

# The St. Tammany Farmer.

"The Blessings of Government. Like the Dew from Heaven, should Descend Alike Upon the Rich and the Poor."

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## RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT WATERWAYS CONVENTION.

### A Determined Stand Made by the People that They Will Have Deep Waterways and that They Will Return No Congressman Who Is Opposed to the Scheme.

Report of the Resolutions Committee—"We the delegates to this fourth Lakes-to-the-Gulf Deep Waterway Convention, the largest convention of the people of the United States ever assembled for the purpose of promoting commerce through the development of our waterways; comprising duly appointed delegates to the number of more than five thousand from every State in the Union, including the Governors of a majority of the States, having as guests the President and Vice President of the United States, several members of the Cabinet, the Speaker of the House, and a large number of Senators and Representatives; representing the commercial and industrial interests of the entire country; having deeply at heart the welfare of the entire nation, no less than the great part thereof lying within the Mississippi Valley; having clearly in mind the duties and responsibilities of American citizens toward the initiation and direction of all movements for the general welfare of the country; and realizing that the moral integrity and spiritual stamina no less than the material growth of the nation as a whole are and must be shaped through the conscience and voice of the people, do hereby resolve and declare:

"1. We affirm our conviction that under the spirit and intent of the Constitution of the United States this is a government of the people by the people for the people, and we declare that any special or local interest or platform or policy in conflict with the inherent rights and sovereign will of the people will not be tolerated.

"2. We adhere firmly to the principles embodied in our constitution that it is the duty and is within the powers of the Federal government to promote the general welfare of the United States and to regulate commerce with foreign nations and among the several States; and we accept and affirm the unquestioned interpretation of Chief Justice John Marshall that the regulation of commerce involves the improvement, development and protection of our waterways. We adhere also to the ninth and tenth amendments to the constitution guaranteeing to the people all rights and powers not delegated to the United States nor prohibited to the constituent States, and affirm our sovereign right to retain and defend all interests essential to our common welfare arising through the natural growth and orderly development of our people, our States and our nation.

"3. We declare our firm conviction and fixed intention that the Federal government should, and shall without needless delay, enter upon a definite policy and plan of waterway development, beginning with the improvement of the Mississippi and Illinois rivers, as the main trunk of a great waterways system in such manner as to open effective navigation between the Gulf of Mexico in the South and the Great Lakes in the North; such main trunk to be developed without disparagement of and with constant reference to the concurrent effective development of the tributaries, the other great rivers of the country and their tributaries, the lakes, bays, bayous, and sounds of all sections of the country, and the canals and connecting passages required in and for a comprehensive system of inland navigation adapted to our great and rapidly growing commercial needs. We find the warrant for our conviction and intention, first, in the extent of the interior valley drained chiefly by the Mississippi, comprising as it does about half the area—and that by far the most productive portion—of the country; including the whole or parts of thirty great States; second, in the commercial needs of this vast area which, during the last half century, have increased more rapidly than those of any equivalent area on the globe in all the world's history; third, in the ample ability of the interior States to bear their necessary burden of any commercial development required to meet their growing population and industries and in their hearty willingness to do this except in so far as they are stopped by those constitution provisions which impose the duty on the Federal government; fourth, in the indifferent and virtually repressive policy hitherto pursued by the Federal government, under which the navigation necessary to proper commercial and industrial development has been permitted not only to fall far behind the growth of the country but actually to decline, and nearly disappear from the finest and grandest natural waterway system in the world; and, fifth, in the vast and vigorous and progressive population of the interior valley, comprising more than half the people of the United States—and we declare that the voice of the

sixty million inhabitants of this interior must and shall be heard.

