

CLIFFORD LOFVEGREN

47th District

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It took him 17 years of work to get there, but Sen. Clifford Lofvegren now is recognized as a "farmer and auctioneer."

Cheerful, poised and diligent in his senatorial chores, Lofvegren is going into his second term and fourth legislative session.

Raised in Iowa, he moved to Alexandria--still his home town -- in 1916, went to the public schools and always kept his eye on the farming business, hoping to get into it. He went into the restaurant business instead, and for 17 years ran a cafe.

About 1932 he had the opportunity and the money, so he bought 100 acres of land on the shores of Lake Cowdry, not far from town. He expanded those holdings and now holds 400 acres.

He subdivided part of his original holdings, however, and his farm residence now adjoins a new housing development.

It wasn't until he was 45 years old--just six years ago--that he was in a position to fulfill his ambition--to become an auctioneer. He now owns the Alexandria Livestock pavillion, still chants the prices at Thursday sales (except during legislative sessions) and has almost come to the point of being known as "Squire."