

CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS.

CHAPTER 152.

SALARIES OF RAILWAY POSTAL CLERKS.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION For a Memorial to Congress, Praying for the Passage of the Bill (H. R. No. 1) to Reclassify, and Prescribe the Salaries, of Railway Postal Clerks.

Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate Concurring:

That the following memorial be presented to the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled:

To the Honorable, the Congress of the United States:

Whereas, The efficiency of the railway mail service is of great interest and importance to all who have occasion to use the mails, and,

Whereas, There has not been a reorganization of the service within the past twenty-five years; and,

Whereas, There is, in consequence, great disparity in many cases between the value of the services rendered and the salaries paid therefor, particularly in view of the frequent accidents on railroads, subjecting railway postal clerks to fatal or serious injuries where passengers escape unharmed; and,

Whereas, The efficiency of the service would be greatly promoted by the payment of salaries commensurate with the value of the services rendered and the risks incurred; therefore,

We, the representatives of the people of the State of North Dakota, in legislative assembly convened, do respectfully pray for the speedy passage by your honorable body of the bill (H. R. No. 1), "To reclassify and prescribe the salaries of railway postal clerks."

And we will ever pray, etc.

Be it further resolved, That copies of these resolutions signed by the Speaker of the House and President of the Senate, and attested by the chief clerk of the House and the secretary of the Senate, be transmitted to Honorable Henry C. Hansbrough and Honorable William N. Roach, representing this State in the Senate of the United States, and to Honorable Martin N. Johnson, representing this State in the United States House of Representatives.

CHAPTER 153.**VALUATION OF RAILROAD PROPERTY.**

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION For a Just and Reasonable Valuation of Railroad Property for the Purpose of Taxation.

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

That it being evident that railroad property within the State of North Dakota is returning good revenue on capitalization ranging from twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000.00) to sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000.00) per mile, while paying taxes on a mere nominal valuation, and the necessity for revenue for state institutions being apparent, the state board of equalization is hereby directed to assess all railroad property at a just and fair valuation, which in no case in future shall be less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) per mile.

CHAPTER 154.**ATTORNEY GENERAL.**

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate Concurring:

That the Attorney General be and hereby is instructed to appear in conjunction with the State's Attorneys of the several counties in which suits are pending against the county treasurers, restraining them from the collection of taxes on lands listed in the name of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, within the limits of the lands granted by the Congress of the United States in aid of the construction of the Northern Pacific Railroad, with a view to securing an early decision of said cases.

CHAPTER 155.**LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY.**

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate Concurring:

That the Superintendent of Public Instruction be and hereby is requested to take such steps as may be necessary to secure the celebration of Lincoln's birthday, now a legal holiday, in this state, by appropriate readings and exercises in the public schools of this state.

CHAPTER 156.

REWARD FOR MURDERERS.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION:

Whereas, A family of six persons residing near the borders of the Great Sioux Reservation, at Winona, Emmons County, have been murdered and their bodies horribly mutilated under circumstances indicating the work of Indians; *Therefore*,

Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate Concurring:

That the Governor be and is hereby authorized to offer a reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of the murderers, and that the Attorney General be and hereby is directed to aid the County of Emmons in every possible way in the arrest and conviction, and in whatever investigation may be deemed necessary as to the causes which have led up to this murder.

CHAPTER 157.

DEATH OF HENRY S. PARKIN.

SENATE RESOLUTION:

Introduced by Mr. Green, February 1st, 1897, in the Fifth Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota, relative to the death of

HENRY S. PARKIN,

of the 30th Legislative District.

Whereas, the Senate of the State of North Dakota has heard with profound sorrow of the death of

HENRY S. PARKIN,

late a member of this body, from the 30th senatorial district; and,

Whereas, Henry S. Parkin was for many years identified with the development of the western part of the Territory of Dakota, and the State of North Dakota,—a man whose bounty to the poor and unfortunate was a household word in the community where he was known, and whose untimely death was mourned by hundreds who knew him as a good citizen, an honest politician, a man of fixed principles and stable character,

Resolved, That we hereby extend to his widow and other sorrowing relatives the appreciation of his colleagues for his sterling qualities and his noble and unselfish life.