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Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 23.—A small army of educators, including college presidents, professors, superintendents and teachers, was present today at the opening of the annual conference of the superintendents' department of the National Educational Association. Every part of the country was represented and every branch of educational work from the district school to the highest institutions of learning.

The delegates assembled at 9 o'clock this morning and listened to cordial greetings from Hon. Hoke Smith and Hon. William B. Merritt, state school commissioner of Georgia. After these formalities had been concluded the remainder of the opening session was devoted to a general discussion of the St. Louis World's fair and its relation to education. The speakers included Howard J. Rogers, chief of the department of education of the exposition; W. T. Harris, United States commissioner of education; F. Louis Soldann, superintendent of the St. Louis public schools, and Albert G. Lane, superintendent of Chicago.

The course of study in elementary and secondary schools was the general topic of discussion at the afternoon session. Some of the principal speakers and their topics were as follows: William H. Elson, Grand Rapids, Mich., "The Superintendent's Influence on the Course of Study;" Paul H. Saunders, University of Mississippi, "Athletics and Other Collateral Activities in Secondary Schools;" Frank M. McMurry, Columbia University, "What Omissions Are Advisable in the Present Course of Study and What Should Be the Basis for the Same?"

The conference will remain in session through tomorrow and Thursday. The officers in charge of the gathering have arranged an excellent program. Subjects which will be of special interest to those actively engaged in educational work will be discussed during the morning and afternoon sessions. The evenings will be devoted to lectures. The first of the lectures is to be delivered this evening by President Edwin A. Alderman of Tulane University.

ILLINOIS FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

Ninth Annual Session at Decatur, Illinois.

Decatur, Ill., Feb. 23.—What promises to be the most successful meeting in the history of the Illinois Farmers' Institute was begun in Decatur today, the occasion being the ninth annual round-up of the organization. The attendance is large and representative of every portion of the state. Iowa, Indiana and other nearby states have also sent delegates to the gathering.

The meeting will continue three days during which time there will be class work on corn culture, livestock, horticulture, poultry, dairying and domestic science. Addresses on practical farm topics will be delivered by a number of the leading agricultural authorities of the United States and Canada, including several representatives of the United States department of agriculture at Washington.

JUSTICE BROWN RESUMES SEAT

Has Had Painful Siege With Threatened Blindness.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 23.—When the United States supreme court reconvened today after a recess of several weeks Justice Brown was the recipient of many congratulations from his colleagues and others who feared he might never be able to resume his active duties because of threatened blindness.

After tedious and trying weeks spent in a dark room, with his eyes hidden under heavy bandages, he has now recovered practically the full use of his left eye, the sight of which seemed hopelessly lost two months ago, and the sight of his right eye, which had been useless for two years, has improved noticeably under the treatment given the left eye.

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THE KOREANS THE BONE OF CONTENTION

Korea is a mountainous peninsula with Manchuria and Siberia on the north and the islands of Japan on the south.

The people of Korea, about 12,000,000 in number, are a semi-civilized race of Mongolians, though not closely related to either the Chinese or Japanese. Their origin is lost in the twilight of ages, and their more modern history is unrecorded. They are a tall, muscular people, the women being noted for their creamy, transparent skins, and for their unusually small feet and hands.

Until quite recently they have refused to allow any foreigner to travel or reside in their country, being similar in this respect to the people of Tibet. From time to time some daring prowler, stimulated by sublime curiosity, reached their territory, but none lived to tell of its wonders.

As a nation among nations they have lived the life of a hermit, asking nothing and refusing everything. However, all this is changed since the late Chino-Japanese war, and these people now desire to see and know the foreigner. They are still decidedly prejudiced against his ways, for, being of the "outer kingdom," his works are necessarily evil.

Little by little they are adopting new ideas, and are becoming more communicative with the outer world, says a writer in the Los Angeles Times. This is evidenced by the fact that our manufactured goods now find sale there. The one import in great demand is kerosene, for, until the Standard Oil Company entered the field, it was indeed, a kingdom of darkness.

Now they have electric lights and an electric street railway in Seoul, the capital. Americans own and operate a steam railway leading from Seoul 26 miles to Chemulpo, its seaport town; and the Japanese are building another railway from Fusan the southernmost harbor, through the heart of the country, with Seoul as an objective point.

There are several thousand Japanese doing construction work on this road at the present time, and it is probable that nearly all of them belong to the regular army as scouts, and are always ready to take the field at an hour's notice. All main camps are constantly in touch with the war office in Tokio, both by wire and by wireless telegraph. The

above facts indicate the thoroughness of the Japanese preparations for war.

The Emperor.
The government of Korea was originally framed after that of the Chinese, and is, therefore, bad from an occidental's point of view. There is an emperor, whose power over the life and property of his subjects is absolute, and there are two political parties.

These are called the ins and the outs; both names are duly suggestive. The ins control the person of the emperor, and therefore hold the reins of government. To discourage opposition they assassinate the leading men of the outs as fast as they develop. The platform of the outs is equally simple. They plot to assassinate the leading men of the ins and seize the government in turn. Should the coup d'etat prove successful, each party adopts the platform of the other and takes a new start.

Stories of the Koreans.

A capital story has been told by an America missionary, who has just arrived in London from Korea. The difficulty of learning the language of that country is increased enormously, owing to the large number of words which, with a slight inflection of the voice, are used over and over again with an entirely different meaning.

The missionary in question was preaching to some natives and assuring them that unless they repented they would go to a place of punishment. Amusement rather than terror was written on the faces of his Oriental listeners. Why on earth, if they rejected his advice and refused to repent, should they be dispatched—to the local postoffice.

On another occasion a lecture was delivered, in the course of which a beautiful moral was being drawn from the gay career of the tiny butterfly which was suddenly cut short in the clutches of the spider.

The simile, however, fell somewhat short of its intended meaning, and it was not until the laughter had subsided that the lecturer became aware that the victim which had been floundering amid the dainty silken threads of the web was a donkey, which in the Korean language, it appears, is synonymous with butterfly.

A SPECK OF RADIUM.

Prof. Leckenby Imports Wonderful Machine From Europe.

A piece of radium about the size and shape of half the second hand on a lady's watch has found its way to Portland in what is known as a spintharoscope and is at the present time blazing away in the pocket of Mr. E. C. Johnson, says a Portland paper.

It is encased in all sorts of coverings of metal and leather to keep it from exerting its force through Mr. Johnson's clothes and making an ugly sore. It would do it, if it were not properly cribbed and cabled within the spintharoscope.

Professor A. B. Leckenby, formerly of the state experimental station at Union, passed through Portland last week and left the spintharoscope

with Mr. Johnson. He had had it sent from London. The device was invented by Sir William Crooke and forms a pocket edition of the eighth wonder of the world.

On the outside of the spintharoscope there is a remark that the radium on the inside has an activity of 300,000. This means that it does things with about 300,000 times as much force as anything else, and that when it is around it makes the air 300,000 times more capable of conducting electricity. Some pieces of radium have an activity of 1,500,000.

The entire plant of the Baltimore News was burned February 7. Today it is printed from an entirely new plant bought, set up and put in operation since the fire. It includes three quadruple presses, 21 linotypes, etc., etc.

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