

Sport Gags

By K. D. P.

What a heart-breaking thing it was to see one of the greatest teams in the history of the Central Point High school, after having won a safe lead, lose out to Butte Falls in the dying minutes of the game. So Butte Falls earned the right to represent District 14 at the state tournament next week. Butte Falls got the breaks and Pointers are left out on the limb. There are many good reasons why I could write miles and miles as to why the Pointers got the bum breaks, but if I were to say these things it would sound like whining to the whole world.

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It's far better to forget all about those bad breaks and make the most of it in a sportsmanlike way that will do much to enhance the reputation of the Pointers.

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I know as sure as the dickens (because I have seen so many fine ball teams) that the Pointers this year are the best that ever trod the floor and twice much better than the Butte Falls team. Though a great team, Butte Falls are handicapped by their small stature—what make them so great is their deadly shooting.

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By the looks of things I am sure that Butte Falls will win the class B title at the tournament at Salem but for the life of me I can not see how they will get by to win over the class A teams for the state championship.

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Butte Falls boys are small. Just think how could they get by that fast Salem team, all fairly tall, or that famed whirlwind attack of Astoria high school who are noted for their speed. Just think, either of these two teams have the big advantage of being taller than Butte Falls. Medford High team can beat Butte Falls hands down because Medford can gallop at top speed and it makes no difference how good the shooting of Butte Falls is, a good fast big team can beat a good little team, any day.

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Gee, Billy Hulen is getting more screwy all the time. He stated the other day that he thought Ashland and Butte Falls might get to the final game of the tournament next week. I think that Ashland might very possibly get to the finals if they can break up the speedy offense of the other teams, but as to Butte Falls getting to the finals, it is a long and hard road. But I am sure that Butte Falls will win the B title all right.

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If our Pointers had won the right to go to the tournament, they would have had a darned good chance to get to the finals in the tournament besides winning the B title. Because of their height, their speed and their corking good defense, they are more formidable than Butte Falls.

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Well, it's all over. It is now a thing of the past. We now looked ahead to the Albany College tournament at Portland for which our boys are leaving today and sometime on Sunday we will be seeing them back here and marveling at the trophy they will bring home.

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Holland, Blasing, Pinkham, Williams, Beebe, Thompson and Grimes: To you I offer my heartiest congratulations for your fine playing that you have displayed in the past. The bad breaks that you got last Saturday night are the kinds that you will face in the future when you graduate from school. When you meet that sort of breaks, never let it set you back, but kept on and overcome them and in the end you will find the going considerably easier.

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To Coach Hulbert: You have done a very fine job this year—not only this year but for the past few years. I have stuck with you so far and will always continue to do so. And it is my hope to see you back again next year and producing another winning team. For the past three years or more the team have been shot to pieces by graduations but you have shown your ability to mold winning teams. So here's my heartiest congratulations to you.

Mrs. R. H. Moore states that the library loaned out 950 books and magazines during the month of February.

Pointers Leave for Up-State Tourney

The Central Point Pointer squad accompanied by Coach Hulbert left this morning for Portland where they will enter the tournament at Albany College. They are due to play tomorrow (Friday) morning at 9:00 o'clock with Turner high school.

The Pointers, one of the most powerful teams in the tournament are expected to cop the tournament.

Butte Falls Gets Nod for Chance To Play at Salem

The Butte Falls Loggers won the district 14 championship of the Southern Oregon College of Education class B high school basketball tournament in Ashland last Saturday night when they defeated Central Point Pointers, 17 to 16, in a thriller-packed game played before a capacity crowd.

Butte Falls trailed until midway in the final quarter when Leland Ellis, center, tallied twice in critical moments to give his team the lead for the first time, at 15 to 14. Eddie Ellis increased the Logger margin to 17 to 14, and Central Point scored just before the end.

A rough, fierce-checking first half ended with Central Point out front by a 11 to 7 margin. Beebe collected seven of Central Point's tallies in the first half, hitting three field goals from under the bucket and scoring once from the free throw line. Leland Ellis scored Butte Falls' lone two-pointer prior to the intermission.

Beebe was high point man of the game with 11 points.

BEEBE AND HOLLAND SELECTED ON ALL STAR TEAM

Butte Falls and Central Point, finalists in the tourney, both placed two players on the all-star first team of the district 14 tournament at Ashland. Chiloquin got the remaining berth.

Bobby Hoefs and Eddie Ellis of the champion Butte Falls quintet were given the forward spots. Beebe of Central Point was placed at center and Huff, Chiloquin and Holland, Central Point, were named to the guards.

For the second straight year Bobby Hoefs was voted the tournament outstanding player.

The record of the Pointers' other contests showed:

Pointers 31 Reedsport 21

Pointers 49 Ophir 21

Pointers 20 Chiloquin 18

Pointers 16 Butte Falls 17

WRESTLING NEWS

Portland's Ernie Piluso dislocated the second vertebra in his neck when he rammed his head into Pete Belcastro's hard hip, and as a result of that injury the Weed's Mad Italian won last Monday night's main event wrestling match in the armory. It was Piluso's first defeat here this year, and came after he had won three straight.

