

Faculty Advice To Students: 'Keep Calm'

Advice and comments on the War of the Pacific came from University officials Wednesday as reports and rumors flooded radio waves and newspaper bulletins.

The general opinion expressed by most school authorities was that students should keep "level-headed," maintain their "status quo" with second and third generation Japanese students on the our complete consideration"

Pallett

Dr. Earl M. Pallett, registrar and executive secretary, made this statement:

"All civilians have been advised by responsible officials to go about their normal activities in a calm, efficient manner, and cooperate fully in carrying out emergency instructions. Students should concentrate on their studies, complete the work for the term, and register for the coming term after the vacation period. Men registered for selective service should follow regular procedures and request deferment postponement of induction when their cases warrant such requests."

Onthank

Karl W. Onthank, dean of personnel administration, gave the following advice:

"Students will, like all other citizens, wish to observe all the blackout and related regulations. They may be an inconvenience, but need not greatly change the normal pattern of life. Eugene is probably one of the safest places on the coast. The blackout here is obviously not because of immediate danger of bombing, but so that lights here cannot serve as a beacon or guide to enemy planes should they come this way.

"For the blackout, windows can be made impervious to light by the use of heavy curtains or black paper. Roofing paper will do nicely. This can be tacked to shutters or frames which can be removed during the day. Kitchens and study rooms particularly should be so protected.

Shaded Lights

"The use of shaded study lights instead of ceiling lights makes it easier to darken windows. The effectiveness of curtains or blackout paper should always be checked to make sure that no light can be seen from the outside. That is the test applied to all blackout arrangements—that no light be visible from outside."

Speaking of the reactions of University students so far during the war, Dean Onthank said:

"Student leaders are entitled to compliments on the level-headed way they have dealt with the stresses of the past few days. Dictators have often charged that people in a democracy are undisciplined and cannot 'take it' in an

emergency, but most Oregon students seem to be adjusting to war news and blackouts, and to be getting ready for examinations in their stride—as they should be. Sticking to the present job (and doing it even better than usual) until definitely called for service more important, is the obvious duty of everyone.

Many Demands

"Plenty of demands will be made upon University students, some of them tough enough and important enough to demand the best they have and thorough preparation. Women as well as men will be needed.

"Most students can serve best by preparing themselves for the long pull ahead. To continue at one's ordinary work and studies may seem harder than rushing into direct defense activity at once, but both military and educational authorities are agreed that students should continue their education, including such added defense activities as will be announced from time to time, until they are called for the duties at which they can serve best."

Earl

Virgil D. Earl, dean of men, emphasized toleration in his statement, as follows:

"I have personally contacted the leaders of nearly all of the student organizations on the campus, and I feel that after the first flurry of excitement the students are gaining their equilibrium and that their conduct will be a credit to the University, state, and the nation during this conflict.

"I have also contacted many of the Japanese students who by birth are citizens of this country, and they report that they are being treated with the utmost consideration considering the gravity of the crisis confronting the American people.

Same Courage

"It is my opinion that the students will continue to show the same courage and consideration in the future that has characterized their conduct up to this point.

"I sincerely hope that all of the students will cooperate with the people who have the difficult task of administering the unusual requirements in this emergency, and that they will be of great assistance to such officials as are called upon to perform these particular duties."

Constance

Clifford L. Constance, assistant registrar, explained the reason for having selective service registered students come to the registrar's office:

"The American Council on Education has been co-ordinating the work of many institutions of higher education in the field of selective service deferments in order to insure that colleges will not be left devoid of trained people for the post-war reconstruction period.

"This present survey is to classify college students registered for selective service to decide on their possible deferment."

Chairman Wright

Dr. Leavitt Olds Wright has been appointed chairman of the Oregon committee of the national advisory committee which is looking for Spanish teachers for the army, navy and air force.

Dr. Wright said that the air force has been using teachers in this capacity but the army and navy have just begun.

Rev. Kendall E. Burke, '21, was awarded the degree of doctor of divinity by Butler university in Indianapolis, Ind.

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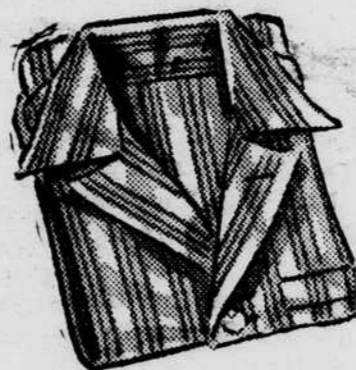
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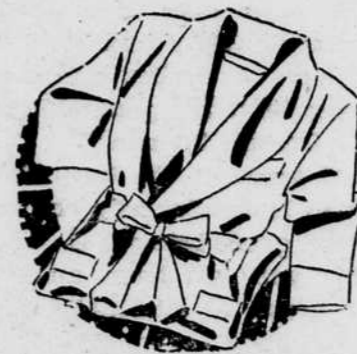
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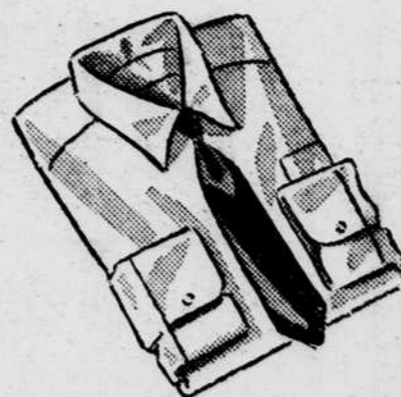
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