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**PLANT SOME KIND OF TREE**  
 Duty of Every Citizen Who Can, to Contribute to the Wealth of the Country.

At last the people are beginning to realize the vital need of tree planting and are attacking the problem in a practical way. Massachusetts will plant 2,000,000 spruces and pines this year on waste lands near towns. Lake County, Illinois, reports 100 per cent tree planting for the schools. All over the country trees are being planted, and none too soon, as it takes from twenty to fifty years to grow trees that are of much use for manufacturing purposes. Our forests are being devastated so rapidly that in a few more years lumber will be too costly for common use unless millions of trees are planted each year. Trees have much to do with health, beauty and rainfall and it is time that every family in this country planted at least one tree each year. Every farm family should plant at least 20 trees a year.

The kind of trees to plant must be determined by the locality. Certain trees will grow best on certain kinds of ground. Almost every home needs more fruit trees. Many homes can be greatly benefited by planting evergreen trees both for beauty and to serve as a windbreak. Soft maples grow quickly and make good shade trees.—From the Pathfinder.

**CHEAP CHIMNEYS A MISTAKE**  
 Authorities Have Shown Enormous Fire Loss Caused Annually by Inferior Construction.

More than \$12,000,000 annually is the loss from fires throughout the United States caused by defective and improperly constructed chimneys, according to the National Board of Fire Underwriters.  
 Building a chimney in the proper way seems a simple matter, but this

stupendous sum is the loss every year due to ignorance or willful neglect of men in the building industry who do work on chimneys. The principal object in building a chimney is to prevent the flames and sparks from entering other parts of the structure from the chimney.  
 Too many Americans evidently endeavor to save the cost of flue lining, metal lath and other fire construction, and frequently the building burns down in consequence. When building a smaller home be sure the chimneys are properly constructed.

**City Trees.**  
 Trees in the city have a harder fight for foothold than do the dogs; both are out of their natural surroundings, and some of the dogs get more continual care and protection than most of the trees. The tale of an alantus tree, planted when it was only 18 inches high in a back yard in 1894, has lately got into the police courts. In time the tree, grown old and crooked, broke down a partition fence and then died, partly on adjoining property. The fact that the trespassing tree was dead did not make the removal of the stark old offender any easier to tenants in the adjoining properties, who wrangled and disputed; and suit for damages is now threatened for the bold spirit who hired men to chop it down. Even in the country many persons do not like trees too near a house; in the city, trees in back yards are almost extinct—like the back yards.—New York World.

**Two Houses to a Lot.**  
 The high cost of building has been responsible for many radical changes in newly erected houses. This is most noticeable in the suburbs.  
 Real estate, like everything else, costs more, but the wily architect has evolved a system to keep it within reason. He has designed houses to be built facing each other with a common driveway instead of fronting on the street. This allows two houses to be built on a lot that would formerly have been required for only one, says the New York Sun and Globe.  
 Of course it has largely eliminated privacy, but what does that matter in these days of housing shortage?

**City Project Pays.**  
 Los Angeles has purchased a thousand-acre farm and disposes of its gar-

bage by irrigation. The sewage is treated, then used with the water for irrigation. Five hundred and fifty acres are now under cultivation and exceptionally large yields of potatoes have been produced. It is said that the sale of the water for irrigation will pay for the plant and leave a profit for the city.

**Preserve Existing Beauty.**  
 Everywhere the desire is genuine to improve and beautify and ennoble the places we live in, and it would be encouraging if, in the prevailing eagerness to create beauty, the need of preserving the beauty that already exists was not overlooked.

**Civic Music Commission.**  
 Winston-Salem, N. C. has created a civic music commission and has appropriated funds for its maintenance. A summer school of music and public concerts was carried on.

**SACRIFICES KIN FOR ANOTHER MAN**

Wife Admits Lack of Mother Love After Being Married 14 Years.

**DIVORCE TO HUSBAND**

Los Angeles, Cal.—A strange story of a mother who confessed that she lacked "mother love," and who admitted that another had come into her life to replace the father of her children, was told in Judge Hardy's court recently, when Clinton A. Pedrick was granted a divorce from Louise M. Pedrick.

The Pedricks had been married 14 years. There are three children. Under the direction of his attorney, Leon Yanwich, the husband told a rather remarkable story.

**Seemed Devoid of Motherhood.**  
 "She was absolutely untrustworthy," he said, in describing his wife. "I never knew when I came home at night whether I would find her there or not. She seemed devoid of motherhood. She would leave the children apparently without a thought. So I had to keep a maid all the time for the protection of the kiddies.

"Time and again I remonstrated with her, but it was useless. At last she went away, and I haven't seen her since."

