



"Taste Testers" Used For Consumer Reaction

Corvallis — Student "taste testers" can serve as convenient and reliable "stand-ins" for Oregon consumers in food preference studies, Oregon State college research shows.

Fourteen foods were tested by students and by Oregon families to compare food preference opinions. Foods tested were blackberry jam, cheddar cheese, barbecued potato chips, chocolate chips, tomato juice, graham crackers, sliced pickles, tomato soup, butter, shelled filberts, green beans, canned peaches, applesauce, and corn.

According to Mrs. Lois Sather, food technologist in charge of OSC flavor studies, student opinions in most cases reflected consumer likes and both groups showed strong preferences for the same foods.

Between 120 and 180 students tested the foods in the college "flavorium" laboratory. A total of 230 families in Portland, Astoria, Corvallis, Albany, Salem, Medford and Klamath Falls, took part in the home survey. All family members over six years of age tested foods and recorded

their opinions. Nearly 700 responses were received from families on each food.

Families tested paired food samples, such as Grade AA and C butter, listed their opinions, and indicated which food they would buy if the price were the same for both samples.

Scientists and producers both feel the need for consumer acceptability of food products, says Mrs. Sather. If the consumer does not like the food, he's not going to buy it at the store.

OSC's flavor testing program includes nearly 200 student testers hired each year to determine preferences for certain foods.

The OSC study was conducted by the departments of statistics and food and dairy technology.

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Oregon to Strengthen Adult Education Courses

Corvallis—A plan to broaden and strengthen adult home-making education in Oregon by addition of such courses as home management, child development, and family finance has been announced by the state division of vocational education and the Oregon State college home economics education department.

Adult education courses in homemaking are currently offered through public schools in more than 80 Oregon communities with more than 13,500 men and women enrolled last year. Most of the classes are given at night for periods of two to three hours.

Major emphasis in the past has been on skill courses—clothing, upholstery and some foods—but the new program is aimed at broadening course offerings to include other basic areas of homemaking. Addition of such courses will strengthen the educational program and better serve homemakers of the state, it was explained.

Bertna Kohlhaugen, state supervisor of home economics education with May DuBois and Isabella McQuesten, OSC home economics education department, are leaders in program development.

As the first step in the program, two one-day conferences were held last week at Oregon State college for adult homemaker teachers. Nearly 40 teachers and local vocational directors participated in discussions on how to make homemaker classes more effective and which additional courses are needed. O. I. Paulson, state director of vocational education, met with the group.

Recommendations will be referred to adult education leaders in the various communities for their use in planning local course offerings.

Home management courses designed to help the home-

State of Union Serious Matter For Teenagers

By SHERI GILES

United Press International

Chicago—UPI—Adults who are confused about the state of the Union should read a seventh grader's essay.

Young teenagers have developed serious and well-thought-out viewpoints about world problems, an essay contest showed.

The contest, sponsored by the Independent Hall Association of Chicago, was held to find out what Independence Hall means to the city's seventh and eighth graders. Many of the youngsters added intellectual discussions on Communism and government policy.

"The North and South should be honest with each other," said a 12-year-old girl. "Then we would solve the integration problem."

"If the Soviets say personal profit is so unnecessary," wrote another youngster, "then why do they reserve the best food, houses, cars, and most recognition for the scientist, teacher, and party leader? Why not reward the peasant farmer?"

Taken for Granted

"The Soviets claim capitalist incentive is doomed to extinction. Then why do they put personal profit to work to achieve their sputniks and missiles?"

"Because the Russians have learned that men try to excel; because they want more than those who just loaf along."

Another entry came out for a "get tough" policy.

"We shouldn't get too kind, soft-hearted or agreeable with any nation," the writer said.

Many teenagers bemoaned a listless attitude in the United States with phrases such as these:

"We have it made in this country" and "We take our liberty for granted."

One young scholar settled for a problem at hand. He said being an American was important to him "because we have the right to stay in school as long as we want without having to go to work."

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