4. In demanding the development of our interior waterways we adopt the policy of proceeding both promptly and on broad lines in such manner as not to obstruct but to promote the general commercial and industrial progress of the country and the general welfare of our people; and we affirm our right as delegates duly empowered to represent commercial and industrial organizations and the people generally to form and express final judgment concerning the commercial needs of the interior and of the country as a whole. Accepting and endorsing those portions of a recent report by a special board of survey composed of United States engineers which demonstrate the complete practicability of the Lakes-to-the-Gulf deep waterway, we repudiate and condemn that portion of the report declaring against the commercial expediency and necessity for the project, and we affirm our fixed conviction that the vast and rapidly advancing commerce of our interior, already reaching annual transportation costs of fully a billion dollars, absolutely demands the opening of a waterway from the great lakes to the sea not less than fourteen feet deep and adapted to modern terminal and transfer facilities.

5. We deny and condemn the fallacious theory that the need for waterway development can be measured either by the amount or by the absence of water-borne commerce before the channels and terminals are properly developed. We hold, on the contrary, in accordance with the experience of all countries, that the judicious development of transportation facilities promotes the volume and diminishes the cost of commerce.

6. We commend the plans and work of the Mississippi River Commission looking toward the concurrent development of channels and the adjacent lands through a system of levees and levees, and approve the extension of this system to the complete protection of the overflowed lands, the drainage of swamp lands, the abatement of floods, and to control the waters in such manner as to insure the highest utility for navigation and all related purposes.

7. Holding that the Mississippi and other waterways should be developed under a broad and comprehensive plan recognizing all uses of the waters or benefits to be derived from their control, we adhere to the principle arising in our constitution and incorporated in statutes recently enacted in several States that the waters belong to the people, and maintain that this right of the people is inherent and inalienable; and while recognizing the necessity for administering this invaluable possession of the people by State and Federal agencies, each within its appropriate jurisdiction, we deny the right of municipalities or of State and Federal governments to alienate or convey water by perpetual franchise or without just consideration in the interests of the people.

8. We require more definite information, to be made available through the Census Bureau or other appropriate Federal office, concerning the uses of our waters in all ways affecting navigation including municipal and domestic supply, irrigation, manufacturing and power; and in further legislation be needed, we demand its enactment to the end that a complete census of our rivers and other waterways may be made as a basis for the development of navigation in connection with the inter-related industries.

9. We affirm our conviction that it is the duty, and is within the constitutional power, of the Federal government to exercise jurisdiction over terminals and over the connections with other transportation agencies required for the development and maintenance of water transportation; and we hold that the regulation of terminal and transfer facilities is not only essential to, but is an integral part of any practicable system of commercial navigation.

"10. We commend the actions of President Roosevelt in creating, and of President Taft in continuing, the National Conservation Commission appointed to investigate the natural resources of which all are interdependent with our rivers, and on which the future growth of our people must rest; we commend the wise action of nearly all of our States in creating commission of like purpose; and we demand early and effective legislation, both State and Federal, for the maintenance of those agencies for the public welfare.

"11. We extend the right hand of fellowship to all other organizations and assemblies of citizens devoted

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## CHARTER OF THE Oak Ridge Oil and Mineral Company.

BE IT KNOWN, That on this 26th day of the month of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nine, and of the independence of the United States of America, the one hundred and thirty-

Before me, Joseph Bradford Lancaster, a notary public, duly commissioned and sworn, in and for the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, personally came and appeared, the several persons whose names are hereunto subscribed, who declare that availing themselves of the laws of this State, and provisions thereof relative to the organization of corporations, they have covenanted and agreed, and by these presents covenant and agree, bind, form, and constitute themselves, as well as such other persons who may hereinafter join or become associated with them, into a corporation and body politic in law, and for the objects and purposes, and under the agreement and stipulations following to wit:

ARTICLE I.  
The name and style of this corporation shall be the OAK RIDGE OIL AND MINERAL COMPANY, and under that name it shall have and enjoy all rights and privileges accorded by law to corporations; it shall have power to contract, sue and be sued in its corporate name; to make and use a corporate seal; to hold, receive, purchase, convey, mortgage, hypothecate or pledge property both real and personal; to issue bonds, notes and other obligations; to have and employ such managers, directors, officers, agents and other employees as the interest and convenience of said corporation may require, and to make all regulations for the proper management and control of the affairs of said corporation, through its Board of Directors as may be necessary and expedient.

