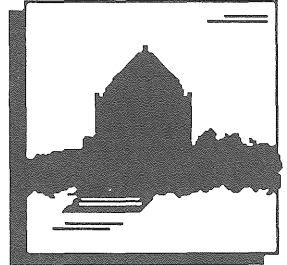


MINI-SESSION REPORT

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Alexandria

☆ Of Scandinavian descent

Alexandria, the Douglas County seat, grew up among the lakes and farms of west-central Minnesota. In the late 1850s, brothers Alexander and William Kincaid migrated to west-central Minnesota where they, and others later formed a community. Named in honor of Alexander Kincaid, Alexandria incorporated as a village in 1877, and became a city in 1908.

Today, the city boasts a population of more than 7,600 people in town, and more than 16,000 within a five-mile radius. Most residents claim either Swedish or Norwegian heritage. "Big Ole," the world's largest Viking, greets downtown visitors.

Agriculture and manufacturing industries employ Alexandria residents, while area lakes attract the visitors. The region offers fishing, water sports, professional theater, and auto racing in summer; snowmobiling, downhill and cross-country skiing in winter.

Minnesota's twelfth governor, Knute Nelson, settled on a farm near Alexandria in 1871. Originally from Norway, Nelson fought in the Civil War, studied law, served in both Wisconsin's and Minnesota's state legislatures, and represented Minnesota in both houses of Congress.

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Paul Christ, vice president of Dairy Planning and Dairy Operations, Land O'Lakes, Inc., testifies before the Agriculture Committee and about 300 Albany area farmers. Rep. Jeff Bertram (DFL-Paynesville) acted as committee chair.

HIGHLIGHTS

Town meeting

Hundreds of Alexandria residents and people from surrounding communities turned out for a town meeting with legislators Nov. 17. Those in the meeting hall who stepped to the microphone to speak up called on lawmakers for tax relief, stronger child abuse laws, and long-term health care plans for the baby boom generation and AIDS patients.

A local realtor talked about a possible housing crisis in the next decade that will result in a lack of affordable housing. A student and an instructor from the Alexandria Technical Institute complained of the stringent rules for getting financial aid, and told of space needs throughout higher education. All-day kindergarten opponents cautioned legislators about the move from half-day sessions to all-

day, every day sessions. They cited problems with classroom space and money.

Legislators say it's not likely they'll mandate all-day kindergarten. If anything, they may provide options for at-risk kids and those districts that want all-day kindergarten. They'll also address property tax and health issues in the upcoming session.

Some who testified at the town meeting commended legislators for: upholding child care sliding fees; continuing the Farm Mediation Program; enforcing child support payments; supporting Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) reform; and increasing the minimum wage.

Lottery

"Should the Minnesota Constitution be amended to allow the state and nonprofit, charitable organizations to run lotteries?"

HF4 (Osthoff, DFL-St. Paul), one of four lottery proposals in the General Legislation, Veterans Affairs and Gaming Committee, would put that question on next year's general election ballot.

Supporters testifying at that committee's hearing Nov. 18 say there's strong evidence that most Minnesotans favor a lottery and want to remove the constitutional prohibition. They say if legislators pass the bill, and voters in this state approve the lottery, the games could generate from \$60 to \$100 million a year.

"If we look at what that [extra revenue] would mean to education we're talking roughly \$1 per pupil unit for each million generated," says Rep. Bob Johnson (DFL-Bemidji), sponsor of HF218, a lottery bill that would give proceeds to public education.

Of the 24 lottery states, nine dedicate proceeds to education. Lottery opponents question whether Minnesota wants to teach young people that the way to make it in the world is a matter of picking the right number in a daily game. They maintain the state should not get into the lottery business nor should it promote gambling.

House members have been talking about a lottery since the mid-1970s, but have never moved a lottery bill out of committee discussion. A year ago, the Senate passed a bill calling for a constitutional amendment for a lottery, but it died in a House committee.

NEXT MINI-SESSION:

Eveleth, Minnesota
Jan. 13-15, 1988

Home seller's disclosure

The "American Dream"—a family, a car, a house. Lynn and Rhonda Peterson thought they'd achieved at least part of the dream when they gave up their old house to move to a larger one in 1985. But, Lynn Peterson says, shortly after moving in, they uncovered substantial defects, forcing them to leave and causing the city to tag the house as "uninhabitable."

