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	June.	1890	Galveston. Texas	W. M. Fishback Arkansas
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Eleventh	April,	1900	Houston, Texas	J. R. G. PitkinLouisiana
Twelfth	July,	1901	Cripple Creek, Colo	Walter Gresham
Thirteenth	Aug.,	1902	St. Paul, Minu.	John Heary SmithUtab
Fourteenth	Aug.,	1903	Seattle. Wash.	John H. Kirby Texas
Fifteenth	Oct.,	1904	St. Louis, Mo	Richard C. Kerens Missouri
Sixteenth	Aug	1905	Portland, Or.	Theo, B. Wilcox Oregon

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Official Roster of the 1905 Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress

Seventeenth Annual Session Meets in Kansas City, Missouri, 1906

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Arizona—Walter Talbot, Phoenix.
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Colorado—Mitchell Benedict, Denver,
Iowa—J. L. Kamrar, Webster City.
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Indian Territory—Henry J. Keller, South McAlester.
Kansas—John E. Frost, Topeka.
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Minnesota—H. E. Hutchings, St. Paul.
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Missouri—Hou. John W. Noble, St. Louis.
Nebraska—Henry T. Clarke, Omaha.
Nevada—E. L. Williams, Reno.
New Mexico—G. R. Engledow, Raton.
North Dakota—N. G. Larimore, Larimore,
Oklahoma—C. G. Jones, Oklahoma City.
Oregon—E. L. Smith, Hood River.
South Dakota—Wesley A. Stuart, Sturgis.
Texas—D. D. Peden, Houston.
Utah—Wm. N. Williams, Sal: Lake City.
Washington—Hon. Albert H. Mead, Olympia.
Wyoming—Fennimore Chatterton, Cheyenne.

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MEMBERS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Alaska-Edward DeGroff, Sitka, one-year term; R. H. Kemp, Skagway, two-year term.

Arkansas-J. L. Carraway, Little Rock, one-year term; George R. Brown, Little Rock, two-year term. Arizona-John Mets, one-year term; J. W. Benham, Phoenix, two-

year term.

California-H. D. Loveland, San Francisco, one-year term; Rufus P. Jennings, San Francisco, two-year term.

Colorado-Charles A. Stokes, Denver, one-year term; Arthur F. Francis, Cripple Creek, two-year term. Iowa-A. E. Johnston, Keokuk, one-year term; E. H. Hunter, Des

Moines, two-year term.

Idaho-James H. Hawley, Boise, one-year term; J. R. Good, Boise, two-year term.

Indian Territory-W. F. Whittington, Ardmore, one-year term; J. G. Rucker, Claremore, two-year term.

Kansas-E. R. Moses, Great Bend, one-year term; E. E. Hoffman, Leavenworth, two-year term.

Louisiana-Charles K. Fuqua, Baton Rouge, one-year term; H. M. Mayo, New Orleans, two-year term. Minnesota—John Stees, St. Paul, one-year term; John Kingsley,

St. Paul, two-year term.

Montana-Alexander Burrell, Marysville, one-year term; Herbert

Strain, Great Falls, two-year term, Marystine, One-year term; Fred W. Missouri-H. R. Whitmore, St. Louis, one-year term; Fred W. Fleming, Kansas City, two-year term. Nebraska-Joseph Hayden, Omaha, one-year term; C. B. Anderson,

Crete, two-year term. Nevada-H. E. Freudenthal, Pioche, one-year term; A. H. Manning, Reno, two-year term. New Mexico-L. Bradford Prince, Santa Fe, one-year term; G. R.

Engledow. Raton, two-year term.

North Dakota-H. C. Plumley, Fargo, one-year term; W. N. Steele, Rolla, two-year term.

Oklahoma-Geo. Sohlberg, Oklahoma, one-year term; J. H. Johnston, Oklahoma City, two-year term.

Oregon-Herman Wittenberg, Portland, one-year term; Tom Richardson, Portland, two-year term. South Dakota-Thos. W. LaFleiche, Belle Fourche, one-year term;

Homer Johnson, Armour, two-year term.

Texas-D. Woodhead, Houston, one-year term; T. S. Reed, Beaumont, two-year term.

Utah-L. W. Shurtliff, Ogden, one-year term; Geo. Romney, Salt Lake City, two-year term.

Washington-A. L. Black, Bellingham, one-year term; J. R. Stevenson, Pomeroy, two-year term. Wyoming-E. L. Emery, Rock Springs, one-year term; W. J. Thom,

Buffalo, two-year term. National Travelers' Protective Association-John S. Beall, Portland, Ore., one-year term; C. W. Ransom, Portland, Ore., two-year term. United Commercial Travelers-Watt R. Sheidon, Denver, Colo., two-

year term.

BY-LAWS AND RULES.

(Revised at Portland, Ore., 1905.)

The Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress, organized for the purpose of promoting the commercial interests of the states and territories, in whole or in part, west of the Mississippi river, has adopted the following rules and regulations for its government:

ARTICLE I-MEMBERS.

1. Any resident of the territory named may become a member of the Congress, on application to and approval of the Executive Committee, by the payment to the Chairman of said committee of the sum of five dollars (\$5.00) annually, and such members shall be accredited to their respective states or territories.