King Kong Clayton took a two out of three falls verdict from Sgt. Bob Kenaston in the middle event.

Dan Schultz won on a foul from Tony Morelli in the opener after each had garnered one fall.

Bert Peck Moves Into Theiss Bldg.

Bert Peck this week moved his garage and welding shop into the old warehouse building in the rear of the old Theiss store on Second street. The building has been occupied for several years as a storage place by a road contractor.

The building will be remodeled as soon as possible, with more windows and a larger door. At present much truck work has to be done out doors.

Mrs. Ray Spencer of near Ashland was a business caller in Central Point Wednesday.

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Townsend on the Air

By D. D. Davis

March 15th, Friday night is the time. That big Virginia Baked Ham dinner at Townsend Hall, beginning at 5 P.M. until 7:30 P.M. The biggest dinner event in Medford during the entire year. Everybody comes. It's another Townsend blowout. Entire dinner and speaking program later, all for the one price 35c. All under the one roof. Come and hear the wonderful educational visual program. Wetternan is putting on that night, same place, same hall. Not at the High School Auditorium as considered first. It's at 123 1/2 W. Main street.

Christian Science Monitor tells of Hawaii's success with their Tax Plan. (The Townsend Plan proposes a similar levy in the United States.) (Honolulu)—Hawaii has evolved a tax plan that many think could be applied successfully to solve the many tax problems in the United States. It is the gross income tax. Since 1935 it has been largely responsible for keeping the Territory's budget balanced, successfully meeting repeated demands upon it for increase revenue. It actually is not a tax on gross income, but a tax upon the privilege of doing business in Hawaii, measured by gross income. For most forms of business the tax rate is 1 1/4%. Exemptions are producing, wholesaling and certain manufacturing, for which the rate is 1/4 of 1%. Printing and publishing for which the rate is 1% and professional services the rate is 1 1/2%. (Indiana is the only state which has a comparable tax.) Evidence of the revenue producing power of this tax is found in the history of the Territory's finance since 1935. At the end of the biennium ending June 30th, 1935, the Legislature faced a deficit of \$1,000,000. Salaries and wages of all Government employees had been cut 10%. Automatic increases under Territorial Law had been terminated by act of the previous legislature. Expenditures had been so drastically reduced that governmental activities, lacking financial nourishment, were not functioning properly. IMMEDIATE RESULTS—At the end of its first two years the gross income tax had produced \$6,439,903 which was \$1,331,303 more than had been anticipated and the Governor lowered the rate to 1%. After wiping out a deficit of \$949,620, after restoring salary cuts and re-establishing the policy of automatic salary increases, the Territory ended the 1935-37 biennium with a surplus of \$1,315,122. Prior to the enactment of the gross income law it had been necessary for the Territory to borrow from Honolulu banks to carry on the functions of Government. Interest alone on these borrowings during the 1933-35 biennium amounted to \$145,326.48.

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Omaha Families on Relief get 22c a day.—Omaha, Nebraska—According to a report issued by the Omaha Council of Social Agencies, an organization composed of fifty-two public and private agencies, "voluntarily associated for the study and planning of the community's social services." The average relief granted per family for the month of December was \$6.74. The Omaha relief administration is charged in their report of giving inadequate aid, with inefficiency in its administration, with "harsh and inhuman treatment" of its clients. Case of "SERIOUS nutritional deficiencies especially among children of families on relief." "Assistance is fraught with delay and uncertainty." "Clients have been advised to break up their homes as a simple expedient of solving their relief problems." Clients have been advised to move to county operated shelters when requesting rent allowances at times of threatened eviction. Children, although warned by the railroad detectives, are picking up coal along the railroad tracks to provide fuel. What do you think of this Townsendites and American Citizens? Would any of you in the face of such a terrible history as this lag back in your support of the Townsend Plan? Do you belong to a local Townsend Club or are you just one of those who is willing to take a chance and just let the other fellow do your battling for you? Sometimes we lag too long and then we TOO are drawn into the whirlpool of poverty and despair.

The much abused phrase "an adequate pension" is a camouflaged expression for a short cut to starvation and does in no sense compare with the word "compensation" used by the Townsend Organization to designate payment for service in our "peace time army".

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Yosts Visit Klamath; Bring Dead Pet For Burial Here

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Yost, accompanied by Mrs. Dan Weltzel of Medford, made a trip to Klamath Falls last Wednesday. They called on a friend, Mr. Wheeler Harrick, who asked Mr. Yost if he would do a favor for him which Mr. Yost agreed. Mr. Harrick said that some people from Shasta had a pet dog, Trixie, that had died and they had asked him to have it buried in the pet cemetery at the humane society in Medford. The dog had been dead for a number of days. Before Mr. and Mrs. Yost were ready to return home, Mr. Yost was taken very sick and was unable to return home. Mrs. Yost and Mrs. Weltzel, hearing such wild stories of the flood over here, decided that they better come home on the stage and Mr. Yost would come in the car as soon as able.

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