

'FRATS' SAVING FOOD

Colleges Join War Conservation Campaign.

BISCUIT SHOOTERS BANNED

Yale Gives Up Throwing Bread and Harvard Serves Fishballs—Oregon Colleges Introduce Own Innovations.

The colleges are falling into line in the food conservation campaign. It all started last Fall when the Yale boys voluntarily abate at their favorite pastime of throwing bread at each other after the evening meal in order to save wheat for the Allies. This act of tremendous self-sacrifice, although it has never before been made public, outside of academic circles, has stirred to the depths all the alumni throughout the length and breadth of the land.

By stopping their daily bread putting contest, the men of Yale college fired the first shot for food conservation into the placid waters of undergraduate indifference.

Then came Harvard with a stern New England conscience, reluctantly serving cod fish balls at every meal and talking the pork out of the Boston beans.

And now food conservation has spread even to the far Western frontiers of higher education. The University of Oregon, Reed college, and the Oregon Agricultural College have all declared themselves unshakably in favor of food conservation and against the Hun.

One of the noblest bits of self-sacrifice which has come to the attention of the Food Administrator is a new movement now fast gathering converts at Eugene. As the summer season approaches, the men of the college have resolutely decided to banish forever the unpatriotic custom of treating the women to ice cream at the corner drug store or the college candy emporium. The women of the college, although taken somewhat by surprise by this high resolve, came right back at them by starting a movement for only one spoonful of sugar at each meal.

When first tried, this plan worked like the proverbial charm, but it soon came to the ears of the fair coeds that the gentlemen who resided in certain fraternity houses were violating the spirit of the ordinance by changing the rule to read, "three spoonfuls a day." By this means they were enabled to heap the sugar on their morning cereal and do without for the rest of the day. Influence was quickly brought to bear upon the unfortunate transgressors, however, and the spirit of sacrifice is now observed to the letter.

At Corvallis, a vigilance committee has been established which compels every student to salute the humble prune, hitherto considered as beneath contempt, but now raised to the high title of "The Great American Sugar-Less Dessert."

At Reed college the students some time ago declared a closed season on bread of the war, peace, and victory varieties. This closed season starts at breakfast every day and continues until the evening meal is served. Plate checking has also been adopted and any one found with a stray drop of potato or piece of gravy left on his plate after dinner, is promptly ostracized from the best society.

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This is war-basis day for the Methodists of this city to raise their share of the National fund of \$1,000,000, and the patriotic meeting this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Public Auditorium will include several interesting musical numbers.

James A. Bamford is in charge of the music programme, and under his direction all the junior and adult choirs of the Methodist churches of this city will be marshaled together in a big chorus, led by Jasper Dean McCall, of Sunnyside Methodist Episcopal Church.

Mrs. Gladys Morgan Farmer will preside at the Auditorium this afternoon. Miss Goldie Peterson will sing "There's a Long, Long Trail," and Miss Harriet Leach will sing "The Star-Spangled Banner."

"Onward, Christian Soldiers" will be the processional hymn of the combined choir.

Public Library Notes.

An annotated list of the books on the war may be found in the circulation department of the Public Library and will be of use to those wishing the best and most interesting books on this subject.

War activities are under way in all the branches. The liberty loan posters were displayed everywhere, and the school children besieged the librarians for material for their essays on "Why I Should Buy a Liberty Bond." All available magazine articles were looked up and given the children to take home, many articles too old for the children being included in the hope that the older members of the family would read them. The libraries at East Portland and Woodstock were used as liberty loan headquarters.

As a spur to the children's zeal in selling thrift stamps the weekly report from the school superintendent's office showing the record made by each school is posted in all the branches, with special attention called to the schools in the district. The meeting at Gresham in connection with the thrift stamp campaign had an attendance of 60, all anxious to carry out the plans suggested.

Miss Joyce is holding her garden meetings at the branches as she visits the various schools. Enthusiastic clubs have been formed at East Portland, South Portland, Sellwood and Vernon. The East Portland club has chosen to be called Hoover's Hawthorne Happy Helpers.

The difficulty in providing sewing machines for the Red Cross workers at East Portland was happily met by an indefinite loan of machines by several members of the staff. The auditorium of the East Portland Library is now used all day Tuesdays and Thursdays for Red Cross sewing.

The following letter was received by the librarian a day or so ago:

Trains Infirmary, Camp Lewis,
May 2, 1918.

