

The War Prohibition Act was enacted after America entered World War I, outlawing the manufacture of beer and wine after May 1, 1919 and outlawing all intoxicating beverages after June 30, 1919. America went dry under this act on July 1, 1919. The fighting, WWI, had actually stopped on November 11, 1918, Prohibition, the Eighteenth Amendment, took effect on January 20, 1920.

Reverend A. C. Bane declared the nation, "redeemed by prohibition", "America will 'go over the top' in humanity's greatest battle.... struggling with the same age-long foe, we will go forth with the spirit of the missionary and the crusader to help drive the demon of drink from all civilization."

Reverend Sam Small in 1917, spoke these powerful words to the Washinton, D. C. Anti-saloon League's convention, "...you and I may proudly expect to see this America of ours, victorious and Christianized, become not only the savior but the model and the monitor of the reconstructed civilization of the world in the future."

The Reverend Josiah Strong, coeditor of the magazine "The Gospel of the Kingdom," in 1914 wrote, "Personal Liberty is at last an uncrowned king, with no one to do him reverence. ...We are no longer frightened by that ancient bogey...."