

TILLERS OF THE SOIL

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These Amishmen in wide-brimmed hats and collarless black coats were called up last week for physical examinations by their Lancaster County (Pa.) draft board. They had previously been deferred as essential farm workers. If deferment is rescinded, they will all claim draft exemption as conscientious objectors, not only on religious grounds but also because they object to the use of machines. (They work their rich farms by horse, plow and harrow, own no automobiles.) To date, few Amishmen have been inducted into the Army; there is hardly an Amish family which does not have a son in a conscientious objectors' camp.

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Youths Start Fourth Sleepless Day



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A LITTLE GROGGY—Four youths, among twelve conscientious objectors who volunteered to undergo a 112-hour no-sleep experiment, have trouble keeping their eyes open as they go into the fourth day. Left to right: Kenneth Andrew, Donald Laughlin, Tom Lovering and Marshall Davidson. The test is being conducted at the California Institute of Technology at Pasadena, Calif., for the armed forces to study the effect of fatigue on the human system

Objectors Used As Guinea Pigs in Weariness Test

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Pasadena, Calif., July 25 (U.P.).
Twelve haggard conscientious objectors, sleepless for three days, worked furiously tonight to stay awake two more days so the Army can learn more about fatigue.

They were awakened at 5:45 a. m. Monday and they promised not to lie down again until 112 hours have passed, which will be at 10 p. m. Friday.

So far, none has given any sign

of weakening.

The 12 men—volunteers from the Glendora (Calif.) conscientious objectors' camp—are "guinea pigs" for battle fatigue tests at the California Institute of Technology.

For three days, supervisors working in shifts have kept the 12 anonymous youths busy so their eyes will not droop too much.

When they are not just kept moving around, the men undergo medical and psychological tests to prepare data for the Army's studies of battle weariness. At other times they work or play. They eat at least four times a day—oftener if they wish.