2. Representation shall be confined to the states and territories situated wholly or in part west of the Mississippi river. Every business organization shall be entitled to appoint one dele-

Every business organization shall be entitled to appoint one delegate, and an additional delegate for every fifty members. The mayor of each city or town and the executive officers of each county may appoint one delegate for every 5,000 inhabitants; but no business organization, city or town, shall have more than ten (10) delegates. The governor of each state and territory may appoint ten (10) delegates. The governors of states and territories, members of the United States congress, and ex-Presidents of this Congress are ex-officio members, with all the privileges of members, except those of voting and election to office.

ileges of members, except those of voting and election to office. 3. The Executive Committee is authorized to extend invitations to any person to attend any session of the Congress, and to take part in its discussions; such persons shall have all the privileges of delegates, except those of voting and election to office. The names and addresses of all persons thus invited must be reported to the Congress at its opening session.

 The United Commercial Travelers and the Travelers' Protective Association shall each have all the rights and representation of a state or territory.

ARTICLE II-MEETINGS.

 The annual meetings of the Congress shall be held at such place and time as are fixed at the previous session, or the time may be left by the Congress to be fixed by the Executive Committee.
 The Secretary shall keep a register of the names and addresses

2. The Sccretary shall keep a register of the names and addresses of all members and of all delegates of whose appointment he is officially advised, showing by whom such appointment has been made, and such register shall be accepted by the Congress as the official list of members and duly accredited delegates.

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3. Each member of the Congress shall be entitled to one vote, provided that no state or territory shall cast more than thirty votes; if more than thirty members are present, each shall be entitled to his fractional part of said thirty votes; when a state or territory shall be represented by less than ten members, it shall be entitled to ten votes.

ARTICLE III-OFFICERS.

The officers of this Congress shall be a President, four Vice-Presidents at large, a Secretary and a Treasurer, to be elected by the Congress at each session, and to hold office until their successors are elected; and a Vice-President from each state and territory, to be elected as hereinafter provided.

2. The annual election of officers shall take place at the opening of the session on the last day of the Congress, and the officers shall be inaugurated during said day, and shall hold office until the inaguration of

their successors on the last day of the succeeding Congress. 3. The duties of the officers shall be those usually pertaining to their positions. The President shall preside at all meetings, and in his absence the Vice-Presidents shall preside in the order of their prece-dence. The Treasurer may be called upon to furnish a bond, by requirement of the Congress or its Executive Committee.

ARTICLE IV-COMMITTEES.

The committees of the Congress shall be as follows: 1.

Committee on Permanent Organization.

Committee on Resolutions. Executive Committee.

Advisory Board.

Congressional Committee. 2. The Committee on Permanent Organization shall consist of one member from each state and territory.

The Committee on Resolutions shall consist of two members from each state and territory.

The Executive Committee shall consist of the seven general officers and two members from each state and territory, one of whom shall be elected each year.

The Advisory Board shall consist of five members, to be appointed by the President or Congress during its session, or by the Executive Committee thereafter.

The Congressional Committee shall consist of five members, to be appointed by the President or Congress during its session, or by the Executive Committee thereafter. This committee shall be appointed at the Congress held in each odd numbered year, and shall hold office for two years.

3. At the afternoon session of the first day of each annual meeting the members present from each state and territory shall present names for the following positions. 1. A State Vice-President of the Congress.

One member of the Committee on Permanent Organization.
 Two members of the Committee on Resolutions.

At any time before the last day of the session they shall present the name of one member of the Executive Committee to serve for two years. 4. The Executive Committee shall have general charge of the work

and interests of the Congress, during its recess, and unless otherwise ordered by the Congress, shall act as a Committee on Order of Business during its sessions. It shall have control of the funds of the Congress, but no obligation shall be incurred beyond the amount of unappropri-

ated funds in the treasury. It shall elect its own chairman, and the Secretary of the Congress shall be its Secretary. It shall have power to fill all vacancies among officers or committees occurring while the Congress is not in session.

5. The duties of the Committee on Permanent Organization shall be to nominate the seven general officers, before the end of the third day of the annual session.

6. The Committee on Resolutions shall receive all resolutions that are introduced, and report all such as in its opinion should receive the favorable consideration of the Congress as promptly as practicable.

7. The Advisory Board may be consulted at all times by the officers or the Executive Committee of the Congress.

8. The Congressional Committee shall bring to the attention of the Congress of the United States or officials of the Government, personally, if possible, all of the proceedings of the Congress which require action from the United States congress or such officials. *

ARTICLE V--RULES.

1. The sessions of the Congress shall open at 10 a. m., 2 p. m. and 7:30 p. m., unless otherwise determined by the Congress.

2. Cushing's Manual shall govern the deliberations of the Congress. 3. All resolutions shall be submitted in writing in duplicate, with name of mover and of state to which he belongs, and shall be referred to the Committee on Resolutions without debate, but the mover shall be allowed three minutes for explanation, if desired. The duplicate copy shall be retained by the Secretary.

4. No subject, which has been made a party issue in politics, shall be placed on the program, nor shall any resolution referring to any such subject be considered.

5. On the report of each resolution it shall be open to debate, the introducer being allowed to open the discussion, and no member to speak more than twice. The opening speech shall be limited to ten minutes, and all others to five minutes each.

6. Papers and addresses made shall be limited to twenty minutes.

ARTICLE VI-ORDER OF BUSINESS.

The order of business at each daily session shall be as follows, unless otherwise ordered:

Introduction of resolutions.
 Reports of committees.
 Discussion and vote on committee reports.

4. Reading of papers or addresses on subjects named in program. 5. Miscellaneous.

Selection of place for holding next convention, special for 4 o'clock next to last day of session.

ARTICLE VII-AMENDMENTS.

These rules and regulations may be amended by a majority vote of the Congress, after one day's notice of the proposed amendment,