. Stenerson, Committee Clerk	8.00
Alice Manitowske, Committee Clerk	8.00
Stephen Terhorst, Committee Clerk	8.00
J. O. Bergheim, Committee Clerk	8.00
Della Erickson, Committee Clerk	8.00
L. L. Rudrud, Committee Clerk	8.00
Victor H. Grina, Messenger to Governor	7.00
F. J. McConville, Doorkeeper	7.00
W. F. King, Doorkeeper	7.00
O. W. Rudolph, Doorkeeper	7.00
Ray Unzelman, Doorkeeper	7.00
Martin Kilwein, Doorkeeper	7.00
Norin Korsmo, Doorkeeper	7.00
Jerry Stair, Page	7.00
Betty Pavlik, Page	7.00
Doris King, Page	7.00
M. C. Olson, Page	7.00
E. Wilson Willoughby, Coat Room Attendant	7.00
T. A. Crawford, Committee Room Attendant	7.00
Gust Wog, Committee Room Attendant	7.00
J. D. Gronna, Committee Room Attendant	7.00
Omar Rostad, Messenger to Stucke	7.00
Rev. N. E. Elsworth, Clergy-at-Large	7.00
Joe Eisele, Night Watchman	7.00

Filed January 29, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution GG

(Johnson, Baker, Graham, Sticka, Arndt, Sellens, Bymers,
Kjelgaard, Esterby, Holand, Maher and Stair)

EXPENSES LEGISLATIVE EMPLOYEES

A concurrent resolution to pay the employees of the thirty-first legislative session one dollar per day to help defray expenses during the 60 days of the legislative session.

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

WHEREAS, living costs for the employees of the thirty-first legislative session are somewhat higher in the city of Bismarck than they have been in the past, and

WHEREAS, many of the employees have found it difficult to balance a reasonable budget on their salaries,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED By the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota, the Senate Concurring therein, that the employees of the thirty-first legislative session be paid one dollar per day for the number of days served.

Filed March 7, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution DD
(Joint Committee on Employment)

COMPLETION OF LEGISLATIVE JOURNALS

A concurrent resolution providing for the completion of the legislative journals of the Senate and the House.

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

WHEREAS, W. J. Trout, Secretary of the Senate, and George Olson, chief Clerk of the House, are hereby authorized, empowered and employed to compare and index the Journal of the Thirty-first Legislative Assembly, and the said W. J. Trout, Secretary of the Senate, and George Olson, Chief Clerk of the House, are hereby directed and required at their own cost and expense to arrange for and procure sufficient assistance to insure that the said work shall be completed within twenty days after the adjournment of the session.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that for the services of the said W. J. Trout, Secretary of the Senate, and George Olson, Chief Clerk of the House, as above set forth, that they be paid the sum of four hundred fifty dollars each, which shall include compensation for an assistant to be selected by each, all to be paid as other legislative expense, and paid when the respective claims are verified by the affidavits of the said W. J. Trout and George Olson showing completion of such work.

Filed March 7, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution BB
(Joint Committee on Employment)

RETENTION EMPLOYEES TO COMPLETE LEGISLATIVE WORK

A concurrent resolution providing for the retaining of certain employees of the Senate and the House after the legislative session for the purpose of completing legislative work.

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

That Miles Nelson, Thorwald Mostad, Kate Smith, and Gunder Wolseth, mailing clerks of the thirty-first legislative assembly, be retained for five days after the close of this session to complete sending senate and house Journals of the last days of the session; that Gerald Saxerud, proof reader for the house, and Oscar A. Olson and John W. Benson, proof readers for the senate, be retained for two days after the close of the session to finish proofreading the Journals of the house and senate for the last day of this thirty-first legislative assembly; that Robert Madland and James Klesalek, pages of the house, and Betty Pavlik and Doris King, pages of the senate, be retained for two days after the close of the session for the purpose of wrapping and either mailing or expressing to the members of the senate and the house, bill books, journals, reports and files; and that Nellie Olson and Nels Johnson, postmistress and postmaster of the house and senate, respectively, be retained for one day after the close of this session for the purpose of disposing of any mail coming in after the close of the session.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that each of the above-named employees, to-wit: Miles Nelson, mail clerk, to be paid for said additional five days the sum of nine dollars per day and that Thorwald Mostad, Catherine Smith and Gunder Wolseth, mail clerks, be paid for said additional five days the sum of seven dollars per day; that Gerald Saxerud, Oscar A. Olson and John W. Benson, proofreaders, be paid the sum of eight dollars per day for two days; that Robert Madland and James Klesalek, pages of the house, be paid the sum of eight dollars per day for said additional two days, and Betty Pavlik and Doris King, pages of the senate, be paid the sum of seven dollars per day for said additional two days; and that Nellie Olson and Nels Johnson, postmistress and postmaster, respectively, be paid the sum of eight dollars per day for said additional one day; all of the above expenses to be paid as other legislative expense and paid when the respective claims are verified by the affidavits of said parties named herein at the completion of said work.

Filed March 7, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution CC
(Joint Committee on Employment)

COMPILATION OF RECORD OF HOUSE AND SENATE BILLS

A concurrent resolution providing for the preparation of a compilation of a record of bills introduced in the House of Representatives and the Senate of the state of North Dakota.

