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PROCEEDINGS
Of the Annual Session of the
and Labores' Union,

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Committee on constitution reported
amenments, which were taken up
by sections, discussed and passed,
then adopted as a whole, as follows
DECLARATION OF PURPOSES.
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our country imperatively demands
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monopolies are dangerous to the beet
iterests of our country, tending to en-
lave a free people and subvert and finally overthrow the great principles
purchased to the fathers of American pirbertyse We te therefore adopt the foll
lowing as our declaration of prin.

1. To labor for the education of
the agriciltural classes in the science
of economical government in $\begin{aligned} & \text { s strict }\end{aligned}$ If economical government, in a strict
y non partisan spirit, and
about a more perfect union of of said and That we demand equal rights to
all and special favors to none.
2. 3. To indorse the motto "In things
essential, unity; and in all things,
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mankind and and brotherly love among ail
mond ourselves.
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| and life, its intention is, "On earth, peace, and yood will to man." <br> article i. <br> NAME AND POWERS. <br> Sec. 1. This orgauization shall be known as the National Farners' Alliance and Industrial Union. <br> Sec. 2 This organization possesses and shall exercise such powers as are delegated to it by charier from the Government of the United herein and such further powers as are her expressed. |  |
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| ARTICLE II. division of powers. |  |
| Sec. 1. The powers of this organi. zation shall be divided into three executive and a judicial department. |  |
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| Sec. 2. The legislative department shall be supreme in authonity, and its gessions shall be known as the Supreme Council of the order <br> Sec. 3. The executive and judicial departments shall be of equal power and authority, and subordinate only to the legislative. |  |
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| to the legislative. |  |
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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { of the supreme council shall be on the } \\ & \text { first Tuesday of Decenber of each } \\ & \text { year, and at such placeas as may be de. } \\ & \text { termined by majority vote of the } \\ & \text { body. } \end{aligned}$ |  |
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| legislative department to make laws,rules and regulations governing its meetings and usages. |  |
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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { be composed of the officicers of the } \\ & \text { organization and delegate from the } \\ & \text { various State organizations elected } \end{aligned}$ |  |
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| by the States upon such basis of rep.resentation as the sureme councilmay prescribe th shal be the dutyof the surpee council to ado | ARTICLE VIII. |
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| governing such representation:vided, That the delegates to the |  |
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| supreme council shall be not less than twenty- one years of age; and the basis of representation shall not allow more |  |
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| of ran two delegates from each State and one additional delegate for each |  |
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| elect at each regular annual session the following officers, who shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified: A president, a vice-president, a lecturer, a secretary, and a treasurer. |  |
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| 4. The president shall be presiding officer of the supreme council and the official head of the executive de. |  |
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| Sec. 5 . The snpreme council shallprovide laws and rules prescribing the powers, duties and methods of theoficicers, and may limit the term of office, fix salaries, etco. |  |
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|  | Section 1. A State organization |
| article V . exkcotive derahtwent |  |
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| Sec. 1. The president shall be the chief executive officer; he shall have power to direct and instruct all exe |  |
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| power to direct and instruct all exe in this department subject to the laws and regulations made by the supreme council. |  |
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| Sec. 2. 2.The president shall haveauthority to interpret and construe |  |
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| by offcial rulings, and such rulings shall have the force and effect ofand be promptly presented to the ju- |  |
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| and be promptly diciary department for consideration, and if the judiciary approve the rul ing |  |
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| then and in that case such ruling shall be held in abeyance until the nex |  |
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| meeting of the supreme council, which shall decide the matter. |  |
| Seco. 3. The president shall be the |  |
|  | be altered or amended, except upon a written resolution clearly settingforth the changes or additions to be made, which must be read in open session on at least two separatority.adopted by two-thirds majority |
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| ARTICLE VI. $\quad$ adopted by two-thirds majority. |  |
| Section 1. The judiciary depart- |  |
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| first year be elected annually by the supreme council. Three juages shal shall be for a term of one year, one for two, and one for three. <br> Sec. 2. The regular term of office for the judges of the judiciary de. partment shall bo three years. | TUTORY L |
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| Conncil will not be entitled to seats in the body unless settlement of the national per capita dues of 5 cents for the State Secretary, accompanied by the proper amount of money to the National Secretary, and State Secrereport promptly on or before the first report promptly on day of November. <br> Section 3. The annual election of offiers by the Supreme Council shall be by ballot. |  |
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| be by ballot. Sec. 4. The President shall appoin |  |
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| ant door-keeper, sergeant-at-arms, and such other executive officers as the |  |
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| The term of office for such officers shall expire at the close of the session;such appointed officers to receive nothing in addition to mileage and per |  |
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| Sec. 5. The President shall be the |  |
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| cil and shall conduct the business ac cording to the accepted rules of par-liamentary usages and the requireliamentary usagesments of the ritual. |  |
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| Sec. 6. The President shall haveauthority to call upon any executive |  |
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| officer or committee to make reportsand showing of the busines entrusteto ho hin such time as in his judgmentit seemem semet.Sec. 7. The President may, when |  |
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| notified of any deriliction of duty or violation of the rules of the order suspend any officer or committee and summon them to appear before the |  |
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| judiciary committee to make showing to the chairman either by oral or writ ten evidence as to their guilt or inno |  |
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| cence of the charges. <br> Sec. 8. The President shall have |  |
| full authority to enforce order and de corum during the sessions of the Su <br> Sec. 9. The President shall have |  |
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| power to call a meeting of the Supreme Council at such time and place as in |  |
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| his judgment is for the good of the order. When petitioned by one-fourth |  |
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| of the State presidents in the jurisdic tion of this order, he shall call a meet |  |
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| ing of the Supreue Council. He what purpose the meeting is convened. Sec. 10. The Vice-President's dutie |  |
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| shall be to assist the President, and in his absence to perform his duty. |  |
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| Sec. 12. The secretary's duty shall be to keep a record of the proceedings |  |
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| suitable blanks for making reports to his office and to the chairman of the make a list of all the officers, standing |  |
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| Council, with name and postoffice ad. dress, which list shall be a part of |  |
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| the printed proceedings of the Supreme Council. |  |
| Sec. 13. The treasurer's duty shall be |  |
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| and pay it out on a warrant from the secretary approved by the President Hor doll the the |  |
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| :--- | <br> n motion the convention proceeded <br> ing resuil: of North Carolina, was H. Clover, of Kansas, vice <br> He. W. Hickman, of Missouri, treas <br> Ben. Terrell, of Texas, lecturer. On motion a committee from the <br> erence with this body Brother Polk was asked to take the Adjourned to meet at $7 \cdot 30$.

Convention called to order at $7: 30$
m. . President L . L. Polk in the Oa motion the body proceeded with
Tompletion of the organization. The election of three judges resulted R. C. Patty, of Mississippi, for
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The committee on demands made he following report on confederataion
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St. Loois, Mo. Dee. 6, 1889 .
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