

having endured the pioneer's sacrifices, no one will begrudge you the pioneer's reward.

I congratulate you upon having lived to join in the shouts of triumph and to receive the credit due you for foresight and courage.

With a new year's greeting, I am,  
Very truly yours,  
W. J. BRYAN.

**COLLECT \$3,000 IN CASH FOR HALIFAX**

[From The Boston Globe.]

Ex-Gov. John L. Bates fittingly described the spirit prevailing at the Halifax relief meeting in Mechanic's building last night, as one of exultation rather than despondency, and described it to the demonstration of international brotherhood shown in the alacrity of the response to the call for aid that Massachusetts has made during the last three days.

The great hall contained a large audience, and \$3,000 in cash was raised. Various sums were also pledged on blanks, the total of which was not computed.

One of the largest single contributions was made by Hon. William Jennings Bryan, who dropped in just long enough to make a short, sympathetic address.

Music, largely of a patriotic character, was interspersed throughout the program by Teel's band, the British Naval and Military Veterans Drum and Bugle Corps, the Highland Dress Association Pipers, the Lotus Vocal Quartette, Mme. Grace Hamlin, soprano, and Frank Sebastia, tenor, all volunteers.

Mr. Bryan, Mayor Curley and Congressman Peter F. Tague, candidate for mayor, were each, when they arrived at the hall, escorted to the platform by the pipers.

**FOR WARTIME PROHIBITION**

A Washington dispatch, dated Dec. 24, says: A letter from Theodore Roosevelt, favoring wartime prohibition not only for fighting men, but for citizens working on railroads, in factories and shipyards, was made public tonight by Dr. Clarence True Wilson, of the national temperance board. Answering a letter from Dr. Wilson, Colonel Roosevelt wrote that he had favored prohibiting the use of food grains at the outbreak of the war, and added:

"Neither the men in the army, nor the men engaged in doing vital work for the army in connection with railroads, factories, mines and shipyards, should be allowed to waste strength and health in drink at this time. The same reasons that render it necessary to prohibit the sale of liquor to soldiers in uniform, or within a given number of miles from a military camp, and to stop its use on battleships, apply to extending similar protection for all citizens engaged in the work of railroads, factories, mines and shipyards.

"I may mention that my sons who are now with the army in France, write me most strongly, just as General Pershing has expressed his public opinion most strongly as to the harm done to the men of the army by permitting the sale of liquor to them, stating that they believe in absolute prohibition for the army in war time—and one of them adding that his experience has made a permanent prohibitionist of him.

"I wish your board every success in its effort to stop all waste of food, men, labor and brain power during these days when the nation needs every energy of every man at his best."

**SOLDIERS AT CAMP DEVENS CHEER MR. BRYAN**

[From The Boston American.]

A Camp Devens, Ayer, dispatch, dated Dec. 10, says: William Jennings Bryan breezed into camp Sunday and remained two hours. He called at division headquarters and was warmly greeted by members of the staff.

He inspected company barracks of the 25th Engineers, an organization of regulars, and addressed several hundred soldiers in Y. M. C. A. Hut No. 23 in the camp of the 301st Engineers.

Colonel Bryan gave the soldiers a heart-to-heart talk. In the middle of his speech a bugle sounded and a squad of soldiers came tramping into the hall with their rifles and their faces glowing after a hike over the snow-covered hills.

Thinking that the advent of the late-comers presaged some military duty, Colonel Bryan was about to stop his address, but the men applauded and told him to continue. Later he told them he thought he had talked long enough and again they urged him to "keep it up."

At the close of his speech the men flocked to the platform to shake his hand and gave him three cheers. In the evening he spoke at Harvard.

**ENTHUSIASTIC RED CROSS DRIVE**

[From The Miami, Fla., Herald.]

Hon. William Jennings Bryan swayed the mighty crowd with his eloquence of the closing meeting of the great Red Cross Christmas drive held at Royal Palm park yesterday.

Long before the appointed time for the afternoon concert all the parking space in the streets around the park was filled and every seat taken. Those who came at the hour set for the meeting found hardly standing room and it is estimated that fully

five thousand persons gathered there to hear Mr. Bryan speak.

The meeting followed the first part of the afternoon program for the band concert. Mr. E. B. Douglas, chairman of the membership drive, presided. Dr. J. L. White of the First Baptist church prayed for the close of the war as soon as consistent with the honor of nations. Judge A. J. Rose made a brief talk introducing Mr. Bryan and told that he had just taken Red Cross memberships in Miami for himself. Mrs. Bryan, their grandson, the baker and the cook.

**BOOKS RECEIVED**

How to Build Mental Power. By Grenville Kleiser. Author of widely commended courses of special training in public speaking, good English, and Business Success, and many popular books on kindred subjects. Funk & Wagnalls Company, publishers, 354-360 Fourth Ave., New York City. Price \$3.00 net.

The Gospel of Buddha. Compiled

from ancient records. By Paul Carus. The Open Court Publishing Co., Chicago and London. Price \$1.

The Tender Pilgrims. By Edgar Dewitt Jones, D. D. The Christian Century Press, 700 East 40th St., Chicago, Ill. Price 85 cents net.

Our Bible. By Herbert L. Willett, Ph.D. The University of Chicago. The Christian Century Press, Chicago, Ill. \$1.35 net.

Lucky Bob. By Francis J. Finn, S. J. Benziger Brothers, Publishers, New York. Price \$1.00.

Great Love Stories of the Bible and Their Lessons for Today. By Billy Sunday. G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York and London. Price \$1.50 net.

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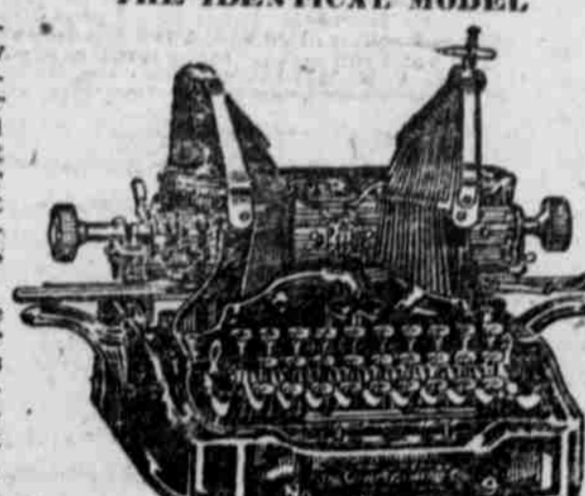
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