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by Dorothy Finnessey

SCHOOLBOARDS try in a very short interview to decide everything about you. Your personal appearance, your social background, and your general attitude is judged in a few minutes. I suggest that you dress up, be confident and keep up your end of the interview,” commented Dean J. E. Foster, of the Teacher’s Placement Office in a talk to education majors.

The dean emphasized the importance of well written application letters and a good command of English. Some people fail to obtain positions because they do not have the proper combination of subjects.

“Don’t hesitate to go out for an interview. You will gain more by personal application than staying on the campus. In a personal interview, you are confronted with realities.”

“You should spend more time on an application letter than on a term paper,” Superintendent J. L. Larson, of the Ames Public Schools advised the women preparing to apply for positions.

“Your letter of application should include extra-curricular activities, personal data, education and experience. Be careful of your grammar and spelling. Be calm, natural and comfortable in your personal interview. You will have a very short time to impress the schoolboard, so don’t hesitate to display your personality.

“You should be sufficiently interested to ask questions about the town and what is expected of you. I warn you not to build your hopes too high on your first application. Even if prospects do look bright, look around for other openings.”

In conclusion, Superintendent Larson said, “Do your best; angels can do no more.”

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where it will exude a spicy odor for many months.

For bright and shiny windows, use 1 cup of kerosene added to 1 gallon of warm water. It removes the dirt quickly and easily. Dry the windows with newspapers, because they leave no lint.

A use for that discarded broom? Novelty buttons can be made by cutting oblong slices cross-wise from a broom handle. Initials or a design may be added with an electric needle, and a coat of varnish gives it a professional look. Wouldn’t they be an attraction on a house coat or a knitted sweater?