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As is the case every summer when the tourist season gets under way, the price of gasoline was advanced this week, the retail price being 22 cents in Coquille since Monday. With the one cent federal gas tax and the 2 1/2 cent raise, it is quite a jump from the 18 1/2 cent figure prevailing a couple of weeks ago. But the rise was general all over the coast and not just in Coos county.

TO BE A REFERENDUM

With the democratic national platform containing the wettest plank adopted by either of the major political parties since prohibition became effective, the vote at the general election will be quite decisive as a general referendum on the liquor question.

Of course, a vote on the repeal of the eighteenth amendment would be necessary before the prohibition laws could be discarded, but the approval of the democratic candidates for president and vice president, senators and congressmen, in November, would mean that the democratic platform and its wet plank was approved by a majority of the people.

That opportunity for a referendum is something the wets have been clamoring for years and their desires seem about to be satisfied.

BOOZE MOST IMPORTANT!

Chas. F. Scott, former congressman from Kansas, in his weekly letter from Washington, D. C., comments on the attempt to stir up "wet" sentiment at the republican national convention a couple of weeks ago. To hear wet propagandists argue that is the only issue in the United States which is worth a second thought! Mr. Scott writes:

With the re-nomination of Hoover and Curtis assured in advance, the real work of the convention devolved upon the Committee on Resolutions, and the major interest of the convention centered upon the platform it should frame. It would hardly be too much to say that the main interest of the convention settled on one particular plank in the platform, the one dealing with prohibition. To one who endeavors to preserve a sense of proportion, it seemed both preposterous and tragic that meeting in a city where 500,000 men are unemployed, a great national convention should concern itself principally with the question as to whether beer should be made easier or harder to get. And yet that was the spectacle which was presented in Chicago. Men who have grown old in attendance upon national conventions of both parties declared they had never known a place or a time when so desperate an effort had been made to stampee a convention as was made in Chicago last week on behalf of the wets. The newspapers of Chicago gave whole pages to wet propaganda. A wet parade was organized with bands and banners and all manner of spectacular appeal. Wet meetings were held in various auditoriums. Wet propaganda was spread all over the billboards. Women infested the side-walks in front of the hotels and cluttered up the entrances of the convention stadium, pressing upon everybody "Vote Wet" buttons. The newspapers had nothing to say about the plight of the unemployed; no parades were staged on behalf of the men and women who want bread; no meetings were held to point out a way for the relief of men who were facing desperate need; no flags were flaunted and no buttons were printed to call attention to any economic problem. Everything was forgotten by those who had set out to manufacture public sentiment and to control the convention, except BEER!

Reading Chicago newspapers, watching Chicago parades, observing Chicago billboards, and listening to Chicago lobby conversations, one would never have thought there is any least thing the matter with the United States of America except that the people cannot buy beer as freely as they want to and with as high an alcoholic

content as they desire. It is to the infinite credit of the delegates of the convention that they refused to be stampeded, and that they kept their heads in the face of the unprecedented effort that was made to swing them to an extreme expression of wet sentiment.



Only a week remains until the deadline will be reached on initiative measures.

Secretary of State Howe will call "time" on the activities of the petition peddlers at 5:00 o'clock on Thursday, July 7.

In the meantime eleven proposed measures on which preliminary petitions have been filed with the secretary of state are understood to be still active with their sponsors scurrying about in a frantic effort to secure the 17,088 signatures of registered voters necessary to place the measures on the general election ballot next November. Reports received here indicate that a majority of these measures are in a fair way to making the grade.

Three of the eleven measures are included in the group sponsored by Governor Meier and the Oregon Taxpayers' Equalization League. Two of these provide for the appointment of tax conservation committees in each county of the state. The other in a proposed amendment to the income tax act, increasing the rate in the higher brackets and reducing the exemptions and is designed to increase revenues for state purposes from this source by from \$1,000,000 to \$1,500,000. With volunteer workers busy in every county the League expects to have the requisite number of signatures for all three of these measures well within the allotted time.

The Marion county Taxpayers' League also expects to complete the petitions on its proposed measure for consolidation of the university and state college at Corvallis, in spite of the opposition of the state Taxpayers' League and the governor to this program.

Having successfully run the gauntlet of an attack on its ballot title, the Highway Protective association is now understood to be well on the way to completion of its petitions for the Freight Truck and Bus Bill.

Other proposed measures which are still classed as "active" include the water power and hydro electric constitutional amendment sponsored by the State Grange; the anti-cigarette constitutional amendment sponsored by E. F. Atchley of Eugene; the chain store tax bill sponsored by the Independent Merchants association; the \$3 motor license bill sponsored by H. H. Stallard, the old age pension bill sponsored by the late Frank E. Davis of Salem, and the measure repealing the criminal syndicalism act, sponsored by the International Labor Defense League.

To date only one initiative measure has been completed. That is the measure proposing repeal of the state prohibition law which is sponsored by Harry B. Critchlow of Portland.