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

WHEREAS, a complete record of action upon and disposal of all bills introduced in the House and Senate during this Session should be made available to House and Senate members as quickly as possible, such record to show what bills have been indefinitely postponed, withdrawn or passed with notation of Journal date and page of amendment thereto;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the state of North Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that such compilation be at once prepared in a pamphlet similar in size to the House and Senate Journals; that George Olson, Chief Clerk of the House, be employed for the House and W. J. Trout, Secretary of the Senate, be employed for the Senate, they working together to prepare such compilation immediately, a copy of the same to be mailed as speedily as possible to each member of the House and Senate, at the home address thereof. That the said George Olson and W. J. Trout be and the are hereby respectively retained on this work for the House and for the Senate for the period of six days after the adjournment of this legislative assembly, at their present pay, such compensation with the printing expense of such pamphlet and of mailing the same to be charged and paid as legislative expense.

Filed March 7, 1949.

House Resolution L
(Representative Murray)

COMMENDATION AND CONGRATULATIONS TO
MISS KITTY PAGE

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota:

WHEREAS, Miss Kitty Page, of Bismarck, is an employee of the house of representatives, and

WHEREAS, the said Miss Kitty Page was a candidate of Lloyd Spetz Post Number One, of the American Legion, of Bismarck,

North Dakota, in the competition for the selection of Miss North Dakota, and

WHEREAS, the said Miss Kitty Page was duly elected to the office of Miss North Dakota, and

WHEREAS, the said Miss Kitty Page represented the state of North Dakota at the Saint Paul Winter Carnival, and elsewhere, thereby bringing recognition to the American Legion, the legislative assembly of the state of North Dakota, the University of North Dakota, the city of Bismarck, and the state of North Dakota;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the house of representatives goes on record as commending and congratulating Miss Kitty Page for the aforementioned achievements.

Filed March 7, 1949.

House Resolution J

(State and Federal Government and Representative Murray)

FELICITATIONS MISS ARLYNE RUDER AND
MR. SAUL LANSBURY

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota:

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the attention of the members of the house of representatives that Miss Arlyne Ruder, a member of third house, is about to embark upon the seas of matrimony, and

WHEREAS, The members of the house of representaatives are aware of the importance of such event and desire to recognize commemorate and publicly acknowledge the same, and duly and properly congratulate the said member of the third house in having joined the ranks of the majority of the membership of the house;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the house of representatives of the state of North Dakota, that we do hereby extend our hearty best wishes to Miss Arlyne Ruder and Saul Lansburg, who will be united in the holy bonds of matrimony at Hibbing, Minnesota, on March 13th, 1949, and our sincere hope that their union may be a long and happy one, that good fortune will smile on them during all of their years, and that they will be blessed in the traditional manner of married people;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a properly executed copy of this resolution be transmitted by the clerk of the house to Mr. and Mrs. Saul Lansburg, at Sioux City, Iowa.

Filed March 7, 1949.

House Resolution K
(Johnson and Bubel)

RECOMMENDATION OF INTERNATIONAL ROLL CALL SYSTEM

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota:

WHEREAS, the house of representatives of the state of North Dakota has been voting with the electrical roll call system of the International Roll Call Corporation, of Richmond, Virginia, since the regular session of 1947, and

WHEREAS, the unfailing accuracy and reliability of the International system have been proven by the test of time, and its time-saving features are now widely known throughout the state and taught to the children in our schools, and

WHEREAS, the International system has added much to the decorum of our house, and has eliminated forever the drudgery of the oral roll call,

NOW THEREFORE WE, the house of representatives of the state of North Dakota, do hereby recommend in the highest terms of approbation, the use of the International roll call system, to all other legislative bodies in America, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to International Roll Call Corporation, of Richmond, Virginia, as an official recommendation of their equipment by this body.

Filed March 7, 1949.

House Resolution I
(Maher, Thompson of Richland, Freadhoff, Wadson, Power)

PREPARATION OF LEGISLATION IN AID OF AGRICULTURAL
PURSUITS FOR 32nd LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

A Resolution directing the Legislative Research Committee to prepare legislation in aid of agricultural pursuits for consideration by the 32nd Legislative Assembly.

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota:

WHEREAS, the members of the farm bloc of the house of representatives deem it highly desirable that a thorough and complete study of all problems pertaining to agriculture should be made, and

WHEREAS, we of the farm bloc feel that the next legislative session should have a comprehensive plan laid before it, prepared by the legislative research committee, for bills to be presented

to the next legislative assembly, giving the agricultural extension service proper funds and facilities for the study of new varieties of disease resistant grains and potatoes, livestock breeding, and study of livestock diseases, and

WHEREAS, we believe that the Agricultural college of the state should offer a full course in veterinary training and should offer scholarships as an inducement to farm boys to take up the study of veterinary science, and

WHEREAS, the legislative research committee should work in direct cooperation with the soil conservation administration in preparing legislation on weed control, land classification and such other legislation as the aforesaid soil conservation administration may deem desirable, and

WHEREAS, we believe there could be some improvement in land tenure laws in the state of North Dakota, we direct the legislative research committee to make an investigation of tenure laws in other states and prepare bills for presentation to the next legislative assembly improving relations between owners and tenants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the house of representatives of the thirty-first legislative assembly of the state of North Dakota, that the legislative research committee be directed to take such action as may be necessary and expedient to carry out the provisions of this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the secretary of state forward copies of this resolution to the national secretary of agriculture at Washington, D. C.; to the commissioner of agriculture and labor of the state of North Dakota; to the state land department; to the president of the North Dakota Agricultural college; to the director of extension service of the Agricultural college; to the state soil conservationist; to the state director of the farm and home administration, and to the executive secretary of the legislative research committee.

