

National cake sales cream Reagan, Watt

From Associated Press reports

This weekend introduced the celebrated "First National Let Them Eat Cake Sale" to Eugene, an event designed to raise money for the needy while taking some digs at the policies of the Reagan Administration.

But Eugene isn't alone in this liberal venture.

Foes of Reagan's economic policies held a nationwide bake sale Monday, peddling "Flat Broke Bread" and "Prune the Military Muffins" and sponsoring carnival events like the (interior secretary) James Watt shoe toss.

Cakes such as the "James Watt Clear-Cut Forest Cake," a burned sheet cake with toothpicks sticking out of it, were displayed and auctioned as part of the Eugene Celebration downtown.

Nationally the "First National Let Them Eat Cake Sale" enlisted entertainers, political cartoonists and politicians from the left and was held at lunch time on street corners in scores of cities.

Their goal was to use Reagan's call for volunteerism to raise half a million dollars to help the nation's poor, who they say are victims of the Administration's budget cuts.

"Reagan said go out and do it based on volunteerism and we're going to show him it can't be done," said Marilyn Ondrasik, executive director of the New York Public Interest Research Group.

Other grievances were not forgotten in the day's activities.

"Ronald Reagan's cake is undoubtedly made from the same hazardous waste, toxic chemicals and polluted water that his ad-

ministration tolerates," Susan Merrow, chairwoman of the Connecticut Environmental Caucus, said at a bake sale and rally in Hartford.

"I and millions of other Americans want no part of that recipe," Merrow said.

On Pennsylvania Avenue, just two blocks east of the White House, peddlers of baked goods erected a plywood cutout of Watt with a big hole in place of his mouth. A chance to throw a shoe through the hole cost 50 cents.

Designers of the game dubbed it "Help Jim Watt Put His Foot In His Mouth."

The sales were held in pleasant, Indian-summer weather in much of the country and puns were the order of the day: "Guns or Butter Cookies," "Strawberry Short Recovery Cake" and "Unemployment Rolls."

Protest sponsor Thomas Harvey, a reverend and director of the National Conference of Catholic Charities, said in a statement that Catholic relief agencies are finding it difficult to keep up with services for the poor.

"From 1981 to 1982, the number of emergency meals we provided jumped from 497,000 to 999,000," Harvey said.

"And emergency shelter for single adults grew from 3,900 to 63,000."

Leaders said more than 500 local organizations took part in the bake sale and rallies, with the proceeds to go to soup kitchens, elderly centers, halfway houses, crisis centers and other local projects.



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7:30 p.m. Professor John Barker, History Department, University of Wisconsin, Madison. "The Nika Riots and Byzantine Social Violence"

8:30 p.m. Professor A. Dean McKenzie, Art History Department, University of Oregon. "Justinian and Mt. Sinai" (slide lecture)

Friday, October 7:

1:30-2:30 p.m. Tour of Photographic Exhibition (Art and Architecture from Justinian's Time), Gallery 141 School of Architecture and Allied Arts (Guide-Professor A. Dean McKenzie)

7:30 p.m., Room 107, Lawrence Hall. Professor David H. Wright, Art History Department, University of California, Berkeley. "Justinian as Most Christian Emperor - the Iconographic Evidence" (slide lecture)

8:30 p.m., Room 107, Lawrence Hall. Professor Jakob Bacic, Russian Program, University of Oregon "Justinian and the Slavs"

Saturday, October 8, Room 107 Lawrence Hall University of Oregon faculty speakers

10:00 a.m. Professor Stephen Reynolds, Department of Religious Studies. "Neo-Chalcedonianism in the Sixth Century"

11:00 a.m. Professor M. George Zaninovich, Department of Political Science. "Some Aspects of Political Theory During Justinian's Rule"

2:00 p.m. Professor Clyde P. Patton, Department of Geography "Food Supply and Distribution in the Byzantine Empire During the Sixth Century"

3:00 p.m. Professor John Nicols, Department of History. "Justinian and the Codification of Roman Law"

Concurrent with the Symposium will be an exhibition of photographs, cast ivories and metalwork as well as architectural models, illustrating the artistic creations during the sixth century A.D. in the Byzantine Empire. This exhibition will be held in Gallery 141, Lawrence Hall, September 26 - October 7, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

For further information about the Symposium or the Exhibition, contact Professor A. Dean McKenzie, 686-3663 or Mark Levy, 686-4877

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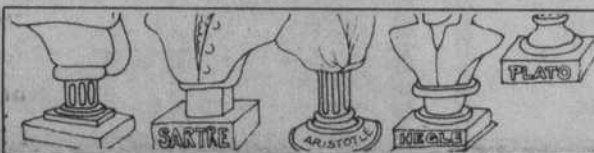
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