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FINAL THINGS TO BE CONSIDERED

Dr. Seeman appears in the People's Forum tonight with a last appeal to vote the prohibition ticket. The Doctor repeats the oft told story of misery, want and woe caused by the old time saloon. He hitches the Home Rule bill in what appears to us a wrong position, for we do not think that passage of that measure will have a bad effect, but on the contrary we believe it will aid in regulating the liquor traffic and placing responsibility where it belongs.

We want to say just a word to remind the voters of a few things on this question at this last moment. The fight is not to enthrone or perpetuate what Dr. Seeman and many others understand the old-time American saloon to be. But it is to devise better methods of handling the liquor business than now exist, or have existed in the past before local option was adopted.

happened in Kansas, and after reaching the age of seventeen we observed that the very liquor we had innocently been fighting was being sold regardless of the prohibition law. We saw for many years men go down the primrose path under prohibition, and we grew to believe that it was a failure and a mistake; that it was not possible to enforce a measure of that kind.

What was the next thing to do? Turn to another system, and that system is regulation—the very system we are offering the people of Union county, and which if they adopt it, this paper will be found striving earnestly to obtain better results than now exist or have existed in La Grande and Union county so far as the sale of liquor is concerned.

The case is now up to the people to decide. Each side has made itself plain, we think and tomorrow's vote will mean a great deal to this county. Therefore, do not let prejudice, or agitation take the place of your better judgment.

WHY VOTE FOR IVANHOE?

Yes, why vote for Ivanhoe? Because he is a man among men; because he is square in his prosecution. Some may think he has not been, but that thought is fathered by prejudice, for Ivanhoe is on the square. Every criminal and every man accused of crime has his friends. If the prosecution makes an honest effort to convict usually many friends of the man accused have a dislike for the man sworn to do his duty. It is so with Ivanhoe, it is so with every prosecutor that had courage to do right.

But, remember that few districts in the state of Oregon have as strong men for prosecuting attorney as Col. Ivanhoe. Union and Willowa counties are extremely fortunate in being able to have the opportunity to vote for ability and honesty combined as they are in Ivanhoe.

THE CLOSING DAY.

The evidence is in. The arguments have been made. The question is now up to the jury for decision. We be-

lieve that the decision when rendered will show Bowerman elected governor; that it will show more or less of a Republican victory in all state and district offices and in Union county. It should, and we believe will show the re-election of Republicans running for office including Judge Henry.

Tomorrow morning cast your ballots. It will take more time than usual this year, but cast your ballots just the same. Whether you are for or against what the Observer advocates do not be so small and insipid as to fail to exercise your franchise as an American citizen.

Vote—vote right, if you will—but if not, vote anyway.

PEOPLE'S FORUM.

Things to be Considered on the Eve of the Election.

If prohibition does not prohibit, why do the brewers, the distillers, the liquor dealers, the saloon keepers fight prohibition and spend thousands of dollars in the state of Oregon to keep Oregon wet?

If the "Home Rule Association" is a temperance organization why did the brewer book the "Home Rule" speakers? Is a brewer a temperance worker?

Do honorable men stoop to such "infamous" business as to send out in their literature and put on bill boards such glaring falsehoods as those about the search and seizure law? If they misrepresent in this will they not in other things? Are they trustworthy? What kind of a cause needs such support?

Look out for the man who sneers at sentiment. Such a man "is fit for treasons, stratagems, and spoils."

Science says that alcohol is neither a food nor a stimulant but one of the most dangerous poisons. Are you going to vote to keep open these places where this poison is sold and men destroyed for this life and for the next?

You are either for or against the saloon. There is no middle ground. The issue is clear cut. You can not dodge it. If you vote against prohibition you are voting for the saloon. You want this source and cause of crime and poverty and debauchery and all that is evil to be continued.

The saloon and the liquor traffic has never been law abiding. They never will be. In the face of the danger of extermination it makes its promise to be good, but it never fulfills its promise. And the man who believes this talk about regulation at the present time wants to be fooled.

Clarence Darrow said that the saloon was no financial help to any community. I believe some of our papers said that he was a great student of political economy. I wonder if the saloonites still think he is? But since he has no faith in the saloon as a financial asset, and since he said men would be better off if they would let liquor alone, do you not think we ought to close up this institution? When we remember how many lives it ruins, how many hearts it breaks, how many homes it destroys, how many reasons it de-thrones, how many of God's best creatures it turns into brutes, how many men, women, and children it sends to untimely graves, and how many graves it fills with drunkards, we ought to be unanimous in the determination to wipe this accursed institution off the face of the earth.

The prohibition cause is righteous. Being righteous it must triumph. You may defeat it this year, but soon it will prevail. God will hear the cries of the drunkard's wives and children and the prayers of the good people of this fair land. You cannot forever defeat the right.

The "Home Rule Association" in its shameless letters to the voters says: "That neither the farmer nor the city man can have liquor of any kind in his POSSESSION, even in his own house," if prohibition carries. That is a deliberate falsehood. Are those men who send out such statements honorable men, and do they represent a worthy cause? If there is anything "infamous" their conduct is. It is unspeakably so.

I want to express my appreciation of the many pleasant things that have been said about the "Forum," and thank the Observer for the privilege of addressing the people through its columns on this great issue, and thank the editor for calling the attention of the readers to the "Forum" by his editorials. I trust that through

it all good has come for the cause of righteousness.

If Union county votes "dry" tomorrow I pledge the most strenuous fight for the enforcement of law the county has ever seen. Law breakers must be punished.

If the unexpected should happen, and the county should vote wet, we pledge you a renewed fight for prohibition, and a hotter one than we have yet had. We are not in it for money, but for conscience sake. Such men never quit.

When you mark your ballots remember that you are determining whether you will be a partner in the crimes of the saloon. If you vote to continue the saloon you can say every time a man goes reeling home to abuse his wife and children, I voted to make that shame and sorrow possible, and therefore I am responsible along with the men who made it and sold it. And so of every evil of the saloon. You can not escape that consequence of your vote.

If you vote for prohibition you can say, "I did what I could to put an end to this unspeakable evil." Vote like a man with a head and a conscience and heart.

S. W. SEEMAN.

Vote for X-101—Against Prohibition in Union County, which means a vote for the strict and permanent regulation of the liquor traffic in the county.—Adv.

"Gray Dove" Tonight.

Miss Laura Winston in "The Gray Dove" will commence a week's engagement at the Steward this evening. The supporting company is an excellent one and seven nights of the best stock plays will be offered.

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Vote 328—X—Yes for Home Rule; vote 343—X—No—Against Prohibition; vote 345—X—No—Against Prohibition search law; vote 101—X—Against prohibition in Union county.—Paid Adv.

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Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received at the office of the City Recorder until Wednesday evening November 9th, 1910 for the printing and binding of five hundred city Charters, also give price on 1,000, the size and style of binding to be ascertained at the recorder's office.

By orders of the City Council, November 2nd, 1910.

D. E. COX, Recorder.

Nov. 3 to 9.

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