

**SEN. VUKELICH**

St. Louis County's 61st district

The Iron Range has the potential for a broader economic base if reasonable and fair inducements are offered for industrial investment, Sen. Thomas D. Vukelich believes. *Mpls. Star*

He worked in this direction in the 1959 session, championing the bill to include non-magnetic taconite in the favorable tax laws that cover the magnetic type. Similar lures, according to Vukelich,



could spur interest in commercializing the area's vast peat deposits and exploration of reported copper and nickel fields.

Vukelich is a Range native, represented his district in the house from 1939 to 1945, came to the senate in 1947. He had been city assessor for his home town of Gilbert for four years prior to election to the house, presently is a supervisor for the county board of education.

He's held a variety of DFL party offices, was chairman of the Gilbert Chamber of Commerce in 1952, is a member of the Moose and Knights of Columbus and, with his family, St. Joseph Catholic church.

Looking toward the '61 session, the Gilbert Liberal says he feels that requests for "new funds, new state expenditures, should be paired with an appropriate tax measure to meet the increase.

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