Filed March 5, 1949.

House Resolution No. D
(Committee on Appropriations)

STUDY OF IMPROVEMENTS IN GOVERNMENTAL STRUCTURE
OF STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

A resolution providing for a study of possible improvements in the structural organization of the state of North Dakota and the elimination of duplication in fields of inspection, regulation and other governmental functions.

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota:

WHEREAS, the expansion and extension of governmental activities into new fields in response to new demands has created

an increasingly complex and uncoordinated structure of government, and has brought such activities intimately into the lives of all citizens, and

WHEREAS, the need for economy and efficiency in government is of the utmost importance, and the overlapping and duplication or conflict in fields of inspection, regulation or other governmental functions must be minimized if a democratic government is to be effective, and

WHEREAS, there is available to the legislative assembly through the legislative research committee and the office of the state budget director facilities for the securing of information, and the study and consideration of such problems,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the state of North Dakota that the legislative research committee and the budget director are hereby requested to cooperate in the study and consideration of possible improvements in the structural organization of the state of North Dakota, the elimination of duplication and conflict, and the assignment to the proper departments or agencies of appropriately related duties and functions,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a report of such study and recommendation based thereon be submitted to the thirty-second legislative assembly for its consideration.

Filed February 22, 1949.

House Resolution No. E
(Bubel)

STUDY OF MOTOR VEHICLE LIABILITY AND FEASIBILITY OF
COMPULSORY LIABILITY INSURANCE SYSTEM, ETC.

A resolution providing for a complete study by the Legislative Research Committee of problems of motor vehicle liability.

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota:

The Legislative Research Committee is hereby directed to make a complete study of problems of motor vehicle liability, investigating the provisions and operation of the laws of other states and provinces on this subject, with particular reference to the laws of the provinces of Saskatchewan and Manitoba and the state of Massachusetts, and considering the feasibility of establishing a system of compulsory motor vehicle liability insurance or a state owned and operated motor vehicle insurance department in the state of North Dakota. A report covering the results of such study shall be submitted to the thirty-second legislative assembly.

Filed February 22, 1949.

House Resolution No. A
(Erickson, Stevens and Collette)

OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHER: HOUSE

Resolution to appoint an official photographer for the House of Representatives of the thirty-first legislative assembly of the state of North Dakota.

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota:

WHEREAS, for historical purposes it has been the custom of all North Dakota legislative assemblies to have composite group pictures made of all members of such assemblies, and

WHEREAS, Campbell Studio of Bismarck, North Dakota offers to make a large composite group picture of the members of the house of representatives of the thirty-first legislative assembly, size four feet nine inches by three feet six inches, such picture to be framed and ready to hang, and one hundred seventeen eleven by fourteen copies of said picture for each member and desk force of the house but not to be framed, at a cost of five hundred and seventy-five dollars.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: That Campbell Studio, Bismarck, North Dakota, be, and is hereby appointed official photographer for the North Dakota house of representatives of the thirty-first legislative assembly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Campbell Studio of Bismarck, North Dakota, be and is hereby awarded the sole privilege of photographing members of the house of the thirty-first legislative assembly, at a cost price of five hundred and seventy-five dollars, to be taken out of legislative expenses.

Filed February 11, 1949.

Senate Resolution No. 2
(Committee on Photographs)

OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHER: SENATE

Resolution to appoint an official photographer for the Senate of the Thirty-first Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota.

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of North Dakota:

WHEREAS, for historical purposes it has been the custom of all North Dakota legislative assemblies to have composite group pictures made of all members of such assemblies, and

WHEREAS, McFarland of Bismarck, North Dakota, offers to make a composite group picture of the thirty-first legislative assembly, size 30x40, such picture to be framed and ready to hang, and fifty-five eleven by fourteen copies of said picture for each

member and desk force of the senate at a cost of three hundred sixty-eight dollars. A refund of \$2.50 per negative on file at the studio, said total sum to be deducted from the three hundred sixty-eight dollars.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that McFarland studios of Bismarck, North Dakota, be, and is hereby appointed official photographer for the North Dakota senate of the thirty-first legislative assembly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the McFarland studio of Bismarck, be and is hereby awarded the sole privilege of photographing members of the senate of the thirty-first legislative assembly. at a cost price of three hundred sixty-eight dollars.

Filed January 26, 1949.

Senate Concurrent Resolution N
(Morgan)

A concurrent resolution authorizing the state printing and publication commission to pay overtime for work done by printers working for the Bismarck Tribune Company, January 28, 29, 30 and 31, 1949, in and about preparations for the printing of house and senate journals.

