

Learn- while you



A benevolent and paternal Chief Paymaster credits your ledger card at regular intervals with handsome sums, and will continue to do so until one of the current rumours comes true. At the same time, owing to the late collapse of the ungodly, "your occupation's gone". Admittedly this is a good thing. But it leaves a big gap in the day. It seems, therefore, a good time to introduce the latest "Learn while you earn" plan. Unlimited leisure seldom turns out quite as attractive as it looks from afar. And over all of us impends the necessity for earning a living in the world where knowledge and skill are called for, of a sort we've half forgotten or never had time to learn. Some of us are rusty; some have yet to start acquiring those essential qualifications, some are half-way to the goal.

Whatever your position the education scheme now being put into operation will cover your case. There is nothing compulsory about it except for a very few periods on rehabilitation and current affairs. After the last war some educational forced feeding was tried. It was not a great success. This time the table will be spread and you can eat or not as you feel inclined.

The scheme is at several levels, to cater for all from the man who wants to train for a career to the man who wishes merely to use his leisure to improve his general knowledge or to learn a useful or interesting hobby.

Every use will be made of the capable instructors possessed by the various units and it is hoped that many will volunteer to assist with their varied knowledge in implementing the scheme. ERS will direct, but it cannot hope completely to staff a scheme covering so many men and such a number of activities as are contemplated.

At Unit Level activities will be co-ordinated by the Unit Educational Rep. and the Unit Committee. These activities will include the many already being operated by units, as well as the following, after each of which is indicated how ERS can help.

(a) *Tours and visits* to places of interest. ERS will supply background and historical material when asked.

(b) *Unit classes* for students at elementary stages in trade or professional classes or for those taking subjects of cultural or general interest value. 2 NZEF School of Education can supply study courses or text books for these classes. Instructors should be found in the Unit if possible. If this is not possible the appropriate ERS Det. will endeavour to find and borrow suitable instructors from neighbouring