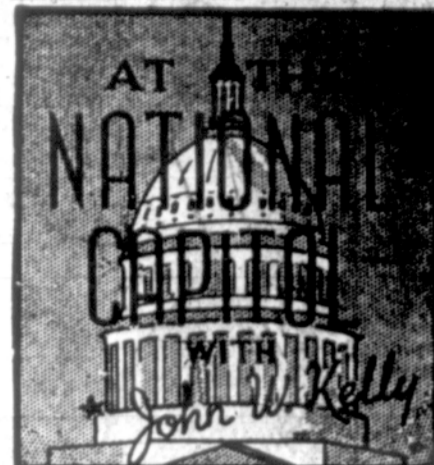


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## Basketball Games Interest Pupils Of Local School

### High School Honor Rolls For Six Week Period and Semester Announced

Washington, D.C.—Seed for cover crops is rapidly becoming one of the important resources of Oregon. In 1942 there were 236,300 acres planted to various seeds and this year the acreage will be expanded, according to the AAA. Four years ago there was very little cover crop seed in the state but through the soil building program of Triple A, together with a fair price to the grower, the industry has spread from the Willamette valley into eastern Oregon.

Acres: figures of AAA are: Hairy vetch 125,000 acres, rye grass 84,000, Austrian winter peas 78,000, Willamette vetch 22,000, common vetch 14,300, crimson clover 13,000. The first year of the program Triple A set a price of 3 cents a pound for peas, 7.5 for hairy vetch; and last year paid 5 cents a pound for peas, common vetch and rye, 6.5 cents for Willamette vetch, and 10 cents for hairy vetch.

Cash price for the 1943 crop, which has not yet been planted, it is computed, will bring into the state almost \$20,000,000. A decade ago the seed business was almost nothing.

A Salem distillery applied for permission to manufacture industrial alcohol from surplus wheat; the government agency addressed threw cold water on the proposal by saying that the chief disadvantage of manufacturing on the west coast was lack of market, and that there is a tank car shortage which prevents the product being shipped to the middle west or east.

The war manpower commission is still trying to devise a method of providing farm labor on a voluntary basis. This year an average of 400,000 men will be inducted into military service each month and this will further sap the supply of farm labor. There have been talks between Claude Wickard, food administrator, General Hershey, and Paul McNutt, manpower commissioner, seeking some way to give farmers a break. To date nothing has been accomplished. Mr. McNutt is thinking of using women to replace manpower on farms but this is only a makeshift, for comparatively few women, and especially those from cities, can stand farm work.

What the farmers are trying to figure out is how they can raise more food in 1943 than they did in 1942 (the all-time record) with less help and less machinery. Department of agriculture answers this by telling the farmers to work harder. A big factor in raising crops is weather, and no one is promising anything on that.

Potato growers of Redmond, Ontario, and the Klamath basin can look forward to the time when the people are rationed on spuds. The allowance for 1943 will be at least 10 per cent under consumption last year, and it may be cut still deeper. OPA is discovering that with people turning to potatoes to fill out their diet the spud supply is tightening. A general expansion of acreage planted to netted gems is predicted this year.

To promote the "good neighbor" policy in Latin America the government has had three old Norwegian freighters modernized and made into refrigerator ships. These boats are to bring hundreds of boxes of pears from Argentina, together with grapes. There are immense quantities of pears in warehouses on the Pacific coast in all the fancy pear growing districts (Medford, Hood River, etc.) and these Argentine pears will be

Moro lost a league game with Kent last Friday, 30 to 21, only because of the superior height of the Kent boys, and because of Jack von Borstel's shooting spree in the first half, when he scored 15 of the 20 points made by his team that period. In the second half, the Huskies held him to a lone foul shot.

The Moro boys played a good brand of ball, and made it nip and tuck with the visitors during the first quarter, but from there on were unable to overcome the Badgers' lead.

Kent 30 Moro 21  
J. von Borstel (19) Zeigler (8)  
Sather (4) Bayer (3)  
Wilson (6) Wilcox (4)  
Bardenhagen (1) Schilling (2)  
C. von Borstel Thompson (4)  
Substitutions: For Kent, Kelley, Gregg, Barnett; for Moro, D. Lemley.

In a preliminary game Kent nosed out Moro 13 to 11, with the Pups playing without the services of Buether, Robinson, and W. Melzer. The line-up included H. Melzer, C. McLeod, forwards: Bob Platt, center: Christianson and Roberson, guards. Substitutions, Brisbine and DeMoss.

The honor roll for the last six weeks included 11 students, with Donald Thompson leading with an average of 1, closely followed by Dean Wilcox, Patty French, and Dorothy Miller with 1.1 averages. Freshmen, Eileen Lemley 2, James Ziegler 1.8; sophomores, Dorothy Barnett 1.4, Patty French 1.1, Duane Lemley 1.8, Dean Wilcox 1.1; juniors, Doris Newcomb 1.4, Donald Thompson 1, Dorothy Miller 1.1; seniors, Lila Lee Alley 1.66, Betty Barnett 1.5.