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

WHEREAS, the Western Printing Company held a contract with the state for the furnishing of the house and senate journals for the thirty-first session of the legislative assembly, and

WHEREAS, said contractor has defaulted and cannot perform its contract, and

WHEREAS, the Bismarck Tribune Company has agreed to complete the performance of said contract, commencing January 31, 1949, provided that the state pay for necessary work to be done in the printing plant of the Bismarck Tribune Company on January 28, 29, 30 and 31, 1949, in preparation for the performance of said contract, which work must be done after the end of the work day on Friday, January 28, Saturday, January 29, Sunday, January 30, and on Monday, January 31, 1949, and must be paid for by said Bismarck Tribune Company as overtime work at the rate agreed to by said company and its operatives, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that arrangements with said Bismarck Tribune Company must be made immediately in order that the work of such legislative session be not impeded and inconvenienced by the noncompliance with its contract by said Western Printing Company.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the senate of North Dakota, the house of representatives concurring, that the state

printing and publication commission be, and it hereby is, authorized to pay to said Bismarck Tribune Company at overtime rates for the overtime it pays its operatives for the overtime work recited hereinbefore out of the funds provided for the payment for the furnishing of said house and senate journals under the said contract with said Western Printing Company.

Filed March 3, 1949.

Senate Concurrent Resolution S
(Senate Printing Committe)

REIMBURSEMENT WESTERN PRINTING COMPANY

A concurrent resolution providing for reimbursement to the Western Printing Company for loss incurred because of cancellation of contract for legislative printing.

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

WHEREAS, The Western Printing Company, Bismarck, North Dakota, originally held the contract for legislative printing for the thirty-first Legislative Assembly, but had the contract cancelled by the Legislature because of inability to fulfill the terms of the contract.

AND WHEREAS, the Western Printing Company did earnestly endeavor to fulfill the contract and its failure to do so was caused by inability to secure printers and for other reasons beyond its control.

AND WHEREAS, cancellation of contract caused the Western Printing Company a loss conservatively estimated at Four Hundred Fifty Dollars and no/100 (\$450.00).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the State of North Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that the aforesaid Western Printing Company of Bismarck, North Dakota, be paid the sum of Four Hundred Fifty Dollars and no/100 (\$450.00) and that this be charged and paid as legislative expense.

Filed March 7, 1949.

House Joint Memorial Resolution A
(Introduced by Select Committee on Memorials and Resolutions)

TRIBUTE TO ROBERT L. BENNETT, DECEASED MEMBER
OF TERRITORIAL ASSEMBLY OF DAKOTA

A memorial resolution for Robert L. Bennett, a member of the territorial assembly of Dakota.

WHEREAS, Robert L. Bennett, the last surviving member of the territorial assembly, was called by death at Phoenix, Arizona, on September 28, 1948, and

WHEREAS, the people of the state of North Dakota remember with gratitude his service and the service of all those pioneers who gave unselfishly of their time and effort to the development and building of our state, and

WHEREAS, the late Robert L. Bennett served as a member of the house of representatives of the eighteenth session of the territorial assembly and as a representative of the fifth district during the seventh session of the legislative assembly of the state of North Dakota, and

WHEREAS, as a pioneer of North Dakota he contributed greatly to the welfare and growth of this state,

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota, the Senate concurring therein:

That we deeply regret his passing from our midst, and that we express our appreciation for his loyal work as one of the pioneers of our state,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we offer the family and friends of Robert L. Bennett our most profound and heartfelt sympathy, and that as a permanent record this resolution be printed in the Journal of the house in which he so ably and faithfully served and that the secretary of state transmit duly enrolled copies of this resolution to the surviving family of Robert L. Bennett.

Filed March 5, 1949.

House Memorial Resolution A
(Introduced by Select Committee on Memorials and Resolutions)

**TRIBUTE TO DECEASED MEMBERS OF HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES**

A memorial resolution for deceased members of the House of Representatives of the state of North Dakota.

WHEREAS, we as members of the house of representatives of the thirty-first legislative assembly of the state of North Dakota today mourn the passing to their eternal rest of former members of the house of representatives, and

WHEREAS, since the thirtieth legislative assembly, the following former members have been summoned by God in His infinite wisdom:

Thomas David Acheson, who served in the twenty-second legislative assembly, from the 28th district, died May 25, 1948,

Edwin L. Bagge, who served in the twenty-eighth to the thirtieth legislative assemblies inclusive, from the 8th district, died January 11, 1948,

Robert L. Bennett, who served in the eighteenth territorial assembly and also in the seventh legislative assembly, from the 5th district, died September 28, 1948,

Walter R. Bond, who served in the twelfth legislative assembly, from the twenty-ninth district, and subsequently in the senate of the state of North Dakota, died July 16, 1947,

Frederick W. Borusky, who served in the thirteenth legislative assembly, from the 18th district, died January 10, 1949,

H. J. Botz, who served in the seventeenth legislative assembly, from the 22nd district, died April 25, 1948,

Herman Boyce, who served in the fourteenth legislative assembly, from the 11th district, died February 23, 1948,

