

# RE-ELECT AUGUST OMTVEDT REPRESENTATIVE

*Shall Money  
Elect the Next  
Representative for  
the 57th District*



Let me admit that I cannot match Dollars with my opponent's committees. I have never received any money from either slot machines or liquor. I admit I voted to support the Governor in his law enforcement program. This seems to be the one thing certain people object to. How could a self respecting member of the legislature vote against law enforcement? Will my opponent or his supporters vote for the Governor at the general election? I DOUBT IT. An effort has been made to belittle my work for Cook County. Why not ask the Cook County Officials what they think of my work. Cook County received \$232,000 from the State from 1941 to 1948. Does anyone dare to say that this money was not secured by me? My work prompted the Cook County Board to send me a letter reading in part as follows: "We are proud of your kind cooperation in the past and anticipate the results of your present splendid assistance in legislation affecting our county." In 1942 the State deducted the Superior National Forest receipts from our school aid. In 1943 I introduced a bill to stop the State from "GRABBING" our money. The Cook County schools have saved \$26,117.48, and the Lake County schools have saved \$26,023.00 since my bill passed. The Cook County officials will tell you that the Cook County finances have been definitely improved by my work. Your representative is elected without party designation. However, I am glad to say that I have had the finest cooperation from all State Officials, including the Governor, as well as from the House and Senate committees regardless of political affiliations. If re-elected I shall put forth my best effort for the welfare of my whole district. I shall support further legislation in behalf of the Veterans, including the passage of a veterans' bonus. I am definitely opposed to a retail sales tax. I shall again vote for the repeal of the "HOMESTEAD LIEN." I claim that the "LIEN" is a penalty on thrift. I shall introduce and support a bill to delay the opening of the schools for at least two weeks in an effort to lengthen the Tourist Season.

**I stand on my legislative record and shall appreciate your support**

Yours Respectfully  
*August Omtvedt*

(Issued and paid for by August Omtvedt in his own behalf)

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STATE OF MINNESOTA

DISTRICT COURT

COUNTY OF LAKE

ELEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

ARTHUR O. LORNTSON,

Contestant. )

-vs-

AUGUST OMTVEDT,

Contestee. )

NOTICE TO CONTESTANT

BY CONTESTEE

To the Honorable, The District Court above-named: To the Honorable Mike Holm, Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota; And to Arthur O. Lorntson, Contestant in this proceeding:

TAKE NOTICE:

1.

That for more than forty-two years last past the undersigned contestee has been, and now is, a resident of and a legal voter of Lake County, Minnesota.

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That in and for his notice and answer to the allegations in contestant's notice contained, contestee denies each and every allegation, matter and thing in said notice set forth except as said allegation, matter and thing is alleged, admitted, qualified or explained in this the contestee's Notice.

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That contestee alleges that contestee herein was duly and legally elected to the office of Representative in the Legislature of Minnesota, Fifty-seventh (57th) District on Nov. 2, 1948, as duly declared and confirmed by official action of the County Canvassing Boards of Cook and Lake Counties and the State Canvassing Board.

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The contestee further alleges that contestant by his own action, or those of his committees with his own concurrence, sanction or approval, has himself violated the provisions of The Corrupt Practices Act, as embodied in Minn. St. Ann. Chapt. 211; and further has violated other statutory provisions governing the conduct of elections and campaigning for public office.

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Contestee alleges upon information and belief that one or more ballots cast, tallied and canvassed for contestant Arthur O. Lorntson were invalid ballots and should not have been counted as cast for contestant Arthur O. Lorntson, the grounds for which invalidity will appear only by due and proper re-examination of all the ballots cast in the said Fifty-seventh (57th) Legislative District of Minnesota.

WHEREFORE, the Contestee herein prays:

1. That judgment be entered declaring the Contestee August Omtvedt duly elected and entitled to hold the office of Representative in the Legislature of Minnesota, Fifty-seventh Legislative District in the

forthcoming January 1949 term by virtue of having been duly elected to said office on Nov. 2nd. 1948, in accordance with the findings and declarations of the Canvassing Boards of Cook and Lake Counties as further confirmed by the action of the State Canvassing Board on Nov. 16, 1948.

2. That, in case of recount or contest, that all necessary and proper orders be issued by the Honorable Court herein assuring a full and fair examination of said ballots.

3. That the Court issue Judgment allowing contestee his costs and disbursements necessarily incurred in this action and these entire proceedings.

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of  
~~November~~, 1948  
December

August Omtvedt  
August Omtvedt, Contestee

J. Gilbert Jelle  
Attorney for Contestee

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