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The provisional report of the National Committee of Fifteen on Geometry Syllabus, which was published in April, May, and June in SCHOOL SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS, was presented to the Mathematics Section of the National Education Association at San Francisco in July, 1911.

The report was favorably received and discussed with interest and the committee was authorized to make further modifications in the light of suggestions and criticisms from all sources and then to publish and distribute a large edition among teachers of mathematics in all parts of the country. For this purpose an appropriation was granted. The report was also presented to the Council of the American Federation of Teachers of the Mathematical and Natural Sciences at its meeting in Baltimore in 1911. The report was prepared under the joint auspices of the two bodies. The Federation also provided an appropriation toward the expenses of distributing the report, in recognition of which all mathematics members of the associations forming the Federation will be the first to receive copies of the new edition of the report.

During the autumn and winter the members of the committee have carefully considered all criticisms which have been presented and have made revisions in various parts of the report, in particular adding a section of suggestions to examining bodies on the use of the syllabus. The report, as thus amended, is still issued as a provisional report. Since the committee felt that it should have a wide circulation in this form in order that teachers all over the country might have a chance to study and pass judgment upon it. It is hoped that this report may be made the basis of discussions in meetings of the various associations throughout the year, as has already been done in several instances.

The general distribution of the report will be made through the Bureau of Education at Washington and it is desired that this announcement may be made as widely as possible through educational journals, at educational meetings and by personal activity on the part of all interested. Anyone desiring a copy may secure it gratis upon application to the COMMISSIONER OF EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, WASHINGTON, D. C.