M. D. Butler, who served in the thirteenth legislative assembly from the 21st district, died June 13, 1948,

Nels P. Jensen, who served in the twenty-third to the twenty-sixth legislative assemblies, inclusive, from the 48th district, died April 21, 1948,

Clarence Ernest Davidson, who served in the eleventh and twelfth legislative assemblies, from the 43rd district, and subsequently in the senate of the state of North Dakota, died March 22, 1947,

Romanus J. Downey, who served in the twenty-fourth legislative assembly, from the 21st district, died April 23, 1947,

Guy L. Elken, who served in the nineteenth and twentieth legislative assemblies, from the 8th district, died December 31, 1948,

W. B. DeNault, who served in the twelfth legislative assembly, from the 23rd district, died April 3, 1947,

Alfred Nels Flom, who served in the seventeenth to the twenty-first legislative assemblies, inclusive, from the 18th district, died December 7, 1947,

Roy R. Hall, who served in the twenty-fourth legislative assembly, from the 9th district, died March 17, 1948,

L. B. Hanna, who served in the fourth legislative assembly and subsequently in the senate of the state of North Dakota, in the congress of the United States, and as governor of North Dakota, died April 23, 1948,

R. A. Johnson, who served in the twentieth and twenty-first legislative assemblies, from the 29th district, died December 28, 1947,

William R. Jones, who served in the eighteenth and nineteenth legislative assemblies, from the 38th district, died February 11th, 1948,

Nichol McKellar, who served in the twenty-third legislative assembly, from the 9th district, died September 30, 1947,

E. J. Moen, who served in the eleventh and twelfth legislative assemblies, from the 18th district,

Charles H. Noltimier, who served in the eighth and fifteenth legislative assemblies, from the 38th district, and subsequently in the senate of the state of North Dakota, died December 25, 1948,

W. L. Noyes, who served in the fourteenth legislative assembly, from the 22nd district, died April 6, 1948,

Martin C. Olson, who served in the eighteenth legislative assembly, from the 22nd district, died May 2, 1947,

Raymond Edelbert Olson, who served in the twenty-fifth legislative assembly, from the 13th district, died November 3, 1948,

Gerdell Patterson, who served in the fifteenth to the eighteenth legislative assemblies, inclusive, from the 43rd district, and sub-

sequently in the senate of the state of North Dakota, died June 3, 1948,

Frank E. Ployhar, who served in the eleventh to the fourteenth legislative assemblies, inclusive, from the 15th district, and subsequently in the senate of the state of North Dakota, died April 20, 1948,

Frank Garfield Prater, who served in the fifteenth and seventeenth legislative assemblies, from the 27th district, died January 17, 1949,

Gunder A. Reishus, who served in the fifteenth and sixteenth legislative assemblies, from the 29th district, died August 6, 1947,

Gilbert Sundby, who served in the twenty-second and twenty-third legislative assemblies, from the 43rd district,

Frank J. Thompson, who served in the eleventh legislative assembly, from the 35th district, died 1947,

Harry L. Thompson, who served in the twenty-ninth legislative assembly, from the 16th district, died July 6, 1948,

James Walsh, who served in the thirteenth legislative assembly, from the 14th district, died October 6, 1948,

S. Theodore Westdal, who served in the fourteenth legislative assembly, from the 41st district, died March 15, 1947, and

WHEREAS, the contribution of these public spirited citizens to their respective communities and to the state has served to foster and preserve our representative democracy and American way of life,

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, by the House of Representatives of the Thirty-First Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

That we pause today in our deliberations to pay tribute to their revered memory, and in behalf of the people of the state of North Dakota show our deep gratitude for their devoted service in this state; as they consecrated themselves to a great service, let us carry on the task which they have begun,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that for the perpetuation of their memory, this token of respect and sympathy by their successors in trust be printed in the Journal of the house and that duly enrolled copies of this resolution be presented by the clerk of the house to the surviving families of those deceased representatives.

Filed March 2, 1949.

Senate Memorial Resolution B
(Senate Memorial Resolutions Committee)

TRIBUTE TO FORMER GOVERNORS

L. B. HANNA, THOMAS H. MOODIE AND GEORGE SHAFER

A concurrent memorial resolution in honor of former Governors L. B. Hanna, George Shafer and Thomas H. Moodie.

Since the adjournment of the thirtieth legislative assembly, three of North Dakota's most honored citizens, former Governors L. B. Hanna, George Shafer and Thomas H. Moodie, have laid down their labors on this earth and passed to eternal rest.

L. B. Hanna was born at New Brighton, Pennsylvania in 1861, was educated in the states of Ohio, Massachusetts and New York, and came to North Dakota in 1881. He was a member of the House of Representatives of the North Dakota legislative assembly in 1895 to 1897 and 1899 to 1901, and from 1905 to 1907 he was a member of the North Dakota Senate. In 1908 he was elected to the United States Congress and was reelected in 1910. Mr. Hanna was elected governor of North Dakota in 1912 and 1914. He died April 23, 1948.

George Shafer was born at Mandan, North Dakota, in 1888. He was educated in the public schools of North Dakota and graduated from the law school of the University of North Dakota. He served as states attorney of McKenzie county and in 1922 was elected attorney general and reelected in 1924 and 1926. In 1928 he was elected governor and in 1930 he was reelected. He died August 13, 1948.