Peterson told the Housing and Community Development Subcommittee of the Economic Development and Housing Committee Nov. 18, that he supports HF1678. The bill, according to author Rep. Alice Johnson (DFL-Spring Lake Park), would require residential home sellers to fill out a "statement of condition" disclosing any defects they're aware of in the property. Johnson calls the bill a "lemon law" for houses.

If the sale involves a real estate agent, HF1678 would require the agent(s) to sign the statement of condition acknowledging that he or she has "conducted a reasonably competent and diligent visual inspection of the property's accessible areas."

Randy Fischer, Minnesota Association of Realtors (MAR), says his organization opposes this proposed requirement. Fischer, and other area real estate agents, told the committee they don't have the expertise to represent the detailed property description the bill would require, and that to expect them to do so would invite lawsuits. Realtors do support voluntary seller's disclosure, says Fischer, and MAR is now drafting such a form.

The committee took no action on the bill. Chair Rep. Richard Jefferson (DFL-Mpls) says he plans to hold at least two additional hearings on HF1678 before the 1988 Legislature convenes.



Rep. Ann Wynia (DFL-St. Paul), House majority leader, talks with Cleo Gundershang, resident council president at the Knute Nelson Nursing Home in Alexandria.

Bank closings

"The people who get hurt when a bank fails are the people who had loans at that bank," says attorney Randy Roth of the Farmers Legal Action Group. And, she says, dealing with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) is a major problem communities face in the wake of a bank failure.

The Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee invited Roth, Commerce Commissioner Mike Hatch, FDIC representative Craig Rice, and residents from Minnesota communities experiencing bank failures to discuss problems and procedures at a Nov. 17 meeting in Alexandria.

General confusion and panic top the list of problems farmers have when the FDIC takes over after a bank fails, says Roth. The rules governing loans and paybacks change and people often don't understand why, she says.

Todd County farmer Bill Decker had a loan at the Farmers State Bank of Clarissa. He told committee members that he had problems dealing with FDIC personnel after the bank failed in 1986. The FDIC agents made unrealistic agricultural property appraisals, says Decker, and didn't seem to know much about general farming practices.

With financial assistance from the 1986 Legislature, Roth developed the *Farmers' Guide to FDIC* to assist farmers, advocates, attorneys, and local business people to know what to expect and learn how to deal with FDIC agents. Though the federal government directs FDIC policy, she had several ideas for possible legislation on the state level. Roth suggests that the Legislature impose restrictions on how the FDIC conducts business with farm debtors, including setting specific time limits for certain decisions.

Rep. Wes Skoglund (DFL-Mpls), committee chair, plans no immediate action on these issues, but says the committee will continue to monitor post-closure FDIC procedures.

Rural health care

"We're committed to our mission...to provide care whenever it's needed to whomever needs it, regardless of the person's ability to pay," says Ron Jacobson from Stevens Community Memorial Hospital in Morris. But, he says, the amount of money to pay for those services, along with salaries, supplies, and equipment, is dwindling.

Medicare reimbursement rates are a major problem, according to many speakers who addressed the Health and Human Services Division of the Appropriations Committee at the Fergus Falls Regional Treatment Center Nov. 16. In 1983, Congress passed legislation which assumes that rural physicians and hospitals have lower operating and maintenance costs and therefore should receive lower payments for the same services urban physicians and hospitals provide. But committee member Rep. Bob Anderson (R-Ottertail) points out, "It costs as much to run our hospitals out here as it costs to run them in urban areas."

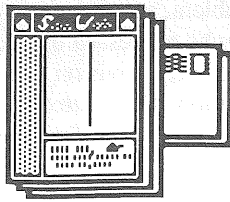
The state Medicaid reimbursement payment system creates another problem, says Jacobson. As of August 1985, a set rate per diagnosis determines all payments for hospital care which, he says, doesn't always cover costs. And according to Glen Christian, Minnewaska District Hospital, Starbuck, the state may take four to six months to pay a claim.