Honorable mention went to Doris Payne and Mary Kenny.

Honor roll for the semester included: Donald Thompson, junior, 1; Patty French, sophomore, 1.1; Dean Wilcox, sophomore, 1.1; Eileen Lemley, freshman, 1.8; James Ziegler, freshman, 1.8; Dorothy Barnett, sophomore, 1.4; Duane Lemley, sophomore, 1.66; Doris Payne, sophomore, 1.8; Dorothy Miller, junior, 1.6; Lila Lee Alley, senior, 1.66; Betty Barnett, senior, 1.66.

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Plans now are that Moro will substitute two games with St. Mary's for those scheduled to have been played with Rufus, due to the fact that Rufus has cancelled their basketball season because there aren't enough boys in the high school for a team. The game here will be February 9 and the one at The Dalles February 17.

The girls in physical education class, under the direction of Mrs. Timmerman, will put on a special number between halves of the game tonight (Friday). These same girls will also put on a special entertainment for the public February 26. Further details will be given in a later announcement.

Monday, Feb. 1, will bring another school show entitled "Target for Tonight." This is one of the heaviest booked war films on the market, having to be scheduled many weeks in advance. The picture shows the planning of a target in Germany by the RAF, with the photographer making the trip in one of the bombers, and returning with it. The picture should be not only exciting but also educational. With it will be shown three shorts: "Building a Bomber," "Building a Tank," and a cartoon comedy. 8:00 p.m. Monday, Feb. 1.



U. S. Treasury Department

## Farmers Set High Goals But Need Labor

Oregon farmers generally are planning their 1943 farm operations for an output that will equal or exceed most of the war production goals set for the state this year, R. B. Taylor, chairman of the state USDA war board, reported at the end of the first week of the farm sign-up drive now under way throughout the state. Farm sign-up meetings were held in various communities of Sherman county last week.

The farm plans that have been turned in so far indicate that Oregon farmers intend to operate at top capacity to produce a maximum of essential crops. The extent to which these intentions are carried out will depend on the assistance given by city dwellers, women and school children during peak cultivating and harvesting seasons, Taylor believes.

He said that all of the resources of the U. S. department of agriculture, co-ordinated by USDA war boards, will be used to assist farmers in getting what ever is needed to obtain peak production from every farm. Locating those farms needing assistance is one of the main purposes of the farm canvass.

## LOCAL BANKER LEAVES FOR MOTHER'S FUNERAL

W. Ray Blake left Wednesday morning on the stage to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. W. J. Blake, 69, of Ione. Mrs. Ray Blake and their daughter Mrs. Scott Fortner, left Thursday morning by car. The funeral was Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Blake had spent the previous week end with his parents at Ione, because of the serious illness of Mr. Blake's father, but came home Sunday leaving the elder Mr. Blake much improved. Word came Tuesday morning of the sudden death of Mrs. Blake, who had not been previously ill.

## BREAKFAST CLUB WILL MEET WEDNESDAY NOON

The Breakfast club will hold its February meeting at the Moro Hotel Wednesday noon, February 3.

## Editor Sends Notes From Legislature

Despite the fact that the presiding officers of both the house and the senate have insisted that the members remain in session until Saturday noon of each of the two weeks of the session so far, it does not seem to have made the session any faster than usual. It is, perhaps, a laudable move, but the bills seem to come in only about so fast anyway.

For instance, the bills of the many administrative agencies have not been written in most cases. There have been some insurance bills and some from the code commissioner making little changes in the wording of the law or deleting obsolete matter. Other than that, nothing.

A new governor seems to have difficulty in getting his program written into bills. He apparently concentrated on getting his ideas into his speech for the inaugural. Then he has to find some one to write it into a bill. It doesn't sound hard, but history indicates that it requires some time.

The tax program has just started to take shape this week as the house taxation and revenue committee, impatient because of the lack of bills in its hands, started hearings on tax matters without bills. Monday the school bill was under discussion, Tuesday it was the income tax, whether it should be reduced, how much, etc.; on Wednesday it was the corporation excise tax, Thursday the reserve plan advocated by Governor Snell which will run head on with the school bill. Shall the reserve fund be made merely for the reduction of property tax or for post-war needs as the governor asked? Friday the committee will talk about the pay-as-you-go plan, and by Saturday will be at least partially prepared to begin making up its mind on the mass of information gathered during the week's conferences.

This week also saw the big truck legislation get started when public hearings get started when House Bill 44, to permanently raise the size of trucks to some

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## IT TAKES BOTH!

## Cold Moderates; Crop Damage Appears Slight

### Roads Have Been Opened Sufficiently To Allow Nearly All Children to Attend School

The weather has moderated slightly over that of last week, although we are still besieged with winter. The experiment station reports that, while it is not yet possible to determine the exact extent of damage to the crops, such damage appears at present to have been very slight.

