

Education of the National Education Association, means that the United American will be the Departments' official publication for the convention of the National Education Association, which convenes at Indianapolis on June 29th.

The decision means, incidentally, that the United American has been acknowledged the leadership in the presentation of the issues of Americanization and Adult Education in America.

The Northwest, but particularly Oregon and the city of Portland, share in this achievement with the United American.

Men of vision in Oregon should feel it their duty to co-operate in making the convention issue worthy of the state in which it is issued.

A representative issue will mean much to the cause, it will also mean much to Oregon.

TRIBUTE TO POE'S MOTHER WILL GRACE OLD CHURCHYARD

THE UNMARKED grave of Elizabeth Allan Poe, mother of Edgar Allan Poe, will soon lift an imposing memorial shaft among the mouldering headstones in St. John's churchyard, Richmond, Va. The delayed tribute is the plan of the Raven society of the University of Virginia, working together with the New York Actors' association, which has aided in the raising of funds. The design, it is announced, has already been furnished and final plans for the rearing of the monument will be discussed at an early date at Harvard university.

J. H. Whitty, an authority on Poe, discovered the grave of Poe's mother four years ago. It lies near the wall of the ancient church where Patrick Henry delivered his "Liberty or Death" oration. A member of a theatrical company, Elizabeth Allan Poe, died there in 1811. Her little son, Edgar, adopted by the Allan family, was reared to maturity in Virginia.

The poet's own tribute to his mother will be the inscription used on the shaft. It reads: "No earl was ever prouder of his earldom than he of his descent from a woman who, though well born, hesitated not to consecrate to the drama her brief career of genius and beauty."

AN EXCELLENT BUSINESS CODE

IN ORDER TO encourage a higher standard of business ethics the National Furniture Warehousemen's Association has enunciated the following rule of conduct for its members, divided into seven points, which might well be copied by every business association and craft organization:

1. To improve our methods, increase our efficiency, and render a full measure of service for fair compensation.
2. To foster and maintain a spirit of good will toward the public whom we serve, believing that courtesy is the first essential requisite, and to be at all times honest and fair in our relations with patrons.
3. To adhere strictly to a policy of truth in advertising, and never to mislead with dishonest intent by inference or otherwise in public or private statements of character.
4. To believe that our associates within the industry are men of honor, imbued with the ideal of mutual improvement and preservation of the high standard of our craft; and in furtherance of such principle, promptly to fulfill all obligations due them.
5. To be interested in the welfare of employees, with con-

sideration of their health as affected by working conditions, to the end that their worth be fully compensated and their best effort be enlisted in the service.

6. To carry out the spirit and the letter of all contracts in which we engage; to respect and observe with utmost fidelity those principles of association to which our members subscribe.

7. To dedicate, with great good will, our time and energy to the conduct of our business on the high principle of the Golden Rule, believing that in no other way will a full measure of success be permanently assured.

The world would put on a new front, as it were, if these principles could become a governing force in all business dealings and the basic code and contract between employer and employee.

SMUGGLING IMMIGRANTS INTO AMERICA

A SIMPLE and very efficient system of circumventing the American immigration law was recently discovered by German authorities in Hamburg.

For some time the American authorities have been puzzled at the unusually large number of sailors who in contravention of the immigration laws, have managed to desert from German ships in United States ports.

German shipping companies were informed regarding this situation and United States suggested that they should insist upon only regular seamen of German nationality being allowed to sign on as members of their crews, it having been found that among the deserters from German vessels there were a number of individuals hailing from southeastern Europe.

The German shipowners at once took precautions, but the number of desertions showed no decrease until the Hamburg police energetically took the matter in

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