

OFFICIAL CALL.

The Fifth National Irrigation Congress.

Los Angeles, Cal., Sept. 5, 1896.
To the People of the United States of America:

Pursuant to the order of the Fourth Irrigation congress and to designation by the National executive committee, the fifth annual session of the National Irrigation congress will be held in the city of Phoenix, Arizona, upon the dates of December 15, 16 and 17, 1896. The membership of the body will be made up as follows, in accordance with the resolutions of the Third and Fourth congresses:

1. All members of the National executive committee.
 2. All members of state and territorial irrigation commissions.
 3. Five delegates at large, to be appointed by their respective governors, for each of the following states and territories: Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.
 4. Three delegates at large for each state and territory not heretofore enumerated, to be appointed by the governors of said states and territories; or, in the case of the District of Columbia, by the president.
 5. One delegate each from regularly organized irrigation, agricultural and horticultural societies, and societies of engineers, irrigation companies, agricultural colleges, and commercial bodies, such as boards of trade, chambers of commerce, etc.
 6. Fully accredited representatives of any foreign nation or colony, each member of the United States senate and house of representatives, and each governor of a state or territory will be admitted as honorary members.
- The work of the National Irrigation congress has now continued for more than five years. The first session was held in the city of Salt Lake, Utah; the second in Los Angeles, California; the third in Denver, Colorado; and the fourth in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Each session was marked by keen interest and by intelligent and effective work in the cause of irrigation and the reclamation of the arid lands of the west. To the sessions have come the brightest minds of the Union, seek-

ing to solve in concord the vexed questions upon the solution of which depends the further development of the western and west central plains. The work has not been without its fruit. Interest has been awakened in points remote from the irrigated regions and the reclamation of the waste areas is now regarded in all justice as one of the most important problems awaiting legislation.

The coming session at Phoenix will, it is not doubted, be the most effective of all. Particularly prominent will be made the discussion of points of legislation in order that well-digested measures be prepared for the consideration of the federal congress and of the state legislatures. Though able authorities will be in attendance and have been placed upon the programme for the presentation of subjects of technical and economic interest, it is designed that the fifth congress shall be a body with work far more general than has been the case in any of its predecessors. Addresses presenting subjects shall be limited to fifteen minutes and the subsequent discussion to half an hour, this ruling of the executive committee not applying, however, to the discussion of legislation or resolutions.

The city of Phoenix, chosen for the location of the fifth congress, is in every way well adapted. It is a thrifty and progressive city of 12,000 inhabitants, the capital of the territory of Arizona, and is excellently well prepared for the reception of even the thousands who will come to attend congress. Its local committee of arrangements and reception is already at work and the promise is extended that every visitor will be furnished with the best of accommodations at prices even lower than usually charged locally. The city is situated in the midst of the richest irrigated valley in America, that of the Salt river, whose irrigation works of the grandest magnitude are to be studied—works that have transformed the parched plains into wondrous orchards and vast fields of alfalfa. Ample opportunity will be afforded delegates to inspect all points of interest without cost.

Railroad rates will not exceed a single fare for the round trip from all points between Chicago and the Pacific ocean; details of transportation and ticket limitation to be later announced by the interested railroads. Passengers may be routed into Phoenix over either the Santa Fe or Southern Pacific railway systems. Opportunity at low cost will be given for side trips to the Grand canyon of the Colorado, to the City of Mexico, to southern California and other points.

It is especially desired that governors and others with the power of appointment advise the secretary of the executive committee at as early a date as possible of the names of the appointees, and correspondence will be

welcomed by the secretary upon all the details antecedent to the congress.
C. M. HEINTZ,
Secretary National Executive Committee, Los Angeles, Cal.
E. R. MOSES,
Chairman National Executive Committee, Great Bend, Kan.
JAMES H. MCCLINTOCK,
National Committeeman for Arizona, Phoenix.

The local committee at Phoenix comprises: William Talbot, B. Heyman, J. W. Evans, H. H. Logan, M. H. McCard, Thomas Armstrong, Jr., President L. H. Goodrich of the chamber of commerce, Mayor J. D. Monfion, District Attorney Jerry Millay, E. Shamp, George M. Sargent, James H. McClintock, James C. Goodwin of Tempe, C. R. Hakes and Dr. A. J. Chandler of Mesa.

Officers: Walter Talbot, president; James McMillan, secretary; B. Heyman, treasurer.

Committee on publicity—Messrs. James McMillan, Thomas Armstrong, Jr., and James H. McClintock.

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Carson City, January 16, 1896.

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J. J. HANFORD,
San Bernardino, Cal., June 6, 1896. Prop. Hanford Iron Works, San Bernardino.