

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE 1. When the C. F. takes the chair, the officers and members shall take their respective stations, and at the sound of the gavel there shall be general silence. The Post shall then proceed to open in due form.

RULE 2. The C. F. shall preserve order, and pronounce the decision of the post on all subjects; he shall decide all questions of order without debate, subject to an appeal to the post by any member, which appeal must be seconded, when the question shall be: "Shall the decision of the chair stand as judgement of the Post?" on which no Brother shall speak more than once without special permission of the Post, which must be granted or withheld without debate. The question of appeal and all questions which arise while it is pending shall be taken and announced or decided by the C. F.

RULE 3. No question shall be stated unless moved and seconded, nor be open for discussion until stated by the C. F., and when a question is before the Post the only motions in order shall be: 1st, to lay on the table; 2nd, the previous question; 3rd, to definitely postpone; 4th, to indefinitely postpone; 5th, to recommit; 6th, to refer; 7th, to amend; and they shall take precedence in the order here arranged, and the first two shall be decided without debate.

RULE 4. On the call of seven members for the previous question, the C. F. shall put the question in this form: "Shall the main question be now put?" If the motion be carried the vote shall be upon all pending amendments, after which the main question.

RULE 5. When the previous question has been moved and seconded, it shall be put in this form: "Shall the main question now be put?" and if decided in the affirmative the vote shall be taken on all incidental questions in proper order until the whole subject has been disposed of.