

TO HON. W. M. CANFIELD
COUNTY AUDITOR MARTIN COUNTY
FAIRMONT MINNESOTA

By direction of the Governor, I transmit to you herewith a certified copy of his Writ and Proclamation directing that a Special Election be held in the 9th Senatorial District on Thursday, the 17th day of January, 1929, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late State Senator Frank A. Day. The law provides that a Primary Election to nominate candidates be held on the 7th day before the election, which will be Thursday, January 10, 1929.

Your attention is called to the provisions of the Statutes relating to such elections, G.S. 1923, Sections 262-270, inclusive, which should be carefully followed.

Important points to remember are:

1. Notice of election and primary, signed by the County Auditor, should be issued and posted in each election district in the usual manner not later than fifteen days prior to the day set for such special election, which will be Wednesday January 2, 1929. Publication of the notice in a newspaper is not required by law, but it is desirable that as much newspaper publicity be given as possible.

2. Candidates must file with the Secretary

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of State and pay the regular filing fee of \$10 not later than Thursday January 3, in the manner provided by the Primary Election Laws, C.S. 1923, Section 297. Filing affidavits and fees must be received in the office of Secretary of State not later than 5 P.M. of that date in order to be accepted. The supreme court has decided that the fact that an affidavit may be in the mail within the time for filing is not sufficient to comply with the law, unless it actually arrives at the office of the Secretary of State before the close of the time for filing.

3. As soon as the time for filing has expired, the Secretary of State will certify to you the names of the candidates, and you will then proceed to prepare a primary election ballot, without party designation, as provided by the Primary Election Law. A sample ballot should be posted and published as soon as possible, though of course it will be impossible to give a full week's published notice of the sample ballot as at the regular primary.

4. The Primary Election is to be held on Thursday, January 10, 1929, in the same manner as a regular primary as far as possible.

5. The returns of the Primary should be canvassed in each county on Friday, January 11, and the results certified immediately by the respective county

auditors to the county auditor of Martin County, which cast the highest vote for Governor at the last General Election. The County Auditor of Martin County should immediately tabulate the returns and certify the names of the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes to the other county auditors, and should also notify the successful candidates of their nomination.

6. On receipt of the notice from the county auditor of Martin County of the names of the two nominees, the respective county auditors should immediately prepare ballots for the special election, following the statutes relating to the preparation of ballots for general elections as far as possible.

7. The Special Election is to be held on Thursday, January 17, 1929, in the same manner as a General Election as far as possible.

8. The returns of the Special Election should be canvassed in each county on Friday, January 18, 1929, and a statement of the vote cast transmitted immediately by the county auditor of each county to the Secretary of State, who will canvass the statements and issue a certificate of election to the successful candidate.

In case not more than two candidates should file, no primary election should be held, of

which fact you will be promptly notified from this office so that you can give as much publicity as it as possible.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be hereunto affixed this 31st day of December, 1928.

Secretary of State.

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