

COMMENDS STATE NORMAL BOARD

SENATOR J. D. SULLIVAN OF ST.
CLOUD SAYS IT IS A MOST
CONSERVATIVE BODY

Senator John D. Sullivan of St. Cloud, who is one of the leaders in the present session of the Minnesota legislature, and was also two years ago, is a strong and loyal friend of the Normal schools and state normal board of this state, as will be seen from the following interview regarding these institutions given the St. Cloud Journal-Press:

"I am perfectly willing to go on record with the statement that the state normal school board is the best of the state boards," This was the high tribute paid by Senator Sullivan who as a member of the finance committee of the senate has had opportunity to judge of the work of the boards in making up their budgets for appropriations.

"The finance committee has no desire to cripple any of our public institutions, but they want a clear statement of the needs of these institutions, when they recommend appropriations from the state treasury.

"The budget put in by the board of control had not been properly considered or digested by that board, and was merely the requests of the heads of the various institutions. This compelled the committee to do a lot of work that should have been done by the board of

officials have taken under consideration a statement from the German embassy quoting an official message from the Berlin foreign office in which responsibility was disclaimed for the loss of any neutral lives on board the British steamer Falaba, recently sunk by a German submarine.

The claim is set up by Germany that the Falaba, as well as other British merchantmen, was armed and that military necessity made it impossible for the submarine to give any longer time.

Michigan Drys Victorious.

Detroit, April 8.—Complete unofficial returns from the 16 Michigan counties in which local option was the issue in the election show that the drys were successful in 14 counties and the wets were victorious in two. Alger county gave a majority of only one vote in favor of the anti-saloon interests and Oakland went dry by a majority of anywhere from 8 to 40. Chippewa county, in which Sault Ste. Marie is situated, shows a wet majority of 37.

Nebraska Drys Win Out.

Omaha, Neb., April 8.—The result of the election held throughout the state shows that the drys gained victory of about 19 to 3, according to early returns.

control, and as a result of our labors we have cut the requests nearly a million dollars, and this without injuring any of these institutions.

"When the normal school budget came before the committee we found it most carefully prepared, and representatives of the schools were heard as to the requests asked. It developed that the normal board had eliminated everything not necessary, and I had the pleasure of moving that the committee endorse the recommendations of the board, and this received the unanimous approval of the committee."