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## The People's Store

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#### ANTI-SALOON.

This space belongs to the Temperance forces of Union County.

Office of State Attorney, County of Grand Forks, North Dakota.

Hon. W. W. Glasgow, Medford, Ore.

Dear Sir: In reply to your favor of recent date, with reference to the question as to whether or not prohibition is beneficial or otherwise, will state that from my personal observation, I am of the opinion that it is of great benefit to any community.

During the period that I lived in Dakota when it was a territory, I was opposed to the idea of prohibition, believing that it was an infringement upon the inherent right and personal privileges of the people. In other words, was of the opinion that a person had an absolute right to eat or drink what he pleased and that the law could not interfere with such rights.

Having been a resident of Dakota since 1882, I have been there during the time when the saloons were in full blast under the high license law, and also when prohibition was in effect and have thus been able to observe the difference in conditions between the community in which saloons were tolerated and in the community where they were prohibited.

From 1882 until 1890, when prohibition went into effect in the then new state of North Dakota, the saloon element were the controlling factor in every political movement in the city, county and territory, as no person could be elected to any position in the gift of the people unless he was entirely satisfactory to the saloon element. Their main object was to secure the election of persons to office who were friendly to them and who would allow them to violate the laws of the city, county and territory, regulating saloons with impunity.

At the time prohibition went into effect in North Dakota in the year 1890 Grand Forks was a city of 4000 inhabitants, with no public improvements to speak of and no large business blocks. It had about 25 saloons, paying license of \$1000 each, making a total revenue of \$25,000 per year. The commission of crime was a frequent occurrence and the actual outlay of cost in criminal cases in the county of Grand Forks amounted to about \$25,000 per year. Since prohibition went into effect we have grown very rapidly and now have about 15,000 inhabitants, paved streets, water works system, electric light system, street car system, steam heating system

and the best filter system in the northwest, large business blocks and all the modern improvements that a city of that size would reasonably expect.

The people are prosperous and the taxes are not nearly as high as they were when we had saloons. In our midst and received a revenue from that source of \$25,000 per year. And the costs of the county of Grand Forks for criminal expenses does not exceed the sum of \$5000 per year, showing a saving in that respect of \$20,000 per year.

I am personally acquainted with a great many farmers residing in the vicinity of Grand Forks, who during the time saloons were in existence were what you might term drunkards, that is, they were so addicted to the use of intoxicating liquors that they spent most of their time and money in the saloons. For this reason their farms were heavily encumbered with mortgages and all of them were more or less in a precarious condition.

Since prohibition has gone into effect, these men have learned to control their appetite for intoxicating liquors, have ceased to visit saloons, with the result that all of them have paid off all their encumbrances on their farms, and have bank accounts ranging from \$5000 to \$15,000.

The condition of affairs on the other side of the river where saloons are tolerated are entirely different. In East Grand Forks there are about 40 saloons paying license of about \$1000 each, making total revenue received from these sources of \$40,000. The city of East Grand Forks has not increased more than 1000 in population since 1890, and is largely in debt, has no paving, no system of water works, no street cars, no electric light system, and in fact, no public improvements whatsoever. And even its system of public schools are very poor. No lady will dare go out on the streets in the evening in the city of East Grand Forks without an escort. And even in the daytime you cannot walk down the street without hearing vile and profane language. Loafers are found on every street corner. There is not a day passes that some crime or other is not committed and the costs for criminal expenses are enormous.

When we contrast the conditions of these two cities lying side by side with only the Red river of the north dividing them, it is certainly great wonder that any man having the welfare of the community at heart would vote to retain the saloon. Your truly,

J. B. WINEMAN,

State's Attorney.

"If it is a crime to make a counter-

felt dollar, it is ten thousand times a worse crime to make a counterfeit man."—Abraham Lincoln.

"The liquor traffic tends to produce criminality in the population at large and law-breaking among the saloon keepers themselves."—Theodore Roosevelt.

"To make sawlogs into lumber is a business, but to make boys into drunkards is a crime."—Dr. Henry Ostrom.

"The liquor traffic is the most degrading and ruinous of all human pursuits. By legalizing this traffic we agree to share with the liquor seller the responsibilities and evils of his business. Every man who votes for license becomes of necessity a partner to the liquor traffic and all its consequences."—William McKinley.

