

Their duties to secure no clashing of dates in their exhibitions, and such other legislation as will secure harmony between the lodges and promote the well being of the association. It is well known that a radius of three hundred miles covers in most cases the extent exhibitors will send exhibits, therefore if no clashing of dates in divisions are secured no harm can come from this source and unity of action.

9th. *Resolved*, That experience has taught that a certain number of individual memberships in all national poultry organizations is necessary to cement solidly together and secure the continuance and effectiveness of the same. Therefore the use of these charter members who will, with the vice-president of their respective states, receive all available matter, and with these vice presidents be held responsible for the association's interests in their state, the constituting of the lodges or societies, for the improvement, protection and exhibition of the products of poultry culture under the auspices and rules of this association in their midst.

10th. *Resolved*, That to secure the best results, that all legislation by this international association will be effected by a vote secured to its entire membership, and said voting to be by mail, thus eliminating everything of a political nature from the organization, its aim being to secure equal rights to all and best good of the greatest number of the entire fraternity.

11th. *Resolved*, That the list of officers for the national organization shall be

A president.

A secretary and treasurer.

A vice-president from each state, who shall be elected by the members of his state, he becoming one of the executive committee with the president and secretary, *ex officio*, of the national organization. And his further duties—to receive all available matter from the head secretary; securing such votes from the lodges and membership of his state as are necessary, and forward the same with his certificate to the secretary of the national association.

A standing committee of five, seven or nine as the association shall elect, whose duties it shall be to receive all propositions of proposed law for a standard, or of the association, and formulate the same into bills susceptible of disposal by a yea or nay vote; which shall by the secretary be forwarded to the vice-president for the votes of the state, and all other matter in keeping with such service.

12th. *Resolved*, That after the organization of this association, all memberships must be through the state organization by application, indorsed by two or more of the mem-

bers of the state in which the applicant shall live (unless said state has no membership, when his application must come to the national society), thus holding each state responsible for the morals and integrity of its members.

13th. *Resolved*, That the relations between secretary and president should be those which secures at all times to both a thorough knowledge of the society's business, thus making it undesirable for both offices to be vacated at one or the same time. Therefore, while elections will be for two years, at the first election the secretary will be for one year, that all subsequent elections to these offices may come in alternate years. And that the retiring president become the president of the judges committee, to be constituted as shall be elected by the association.

14th. *Resolved*, That when deemed desirable this association may assemble in meeting with its state lodges, and with them make exhibitions. But all legislation at such meetings shall be subject to a vote of the entire association to ratify the same before it shall become law or have effect.

15th. *Resolved*, That the expenses of the international association shall be at a minimum consistent with perfect service and effectiveness of the organization; therefore it shall be the first duty of the president to appoint a finance committee to canvass this question and report at an early date.

Also that a committee be appointed to draft constitution and by-laws to permanently govern the association, which shall be in spirit and intent with the resolutions, classifications and rules herein presented.

#### CLASSIFICATION.

*All Open Classes.*—All premiums cash. Shall be offered in our open classes and constitute 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes. Five entries or more and nine or more specimens demanded; when any breed has a less number of entries one-half the cash offered will be withheld.

*Auxiliary Classes.*—In all auxiliary classes the premiums will be complimentary, to wit, ribbons, cards, medals, etc., unless any one breed or more has five or more entries and not less than nine specimens, when it will be transferred to such open class as it legitimately belongs, and then receive the benefits of said open class.

#### PREMIUMS.

The premiums offered are 1st, 2nd and 3rd; but all specimens scoring 93 or more and having failed to win either of the foregoing prizes, such specimens shall receive "highly commended" cards of merit.

#### POINTS TO BE SECURED TO WIN.

All special premiums shall rank as and with