

REP. ALF LARSON

Fifth district—Dodge county

One of the most active soil conservationists of Minnesota goes to the house from Dodge county for the 1957 session, Rep. Alf Larson of Hayfield.

Norwegian-born and a naturalized citizen, Larson has an impressive record of service



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in farm activities. He's been secretary of the Minnesota Association of Soil Conservation districts since 1949, was instrumental in bringing the national plowing matches to Kasson in 1952 and has represented the United States on the World Ploughing Organization board since 1953. *Mpls. Star*

Although his tendencies are Democratic and he will caucus with the liberals, he was picked by Republican Secretary of Agriculture Benson to a 20-man committee to discuss agricultural resources in 1953. That was a year after he was chosen by the National Association of Soil Conservation districts to present a national conservation program to the Democratic national convention.

He has written a conservation song, "God Bless Our Land," and an outline for teaching conservation that has sold 50,000 copies.

Larson, 51, active in the Lutheran church, has served as Luther League president, treasurer, church deacon, Lutheran Brotherhood president and was the first president of the Austin Circuit Lutheran Brotherhood in 1950. *Between Nov. 1956-Jan. 1957*