Other health care professionals mentioned concerns, including: some health maintenance organizations' (HMOs) decision to pull out of several Minnesota rural counties; lack of reimbursement for marriage and family therapists' services now that the state requires licensing; lack of funds to care for AIDS patients; and the need to continue operating state Regional Treatment Centers to care for mentally and physically handicapped individuals.

Chair Rep. Lee Greenfield (DFL-Mpls) says the committee will continue hearings on rural health care in the months before the 1988 legislative session begins.



Rep. Bill Schreiber (R-Brooklyn Park), House minority leader, examines residents' craft work during a visit to the Knute Nelson Nursing Home.



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COMMITTEE ACTION

AGRICULTURE

Monday, Nov. 16

- Discussed federal milk issues as they relate to Minnesota's dairy economy; heard testimony on the creation of a milk price stabilization board.
- **Milk price stabilization board HF1000** (Krueger, DFL-Staples)—heard.

Tuesday, Nov. 17

- Heard an update from the Farm Credit Services on land sales, general legal changes, and the status of the Beginning Farmer Program; heard testimony on high school vocational agriculture issues.

APPROPRIATIONS

Education Div./Approps.

Monday, Nov. 16

- Toured the University of Minnesota campus at Morris.

Health & Human Services Div./
Approps.

Monday, Nov. 16

- Heard testimony from area health care providers on access to health care in rural Minnesota. (See Highlight)

State Departments Div./Approps.

Tuesday, Nov. 17

- Visited Lake Oscar and discussed high water problems; toured Lake Carlos public access site; viewed a groundwater geophysics demonstration; and viewed a slide presentation on a biology erosion control project.

COMMERCE

Monday, Nov. 16

- Discussed tourism with the Minnesota Office of Tourism and Operation Walleye.



Student Shawn Regan testifies before the Education Committee during a meeting at St. Cloud Apollo High School.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & HOUSING

Monday, Nov. 16

- Heard a presentation on the Greater Minnesota Corporation.

Housing & Community Development Subc./Econ. Dev. & Housing
Wednesday, Nov. 18

- **Residential Real Estate Transfer Disclosure Act**

HF1678 (A. Johnson, DFL-Spring Lake Park)—heard. (See Highlight)

EDUCATION

Monday, Nov. 16

- Heard public testimony on all-day kindergarten, age of compulsory attendance, and the length of school day and year.

Education Finance Div./Educ.

Monday, Nov. 16

- Discussed school district finances; heard profiles of Elbow Lake, Fergus Falls, and Herman school districts, and the Val-Ed Cooperative Projects.

Joint Library Subc./Educ.

Tuesday, Nov. 17

- Toured the Alexandria Library.

School Facilities Subc./Educ.

Wednesday, Nov. 18

- Toured school facilities in Osakis, Villard, and Alexandria.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

Wednesday, Nov. 18

- Discussed a proposal to require degradable plastic packaging by 1991.
- Heard Waste Management Board and Pollution Control Agency overviews on comprehensive recycling (recycling everything that contributes to the solid waste stream).

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS & INSURANCE

Tuesday, Nov. 17

- Heard brief overview of reasons HMOs are discontinuing seniors' coverage in several rural Minnesota counties.
- Heard public testimony on bank closings in Minnesota. (See Highlight)

GENERAL LEGISLATION, VETERANS AFFAIRS & GAMING

Wednesday, Nov. 18

- Heard testimony on lottery proposals. (See Highlight)
- **Lottery—constitutional amendment HF4 (Osthoff, DFL-St. Paul)—heard.**
- **Lottery—proceeds for education HF218 (R. Johnson, DFL-Bemidji)—heard.**
- **Lottery agency—creation HF1270 (G. Anderson, DFL-Bellingham)—heard.**
- **Lottery board—established HF633 (Kostohryz, DFL-North St. Paul)—heard.**

GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS

Tuesday, Nov. 17

- **State building, fire codes—administration HA34 (DeBlicke, DFL-Milroy)—heard.**
- Heard testimony on combining administration of the state building code and uniform fire code.