ARTICLE II.  
The domicile of this corporation shall be in the town of Covington, Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana. All citations and other legal process shall be served upon the President of said corporation, in his absence upon the Vice President, and in the absence of the of both president and vice president, then service shall be made upon the Secretary.

ARTICLE III.  
The objects and purposes of this corporation and the nature of the business to be carried on by it are hereby declared to be: to purchase, receive, hold, lease, otherwise acquire mines, mineral lands, mining rights, claims and privileges, or real estate, in the State of Louisiana or elsewhere in the United States of America, and to prospect, explore, examine, test, and develop, open, work, or in any manner use or turn same to advantage; to prospect and search for natural gas, oil, petroleum, coal, salt, sulphur, or other mineral or elements of use or value; to prospect, explore, examine and test lands in localities where same are supposed to exist, and to drill, bore, dig or put down such wells, pits or shafts as may be deemed expedient for that purpose; to mine, dig, blast, excavate, pump or otherwise obtain or procure natural gas, oil, petroleum, coal, salt, sulphur or other mineral or substances of use or value, and to prepare, purify, refine, manufacture, transport, convey, store, warehouse, sell or otherwise use or dispose of same; to drill, bore or put down, excavate or make, and to maintain, repair operate and work any wells, shafts, mines, or works that may be necessary or convenient to accomplish and carry on the objects and purposes herein set forth, and in general to do any act or thing necessary, convenient or incidental to the accomplishment of said objects and purposes.

ARTICLE IV.  
The capital stock of this corporation is hereby fixed at the sum of twelve thousand dollars, to be divided into and represented by twelve thousand shares of the par value of one dollar, which said shares may be increased or decreased in the manner provided by the laws of the State of Louisiana. Said stock shall be paid for in cash, or its equivalent in personal or real property received for services rendered, or labor performed, in such manner and under such terms as the Board of Directors may fix or determine, but no certificate or stock shall be issued until the same has been paid for either in cash, property received, services rendered or labor performed. No transfer of stock shall be binding upon this corporation unless recorded upon its books, and until the certificate of stock shall have been delivered to the corporation and duly cancelled.

ARTICLE V.  
All the corporate powers of this corporation, and the management and control of its affairs shall be vested in and exercised by a Board of Directors, composed of nine stockholders, of whom five shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business, the number of said Board of Directors may be increased at the option of the Board of Directors, but in all cases a majority of the number of said Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum thereof. Said Board of Directors shall be elected on the Fourth Monday of the month of August, of each year and shall, immediately after their election, elect from among their own number a President, Vice President and a Treasurer each of whom shall be a stockholder. They shall also elect a secretary, who may or may not be a stockholder. Each stockholder shall be entitled in person or by proxy to vote for every share of stock owned by him or her. All elections shall be by ballot and held at the office of said corporation, under