There is still considerable snow, the roads are still dangerous, and chains are indicated. However, the snowplows have been active, and those roads which have been patrolled are fair.

School is being held on regular schedule throughout the county this week with the exception of Wasco, which was forced to close due to a shortage of fuel, according to Wily Knighten, county school superintendent. School buses are making regular trips, although in some instances country children are staying in town until road conditions improve.

Weather statistics for the week follow:

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
Jan. 21	27	8	.55
Jan. 22	18	0	.09
Jan. 23	18	4	
Jan. 24	17	1	
Jan. 25	18	3	.13
Jan. 26	28	4	.02
Jan. 27	41	11	.06

## PARALYSIS FUND CAMPAIGN ENDS THIS WEEK

You've probably never written to President Roosevelt, let alone having sent him a birthday greeting. But here's your chance to do it and help a good cause, too.

The annual nation-wide campaign for funds to fight infantile paralysis now is in its final week. The campaign also celebrates the president's 61st birthday on Saturday. Each card is to be accompanied by a dime (or as many as you care to send) to help in the fight.

Dr. E. T. Hedlund, Portland, state chairman of the campaign for the Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, explained that when you mail your birthday card it goes directly to the White House mail rooms, where Ira Smith, veteran chief of White House mails, takes it in charge. Then the funds are audited.

"The best part of it," Dr. Hedlund pointed out, "is that half of the money raised is returned to the county raising the funds. There it is used to help cure infantile paralysis victims. It may be your neighbor's boy or girl, or even your own."

Dances are not being scheduled this year, due to the war.

## WOMAN'S CLUB WILL HAVE COMBINED PROGRAM

The Moro Woman's club will meet at the clubhouse next Friday, February 5. The program of the meeting which was scheduled to have been held last Friday but which was cancelled because of the inclement weather will be combined with the program which had been planned for the February 5th meeting. In charge of the program will be the Bible department and the library committee. A short play will be presented.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 2:00 p.m.

## TAXPAYERS TO BE AIDED IN PREPARING OF RETURNS

Deputy collectors of internal revenue will be in Moro February 16 and in Wasco February 17 for the purpose of assisting taxpayers in preparing their federal income tax returns for the year 1942.

The same assistance is also available to taxpayers at the office of the Collector of Internal Revenue, Custom House, Portland each day until March 15, which is the final day for filing returns.



State House, Salem—Never in the memory of the oldest of old-timers around these parts can they remember a legislative session that has been a slow as the present one. The lobby is almost devoid of the usual array of visitors. The usual daily trek of school kids, who in every past session spent hours each day hounding the lawmakers for their autographs, is missing. With the legislature well into its third week of work only a very few lobbyists have appeared on the scene, and heretofore they were as thick as flies on a pet coon. There is no glamor or fireworks mixed in with this session so far, although several hot bills are scheduled to hit the floor of the house for debate in the next day or so.

However, it may be that a slow start will wind up much differently a week or so before adjournment. Legislators have been known to get a whole flock of brilliant ideas, when it's time to go home. In all probability the very severe weather that hit Salem and all of Oregon last week had much to do in keeping down the expected stream of onlookers, visitors, etc. It's a cinch that the weather had plenty to do with keeping practically all the lawmakers in Salem last week end. As a rule they always "hightail" it for Portland or home to enjoy their week-end siesta.

Many guesses are going the rounds as to who will be who for several of the juicy jobs to be handed out by Governor Snell after the session adjourns. Rumor has it that George Flagg, who served as chief deputy secretary of state under Earl Snell and always his good right arm, will become liquor administrator, one of the best paying jobs on the governor's platter. Frank Lonergan, long a legislative warhorse, is said to be first choice for a Multnomah county judgeship when and if a vacancy occurs through retirement of one or more of the incumbents; and, incidentally, it's a certainty that one or two of Portland's judges intend to retire if a judge's pension bill goes thru this session, as is being planned. Jerry Saylor, who directed several successful campaigns for Snell, is sure to be rewarded. A successful insurance man, it is understood he has his eye focused on the job of insurance commissioner. Floyd Cook of Portland, another of Governor Snell's close political advisors, is said to be scheduled for a good job, and many other good jobs are in the offing for some one after the legislature is out of the way and homeward bound. It's always poor politics to make political appointments while the lawmakers are in session. So the boys will have to wait awhile.

Giles French of Moro introduced the bill to place churches, private schools, etc., which have always been exempt from real property taxation, on the tax roll. Observers give the measure little chance of passing, but agree that it's a step in the right direction. Too long have many revenue-producing businesses been exempt from taxation, such as private schools, clubs, etc. Multnomah club, for instance, which does a whale of business in its bar, restaurant and other club activities, and also receives about \$38,000 stadium rental each year from the dog races, pays not a cent of real property tax. They own and operate several acres of real estate in downtown Portland which for years has received police and fire protection, etc., from the city

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