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Tuesday, Nov. 17

Meeting in Alexandria:

- Adopted a resolution urging the University of Minnesota to maintain its Public Health Nursing Program and to re-examine cutbacks in the Baccalaureate Nursing Program.
- Heard testimony from area nursing home resident councils.

Meeting in Hoffman:

- Heard overview and testimony on Developmental Achievement Centers' issues.

JUDICIARY

Civil Law Subc./Judic.

Monday, Nov. 16

- Heard public testimony on tort issues.

LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS

Tuesday, Nov. 17

- Heard an overview of the Department of Labor and Industry's Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) program and proposed changes to the program.

LOCAL & URBAN AFFAIRS

Monday, Nov. 16

- **Local government—regulation of state mandates HF518 (Simoneau, DFL-Fridley)—heard.**
- Heard public testimony on state mandates and the effects they have on local units of government.

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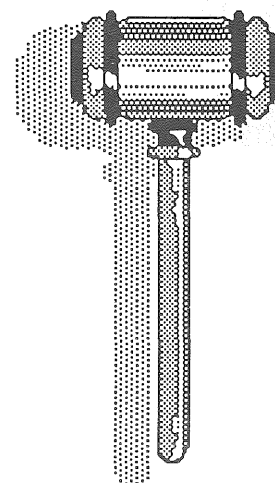
Monday, Nov. 16

- Heard public testimony on tax changes enacted in 1987.

TRANSPORTATION

Tuesday, Nov. 17

- Discussed railroad abandonments, the development of regional rail authorities, and short line railroads.



Town Meeting



More than 350 Alexandria-area residents listened to Rep. Robert E. Vanasek (DFL-New Prague), Speaker of the House, and other state representatives at a



Florencio DeLeon, ATI student body president, called on lawmakers to review present stringent rules for financial aid.



Kathy Ray, Barrett, questioned AIDS concerns.



Rep. Gordon Voss (DFL-Blaine), Taxes Committee chair, answers residents' questions about the 1987 Omnibus Tax bill during the town meeting in Alexandria.



at a town meeting at the Alexandria Technical Institute (ATI).



questions legislators about long-term health care plans and



Morris Wirth, a Brandon farmer, talks to House members about the automatic tax increase provision in the 1987 tax law.

Session Summary clarification

If you have a copy of the 1987 *Session Summary*, please note these changes.

Page 118, third column:

Medical assistance—
hospice payments
HF1417*—Segal, Clark, Ogren
SF1293—Brandl, Piper, Marty,
Samuelson, Vickerman

Chapter 374:

• includes payment for hospice care services under medical assistance (making up to \$7,500 available for hospice care for each terminally ill patient).

Enactment: June 2, 1987

Effective: July 1, 1988

Page 167, first column:

Taxes—omnibus bill

HF0529*—Voss, Norton, Vanasek,
Rest, McLaughlin
SF0445—D.J. Johnson

Chapter 268:

• generates \$691.0m over the next biennium from individual income, sales, corporate, and other miscellaneous taxes;

Article 1—Income Tax

• increases the state elections campaign check-off to \$5 single/\$10 married;

Page 167, third column, table on individual income tax rates and brackets:

Single—1987

0	- \$3,000	4%
\$3,001	- \$9,000	6%
\$9,001	- \$16,000	8%
\$16,001+		9%

Head of Household—1987

0	- \$3,500	4%
\$3,501	- \$10,000	6%
\$10,001	- \$18,500	8%
\$18,501+		9%

• establishes a tax on all filers who are subject to the federal surtax equal to 10 percent of the federal surtax, beginning in tax year 1988 (to eliminate the benefit of the lower federal rate bracket and personal exemptions for higher income taxpayers);

Page 168, first column:

• repeals net operating and capital loss carrybacks for corporations;
• extends the carryforward period from 5 to 15 years;



Big Ole, the world's largest Viking statue, greets visitors in downtown Alexandria. He's 28 feet tall and weighs 12,000 pounds.



