

For What It's Worth

By K. D. P.

Basketball season is over when our good team fell by the wayside when they lost to Talent 26 to 13. In the first night Central Point walloped Phoenix to the tune of 47 to 3. Boy, we thought our boys were the hottest team in the tournament but were considerably deflated when Talent, playing a careful game and controlling the ball 95 percent of the time, defeated Central Point 26 to 13. Rogue River defeated Jacksonville to enter the final game against Talent and Talent defeated Rogue River to win the county championship and Jacksonville outran Central Point to cop third place.

I am somewhat disappointed at the result of the tournament. I had thought that Jacksonville and Central Point, after their grueling course in their own leagues, would meet each other for the championship as they used to in the past. But now they put in all of the teams in the county and let them go at each other.

If they are to do that again next winter, I think the best bet for our boys to do is just to forget about the league standing. Just try to beat other teams and practice all the time and get ready for the main thing, the tournament, and our boys will be ready to play their stuff.

In spite of their losses at the tournament, they have piled up a creditable record during the regular season and we all are proud of them and hope to see them make even a better record next winter. And we must not forget the excellent work of Mr. Jewett and hope to see him back at the helm next year.

Calvin Hyatt home on furlough from Farragut and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Hyatt went to Bremerton to visit their daughters and Calvin's sisters and expect to be gone ten days. Don Smith and wife are taking care of the place during their absence.

Red Cross Field Men Tackle Yanks' Problems Overseas



One of the very important functions of the American Red Cross is the direct communication it affords between the fighting man and his people back home. Here Red Cross Field Director John L. Barnes (left), of White Plains, N. Y., gives a message to Sgt. William J. McDonald, Jr., of Mamaroneck, N. Y. Picture was made in Sicily outside a straw hut with the rear headquarters of the 1st Division near Mt. Etna.

On Masera Island, up in the Persian Gulf, where there is not a single tree standing and the wind blows across the island ceaselessly, Red Cross field men brought fishing tackle, books and writing paper to service men. Most welcome gift from the Red Cross was clippers for hair cutting—the boys had been without a barber for months.

In Persia, a Red Cross Field Director was able to locate a soldier's mother whom he hadn't seen for 25 years.

In Africa, Red Cross field men flew in Army planes, hitch-hiked in supply trucks, bumped in jeeps over bombed convoys routes, through blinding sand storms and glaring sun to help men with personal problems and emergency communications, and to deliver magazines and books, cigarettes and chocolate to isolated posts and bases.

In Italy, Red Cross field men accompanied the troops in on the invasion barges.

In India, a sergeant was sentenced to the guard house for disorderly conduct. His officer couldn't understand the boy's behavior. He was a nice kid—he'd never gone to places before.

The officer asked the Red Cross Field Director to see him. The Red Cross man discovered a very worried boy. His wife had not been receiving his allotments, she wasn't well and needed an operation. She thought the soldier must have cancelled his allotments and a misunderstanding had arisen between them so that she was no longer writing him.

The field man got in touch with the Red Cross chapter in the boy's home town immediately. It took care of her,

Carlyle Natwick, 43, Dies of Injuries After Auto Smash

Injuries he suffered in an automobile accident Friday evening took the life of Carlyle R. Natwick, 43, Eagle Point. He died in the Camp White station hospital at 7:45 a.m. Sunday of a cerebral hemorrhage due to a skull fracture.

Natwick, who for the past 20 years had lived on a farm on the Long Mountain road, was driver of a 1934 Chevrolet truck which collided with a 1937 Chevrolet coach operated by Kenneth John Moyer of an anti-tank company, 96th Infantry division, on the Crater Lake highway some four and a half miles from Medford. Moyer and three other soldiers in his car received only minor hurts.

Natwick was born in Aberteen, Wash., on Sept. 10, 1900, and spent most of his life in southern Oregon. He is survived by his wife, Ruth Natwick; a son, Tommy, with the U.S. navy in the Pacific; his father, C. H. Natwick of Eagle Point; his mother, Mrs. Ella Natwick of San Francisco and two sisters, Mrs. Gladys Hahn of Eagle Point and Miss Orbie Natwick of San Francisco.

Time for the funeral services will be announced as son as word is received from Tommy Natwick.

Blind Man Hurt In Train-Car Smash

John Ragsdale, 40, of Eagle Point, blind operator of a candy and cigar stand in the county courthouse, was severely injured when the truck in which he was a passenger was struck by the northbound Southern Pacific passenger train at the Anderson Creek road crossing just this side of Talent at 6:46 p.m. Thursday.

His brother, Glenn Everett Ragsdale, 26, of Trail, driver of the heavy International logging truck and trailer, escaped with face and head lacerations and shock. Both are confined in Ashland Community hospital, where they were taken in Litwiler's ambulance.

John Ragsdale suffered a broken

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Take a good look at this American soldier as he lies in the mud of Rendova Island in the Southwest Pacific, victim of a Jap air raid. It is not a pleasant scene, is it? When you are asked to buy an extra War Bond to Back the Attack think of this picture of your fellow American blasted by the concussion of a Jap bomb thousands of miles from home. Then brother, don't you think you will want to dig a little deeper to back up his comrades?

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right wrist, a broken lower right leg, contusions of the face and body, and shock. His condition was said by hospital attendants to be serious. X-ray pictures were to be taken when his condition permits.

At this time Mr. Ragsdale has improved slightly. He is a grandson of Mrs. Laura Dias.

Big Bakery Promises Better Service for Post War Period

(Editor's Note: One of the most constructive and common sense articles on planning for the post-war period we have seen so far came to our desk this week. It is a letter to their customers by one of Southern Oregon's leading business concerns—presumably a New Year's letter, which although a bit late, is worth handing on to our readers. The letter follows:)

Dear Friend: The post-war world, of which so much has been written and spoken, is no longer a dream of the future; it is almost here. Therefore this New Year is an opportune time to resolve to so conduct ourselves in the post-war world that the kind business we want and the kind of world we want may be made possible.

We cannot but feel that the American people, including that section comprising our customers and your customers, are going to demand certain concrete results of you and

us as business men; and if we do not produce results we are not going to have free enterprise.

Among these objectives for which we must strive are full employment, a high standard of living for all people and a constructive place in society for returning service men. Business profits will have to be maintained at a point sufficient to encourage the risk of capital, but the return of a disproportionate profit to management and owner will be frowned upon. In fact, as we see it, business men will have to recognize primary responsibility to the public, their customers and their employees, to which the responsibility to the owners will be secondary.

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that we will be forced to operate our plants inefficiently in order to provide wages for more people than are needed. Such wages would necessarily be low and although we might temporarily gain in employment, we could not compete in world markets and our living standards would drop swiftly; we must have top efficiency, full employment and high living standards.

The answer is more production, not less efficiency.

Most business men agree with most economists that the best way to pass along to the public the benefits of efficient production is in low prices. This theory, we feel, is in accord with the objective of increased production.

We do not believe that we have seen the limits of people's needs for our products, for other food products, for clothing, for shelter, for any of the numberless adjuncts to good living.

We hope, in our line of business, to justify ourselves to you, our customers, to our employees and to our communities in the post-war world by making as much merchandise as we can, by making it as good as we can and by selling it as cheaply as possible. Thereby we hope to maintain high production and high employment at good wages, and to contribute to a better standard of living at the same time. We make this

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