the superintendence of two commissioners to be appointed for that purpose by the Board of Directors. A majority of votes cast shall elect said Board of Directors with the officers thereof shall continue in office for one year, and until their successors have been elected and qualified. Notice of the election of a Board of Directors shall be given by publication in some newspaper published at the domicile of said corporation for a period of at least ten days previous to said election, and by written notice mailed to the last known address of each stockholder at least ten days previous to said election. The first election of a Board of Directors under this charter shall take place on the 4th Monday of August, 1910, and in which time, until their successors have been duly elected and qualified, the following named persons shall constitute the first Board of Directors, namely Dr. B. B. Warren, A. V. Smith, S. D. Bulloch, E. P. Singletary, Prof. W. H. Drummet, A. H. Grimmer, Leon Hebert, Paul J. Lacroix and Geo. M. Fenderson, of whom Dr. B. B. Warren, shall be President; A. H. Grimmer Vice-President; S. D. Bulloch, Treasurer and W. G. Evans, Secretary. The failure from any cause to elect Directors on the day stipulated shall not dissolve this corporation, but the officers and directors then in office shall hold over until their successors have been elected and qualified. In the event of failure to elect Directors on the day stipulated, the President shall call a new election, immediately thereafter, within ten days notice as hereinabove provided. Any director shall have the right to appoint another stockholder as his proxy to attend any and all meetings of said Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI.  
The Board of Directors shall have power to fill all vacancies occurring in its membership from among the stockholders of this corporation. They shall have full control of the business of this corporation and shall conduct and manage its business. They shall appoint such officers, agents, managers, employees, servants and clerks as may be necessary for conducting the business and affairs of the corporation, shall fix their compensation and shall have the right to dismiss them at pleasure, and may make and establish, as well as alter and amend, any and all by-laws, rules and regulations for the conduct, support and management of the business and affairs of the corporation. Said Board of Directors shall have full power to contract debts, borrow money, issue notes, bills of exchange, bonds and other obligations, execute and grant mortgages, and receive same, and generally to do all things necessary for the conduct of its business. And shall have full power to issue and deliver full paid shares of stock for cash or for property received, services rendered or labor performed. All certificates of stock of this corporation after being ordered issued by the Board of Directors, shall bear the seal of the corporation and be signed by the President and the Secretary. In the absence of the President, then signed by the Vice President.

ARTICLE VII.  
This Charter or act of incorporation may be changed, modified or amended, or this corporation may be dissolved, at a general meeting of the stockholders convened for that purpose, with the assent of three-fourths of the capital stock present or represented at such general meeting after thirty days previous notice of said meeting shall have been given as hereinabove provided in article five. In case of the dissolution of this corporation either by limitation of its charter or for any cause, its affairs shall be liquidated by three commissioners selected by the stockholders at a general meeting held as aforesaid. The said commissioners shall remain in office until the affairs of the corporation shall have been fully liquidated. In case of the death or incapacity of one or more of said commissioners, the survivors or survivor shall continue to act. Said liquidators are hereby vested with full powers to sell any and all assets and property, both real and personal, of the corporation, and give and grant full and complete title thereto, and shall have full power and authority to do and perform all acts necessary, useful and proper to fully and completely wind up and liquidate its affairs, and distribute its proceeds, if any, among the stockholders.

ARTICLE VIII.  
No stockholder shall ever be held liable or responsible for the contracts, debts or obligations of said corporation, nor shall any member informally in its organization have the effect to render this charter void or exposing a stockholder to any liabilities beyond the unpaid balance, if any, due said corporation on shares owned by him.

Thus done and passed at my office in the town of Covington, in the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, on the day, month and year above written, in the presence of D. J. Johnson and C. Seymour, both competent witnesses of legal age, who signed their names, with said appearers and me, notary, after due reading of the whole.

Original signed:  
B. B. WARREN, 400 shares.  
E. P. SINGLETARY, 50 shares.  
A. H. GRIMMER, 100 shares.  
S. D. BULLOCH, 100 shares.  
W. H. DRUMMET, 100 shares.  
LEON HERBERT, 50 shares.  
PAUL J. LACROIX, 50 shares.  
Per B. B. Warren.  
GEO. M. FENDLASON, 200 shares.  
Per B. B. Warren.  
H. R. WARREN, 100 shares.  
Per B. B. Warren.  
WARREN THOMAS, 100 shares.  
Per B. B. Warren.  
S. STECKLER, 100 shares.  
Per B. B. Warren.  
W. G. EVANS, 50 shares.  
A. V. SMITH, 50 shares.  
FRANK NORMAN, 50 shares.  
Per B. B. Warren.  
W. J. WARREN, 50 shares.  
Per B. B. Warren.  
JOSEPH B. LANCASTER,  
Notary Public.

Witnesses:  
D. J. JOHNSON.  
C. SEYMOUR.  
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