

Office of

L. L. Polk,

President, N. F. A. and I. U.

Washington, Men. 3d, 1891.

Dear Sir and bro:

The year 1891 should be the great Educational year of the Alliance. Your National Legislative Council has inaugurated a system through which every neighborhood, every county and every Congressional district in every Alliance state may be thoroughly and repeatedly canvassed during the present year.

But could not the efficiency and value of this work be enhanced by supplementing it with an organized National campaign? I favor the holding of two or more Alliance meetings--mass meetings--in each state at the most eligible points in different sections, to ~~continue~~ continue for two days (or longer at the discretion of the Brotherhood in the community).

Secure our ablest and best speakers. Advertise them thoroughly, and so arrange the dates that there would be no conflict: but, if possible, so arrange that speakers could go from one meeting to another in different states.

Please indicate to me at once the best and most eligible points in your state, at which two or more meetings could be held profitably.

Name the two months in which the largest attendance of farmers could be secured.

Give me the names of the best Alliance speakers in your state, and who could probably be induced to attend meetings in other states.

If you have a preference for any speakers for your state, please name them, and I will endeavor to get them.

I think speakers might be exchanged between the Southern and Northwestern states with happy effect.

Give me the date and place of the next annual meeting of your state body.

I think it would be well to keep this plan among ourselves until it is ready for publication.

Hoping to have your earliest convenient attention, I am

Yours truly and fraternally,

By H. W. Ayer, Private
Sec'y.

L. L. Polk