

J. A. JOSEFSON

District 13

Lyon, Yellow Medicine Counties

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Sen. J. A. Josefson, husky first-termer from Lyon and Yellow Medicine counties, has a varied background to draw from for his legislative work. Now a farmer in the Lyon county township in which he was born, Josefson was once a chemical jobber and knows the merchandising world as well as the business of farming.

He's been chairman of his county's production marketing administration program, director of the Minnesota Coop Creamery, director of the Farmers and Merchants Supply Co. and has held various offices in civic organizations.

Josefson belongs to the Masons, the Toastmasters club of Marshall and the Farm Bureau and Farmers Union. He and his wife, Gladys, are members of the St. Paul's Lutheran church of Minnesota.

In the 1955 session Josefson was a member of committees on agriculture, aviation, banks and banking, markets and marketing, soldiers' welfare and soldiers' home and towns and counties.

Joseph A. Josefson, 39, a new state senator from the thirteenth (Lyon and Yellow Medicine counties) legislative district will bring a varied experience of farming and farmers' problems when he comes to the legislature.

Josefson operates two farms totaling about a section of land. He raises cattle and hogs and corn and grain. He was born in Westerheim township of Lyon county, not far from his home near Minnesota.

Before going into farming, Josefson was a chemical jobber, chairman of the Lyon county production marketing administration, director of the Minnesota Coop creamery, director of the Farmers and Merchants Supply Co., and connected with an insurance office.

He will caucus with the legislative conservatives. He has served in various capacities from time to time in church, fraternal and civic organizations in the community.

Josefson is a member of Masonic organizations, the Toastmaster's club at Marshall, Minn., the Farm Bureau and Farmers Union. He has no formal political party affiliation. He is a member of St. Paul's Lutheran church at Minnesota. He was married to Gladys Coover April 4, 1950 and they have one child, Lois Eileen.