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Consumer Costs Decreasing

Retail cost to consumers of the farm product "food basket" (representing average annual purchases of a typical workingman's family) amounted to \$433 in March 1944 declining from \$436 in February and \$440 in January. The retail cost is the lowest since February 1943, and 9 per cent below the high level of \$475 for May 1943. Payments to farmers for quantities of produce equivalent to the retail items in the food basket were \$253 in March 1944, unchanged from February and about 3 per cent below the high level of \$261 reached in April and May of '43.

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Junior Class Play Gets Praise of Large Crowd

The junior class play, presented last Thursday evening, in the Willamina High School gymnasium, a three-act farce-comedy called "Meet My Wives," by Jay Tobias, was considered a great success by the large crowd in attendance.

The first act was preceded by

an instrumental duet by Harold Howard and Bob Bainter. Immediately following, Dale Johnson sang two songs.

Between act one and act two, the girl's trio, La Vaughn Matthews, Kathryn Ray, and Agnes Westwang, sang several numbers and Loretta Malan sang several solos. Act II went off with a bang, and was enjoyed by everyone due to Alix's peanuts, Hank's 'handlebars', and

Billy's old maid aunt.

The boy's quartet, Smith Mitchell, Don Howarth, Roy Lindsay, and Dale Johnson, sang several songs which were enjoyed greatly, especially "The Little Red Schoolhouse." Swoon-crooner, Bob Bainter polished off the vocal numbers by warbling cowboy songs to the tune of his

guitar.

In Act III Billy Zanders got his troubles cleared up, the real Uncle Zeb proposed to Miss Prudence, Olaf landed his girl, Tessie, Alix got his wife back and everybody was greatly relieved.

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