

VISITORS SPEAK IN PRAISE OF CITY

Portland Able to Meet All Requirements of National Educational Association.

SO SAY ITS OFFICERS

President Schaefer and Treasurer Wilkinson Declare That Theaters, Halls and Churches Are Adequate.

"We are firmly convinced that Portland is in a position to meet every requirement for the holding of the annual convention of the National Educational Association," said Nathan C. Schaefer, the president of that organization, who arrived here yesterday morning in company with J. N. Wilkinson, treasurer, and also a member of the executive committee, on their tour of inspection relative to the selection of a meeting place for the next annual gathering. Continuing Mr. Schaefer said: "We have visited your theaters, halls and churches and they are more than adequate to accommodate the needs of this great convention. We are delighted with the scenery of Oregon, and above everything else, with the spirit of the people. I consider that this city would be a very pleasant place for our next meeting."

The two representatives of the National Educational Association arrived on the morning train from San Francisco. They were met at the depot by Tom Richardson, manager of the Commercial Club; J. H. Anderson, State School Superintendent; Frank Riegler, Superintendent of the City Schools; and J. M. McArthur, representing the Harriman Line. After breakfasting at the Hotel Portland, they spent the day driving about the city, and among other places of interest visited the Exposition grounds. They are returning but praise for Portland, and it is confidently expected that this city will be honored with the presence of the convention next July.

In the afternoon at 4 o'clock the visitors were given an opportunity to meet and address the teachers of the city in the assembly room at the High School. Superintendent Riegler presided and introduced the guests, President Schaefer, who is also State Superintendent of Schools in Pennsylvania, told of the pleasure it afforded him to meet so large a corps of teachers. "At some of the cities we have visited," he said, "they have confined themselves to showing us their great buildings and resources. I am glad to see a committee that lets us come in contact with the real center of interest—the teachers of your city."

Most of Mr. Schaefer's remarks were devoted to a consideration of the public school curriculum. "This is the battleground," he said, "upon which more than half of the educational battles of the last decade have been fought, and it is time that we were reaching some definite conclusions. We have been introducing a great many branch studies and side lines in our public schools, and it is a question if all of this has been done wisely. I myself favor putting the emphasis upon the fundamental branches—reading, writing and arithmetic. I do not mean to say that I believe in doing away with all the more modern branches. Our progress requires these, but if a school neglects the fundamentals, it is missing its real purpose."

In conclusion Mr. Schaefer told of his efforts to secure higher salaries for teachers. He asserted that teaching was the most undervalued as well as the most deserving of the professions, and that he believed the time is near when the public will recognize and remedy this condition.

**Refuse Low Salaries.**  
Dr. J. N. Wilkinson, who is president of the Kansas State Normal School at Emporia, gave an excellent address, which, though brief, made one point which was particularly well received by the teachers: "You are not going to the profession if you allow yourselves to accept low salaries. Hold high the standard of teaching."

Tom Richardson, of the Commercial Club, told of the efforts that had been made to secure the convention for Portland. At the close of the meeting the teachers were asked to aid in securing places of entertainment for the thousands who will come if the convention is held here. They will report to Superintendent Riegler today, and it is expected to show the visitors an entertainment has been provided for, before their departure this evening.

At noon today a reception will be held in the rooms of the Commercial Club to give the visitors an opportunity to meet the representative business men of the city. This will be followed by an informal luncheon.

**Decision in November.**  
Both Mr. Schaefer and Mr. Wilkinson were reticent about discussing Portland's chances of being chosen as the meeting place of the association. They stated that nothing definite would be determined until the latter part of November. From their general conversation, however, it is inferred that they are leaning with favor upon the invitation extended by this city.

BELIEVE KASAKA DYING

Detectives Think Murdered Jap Had Revenge.  
Fugitive Murderer is Thought to Have Received Fatal Wounds From His Victim.

Kiata Kasaka, the murderer of S. Sakaki, a Japanese who was stabbed to death at 2:30 o'clock Monday morning, is thought to be lying at the point of death in a room in the North End as the result of wounds inflicted by the murdered man before he expired.

GIRLS ARE IN NEED

Many Unable to Find Employment Since Close of Fair.

