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Eat Half a Loaf

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One hundred million divided by one hundred and forty million equals a little over 70 per cent. Call it three quarters in round figures. Three quarters of a bushel is the amount of wheat that some very hungry persons in Europe are depending on you to save this year.

President Truman has estimated that the amount of wheat which the United States will be able to export in 1947 will fall 100,000,000 bushels short of the amount needed. He is calling on the 140,000,000 people in this country to make up the deficit by buying, eating, and wasting less of grain products and other foods dependent upon grain.

The president isn't asking for any great sacrifices. What he requests can be accomplished with very little inconvenience and certainly no hardships. It's a small matter like passing up one slice of bread every day and asking your guests to do the same. Going without meat at least one day a week should be a pleasure in view of today's meat prices, and it will save grain in the form of feed for livestock. Poultry, eggs, butter, and cheese also entail the indirect consumption of grain.

What do you get out of it, besides possibly losing a little excess weight? For one thing, you'll get that warm feeling of self approval which comes from the realization that you are helping others by personally doing without. Both psychologists and the Bible will tell you it is a feeling that is mentally helpful.

A much more important reason for cooperating in this campaign is the fact that you will be contributing directly to world peace. It has been said so often that it is probably trite now no matter how it is worded, but until everyone has heard, and read, and understood the statement, it hasn't been repeated too often: Hungry people with a "What can we lose?" attitude are wonderful fuel for wars and uprisings.

We have presented the why and the how of grain conservation. The big thing to remember is the WHO. It is not the woman who sits next to you in poly sci nor the man who lives across the street. It is YOU who have to say at dinner tonight:

"No, thanks. I don't care for another slice."

Letters

To the Editor:

The situation is really rugged on the campus according to some of our sweet young things who complain that too many veteran students are "unenthusiastic and lack school spirit." The attractive blonde sophomore, complete with form-fitting sweater and sorority pin, who made this statement is apparently unable to understand why most veterans are ignoring the more inane, infantile, and pointless activities in which she and her fellow coeds are partaking with the idea of not letting their studies interfere with their education and social life.

But most veteran students, who are a little older and more worldly-wise than our teen-age "rah-rah" beauties, are here to acquire an education. They believe in wholesome traditions as much as anyone, but resent being stigmatized as lacking school spirit be-

cause they devote more time to study than play and are too mature to cavort like downy-faced adolescents away from their parents' apron strings for the first time in their young lives.

If school spirit means that we should all act like children, and, for example, date coeds in the manner and frequency to which they would like to become accustomed, we may as well change the name of the University to the Oregon Country Club.

Perhaps veterans are old-fashioned in believing that the University is a place to study and not an exclusive country club where a good time is had by all and a degree is automatically received after four years' residence. We aren't all here to spend the government's and our parents' money like these "rah-rah" girls who are more interested in latching onto a life-time breadwinner than in more prosaic scholarship.

Henry Kamin,
French Hall

The Second Cup

By BETTY ANN STEVENS

Proving there's nothing more fascinating than one's own face is the annual spectacle of Oregona proofs being shuttled in and out of Kennell-Ellis these days.

Of course, there are those who are photogenic . . . who smile sunnily and toothpastily, without crinkling the suitcases under their beady eyes. Then, there are the other 98 per cent, with afflictions, who photograph much more attractively with back to the camera. Lower plate wobble, disappearing eyeballs, elephantiasis ears, and sophomore whiskers are among the lesser ills. I know a girl named Mary Ellen, who at the sight of a camera lens twitches her nose uncontrollably, as though delicately sniffing the perfume, "Springtime in the Stockyards." The only successful cap and gown portrait I've ever seen was that of Albert, a pinhead, who now is rumored to be in his 18th year as a sophomore.

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When the rains came they disturbed a psychological bent. Phyllis McMahon and Vickie Utz have been able to determine the Attitude Toward Life of every passerby who runs the maze of lawn sprinklers on campus. Due to inclement weather, they have abandoned their research until spring . . . late spring.

There are varied approaches. Type One slogs along, nose in Emerald, unnoticed, uncaring, until doused . . . splat . . . unawares. This indicates that he probably talks to horses, or writes a column.

Type Two chitters hysterically when the watering machine is f-f-t-t-ing in the opposite direction. And, without the slightest danger of being sprinkled, she runs, shrieking, as though a rabid Snowbelle were loping after her. This type probably brushes her teeth with Rave Shampoo. Poor taste.

Type Three is an automaton. He calculates carefully, with slide rule in hand, advancing calmly, with ex-

attitude, at the zero hour. He likes three-minute eggs in his Schlitz.

Type Four lacks a sense of the Adventure and Conflict in life. He sighs, shifts his books under his arm, and trudges the long way around, evading the risk of a dunking. Taft man. His pioneering forebears probably went to California during the gold rush, failed to strike it rich, and went back home again.

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Dr. Lester Beck told this one to his adolescent psych class the other day. A student flunked the course quite miserably, receiving a low and solid "F." Dr. Beck, knowing the failed one would be in for a gripe conference about his final and term paper, prepared his case, primed with evidence of failure.

Sure enough, the flunkee charged into the office a few days later. Dr. Beck was surprised to note the extreme joyousness of the student, who smilingly asked what grade he had received on his term paper. "D-minus," said the professor.

"Good!" beamed the student. "Good?"

"Yes, you see the paper isn't mine. I promised my room-mate that if he'd write me a 'C' paper or better I'd pay him \$15. Now I don't owe him anything."

Faculty Men Attend Language Meeting

Second of the language teachers in service conference is being held this week at Baker, Ore. Attending the convention from the university are David M. Dougherty and Leduitt Wright of the language department.

Purpose of the series is to acquaint teachers of languages throughout Oregon with common problems and methods.

Men's Honorary Initiates

Three men initiated by Skull and Dagger Monday are Warren Collier, Campbell club, Charles Rufner, Sigma Nu, and Harley Werner, Chi Psi.

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