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Reports on what NCAI has done, rather, has accomplised, during the past year. 10 A.M.

Report of the President. -15

Report of the Secretary. -30.

Report of the Treasurer. -5

Report of the General Coun [[strikethrough]] e [[\strikethrough]]sel. -30. After reports, organization of Convention. Appointment of committees. Plans for the future.

Working out an effective legislative program. (in order to put accross a legislative program delegates must be made to realize that when one tribe is involved other tribes must come to their aid. How? through their political strength and support.

Present here the plan for the Indian Friendship Treaty.

[[strikethrough]] Delegates should get up and say what should be done next year, and what the NCAI can do to help them in their problems. And how they can help NCAI. [[/strikethrough]]

Afternoon:

Panel discussions on pending legislation. Copies of our Bulletin will be there. Suggest about four panels on

1. Series of bills attacking Indian Self government.

2. Series of bills on so-called "emancipation"

3. Various bills attempting to take away Indian property [[strikethrough]] 4. [[/strikethrough]] (Butler Bills liquidating the Indian estate [[strikethrough]]) [[/strikethrough]] --tribal estate)

4. Should Federal trusteeship be terminated, --when--how?

5. Bills of straight raids on Indian property.

6. Bills to transfer Government Services to [[strikethrough]] a [[/strikethrough]] social security welfare, b, public health, c, reclamation, etc; in other words, bills to liquidate the Indian office.

7. Indian Office appropriations.

Divide delegations into these various panels, according to their interest, with a head discusser to run each one. Then at the end bring the convention together again for a panel summary. Out of this try to get resolutions that will be a mandate to NCAI and to Congress of what position NCAI must take on this legislation.

Evening: open with invocation

dinner meeting? Address on what the Navajo needs; by Navajo Tribal Chairman, Sam Akeah. How Non-Indian organizations can help in the Navajo and all Indian problems; Ruth Kirk, National Chairman of Indian welfare; Tribal Self Government as operated in the Pueblo area, Supt. Hagberg, United Pueblo Agency; Educational Program of the United Pueblo Area, Alvin Warren, Supt. of Education, United Pueblo Agency.

3rd day. December 6th.
Open with invocation.
Budget, Washington Office, membership dues.
Discussion of Indian Claims. (stress the fact that if one tribe [[strikethrough]] afternoon [[\strikethrough]] starts to claim lands claimed by another tribe, the whole thing will blow up.
Election of Officers.
[[strikethrough]] Ceremony of [[?]] Indian [[?]] to Treaty. [[\strikethrough]] presentation of resolutions
Afternoon: Research Bureau-Open with invocation.
[[strikethrough]] [[?]] Committee [[\strikethrough]]
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