Logging operators will meet with the state highway commission here Friday to consider regulation of logging trucks operating over public highways. This will mark the close of the test period during which the highway department has been closely observing the damage done to the highways by logging trucks. At a previous conference here R. H. Baldock, state highway engineer, strongly urged reduced speeds and lighter loads for logging trucks but the proposal was bitterly opposed by the logging operators as ruinous to their business.

Six hundred and fifteen insurance companies operating in Oregon collected a total of \$33,670,537 in premiums on all classes of business during 1931 and paid out \$19,292,715 in claims to policy holders and beneficiaries, according to the annual report of A. H. Averill, state insurance commissioner. Premium collections for 1931 were 22.2 percent below those for 1930 while loss claims were reduced by 16.3 percent.

The little city of Port Orford down in Curry county, it seems, has a surfeit of commercial clubs. Last March the state corporation commissioner issued a certificate of incorporation to the Port Orford Chamber of Commerce. Immediately there arose a protest from another organization by the same name, although incorporated, which claims to be the original and only legitimate Chamber in that city. Corporation Commissioner Mott in a desire to straighten out the tangle turned to Attorney General Van Winkle for advice and was informed by that authority that once a certificate had been issued it could not be revoked, nor has the

corporation commissioner any authority to require the incorporated chamber to change its name or to abandon its purpose.

A state fair without horse races "aint goin' to be what she used to be" to many of the old timers who have visited the big show at Salem year after year, but even at that Max Gehlar, general manager of the exposition insists that the 1932 fair will be bigger and better than ever. Hard times has made it necessary to dispense with many of the frills that went with the fair in former years but Gehlar promises to provide new features that will more than compensate for the loss of the races and the horse show.

The board of control has approved expenditure of \$19,000 for improvements at state institutions at Pendleton and Salem. Two new physicians' cottages will be built at the Eastern Oregon state hospital at Pendleton at a cost of \$9,000, and \$10,000 will be spent in remodeling the kitchen at the state prison at Salem.

Incendiaries have been unusually busy in Oregon during the past few months, according to A. H. Averill, state fire marshal. Vacant buildings, particularly warehouses and farm properties, have suffered heaviest damage at the hands of arsonists. Last month four warehouses owned and operated by farmers in the Hood River valley and several vacant farm houses in Clackamas county were destroyed by fires evidently started in this manner.

Fox Breeders to Meet July 6

Riverton, Oregon, June 31, 1932. Coquille Valley Sentinel, Coquille, Ore. Dear Editor: I am just in receipt of a letter from E. N. Walker, of Gresham, president of the Oregon State Fox Breeders Association, and a part of his letter is herewith enclosed for publication in your worthy paper if you can allow the space.

The National, as well as the Oregon State Fox Breeders Association, is realizing for the first time the splendid growth the fur-farming industry has made the past two years here in Coos county and plans are already made for a summer school to be held in Coquille, in the Myrtle grove at the community hall, on Wednesday, July 6th, from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. Picnic dinner at noon.

Mr. Walker and several other noted Oregon men, including some Coos county men, will be among the speakers on July sixth, as well as officers of the Rocky Mountain National Fox & Fur Breeders Association of Denver, and most important, Frank G. Aehbrook, head of the Biological Survey, of Washington, D. C.

Everyone interested in this new and increasingly important industry for Coos county is welcome to attend this meeting.

Very truly yours, Irene G. Hartwell, Sec. Protem.

Extract from letter of Mr. E. N. Walker:

Gresham, Oregon, June 27, 1932. To the Fox-Breeders of Coos County:

We appreciate very much the interest shown by the breeders in your locality, in their attendance at our recent meeting in Coquille on June 18th, also their willingness to co-operate for our mutual benefit.

We are planning to bring you a very interesting message from well-informed speakers at our summer school to be held on the community building grounds in Coquille on July 6th, from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m.

Signed: E. N. Walker, Pres. Oregon State Fox Breeders Association. E. F. Brown, Vice President.

Riverton News

Mrs. H. J. Berry was a caller in Riverton Monday forenoon.

C. M. Hartwell and family from here joined the caravan of Smith-Hughes boys and Coquille Grangers, when on their field trip and inspection of stock, crops and beautiful home gardens Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Beck drove down to Elk River Saturday morning, where they remained to fish until Sunday evening. They report a very good catch.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Tucker and family drove over Monday to Coos River, where they plan to visit friends for a few days.

The annual school meeting of our union high school district was held Monday afternoon at the school house. J. F. Van Leuven, of Parkersburg, was re-elected to serve as director for another five years. As Mrs. Lester Borgard had been elected clerk by the grade district last week, she was also appointed by the high school board Monday for their clerk. No special business came up before the meeting. The financial report of the district was given by Professor Beck. All voters present expressed themselves as being quite in favor of the budget of expenses for the ensuing year, as made out by Mr. Beck and the school board.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bean returned

SEE YOU AT DUNHAM'S of course

Let us help make your 4th of July vacation a success. Our picnic supplies will please you. We will be closed Monday/ July 4th.