"The saloon, which is the center of the vice of drunkenness, is especially destructive to young men. The community has the same right to prohibit saloons as it has to prohibit cemeteries."—David Starr Jordan.

#### Morning Prayer Meetings.

Full list of homes in which meetings will be held tomorrow. The announcement of meeting places and leaders for the morning cottage prayer meetings for tomorrow, are published herewith. The first name designates the residence in which the meetings are to be held, and the second name the leader:

North district—Mrs. Brady, 1815 Valley street; Mrs. Snook, leader. Mrs. Stetts, Mr. Devine, leader. Mrs. Peck, Mrs. Matthews, leader. West district—Mrs. Fred Currey Mrs. Brenholts, leader. Mrs. Cates, Mrs. Cahoon, leader. Mrs. Gillilan, Mrs. Hanna, leader. South district—Mrs. Deal, Mrs. Ingles, leader. Vinackie, Evans, leader. Milligan, Lewis, leader. East district—Hohn, Anderson, leader. Jackson, Eemmann, leader. Bradley, R. E. Smith, leader.

#### Deputy Game Wardens.

State Game and Forestry Warden R. O. Stevenson has appointed Charles Black and Earl W. Dunn of Halfway. Leo A. Blevins of Union, Joseph A. Harris, Harvey W. Harris, Howard K. O'Brien, Newton V. Downs and J. Fred McClain of Wallowa, Walter A. Fay of Chico, Drury D. Davis of Imnaha, and Joseph K. Carper of Promise as deputy game and forestry wardens of the state of Oregon.

The Observer—always first with the news.

## DOES IT PAY

HOUDENSCHILD STILL  
HOLDS HIS CROWDS.

Reasonable and Convincing Plea for the Legitimate Claims of the Soul—Great Folly of Bargaining Away the Soul for Prizes of Earth Laid Bare.

Last evening a good-sized audience greeted Evangelist Houdenschield. The singing was inspiring. The seats provided for the choir were filled. The congregation, under the leadership of the Evangelist, and the choir sang with a will.

At the close of the service about 50 workers from the various churches were instructed in their duties and their presence and influence will be felt in the succeeding meetings. The campaign is now fairly launched and most gratifying results are anticipated. The text for the sermon was the one found in Matt. 16:26. "For what is a man profited if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" After clearly answering the question "What is the Soul?" the evangelist showed that every one determined his own destiny. If any man perishes it will be because he disregards the matchless love of the Savior and refuses to trust in the finished work of the Lord. Then with cogent argument and a wealth of illustration from history, biography and present-day life he made it clear that it is a bad and unsatisfactory bargain to jeopardize the soul for all the pleasures, wealth, or honors and glories of the world. Then, in ringing tones, he appealed to men to put a proper value on the soul, make up their minds to give their consent and commit themselves in trust to Jesus Christ and His finished work.

The afternoon meetings at 3 o'clock are proving especially helpful. They have been well attended, but too many are missing what they cannot afford to disregard.

The 9 o'clock prayer meetings are splendidly maintained.

#### ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF LAND.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned as administrator de bonis non (with the will annexed) of the estate of Melinda Wardwell, deceased will, by virtue of an order of the county court of Union county, state of Oregon, made on the 8th day of April, 1908, empowering him to do so, from and after the 19th day of May, 1908, sell at private sale, for cash, lots numbered 5 and 6, of block numbered 26, of Sterling's addition to the town of Island City, in Union county, state of Oregon, which sale will be made to obtain funds to pay legacies and expenses of administration, and said property will be sold to the person offering the largest sum therefor. Persons desiring to buy said property are requested to communicate with me at my residence at said Island City, or elsewhere. Said sale will be made according to law and said order of court.

ULYSSES G. COUCH,

Administrator.  
(To be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Evening Observer.)

RAMSEY & OLIVER,  
Attorneys for Administrator.  
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#### Program Changes.

The Electric theater opened its week-end program this afternoon with a well-attended matinee. As seen by the program in the display ad, elsewhere in this issue, the films are of the light and picturesque nature. The songs are catchy and the scenes are good.

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#### Pastime Theater

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