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**REP. A. I. JOHNSON**

25th district—Swift county

Due for re-election as speaker of Minnesota's house of representatives shortly after it convenes today is Rep. A. I. Johnson, silver-haired veteran of eight terms.

The Benson liberal has long been identified with Swift county activity in the DFL party



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and before that the Farmer-Labor party. He was on the state central committee of the FL association, secretary of the party's district organization.

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Since the DFL party was formed he has held nearly all county and district offices in the organization and frequently has been urged to run for the district's congressional seat. *1-8-1957*

Since he has been in the house he has served frequently as chairman of the liberal bloc and two years ago was elected speaker.

Johnson is a Benson real estate man, formerly in the merchandising field. He twice has been president of Benson's Chamber of Commerce and is active in the Kiwanis club.

Presently he is co-chairman of the building committee of Our Redeemer Lutheran church. He and his wife have a daughter, Marilyn Ann, 15 on Valentine's day, and James, 13 on Christmas day.