The wife's side of the story was told in a letter which she had written her husband. In this missive she did not



**Told a Rather Remarkable Story.**  
 seek to evade her responsibility. She accepted it, but she had added: "If you had not treated me as a child, but more as a woman, it might have been different."

**Wife Admits Other Man.**  
 In part, the letter read:  
 "Dear—There is no use beating around the bush any longer. I am leaving for good. There isn't enough mother love in me to give up my life. It is foolish of me to make any more promises I can't keep.

"You know in the last seven years there has always been a third party. I have made promises before, you know. Some have lasted two weeks, and some two years. So what is the use of going into it again? It only means a bigger battle each time.

"I don't think there is any love on either side any more. You won't need to worry. If you want a divorce, go ahead; I will not oppose it. I don't want anything that belongs to you. I would like the privilege of seeing the children once in a while, in case I am near enough. But if you feel that I should not, it will be all right.

"There is no use blaming any one else for this. It has been coming for some time. I am simply dissatisfied. There is no need to blame this other one, for if it had not been him there would have been some one else. He was encouraged by me.

"There is something missing between us. It is more of the feeling I would have for a father rather than to a husband. It has always been that way. You have treated me like you would treat the children, not as though I was a woman. So just let's quit friends."

**Leaves Stirred by O. N. S. Breeze**

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 as the most fruitful educator for elementary education of his century in Europe. He was the third member of that great pedagogical triumvirate—Pestalozzi, Froebel and Herbart. Dr. Rein was Mr. Gentle's instructor for three years. Dr. Rein's work intensified what the four men mentioned above had already laid down. So after all, Mr. Gentle says, it may be it was no accident that he chose teaching; perhaps there is no such thing if we but look far enough ahead. "There is a Destiny which shapes our ends rough-hewn though we may."

Mr. Gentle has spent his twenty-seven years of teaching in the state Normal schools of Wisconsin at Platteville and Whitewater; of Missouri at Cape Girardeau; and in Oregon at Monmouth. For four summers he was Director of the Training School for Bible teachers at Elk Mound Wisconsin. For twelve summers he was official state conductor of institutes in the same state. Those who know him also know that he has done much institute work since coming to Oregon. In fact his life has been his school and his school his life. His family has reflected his profession. Mrs. Gentle was a teacher in Canton, Illinois; their son Maurice is now teaching in the Junior High School in Albany; Miss Catherine, in the Monmouth Training School; Hjalmer and Ermine were teachers for two years past; and James, the oldest son, is the manager of the farm just north of the Normal so fittingly called "Gentle-acres".

**Ephabians**

After a dormant period of twelve weeks the Ephabians are alive again. They met last Wednesday afternoon with Miss Chandler as adviser and elected the following officers:

Maurine Brown, president; Nell Wienstine, vice-president; Frances Ann Blake, Sergeant at arms and reporter.

Membership in the club is limited to those people majoring in Physical Education and all others who are actively interested in Physical Education. The club gets its name from a Greek word meaning "gymnasium". The program for a term is planned to include a number of social meetings as well as business meetings. One thing accomplished by the club last year was the purchasing of the eighteen hockey sticks which the school now possesses. The money for these sticks was raised by a clever stunt "The Evolution of Dance", providing an evening's entertainment for the small price of ten cents.

We plan to do something along the same line this year, so Ephabians, On your marks,—get set —Go!

**Arnold's Hall Secrets**

A new girl has come to make her home at Arnold's forever. Her name is Dorothy May Arnold. She is quite a little soloist already and it is predicted that if she keeps on at the present rate she will be in grand opera before long.

Mr. Meale did reside in our hall, but after quite a lengthy stay has gone elsewhere. Mrs. Burt is now back in school and declares there is nothing like getting over the measles to make one glad that he is alive.

The Arnold hall girls enjoyed a "wild duck" dinner the other evening. The duck was furnished by friends living out of town. The girls hope that they will be remembered again in the same manner in the near future.

**Dorm Whispers**

Georgia Allison of Hood River is a new girl in the Dormitory.

Dorris Price and Florence Wolf spent last week-end in Corvallis.

Celena Treymayne was visited last week by her sister, Gladys, a former Normal student.

Miss Emily Bergen, former O. N. S. student, was visiting here this week-end.

Miss Adeline Blessing entertained her father last week.

Nola Turner spent the week end at the home of her parents in Portland.

**Guess What Happened**

The Vespertines held a meeting and elected Josephine Townsend treasurer to fill the vacancy made by Dorothy Briggs, who did not return this term.

Monday night the Delphians and Vespertines held a joint initiation. The new members furnished entertainment for the old members who sat by thinking of the time they went through the same ordeal.