TRAVELERS' AID ASKS HELP

Organization That Protected 1500 Young Women During Exposition Finds That It Must Continue Its Mission.

The Travelers' Aid Association has decided to continue the work it began in Portland at the opening of the Exposition, as the need of its services to women and girls seems even greater now than it has done at any period. The statement is sent out by the officials of the association.

Accident at Play Proves Fatal

James Cook, the 16-year-old son of William Cook, at St. Johns, died soon after midnight as the result of an accident while at play. He was thrown from a seaway, lighting on his head and should-

Robbed Poor Old Soldier.

Because he is paralyzed and is unable to give change to his customers, an old soldier known as "Old John" was made the victim of hoodlums Monday night when they grabbed a cigar box from in front of the old man's eyes thinking it was his box of change, and made their escape. "Old John" keeps a small cigar stand at Twentieth and Washington streets and purchases of his wares are allowed to take their change from a cigar box which he keeps for small change. Thinking that they were getting the little box of money the hoodlums grabbed a box of cigars and made their escape.

Contract Let for Mill.

ABREDEEN, Wash., Oct. 24.—(Special)—A. J. West has let the contract for his proposed sawmill at Junction City, on the edge of town. The mill and other additions will be constructed on the latest improved methods. Special attention will be given to Eastern trade.

EPITOMIZES TWO YEARS OF TRAVEL

Charles Kohn Finds Lessons in Municipalities of Europe and Points Importance of Good Roads to Attract Tourists.

Nuremberg is different from any other city, with its walls and gates and fortifications still well preserved. It is the old part of the city. One Sunday at the city park at Nuremberg we saw 40,000 men, women and children eating and drinking and enjoying themselves and not one intoxicated person in the whole number. Such sights may be seen here in Munich daily. In Munich women are employed as street cleaners, and in Vienna we saw women carrying brick and mortar for buildings in course of construction and saw women working on railroad grades. In fact throughout Europe women work more than men, and it is not unusual to see women and dogs drawing small wagons, performing labor that in this country is done with horses.

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"Jointly" Higgen's groundkeeper for the Portland Baseball Club, who assaulted Secretary Ben C. Ely, will be compelled to answer a charge of intent to commit murder with a dangerous weapon instead of assault with intent to kill. The former charge is considered a more serious one. Although Ely's condition remains critical he is thought to be out of immediate danger, and as soon as he is able to leave his bed will appear against his assailant.

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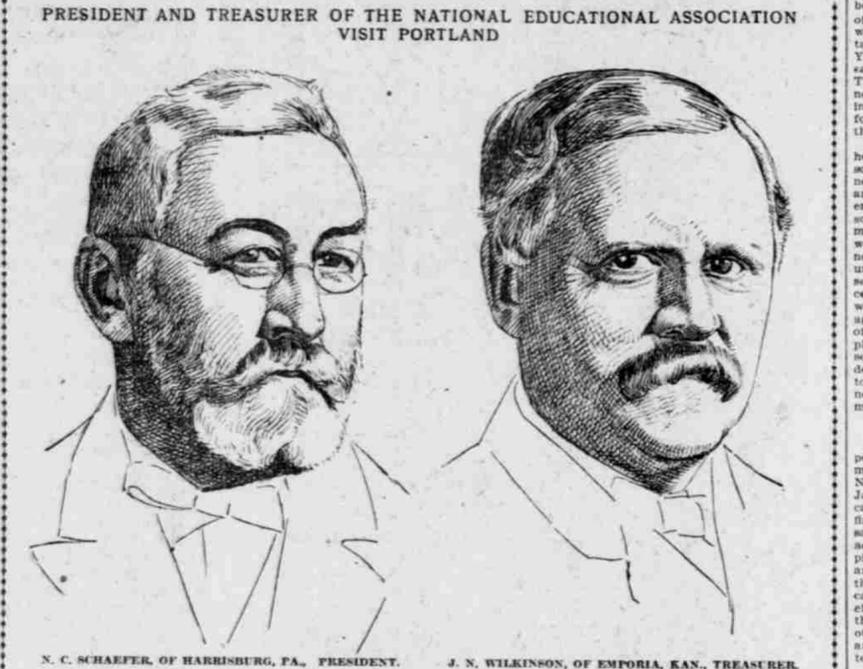
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