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54 Hughes, Jerome M. (DFL)	328 Cap	4183	7 Solon, Sam G. (DFL)	303 Cap	4188
15 Johnson, Dean E. (IR)	105 SOB	3826	59 Spear, Allan H. (DFL)	G-27 Cap	4191
6 Johnson, Douglas J. (DFL)	205 Cap	8881	42 Storm, Donald A. (IR)	125 SOB	6238
48 Jude, Tad (DFL)	326 Cap	4248	1 Stumpf, LeRoy A. (DFL)	306 Cap	8660
53 Knaak, Fritz (IR)	149 SOB	1253	24 Taylor, Glen (IR)	103 SOB	9457
38 Knutson, Howard A. (IR)	121 SOB	4120	28 Vickerman, Jim M. (DFL)	G-29 Cap	5650
57 Kroening, Carl W. (DFL)	124 Cap	4302	66 Waldorf, Gene (DFL)	124 Cap	3809
55 Laidig, Gary W. (IR)	141 SOB	4351	37 Wegscheid, Darril (DFL)	309 Cap	8091
9 Langseth, Keith (DFL)	G-24 Cap	3205			

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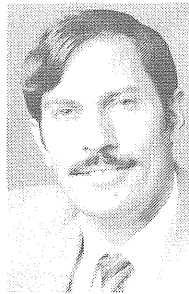
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New members of the Minnesota Legislature

House District 65A; Rep. Andrew J. Dawkins (DFL-St. Paul) replaces former representative Fred C. Norton (DFL-St. Paul) who resigned to become a judge on the Minnesota Court of Appeals.



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Born: 7/50. **Single.** **Education:** BA, history/political science, Hamline University; JD, Temple University School of Law. **Occupation:** Attorney. **Elected:** Nov. 3, 1987 (special election). **Term:** 1st. **Committees:** Economic Development & Housing; Education; Metropolitan Affairs; Regulated Industries.

House District 30B; Rep. Dale DeRaad (IR-Waseca) replaces former representative Jerry Schoenfeld (DFL-Waseca) who resigned to become director of the Rural Development Board of the Greater Minnesota Corporation.



DeRAAD, Dale L. (IR) **House District 30B**
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Born: 5/51. **Married:** Wife: Cindy, 2 children. **Education:** Vocational/technical school. **Occupation:** Accountant/businessman. **Elected:** Nov. 3, 1987 (special election). **Term:** 1st. **Committees:** Future & Technology; Governmental Operations; Higher Education; Judiciary.

Senate District 4; Senator Bob Decker (IR-Bemidji) replaces former senator Gerald L. Willet (DFL-Park Rapids) who resigned to become commissioner of the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.



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Born: 11/22. **Married:** Wife: Jackie, 3 children. **Education:** Southwest Texas State College; BS, MEd, PhD; agricultural economics, agricultural education, Texas A & M University of Agriculture. **Elected:** Nov. 3, 1987 (special election). **Occupation:** College professor. **Committees:** Agriculture; Education; Education - Higher Education Division; Governmental Operations.

In a special election on Nov. 3, 1987, voters elected two new representatives and one new senator.

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Judge Edward Wilson, Ramsey County District Court, swears in newly-elected Rep. Andrew Dawkins (DFL-St. Paul).



Rep. Dale DeRaad (IR-Waseca) takes the oath of office from Judge Robert Forsythe, Hennepin County District Court.



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Speaker of the House: Robert Vanasek
Majority Leader: Ann Wynia
Minority Leader: William Schreiber



Linda Skoglund and daughters Jenny, 4, and Anne, 5-1/2, view the Kensington Runestone at the Fort Alexandria Agricultural Museum.

Kensington Runestone

In 1898, farmer Olaf Ohman dug up a carved stone from the roots of an Aspen tree on his land near Kensington. University of Minnesota language experts translated the ancient Scandinavian characters (rune) to tell a tale of Vikings visiting the area in 1362:

"Eight Goths [Swedes] and 22 Norwegians upon a journey of discovery from Vinland westward. We had a camp by two sherries [rocks], one day's journey from this stone. We were out fishing one day. When we returned home, we found 10 men red with blood and dead. Ave Maria save us from evil. Have 10 men by the sea to look after our vessel 14 (or 41) days' journey from this island. Year 1362"

The stone of greywack rock stands 31 inches high, 16 inches wide, 6 inches thick, and weighs 202 pounds. Historians believe it's a standard 200-pound Viking ship ballast stone.