

WHEREAS, The President of the United States has stated that the objectives of the Social Security Act should not and need not be attained at the sacrifice of protection now available to some municipal workers through existing pension and retirement systems;

WHEREAS, There are approximately 20,000 public employees in the state who have contributed to and are members of approximately 50 statutory pension funds; and

WHEREAS, The extension of the provisions of the Social Security Act would not only impose additional taxation upon the state of Minnesota and many of its political divisions and the employees thereof, but would likewise tend to impair the benefits and protection which have been gained by public employees now members of existing pension funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

That, the Legislature of the State of Minnesota looks with concern upon any proposal to extend the present Federal Social Security Act to the State of Minnesota, its political divisions, and employees thereof who are now members of existing legally created pension and retirement systems and respectfully urges and petitions the Congress of the United States not to enact legislation which would extend the provisions of the Social Security Act to public employees now members of legally created pension or annuity systems.

The secretary of state is instructed to transmit copies of this resolution to the President, Congress, to the Federal Security Administrator, and to the Social Security Board.

Approved February 25, 1943.

RESOLUTION No. 6—S. F. No. 945

A concurrent resolution memorializing Congress to enact into law S 207, known as "the Nye bill", providing for waiver of second-class postal fees upon resumption of publication by newspapers that were compelled to suspend publication because of war conditions.

WHEREAS, numerous newspapers throughout the Nation and particularly those in towns in smaller communities have been and

in the future will be compelled to suspend publication because of the economic conditions and the loss of manpower brought about by the war emergency, and

WHEREAS, the country newspaper is a valuable economic and social asset in the community life of the Nation and should therefore be encouraged, and

WHEREAS, newspapers of Minnesota, as those in the nation, have made great contributions to the war effort through the medium of news articles and advertisements bearing upon the successful prosecution of the war, said contributions in the aggregate being many millions of dollars,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Minnesota, the House of Representatives concurring, that we memorialize, petition and urge Congress to take such steps as are necessary to enact into law S 207 known as "The Nye Bill" which provides for the waiver of second-class postal fees upon resumption of publication by newspapers which were compelled to suspend publication during the war and because of war conditions, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be mailed to the President of the United States, to the President of the Senate, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and to each Member of Congress from the State of Minnesota.

Approved March 26, 1943.

RESOLUTION No. 7

A resolution requesting the Secretary of Agriculture and the chief of the Office of Price Administration to refrain from establishing ceiling prices on live animals and thereby encourage rather than discourage increased production.

WHEREAS, the farmers of the nation recognizing their patriotic duty in this time of a food crisis to supply the needs of the civilian population and to furnish food for our armed forces and our allies in this war, have greatly increased meat production during the past two years, and

WHEREAS, meat and animal fats are vital food products and their increased production is necessary to win the present war, and