Thomas H. Moodie was born in 1878 at Winona, Minnesota. He had a long career as a newspaper man. In 1934 he was elected governor of North Dakota. He was W.P.A. administrator in North Dakota during the entire period of such agency. He died March 4, 1948.

The passing of these honored men is a loss to the state and a cause for personal grief to all citizens.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, by the Senate of the State of North Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein:

That we express our heartfelt appreciation of the years of public service to the state of North Dakota by these distinguished citizens and that at this time we pause in our deliberations to pay tribute to their honored memory.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be entered in the Journal of the House and of the Senate of this legislative assembly as a memorial and that properly executed copies be transmitted by the Secretary of State to the surviving families.

Filed March 3, 1949.

Senate Memorial Resolution A
(Introduced by Senate Memorial Resolutions Committee)

TRIBUTE TO DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE SENATE

A memorial resolution for deceased members of the Senate of the state of North Dakota.

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of North Dakota:

WHEREAS, since the adjournment of the thirtieth legislative assembly, God in His wisdom has seen fit to summon to eternal rest his servants and our former colleagues:

Walter R. Bond, who served in the thirteenth and fourteenth legislative assemblies, the seventeenth to the twenty-second legislative assemblies, inclusive, and the twenty-seventh to the thirtieth legislative assemblies, inclusive, from the 29th district, died July 16, 1947,

H. A. Bronson, who served in the thirteenth and fourteenth legislative assemblies, from the 7th district, and subsequently on the Supreme Court of the state of North Dakota, died April 22, 1947,

Maynard Crane, who served in the eighth to the eleventh legislative assemblies, inclusive, died April 2, 1947,

Clarence Ernest Davidson, who served in the thirteenth legislative assembly, from the 40th district, died March 22, 1947,

Herman Charles Guenther, who served in the twenty-fifth to the twenty-eight legislative assemblies, inclusive, from the 19th district, died January 17, 1948,

L. B. Hanna, who served in the fifth and sixth legislative assemblies, from the 11th district, in the ninth and tenth legislative assemblies, from the 9th district, and subsequently in the Congress of the United States and as Governor of North Dakota, died April 23, 1948,

Russell G. McCrory, who served in the nineteenth to the twenty-second legislative assemblies, inclusive, from the 13th district, died December 23, 1948,

Charles H. Noltimier, who served in the sixteenth and seventeenth legislative assemblies, from the 38th district, died December 25, 1948,

Girdell Patterson, who served in the nineteenth to the twenty-second legislative assemblies, inclusive, from the 43rd district, died June 3, 1948,

Frank E. Ployhar, who served in the fifteenth to the twenty-second legislative assemblies, inclusive, from the 15th district, died April 20, 1948, and

WHEREAS, today, we as members of the senate of the thirty-first legislative assembly of the state of North Dakota, pause to mourn the passing of our former colleagues and to honor their memories, and

WHEREAS, these men rendered outstanding service to the people of this state by their contribution to their fellow men and their communities,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the senate of the thirty-first legislative assembly of the state of North Dakota, that we express our keen sorrow on their passing and our appreciation, on behalf of the people of North Dakota, of the loyal and devoted service of these, our former colleagues,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that for the perpetuation of their memory, this token of respect and sympathy by their successors in trust be printed in the Journal of the Senate and that duly enrolled copies of this resolution be presented by the Secretary of State to the surviving families of these deceased senators.

Filed March 1, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution No. D

CONGRATULATIONS TO PRESIDENT HARRY S. TRUMAN

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

That the president of the senate and speaker of the house of representatives be directed to sign and send to President Harry S. Truman, Washington, D. C., the following message:

The Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota now in session has by resolution requested us to convey to you as Chief Executive of this Nation, its congratulations and best wishes.

Filed February 24, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution No. R

(Bubel, Graham, Braun, Sticka, Saumur, Johnson, Culver, Link and Rolfsrud)

INVITATION TO PRESIDENT OF UNITED STATES TO
THEODORE ROOSEVELT NATIONAL PARK DEDICATION

A concurrent resolution extending an invitation to the President of the United States.

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota, the Senate Concurring Therewith

WHEREAS, the dedication of the Theodore Roosevelt national Memorial park, to take place near Medora, North Dakota, on or about the fourth day of June, A. D. 1949, will be an event of national import, honoring the memory of a great American, the twenty-first president of the United States, who during some three years of residence in North Dakota, ranched, rode, hunted and wrote among the scenic Badlands of western North Dakota, and

WHEREAS, some fifty thousand acres of this scenic Badlands area, is to be dedicated as a playground for the people of the prairie states, as the only memorial national park in the nation, located approximately half way between the populous industrial east and west coasts, and a place of romantic historic importance, of unique natural beauty to be preserved in the pristine beauty of the old west, and a convenient stopping place between the large eastern cities and the other great national parks of the Pacific northwest, and

