

Coos-Curry Co-op Sets Meeting Date

COQUILLE — Saturday, October 18, is the date set for the annual meeting of the members of the Coos-Curry Electric Co-op. The meeting will be held at the I. O. O. F. hall at 10 a. m.

The purpose of the meeting will be to elect nine directors for the ensuing year and to discuss proposed amendments to the by-laws.

Candidates up for election are: Zone 1, A. E. Sandbo, of Harbor and E. J. Walker of Pistol River.

Zone 2, Bob Elliott, and Archie Kerber.

Zone 3, Fred Adams and Geo. Koblenzer.

Zone 4, Charles W. Brooks, Arthur Nieman and Frank Shaw.

Zone 5, Elmer Gant and Geo. F. Cox.

Zone 6, Louis Lund and Albert Powers.

Zone 7, William Roth, David Philpott, and J. F. Fitzsimmons.

Zone 8, Ivan Laird, Rosabel Brown and Marion Miller.

Zone 9, Frank Schram and L. B. Jennings.

Ballots were sent out last week to all members, that these might be filled out and returned before Oct. 18.

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MacMurray's Visit Was Unnoticed Here, Friday

Madge Moore, of Moore's Variety Store, is quite disgusted, all at herself, for an incident which happened Friday afternoon.

Fred MacMurray, noted screen star, while passing through the area, and went into the variety store to inquire about buying narcissus bulbs. He went out, afterwards, and another customer said to Mrs. Moore:

"Didn't you know who that fellow was?"

When the customer informed Mrs. Moore of the identity, Mrs. Moore had to go out to get a cup of "black coffee" when she divulged her ignorance and disgust to friends.

Camporee Planned For Boy Scouts Of Region

A camporee, for scouts of Crescent City, Smith River, and that area, is planned for Saturday and Sunday, October 25 and 26, at the fair grounds, Crescent City, according to an invitation received by Troop 32, to join in the event.

The local troop has accepted the invitation and awaits word concerning equipment which is expected. The local boys feel it was kind of the scouts of that area to ask them to the affair.

Clevenger Gets Cougar Near State Hunter's Some

Ralph Clevenger, an employe of Brimm Bros. sawmill, while returning from a deer hunting trip, early Saturday morning, shot and killed a young cougar near the state hunter's residence.

If the Pilot was informed correctly, it is a matter of guess which of these two men were kidded most: Clevenger for not getting his deer, or the hunter for "harboring" cougar.

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I WRITE

As I See It

By Barton W. Marsh

In 1946, we, the people of the United States of America (the land of the free, and the home of the brave?) paid out of our earnings the astounding sum of \$8,760,000,000 for 2,449,000,000 gallons of beer, 140,000,000 gallons of wine, and 231,000,000 gallons of whiskey. This is \$920,000,000 more than we spent in 1945, and amounts to \$89.00 for every man and woman over 18 years of age in the United States. We spend enough every day for alcoholic drinks to feed a million starving men, women and children well for eight months.

The money we spent in 1946 for liquor, if in dollar bills and placed end to end, would pave a highway 60 feet wide from Portland, Maine, to San Diego, Calif. To improve the taste of our liquor we also smoked 345,000,000,000 billion, mind you, cigarettes.

The next time anyone dares tell you that there was more liquor drinking during the days of the 18th amendment than there is under repeal, just tell him that he does not know what he is talking about. In 1933, we, the people, consumed of alcoholic beverages 1.69 gallons per capita. In 1935 it was 11.34 gallons, in 1937 it was 14.90 gallons. In 1945 it had climbed to the astounding amount of 20.67 gallons. In 1932 (the last prohibition year) the arrests for drunkenness was 831 per 100,000 (for men and women). In 1942, the number of arrests, ten years after repeal, was 2536 per 100,000. In 1944 the arrest of women for drunkenness was 107.7 more than the total for 1932. From 1932 to 1942 there was an increase of 350% in the number of women committed to private asylums for drunkenness. There are 100,000,000 people in this country today over 15 years of age. Of this number 50,000,00 drink alcoholic beverages.

In 1946, we the people, spent 5% of our income for intoxicating liquors. We spent 2% of our incomes in 1946 for the education of our children. To put it another way: we spent in 1946 \$8,700,000,000 for whiskey which demoralizes and degrades the educated and ignorant alike and places them in a common bed, in the gutter. We spent \$3,480,000,-

000 to educate our children so that they might have intelligence to keep out of the gutter. That rates education and liquor on a 40-60 proposition, with liquor on top. Need we be surprised that there were 1,685,202 major crimes committed in this country in 1946, an increase of 119,622 over 1945. Every day testifies to the increase of insanity, suicide and murder. That satanic agencies are fully organized, and are in operation of the world, should not be questioned by any sober-minded, intelligent person. It is the avowed purpose of these agencies to corrupt the mind, defile and destroy the human body. Grand juries, juvenile courts and police judges are generally agreed that 90% of the crimes committed can be traced to intoxicating liquors.

There is one ray of hope breaking in upon this tragic condition. Of 15,000 communities that have recently brought the local option statute to public test, a very large majority have voted dry. Throughout the entire country there is a rising tide of conviction that if the nation is to be saved from ruin, the brazen, glittering, gilded greed of the liquor

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