

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,



NORTH CAROLINA FARMERS' STATE ALLIANCE,

Bro Carr

Charlotte, N. C., March 30th 1891

I would have written last week but was prevented by various circumstances. The committee elected Bro Barnes - Thinking him all things considered the most suitable - The committee took the mode of electing lecturers as proposed by the national legislative council under consideration and was of the opinion that it would be best for it not to take action - for the reason that it had appointed assistant lecturers most of whom who had spent a great part of the money allotted and had their remaining appointments already made that to change now would create confusion and taking all things into consideration that it would be best to await until the meeting of the state alliance to make the change - and would recommend to you to issue an order stating that as the lecturers were at work and the time for lecturing so short ~~that~~ (but little lecturing can be done in June & July) that the present lecturers would continue until the next state alliance

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There is no meeting of any political body - so the committee will not be necessary to meet on any demands - The calling to gather in May would cost enough money to canvass quite a number of counties and as Bro Zurell is making a good canvass it is necessary to push the work behind him The committee submits this for your consideration Bro Worth S. B. A. and myself received dispatches from Clewold Wilson Secty stating if we would attend a meeting at Birmingham Ala - our expenses would be paid We declined to go - Bro C. W. Macune wrote asking me to go also - but our Alliance having no money "to stake" I thought it best to "steer clear" of the scheme - though I do not know what it is - Bro Hunter has already drawn \$383⁰⁰ of the \$400⁰⁰ allotted him - and got himself elected lecturer of the 6th district besides - Bro Long has also drawn well and I confess - I don't think well of electing either state or district lecturers if the Alliance don't get more benefit of the money - Bro

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paid no Hunter when his account were not made out according to the plain direction of the Executive Committee. What good Lectures Long and Hunter have done the Committee was not able to arrive at - The State Agency is self supporting yet it lacks a great deal of ^{being} what it ought to be - Very many of the County Agents set up shop for them-selves - make their trades direct and thus weaken the State Agency - There is a difference between the Trustee and the State Agent - They were instructed to adjust it and report - The Committee found it necessary to give Cumberland Co Agency \$325.⁰⁰ to compromise the liability of the State Agency in regard to the Cotton bagging manufactured by Robbins & Co - There is still much Cotton bagging on hand and the Trustee claims the State Agent should sell it and the State Agent claims the Trustee should sell it so things stand - If they do not close out and settle it the Committee will report them to the State Alliance - The Committee can not and will not attend to the details of these officers - I regret you could not be present at this meeting - A sore hand prevents writing more legibly

Fraternally

J B Alexander
Chm Executive Committee