Dear Miss Iorn:
In a separate package I am returning to you the 19 Armenian books you loaned me. These were to have been returned April 25. And I must ask your indulgence in my not sending them to you until now.
For obvious reasons it will not be

possible for me to borrow any more books for the presents from the men in the camp, naval station and hospital libraries. (No estimate upon the total number of bright ideas and restful hours to be gained.)

These gift books comprise a library one-third larger than the Library of Congress and more than twice the size of the New York Public Library. If placed end to end they would make a continuous line of good literature from London across the channel through Paris to the front-line trenches; or, if piled together in a single column, they would reach a height of 625 times that of the Washington Monument.

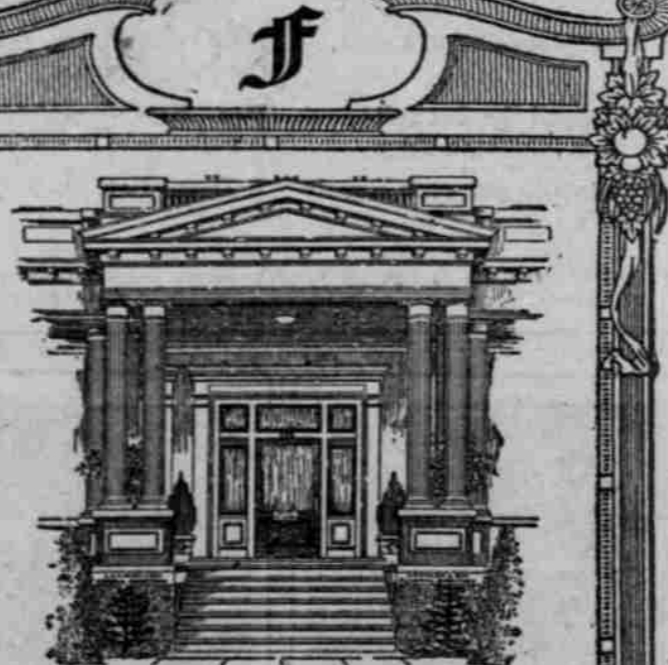
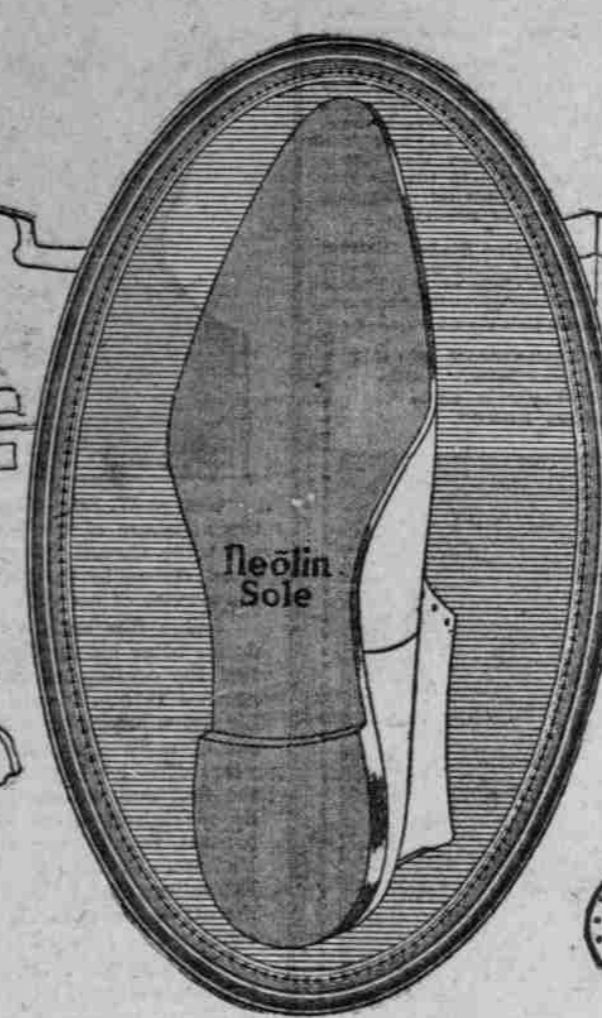


But columns and monument of books cannot long withstand Army and Navy usage. Books soon wear out in camp or on deck. The American public still has an opportunity to "help make better soldiers out of the men and make better men out of the soldiers" by giving good books.

Afternoon readings from old favorites are held every Thursday afternoon from 2 to 4 o'clock in Room G, of the Central Library. On May 18 Mrs. Gaskell's "Cranford" will be read.

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