WHEREAS, the Theodore Roosevelt national memorial park is to become a mecca not only for the people of the agricultural states which compose the pulsing, producing heart of America, but for all citizens of the United States, and of the world, who admire the man and revere the memory of that great American, who organized the Rough Riders, who was one of the founders of conservation of soil and natural resources, and who with members of his family carried on the finest traditions of citizenship and public service,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the house of representatives of the state of North Dakota, the senate concurring therein, that we respectfully extend to his Excellency, the President of the United States of America, a hearty invitation to visit the Badlands of North Dakota, and, if possible, to be the guest of honor and to address citizens of a great country at the dedication ceremonies, to be held, if it should meet with the schedule of the President of the United States of America, on or about the fourth day of June, 1949, in order that citizens of the world

may once more recall one whose life exemplified the best traditions of democracy and American citizenship, the immutable principles of freedom and justice, the inalienable right of each individual to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, and free government of, by, and for free men.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution, duly authenticated by the signatures of the governor of the state of North Dakota, and the presiding officers of the senate and the house of representatives, and with the great seal of the state of North Dakota, be transmitted by the secretary of state of the state of North Dakota to his Excellency, the President of the United States of America.

Filed February 12, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution Y
(Hofstrand, Langseth and Severson)

RURAL ELECTRIFICATION ADMINISTRATION

A House concurrent resolution memorializing Congress and the President of the United States not to support any proposition disturbing the rural electrification administration as it is presently set up and not to disturb the existing power agencies or the government's power policy to the detriment of the people.

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

WHEREAS, the press is still carrying news releases and other information to the effect that task forces of the commission on organization of the executive branch of government are recommending that the Rural Electrification Administration be dispensed with, and

WHEREAS, we have other information that other task forces will or may recommend changes in legislation affecting our government's power program,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we appeal to our senators and congressmen as a group and individually, and that we appeal to the president of the United States to not support any proposition that will disturb the Rural Electrification Administration as it is presently set up and to not disturb the existing power agencies or the government's power policy to the detriment of the people.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the North Dakota secretary of state be requested to send a copy of this resolution to the president of the United States, to the United States secretary of state, to the president of the United States senate, and to the

speaker of the United States house of representatives, and to each of the senators and representatives of the state of North Dakota.

Filed March 5, 1949.

House Resolution C
(Thompson of Richland)

STATE HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION POLICY

A resolution establishing the policy of the state of North Dakota in respect to the construction of state highways.

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota:

WHEREAS, the prosperity and well-being of the state of North Dakota is in a large measure dependent upon its roads and highways, and

WHEREAS, the theory of competitive bidding by private contractors, in the matter of highway construction, envisioned earlier by the legislators of this state, has failed to produce highway construction at a reasonable cost, and

WHEREAS, great public sentiment now prevails for the institution of a state owned cement plant, and

WHEREAS, the gravel deposits of the state are unlimited and are well suited to the construction of concrete highways, and

WHEREAS, federal legislation is expected which will permit participation in the federal road program by states which engage in highway construction, and

WHEREAS, we believe that the state itself, utilizing its deposits of gravel, the output from a state owned cement plant, and its own resources, property and personnel, could construct more and better highways, at a great tax saving to the state,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the state of North Dakota that state construction of highways be the policy of this state, and that the highway department of the state of North Dakota be advised of this established policy, and be instructed to institute such program during the next two years, as may be necessary, at the end of that period, to effect a transition from private to state construction of all state highways.

Filed February 24, 1949.

Senate Resolution 4
(Committee on Judiciary)

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION RECONSIDERATION OF
NORTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY RATE CASE

A resolution relating to the public service commission's order in approving telephone rate increases.

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of North Dakota:

WHEREAS, The Northwestern Bell Telephone Company on the 16th day of October, 1948, filed an application with the public service commission, requesting authority to increase rates for local exchange telephone service in all communities served by the company in the state of North Dakota;

WHEREAS, The application was set for public hearings, at Fargo on November 8, 1948, at Jamestown on November 9, 1948, at Bismarck on November 10, 1948, at Grand Forks on November 16, 1948, at Rugby on November 17, 1948, at Williston on November 18, 1948, and at Dickinson on November 19, 1948, and notices of said hearings were given that may have been sufficient to comply with the statute but were not sufficient to adequately advise the public and interested persons of the nature and extent of the proposed rate increase, with the result that the public was not fully aware of what was contemplated until after the order approving the rate increase had been entered;

WHEREAS, The evidence given at the hearings by the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company was long, technical and involved, to the extent that the ordinary practitioner or layman could not intelligently interpret the same without the assistance of specialists, counsel and accountants, who themselves could not intelligently answer the same without several weeks of preparation, investigation and study, and sufficient time was not afforded to the interested parties to prepare for an adequate hearing and the public service commission itself was without adequate personnel to thoroughly investigate the proposed rates;

WHEREAS, In said hearing and incorporated in the record thereof, the commission was formally advised by one of the city attorneys that a proposal would be made on behalf of a number of cities to request a later hearing at Bismarck on behalf of the cities generally, after an opportunity had been afforded for the cities and their counsel to examine in some detail the presentation that had been made at the hearing by the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company;

WHEREAS, This legislative assembly has made available to the public service commission funds sufficient to obtain sufficient and suitable personnel;

