

COUNTY OPTION FIGHT PROMISED IF DULUTH DRY CODE REJECTED

Invalidation of Ordinance
Would Bring Campaign,
Says Senator Jones.

ZIEN CASE UP TODAY

Application for License to Be
Rejected—Court Action
Likely to Follow.

A fight to make St. Louis county dry is certain if Isidor Zien, applicant for a liquor license at 101 West First street, is successful in his announced effort to invalidate the Duluth dry ordinance through court procedure.

Announcement of the dries' attitude was made yesterday by Senator Richard Jones, manager of the dry ordinance committee's recent campaign.

"The committee likely will not become intervenors in the Zien case, should it go to the courts," said Senator Jones. "The case was brought to our attention first today in the News Tribune. The committee will meet this week, at which time it is possible that we may discuss it."

Application Up Today.

Zien's application for a license, to be presented to the council at its meeting today, will be rejected. Zien, it is expected, from the statement of his counsel, Howard T. Abbott, then will ask the district court for a writ of mandamus against the city council in an effort to compel the granting of the license. Should the court decide against him, Zien will carry the case to the supreme court, according to Mr. Abbott.

If the higher court invalidates the option ordinance, the dries will inaugurate their campaign for a county option vote.

Confident of Vote.

They have no doubt of their ability to obtain a sufficient number of names in Duluth alone to start the ball rolling for county-wide prohibition and they believe the county would go dry by an overwhelming vote.

Mr. Abbott said it would make "not a particle of difference" to him personally if the county voted dry. "As far as I am concerned," he said, "it's all the same to me if St. Louis county is dry or wet. I am simply acting as an attorney for one individual."

COUNTY OPTION FIGHT POSSIBLE



SENATOR RICHARD JONES.