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State Wide Prohibition Up to the People

By an overwhelming vote the question of whether the voters of Florida shall have the privilege of saying whether or not State-wide prohibition shall prevail in Florida after July 1911 was decided in the affirmative by both branches of the Legislature last week. The question came up in the Senate on last Thursday when the proposed Constitutional Amendment by Senator McMullen of Hillsboro county was called up out of its regular order. Senators Beard, Buckman and Zim were the chief speakers against the passage of the resolution and Senators McMullen, Broome and others championed the right of the people of the entire State to vote upon the question. Argument pro and con continued through the entire morning session, no adjournment being taken at the dinner hour. The vote was taken at about three o'clock and upon the call of the roll the Senators voted as follows:

Ayes—Adkins, Baker, of Twan-teth, Baker of Twenty-ninth, Broome, Crill, Cone, Cook, Cottrell, Dayton, Flournoy, Girardeau, Humphries, Johnson, Leggett, Massey, McCreary, McLeod, McMullen, Miller, Sloan, West, Williams, Withers, Hudson.

Nays—Beard, Bockman, Harris, Henderson, Hosford, Sams, Zim.

So the resolution was adopted by the Senate by a vote of 24 to 7, Senator Cook being absent when vote was taken. Had he been present he

would have voted "no," making the Senate stand 24 for submission to 8 against.

On Friday the proposed amendment was taken up in the House and after nearly an entire day spent in speech making by the friends and foes thereof a vote was taken at four o'clock p. m., which resulted in the passage of the resolution by a vote of 53 to 16 as follows:

Those voting against the adoption of the resolution were the speaker, Acree, Blanton of Madison, Butler, Bynum, Calkins, Chaires, Chase, Davis of Madison, Dempsey, Dupont, Hatcher, Knowles, Malone, Smith of Jackson, and Wells of Leon—16.

Those voting for the resolution were: Alexander, Boad, Brown, Carter, Carn, Cash, Clarke of Jefferson, Conway, Cox, Duke, Durand, Epperson, Godfrey, Grace, Hardee, Hilburn, Hodges, Hull, Kelley, King, Knight, Light, Littell, MacWilliams, Mahaffey, McCaskill, McKenzie of Putman, McKenzie of Washington, Miller, Moore, Neely, Newton, Ogilvie, Page, Pattishall, Patten, Register, Richbourg, Robertson, Sheppard, Stewart, Stokes, Stringer, Taylor, Terrell, Thaggard, Thornton, Tidwell, Trammell, Wall, Watford, Wiggins, Wilson.—53.

The Legislature having submitted the amendment it is now up to the people of Florida to say by their ballots at the next regular general election in November 1910, whether or not Florida will join her sister States of the South—Georgia, Ala-

bama, North Carolina, Tennessee and others—in general prohibition or whether we will continue to be the resort of the outlawed business of these other States. That the campaign will be fought every inch during the next eighteen months, especially by the liquor interest, is a foregone conclusion. And we are rather of the opinion that the temperance people will also get busy.

Sunday School Picnic at picnic ground Saturday May 1st.

Miss Parramore Robbed.
Sometime during the night of Saturday the 24th, Inst. Miss Agnes Parramore's room was entered and a "clean sweep" made of all her jewelry except one ring which she wore and one small brooch which was overlooked by the thief. She is sure that the man slipped in before bed time and was locked into the house. Just at what time the deed was done it is impossible to surmise, for in her haste to prepare for the Sunday services, she did not miss the jewelry and indeed it was not until 2.30 when she began to dress for the afternoon services, that she discovered her loss. Apart from the inestimable sentimental value of the lost jewels, their intrinsic value was serious, as they included a handsome diamond and a beautiful fraternity pin. All of Miss Agnes' friends sympathize deeply with her in her loss and it is to be hoped that the offender will be discovered and brought to speedy justice.

Revival Meeting Closed.

The Revival services which have been in progress at the Methodist church for two weeks, closed with the Tuesday night service. Numerically speaking, the results of the meeting have not been tabulated, but there were quite a number of conversions; and the eye of God alone saw all the cold formal christians who were lifted to a plane of a real vital living religion, also the earnest christians who saw and entered into the experience of Love Perfected and especially all the hearts dead in sin who felt the tender wooing of the Holy Spirit to yield to God.

Rev. W. C. Swope is a grand monument to the lifting and keeping power of Divine Life. After spending most of his past life a stranger to good and God, he at length cried unto God from the depths, and ever since he has been kept and used of Him to carry the sweet message to other fallen and enslaved men. His message is essential to men and is one calculated to break up a very hard heart of stone. The high standard of Christian living which he preached appealed to it if it did not altogether convince every real christian here and surely one who so fearlessly wielded the sword of the Spirit may rest assured that in this community it will not return unto Him void but will accomplish that whereunto He has sent it. Rev. W. L. Burks who made many personal friends here, left for Annis-ton Ala., his home at 2.30 P. M. Tuesday, Rev. Mr. Swope also left at the same time for Charleston Mo. where he will spend one day with his family and then begin a meeting at Jackson, Mo.

Memorial Exercises.

Memorial day exercises were held at Oakridge Cemetery Monday afternoon, 26th Inst. The program though old and well honored, held elements which never fail to touch a responsive chord in every worthy heart, and on this occasion it seemed sweet, reasonable and vitally helpful to be thus assembled. The venerable sexton Mr. Butler, himself a Confederate Veteran, led the line of March and was followed by the Madison Orchestra, which rendered most impressively "Departed Comrades." Next in order came fifteen Veterans, each one receiving as he passed, glances full of tender love and respect from every bystander. Last came the loveliest sight that from years end to year end ever greets the human eye—a long procession of children, marching two and two, their tiny hands laden with floral offerings. Separating at the graves of our Soldier Dead, they marched in two lines on either side of the graves, and, at a given signal laid upon the graves the tributes which once more silently breathe the words "Gone but not forgotten." Rev. W. R. Ivey made the invocation after which Columbus B. Smith in behalf of the Veterans spoke a few fitting words commemorating the occasion and paying tribute to the Southern Soldier and to the Women of the Old South. Crosses of Honor were then presented to H. B. Gibson, J. D. Williams and W. H. Butler, Mr. Slater not being present to receive his. Rev. L. D. Lowe pronounced the Benediction and with the sweet harp notes of Taps ringing in each heart, Memorial Day of '09 passed into memory.

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