WHEREAS, The commission summarily disregarded such application and entered its order approving the application of the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company on the 20th day of December, 1948, in which order the public service commission found all of the statements and claims of the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company to be true and in every particular granted exactly what the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company had asked in the way of rate increases;

WHEREAS, The granting of said order and the approval of said increases will cost the people of the state of North Dakota approximately one million dollars more each year than was previously paid for telephone service; and

WHEREAS, The public service commission acted hastily and without a full study of the questions involved in approving said order and the interested cities and individuals did not have an opportunity to examine the facts in order to determine what increase, if any, was justified and were not given sufficient opportunity to prepare and present any defense;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. We urge the public service commission to take immediate steps to reconsider said case and to impound the increased charges being collected until a final determination can be had on the merits pertaining to any proposed rate increase;

2. That competent personnel and expert counsel be engaged and instructed to energetically prosecute the case in the interests of the telephone users of the state of North Dakota; and

3. That the legislative research committee give consideration to additional legislation that may be proposed to further protect the interests of the public and facilitate the administration and handling of rate cases.

Filed March 7, 1949.

Senate Concurrent Resolution M
(Fraser, Sandness, Reinke and Bjorlie)

WEED CONTROL BY U. S. BIOLOGICAL SURVEY ON
FEDERAL GAME RESERVES

A concurrent resolution requesting the United States Biological Survey to control weeds on government game reserves.

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

WHEREAS, Many noxious weeds are growing upon lands occupied by the federal game reserves in the State of North Dakota and such weeds, through lack of control, are rapidly spreading to adjoining farm lands, to the great detriment of agriculture;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the State of North Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring, that the United States Biological Survey be requested to take adequate steps, by spraying, or by the use of other methods to control the growth of such weeds;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the United States Biological Survey, to the United States Department of Agriculture, Fish and Wildlife Service in the Department of the Interior, and to the North Dakota delegation in Congress.

Filed March 3, 1949.

House Concurrent Resolution T
(Starck)

PREVENTION OF WILD LIFE DESTRUCTION

WHEREAS, the department of interior of the United States through its bureau of reclamation, and the United States Army Engineers, sixth district, is now engaged in the construction of projects to impound, divert, and otherwise control waters in the state of North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, the construction of such projects will result in the inundation of extensive tracts of land which are a natural habitat of wildlife in the state of North Dakota, including upland game birds and deer; and

WHEREAS, the destruction of such natural habitat of wildlife will seriously curtail, if not completely eliminate, the production of wild game within such areas unless adequate provision is made to provide a new and suitable wildlife habitat adjacent thereto; and

WHEREAS, the conservation of game to provide healthful recreation for the seventy thousand hunters who each year take out hunting licenses in the state has become a serious problem in North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, such threatened extensive curtailment of the production of wildlife will endanger the entire game production and conservation program of the state; and

WHEREAS, the laws of the United States (60 Stat. 965) provide: "Whenever the waters of any stream or other body of water are authorized to be impounded, diverted, or otherwise controlled for any purpose whatever by any department or agency of the

United States, * * * such department or agency shall first consult with the Fish and Wildlife Service and the head of the agency exercising administration over the wildlife resources of the state wherein the impoundment, diversion, or other control facility is to be constructed with a view to preventing loss of and damage to wildlife resources. * * * The cost of planning for and the construction or installation and maintenance of any such means and measures (to prevent destruction of wildlife) shall be included in and shall constitute an integral part of costs of such projects", and

WHEREAS, the department of interior, through its bureau of reclamation and the United States Army Engineers, Sixth districts are constructing or are about to construct such projects in the state of North Dakota without having complied with the provisions of said law for the reasons that the congress of the United States has made no specific appropriation for the planning and construction of means to prevent the destruction of wildlife in connection with its appropriations for the construction of such projects:

Be It Therefore Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of North Dakota, the Senate concurring therein:

1. That we earnestly petition and urge the congress of the United States to make specific and adequate appropriations for the planning and construction of means to prevent the destruction of wildlife, as an integral part of all legislation authorizing the construction of projects to impound, divert, or otherwise control waters in the state of North Dakota;

2. That we earnestly recommend to the secretary of interior, to the chief of the bureau of reclamation, and to the commanding officer of the United States army engineers, Sixth district, that they, through their authorized deputies or agents, consult with the game and fish commissioner of the state of North Dakota and with him formulate a comprehensive wildlife preservation program and that they construct means and measures to prevent the destruction of, and to promote the growth of, wildlife in the areas adjacent to all projects authorized by congress for the impounding, diversion or control of waters in the state; that such plans include the acquisition and development of lands adjacent to inundated areas as a new habitat for wildlife; and that a portion of said areas be set aside as game refuges but that seventy-five to eighty percent of such areas be reserved as and designated as public shooting areas to the end that game conservation, and public recreation may be adequately and proportionately maintained.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the secretary of the state of North Dakota shall cause copies of this resolution to be sent to the president of the United States senate; to the speaker of the house of representatives of the United States; to each member of congress from the state of North Dakota; to the secretary of the interior of the United States; to the chief of the reclamation bureau, and to the commanding officer of the United States army engineers, Sixth district.

Filed March 5, 1949.