Feature Items for Friday, Saturday and Tuesday JULY 1st, 2nd and 5th

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| Salad Aid
Quart Jars 24c | Ivory Snow
For Fine Washing Reg. 15c Pkg. 5c EACH | Roosevelt Highway Fancy Hand Peeled Grapefruit
2 Cans 35c |
| Lemons
15c Doz. | Milk
All Brands 5c TALL CANS 2 lbs. | Coffee
Freshly Ground 35c |
| Marshmallows
Firefly 17c Pound | | |

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| Sugar
Pure Cane 10 LBS. 42c | Picnic Specials
Swift's Spiced Ham 1 lb can 33c
Deviled Meat 6 cans 23c
Potato Chips, Reg. 10c 5c
Cookies, asstd. 1b 25c
Oranges doz. 14c
Olives 2 large cans 29c
Pickles, Sweet Quart for 29c
Canada Dry Ginger Ale 2 for 29c
Sardines in Olive Oil 3 for 29c
Pork and Beans can 5c | Vinegar
Rockdell pure Cider In the new attractive jug. 23c Quart |
| Soap
Guest Ivory 5 Bars 19c | Pure Lard
"Nebergalls" 4 lb Celophaned 33c | Roosevelt Highway Small Fancy PEAS 2 Cans 25c |
| Candy
Fancy Hard Mix 15c LB. | Watermelon
Take one along 3c LB. | Soda
Arm & Hammer 3 PKGS. 23c |

CANNING SPECIALS

ROYAL ANNE Cherries 3c LB Apricots See Our Windows

DUNHAM'S of Course, Coquille - PHONE 81 TWO DELIVERIES

Saturday morning from a ten-days' visit with their daughter, Mrs. Harold Ridings, at Molalla, Oregon.

Mrs. Bernice Clausen and baby, Max, returned home after a two weeks' stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Alpine.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Beck, accompanied by Ansel Hayward, came in Friday evening from Eugene, where Mr. Beck and Mr. Hayward have been attending summer school. They remained until Monday evening. Mr. Beck, who has been acting as school clerk since the illness of Mrs. Florence Roberts, was here to attend the annual school meeting.

Among the ranches visited by the Smith-Hughes boys and the Grange members Sunday was the Smith & Kay ranch in our district. They examined the cattle and other interesting things on the place, including several pairs of foxes and their pups. This is the only ranch on which foxes were examined.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie McCulloch and two children arrived Friday of last week from Bellingham, Wash., to visit Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sell. They plan to remain several weeks.

Adolph Moltu was fishing up Rock creek in Brewer valley recently. He seems to be about the most successful angler we have in this section, having caught the limit nearly every time he has fished.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Tucker and children, Frances, Ruth, and Jimmie, have been Riverton visitors for the past week. They have also been entertained by friends in Bandon and Coquille. Mr. Tucker was principal in Riverton for six years, prior to this year. He has been re-elected as principal of the Washington school in Medford for the coming school term.

Norway and Hall's Creek

Miss Lavaun Aasen took first place in the oratorical contest sponsored by the local welfare board of the Brethren Church. The topic was "Benefits of Prohibition." Miss Aasen receives as the winner a free trip to Ashland

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to the district meeting in August of the Brethren Church. Here she will meet contestants from all over the state.

Mrs. A. Ellingson, Mrs. Jennie Price, of Coquille, and Mrs. Hartig, of Bradley Lake, were dinner guests at the S. L. Lafferty home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hunter, of Sheridan, Ore., cousins of Ira Wilson, were guests at the Wilson home Sunday and Monday.

Miss Catherine McBain, of The Dalles, sister of Mrs. Marvin Shaw, has been visiting at the Shaw home the past week.

Mrs. Herman Tedsen has received word from Mr. Tedsen that he arrived in Hamburg, Germany, June 12. Mr. Tedsen stated he had an excellent trip across but was glad to walk upon dry land again.

Mrs. Ray Zumwalt and Mrs. Oris Knapp, of Port Orford, were visitors Tuesday at the J. H. McCloskey home. Ervin Barklow and daughter, Caroline, arrived here Saturday to visit with Mr. Barklow's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Barklow. E. Barklow will return to his work in Corvallis Friday and his daughter will remain with her grandparents for the summer.

C. A. Mellor, of Riddle, drove in Saturday for his wife who has been vis-

iting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Haughton.

Sunday, June 26, little Janice Lafferty entertained several of her friends at her home in West Norway. The occasion was her second birthday. After pictures were taken and the guests were allowed to play, they were pleased with a large birthday cake. In the center of the cake arose a tiny circus tent, while around the edge and even down the sides paraded the animals. As the cake was cut, each guest was presented with one of the animals. Ices and cakes were served by Mr. and Mrs. F. Lafferty and Mrs. S. L. Lafferty. Miss Janice was the recipient of many lovely gifts. Guests present were: Mrs. A. Coleman and Betty Lou, Mrs. L. Linn, Fay, Phillips and Donny, Mrs. Summers, Laura Jean and Harry, Josephine Deyoe, Mrs. E. Lafferty and Allen, Mrs. A. Christensen and Marvin, Mrs. E. Watkins and Ann, Mrs. M. Holt, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Guerin, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Lafferty and the little hostess, Janice.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Toot, of Calipatria, California, are here visiting with relatives and friends.

Trespass Notices, printed on cloth, Sunday for his wife who has been vis-