Monday night, January 21, the Vespertines will give the first program of the term. Everyone is invited and the Vespertines are required to be present.

Helen Aubert—Are you interested in Art, Leona?

Leona Harmon—Art! Art who?

Miss Kurth—When is the song, "Here comes the Bride," sung?

Wayne Breighenbuser—I don't know, but dad says it's the greatest war song ever written.

**Mathematics Solve Problems of Life**

The editor of THE BREEZE has asked us to say a word about the Math. Dept. of O. N. S. Yes, we are busy thank you. This is a record term for enrollment. At present over 350 students are enrolled in the different courses in arithmetic. To care for the work adequately it has been found necessary to add another instructor. Through President Landers we were fortunate in securing Miss Kate Houx recently a critic teacher in the training school at Independence.

What need of arithmetic has the individual in his life work? In the answer to this question is found the dominant aim for the teaching of the subject in our schools. Life's activities, not only in the business world but in the social world as well, outside the shop and store, are full of arithmetic situations. It is for the schools to properly evaluate these needs of the individual as best they may and to so shape and fashion the training of the young that they will be fitted to meet successfully these situations as they arise.

To teach the subject with success the teacher must be well equipped at least along two specific lines of preparation. No subject of instruction in our elementary schools is more closely a related whole than is the subject of arithmetic. The teacher who ignores this fact cannot do efficient work. The first essential then to good teaching is a thorough mastery of the subject matter; not simply a mastery of separate topics as such, but a mastery of the subject in its logical and mathematical relations one part to another. A child trained by this sort of teacher will become a thoughtful student of arithmetic rather than a memoriter and mechanical one. The foundation and background for clear thinking and for direct and accurate expression rest upon this thorough mastery of the subject matter. So if the child is to be trained to do clear thinking and to express the thought directly and accurately, these abilities must first be found in the teacher.

The teacher must not only know thoroughly the thing to be taught, but he must possess skill as well in the art of instruction. Mind growth and development, and the learning process must be understood. Instruction is both a science and an art. The efficient teacher must have knowledge and skill in this field. He must know best how to present the new in the light of the related old. He must know how to bring into the foreground of the pupil's consciousness the necessary old knowledge and experience so that the new may readily be made part of the properly related. But to elaborate these points and many others that might be offered would take too much space at this time. The courses in special method aim to supply this important line of the teachers equipment.

H. C. O.

**Chapel Review**

Chapel on Monday, as most of us know, is given over to talks or various things which the President wishes to bring before the Student Body as a whole.

Last Monday President Landers gave a very interesting talk, based mostly upon faith. These talks apply to the lives of nearly all of us and if taken to heart, will aid us greatly.

During chapel on Wednesday the Norm Staff gave a very good stunt, introducing the Norm and its various departments to the Faculty and Student Body. After seeing all the worthy members of that staff, and knowing how efficient they are, we all know that this Norm is going to be a better book than any Norm published in past years.

After the other exercises the Student Body held its regular meeting, during which the candidates for the ensuing year were nominated.

At Friday's chapel we were delightfully entertained by Miss Peterson's stringed quartette. Both "Encores" were lovely and we are eagerly looking forward to more.

**ART CLUB**

The Art Club is one of the clubs of O. N. S. which is wholly in the hands of the students. It is organized yearly by the students of the Art Department and conducted for the purpose of appreciation, pleasure, or skill along lines which are determined by the club.

Nominations for the various offices have been made, and the next meeting will be given over to elections, appointments of committees, and discussion of program.

After the first meeting additional members may be admitted upon recommendation of the membership committee.

**President a Sailorman**



President Coolidge and Mrs. Coolidge gave a Christmas party to members of the cabinet and their families aboard the Presidential yacht "Mayflower." Here is the President as a sailorman.

**Principals in Latest Movie Mess**



Cina Purviance, Dines and Mabel Normand



Above is Courtland Dines, Denver oil man, aboard a yacht with Eva Purviance (left) and Mabel Normand (right). Below is Miss Normand's chauffeur, Horace Greer, who shot down Dines in the latter's home at the end of a New Year celebration of the three. Greer called for Miss Normand with her car and claims Dines interfered with her departure—so he shot. Dines still lives.

**Contempt Decision Stirs Public**



Charles L. Craig (above) Comptroller of the City of New York, through a decision of the U. S. Supreme Court must serve sixty days in jail for contempt of court unless public opinion now rallying to his support forces a pardon. Below is Justice Julius Mayer, of New York, whose decision, almost three years ago, was upheld by the higher court. Prominent men declare it complete violation of the principal of free speech and free press.